

Minnesota Book Awards 36th Annual Ceremony

Presented by Education Minnesota

Celebrate the state's best books at the Minnesota Book Awards Ceremony. Awards will be presented live to winners in nine categories and to the recipients of the Book Artist, Hognander Minnesota History, and Kay Sexton Awards. Nur-D will serve as emcee.

TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2024

Ordway | 345 Washington Street, Saint Paul

Preface | 6:00 p.m.

Awards Ceremony | 7:30 p.m.

Epilogue | 9:00 p.m.

Ceremony will also be livestreamed.

Meet the Finalists

Get to know the 2024 Minnesota Book Awards finalists as authors from each category participate in a series of online panel discussions about their work.

Discussions will be posted in April. Register for The Friends e-news for notifications or visit thefriends.org/youtube to view.

36 Books Blog

Beginning in April, we will feature exclusive interviews with finalists leading up to the awards celebration.



For tickets, livestream registration, and all your Minnesota Book Awards information, scan this code and visit our website.

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About the Book Awards

The Minnesota Book Awards is a year-long program of The Friends of the Saint Paul Public Library that fosters our statewide literary arts community. The process begins in the fall with book submissions and continues through winter with two rounds of judging. Winners are announced at the spring Minnesota Book Awards Ceremony.

Woven throughout the season are events that promote the authors and connect the world of Minnesota books – writers, artists, illustrators, publishers, editors, and more – to readers throughout the state. In recognition of this and its other statewide programs and services, the Library of Congress has designated The Friends of the Saint Paul Public Library as the state's designated Center for the Book.

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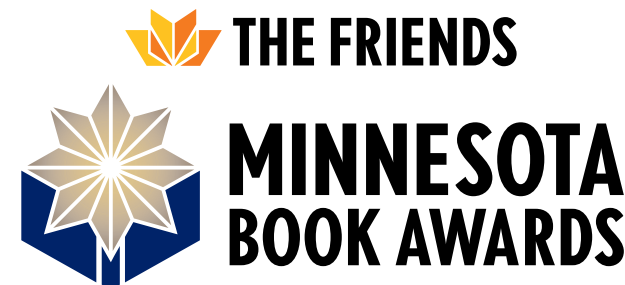
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Children's Literature



Beneath by Cori Doerrfeld
Can We Please Give the Police Department to the Grandmothers? by Junauda Petrus; illustrations by Kristen Uroda
Finding Family: The Duckling Raised by Loons by Laura Purdie Salas; illustrations by Alexandria Neonakis
Looking For Happy by Ty Chapman; illustrations by Keenon Ferrell

General Nonfiction



The Greatest Summer in Baseball History: How the '73 Season Changed Us Forever by John Rosengren
Lessons on the Road to Peace by John Noltner
The Needle and the Lens: Pop Goes to the Movies from Rock 'n' Roll to Synthwave by Nate Patrin
Smoke on the Waterfront: The Northern Waters Smokehaus Cookbook by Ned Netzel, Nic Peloquin, Mary K. Tennis, Greg Conley & Eric Goerd; photographs by Jacob Swanson, Flo, Stephen Pestalozzi, & Zac Bentz

Genre Fiction

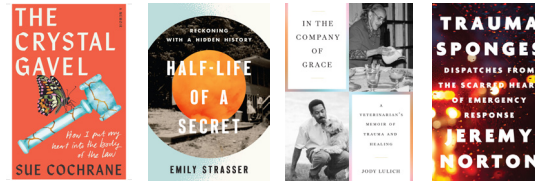
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Citadel by C.M. Alongi
Ink Blood Sister Scribe by Emma Törzs
Liberty's Daughter by Naomi Kritzer
Native Love Jams by Tashia Hart

Memoir & Creative Nonfiction

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The Crystal Gavel: How I Put My Heart into the Body of the Law by Sue Cochrane
Half-Life of a Secret: Reckoning with a Hidden History by Emily Strasser
In the Company of Grace: A Veterinarian's Memoir of Trauma and Healing by Jody Lulich
Trauma Sponges: Dispatches from the Scarred Heart of Emergency Response by Jeremy Norton

Middle Grade Literature

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Dear Brother by Alison McGhee; illustrations by Tuan Nini
The Kitchen Pantry Scientist: Ecology for Kids by Liz Lee Heinecke
The Puppets of Spelhorst by Kate DiCamillo
Shannon in the Spotlight by Kalena Miller

Emilie Buchwald Award for Minnesota Nonfiction

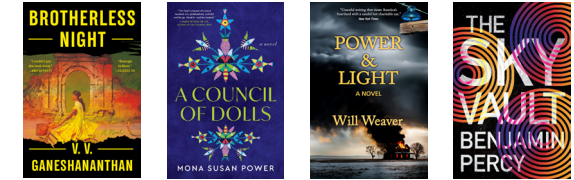
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Break the Wheel: Ending the Cycle of Police Violence by Keith Ellison
Making the Carry: The Lives of John and Tchi-Ki-Wis Linklater by Timothy Cochrane
Minescapes: Reclaiming Minnesota's Mined Lands by Pete Kero
Winter's Song: A Hymn to the North by TD Mischke

Novel & Short Story

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Brotherless Night by V.V. Ganeshanathan
A Council of Dolls by Mona Susan Power
Power and Light by Will Weaver
The Sky Vault by Benjamin Percy

Poetry

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The Fight by Jennifer Manthey
Meltwater by Claire Wahmanholm
Songs, Blood Deep by Gwen Nell Westerman
Wail Song: or wading in the water at the end of the world by Chaun Webster

Young Adult Literature

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The Girl I Am, Was, and Never Will Be by Shannon Gibney
Just Do This One Thing for Me by Laura Zimmermann
Reimagining Police: The Future of Public Safety by Dr. Artika Tyner
The Roof Over Our Heads by Nicole Kronzer

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