

# Basic Detail Report

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## Natalia Ginzburg on winning the Strega

### prize standing between Luigi Barzini, Jr., and Guido Alberti

#### Date

1963-1963

#### Medium

gelatin silver print

#### Description

Luigi Barzini, Jr. was an Italian journalist, writer and politician most famous for his 1964 book *The Italians*, delving deeply into the Italian national character and introducing many Anglo-Saxon readers to Italian life and culture.

Natalia Ginzburg née Levi was an Italian author whose work explored family relationships, politics during and after the Fascist years and World War II, and philosophy. She wrote novels, short stories and essays, for which she received the Strega Prize and Bagutta Prize. Most of her works were also translated into English and published in the

United Kingdom and United States. An activist, for a time in the 1930s she belonged to the Italian Communist Party.

In 1983 she was elected to Parliament from Rome as an Independent. Guido Alberti (20 August 1909 – 3 August 1996) was an Italian film actor. He appeared in 60 films between 1963 and 1993. He also set up the Strega Priza in 1947.

The Strega Prize is the most prestigious Italian literary award. It has been awarded annually since 1947 for the best work of prose fiction by an Italian author and first published between 1 May of the previous year and 30 April.

#### Dimensions

Overall: 18.4 x 24.7 cm (7 2/8 x 9 6/8 in.)