

# Heikki Hietala - Author Info Sheet

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Heikki learned to read at four but is still trying to learn to write. He usually writes in English, which somehow feels more natural at the moment, but is working on a draft of a novel in Finnish. Many of his short stories are available at his website at [www.sabulo.com](http://www.sabulo.com), where they can be read for free.

There's currently about 110,000 words in some 35 finished short stories, most of which are slightly supernatural or twisted in nature, but some are out of real life. Heikki is a member of Year Zero Writers and The Bookshed, which are writer collectives dedicated to better writing.



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## Published works:

**"Tulagi Hotel"** (Dragon Independent International Arts, London, April 2010 – see [www.diiarts.com](http://www.diiarts.com))

- A novel of 134,000 words (366 pages), available in hardcover, paperback, and Amazon Kindle
- Genres: Historical Fiction, Literary Fiction, Romance, and Popular Culture
- Ranked #15 on HarperCollins' website [www.authonomy.com](http://www.authonomy.com) among some 8,500 books in May 2009

### Short stories in competitions

- "Lord Stanton's Horse" (467 words), first place in the quarterly Flash500 competition, Fall 2010
- "The Campsite vol 1 – Forssa", highly commended in the Global Short Stories competition, March 2011

### Short stories in print anthologies

- "The Summerhouse" (1,800 words) in *Brief Objects of Beauty and Despair* (2009)
- "Yessirree" (405 words) in *Bits, Bobs and Baubles* (2009)
- "Carbon-based" (4,072 words) in *Thirteen Spirits Waiting for Sunrise* (2009)
- "The Ephemeral Man" (2,861 words) in *Bits, Bobs and Baubles* (2010)
- "The Crib" aka "Society" (2,281 words) in *Words to Music* (2011)
- "She Blinded Me with Science" (4,509 words) in *Words to Music* (2011)

### Short stories on websites and e-zines (partial list)

- "The Dispatchers" (3,450 words) at *Year Zero Writers*
- "The Summerhouse" (1,800 words) at *Escape Into Life*
- "Lord Stanton's Horse" (467 words) in *Words with JAM December 2010*
- "Les Feuilles Mortes" (4,900 words) at *Year Zero Writers*
- "The Campsite 1 – Forssa" at *Emprise Review vol. 9*
- "Wind in the Pipes" (6,850 words) at *Year Zero Writers*
- "The Photo Opportunity" (2,623 words) in *Words with JAM February 2010*
- "Flash in the Pan" (4,087 words) at *Year Zero Writers*
- "Stuorra-Jouni" (3,600 words) at *Year Zero Writers*

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