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**Nobel nomination procedure for literature: Dr. Ing. Shere Hite**

According to Nobel's will, which underlies the statutes of the Nobel Foundation, the prize for literature is to be awarded to those who have "created the most excellent in an idealistic direction".<sup>1</sup>

At the end of September last year, the Nobel Committee asked six to seven hundred selected people and institutions around the world for nominations for the Nobel Prize for Literature next year.

In due time, the German Society for Gender Education DGG eV submits an application for the Nobel nomination procedure for literature to the candidate Dr. med. Shere Hite.

After our reasoning, I am convinced that she is the best candidate for the nomination.

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Dr. should be Hite be rewarded and honored.

Best regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Linus J. Dietz'.

Linus J. Dietz  
President



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<sup>1</sup> [https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nobelpreis\\_für\\_Literatur](https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nobelpreis_für_Literatur)

## **Reason:**

Dr. Shere Hite's Vita<sup>2</sup> is well known publicly through publications, lectures, and her books. Her career is impeccable and commendable.<sup>3</sup>

The media<sup>4</sup> and literature have marked it as excellent. Their decades of success through published literature successes, they show as a suitable candidate.

Her books<sup>5</sup> seem at first glance to be exclusively literary works. A closer look reveals quickly that the scientific results are linguistically presented at a high level and meet high literary standards. Her critical research and her contribution to feminist theories / gender and women in literature have made me feel that she is an ideal candidate.

From 1972 to 1982, she directed the feminist sexuality project for the National Organization for Women, New York. In 1976, Shere published her influential groundbreaking study, *The Hite Report: A Nationwide Study of Female Sexuality Based on Anonymous Questionnaire Responses, In Which Women Described Their Sexual Experience in Detail*. Later, she published other surveys based on responses to surveys, including *The Hite Report on Male Sexuality* (1981), *The Hite Report on the Family: Growing Up in Patriarchy* (1994), and *The Hite Report on Women Loving Women* (2007) Others

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*2 (Born November 2, 1942 in St. Joseph, Missouri as Shirley Diana Gregory) is a native of the US feminist sexologist. In 1996 she accepted German citizenship. In 1985 Shere Hite married the German pianist Friedrich Hörnicke, in 1989 she moved with him to Europe and lived at times in Cologne; The marriage lasted until 1999. In 1995, out of frustration over the fierce hostilities in her homeland, she resigned from US nationality and became a German citizen in 1996, [1] as she considers German society to be more open and receptive to her work. Shere Hite currently lives with her main residence in London. No children.*

*3 I still see myself as an activist who wants to change society. You have to work hard for that. I get a lot of e-mails and letters from girls and young women, also from developing countries. Now I'm trying to set up a non-profit organization and website where they can share, where they can find mentors and scholarships. And of course, I still write columns for newspapers and magazines around the world, lecture at prestigious universities, and lecture. I'm also a professor at Nihon University in Japan. For the past six months, I've been to Spain, Portugal, New York, Mexico, London, Korea, Vienna, Milan, Ireland ... As a little girl growing up in a Missouri loch, I would never have dreamed, ever to lead an exciting life. Interview <https://www.stern.de/lifestyle/leute/was-macht-eigentlich-shere-hite-3961192.html>*

*4 [https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shere\\_Hite](https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shere_Hite)  
[https://www.t-online.de/gesundheit/sexualitaet/id\\_60732340/shere-hite-revolution-ueber-den-weiblichen-orgasmus.html](https://www.t-online.de/gesundheit/sexualitaet/id_60732340/shere-hite-revolution-ueber-den-weiblichen-orgasmus.html)*

*5 Literature is instrumental in the feminist movement of the 20th century; her lifelong work is a groundbreaking research on female sexuality.*

Hite taught internationally including Sorbonne, Harvard, Columbia, Cambridge, Oxford and became a regular columnist for several newspapers and in the late 1990s, the Hite Research Foundation established the visibility and the potential increase by women around the world. Although she published her book almost 40 years ago, her work is still being studied at universities, and recent research has yielded similar statistics confirming that the work that Shere did was valid.

In the light of the #Metoo movement, in which male dominance and power begin to unravel, Shere's work ties in with this new wave, in which women now claim their power and sexual identity. Dr. Hite's research approach to understanding female sexuality has been analyzed over the years, with more evidence that Dr. Hite generated data was valid and correct.<sup>6</sup>

"Hite-Reports" (1976/77, 1981, 1987, 1994), in which she examined sexuality, and especially the feminine, from a feminist point of view and came to conclusions that partially contradicted common morality and marriage ideals. Among other things, their findings caused a sensation that women masturbate far more frequently and have sexually explicit sexual contacts than those in society. Above all, conservative circles in the US protested against these provocative studies. Hite was sometimes exposed to harsh verbal abuse, physical attacks and even death threats. However, recognized sociologists and serious media also criticized the reports objectively. Above all, they accused Hite one-sidedness of their data collection and insufficient statistical breadth.

Shere's work made her a hate character in the "male world" at the time of publication. Many men felt that the results of the work eroded the male ego, power and dominance. For the personal life of countless women the literature Hite's is a unique benefit. It would be terrible for not just female well-being if these publications did not appear at all or later. Despite all criticism, the whole world society benefited from it. Also on my personal life, that of my wife and our entire environment, the scientifically proven view of "contemporary sexuality" had tremendous significance.<sup>7</sup>

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6 eMail von lola@ewavworks.com, 6.9.2018 an die DGG eV Sexpäd Germany

7 Sex researcher Shere Hite turns 70 - Before Shere Hite, the female orgasm for modern sex research was not exactly a highlight. The American has made him a topic - and himself. In 70 years of life, she was able to move a lot. (Interview dpa)

I hope that with this Nobel nomination, Shere Hite will receive worldwide recognition<sup>8</sup> for the groundbreaking work<sup>9</sup> as deserving thanks.

This feminine idealism<sup>10</sup> had the political power to change the view of the world of sexuality. This also benefited scientifically based sex education, which has been mandatory in all German schools since 1968.<sup>11</sup>

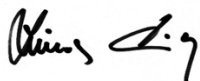
Her contribution has undoubtedly made her a key factor in understanding female sexuality of overall social significance.

Remains the question to clarify: scientist or writer? The abundance of publications and the amount of lectures show that the analysis of the scientific data is always packed in literary form, shows pointed approaches and effective effect on the reader, and not only by women, but increasingly also by willing and able-bodied men. Feminism is not just a fight against men.

For this reason, I am convinced that she is the best candidate for the nomination. The prevalent male view has complemented them by the female not inconsequential. So the scientific truth is a bit more reality.

The award of the literary life achievement would be the identification of a great piece of truth in the 20th century.

Dr. should be Hite be rewarded and honored. Being a candidate for the list would be a success for the sexist literary figures, whose results, opinions, analyzes, suggestions and recommendations benefit and continue to benefit all people worldwide.



Linus J. Dietz  
President DGG eV

Würzburg, 25.9.2018

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8 The Nobel Prize for Literature is often speeches with a political impact. Nobel obligated the jury in the will explicitly to use the idealism of the author or his work as a benchmark.

9 The complete work emerged in the 20th century and remains relevant to this day. It has a profound impact on the whole of society and has been seen by many women worldwide as a hope and empowerment for a self-determined life in dignity.

10 Feminist ideals in their overall social significance on a large platform of the Nobel Prize nomination

11 KMK Recommendations of 1968 - Decision of the KMK of 3.10, 1968, in: Collection of Resolutions of the Permanent Conference of the Ministers of Culture of the Countries in the Federal Republic of Germany, 659, Neuwied, Luchterhand (Erg.-Lfg. 12, 21. 4.1969)