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2017 Alberta Book Publishing Awards Shortlist Announced

Edmonton – The Book Publishers Association of Alberta is excited to announce the shortlist for the 2017 Alberta Book Publishing Awards. The following shortlists represent the best of Alberta book publishing as adjudicated by experts and professionals in the field of book publishing from across Canada.

In addition to the eleven publishing awards we will also be honoring one exceptional individual with a lifetime achievement award as well as celebrating the life of another well known Canadian publisher by dedicating an award to them.

The winners of all the 2017 Alberta Book Publishing Awards will be announced at a gala reception the Delta South in Edmonton on September 15, 2017. The gala is open to the public; tickets are available now on Eventbrite.

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2017 Alberta Book Awards Shortlists
(in alphabetical order of title)

Book Design Awards

Book Design

University of Calgary Press

The Frontier of Patriotism: Alberta and the First World War

edited by Adriana Davies and Jeff Keshen

book design by Garet Markvoort

Freehand Books

Perfect World by Ian Colford

book design by Natalie Olsen

Athabasca University Press

Visiting with the Ancestors: Blackfoot Shirts in Museum Spaces

book design Marvin Harder

Cover Design

NeWest Press

Border Markers by Jenny Ferguson

cover design Kate Hargreaves

Frontenac House

The Bone Weir by D. S. Stymeist

cover design Tim Nokes

NeWest Press

Lost Animal Club by Kevin Couture

cover design Kate Hargreaves

Book of the Year Awards

Children and Young Adult

Winner will be announced at the Alberta Book Awards Gala.

Trade Fiction

Stonehouse Publishing
Kalyna by Pam Clarke

NeWest Press
Paper Teeth by Lauralyn Chow

University of Alberta Press
Rising Abruptly by Gisèle Villeneuve

Freehand Books
White Elephant by Catherine Cooper

Trade Non Fiction

University of Calgary Press
Baffin Island: Field Research and High Arctic Adventure, 1961-67 by Jack D. Ives

Historical Society of Alberta
Edmonton House Journals: Reports from the Saskatchewan District, Including the Bow River District by Ted Binnema and Gerhard J. Ens
editor David W. Leonard

University of Calgary Press
The Frontier of Patriotism: Alberta and the First World War by Adriana Davies and Jeff Keshen

Brush Education
Native Plants for the Short Season Yard: Best Picks for the Chinook and Canadian Prairie Zones by Lyndon Penner
editors Lauri Seidlitz, Canessa Young, Sandra Bit

Robert Kroetsch Award for Poetry

University of Alberta Press
100 Days by Juliane Okot Bitek

Frontenac House
Silent Sister: the mastectomy poems by Beth Everest

University of Alberta Press
Sleeping in Tall Grass by Richard Therrien

Scholarly and Academic

University of Alberta Press
One Child Reading: My Auto-Bibliography by Margaret Mackey

University of Calgary Press
Polaris The Chief Scientist's Recollections of the American North Pole Expedition, 1871-73 by Emil Bessels
editor and translator William Barr

University of Alberta Press
Farm Workers in Western Canada: Injustices and Activism
editor Shirley A. McDonald & Bob Barnetson

University of Calgary Press
Vulnerability and Adaptation to Drought: The Canadian Prairies and South America
editors Harry Diaz, Margot Hurlbert, and Jim Warren

Learning

Brush Education
The Complete Canadian Book Editor
author Leslie Vermeer
editor Lauri Seidlitz

Brush Education
Cultural Competency Skills for Psychologists, Psychotherapists, and Counselling Professionals: A Workbook for Caring Across Cultures
authors Earle Waugh, Olga Szafran, Dr. Jean A. C. Triscott, Roger Parent
editors Lauri Seidlitz, Meaghan Craven

Brush Education
The Primary Care Toolkit for Anxiety and Related Disorders Quick, Practical Solutions for Assessment and Management
author Dr. Bianca Lauria-Horner
editors Lauri Seidlitz, Alison Lilian, Nicholle Carrière

Durville Publications Ltd

Stop Making Art and Die: Survival Activities for Artists

author Rich Theroux

editor Jessica Szabo

Speculative Fiction

Hades Publications

The Salarian Desert Game: Book Two in the Unintentional Adventures of Kia and Agatha by J.A. McLachlan

Tyche Books Ltd

Stalking the Dead by EC Bell

Laksa Media Groups

Strangers Among Us: Tales of the Underdogs and Outcasts (compilation)

editors Susan Forest and Lucas Law

Emerging Publisher of the Year

Winner will be announced at the Alberta Book Awards Gala.

Publisher of the Year

Athabasca University Press

NeWest Press

University of Calgary Press