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2024 COLORADO BOOK AWARDS FINALISTS

ANTHOLOGY

Been Outside: Adventures of Black Women, Nonbinary, and Gender Nonconforming People in Nature

Amber Wendler and Shaz Zamore

Reading Colorado: A Literary Road Guide
Peter Anderson

Universe: Stories of the Reconvergence
Angie Hodapp and Joshua Viola

Unplugged Voices
Sara Frances

CREATIVE NONFICTION

Crossings
Ben Goldfarb

Living River: The Promise of the Mighty Colorado
Dave Showalter

Losing Music
John Cotter

Soil: The Story of a Black Mother's Garden
Camille T. Dungy

GENERAL NONFICTION

So Much Stuff
Chip Colwell

Western Water A to Z
Robert R. Crifasi

When Innocence is Not Enough
Thomas L. Dybdahl

HISTORICAL FICTION

A Bakery in Paris
Aimie K. Runyan

Paradise Undone
bAnnie Dawid

To Die Beautiful
Buzzy Jackson

HISTORY

Galloping Gourmet
Steve Friesen

Hilos Culturales: Cultural Threads of the San Luis Valley
Patricia B. Martínez, Herman A. Martínez, and Enrique R. Lamadrid

Women of the Colorado Gold Rush Era
J.v.L. Bell and Jan Gunia

MYSTERY

Blood Betrayal
Ausma Zehanat Khan

Standing Dead
Margaret Mizushima

Take the Honey and Run
Jennie Marts

NOVEL

Homestead
Melinda Moustakis

The Applicant
Nazli Koca

The Last Animal
Ramona Ausubel

POETRY

How You Walk Alone in the Dark
Erin Block

Maps You Can't Make
Mariella Saavedra Carquin

Still and Still Moving
Katie Scruggs Galloway

ROMANCE

Autumn of the Big Snow
Lou Dean

Brynn and Sebastian Hate Each Other
Bethany Turner

Raising Elle
S.E. Reichert

SCIENCE FICTION/FANTASY

Dark Moon, Shallow Sea
David R. Slayton

Not Quite Dead Geniuses at Large on an Angry Planet
R. Gary Raham

Silenced
Ann Claycomb

SHORT STORY

Defensible Spaces
Alison Turner

This is Salvaged
Vauhini Vara

Uranians
Theodore McCombs

THRILLER

No Child of Mine
Nichelle Giraldes

Once Upon a Lie
Rebecca Taylor

The Girls in the Cabin
Caleb Stephens

CHILDREN'S LITERATURE

Building a Dream
Darshana Khiani and Dow Phumiruk

Lia & Luís: Puzzled!
Ana Crespo and Giovana Medeiros

Light Speaks
Christine Layton and Luciana Navarro Powell

Something Spectacular: A Rock's Journey
Carmela LaVigna Coyle and Carly Allen-Fletcher

JUVENILE LITERATURE

Backcountry
Jenny Goebel

Brave Bird at Wounded Knee
Rachel Bithell and Eric Freeberg

Skyriders
Polly Holyoke

The Girl From Earth's End
Tara Dairman

YOUNG ADULT LITERATURE

Rez Ball
Byron Graves

Seven Percent of Ro Devereux
Ellen O'Clover

Surviving Daybreak
Kendra Merritt