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2023 Colorado Book Award Winners Announced

[**Colorado Springs, CO**] Colorado Humanities and the Center for the Book honored the 2023 Colorado Book Awards finalists and announced the winners in 16 literary categories at a celebration on June 10, 2023 at El Pomar Foundation's beautiful and historic Penrose House Garden Pavilion. Finalists, press, supporters, public officials, and lovers of literature were in attendance to celebrate Colorado's outstanding and diverse literary talent. The livestream of the event is available to view on Facebook and YouTube at <https://www.facebook.com/cohumanities/> and <https://www.youtube.com/@coloradohumanitiesaccount6126>.

Anthology

Denver Noir

Cynthia Swanson

Biography/History

The Earth Is All That Lasts: Crazy Horse, Sitting Bull, and the Last Stand of the Great Sioux Nation

Mark Lee Gardner

Children's Literature

Swim, Jim!

Kaz Windness

Creative Nonfiction

Tell Me Everything: The Story of a Private Investigation

Erika Krouse

General Fiction

The Immortal King Rao

Vauhini Vara

General Nonfiction

Visual Thinking: The Hidden Gifts of People Who Think in Pictures, Patterns, and Abstractions

Temple Grandin

Historical Fiction

Little Souls

Sandra Dallas

Juvenile Literature

Totality! An Eclipse Guide in Rhyme and Science

Jeffrey Bennett

Literary Fiction

Bratwurst Haven: Stories

Rachel King

Mystery

Aunt Dimity & the Enchanted Cottage

Nancy Atherton

Pictorial

Vibrant Interiors

Andrea Monath Schumacher

Poetry

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Katherine Indermaur

Romance

All the Flowers of the Mountain

Christina Holbrook

Science Fiction/Fantasy

Conscious Designs

Nathanial White

Thriller

The Wrong Woman

Leanne Kale Sparks

Young Adult Literature

Cold the Night, Fast the Wolves

Meg Long

This year's Colorado Book Awards finalists and winners are invited to join the Colorado Center for the Book Speakers Bureau. To book an author, volunteer, or learn more, visit coloradohumanities.org.

The 32nd annual Colorado Book Awards is supported by Unite for Literacy, El Pomar Foundation, and The Colorado Sun. Program partners are Poor Richard's Books & Gifts and Pikes Peak Library District.

About El Pomar Foundation

El Pomar Foundation is one of the largest and oldest private foundations in Colorado, contributing approximately \$25 million annually through grants in the areas of arts and culture, civic and community initiatives, education, health and human services, as well as community stewardship and leadership development programs to support Colorado nonprofit organizations. Spencer and Julie Penrose founded El Pomar in 1937 with the mission to enhance, encourage and promote the current and future well-being of the people of Colorado.

About Colorado Humanities & Center for the Book

Celebrating its 49th year and its 19th year as host for the Colorado Center for the Book, Colorado Humanities, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, partners with hundreds of community partners across the state, the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Library of Congress Center for the Book, the Smithsonian Institution, and the national award-winning educational nonprofit Helps Education Fund. Colorado Humanities is the only Colorado organization exclusively dedicated to supporting humanities education for adults and children statewide.

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