Eligibility

Nominees for Alberta Book Publishing Awards need not be members of the Book Publishers Association of Alberta (BPAA) but must meet the following criteria to be eligible to win an award:

1. A publisher will:
   a. have its chief office of business located in Alberta,
   b. be at least 80% beneficially owned by Canadian citizens or landed immigrants, or be fully owned and controlled by Canadian institutions or associations that are 80% controlled by Canadian citizens or landed immigrants,
   c. have effective managerial and editorial control by people domiciled in Alberta, and financial control in the hands of people living in Canada,
   d. publish original Canadian books as a primary, not occasional, activity,
   e. have no more than 25% of titles in print written by principals, directors or employees of the company, and
   f. not accept service fees from authors.
2. Titles must have been published between January 1 and December 31, 2025.
3. Revised editions are eligible* if at least two of the following elements are included:
   a. significant changes in trim size or binding, or
   b. typesetting additions, or
   c. changes to at least 20% of the text and significant graphic, or illustrative changes beyond a new cover.

   a description of the format and content changes, the release dates, and publishers' names for previous editions must be supplied.
4. Books may be entered in more than one category, and in any or all of the three (3) design categories.
5. Each publisher may submit up to three (3) titles per award category.

Conditions

1. Submissions must be received in full on or before **February 27, 2026.**
2. All submissions become the property of the BPAA and will not be returned.
3. Submission fees are non-refundable.
4. Jury decisions are final; including no award in a category.

AI Disclosure

Publishers must disclose in their submission the use of AI-generative technologies, which is a type of AI that produces content such as text, audio, code, videos and images. Disclosures must include how the AI-generative technology was used during the entire writing and publishing process and to which component of the book it was applied (written content, marketing copy, jacket design, etc.). Publishers do not need to disclose the use of spelling or grammar check programs.

When reviewing submissions, jurors will be asked to evaluate the publisher's influence on the final product, and more value will be given to human-generated content than AI-generated content.

Disclaimer

The Book Publishers Association of Alberta administers the Alberta Book Publishing Awards as a service to the book publishers of Alberta and has no influence on jury deliberations and decisions.

These awards are intended to celebrate and recognize excellence in book publishing, and submissions are evaluated with a view of the full book publishing process. Awards are presented to the publisher, and not to individual contributors.

Attestation

I hereby attest that this entry meets the eligibility criteria for any and all categories for which it should be considered and that I accept all the conditions listed on this form.

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Signature	Date
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Print Name	Publishing House