

Regional Book Awards: Nomination Form 2010



MOUNTAINS & PLAINS INDEPENDENT BOOKSELLERS ASSOCIATION

The purpose of these annual awards is to honor outstanding books which are set in our region.

Nominating Procedure

- Publishers, booksellers, and authors should use this form to nominate books which were published during calendar year 2009. *February 26, 2010* is the deadline for receipt of the nomination form.
- *Publishers must send one copy of each nominated book to the MPIBA office along with this form and the \$50 submission fee per title.* If a bookseller or author submits a nomination form, the publisher will be contacted and given the option to participate. The publisher will be asked to send the submission fee and one copy of the book to the MPIBA office.

Criteria

- A significant aspect of the book must relate to the Mountains & Plains region of Arizona, Colorado, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, or Wyoming.
- To be eligible for the Regional Book Awards presented in fall of 2010, the book must have been published for the first time within the calendar year 2009.
- The five possible Award Categories are: Children's Chapter Book, Children's Picture Book, Adult Fiction, Adult Nonfiction, and The Arts (including poetry).

Important Considerations

- *Spirit of Place.* Does the author understand our region emotionally as well as geographically? Is the book's portrayal of the region reliable? Does the book contribute to the reader's understanding of the region?
- *Deserving of Recognition.* A book from a more obscure author/publisher should be rated higher in this category than a book of equal quality from a major author/publisher which may have already received considerable media attention and/or awards.
- *Quality of Writing.* This is easy ... you know it when you see it.

Judging

- The short lists and final winners will be selected by a vote of the MPIBA member bookstores.

Prizes and Promotion

- Winning titles are announced in July through press releases sent out nationally and regionally.
- Jacket images and author photos are posted on the MPIBA website. Winning titles are featured in the Trade Show Directory and e-Newsletters. Bookstores can download a full-color RBA Poster and Shelf Talker to use in promoting winning titles and author events.
- The Awards are presented to three of the authors at the Regional Book Awards luncheon at the Fall Trade Show.

Your Name _____
Business Name _____ Phone _____ E-mail _____

Book #1 Title & Subtitle _____

Author's Name _____

Publication Date Month _____ Year _____

ISBN / Publisher _____

Category Children's Chapter Book Adult Fiction The Arts (including poetry)
 Children's Picture Book Adult NonFiction

Book #2 Title & Subtitle _____

Author's Name _____

Publication Date Month _____ Year _____

ISBN / Publisher _____

Category Children's Chapter Book Adult Fiction The Arts (including poetry)
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