

Submission Form

Sixth Annual British Columbia National Award for Canadian Non-Fiction
(please complete form in full)

TITLE INFORMATION:

Title _____

ISBN number _____

Date of publication _____

AUTHOR'S INFORMATION

Name _____

Address, postal code _____

Telephone number _____ Fax number _____

Email address _____

Is the author eligible as a Canadian citizen? Yes _____

Or, is the author eligible as a permanent resident of Canada? Yes _____ How many years? _____

PUBLISHER'S INFORMATION:

Company _____

Imprint (if applicable) _____

Address, postal code _____

Contact's name _____

Telephone number _____ Fax number _____

Email address _____

Website _____

I confirm that both our firm and the nominated title are in compliance with the eligibility requirements for the prize, and that we will comply with the publisher's undertakings as stipulated in the award guidelines in the event that the nominated author is named as a finalist or winner of the 2010 award.

AUTHORIZED SIGNING OFFICER

Name _____

Position _____

Signature _____

Date _____

The submission package should be sent to:

**BRITISH COLUMBIA
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SIXTH ANNUAL

British Columbia's National Award for Canadian Non-Fiction



CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

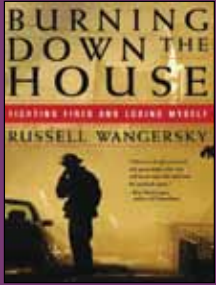
*Canada's largest prize
for literary non-fiction: \$40,000*

Deadline: August 31, 2009



BC CELEBRATES CANADA'S BEST

Previous Recipients



2009

Russell Wangersky

*Burning Down the House:
Fighting Fires and Losing Myself*

2008

Lorna Goodison

*From Harvey River, a Memoir
of My Mother and Her People*

2007

Noah Richler

*This Is My Country, What's Yours?
A Literary Atlas of Canada*

2006

Rebecca Godfrey

*Under the Bridge: The True Story
of the Murder of Reena Virk*

2005

Patrick Lane

There is a Season

British Columbia's National Award for Canadian Non-Fiction

The British Columbia National Award for Canadian Non-Fiction recognizes Canada's finest writers of literary non-fiction. The award celebrates a genre that stimulates our national discourse and illuminates our shared experiences and the complex world in which we live.

The British Columbia Achievement Foundation was established and endowed by the Province of British Columbia in 2003 to celebrate excellence and achievement in the arts, humanities, enterprise, and community service. It presents national awards, such as British Columbia's National Award for Canadian Non-Fiction, as well as provincial awards.

Call for Submissions

Publishers are invited to nominate authors for the 2010 prize by submitting non-fiction titles of outstanding literary merit for consideration by an independent jury panel. Requirements for publisher, title, and author eligibility are described in the program guidelines. The sixth annual British Columbia's National Award for Canadian Non-Fiction will be given at a special presentation ceremony in Vancouver in early 2010.

The Prize

The jury will initially select a longlist and then a shortlist of up to four finalists. The winning author will receive a prize of \$40,000, while the remaining finalists will each receive \$2,500. The shortlist will be announced in November 2009 and the award presented at a special ceremony in Vancouver in early 2010.

The Jury

An independent jury panel will select a shortlist and award the prize to the author whose work best achieves the highest standards of excellence and craft in Canadian literary non-fiction. The jury's decisions regarding eligibility, interpretation of the rules, finalists, and the winning author are final.

Award Guidelines

ELIGIBILITY

1. All entries must be first print editions published in Canada in English between November 1, 2008 and October 31, 2009, and be widely available to Canadian readers in bookstores and libraries. Books not published by August 31 but to be published by October 31, 2009, may be submitted as bound galley proofs.
2. All entries must be authored by a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident of Canada.
3. Entries may be authored by one or two individuals. Multi-authored titles are not eligible.
4. Only works of literary non-fiction are eligible. Entries should demonstrate a high standard of craft and quality of thought, whatever their subject or category within the genre.
5. Self-published books are not eligible. These are understood to include books authored by a senior officer of the book's publishing firm, and/or whose publication was underwritten in part or whole by the author. Such books as textbooks, how-to books, photographic books, etc. are not eligible.
6. Posthumously published books are not eligible.
7. The jury may request submissions at its discretion.

SUBMISSION PROCESS

1. All entries must be submitted by an eligible publisher—a firm whose primary business is book publishing and one with established national distribution.
2. All entries must be received by August 31, 2009. For those books published between November 1, 2008 and June 30, 2009, please submit as soon as possible, or by July 31, 2009.
3. Publishers should submit their best examples of Canadian non-fiction in accordance with the calibre of the award.
4. Submit finished print copies of books published between November 1, 2008 and August 31, 2009. Books not published by August 31 but to be published by October 31, 2009 may be submitted as bound galley proofs and followed up by print copies upon publication.
5. Publishers must submit four copies of each nominated title. Books will not be returned.

PUBLISHER'S UNDERTAKINGS

The publisher must complete a copy of the attached submission form for each nominated title. By signing the submission form for a given title, the publisher acknowledges the following:

1. Shortlisted authors will be available for publicity and promotion, and each shortlisted author will attend the presentation ceremony in Vancouver in early 2010. The British Columbia Achievement Foundation will be responsible for costs of author travel to and accommodation in Vancouver.
2. The publisher will ensure that nominated titles are submitted with the author's permission, and, in the event the title is shortlisted, that the author is available to participate in related promotions and to attend the presentation ceremony in Vancouver.
3. The publisher will work with the British Columbia Achievement Foundation to actively promote shortlisted and winning authors.
4. Publishers of shortlisted books will provide author biographies and other descriptive title information, along with author and book jacket photos, for promotional purposes.
5. In the event that a title nominated by the publisher wins the award, the publisher agrees to acknowledge the prize in subsequent advertising and through other appropriate promotion.