

VIRON KONA, THE PROFILE OF A WRITER

The article "Profile of a writer" refers to the personality and creativity of the Albanian writer Viron Kona, an author of more than 40 literary volumes: novels, short stories, novellas and poems, and hundreds of scholarly, literary, educational and social articles. The author of the article highlights some features of this writer, expresses his own appreciation as well as that of many Albanian and Swedish annotated figures who point out the creative skills, the talent and literary qualities of this writer. The author of the article points out that Viron Kona bases his creativity on his own experiences which he has lived through his active life and thanks to his strong and unwavering character to face life and its challenges. It is noted that Kona's creativity is conceived throughout his life's ups and downs. He has done all types of works, from the highly appreciated ones out of which he emerged as a well-known social value, to the works that took him to the edge. His life's trajectory starts from a civil servant to a manual worker as an emigrant.

The article underscores the fact that Viron Kona presents the plots of his books in geographical areas he has known as an active participants. Almost all the places and settings where the plot of his novels, novellas and short stories unfolds were visited by the author firsthand, were carefully observed and described, helping the reader to develop a clearer and more realistic imagery and gain geographic, historical, scientific knowledge, too. The article shows that the writer devoted special publications to any country he visited for cultural or health purposes. Thus, he went to Turkey in 1981 as the leader of a song and dance company and when he returned to Albania he wrote the book "Stars above the Bosphorus". In 1987, he went to Budapest for medical treatment and when he returned home he wrote the book "Hear my heart, Budapest!" During the first years of democracy in Albania, he similar to thousands of Albanians went to Greece as a refugee, and

when he returned he wrote the famous novel "Star Shivering". He is the co-author of several books dedicated to Sweden and his Albanian compatriots there: "Swedish Beauty", "For You My Friends", "The Lady from Borasi", "I love you more than myself!", "The Viking pollen" etc.

To make the article more interesting and to shed light on the portrait of its protagonist, Hajdarmataj quotes thoughts, impressions and characterizations for Viron Kona by personalities of culture and literature: Albanian and international professors, academicians, writers, sociologists and publicists who recognize his extensive creativity.