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GRANTA ANNOUNCES THE BEST OF YOUNG BRITISH NOVELISTS 2013

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Since 1983, the Best of Young Novelists series has introduced readers to scores of future literary lights long before they became household names. Best of Young British Novelists lists were published in 1983, 1993 and 2003, and featured writers including Salman Rushdie, Kazuo Ishiguro, A.L. Kennedy and David Mitchell. Of the 2013 list, *Granta* editor John Freeman says, ‘From satirists to humorists to sweeping epic-spinners, these writers have a command of language and their form which is simply astonishing. They show that the novel has a bold, brilliant future in Britain. I could not be prouder of the list.’

This launch also marks a series of new and unprecedented partnerships. Throughout 2013, the British Council and *Granta* are collaborating on an international showcase of contemporary British novelists, which features the twenty writers selected by *Granta*’s panel of judges. International events – including readings and conversation – will be taking place in more than ten countries including the United States, Vietnam, Russia, Qatar and India.

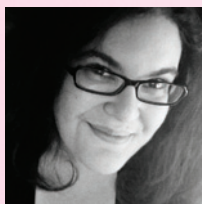
Visit literature.britishcouncil.org and granta.com/events for full details.

For the first time, Audible and *Granta* magazine are collaborating on the unabridged audio-book production. *Granta* 123: Best of Young British Novelists 4, which will be released via audible.co.uk and audible.com on 16 April. The wider aims of the partnership are to broaden the audience for literary fiction through a new, accessible format and to encourage writers to engage with spoken word from the start of their careers. For a video about the collaboration, including interviews with authors, click [HERE](#).

Granta 123: The Best of Young British Novelists 4 will be available to purchase from all good booksellers from 16 April in the UK and 23 April in the US. The 1983, 1993 and 2003 editions of the Best of Young British Novelists will debut in electronic format, across all e-book formats in chronological order on 25 March, 1 April and 8 April.

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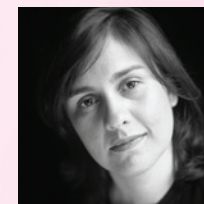
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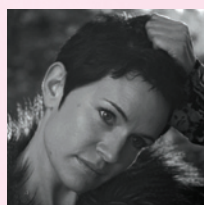
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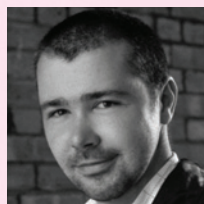
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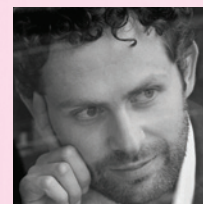
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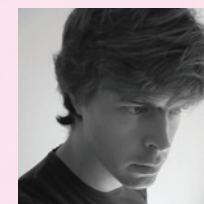
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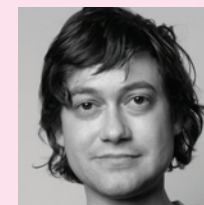
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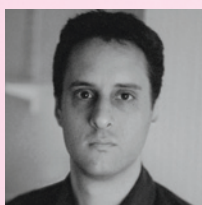
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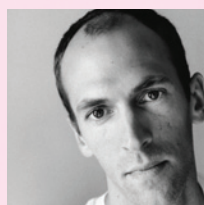
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