

History of the Prize

Inspired by the 1995 Dayton Peace Accords that brought the cessation of war in Bosnia through words, the Dayton Literary Peace Prize is the first and only U.S. award recognizing the power of the written word to promote peace.

The Dayton Literary Peace Prize awards a \$10,000 honorarium each year to the winners and \$5,000 to the runners-up in recognition of adult fiction and nonfiction books of evident literary value that address peace as it applies to individuals, families, communities, nations, ethnic groups, cultures, and religions.

Since its founding in 2006, the DLPP has honored 83 writers nominated by 269 publishing houses, 36 of the houses originating outside the U.S. Thirty of our winning writers come from 23 foreign countries, the rest having been born in the U.S.

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The seal of the Dayton Literary Peace Prize



Contact Information

The Dayton Literary Peace Prize website provides complete information on its history, the authors and their works, and a schedule of events connected to the DLPP. The schedule of events includes information on book clubs or libraries reading DLPP winning books.

www.DaytonLiteraryPeacePrize.org

See a complete bibliography on the website of CORE Scholar, an institutional repository sponsored by Wright State University Libraries. This database allows the user to search by award type, award year, and winning recipient's name.

<http://corescholar.libraries.wright.edu/dlpp/>

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an international award

The first and only annual
U.S. literary award recognizing
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2020-2021

2020-2021 Dayton Literary Peace Prize Winners



Fiction

2021 WINNER:

We Germans
by Alexander Starritt

2021 RUNNER-UP:

The Mountains Sing
by Nguyễn Phan Quế Mai

2020 WINNER:

The World That We Knew
by Alice Hoffman

2020 RUNNER-UP:

The Beekeeper of Aleppo
by Christy Lefteri

Past Awards Fiction

- 2019 *What We Owe* by Golnaz Hashemzadeh Bonde
- 2018 *Salt Houses* by Hala Alyan
- 2017 *The Veins of the Ocean* by Patricia Engel
- 2016 *The Sympathizer* by Viet Thanh Nguyen
- 2015 *The Great Glass Sea* by Josh Weil
- 2014 *The Woman Who Lost Her Soul* by Bob Shacochis
- 2013 *The Orphan Master's Son* by Adam Johnson
- 2012 *The Sojourn* by Andrew Krivak
- 2011 *The Surrendered* by Chang-rae Lee
- 2010 *The Book of Night Women* by Marlon James
- 2009 *Peace* by Richard Bausch
- 2008 *The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao* by Junot Díaz
- 2007 *Birds in Fall* by Brad Kessler
- 2006 *A Changed Man* by Francine Prose

2021 FICTION JUDGES

Richard Bausch | Diane Roberts

2020 FICTION JUDGES

Hua Hsu | Diane Roberts

THE AMBASSADOR RICHARD C. HOLBROOKE
DISTINGUISHED ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Margaret Atwood

Canadian author Margaret Atwood uses the power of literature to promote women's rights, social justice, and environmental awareness. Her work has been published in more than forty-five countries. She is the author of more than fifty books of fiction, poetry, critical essays, and graphic novels. Her latest novel, *The Testaments*, is co-winner of the 2019 Booker Prize. It is the long-awaited sequel to *The Handmaid's Tale*, now an award-winning TV series.

REPRESENTATIVE WORKS:

- Alias Grace* (Novel)
 - Cat's Eye* (Novel)
 - Double Persephone* (Poetry)
 - Hag-Seed* (Novel)
 - The Blind Assassin* (Novel)
 - The Handmaid's Tale* (Novel)
 - The MaddAddam Trilogy* (Novel)
 - The Testaments* (Novel)
- For a complete list of Atwood's works:
margaretatwood.ca/full-bibliography-2/

PAST RICHARD C. HOLBROOKE AWARD/ LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

- 2019 N. Scott Momaday
- 2018 John Irving
- 2017 Colm Tóibín
- 2016 Marilynne Robinson
- 2015 Gloria Steinem
- 2014 Louise Erdrich
- 2013 Wendell Berry
- 2012 Tim O'Brien
- 2011 Barbara Kingsolver
- 2010 Geraldine Brooks
- 2009 Nicholas Kristof & Sheryl WuDunn
- 2008 Taylor Branch
- 2007 Elie Wiesel
- 2006 Studs Terkel

Nonfiction

2021 WINNER:

When Time Stopped
by Ariana Neumann

2021 RUNNER-UP:

The Road From Raqqa
by Jordan Ritter Conn

2020 WINNER:

Know My Name
by Chanel Miller

2020 RUNNER-UP:

Biased
by Jennifer L. Eberhardt

Past Awards Nonfiction

- 2019 *Rising Out of Hatred* by Eli Saslow
- 2018 *We Were Eight Years in Power* by Ta-Nehisi Coates
- 2017 *What Have We Done* by David Wood
- 2016 *Nagasaki* by Susan Southard
- 2015 *Just Mercy* by Bryan Stevenson
- 2014 *Your Fatwa Does Not Apply Here* by Karima Bennouna
- 2013 *Far From the Tree* by Andrew Solomon
- 2012 *To End All Wars* by Adam Hochschild
- 2011 *In the Place of Justice* by Wilbert Rideau
- 2010 *Zeitoun* by Dave Eggers
- 2009 *A Crime So Monstrous* by Benjamin Skinner
- 2008 *Brother, I'm Dying* by Edwidge Danticat
- 2007 *Nonviolence* by Mark Kurlansky
- 2006 *Shockwave: Countdown to Hiroshima* by Stephen Walker

2021 NONFICTION JUDGES

Garnette Cadogan | Anne Fadiman

2020 NONFICTION JUDGES

Brando Skyhorse | Anne Fadiman