

2026 INDEPENDENT AUTHOR AWARDS
WINNERS AND FINALISTS



Action/Adventure

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Seven*
AUTHOR NAME: Igor Stefanovich
PUBLISHER NAME: Igor Stefanovich

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Starling: A Science Fiction Adventure in the Classic Tradition*
AUTHOR NAME: Neal Stevens
PUBLISHER NAME: Neal Stevens

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Forward-Giving Up is Not an Option: Making My Way into My New World with Wheelchair and Hand Bike*
AUTHOR NAME: Eugen Ehrenberg
PUBLISHER NAME: Balboa Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *To Kill a Public Crook*
AUTHOR NAME: Steven Stewart
PUBLISHER NAME: Archway Publishing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Echoes – The Affinity Saga Book 2*
AUTHOR NAME: Eddie Dee Williams
PUBLISHER NAME: Rebirth Publishings LLC

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Looked Down Upon: The Exiled Kin*
AUTHOR NAME: Jordan Lopez
PUBLISHER NAME: Jordan Lopez

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Hocking Hills Bigfoot*
AUTHOR NAME: Andria Williams
PUBLISHER NAME: AW Books LLC

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Nearly Dead and The Newly Bred*

AUTHOR NAME: Ava A.

PUBLISHER NAME: Archway Publishing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Rebirth of the Knights Templar, from Jerusalem to America: One Family's History*

AUTHOR NAME: John a Nichols

PUBLISHER NAME: Archway Publishing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Sister Mary's Angels*

AUTHOR NAME: Randall Reynolds

PUBLISHER NAME: Archway Publishing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Opportunity*

AUTHOR NAME: William Tucker

PUBLISHER NAME: Archway Publishing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Goodflyers: Lords of the Emerald Coast*

AUTHOR NAME: John J Domina

PUBLISHER NAME: Archway Publishing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Guardian of Armageddon: Living with the Beast*

AUTHOR NAME: Donald L. Brake

PUBLISHER NAME: WestBow Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Merging of the Realms, Book One: Tales from The Wandering Woods*

AUTHOR NAME: Richard Talley

PUBLISHER NAME: Balboa Press

Activity Books-Children

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Blue Bubble Gum*

AUTHOR NAME: Martha Goldner

PUBLISHER NAME: Xlibris US

African American Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Echoes – The Affinity Saga Book 2*

AUTHOR NAME: Eddie Dee Williams

PUBLISHER NAME: Rebirth Publishings LLC

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Silver Lake Birthright*

AUTHOR NAME: D.D. Franklin

PUBLISHER NAME: Self Published

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Offerings Made By Fire*
AUTHOR NAME: zO-AlonzO Gross
PUBLISHER NAME: zO-AlonzO Gross

African American Non-Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Inside the Castle Walls, An American Journey Through Espionage, Counterterrorism and Government*
AUTHOR NAME: Dr. Erroll G. Southers
PUBLISHER NAME: Gouché Publishing House

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *My Good Life*
AUTHOR NAME: Dr. Gregory M. Lee
PUBLISHER NAME: The Paperhouse

Animals-Pets

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Animal Conquest (General Jack and the Battle of the Five Kingdoms#8)*
AUTHOR NAME: David Bush
PUBLISHER NAME: Self-Published

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Letters to my Dog*
AUTHOR NAME: Scott Tomlinson
PUBLISHER NAME: Xlibris AU

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Turtle's Treacherous Trip*
AUTHOR NAME: Danny Barron
PUBLISHER NAME: Westbow Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *St John the Ambulance Cat: Based on a true story*
AUTHOR NAME: Natasha Burrell
PUBLISHER NAME: Xlibris NZ

Anthology

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Femme Led: Hard-Learned Lessons from Women in Leadership*
AUTHOR NAME: (Anthology: Sierra Melcher et.al)
PUBLISHER NAME: Red Thread Publishing

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Bad Americans: Part I*
AUTHOR NAME: Tejas Desai
PUBLISHER NAME: The New Wei LLC

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Bad Americans: Part II*
AUTHOR NAME: Tejas Desai
PUBLISHER NAME: The New Wei LLC

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Terr-or-Treats: Spooky Ghost Stories and Deliciously Haunted Adventures*
AUTHOR NAME: The Super Spooky Naturals
PUBLISHER NAME: Writigration L.L.C.

Asian American Non-Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *She Called Me Throwaway – a memoir*
AUTHOR NAME: Shama Shams
PUBLISHER NAME: Editor-911 Books

Autobiography

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Amor Fati: An Incredible True Story of Survival, Hope & Healing*
AUTHOR NAME: Zoë Collins
PUBLISHER NAME: The Crystal Cove

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *My Good Life*
AUTHOR NAME: Dr. Gregory M. Lee
PUBLISHER NAME: The Paperhouse

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The MissADVentures of a Hapless Entrepreneur – Timing is Everything*
AUTHOR NAME: Peter J. Snow OAM
PUBLISHER NAME: BeInspiredBooks.com

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Gone To the Dogs: Tales of a Dog Napper*
AUTHOR NAME: Kate Moore
PUBLISHER NAME: Archway Publishing

Biography-General

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *My Good Life*
AUTHOR NAME: Dr. Gregory M. Lee
PUBLISHER NAME: The Paperhouse

Biography-Historical

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Masters of the Ocean Sea: The Epic Saga of the Portuguese Explorers Who Redrew the Map of the World*

AUTHOR NAME: Andrei Romanov

PUBLISHER NAME: Sagres Heritage Press

Body/Mind/Spirit

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Offerings Made By Fire*

AUTHOR NAME: zO-AlonzO Gross

PUBLISHER NAME: zO-AlonzO Gross

Book Cover Design-Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Too Much the Lion: A Novel of the Battle of Franklin*

AUTHOR NAME: Preston Lewis

PUBLISHER NAME: Bariso Press

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *A Deadly Calm in Cedar Key*

AUTHOR NAME: Edward Braddy

PUBLISHER NAME: Edward Braddy

FULL BOOK TITLE: *ONE FOOL'S GOLD*

AUTHOR NAME: MARK HOWEN

PUBLISHER NAME: KDP

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Exits*

AUTHOR NAME: Stephen C. Pollock

PUBLISHER NAME: Windtree Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *ESCAPING SAILOR BYRD*

AUTHOR NAME: DOROTHY DEENE

PUBLISHER NAME: RUNAWAY JUNE BOOKS

Book Cover Design-Non-Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Chasing Legends: Motorcycle Stories from the Podcast Trail*

AUTHOR NAME: Aaron Pufal

PUBLISHER NAME: ADV Cannonball

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *In the Shadow of the Most High: Uncovering My Jewish Ancestors' Perilous Journey Through History*

AUTHOR NAME: Doug Einfeld

PUBLISHER NAME: Independently Published

FULL BOOK TITLE: *My Good Life*

AUTHOR NAME: Dr. Gregory M. Lee

PUBLISHER NAME: The Paperhouse

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Amor Fati: An Incredible True Story of Survival, Hope & Healing*

AUTHOR NAME: Zoë Collins

PUBLISHER NAME: The Crystal Cove

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Struggle Smarter Write More. A Guide From Procrastination to Creative Flow*

AUTHOR NAME: Constantin Weber

PUBLISHER NAME: Constantin Weber

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Pintsized Pioneers at Play: Homemade Frontier Fun and Danger*

AUTHOR NAME: Preston Lewis and Harriet Kocher Lewis

PUBLISHER NAME: Bariso Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *100 Objects from the Collections of the YIVO Institute for Jewish Research*

AUTHOR NAME: Stefanie Halpern

PUBLISHER NAME: YIVO Institute for Jewish Research

Book Interior Design-Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Exits*

AUTHOR NAME: Stephen C. Pollock

PUBLISHER NAME: Windtree Press

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Brick in the Holy Door*

AUTHOR NAME: C.R. Owens

PUBLISHER NAME: C.R. Owens

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Seal of Fire*

AUTHOR NAME: C.R. Owens

PUBLISHER NAME: C.R. Owens

Book Interior Design-Non-Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *100 Objects from the Collections of the YIVO Institute for Jewish Research*

AUTHOR NAME: Stefanie Halpern

PUBLISHER NAME: YIVO Institute for Jewish Research

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Amor Fati: An Incredible True Story of Survival, Hope & Healing*
AUTHOR NAME: Zoë Collins
PUBLISHER NAME: The Crystal Cove

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Baseball Cortex*
AUTHOR NAME: Craig Ohlau
PUBLISHER NAME: Craig Ohlau

Business-Entrepreneurship & Small Business

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Doubt Loop: Turning Founder Doubt into a Competitive Advantage*
AUTHOR NAME: Adam Crawshaw
PUBLISHER NAME: Moments of Impact

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Relentless Excellence: A Story of Family, Business Building and Value Driven Leadership*
AUTHOR NAME: Phillip Hogan, MSW, MPA
PUBLISHER NAME: Brightray

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The MissADVENTures of a Hapless Entrepreneur – Timing is Everything*
AUTHOR NAME: Peter J. Snow OAM
PUBLISHER NAME: BeInspiredBooks.com

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Coach To ALIGN: Building Empowered Teams Together*
AUTHOR NAME: Shaine Hobdy
PUBLISHER NAME: Self-Published

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Unlikely to Unstoppable: Stories from Everyday Entrepreneurs*
AUTHOR NAME: Jennifer Collins and Elizabeth Clark
PUBLISHER NAME: Words in the Wings Press, Inc.

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Power of Woo: For Spiritual Entrepreneurs Ready to Trust Their Inner Knowing and Get Real Results*
AUTHOR NAME: Karen Leigh Gruber
PUBLISHER NAME: Silk Dragon Press

Business-General

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *L.E.A.D. OUT LOUD: Be Clear. Be Heard. Be Unstoppable*
AUTHOR NAME: Antawn Knight
PUBLISHER NAME: Knight Leadership Group

Business-Miscellaneous

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Transform Procurement: The Value of E-Auctions*

AUTHOR NAME: Janice Marquardt

PUBLISHER NAME: Red Thread Publishing

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Coach To ALIGN: Building Empowered Teams Together*

AUTHOR NAME: Shaine Hobdy

PUBLISHER NAME: Self-Published

Business-Motivational

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Femme Led: Hard-Learned Lessons from Women in Leadership*

AUTHOR NAME: (Anthology: Sierra Melcher et.al)

PUBLISHER NAME: Red Thread Publishing

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Scary Good: Discovering Life Beyond the Sunday Scaries*

AUTHOR NAME: Angie Callen

PUBLISHER NAME: The Modern Coach Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *When Money Hurts: The Hidden Crisis Undermining Mental Health, Retention, and Trust at Work*

AUTHOR NAME: Andrew Lendnal

PUBLISHER NAME: ebooIt.com

FULL BOOK TITLE: *L.E.A.D. OUT LOUD: Be Clear. Be Heard. Be Unstoppable*

AUTHOR NAME: Antawn Knight

PUBLISHER NAME: Knight Leadership Group

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Unlikely to Unstoppable: Stories from Everyday Entrepreneurs*

AUTHOR NAME: Jennifer Collins and Elizabeth Clark

PUBLISHER NAME: Words in the Wings Press, Inc.

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Power of Woo: For Spiritual Entrepreneurs Ready to Trust Their Inner Knowing and Get Real Results*

AUTHOR NAME: Karen Leigh Gruber

PUBLISHER NAME: Silk Dragon Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Unapologetic Wealth*

AUTHOR NAME: Marcia Dawood

PUBLISHER NAME: Marcia Dawood

Cancer

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Wake-Up Calls: A Journey of Learning to Lead and Succeed in the Funeral and Death Care Profession*

AUTHOR NAME: Lisa Baue

PUBLISHER NAME: River Grove Books

Career

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Scary Good: Discovering Life Beyond the Sunday Scaries*

AUTHOR NAME: Angie Callen

PUBLISHER NAME: The Modern Coach Press

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Coach To ALIGN: Building Empowered Teams Together*

AUTHOR NAME: Shaine

PUBLISHER NAME: Self-Published

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Teaching What Every Employer Wants*

AUTHOR NAME: Dr. Ben Clinton

PUBLISHER NAME: Beacon Education Press

Chapter Book

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Magic Campervan, Book 2, The Entelodont's Skull*

AUTHOR NAME: Lisa Selvidge

PUBLISHER NAME: Montanha Books

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Beneath the Blue*

AUTHOR NAME: Joan Enockson

PUBLISHER NAME: Tall Girl Publishing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Pixie Dust and Other Dangerous Things*

AUTHOR NAME: Jessica Brenner

PUBLISHER NAME: Journey Institute Press (fall 2026)

Chick-Lit

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Peg, Unbinged*

AUTHOR NAME: Teri M Brown

PUBLISHER NAME: Atmosphere Press

Children's-Fiction (Ages 3-8)

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Stargazer*
AUTHOR NAME: Egor Klopenko
PUBLISHER NAME: Amazon KDP

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Tricky Pickle Carrot Cake*
AUTHOR NAME: Brytta H Fitzgibbons
PUBLISHER NAME: Xlibris Us

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Ellie the Emu*
AUTHOR NAME: Andria Williams
PUBLISHER NAME: AW Books, LLC

FULL BOOK TITLE: *¿Me Dolerá el Corte de Pelo?*
AUTHOR NAME: Martha Goldner
PUBLISHER NAME: Xlibris Us

Children's-Non-Fiction (Ages 3-8)

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *My Character Check*
AUTHOR NAME: Jean Smarto
PUBLISHER NAME: My Character Check LLC

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Tiny Lund's Time of Triumph*
AUTHOR NAME: A.J. Chilson
PUBLISHER NAME: Amazon KDP

Children's-Early Readers

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Doña Basura Manda: en una Tierra Llena*
AUTHOR NAME: Martha Goldner
PUBLISHER NAME: Xlibris US

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Bobby Loves Baseball*
AUTHOR NAME: Craig Ohlau
PUBLISHER NAME: Craig Ohlau

Children's-Inspirational/Motivational

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Book of Kindness*

AUTHOR NAME: Egor Klopenko

PUBLISHER NAME: Amazon KDP

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Beneath the Blue*

AUTHOR NAME: Joan Enockson

PUBLISHER NAME: Tall Girl Publishing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *My Character Check*

AUTHOR NAME: Jean Smarto

PUBLISHER NAME: My Character Check LLC

Children's-Non-Fiction (Ages 3-8)

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Going to Live with Auntie*

AUTHOR NAME: Andria Williams

PUBLISHER NAME: AW Books, LLC

Children's-Religion

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *1 2 3 Ding Ding Ding!*

AUTHOR NAME: Moises D. Rodriguez

PUBLISHER NAME: WestBow Press

Comedy

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Peg, Unbinged*

AUTHOR NAME: Teri M Brown

PUBLISHER NAME: Atmosphere Press

Contemporary Novel

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Bad Americans: Part I*

AUTHOR NAME: Tejas Desai

PUBLISHER NAME: The New Wei LLC

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *In Jake's Shoes – A Father's Journey Through Loss and Redemption*

AUTHOR NAME: Andrew C. Phillips

PUBLISHER NAME: Black Rose Writing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Art of Belonging Nowhere*

AUTHOR NAME: Andrea Hellman

PUBLISHER NAME: Andrea Hellman

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Journey from Kamakura: REVISED EDITION*

AUTHOR NAME: Glen Allison

PUBLISHER NAME: Self-Published

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Bad Americans: Part II*

AUTHOR NAME: Tejas Desai

PUBLISHER NAME: The New Wei LLC

FULL BOOK TITLE: *John B. Peoples*

AUTHOR NAME: Michael Cowan

PUBLISHER NAME: Koehler Books

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Her Blind Date Bodyguard*

AUTHOR NAME: Bella Rose

PUBLISHER NAME: Bella Rose Books

FULL BOOK TITLE: *What the Mirrors Knew*

AUTHOR NAME: Linda Annas Ferguson

PUBLISHER NAME: Palmetto Publishes/ISBN under Next Edition Enterprises

Crime Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Tokyo Juku*

AUTHOR NAME: Michael Pronko

PUBLISHER NAME: Raked Gravel Press

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Five Roses for Walter*

AUTHOR NAME: LeeAnne James

PUBLISHER NAME: Black Rose Writing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Monuments Must Bleed*

AUTHOR NAME: Clifton Wilcox

PUBLISHER NAME: Booklocker

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Binding Coil: Book Two in the Helix Project*

AUTHOR NAME: J.L. Calder

PUBLISHER NAME: Dwyer Street Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Rock with Wings: Between 2 Fires*
AUTHOR NAME: Raymond A. Edwards
PUBLISHER NAME: Amazon KDP

FULL BOOK TITLE: *LIES TO FOREVER*
AUTHOR NAME: Marlene M. Bell
PUBLISHER NAME: Ewephoric

FULL BOOK TITLE: *A Deadly Calm in Cedar Key*
AUTHOR NAME: Edward Braddy
PUBLISHER NAME: Edward Braddy

Cross Genre

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Bad Americans: Part I*
AUTHOR NAME: Tejas Desai
PUBLISHER NAME: The New Wei LLC

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Ancilla*
AUTHOR NAME: Sera Maddox Drake
PUBLISHER NAME: Self Published

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Diary of a Difficult Woman (Subtitles: The Queen of Beaver Island: Book Three of the Watson Family of Beaver Island)*

AUTHOR NAME: Jim Freeman (J. Lee Freeman)
PUBLISHER NAME: Self-Published

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Signs of The Fall*
AUTHOR NAME: Sean M. Price
PUBLISHER NAME: Koehler Books

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Born of Dirt & Dust*
AUTHOR NAME: Renee Coloman
PUBLISHER NAME: self-published

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Sage of the Mountains*
AUTHOR NAME: Dr. George Cluen
PUBLISHER NAME: Staten House

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Passion's Duty*
AUTHOR NAME: Lizzie Jenks
PUBLISHER NAME: Wheel Horse Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Echoes – The Affinity Saga Book 2*
AUTHOR NAME: Eddie Dee Williams
PUBLISHER NAME: Rebirth Publishings LLC

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Born in the Aftermath*
AUTHOR NAME: Ian Griffin
PUBLISHER NAME: Ian Griffin

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Seven*
AUTHOR NAME: Igor Stefanovich
PUBLISHER NAME: Igor Stefanovich

FULL BOOK TITLE: *After The Lake*
AUTHOR NAME: Mara Mansour
PUBLISHER NAME: Mara Mansour

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Whispers of the Sower*
AUTHOR NAME: Martin V. Parece II
PUBLISHER NAME: Martin V. Parece II

Current Events

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Russia's Final Destination: Russia, Israel, and the End of Times*
AUTHOR NAME: Abraham DeAlmeida PhD
PUBLISHER NAME: WestBow Press

Death and Dying

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Good Death: A Guide for Supporting Your Loved One through the End of Life*
AUTHOR NAME: Suzanne B. O'Brien RN
PUBLISHER NAME: Vermilion

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Because I Knew You: How some remarkable sick kids healed a doctor's soul*
AUTHOR NAME: Robert Macauley
PUBLISHER NAME: Chehalem Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Exits*
AUTHOR NAME: Stephen C. Pollock
PUBLISHER NAME: Windtree Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Yuniz in the Land of Yonder*
AUTHOR NAME: zO-AlonzO Gross
PUBLISHER NAME: zO-AlonzO Gross

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Wake-Up Calls: A Journey of Learning to Lead and Succeed in the Funeral and Death Care Profession*
AUTHOR NAME: Lisa Baue
PUBLISHER NAME: River Grove Books

Debut-Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Art of Belonging Nowhere*

AUTHOR NAME: Andrea Hellman

PUBLISHER NAME: Andrea Hellman

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *A Deadly Calm in Cedar Key*

AUTHOR NAME: Edward Braddy

PUBLISHER NAME: Edward Braddy

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Sage of the Mountains*

AUTHOR NAME: Dr. George Cluen

PUBLISHER NAME: Staten House

FULL BOOK TITLE: *What the Mirrors Knew*

AUTHOR NAME: Linda Annas Ferguson

PUBLISHER NAME: Palmetto Publishes/ISBN under Next Edition Enterprises

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Gangsters and Demons*

AUTHOR NAME: Rowan O'Neill

PUBLISHER NAME: Old World Publishing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *In Jake's Shoes – A Father's Journey Through Loss and Redemption*

AUTHOR NAME: Andrew C. Phillips

PUBLISHER NAME: Black Rose Writing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *THE GRAVITY OF LIES*

AUTHOR NAME: DOROTHY DEENE

PUBLISHER NAME: RUNAWAY JUNE BOOKS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Lenswoman in Love: A Novel of the 1960s & 70s*

AUTHOR NAME: Kim Gottlieb-Walker

PUBLISHER NAME: The Conrad Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *John B. Peoples*

AUTHOR NAME: Michael Cowan

PUBLISHER NAME: Koehler Books

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Signs of The Fall*

AUTHOR NAME: Sean M. Price

PUBLISHER NAME: Koehler Books

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Day Satoshi Returned*

AUTHOR NAME: Taimour Al Neimat

PUBLISHER NAME: Independent

Debut-Non-Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Struggle Smarter Write More. A Guide From Procrastination to Creative Flow*

AUTHOR NAME: Constantin Weber

PUBLISHER NAME: Constantin Weber

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *100's of Tips, Tricks & Loopholes The Ultimate Guide for Authors & Writers!*

AUTHOR NAME: Chantay Bridges

PUBLISHER NAME: BPH-Bridges Publishing House

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Teaching What Every Employer Wants*

AUTHOR NAME: Dr. Ben Clinton

PUBLISHER NAME: Beacon Education Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Life and How to Live it: Begin the Begin*

AUTHOR NAME: Chaz Holesworth

PUBLISHER NAME: Chaz Holesworth

Educational

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Teaching What Every Employer Wants*

AUTHOR NAME: Dr. Ben Clinton

PUBLISHER NAME: Beacon Education Press

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *I Only Eat Pizza*

AUTHOR NAME: Benita L. Gibson

PUBLISHER NAME: Tattoon Kids

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Blue Bubble Gum*

AUTHOR NAME: Martha Goldner

PUBLISHER NAME: Xlibris US

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Prescott Girls – A Letter From Philadelphia*

AUTHOR NAME: Aric Wilmunder

PUBLISHER NAME: A Well-Regulated Press

Environment

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Litter Lady Leads*

AUTHOR NAME: Martha Goldner

PUBLISHER NAME: Xlibris US

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Air, Earth, Fire, and Water: A Glimpse of the Created Earth*

AUTHOR NAME: David Elliott

PUBLISHER NAME: iUniverse

Faction (fiction based on fact)

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Last Stand at Buffington Island*

AUTHOR NAME: Jim Freeman (writing as J. Lee Freeman)

PUBLISHER NAME: Grapevine Ridge Press

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Final Shelter*

AUTHOR NAME: Rob Ramos

PUBLISHER NAME: Rob Ramos

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Fever Season*

AUTHOR NAME: Sally Rutledge Moore

PUBLISHER NAME: J & J Ranch Productions

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Animal Revolution (General Jack and the Battle of the Five Kingdoms#5)*

AUTHOR NAME: David Bush

PUBLISHER NAME: Self-Published

Fantasy

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *A Soul Incarnate*

AUTHOR NAME: Chris Andrews

PUBLISHER NAME: Chris Andrews

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Echoes – The Affinity Saga Book 2*

AUTHOR NAME: Eddie Dee Williams

PUBLISHER NAME: Rebirth Publishings LLC

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Oasis Stone*

AUTHOR NAME: Jack Davidson

PUBLISHER NAME: Teirmond Publishing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Dead and Buried; The Last Kitsune Book 2*

AUTHOR NAME: JS Scheffel

PUBLISHER NAME: JS Scheffel

FULL BOOK TITLE: *20/40: 12 Short Stories Foretelling Life in the Year 2040*

AUTHOR NAME: Steven Sarshik

PUBLISHER NAME: Archway Publishing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Yuniṣ in the Land of Yonder*
AUTHOR NAME: zO-AlonzO Gross
PUBLISHER NAME: zO-AlonzO Gross

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Escala's Wish (Tales of Valla Book 1)*
AUTHOR NAME: David James
PUBLISHER NAME: Trash Panda Publishing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Council Ford Insurrection: The Second Amendment 2043-2063*
AUTHOR NAME: J.Thomas Bowne JD
PUBLISHER NAME: Archway Publishing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Guardians of the Cosmic Clocks: Wings of the Gods*
AUTHOR NAME: Jabril Yousef Faraj
PUBLISHER NAME: DANK ONION

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Pixie Dust and Other Dangerous Things*
AUTHOR NAME: Jessica Brenner
PUBLISHER NAME: Journey Institute Press (fall 2026)

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Silver Lake Birthright*
AUTHOR NAME: D.D. Franklin
PUBLISHER NAME: Self Published

Fiction (General)

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Bad Americans: Part I*
AUTHOR NAME: Tejas Desai
PUBLISHER NAME: The New Wei LLC

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Passion's Duty*
AUTHOR NAME: Lizzie Jenks
PUBLISHER NAME: Wheel Horse Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Said in Secret*
AUTHOR NAME: Jerry W Martin
PUBLISHER NAME: Jerry W Martin

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Journey from Kamakura: REVISED EDITION*
AUTHOR NAME: Glen Allison
PUBLISHER NAME: Self-Published

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Bad Americans: Part II*
AUTHOR NAME: Tejas Desai
PUBLISHER NAME: The New Wei LLC

FULL BOOK TITLE: *John B. Peoples*
AUTHOR NAME: Michael Cowan
PUBLISHER NAME: Koehler Books

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Guardians of the Cosmic Clocks: Wings of the Gods*
AUTHOR NAME: Jabril Yousef Faraj
PUBLISHER NAME: DANK ONION

Friendship

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Starling: A Science Fiction Adventure in the Classic Tradition*
AUTHOR NAME: Neal Stevens
PUBLISHER NAME: Neal Stevens

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Aspen- BOOK 3- THE BAD ASS BIKER BITCHES SERIES*
AUTHOR NAME: Darlene Mellors
PUBLISHER NAME Darlene Mellors

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Beneath the Blue*
AUTHOR NAME: Joan Enockson
PUBLISHER NAME: Tall Girl Publishing

Grief

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *ESCAPING SAILOR BYRD*
AUTHOR NAME: DOROTHY DEENE
PUBLISHER NAME: RUNAWAY JUNE BOOKS

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Eternal Spring*
AUTHOR NAME: Cheryll Collins
PUBLISHER NAME: LifeRich Publishing

Health-General

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Rise and Fall of the Human Mind*
AUTHOR NAME: Martin Jan Stránský, M.D.
PUBLISHER NAME: Independently published

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Amor Fati: An Incredible True Story of Survival, Hope & Healing*
AUTHOR NAME: Zoë Collins
PUBLISHER NAME: The Crystal Cove

Historical-Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Diomedes in Kyprios*
AUTHOR NAME: Gregory Michael Nixon
PUBLISHER NAME: Historium Press

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *ONE FOOL'S GOLD*
AUTHOR NAME: MARK HOWEN
PUBLISHER NAME: KDP

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Too Much the Lion: A Novel of the Battle of Franklin*
AUTHOR NAME: Preston Lewis
PUBLISHER NAME: Bariso Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Fever Season*
AUTHOR NAME: Sally Rutledge Moore
PUBLISHER NAME: J & J Ranch Productions

FULL BOOK TITLE: *THE WAGES OF FREEDOM*
AUTHOR NAME: RE'GENA BELL-ROBERTS
PUBLISHER NAME: RE'GENA BELL-ROBERTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Born in the Aftermath*
AUTHOR NAME: Ian Griffin
PUBLISHER NAME: Ian Griffin

FULL BOOK TITLE: *God's Gracious Killer: God's Conquering of a Dark Heart*
AUTHOR NAME: Dwight David Croy
PUBLISHER NAME: Resource Publications

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Diary of a Difficult Woman (Subtitles: The Queen of Beaver Island: Book Three of the Watson Family of Beaver Island)*
AUTHOR NAME: Jim Freeman (J. Lee Freeman)
PUBLISHER NAME: Self-Published

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Prescott Girls – A Letter From Philadelphia*
AUTHOR NAME: Aric Wilmunder
PUBLISHER NAME: A Well-Regulated Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Goodbye Demons*
AUTHOR NAME: JJ Harrigan
PUBLISHER NAME: Salty Books

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Unbroken Hope*
AUTHOR NAME: Michael Wells
PUBLISHER NAME: Michael Wells

History-General

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *100 Objects from the Collections of the YIVO Institute for Jewish Research*

AUTHOR NAME: Stefanie Halpern

PUBLISHER NAME: YIVO Institute for Jewish Research

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *In the Shadow of the Most High: Uncovering My Jewish Ancestors' Perilous Journey Through History*

AUTHOR NAME: Doug Einfeld

PUBLISHER NAME: Independently Published

History-United States

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Fever Season*

AUTHOR NAME: Sally Rutledge Moore

PUBLISHER NAME: J & J Ranch Productions

Horror

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Gangsters and Demons*

AUTHOR NAME: Rowan O'Neill

PUBLISHER NAME: Old World Publishing

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *I, Monster*

AUTHOR NAME: Clifton Wilcox

PUBLISHER NAME: Booklocker, Inc.

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Harvest of Eyes*

AUTHOR NAME: Clifton Wilcox

PUBLISHER NAME: Windward Publishing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Terr-or-Treats: Spooky Ghost Stories and Deliciously Haunted Adventures*

AUTHOR NAME: The Super Spooky Naturals

PUBLISHER NAME: Writigration L.L.C.

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Pact of Shadows: The Black Orchard*

AUTHOR NAME: Clifton Wilcox

PUBLISHER NAME: Windward Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Whispers of the Sower*

AUTHOR NAME: Martin V. Parece II

PUBLISHER NAME: Martin V. Parece II

How-To

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *True Crime and Consequences | Does the True Crime Community Help with Murder Investigations or Hurt Them?*

AUTHOR NAME: David Lyons

PUBLISHER NAME: Empowered Press

Inspirational

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Sage of the Mountains*

AUTHOR NAME: Dr. George Cluen

PUBLISHER NAME: Staten House

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Amor Fati: An Incredible True Story of Survival, Hope & Healing*

AUTHOR NAME: Zoë Collins

PUBLISHER NAME: The Crystal Cove

FULL BOOK TITLE: *My Good Life*

AUTHOR NAME: Dr. Gregory M. Lee

PUBLISHER NAME: The Paperhouse

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Journey from Kamakura: REVISED EDITION*

AUTHOR NAME: Glen Allison

PUBLISHER NAME: Self-Published

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Through the Lens of An Ancient Yisra'elite Bible Study*

AUTHOR NAME: Benjamin Nieves Carrasquillo Jr.

PUBLISHER NAME: Westbow Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Burn*

AUTHOR NAME: Matt Posey

PUBLISHER NAME: WestBow Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Leo & Lou: When We Grow Up*

AUTHOR NAME: S T Kimbrough Jr. and Mark S. Kimbrough

PUBLISHER NAME: Archway Publishing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Birth of the Messiah: A December Devotional*

AUTHOR NAME: Steve Laureanti

PUBLISHER NAME: WestBow Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Inside the Castle Walls, An American Journey Through Espionage, Counterterrorism and Government*

AUTHOR NAME: Dr. Erroll G. Southers

PUBLISHER NAME: Gouché Publishing House

Juvenile Fiction (Ages 7-14)

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *August Rain*
AUTHOR NAME: Marlo Holly
PUBLISHER NAME: Balboa Press

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Adventures of Bailey & Bernard: Bailey's Lost Ball*
AUTHOR NAME: Stacey A. Raymond
PUBLISHER NAME: Archway Publishing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Over the Wall*
AUTHOR NAME: Catherine Kramer
PUBLISHER NAME: Archway Publishing

Latinx-Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Lupe & Selina Play Through the Storm*
AUTHOR NAME: Anita Perez Ferguson
PUBLISHER NAME: Anita Perez Ferguson

Leadership

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Relentless Excellence: A Story of Family, Business Building and Value Driven Leadership*
AUTHOR NAME: Phillip Hogan, MSW, MPA
PUBLISHER NAME: Brightray

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Coach To ALIGN: Building Empowered Teams Together*
AUTHOR NAME: Shaine Hobdy
PUBLISHER NAME: Self-Published

FULL BOOK TITLE: *L.E.A.D. OUT LOUD: Be Clear. Be Heard. Be Unstoppable*
AUTHOR NAME: Antawn Knight
PUBLISHER NAME: Knight Leadership Group

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Between Flights: Reflections on the Unspoken Truths of Leadership and Life*
AUTHOR NAME: Wendy Walker
PUBLISHER NAME: Grammar Factory Publishing

Legacy-Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Tattler Tales: Vonnie and Fussy, Girl Reporters*

AUTHOR NAME: J. Lee Fleming

PUBLISHER NAME: Westbow Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Last Dance over the Berlin Wall*

AUTHOR NAME: Lisa Selvidge

PUBLISHER NAME: Montanha Books

Legacy Non-Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Sons of Chester: A Tale of Small Town Boys, Baseball, and Very Big Dreams*

AUTHOR NAME: Craig Ohlau

PUBLISHER NAME: Black Rose Writing

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *JAD: A POEM*

AUTHOR NAME: James Richard Hansen

PUBLISHER NAME: Authorhouse

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Within and Without: Poems*

AUTHOR NAME: James Richard Hansen

PUBLISHER NAME: Authorhouse

FULL BOOK TITLE: *GPS for the Soul: Wisdom of the Master*

AUTHOR NAME: Dana Hayne

PUBLISHER NAME: Balboa Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Words To Breathe By*

AUTHOR NAME: James Richard Hansen

PUBLISHER NAME: AuthorHouse

Legal Thriller

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Hazy Shade*

AUTHOR NAME: Jim Lively

PUBLISHER NAME: Treaty Oak Publishers

LBGTQIA Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Ancilla*
AUTHOR NAME: Sera Maddox Drake
PUBLISHER NAME: Self Published

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Third Act*
AUTHOR NAME: Kathleen Brehony
PUBLISHER NAME: Self-Published

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Paper Cuts*
AUTHOR NAME: Cameron R. Higgason
PUBLISHER NAME: Cameron R. Higgason

Literary Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *In Jake's Shoes – A Father's Journey Through Loss and Redemption*
AUTHOR NAME: Andrew C. Phillips
PUBLISHER NAME: Black Rose Writing

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *ONE FOOL'S GOLD*
AUTHOR NAME: MARK HOWEN
PUBLISHER NAME: KDP

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Daughter Bond*
AUTHOR NAME: C. P. Florez
PUBLISHER NAME: C.P. Florez

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Ancilla*
AUTHOR NAME: Sera Maddox Drake
PUBLISHER NAME: Self Published

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Signs of The Fall*
AUTHOR NAME: Sean M. Price
PUBLISHER NAME: Koehler Books

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Two Euro Candles: A Memoir of Faith, Trauma and Quiet Miracles*
AUTHOR NAME: Maxsense Maximus
PUBLISHER NAME: Euraus Publishing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Connption Creek*
AUTHOR NAME: Earl L Carlson
PUBLISHER NAME: Ragged Edge Publications LLC

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Final Shelter*
AUTHOR NAME: Rob Ramos
PUBLISHER NAME: Rob Ramos

FULL BOOK TITLE: *THE LANDLADY OF MAPLE AVENUE*

AUTHOR NAME: Suzanne Elizabeth Gillis

PUBLISHER NAME: Bookbaby

FULL BOOK TITLE: *What the Mirrors Knew*

AUTHOR NAME: Linda Annas Ferguson

PUBLISHER NAME: Palmetto Publishes/ISBN under Next Edition Enterprises

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Hunter's Reflection: A Journey of the Soul*

AUTHOR NAME: Bálint Makai

PUBLISHER NAME: Bálint Makai

Memoir

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Because I Knew You: How Some Remarkable Sick Kids Healed a Doctor's Soul*

AUTHOR NAME: Robert Macauley

PUBLISHER NAME: Chehalem Press

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Wake-Up Calls: A Journey of Learning to Lead and Succeed in the Funeral and Death Care Profession*

AUTHOR NAME: Lisa Baue

PUBLISHER NAME: River Grove Books

FULL BOOK TITLE: *She Called Me Throwaway – a memoir*

AUTHOR NAME: Shama Shams

PUBLISHER NAME: Editor-911 Books

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Inside the Castle Walls, An American Journey Through Espionage, Counterterrorism and Government*

AUTHOR NAME: Dr. Erroll G. Southers

PUBLISHER NAME: Gouché Publishing House

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Bring One Home: A Memoir of Boyhood, Basketball, and Hometown Spirit*

AUTHOR NAME: Thomas L. Pelissero

PUBLISHER NAME: Sellar Street Boys Publishing, LLC

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Nether Land*

AUTHOR NAME: Kem Hinton

PUBLISHER NAME: Tenebo Publishing Company

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Miss.ADVentures of a Hapless Entrepreneur – Timing is Everything*

AUTHOR NAME: Peter J. Snow OAM

PUBLISHER NAME: BeInspiredBooks.com

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Impact and The Rise*

AUTHOR NAME: Gabrielle T. Booker

PUBLISHER NAME: Gabrielle T. Booker

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Life and How to Live it: Begin the Begin*

AUTHOR NAME: Chaz Holesworth

PUBLISHER NAME: Chaz Holesworth

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Falling from Disgrace*

AUTHOR NAME: Tammy S Dietz

PUBLISHER NAME: Cynren Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Moor to Sea: A Journey Along the Cleveland Way*

AUTHOR NAME: Vicki Foote

PUBLISHER NAME: Foote Notes

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Closest Thing to Magic*

AUTHOR NAME: Andrea Hogan

PUBLISHER NAME: Spines

Military Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *I, Monster*

AUTHOR NAME: Clifton Wilcox

PUBLISHER NAME: Booklocker, Inc.

Military Non-Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *How Many Threes Are in Your Life? A Case for Miracles*

AUTHOR NAME: E. Spirit Greenwood III

PUBLISHER NAME: LifeRich Publishing

Miscellaneous

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *366 Days of One-Hit Wonders*

AUTHOR NAME: Matt Whitaker

PUBLISHER NAME: Olympia Publishers

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Bad Americans: Part II*

AUTHOR NAME: Tejas Desai

PUBLISHER NAME: The New Wei LLC

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Bad Americans: Part I*

AUTHOR NAME: Tejas Desai

PUBLISHER NAME: The New Wei LLC

Motivational

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Finding Our Voice: A Story of Leadership in Crisis and the American Spirit Abroad*

AUTHOR NAME: Adam Castillo

PUBLISHER NAME: Lioncrest Publishing

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Relentless Excellence: A Story of Family, Business Building and Value Driven Leadership*

AUTHOR NAME: Phillip Hogan, MSW, MPA

PUBLISHER NAME: Brightray

FULL BOOK TITLE: *My Good Life*

AUTHOR NAME: Dr. Gregory M. Lee

PUBLISHER NAME: The Paperhouse

Multicultural-Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Art of Belonging Nowhere*

AUTHOR NAME: Andrea Hellman

PUBLISHER NAME: Andrea Hellman

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Bad Americans: Part I*

AUTHOR NAME: Tejas Desai

PUBLISHER NAME: The New Wei LLC

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Bad Americans: Part II*

AUTHOR NAME: Tejas Desai

PUBLISHER NAME: The New Wei LLC

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Legend of the Black Swan*

AUTHOR NAME: Tory Gates

PUBLISHER NAME: Sunbury Press Books

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Daughter Bond*

AUTHOR NAME: C. P. Florez

PUBLISHER NAME: C.P. Florez

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Silver Lake Birthright*

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Multicultural Non-Fiction

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AUTHOR NAME: Doug Einfeld

PUBLISHER NAME: Amazon KDP

Music

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FULL BOOK TITLE: *366 Days of One-Hit Wonders*

AUTHOR NAME: Matt Whitaker

PUBLISHER NAME: Olympia Publishers

Mystery

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Tokyo Juku*

AUTHOR NAME: Michael Pronko

PUBLISHER NAME: Raked Gravel Press

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Hazy Shade*

AUTHOR NAME: Jim Lively

PUBLISHER NAME: Treaty Oak Publishers

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Murder on Knollwood*

AUTHOR NAME: Marshall Prescott

PUBLISHER NAME: LifeRich Publishing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Red In The Wrong Profession*

AUTHOR NAME: Carolyn Summer Quinn

PUBLISHER NAME: Blue Topaz Ocean Enterprises

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Malaria*

AUTHOR NAME: Suede D. Goldmann

PUBLISHER NAME: Independently Published

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Lore Hunter: Brown Mountain*

AUTHOR NAME: Clifton Wilcox

PUBLISHER NAME: Windward Publishing

Nature

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Hunter's Reflection: A Journey of the Soul*

AUTHOR NAME: Bálint Makai

PUBLISHER NAME: Bálint Makai

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Exits*

AUTHOR NAME: Stephen C. Pollock

PUBLISHER NAME: Windtree Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Junior Outdoorsman*

AUTHOR NAME: Craig Ohlau

PUBLISHER NAME: Craig Ohlau

New Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Brick in the Holy Door*

AUTHOR NAME: C.R. Owens

PUBLISHER NAME: C.R. Owens

New Non-Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Chasing Legends: Motorcycle Stories from the Podcast Trail*

AUTHOR NAME: Aaron Pufal

PUBLISHER NAME: ADV Cannonball

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *366 Days of One-Hit Wonders*

AUTHOR NAME: Matt Whitaker

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FULL BOOK TITLE: *True Crime and Consequences | Does the True Crime Community Help with Murder Investigations or Hurt Them?*

AUTHOR NAME: David Lyons

PUBLISHER NAME: Empowered Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Wait, Where Am I in This?*

AUTHOR NAME: Lee Long, EdD, LPC-S

PUBLISHER NAME: Trewe Talu House of Novus Press Works

Nineteenth Century Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Fever Season*
AUTHOR NAME: Sally Rutledge Moore
PUBLISHER NAME: J & J Ranch Productions

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Standing at the Edge of Ordinary*
AUTHOR NAME: Lisa-Marie Ainley
PUBLISHER NAME: Lisa-Marie Ainley

Nineteenth Century Non-Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Betting on Horses: Racing as an Economic Development Tool in Frontier West Texas, 1886-1896*
AUTHOR NAME: Preston Lewis
PUBLISHER NAME: Bariso Press

Non-Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Bring One Home: A Memoir of Boyhood, Basketball, and Hometown Spirit*
AUTHOR NAME: Thomas L. Pelissero
PUBLISHER NAME: Sellar Street Boys Publishing, LLC

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Why Rampage Killers Emerge: Conditions and Characteristics*
AUTHOR NAME: S. Lee Funk, Ed.D.
PUBLISHER NAME: Academica Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *True Crime and Consequences | Does the True Crime Community Help with Murder Investigations or Hurt Them?*
AUTHOR NAME: David Lyons
PUBLISHER NAME: Empowered Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *100 Objects from the Collections of the YIVO Institute for Jewish Research*
AUTHOR NAME: Stefanie Halpern
PUBLISHER NAME: YIVO Institute for Jewish Research

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Wake-Up Calls: A Journey of Learning to Lead and Succeed in the Funeral and Death Care Profession*
AUTHOR NAME: Lisa Baue
PUBLISHER NAME: River Grove Books

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Between Flights: Reflections on the Unspoken Truths of Leadership and Life*

AUTHOR NAME: Wendy Walker

PUBLISHER NAME: Grammar Factory Publishing

Parenting and Family

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Unspoken Signals: Essential Parenting Skills to Raise Emotionally Secure Children*

AUTHOR NAME: Yaron Boster

PUBLISHER NAME: Amazon KDP

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Two Euro Candles: A Memoir of Faith, Trauma and Quiet Miracles*

AUTHOR NAME: Maxsense Maximus

PUBLISHER NAME: Euraus Publishing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Through the Lens of An Ancient Yisra'elite Bible Study*

AUTHOR NAME: Benjamin Nieves Carrasquillo Jr.

PUBLISHER NAME: Westbow Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Autism Renaissance: A Journey with thousands of Autistic Souls*

AUTHOR NAME: Dr. Alptekin Aydin

PUBLISHER NAME: AuthorHouse UK

FULL BOOK TITLE: *My Character Check*

AUTHOR NAME: Jean Smarto

PUBLISHER NAME: My Character Check LLC

FULL BOOK TITLE: *I Only Eat Pizza*

AUTHOR NAME: Benita L. Gibson

PUBLISHER NAME: Tattoon Kids

Performing Arts-Film, Theater, Dance & Music

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *What The Hell With The Hat?: My Playwriting Diary 1970-2024*

AUTHOR NAME: Ed Ballou

PUBLISHER NAME: Archway Publishing

Personal Growth

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Scary Good: Discovering Life Beyond the Sunday Scaries*

AUTHOR NAME: Angie Callen

PUBLISHER NAME: The Modern Coach Press

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *A PLACE OF PROMISE*
AUTHOR NAME: Marcie Shrewsbury Lopez
PUBLISHER NAME: Balboa Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Climb Greater Heights: How to Accelerate Your Business Growth, Amplify Your Success, and Build a Legacy of Significance*
AUTHOR NAME: Tony Jeton Selimi
PUBLISHER NAME: Balboa Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Way of New Beginning: Discovering a New Spiritual Path on the Camino de Santiago*
AUTHOR NAME: Mark LaRocca-Pitts
PUBLISHER NAME: WestBow Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *HEALING THE HIDDEN WOUNDS OF WOMEN AND MOTHERS: TRANSFORMATIVE TOOLS FOR HOLISTIC HEALING AND MENTAL WELL-BEING*
AUTHOR NAME: Jummy Kirby M a Lpc Pmh-C Cmip
PUBLISHER NAME: Archway Publishing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *A Walk Thru The Mind: If you understand the rules, you can play the game of life better*
AUTHOR NAME: Sneha Bandaru
PUBLISHER NAME: Balboa Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Cultivate Creativity: In the Garden of Enlightenment*
AUTHOR NAME: Linda Richichi
PUBLISHER NAME: Balboa Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *L.E.A.D. OUT LOUD: Be Clear. Be Heard. Be Unstoppable*
AUTHOR NAME: Antawn Knight
PUBLISHER NAME: Knight Leadership Group

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Answering the Hard Questions: Let It Be the End of a Chapter, Not the End of the Book*
AUTHOR NAME: Devin Fish
PUBLISHER NAME: Houndstooth Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Turning Skills into Dumb Luck: Skills and Mindset for the Times of the Fourth Industrial Revolution*
AUTHOR NAME: Simon Vine
PUBLISHER NAME: Archway Publishing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Wonders of the Soul*
AUTHOR NAME: Helen P. Slater
PUBLISHER NAME: Balboa Press UK

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Ultimate Question: To Hasten or Delay Death*
AUTHOR NAME: Peter Swanson PhD
PUBLISHER NAME: Archway Publishing

Philosophy

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *False Idols: How Diversion is Destroying Democracy*

AUTHOR NAME: Kurt Warner

PUBLISHER NAME: Vernon Press

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Sage of the Mountains*

AUTHOR NAME: Dr. George Cluen

PUBLISHER NAME: Staten House

Picture Books-All Ages

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Adventures of Birdfrog: A Beautifully illustrated book of the in-between world of Birdfrog*

AUTHOR NAME: Robert Lodolce

PUBLISHER NAME: Archway Publishing

Picture Books-Children

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *I Only Eat Pizza*

AUTHOR NAME: Benita L. Gibson

PUBLISHER NAME: Tattoon Kids

Picture Books-Preschool

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Will My Haircut Hurt?*

AUTHOR NAME: Martha Goldner

PUBLISHER NAME: Xlibris US

Poetry

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Exits*

AUTHOR NAME: Stephen C. Pollock

PUBLISHER NAME: Windtree Press

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Skies and Chasms: Poems*

AUTHOR NAME: James Richard Hansen

PUBLISHER NAME: AuthorHouse

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Second Thoughts: Poem and Passages*
AUTHOR NAME: John Yurechko
PUBLISHER NAME: iUniverse

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Lightning in a Bottle*
AUTHOR NAME: Jina Dcruz
PUBLISHER NAME: Partridge India

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Under the Pink Moon*
AUTHOR NAME: Mark Rose
PUBLISHER NAME: Balboa Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Offerings Made By Fire*
AUTHOR NAME: zO-AlonzO Gross
PUBLISHER NAME: zO-AlonzO Gross

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Dreams Factory*
AUTHOR NAME: Bashir Bashir
PUBLISHER NAME: Independently Published

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Killer Is Me: A Poetic Diary*
AUTHOR NAME: Mickey Helms
PUBLISHER NAME: self-published

Political Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Born in the Aftermath*
AUTHOR NAME: Ian Griffin
PUBLISHER NAME: Ian Griffin

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Brick in the Holy Door*
AUTHOR NAME: C.R. Owens
PUBLISHER NAME: C.R. Owens

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Seal of /fire*
AUTHOR NAME: C.R. Owens
PUBLISHER NAME: C.R. Owens

Political Thriller

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Seal of Fire*
AUTHOR NAME: C.R. Owens
PUBLISHER NAME: C.R. Owens

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Binding Coil: Book Two in the Helix Project*

AUTHOR NAME: J.L. Calder

PUBLISHER NAME: Dwyer Street Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Brick in the Holy Door*

AUTHOR NAME: C.R. Owens

PUBLISHER NAME: C.R. Owens

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Day Satoshi Returned*

AUTHOR NAME: Taimour Al Neimat

PUBLISHER NAME: Independent

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Four That Bind*

AUTHOR NAME: Clifton Wilcox

PUBLISHER NAME: Windward Publishing

Psychiatry/Psychology

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Why Rampage Killers Emerge: Conditions and Characteristics*

AUTHOR NAME: S. Lee Funk, Ed.D.

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FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Wait, Where Am I in This?*

AUTHOR NAME: Lee Long, EdD, LPC-S

PUBLISHER NAME: Trewe Talu House of Novus Press Works

Publishing

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *100's of Tips, Tricks & Loopholes The Ultimate Guide for Authors & Writers!*

AUTHOR NAME: Chantay Bridges

PUBLISHER NAME: BPH-Bridges Publishing House

Fiction-Midwest

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Diary of a Difficult Woman (Subtitles: The Queen of Beaver Island: Book Three of the Watson Family of Beaver Island)*

AUTHOR NAME: Jim Freeman (J. Lee Freeman)

PUBLISHER NAME: Self-Published

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Silver Lake Birthright*
AUTHOR NAME: D.D. Franklin
PUBLISHER NAME: Self Published

Fiction-Northeast

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Prescott Girls – A Letter From Philadelphia*
AUTHOR NAME: Aric Wilmunder
PUBLISHER NAME: A Well-Regulated Press

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Passion's Duty*
AUTHOR NAME: Lizzie Jenks
PUBLISHER NAME: Wheel Horse Press

Fiction – Southeast

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Signs of The Fall*
AUTHOR NAME: Sean M. Price
PUBLISHER NAME: Koehler Books

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Detective Lucian - Haven Island PD: Protecting Paradise*
AUTHOR NAME: Neri Lopez
PUBLISHER NAME: Siren Book & Craft LLC

Movies and Television

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Aspen- BOOK 3- THE BAD ASS BIKER BITCHES SERIES*
AUTHOR NAME: Darlene Mellors
PUBLISHER NAME Darlene Mellors

Non-Fiction – Southeast

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *True Crime and Consequences | Does the True Crime Community Help with Murder Investigations or Hurt Them?*
AUTHOR NAME: David Lyons
PUBLISHER NAME: Empowered Press

Non-Fiction – Southwest

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Best of the Dao of Doug: A Public Transit Guide*
AUTHOR NAME: Douglas Meriwether Griggs III, aka. Driver Doug
PUBLISHER NAME: Balboa Press

Non-Fiction Northeast

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Life and How to Live it: Begin the Begin*
AUTHOR NAME: Chaz Holesworth
PUBLISHER NAME: Chaz Holesworth

Reference

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Amen, Amen: Sixty Truths Jesus Emphasized*
AUTHOR NAME: Lee Canning
PUBLISHER NAME: WestBow Press

Religious-Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Fever Season*
AUTHOR NAME: Sally Rutledge Moore
PUBLISHER NAME: J & J Ranch Productions

FINALISTS

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AUTHOR NAME: Maxsense Maximus
PUBLISHER NAME: Euraus Publishing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Hijacker Strikes Back*
AUTHOR NAME: Caroline Omoifo Ilogienboh
PUBLISHER NAME: AuthorHouse

Religion-Non-Fiction

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PUBLISHER NAME: YIVO Institute for Jewish Research

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Through the Lens of An Ancient Yisra'elite Bible Study*

AUTHOR NAME: Benjamin Nieves Carrasquillo Jr.

PUBLISHER NAME: Westbow Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Introduction to Chrisitan Theology: Exploring God's Truths in Creation, Salvation, and Eternal Life*

AUTHOR NAME: Maria Pinto

PUBLISHER NAME: ACCEL Educational

FULL BOOK TITLE: *He Has Made Me Glad: How God selects and beautifies His bride, the church, and her response to His great love*

AUTHOR NAME: Vicki Lyle Potter

PUBLISHER NAME: Westbow Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Greatest Love: God's Revelation to John for the World*

AUTHOR NAME: Marilyn O. Flower

PUBLISHER NAME: Westbow Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *In the Shadow of the Most High: Uncovering My Jewish Ancestors' Perilous Journey Through History*

AUTHOR NAME: Doug Einfeld

PUBLISHER NAME: Independently Published

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Which god is God? - A Lawyer's Look at God and Religion*

AUTHOR NAME: Adrian J. Adams Esq

PUBLISHER NAME: WestBow Press

Romance

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Ancilla*

AUTHOR NAME: Sera Maddox Drake

PUBLISHER NAME: Self Published

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Silver Lake Birthright*

AUTHOR NAME: D.D. Franklin

PUBLISHER NAME: Self Published

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Between the Lines*

AUTHOR NAME: Tracy Magruder

PUBLISHER NAME: Tracy Magruder

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Lenswoman in Love: A Novel of the 1960s & 70s*

AUTHOR NAME: Kim Gottlieb-Walker

PUBLISHER NAME: The Conrad Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Standing at the Edge of Ordinary*

AUTHOR NAME: Lisa-Marie Ainley

PUBLISHER NAME: Lisa-Marie Ainley

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PUBLISHER NAME: Self-Published

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Born in the Aftermath*

AUTHOR NAME: Ian Griffin

PUBLISHER NAME: Ian Griffin

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Passion's Duty*

AUTHOR NAME: Lizzie Jenks

PUBLISHER NAME: Wheel Horse Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Her Blind Date Bodyguard*

AUTHOR NAME: Bella Rose

PUBLISHER NAME: Bella Rose Books

FULL BOOK TITLE: *A is for Amy*

AUTHOR NAME: Steven Cranddell

PUBLISHER NAME: Quinn, Rose, Elliot & Ellery

Science

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Rise and Fall of the Human Mind*

AUTHOR NAME: Martin Jan Stránský, M.D.

PUBLISHER NAME: Independently published

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Which god is God? A Lawyer's Look at God and Religion*

AUTHOR NAME: Adrian J. Adams Esq

PUBLISHER NAME: WestBow Press

Science Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Great Filter*

AUTHOR NAME: Rocco Azzarito Jr

PUBLISHER NAME: Snow Dog Press

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Eden Protocol*
AUTHOR NAME: Melina Orea
PUBLISHER NAME: Melina Orea

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Thornberry Manor – The Ruby*
AUTHOR NAME: Anne K. Hawkinson
PUBLISHER NAME: Amazon/KDP

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Echoes – The Affinity Saga Book 2*
AUTHOR NAME: Eddie Dee Williams
PUBLISHER NAME: Rebirth Publishings LLC

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Yuniz in the Land of Yonder*
AUTHOR NAME: zO-AlonzO Gross
PUBLISHER NAME: zO-AlonzO Gross

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Through the Veil (Journey to haven Book 1)*
AUTHOR NAME: Julia McTrill
PUBLISHER NAME: McTrill Books

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Guardians of the Cosmic Clocks: Wings of the Gods*
AUTHOR NAME: Jabril Yousef Faraj
PUBLISHER NAME: DANK ONION

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Travel: A Project Outrigger Novel*
AUTHOR NAME: Kevin Rowlett
PUBLISHER NAME: Atmosphere Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Whispers of the Sower*
AUTHOR NAME: Martin V. Parece II
PUBLISHER NAME: Martin V. Parece II

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Starling: A Science Fiction Adventure in the Classic Tradition*
AUTHOR NAME: Neal Stevens
PUBLISHER NAME: Neal Stevens

Self Help: General

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Wait, Where Am I in This?*
AUTHOR NAME: Lee Long, EdD, LPC-S
PUBLISHER NAME: Trewe Talu House of Novus Press Works

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Struggle Smarter Write More. A Guide From Procrastination to Creative Flow*
AUTHOR NAME: Constantin Weber
PUBLISHER NAME: Constantin Weber

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Live Free or Diet*
AUTHOR NAME: Kurt Bravata M.D.
PUBLISHER NAME: WestBow Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *A Life Postponed*
AUTHOR NAME: Wendy Richards
PUBLISHER NAME: Wendy Richards

FULL BOOK TITLE: HIDDEN POWERS: *How to Transcend Suffering*
AUTHOR NAME: Glen Allison
PUBLISHER NAME: Self-Published

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Reach Out with Acts of Kindness: A Guide to Helping Others in Crisis*
AUTHOR NAME: Letitia E. Hart
PUBLISHER NAME: Koehler Books

Self Help: Motivational

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *L.E.A.D. OUT LOUD: Be Clear. Be Heard. Be Unstoppable*
AUTHOR NAME: Antawn Knight
PUBLISHER NAME: Knight Leadership Group

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Habit by Habit*
AUTHOR NAME: Aditi Khemka Goenka
PUBLISHER NAME: Aditi Khemka Goenka

FULL BOOK TITLE: HIDDEN POWERS: *How to Transcend Suffering*
AUTHOR NAME: Glen Allison
PUBLISHER NAME: Self-Published

FULL BOOK TITLE: *100's of Tips, Tricks & Loopholes The Ultimate Guide for Authors & Writers!*
AUTHOR NAME: Chantay Bridges
PUBLISHER NAME: BPH-Bridges Publishing House

FULL BOOK TITLE: *I'm on Assignment! - An Alternate View of Past Lives, The Impact on Our Current Lives, Soul Mates, World History, and the Akashic Records*
AUTHOR NAME: Diane Marie Taylor
PUBLISHER NAME: AuthorHouse

Self Help: Spiritual

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Redeeming the Post-Affair Divorce: Heal Your Life, Restore Your Faith After Infidelity Breaks Up Your Marriage*
AUTHOR NAME: Linda J. MacDonald, M.S.
PUBLISHER NAME: Healing Counsel Press (imprint)

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: HIDDEN POWERS: *How to Transcend Suffering*

AUTHOR NAME: Glen Allison

PUBLISHER NAME: Self-Published

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Power of Woo: For Spiritual Entrepreneurs Ready to Trust Their Inner Knowing and Get Real Results*

AUTHOR NAME: Karen Leigh Gruber

PUBLISHER NAME: Silk Dragon Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *What to Say When You Pray: Step into Bible stories; step out with bold prayers and courageous faith!*

AUTHOR NAME: Ginger Hertenstein Conley

PUBLISHER NAME: WestBow Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Jesus, Open the Eyes of My Heart*

AUTHOR NAME: Marsha Gauthier

PUBLISHER NAME: WestBow Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *FOR ALL AS FOR ONE: Uplifting Messages from Spirit Tied in With Scripture*

AUTHOR NAME: LeRosa Leigh

PUBLISHER NAME: iUniverse

Short Stories

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Woman of the Hour: Fifty Tales of Longing and Rebellion*

AUTHOR NAME: Claire Polders

PUBLISHER NAME: Vine Leaves Press

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Bad Americans: Part I*

AUTHOR NAME: Tejas Desai

PUBLISHER NAME: The New Wei LLC

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Bad Americans: Part II*

AUTHOR NAME: Tejas Desai

PUBLISHER NAME: The New Wei LLC

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Signs of The Fall*

AUTHOR NAME: Sean M. Price

PUBLISHER NAME: Koehler Books

Spirituality

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Sage of the Mountains*

AUTHOR NAME: Dr. George Cluen

PUBLISHER NAME: Staten House

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Through the Lens of An Ancient Yisra'elite Bible Study*
AUTHOR NAME: Benjamin Nieves Carrasquillo Jr.
PUBLISHER NAME: Westbow Press

Social/Political Change

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Hijacker Strikes Back*
AUTHOR NAME: Caroline Omoifo Ilogienboh
PUBLISHER NAME: AuthorHouse

Sports-Non-Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Chasing Legends: Motorcycle Stories from the Podcast Trail*
AUTHOR NAME: Aaron Pufal
PUBLISHER NAME: ADV Cannonball

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Bring One Home: A Memoir of Boyhood, Basketball, and Hometown Spirit*
AUTHOR NAME: Thomas L. Pelissero
PUBLISHER NAME: Sellar Street Boys Publishing, LLC

Sports-Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Line 'Em Up!*
AUTHOR NAME: Oscar Avery
PUBLISHER NAME: Bread n Butter Bookz

Suspense

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Her Blind Date Bodyguard*
AUTHOR NAME: Bella Rose
PUBLISHER NAME: Bella Rose Books

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Hazy Shade*
AUTHOR NAME: Jim Lively
PUBLISHER NAME: Treaty Oak Publishers

FULL BOOK TITLE: *LIES TO FOREVER*
AUTHOR NAME: Marlene M. Bell
PUBLISHER NAME: Ewephoric

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Day Satoshi Returned*
AUTHOR NAME: Taimour Al Neimat
PUBLISHER NAME: Independent

Technology

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Rise and Fall of the Human Mind*
AUTHOR NAME: Martin Jan Stránský, M.D.
PUBLISHER NAME: Independently published

Teen Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Case Against Jasper*
AUTHOR NAME: Clifton Wilcox
PUBLISHER NAME: Windward Publishing

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *THE GRAVITY OF LIES*
AUTHOR NAME: DOROTHY DEENE
PUBLISHER NAME: RUNAWAY JUNE BOOKS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Legend of the Black Swan*
AUTHOR NAME: Tory Gates
PUBLISHER NAME: Sunbury Press Books

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Guardians of the Cosmic Clocks: Wings of the Gods*
AUTHOR NAME: Jabril Yousef Faraj
PUBLISHER NAME: DANK ONION

Thriller

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *LIES TO FOREVER*
AUTHOR NAME: Marlene M. Bell
PUBLISHER NAME: Ewephoric

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *John B. Peoples*
AUTHOR NAME: Michael Cowan
PUBLISHER NAME: Koehler Books

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Through the Veil (Journey to haven Book 1)*
AUTHOR NAME: Julia McTrill
PUBLISHER NAME: McTrill Books

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Eden Protocol*
AUTHOR NAME: Melina Orea
PUBLISHER NAME: Melina Orea

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Binding Coil: Book Two in the Helix Project*
AUTHOR NAME: J.L. Calder
PUBLISHER NAME: Dwyer Street Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Killer Is Me: A Poetic Diary*
AUTHOR NAME: Mickey Helms
PUBLISHER NAME: self-published

Travel

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *I Can Go Anywhere*
AUTHOR NAME: Karissa Nix
PUBLISHER NAME: Archway Publishing

True Crime

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *True Crime and Consequences | Does the True Crime Community Help with Murder Investigations or Hurt Them?*
AUTHOR NAME: David Lyons
PUBLISHER NAME: Empowered Press

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Why Rampage Killers Emerge: Conditions and Characteristics*
AUTHOR NAME: S. Lee Funk, Ed.D.
PUBLISHER NAME: Academica Press

Visionary Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Sage of the Mountains*
AUTHOR NAME: Dr. George Cluen
PUBLISHER NAME: Staten House

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Ancilla*
AUTHOR NAME: Sera Maddox Drake
PUBLISHER NAME: Self Published

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Hunter's Reflection: A Journey of the Soul*
AUTHOR NAME: Bálint Makai
PUBLISHER NAME: Bálint Makai

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Hijacker Strikes Back*
AUTHOR NAME: Caroline Omoifo Ilogienboh
PUBLISHER NAME: AuthorHouse

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Eden Protocol*
AUTHOR NAME: Melina Orea
PUBLISHER NAME: Melina Orea

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Final Shelter*
AUTHOR NAME: Rob Ramos
PUBLISHER NAME: Rob Ramos

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Starling: A Science Fiction Adventure in the Classic Tradition*
AUTHOR NAME: Neal Stevens
PUBLISHER NAME: Neal Stevens

War

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Born in the Aftermath*
AUTHOR NAME: Ian Griffin
PUBLISHER NAME: Ian Griffin

Women's Issues

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Amor Fati: An Incredible True Story of Survival, Hope & Healing*
AUTHOR NAME: Zoë Collins
PUBLISHER NAME: The Crystal Cove

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *When a Catholic Gets a Lutheran Pregnant*

AUTHOR NAME: Jennifer Radtke

PUBLISHER NAME: AuthorHouse

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Wake-Up Calls: A Journey of Learning to Lead and Succeed in the Funeral and Death Care Profession*

AUTHOR NAME: Lisa Baue

PUBLISHER NAME: River Grove Books

Women's Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *After The Lake*

AUTHOR NAME: Mara Mansour

PUBLISHER NAME: Mara Mansour

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Aspen- BOOK 3- THE BAD ASS BIKER BITCHES SERIES*

AUTHOR NAME: Darlene Mellors

PUBLISHER NAME Darlene Mellors

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Passion's Duty*

AUTHOR NAME: Lizzie Jenks

PUBLISHER NAME: Wheel Horse Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Lenswoman in Love: A Novel of the 1960s & 70s*

AUTHOR NAME: Kim Gottlieb-Walker

PUBLISHER NAME: The Conrad Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Becoming Hazel: Inherited Treasures Book 1*

AUTHOR NAME: Dorrie-Lenore Parsons

PUBLISHER NAME: Archway Publishing

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Tell Me Why You Are Here*

AUTHOR NAME: Jessica Lee Mizia

PUBLISHER NAME: AuthorHouse

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Peg, Unbinged*

AUTHOR NAME: Teri M Brown

PUBLISHER NAME: Atmosphere Press

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Daughter Bond*

AUTHOR NAME: C. P. Florez

PUBLISHER NAME: C.P. Florez

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Missing From Me*

AUTHOR NAME: Kathleen Stone

PUBLISHER NAME: Kathleen Stone

Writing and Publishing

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Time Capsules*
AUTHOR NAME: Tom Sabino
PUBLISHER NAME: Archway Publishing

Young Adult Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *THE GRAVITY OF LIES*
AUTHOR NAME: DOROTHY DEENE
PUBLISHER NAME: RUNAWAY JUNE BOOKS

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Legend of the Last Star Knight: The Crown of Kings*
AUTHOR NAME: Jonathan Sears
PUBLISHER NAME: Self-Published

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Looked Down Upon: The Exiled Kin*
AUTHOR NAME: Jordan Lopez
PUBLISHER NAME: Jordan Lopez

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Druid's Tattoo*
AUTHOR NAME: James Gregory Kingston
PUBLISHER NAME: Self-Published

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Dead and Buried; The Last Kitsune Book 2*
AUTHOR NAME: JS Scheffel
PUBLISHER NAME: JS Scheffel

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Pack Animals*
AUTHOR NAME: Idun Klinga
PUBLISHER NAME: Self-Published (imprint Idun Books)

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Book of Depth*
AUTHOR NAME: Egor Klopenko
PUBLISHER NAME: Amazon KDP

FULL BOOK TITLE: *ESCAPING SAILOR BYRD*
AUTHOR NAME: DOROTHY DEENE
PUBLISHER NAME: RUNAWAY JUNE BOOKS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Legend of the Black Swan*
AUTHOR NAME: Tory Gates
PUBLISHER NAME: Sunbury Press Books

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Guardians of the Cosmic Clocks: Wings of the Gods*

AUTHOR NAME: Jabril Yousef Faraj

PUBLISHER NAME: DANK ONION

Young Adult Non-Fiction

WINNER

FULL BOOK TITLE: *Pint-sized Pioneers at Play: Homemade Frontier Fun and Danger*

AUTHOR NAME: Preston Lewis and Harriet Kocher Lewis

PUBLISHER NAME: Bariso Press

FINALISTS

FULL BOOK TITLE: *The Trail To Twilight For The Gods: And Epic Martial Mystery*

AUTHOR NAME: Ben Klotz

PUBLISHER NAME: AuthorHouse