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CELEBRATING THE POWER OF LITERATURE TO PROMOTE PEACE,**DAYTON LITERARY PEACE PRIZE OPENS 2022 CALL FOR ENTRIES**

***Submission deadline is March 7, 2022;
winners receive \$10,000, runners-up receive \$5,000***

Dayton, OH (January 18, 2022) – The [Dayton Literary Peace Prize](#) today launched its call for submissions for outstanding fiction and nonfiction books published in 2021 that promote peace and increase understanding between people.

Inspired by the 1995 Dayton Peace Accords that ended the war in Bosnia, The Dayton Literary Peace Prize is the first and only annual literary award presented in the United States that recognizes the power of the written word to promote peace.

Past winners encompass a range of established and emerging writers, including Ta-Nehisi Coates, Hala Alyan, Karima Bennoune, Golnaz Hashemzadeh Bonde, Edwidge Danticat, Junot Diaz, Dave Eggers, Yaa Gyasi, Adam Hochschild, Alice Hoffman, Marlon James, Adam Johnson, Andrew Krivak, Chang-Rae Lee, Chanel Miller, Ariana Neumann, Viet Thanh Nguyen, Francine Prose, Wilbert Rideau, Eli Saslow, Bob Shacochis, Andrew Solomon, Susan Southard, Alexander Starritt, Bryan Stevenson, and Josh Weil.

The Prize comes with a \$10,000 honorarium for nonfiction and fiction winners and a \$5,000 honorarium for runners-up. All honorees will be celebrated at a gala ceremony in Dayton on November 13, 2022.

The submission deadline is March 7, 2022. Finalists will be announced in August 2022. For the complete nomination guidelines and more information on the nomination process, see [here](#).

Publishers may submit English-language books first published or translated in 2020 for consideration for the 2021 Dayton Literary Peace Prize. Submissions may address the theme of peace on a variety of levels, such as between individuals, among families and communities, or among nations, religions, or ethnic groups. The prize is designed for works that focus on ending personal, national, or international conflict, as well as those that show the consequences of persons, nations or institutions that recklessly disrupt personal harmony or universal accord.

About the Dayton Literary Peace Prize

The Dayton Literary Peace Prize honors writers whose work uses the power of literature to foster peace, social justice, and global understanding. Launched in 2006, it is recognized as one of the world's most prestigious literary honors, and is the only international literary peace prize awarded in the United States. Inspired by the Dayton Peace Accords, the Dayton Literary Peace

Prize awards a \$10,000 cash prize each year to one fiction and one nonfiction author whose work advances peace as a solution to conflict, and leads readers to a better understanding of other cultures, peoples, religions, and political points of view. Additionally, the Ambassador Richard C. Holbrooke Distinguished Achievement Award is bestowed upon a writer whose body of work reflects the Prize's mission; previous honorees include Margaret Atwood, Wendell Berry, Taylor Branch, Geraldine Brooks, Louise Erdrich, John Irving, Barbara Kingsolver, Nicholas Kristof and Sheryl WuDunn, N. Scott Momaday, Tim O'Brien, Marilynne Robinson, Gloria Steinem, Studs Terkel, Colm Tóibín, and Elie Wiesel. For more information visit www.daytonliterarypeaceprize.org.

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