

Wayne Johnston



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At the age of 27, the young Newfoundlander Wayne Johnston won The WH Smith/Books in Canada award for *the Story of Bobby O'Malley*.

The movie [The Divine Ryans](#) was penned by him first as a novel and later as a screenplay.

He won the Charles Taylor Prize (2000) for creative non-fiction for his memoir of Ferryland, an archeological site on the south shore of the Avalon Peninsula in Newfoundland. This book, [Baltimore's Mansion](#) was a bestseller in Germany and the Netherlands as well as in Canada, where the *National Post* called it a "non-fiction novel."

Johnston's most recent novel is [A World Elsewhere](#). Published in August 2011, it is already a national bestseller, a *Globe and Mail Best Book*. It has also been nominated for the Giller Prize.

Other well-known works include *The Colony of Unrequited Dreams* (1999) and [The Navigator of New York](#) (2003), which was also nominated for the Giller. Both were bestsellers.