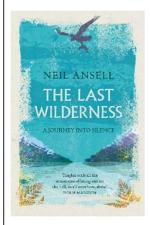


### The Highland Book Prize Duais Leabhair na Gàidhealtachd

Presented by the Highland Society of London

Moniack Mhor Writers' Centre, the Highland Society of London and the Ullapool Book Festival congratulate the shortlisted authors for the 2018 Highland Book Prize, to be awarded at the Ullapool Book Festival on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2019.

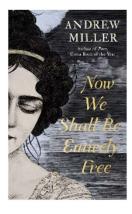


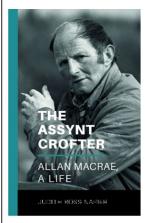
#### The Last Wilderness by Neil Ansell (Tinder Press)

Quote from the judges: "Holding an elegiac quality, charting the last months before the author loses his hearing, and with its calmness and specificity, reading The Last Wilderness almost becomes an act of mindfulness in itself – a precious, graceful book."

# Now We Shall Be Entirely Free by Andrew Miller (Sceptre)

"Beautifully written fiction that is bold, challenging and indelible - from the creation of character to its at times heady and dreamlike tone, this is as novel that holds your attention taut from beginning to end."





#### The Assynt Crofter by Judith Ross Napier (Acair)

"An engaging and surprising account of a figure who loomed large both in the local and national spheres. Amassing a wealth of detail on crofting and its characters at a particular juncture in the recent history of the Highlands, The Assynt Crofter is a richly valuable historical document."

# The Valley at the Centre of the World by Malachy Tallack (Canongate)

"A fine first novel, building on the technical achievements of the author's previous non-fiction work. The use of authentic dialogue in particular gives credibility to a story rooted in the day-to-day of ordinary, contemporary island life."

