

**INDEPENDENT AUTHOR NETWORK
BOOK OF THE YEAR AWARDS**

2018 WINNERS and FINALISTS

Congratulations to all Winners. Finalists, listed in random order.

The 2018 Fiction Books of the Year

First Place

Mistress Suffragette - Diana Forbes

Second Place

The Other Side of Freedom - Cynthia T. Toney

Third Place

War Serenade - Jill Wallace

The 2018 Non-Fiction Books of the Year

First Place

Lessons from a CF Cornerman: 38 Lessons I Learned During my Wife's Illness and Lung Transplant - Raymond L. Poole

Second Place

Remembering Shanghai: A Memoir of Socialites, Scholars and Scoundrels –

Claire Chao

Third Place

You Can't Buy Love Like That: Growing Up Gay in the Sixties - Carol Anderson

Fiction - Action/Adventure

The Outstanding Action / Adventure

The Land: Predators: Chaos Seeds Book VII - Aleron Kong

Finalists

Billy Gogan, American - Roger Higgins

Malthus Revisited: The Cup of Wrath - Lin Wilder

Remedy - K.J. Simmill

The Brotherhood of the Black Flag - Ian Nathaniel Cohen

Maya Hope: A Dr. Nicklaus Hart Novel - Timothy Browne

Garbage Man - Erik Dean

Fiction - Children's Illustrated

The Outstanding Children's Fiction Illustrated

The Jaguar's Story - Kosa Ely

Finalists

Lily Pond - Shelley Daniels Lekven

Nibbler & the Captain Make Peace - Kathy J Perry

My Little Angel - Sherrill Cannon

Absurdimals: Lola Goes to School - Gwendolyn Javor

A Song of Dreams: Desdemona's Dreams, Volume 3 - Z.W. Mohr

Izzy's Twinkling Star - Naveed Ali

Fiction - Children/Juvenile

The Outstanding Children's Fiction

The Other Side of Freedom - Cynthia T. Toney

Finalists

The Lost Celt - A. E. Conran

Daisy, Bold & Beautiful - Ellie Collins

Passage to Avalon: The Epic Adventures of the Techno Wizard - Mike Thayer

The Adventures of Captain Waffello: Toasty's Revenge - Aiden Dennis

It's A Kid's Life: Double Digits - Kerry Gibb

Fiction - Christian / Religious

The Outstanding Christian / Religious Fiction

Her Good Girl - Elaine Stock

Finalists

The Song of Sadie Sparrow - Kitty Foth-Regner

The Color of Truth - Stacy Monson

Vivir el Dream - Allison Garcia

Sarah's Song - Vicky Whedbee

Magnolia Storms - Janet Ferguson

Mary Poser: Butterflies and white lies as Bollywood comes to Nashville - Angel A

Fiction - Fantasy

The Outstanding Fantasy

The Shaman's Apprentice - B. Muze

Finalists

The Wizards of Central Park West: Ultimate Urban Fantasy - Arjay Lewis

The Hidden Empire: Deep City Book 1 - E. G. Jensen

Portals in Time: The Quest for Un-Old-Age - John Teressi

Nite Fire: Flash Point - C.L. Schneider

The Land: Predators: Chaos Seeds Book VII - Aleron Kong

The Reckoning: The Legend of Oescienne Book 5 - Jenna Elizabeth Johnson

Fiction - First Novel

The Outstanding First Novel

Mistress Suffragette - Diana Forbes

Finalists

War Serenade - Jill Wallace

A Glance at my Other - Bruce Wilkerson

Black Hearts White Minds - Mitch Margo

The Lost Celt - A. E. Conran

The Five Wishes of Mr. Murray McBride - Joe Siple

Tread Softly On My Dreams - Gretta Curran Browne

One-Two - Igor Eliseev

Fight – Betsy Ross

Fiction - Historical

The Outstanding Historical

Israela - Batya Casper

Finalists

Overruled by Fate - Leila Snow

Truly Are the Free: Sweet Wine of Youth Book 2 - Jeffrey K. Walker

The Other Side of Freedom - Cynthia T. Toney

Mistress Suffragette - Diana Forbes

Back to Yesterday - Pamela Sparkman

The Great War - Dawn Knox

Fiction - Horror

The Outstanding Horror

***The Muse: A Novel Of Unrelenting Terror* - Arjay Lewis**

Finalists

The Last Odinian - Alec Arbogast

Knuckle Balled - Drew Stepek

Cryptic - Erik Dean

Hellhound - Lou Yardley

The 12 Terrors of Christmas - Claudette Melanson and Lynn Lamb

Humor/Comedy/Satire - Fiction and Non-Fiction

The Outstanding Humor/Comedy/Satire

The Allmoods Cookbook - The Kitchen Therapist

Finalists

Waking Up in Vegas - Gabrielle Dorian

The Beginner's Guide to Spouse Removal - Sandra Sperling

The Copper Economy - Chuck Rygg

The Author Is Dead - Ches Smith

Herkimer's Nose: A Kingston Story - Richard Schwindt

69 Shades of Nashville: Sociopathic Sex Southern Style - Nicole Kelly M.D.

LGBT - Fiction and Non-Fiction

The Outstanding LGBT

***The Love That Dare Not Speak Its Name: Short Stories* - Fiza Pathan**

Finalists

You Can't Buy Love Like That: Growing Up Gay in the Sixties - Carol Anderson

The Square Donut - Lauren Crane

The Beasts of Electra Drive - Rohan Quine

Luchador - Erin Finnegan

Escapement: An Exquisite Tale of Love and Passion - Kristen Wolf

Sorcerous Rivalry - Kayleigh Nicol

Fiction - Literary / General

The Outstanding Literary / General Fiction

***War Serenade* - Jill Wallace**

Finalists

One-Two - Igor Eliseev

Israela - Batya Casper

Of Metal and Earth - Jennifer M Lane

Mourning Dove - Claire Fullerton

Smash All The Windows - Jane Davis

Crooked Grow the Trees - Carmel Hanes

Fiction - Mystery

The Outstanding Mystery

***Grip of the Hawk* - Brenda Schaeffer**

Finalists

Venetian Blood: Murder in a Sensuous City - Christine Evelyn Volker

That Unexpected Kiss: Kissed By Fate 2 - Tamara Ferguson

Flock: The Gathering of The Damned - Jana Petken

The Weight of Shadows - Karl Holton

The Hollows: A Midnight Gunn Novel - C.L. Monaghan

A Line Intersected - David Urban

Fiction - Novella

The Outstanding Novella

***The Forgotten Painting: A Historical Mystery Novella* - Gabriel Farago**

Finalists

Torment: A Novella - H.D. Hunter

Flame and Form: Draghans of Firiehn Book 1 - Jenna Elizabeth Johnson

The Occupation of Joe - Bill Baynes

Tiny Tim and The Ghost of Ebenezer Scrooge - Norman Whaler

Two Hearts Find Christmas - Tamara Ferguson

Haunted Hair Nights - Nancy J. Cohen

Fiction - Paranormal / Supernatural

The Outstanding Paranormal / Supernatural

***Love After Life* - Richard Sieg**

Finalists

A Glance at my Other - Bruce Wilkerson

The Hollows: A Midnight Gunn Novel - C.L. Monaghan

Eternal Bloodlines - J C Brennan

The Last Odinian - Alec Arbogast

Chrysalis - Angie Martin

The Contract: between heaven and earth - Gwen M. Plano

Fiction - Romance

The Outstanding Romance

***Overruled by Fate* - Leila Snow**

Finalists

War Serenade - Jill Wallace

Mistress Suffragette - Diana Forbes
That Unexpected Kiss: Kissed By Fate 2 - Tamara Ferguson
The Contract: between heaven and earth - Gwen M. Plano
The Demon Duke - Margaret Locke
Half Sac: Fall Boys Book 1 - Thia Finn

Fiction - Science Fiction

The Outstanding Science Fiction

***Driven to the Hilt: The Deepest Cut* - DG Lamb**

Finalists

Becoming Animals - Olga Werby and Christopher Werby
Halley's Casino: The Adventures of Nebula Yorker - Mark Fahey
The Land: Predators: Chaos Seeds Book VII - Aleron Kong
The Anuan Legacy: Book 1 of The Anuan Legacy Series - Traci Ison Schafer
Bound Souls: A Fantasy Romance - N.D. Jones
River's Child - Mark Seiler

Fiction-Thriller / Suspense

The Outstanding Thriller/Suspense

***8 Seconds to Midnight* - John Leifer**

Finalists

Scabland - Adam Smith
A u 7 9: A Tracker Novel - Anita Dickason
Grip of the Hawk - Brenda Schaeffer
Black Hearts White Minds - Mitch Margo
The Contract: between heaven and earth - Gwen M. Plano
Lara's Journal: A Sizzling, Psychological Suspense - A. Gavazzoni

Fiction - Women's Fiction

The Outstanding Women's Fiction

***Relationship Resuscitation* - Jennifer Theriot**

Finalists

Two Hearts Find Christmas - Tamara Ferguson

My Life as a Rock Album - Lj Evans

Always With You: A heart-warming story of love, loss & friendship - Hannah Ellis

The Kidnapping - Ruby Mohan

Brought To Our Senses: A Family Saga Novel - Kathleen Wheeler

Sweet Tea Tuesdays - Ashley Farley

Fiction – Young Adult

The Outstanding Young Adult Fiction

***Playing by Heart* - Carmela Martino**

Finalists

The Lay of LaLa Land - A.Y. Miles

Struck - Rachel Langley

The Belief in Angels: Jules - J. Dylan Yates

Talon: Encounter - Gigi Sedlmayer

Catalyst: The Deception Game Book 1 - Kristin Smith

The Unusual Suspects - Dominic Carrillo

Non-Fiction - Business / Sales / Economics

The Outstanding Business / Sales / Economics

***Market Mojo: A Beginner's Guide to the Stock Market* - Kathy G. Mills**

Finalists

The Impact of Excellent Customer Service on Business Growth - Uche Akeeb

A Deeper Truth: The New Science of Innovation, Human Choice and Societal Scale Behavior –

Tim Stroh

Need Money? Buy Some! - Dr. Drasko Veselinovic

Private Money Lending: Learn How to Consistently Generate a Passive Income Stream –

Gustavo Gomez

Digitize or Die: Transform your organization. Embrace the digital evolution. Rise above the competition - Nicolas Windpassinger

Non-Fiction - Children's Book

The Outstanding Children's Non-Fiction

Groundhog Secrets: Everything You Always wanted to Know about Woodchucks –

Lieve Snellings

Finalists

Tricky Times - Laura Irelan

Sunshine's Excellent Adventures - Reggie Hill

Stella's Story: Dealing with Sibling Loss - Amanda Seefeld Markle

Non-Fiction – First

The Outstanding First Non-Fiction

***The Crate: A Story Of War, A Murder, and Justice* - Debbie Levison**

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Lessons from a CF Cornerman: 38 Lessons I Learned During my Wife's Illness and Lung Transplant
- Raymond L. Poole

Remembering Shanghai: A Memoir of Socialites, Scholars and Scoundrels - Claire Chao

Bold, Brave and Courageous: A No Fear Success Guide for Teen Girls - Wyjuana Montgomery

Blanket of Stars: Thru-Hiking the Camino de Santiago - C.W. Lockhart

Evie's Unfairytale - Evie Berg

The Year I Turned 25: A Memoir About Sex, Anxiety and a Dog Named She-Devil - Raquel Fletcher

Non-Fiction- General

The Outstanding General Non-Fiction

***You Can't Buy Love Like That: Growing Up Gay in the Sixties* - Carol Anderson**

Finalists

Kleptomaniac: Who's Really Robbing God Anyway? - Dr Frank Chase Jr, Th.D

Safari Jema: A Journey of Love and Adventure from Casablanca to Cape Town - Teresa O'Kane

Private Money Lending: Learn How to Consistently Generate a Passive Income Stream –

Gustavo Gomez

Ape Mind, Old Mind, New Mind: Emotional Fossils and the Evolution of the Human Spirit –

John Wyllie

Hair Loss - Gustavo Gomez

A Deeper Truth: The New Science of Innovation, Human Choice and Societal Scale Behavior –

Tim Stroh

Non-Fiction-History

The Outstanding Non-Fiction-History

Turbulent Times: The Remarkable Life of William H. Seward - Stephen Yanoff

Finalists

Rear Admiral Larry Chambers, USN: First African American to Command an Aircraft Carrier –

Ric Murphy

The Bone War of McCurtain County: A True Tale of Two Men's Quest for Treasure, Truth and Justice - Russell Ferrell

Saps, Blackjacks and Slungshots: A History of Forgotten Weapons - Robert Escobar

Non-Fiction - Memoir / Biography / Autobiography

The Outstanding Memoir

Remembering Shanghai: A Memoir of Socialites, Scholars and Scoundrels –

Claire Chao

Finalists

Lessons from a CF Cornerman: 38 Lessons I Learned During my Wife's Illness and Lung Transplant - Raymond L. Poole

The Pink Door: Mom's Journey to the Other Side - Suzie Daggett

Lunch With Charlotte - Leon Berger

Shackled: A Journey From Political Imprisonment To Freedom - Adam Siddiq

Hardbarned! One Man's Quest for Meaningful Work in the American South - Christopher Driver

The Glass Mask: Monsters Lurk Beneath - E.L. DuBois

Non-Fiction - Parenting / Family / Relationships

The Outstanding Parenting / Family / Relationships

Just Tell Me I'm Pretty: Musings on a Messy Life - Heather LeRoss

Finalists

Black Fatherhood: Trials & Tribulations, Testimony & Triumphs - Khalid White

Unchain Me Mama: Lessons Learned On My Journey to Healing & Restoration - Audra Upchurch

Lost in the Reflecting Pool - Diane Pomerantz

The Tell Me More Gesture: How & Why to Welcome Conflict - Janet Rowles

Unchain My Legacy: How Owning Our Choices Frees Us And Those We Love - Audra Upchurch

Emotional Recovery from Your Troubled Child: For Parents of Children, Teens and Young Adults -
Richard Schwindt

Non-Fiction – Reference

The Outstanding Reference

***Overwhelmed Writer Rescue: Boost Productivity, Improve Time Management, and Replenish the Creator Within* - Colleen Story**

Finalists

Theatrical Journey Playbook: Introducing Science to Early Learners through Guided Pretend Play -
Elizabeth Bruce

Book Marketing: The Funnel Factor: Including 100 Media Pitches - Gisela Hausmann

How to Self-Publish a Book: For the Technology Challenged Author - Barb Drozdowich

Non-Fiction – Religion/Christian

The Outstanding Religion/Christian

***Kleptomaniac: Who's Really Robbing God Anyway?* - Dr Frank Chase Jr, Th.D**

Finalists

The Joy in My Journey with Cancer - Sandra Jolla

Jesus & Co.: Connecting the Lessons of The Gospel with Today's Business World - Bruce Hartman

The Power Of The Seed - Dr Eric Holmes

God and Man: Love on the Rocks - Steven Rosner

Finding the Narrow Path: Patterns, Faith and Searching - Lin Wilder

Light from a Dark Night - Anne Grove

Non-Fiction – Self-Help

The Outstanding Self-Help

***The Thinking Woman's Guide to Breast Cancer: Take Charge of Your Recovery and Remission* - Janet Maker, Ph.D.**

Finalists

The M in Man Is For Money: How to get it, use it, and make it work for you! - Passport Cutty

A Journey from Sadness to Hope - Robert Smith

Write For Recovery: Exercises for Heart, Mind, and Spirit - Diane Sherry Case

Iphelia: Awakening the Gift of Feeling - Erick French

The Way of The Fairy Godmother - Jennifer Morse MS PhD

Eat Your Feelings: The Food Mood Girl's Guide to Transforming Your Emotional Eating –
Lindsey Smith

Non-Fiction - Spiritual / Inspirational

The Outstanding Spiritual / Inspirational

Lessons from a CF Cornerman: 38 Lessons I Learned During my Wife's Illness and Lung Transplant - Raymond L. Poole

Finalists

Wise-Love: Bhakti and the Search for the Soul of Consciousness - Pranada Comtois

Winds of Spirit: Ancient Wisdom Tools for Navigating Relationships, Health, and the Divine –
Renee Baribeau

Breathing Love: Meditation in Action - Jennie Lee

Flames of Love: Truth of the Holy Grail - Lady Blackwood

The Joy in My Journey with Cancer - Sandra Jolla

Spirituality 103: The Forgiveness Code - Ivan Figueroa-Otero

Non-Fiction – Travel

The Outstanding Travel

Safari Jema: A Journey of Love and Adventure from Casablanca to Cape Town - Teresa O’Kane

Finalists

Blanket of Stars: Thru-Hiking the Camino de Santiago - C.W. Lockhart

Buen Camino! Tips from an American Pilgrim - Anne Born

War / Military (Fiction and Non-Fiction)

The Outstanding War/Military

No Tougher Duty, No Greater Honor: A memoir of a Mortuary Affairs Marine – L Christian Bussler

Finalists

Rear Admiral Larry Chambers, USN: First African American to Command an Aircraft Carrier –

Ric Murphy

We Were Soldiers Too: The Second Korean War: The DMZ Conflict - Bob Kern

The Lost Celt - A. E. Conran

Non-Fiction – Young Adult

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Wyjuana Montgomery

Finalists

Iphelia: Awakening the Gift of Feeling - Erick French

Hockey Confidence: Train Your Brain to Win in Hockey and in Life - Isabelle Hamptonstone MSc.

Stuff: The Fortunes, Foibles, and Fiascos of Those Who Sought to Understand Matter –

George Graybill