

Ömür İklim Demir

Writer in Residence / Turkey / September 2018

Biography

Ömür İklim Demir was born in 1980 in Turkey. He studied in faculty of law and graduated from Istanbul University in 2003. He worked as a criminal defense lawyer for seven years and also worked as a freelance writer in some magazines. Then he switched all of his career plan and started to work in an advertising company as a copywriter. He worked in that agency for three years and got an advertising award for a campaign about child prisoners he did for Amnesty International.

His first short story was published in Varlık Dergisi in 2010. Varlık is the oldest and most respectful literary magazine in Turkey. His first book Muhtelif Evhamlar Kitabı was published in 2015 by Yapı Kredi Yayınları (YKY). YKY is an important publisher in Turkish literature which is publishing authors like Yaşar Kemal, Nazım Hikmet, Sabahattin Ali and Orhan Pamuk.

Muhtelif Evhamlar Kitabı was awarded Haldun Taner Story Award, Ankara University Literary Award and Lycée Notre Dame de Sion Literary Award. The book has translated into German as Das Buch der entbehrlichen Gedanken. Nowadays he is busy with his own existence, nothing more, nothing less...

On September 21st Ömür İklim Demir will give a reading at the library of the Literaturhaus NÖ.