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Colorado Book Awards

This year, we received 185 entries in 15 categories: anthology, biography, children's literature, creative nonfiction, general nonfiction, general fiction, historical fiction, history, juvenile literature, literary fiction, mystery, poetry, science fiction/fantasy, thriller, and young adult literature. Volunteer

selectors and judges from across Colorado read submissions to choose finalists and winners. Keep up with the finalist announcements on our social media channels and register for the finalists readings and celebration event on the [Colorado Book Awards webpage](#).

Finalists Read

BookBar

4280 Tennyson St, Denver, CO 80212

Fridays at 7 p.m.

April 29 Literary Fiction & Poetry

May 6 Historical Fiction & Mystery

May 13 History & Biography

May 20 Anthology & General Fiction

May 27 General Nonfiction & Creative Nonfiction

June 3 Thriller & Science Fiction/Fantasy

The Bookies Bookstore

4315 E Mississippi Ave, Denver, CO 80246

April 29 Children's Literature, 4 p.m.

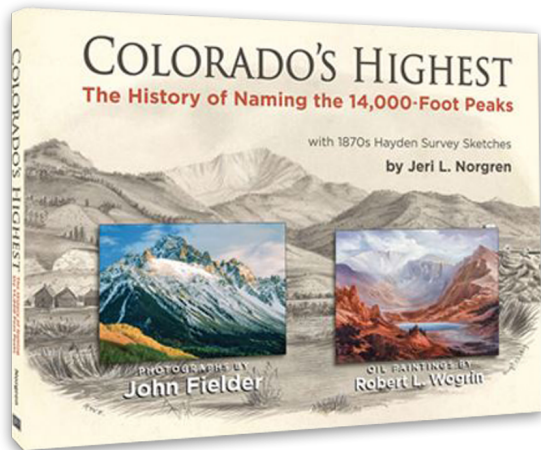
June 5 Juvenile Literature & Young Adult Literature, 4:30 p.m.

Celebration—Saturday, June 25

Finalists Toast & Signing Reception 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

Winners Announcement & Readings 5:30 – 7 p.m.

Dessert, Book Sale, & Signing 7 – 8 p.m.



Jerri Norgren Talks about *Colorado's Highest: The History of Naming the 14,000-Foot Peaks*

Hear stories about the naming of the Fourteeners, the adventures that ensued during the first ascents, and learn about author Jeri Norgren's research at Anythink Libraries, 7185 Monaco St. Commerce City, CO 80022 on Saturday, May 7, from 2 to 3 p.m. There will be a Q&A session and copies of the book, illustrated by John Fielder's stunning photography, will be for sale by cash or check. Register on the Events page at anythinklibraries.org.

Motheread/Fatheread Colorado Institute

The next 3-day Motheread/Fatheread® Colorado Institute will be held June 7 – 9, 2022 in Fort Morgan. Contact Program Coordinator Karen Murphy at karen@coloradohumanities.org for more information or register on the [Motheread/Fatheread Colorado webpage](#).

Young Chautauquans Perform May 7

Young Chautauqua students in grades 4 through 12 throughout Colorado research and prepare a portrayal of a historical figure through first-person monologue followed by a Q&A session. Greeley Evans School District 6 students present at Centennial Village in Greeley on Thursday, April 28 at 9:30 a.m. and Eagleview Middle School Young Chautauquans will present characters who overcame adversity at the Pioneer Museum in Colorado Springs on Saturday May 7, 2022, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The Bad Old Days of Colorado

Randi Samuelson-Brown will read from her book, *The Bad Old Days of Colorado: Untold Stories of the Wild West*, and talk with participants about the rowdy history of gunslingers, outlaws, and “good time girls” on Thursday, May 19 at the La Veta Public Library at 310 S. Main St., La Veta, CO 81055.

Board Member Opportunities

Colorado Humanities accepts nominations for the Board of Directors year-round. We seek nominees who have a passion for the humanities and who can actively support our mission and goals. We strive for our Board to represent the diverse geographical, racial, ethnic, occupational, and generational constituencies of our state. To submit a letter of interest or for more information, contact Executive Director Maggie Coval, mcoval@coloradohumanities.org, 303-894-7951 x14.

Student Creative Writing and Arts Water '22 Competition

K-12 students, ages 5-19, create a work that reflects a place, thing, or activity they cherish within their designated watershed, or river basin, connected to water to help them connect with the value of water in daily life and the natural and built world around them, encourage critical thinking, and emphasize the crucial role young people will play as future water leaders who can help identify solutions for water sustainability. More information is available on the [Water '22 Youth Engagement page](#).

More News



Writing Publisher-Ready Poetry with Poets James Morehead & Morgan Liphart

Learn how to write publisher-ready poetry in this Instagram Live conversation with James Morehead (Poet Laureate - Dublin, California and author of *canvas* and *portraits of red and gray*) and Colorado Book Awards Poetry Finalist Morgan Liphart (poet and author of *Barefoot & Running*) live on Instagram on April 28 at 5 p.m. MT on Morgan's Instagram @mliphart. Register for the free event on [Eventbrite](#).

Fashion Show Fundraiser

The Museum of Contemporary Art will host their first ever MCA MAX MIX Runway Show on May 20, 2022, starting at 7 p.m. at Asterisk 1075 Park Ave West, Denver, CO 80205. This singular event will celebrate MCA Denver, MAX Clothing Stores, and the vision of designer Amy Smilovic, Founder and Creative Director of Tibi, all the while raising meaningful support for the museum's world-renowned Teen Programs. For more information visit the [Museum of Contemporary Art website](#).

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