INDEPENDENT AUTHOR NETWORK
BOOK OF THE YEAR AWARDS
2016 FINALISTS

Congratulations to all finalists, listed below in random order

**Action/Adventure**

_The Last Hero_ — Craig Gaydas
_Insight Kindling_ — Chess Desalls
_Face Of Our Father_ — G. Egore Pitir
_A Bad Place To Be_ — John Hansen
_Resurrection of an Empire_ — Sharon Gibbs
_Boy Unraveled_ — Chris Bouchard

**Children’s Fiction Illustrated**

_To Dream of Dancing_ — Zachary Mohr
_Being a Captain is Hard Work_ — Carole P. Roman
_ABC, Adoption & Me_ — Gayle H Swift
_Little Miss HISTORY Travels to INTREPID Sea, Air & Space Museum_ — Barbara Ann Mojica
_The Mommy Orphanage_ — Cheryl Krass
_A Pirate Adventure_ — Sharon Gibbs

**Children’s Fiction**

_Gorgon_ — Geoffrey Saign
_Joshua's Island_ — Patrick Hodges
_The Gift_ — Rebecca J Hubbard
_Vision of the Griffin's Heart_ — L. R. W. Lee
_Ben and the Watcher of Zargon_ — Dianne Astle
_Resurrection of the Phoenix's Grace_ — L. R. W. Lee

**Fantasy**

_Darrenia_ — K.J Simmill
_Monsterland_ — Michael Phillip Cash
Insight Kindling — Chess Desalls
Steel, Blood & Fire — Allan Batchelder
Shining Ones — Sanna Hines
White Serpent, Black Dragon — Joseph Jackson

First Novel

Joshua's Island — Patrick Hodges
The Mighty — Michael J Sanford
The Treasure of Gwenlais — M.T. Magee
Face of Our Father — G. Egore Pitir
Outrageous — Neal Katz
Miss E. — Brian Herberger

General Fiction/Literary

My Perfect Imperfections — Jalpa Williby
Coinman: An Untold Conspiracy — Pawan Mishra
Ripples Through Time — Lincoln Cole
Amina: The Silent One — Fiza Pathan
Second Chances — Lincoln Cole
The Heavens Weep for Us — Thelma Reyna

Historical

The Guardian of Secrets — Jana Petken
A Strange Beginning — Gretta Curran Browne
Outrageous: The Victoria Woodhull Saga — Neal Katz
Tiburcio! — David Caraccio
Naupaka Blooming — Jaimie Eck
A Veil of Fog and Flames — Lori Hart Beninger

Horror

Monsterland — Michael Phillip Cash
Return To Mateguas Island — Linda Watkins
The History Major — Michael Phillip Cash
Mining the Dark — J.B. Stilwell
Home: A Novel — Charles W. Jones
Onyx Webb: Book One — Richard Fenton
LGBT Fiction

Artemis' Warriors — Aya Walksfar
Press — franklet
The Scorpion's Empress — Yoshiyuki Ly
Coffee Please — F.B. Hayduk
Jaden's Heart — Melanie Jackson

Mystery

St. Louis Affair — Michael Scheffel
A SuperSleuth Is Born — T. Mara Jerabek
Travel Glasses — Chess Desalls
Death Unscripted — Marni Graff
Harry's World — A.B. Patterson
Lockdown — Scott Black

Novella

The History Major — Michael Phillip Cash
The Wizard Killer — Adam Dreece
Amina: The Silent One — Fiza Pathan
Two Hearts Surrendered — Tamara Ferguson
Two Hearts Unspoken — Tamara Ferguson
Beyond the Ivory Tower — Jill Blake

Paranormal/Supernatural

César — Julian Coleman
Dirty Deeds — Christy King
Truth: The Alex Conner Chronicles Book 2 — Parker Sinclair
The Passer — Robin Christophersen
She Dies at the End — A.M. Manay
The Exiled — Scott Borgman

Romance

Love on the Rocks — Kay Harris
Game of Love — Ara Grigorian
Naupaka Blooming — Jaimie Eck
Kneus — Stormy McKnight
Stay With Me — Carolyn Astfalk  
Illicit Passion — Sarah Stuart

Science Fiction

Black Wings — Iryna K Combs  
Travel Glasses — Chess Desalls  
Reconfigure — Epredator Hughes  
Elements — Raymond Henri  
Ancient Illumination — Rod Van Blake  
Gravity: Alex Cave Series — James M. Corkill

Thriller

Corruption of Power — G. W. Eccles  
The History Major — Michael Phillip Cash  
Poor Boy Road — James L. Weaver  
The Turkish Connection — Rik Stone  
Face of Our Father — G. Egore Pitir  
The Arena: The Awakening — James Robert Scott

Women’s Fiction

Girl Gone Greek — Rebecca Hall  
Time Trials — Terry Lee  
The Sugar Ticket — Susan Jean Ricci  
That Unforgettable Kiss — Tamara Ferguson  
The Year Mrs. Cooper Got Out More — Meredith Marple  
Cold November Rain — Nicole Warren

Young Adult

Travel Glasses — Chess Desalls  
Monsterland — Michael Phillip Cash  
The Improbable Wonders of Moojie Littleman — Robin Gregory  
Throw Away Sisters — Debbie Winnekins Deutsch  
The Alpha Drive — Kristen Martin  
Insight Kindling — Chess Desalls

Children’s Non-Fiction
If You Were Me and Lived in...Renaissance Italy — Carole P. Roman
The Rain Snake — Jeannie Walker
Little Miss HISTORY Travels to INTREPID Sea, Air & Space Museum — Barbara Ann Mojica

First Non-Fiction

After: The Battle Has Just Begun — R.J. Belle
Face Forward, Move Forward — Arlene Gale
Determined — Avraham Perlmutter
Leaving Shangrila — Isabelle Gecils
Realizing River City — Melissa Grunow
Not Really Gone — Blaire Sharpe

General Non-Fiction

Food Guilt No More — Lindsey Smith
Emotional Recovery from Congenital Heart Disease — Richard Schwindt
Face Forward, Move Forward — Arlene Gale
Bernadette Peters Hates Me — Keith Stewart
When Man Meets Dog — Christopher Blazina
No Cape Needed — David Grossman

History

Why Can’t Somebody Just Die Around Here? — Gerhard Maroscher
Not For Sale — Kevin Hancock
We Were Soldiers Too: 2 — Bob Kern

Memoir

Realizing River City — Melissa Grunow
Affairytale — CJ English
Before, Afdre, and After — Maureen Twomey
Switching Sides — Dawn Elizabeth Waters
Leaving Shangrila — Isabelle Gecils
Not My Secret To Keep — Digene Farrar

Religion

Not For Sale — Kevin Hancock
My Journey, His Plan — Sharon Roberts
I Am Sunshine — Trish Egan
Lest We Forget — Otis Teague

**Self-Help**

*Emotional Recovery from Congenital Heart Disease* — Richard Schwindt
*The Money Queen* — Cary Carbonaro
*Romantic as Hell* — Rodney Lacroix
*Face Forward, Move Forward* — Arlene Gale
*Every Body's Guide to Everyday Pain* — Ya-Ling Liou
*The Opa! Way* — Alex Pattakos

**Travel**

*Motions and Moments* — Michael Pronko
*French Illusions* — Linda Kovic-Skow
*From Chicken Feet To Crystal Baths* — Ian Mote
*Gap Year Girl* — Marianne Bohr

**True Crime**

True Hollywood Noir — Dina Di Mambro
Fighting The Devil — Jeannie Walker