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Announcing the 2024 Colorado Book Awards Finalists

(GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO) Colorado Humanities & Center for the Book announces that finalists have been selected in the 33rd annual Colorado Book Awards. "We're so honored to celebrate Colorado authors, editors, and illustrators," said Colorado Center for the Book Programs Coordinator Valerie Eddy. "We are excited to share our finalists with Colorado readers, and I hope that everyone will find books to enjoy and Colorado authors to support."

Winners will be announced at the 2024 Colorado Book Awards ceremony on Friday, June 21, 2024 at the Tivoli Turnhalle theater at Metropolitan State University of Denver's Auraria campus. \$30 Tickets will be available for purchase starting May 1 at <https://coloradohumanities.org/product/2024-colorado-book-awards-celebration/>

Anthology

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

Amber Wendler & Shaz Zamore

Mountaineers Books

Reading Colorado: A Literary Road Guide

Peter Anderson

Bower House Books

Universe: Stories of the Reconvergence

Angie Hodapp and Joshua Viola

Hex Publishers

Unplugged Voices: 125 Tales of Art and Life from Northern New Mexico, the Four Corners and the West

Sara Frances

Photo Mirage Books

Creative Nonfiction & Memoir

Crossings: How Road Ecology is Shaping the Future of Our Planet

Ben Goldfarb

W. W. Norton & Company

Living River: The Promise of the Mighty Colorado

David Showalter

Braided River, an imprint of Mountaineers Books

Losing Music

John Cotter

Milkweed Editions

Soil: The Story of a Black Mother's Garden

Camille T. Dungy

Simon and Schuster

General Nonfiction

So Much Stuff: How Humans Discovered Tools, Invented Meaning, and Made More of Everything

Chip Colwell

The University of Chicago Press

Western Water A to Z: The History, Nature, and Culture of a Vanishing Resource

Robert R. Crifasi

University Press of Colorado

When Innocence is Not Enough: Hidden Evidence and the Failed Promise of the Brady Rule

Thomas L. Dybdahl

The New Press

Historical Fiction

A Bakery In Paris

Aimie K. Runyan

HarperCollins Publishers

Paradise Undone: A Novel of Jonestown
Annie Dawid
Inkspot Publishing

To Die Beautiful
Buzzy Jackson
Penguin Random House, Dutton

History

Galloping Gourmet: Eating and Drinking with Buffalo Bill
Steve Friesen
University of Nebraska Press

Hilos Culturales: Cultural Threads of The San Luis Valley
Patricia B. Martinez, Herman A. Martinez, and Enrique R. Lamadrid
History Colorado

Women of the Colorado Gold Rush Era
Julie VanLaanen and Jan Gunia
Filter Press

Mystery

Blood Betrayal
Ausma Zehanat Khan
Minotaur Books

Standing Dead
Margaret Mizushima
Crooked Lane Books

Take the Honey and Run: A Beekeeping Mystery
Jennie Marts
Crooked Lane Books

Novel

Homestead: A Novel
Melinda Moustakis
Flatiron Books

The Applicant

Nazli Koca

Grove Press

The Last Animal

Ramona Ausubel

Penguin Random House, Riverhead Books

Poetry

How You Walk Alone in the Dark

Erin Block

Middle Creek Publishing & Audio

Maps You Can't Make

Mariella Saavedra Carquin

June Road Press

Still and Still Moving

Katie Scruggs Galloway

Indie Earth Publishing

Romance

Autumn of the Big Snow

Lou Jacobs

Clinescot Publishing, Colorado

Brynn and Sebastian Hate Each Other

Bethany Turner

Thomas Nelson/HarperCollins

Raising Elle

Sarah Reichert

5 Prince Publishing and Books

Science Fiction/Fantasy

Dark Moon, Shallow Sea

David R. Slayton

Blackstone Publishing

Not Quite Dead Geniuses at Large on an Angry Planet

R. Gary Raham

Biostration

Silenced

Ann Claycomb

Titan Books

Short Story

Defensible Spaces

Alison Turner

Torrey House Press

This is Salvaged: Stories

Vauhini Vara

W. W. Norton & Company

Uranians: Stories

Theodore McCombs

Astra Publishing House

Thriller

No Child of Mine

Nichelle Giraldes

Sourcebooks

Once Upon a Lie

Rebecca Taylor

Ophelia House

The Girls in the Cabin

Caleb Stephens

Joffe Books

Children's Literature

Building a Dream: How the Boys of Koh Panyee Became Champions

Darshana Khiani and Dow Phumiruk

Eerdmans Books for Young Readers

Lia & Luis: Puzzled!

Ana Crespo and Giovana Medeiros
Charlesbridge

Light Speaks
Christine Layton and Luciana Navarro Powell
Tilbury House Publishers

Something Spectacular: A Rock's Journey
Carmela Lavigna Coyle and Carly Allen-Fletcher
Muddy Boots Books

Juvenile Literature

Backcountry
Jenny Goebel
Scholastic

*Brave Bird at Wounded Knee: A Story of Protest on the Pine Ridge Indian
Reservation*
Rachel Bithell and Eric Freeberg
Jolly Fish Press

Skyriders
Polly Holyoke
Viking Books for Young Readers

The Girl From Earth's End
Tara Dairman
Candlewick Press

Young Adult Literature

Rez Ball
Byron Graves
Heartdrum/HarperCollins Children's Books

Seven Percent of Ro Devereux
Ellen O'Clover HarperCollins Publishers

Surviving Daybreak
Kendra Merritt

Blue Fyre Press

About Colorado Humanities & Center for the Book

Colorado Humanities is the only Colorado organization exclusively dedicated to supporting humanities education for adults and children statewide. Celebrating its 50th year, and its 20th 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 Helping Education.

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