

#### Media Release

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## 2016 Alberta Book Publishing Awards Shortlist Announced

**Edmonton** – The Book Publishers Association of Alberta is pleased to announce the shortlist for the 2016 Alberta Book Publishing Awards. The Alberta Book Publishing Awards are awarded every year, and this year there were 77 entries across 12 categories. Awards are open to books published by Alberta publishers. Jurors from across the country, and the publishing spectrum, adjudicated the awards and came up with the following shortlist.

We will announce the winners at a gala dinner at the Hotel Arts in Calgary on Friday, September 16. Everyone is welcome to join us for a wonderful evening. Tickets will be available from our website (www.bookpublishers.ab.ca) in mid July.

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### 2016 Alberta Book Awards Shortlists

# **Book Design Awards**

#### **Book Design**

NeWest Press
A Revision of Forward
by Wendy McGrath
book design by Natalie Olsen

NeWest Press Entropic by R.W. Gray book design by Natalie Olsen

Freehand Books

The Swallows Uncaged

by Elizabeth McLean

book design by Natalie Olsen

#### **Cover Design**

NeWest Press

Meadowlark

by Wendi Stewart

cover design by Michel Vrana

Frontenac House
Niche
by Basma Kavanagh
cover design by Neil Petrunia

NeWest Press
Things You've Inherited from Your Mother
by Hollie Adams
cover design by Vikki Wierczinski

#### **Book Illustration**

Winner will be announced at the Alberta Book Awards Gala.

### **Book of the Year Awards**

### **Children and Young Adult**

Tyche
Flashback
by Simon Rose

Renegade

Jacqueline the Singing Crow
by Mandi Kujawa

Renegade Arts Entertainment

The Loxleys and Confederation

by Mark Zuehlke, Nigaanwewidam Sinclair and Alexander Finbow

Tyche

Maddie Hatter and the Deadly Diamond
by Jayne Barnard

#### **Trade Fiction**

Freehand Books

Afterlife of Birds

by Elizabeth Philips

NeWest Press Meadowlark by Wendi Stewart

Freehand Books

Mystics of Mile End
by Sigal Samuel

Freehand Books
Welcome to the Circus
by Rhonda Douglas

#### **Trade Non Fiction**

Frontenac House First Person Plural by George Melnyk

NeWest Press Memory Serves by Lee Maracle

University of Alberta Press Why Grow Here By Kathyn Chase Merrett

### **Robert Kroetsch Award for Poetry**

NeWest Press Hillsdale Book by Gerald Hill

Frontenac House
Niche
by Basma Kavanagh

University of Alberta Press Standard Candles by Alice Major

### **Scholarly and Academic**

University of Alberta Press Magazines, Travel and Middlebrow Culture by Faye Hammill and Michelle Smith

University of Alberta Press Street Sex Work and Canadian Cities by Shawna Ferris

Banff Centre Press *Toward. Some. Air* edited by Fred Wah and Amy De'Ath Athabasca University Press We Are Coming Home edited by Gerald T. Conaty

#### **Speculative Fiction**

Hades/EDGE Science Fiction and Fantasy nEvermore by Nancy Kilpatrick and Caro Soles

Hades/EDGE Science Fiction and Fantasy The Occasional Diamond Thief by J. A. McLachlan

Hades/EDGE Science Fiction and Fantasy Wrestling with Gods (Tesseracts Eighteen) by Liana Kerzner and Jerome Stueart

### **Publisher of the Year**

**Athabasca University Press** 

Freehand Books

## **Lois Hole Award for Editorial Excellence**

Athabasca University Press

Alberta Oil and the Decline of Democracy in Canada
edited by Meenal Shrivastava and Lorna Stefanick
edited by Joyce Hildebrand

University of Alberta Press

The Little Third Reich on Lake Superior
by Ernest Robert Zimmermann
edited by Lesley Peterson

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