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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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### **Enter Your Book or Apply to be a Judge for the Colorado Book Awards**

(GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO) Colorado Center for the Book is accepting submissions for the 2024 Colorado Book Awards. Books published between October 1, 2022 and December 31, 2023 are eligible, and the submission deadline is January 5, 2024. Submission categories include anthology, fiction, history, nonfiction, pictorial, poetry, children's, juvenile, and young adult literature.

A primary contributor to the book must be a current Colorado resident engaged in ongoing literary work in the state, or with a personal history, identity, and literary work that reflect a strong Colorado influence. Contributors not currently Colorado residents who feel their work is connected to Colorado may submit a letter describing the connection. Independently published works are welcome. All entries must have a copyright and an ISBN, and professional copyediting is strongly recommended.

### **Volunteer Selectors and Judges Needed**

Colorado Center for the Book invites applications for Colorado Book Awards selectors and judges. Volunteers participate in a two-tier review process that includes reading up-and-coming works from Colorado's literary community and engaging with panels of fellow selectors and judges, including scholars, librarians, booksellers, teachers, and writers from across the state. From January to March, selectors choose finalist books in a given Colorado Book Award category, and judges choose a Colorado Book Award winner from the finalists in April and May. Selectors and judges do not receive compensation for serving but will receive a complimentary ticket to the Colorado Book Awards celebration and may keep the books they review. Learn more at: [coloradohumanities.org/programs/colorado-book-awards/](https://coloradohumanities.org/programs/colorado-book-awards/).

### **About the Colorado Book Awards**

The Colorado Book Awards annually celebrates the accomplishments of Colorado's outstanding authors, editors, illustrators, and photographers. Finalist readings and an award event are held in late spring.

### **About Colorado Humanities and Center for the Book**

Colorado Humanities is the only Colorado organization exclusively dedicated to supporting humanities education for adults and children statewide. 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.

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