

# LILLIAN N.

Lillian was born in Warsaw, Poland. In 1940, Lillian's family was forced to move into the Warsaw ghetto. In 1942, after having narrowly escaping deportation several times, her father made arrangements for Lillian's escape from the ghetto. Using a false identity, she went into hiding in several Polish villages for the remainder of the war.

She was eventually reunited with her father and mother.

Lillian's family immigrated to Canada in 1947, living in Montreal and Victoria before settling in Vancouver.

Lillian is the author of several volumes of poetry, as well as the award-winning trilogy of young adult novels: *The Old Brown Suitcase*, *The Sunflower Diary* and *The Lenski File*. She has also translated two volumes of poetry by Polish émigré writers, and worked as a creative writing instructor.

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