2022 New Mexico-Arizona Book Awards Finalists

Catego *Title*	Author	Publisher
Animals/Pets		
May-May Finds Her Way	L & L Powell	
Sometimes the Dog is Smarter	Kat Richter-Sand	Sugar Bark Publications
The Dreaded Cliff	Terry Nichols	Kinkajou Press
Anthology (Fiction)		
Mirth and Musings	Sandi Hoover & Jim Tritten	Red Penguin Books
Pink Cadillacs	Eve West Bessier	Falcon West Books
Ramblings & Reflections	Southwest Writers	Southwest Writers
Anthropology/Archaeology		
A Unique Exhibition of Ancient American Art	Gail Stephens	Friends of Coronado Historic Site
Seasons of Ceremonies	William Frej	Museum of NM Press
The Archaeology and History of Tijeras Canyon	Paul R Secord, Hayward H Franklin, Frances Leon Swadesh, Lucy C Schuyler	
The Greater Chaco Landscape	Ruth M Van Dyke & Carrie Heitman	Univ Press of Colorado
Arts (art, music, or photography)		
Another Day Not Wasted	Guy Tal	Analemma Press
Fragments of Spirit	Sara Frances	Photo Mirage Books
In The Buddha's Light	Joanna Hurley	International Folkk Art Market
On Beauty	Lenny Foster & J M White	Anomoliac Press
Seasons of Ceremonies	William Frej	Museum of NM Press
The Current Flows	Colleen Minuik	Analemma Press
Autobiography & Memoir		
Abdi's World	Abdi Abdirahman	Soulstice Publishing
Finding Querencia	Harrison Candelaria Fletcher	Mad Creek Books
I Thought My Name Was Butch	Ross Van Dusen	
Sometimes I Cry My Path to Healing: A Memoir	Jean D Stouffer	
Sometimes the Dog is Smarter	Kat Richter-Sand	Sugar Bark Publications

Biography – AZ subject		
Mel Potter and Friends	Ed Ashurst	Granite Peak Productions
Wild Cat	John Boessenecker	Hanover Square Press
Biography – NM subject		
James Silas Calhoun	Sherry Robinson	UNM Press
Tony Hillerman: A Life	James McGrath Morris	Univ of OK Press
Biography – Other		
Buck Shaw	Kevin Carroll	McFarland Publishing
Kid on the Go!	Neill McKee	
Sky Rider: Park Van Tasel and the Rise of Ballooning in the West	Gary Fogel	UNM Press
Body, Mind & Spirit (health/humor)		
Coronavirus Reflections: Bitter and Better	Larada Horner Miller	Horner Publishing Co
Children's Picture Book		
Dreaming of Arizona	Grant Collier	
I Have A Grandma Who …	Rosemary Zibart	Kinkajou Press
The Best Day Ever!	Ross VanDusen	Rio Grande Books
Children's Bilingual		
The Boy Who Flies/El Chico Que Vuela	JoAnne DeKeuster	ECP Press
Coffee Table Book		
50 Years of Balloon Magic	Dick Brown, Tom McConnell, Paul Rhetts & Kim Vesely	Rio Grande Books
It's A Cowboy Christmas	Sally Harper Bates	AZ Cowboy Connection
Cookbook		
Cultivating Weeds	Megan Baldrige	Poetry Playhouse Publications
Dining with the Dead	Mariana Nuño-Ruiz McEnroe & Ian McEnroe	Rio Nuevo Publishers
Crafts/Hobby/Home & Garden		
Still Life with Knitting	Megan Baldrige	Poetry Playhouse Publications

eBook

Before the Alamo, A Tejana's Story	Florence Byham Weinberg	Maywood House
Doing Nothing: Poems Before the Pandemic	Ralph Flores	Tome Lane Books
Love and Lies	Sandi Hoover & Jim Tritten	
The Cyborg Raid	Elizabeth Randolph	Borderland Writers Co-op

Fiction - adventure or drama

Dirty Holy Water	JL Greger	Bug Press
Lambent Pass	John D McLaughlin	Wolfpack Publishing
Nazaré	JJ Amaworo Wilson	PM Press
Panama's Gold	Sandi Hoover & Jim Tritten	Red Penguin Books
The Carnevale Conspiracy	Joseph Badal	Suspense Publishing
The Iliad of Geronimo	W Michael Farmer	Five Star/Cengage
The Last Professional	Ed Davis	Artemesia Publishing

Fiction - cozy mystery

Death in a Desert Garden	Marty Eberhardt	Artemesia Publishing
On A Dark Deadly Highway	Amy M Bennett	Aakenbaaken & Kent
Railroaded 4 Murder	JC Eaton	Kensington Publishing
The Heat of the Moment	Amy M Bennett	Aakenbaaken & Kent

Fiction - crime

48 Hours to Kill	Andrew Bourelle	Crooked Lane Books
Games for Couples	JL Greger	Bug Press
Lambent Pass	John D McLaughlin	Wolfpack Publishing
Smokescreen	James C Wilson	Sunstone Press

Fiction - historical, AZ

The Iliad of Geronimo	W Michael Farmer	Five Star/Cengage
Wolf Catcher	Anne Montgomery	Touchpoint Press

Fiction - historical, NM

A Blaze of Poppies	Jennifer Bohnhoff	Thin Air Books
Route 66 Dreams	Michelle L Rusk	
Valentina	Robert J Alvarado	Sierra Press

Fiction - historical, other

Love and War in the Land of Cain	Debra Denker	Catalyst Artistic Productions
Never Let Go	Pamela Nowak	Five Star/Cengage
The Menagerie	Judy Willmore	Artemesia Publishing

Fiction - literary

All Good Tova Goodman	Mary Carter	
Chola Salvation	Estella Gonzalez	Arte Publico Press
Little Hours: A Novel	Lil Copan	One Bird Books
Love and War in the Land of Cain	Debra Denker	Catalyst Artistic Productions
Margarito and Me	David Kyea	
Nazaré	JJ Amaworo Wilson	PM Press
The Beekeepers Wife	Lynne Hinton	Warren Publishing
The Chimes of Westminster	Gary W Priester	Tovah Miriam
The Iliad of Geronimo	W Michael Farmer	Five Star/Cengage
The Lives of Cat	Barbara Jean Ruther	
The Removed	Brandon Hobson	HarperCollins
Wolf Catcher	Anne Montgomery	Touchpoint Press

Fiction - mystery, thriller

48 Hours to Kill	Andrew Bourelle	Crooked Lane Books
Down a Dark River	Karen Odden	Crooked Lane Books
Games for Couples	JL Greger	Bug Press
Missing & Endangered	JA Lance	William Morrow
PsyMind: Flashpoints	Val Chanda	Wasteland Press
River Woman, River Demon	Jennifer Givhan	Blackstone Publishing
Shadow Road	Gloria Casale	AVF Publishing
The Carnevale Conspiracy	Joseph Badal	Suspense Publishing
The Menagerie	Judy Willmore	Artemesia Publishing
What The River Said	Sandra Cavallo Miller	Univ of NV Press
When Silence Screams	Mark Edward Langley	

Fiction - sci fi/fantasy

Mariner's Wake	Adam Marsh	Brick Cave Books
PsyMind: Flashpoints	Val Chanda	Wasteland Press
Tempest Blades: The Cursed Titans	Ricardo Victoria	Shadow Dragon Press

The Crossover Paradox	Rob Edwards	Shadow Dragon Press
Unrelenting	Jessi Honard & Marie Parks	Not a Pipe Publishing

Fiction – other (includes romance)

Little Big Dreams	Jacob Janey	
Rusty's Remuda	Sally Harper Bates	AZ Cowboy Connection
Till My Last Breath	Deborah Swenson	

First Book AZ

Before I Had the Word	Brooke Sahni	Texas Review Press
Chola Salvation	Estella Gonzalez	Arte Publico Press
South Mountain Park and Preserve	Andrew Lenartz	UNM Press
The Love Around Us	Laura Lee Bond	

First Book NM

A Guide to New Mexico Film Locations	Jason Strykowski	UNM Press
Autumn Gold	Lesley Lowe	33 Greyhound Press
Dark Braid	Dara Elerath	BKMK Press
Into the Tall, Tall Grass	Loriel Ryon	Simon & Shuster
Manifold	ER Lutken	3: A Taos Press
Sometimes I Cry My Path to Healing: A Memoir	Jean D Stouffer	
Sometimes the Dog is Smarter	Kat Richter-Sand	Sugar Bark Publications
The Chimes of Westminster	Gary W Priester	Tovah Miriam
Unrelenting	Jessi Honard & Marie Parks	Not a Pipe Publishing

Gay/Lesbian (LGBTQ)

Brown Neon	Raquel Gutierrez	Coffee House Press
Unrelenting	Jessi Honard & Marie Parks	Not a Pipe Publishing

History – AZ

Arizona: A History of the Grand Canyon State	Jim Turner	Rio Nuevo Publishers
Driving While Brown	Terry Greene Sterling & Jude Joffe-Block	Univ of CA Press
Notitas: Select Columns from The Tucson Citizen	Alva V Torres	

History – NM

A Unique Exhibition of Ancient American Art	Gail Stephens	Friends of Coronado Historic Site
Fruit, Fiber and Fire	William R Carleton	Univ of NE Press
Overhaul: A Social History of the Albuquerque Locomotive Repair Shops	Richard Flint & Shirley Cushing Flint	UNM Press
The Archaeology and History of Tijeras Canyon	Paul R Secord, Hayward H Franklin, Frances Leon Swadesh, Lucy C Schuyler	

History – Anthology

Buck Shaw	Kevin Carroll	McFarland Publishing
Story Monsters Among Us	Conrad Storad	Story Monster Press
The Forgotten Botanist	Wynne Brown	Univ of NE Press

Juvenile (grades 3-8)

Higher Faster Longer	Loretta Hall & Janet Ivey Duensing	Traitmarker Books
Story Monsters Among Us	Conrad Storad	Story Monster Press
The Dreaded Cliff	Terry Nichols	Kinkajou Press

Multicultural

Before the Alamo, A Tejana's Story	Florence Byham Weinberg	Maywood House
Driving While Brown	Terry Greene Sterling & Jude Joffe-Block	Univ of CA Press
When Silence Screams	Mark Edward Langley	

Nature/Environment

Field Guide to the Trees of the Gila Region of New Mexico	Richard Stephen Felger, James Thomas Verrier, Kelly Kindscher & Xavier Raj Herbst Khera	UNM Press
First & Wildest	Elizabeth Hightower Allen	Torrey House Press
The Ecology of Herbal Medicine	Dara Saville	UNM Press

New Age

When Spirit Whispers	Carol H March	SEIF/Compass Rose

Nonfiction – general

Driving While Brown	Terry Greene Sterling & Jude Joffe-Block	Univ of CA Press
First & Wildest	Elizabeth Hightower Allen	Torrey House Press
It's A Cowboy Christmas	Sally Harper Bates	AZ Cowboy Connection
Processed Meats	Nicole Walker	Torrey House Press

Parenting & Family

Protecting Mama: Surviving the Legal Guardianship	Leonie Rosenstiel	Calumet Editions

Philosophy

Another Day Not Wasted	Guy Tal	Analemma Press
Beauty (and the Banana)	Brian C. Nixon	Wipf & Stock
The Rock Cycle: Essays	Kevin Honold	UNM Press

Poetry - AZ

Before I Had the Word	Brooke Sahni	Texas Review Press
Dear Diaspora	Susan Nguyen	Univ of NE Press
Making Silent Stones Sing	Susan Cummins Miller	Finishing Line Press

Poetry - NM

Abyss & Bridge	Renee Gregorio	3: A Taos Press
Before I Had the Word	Brooke Sahni	Texas Review Press
Commissions y Corridos: Poems	Hakim Bellamy	UNM Press
Cultivating Weeds	Megan Baldrige	Poetry Playhouse Publications
Dark Braid	Dara Elerath	BKMK Press
Desert Apocrypha	Zach Hively	Casa Urraca Press
Doing Nothing: Poems Before the Pandemic	Ralph Flores	Tome Lane Books
Dreaming In Grief	Mary Strong Jackson	Finishing Line Press
On Beauty	Lenny Foster & J M White	Anomoliac Press
Questions from Outer Space	Diane Thiel	Red Hen Press
Silver Chain	Hank Blackwell	Mercury Heartlink
The Algorithm of I	Jack Crocker	Mimbres Press

Poetry Anthology

A Wind Blows Through Us	Hank Blackwell, David Johnson, & Raymond Johnson	Mercury Heartlink
Dear Vaccine	Tyler Meier	Kent State Univ Press
The Tiger Poet	Amit Dohiyabalshah	Poetry Playhouse Publications

Political & Current Events

Culture of Caring	Katherine Ortega Courtney & Dominic Cappello	100% Community LLC
Driving While Brown	Terry Greene Sterling & Jude Joffe-Block	Univ of CA Press

The Art and Humor of John Trever	John Trever	UNM Press
Reference		
No Manure on Main Street	Don Bullis	Rio Grande Books
Religion		
All Good Tova Goodman	Mary Carter	
Fiesta of Our Lady of Guadalupe	Gloria Chavez Robinson	
Self-help & Guides		
A Diet is the Last Thing You Need	Brenda L Wolfe	
The 25 Hour Day	RE Rokosz	GloryBound Publishing
Sports/Recreation		
Abdi's World	Abdi Abdirahman	Soulstice Publishing
New Mexico Family Outdoor Adventure	Christina Selby	UNM Press
The Least Among Them	Paul Semendinger	Artemesia Publishing
Travel		
A Guide to New Mexico Film Locations	Jason Strykowski	UNM Press
In The Buddha's Light	Joanna Hurley	International Folkk Art Market
New Mexico Food Trails	Carolyn Graham	UNM Press
Photographing Acadia National Park	Colleen Minuik	Analemma Press
South Mountain Park and Preserve	Andrew Lenartz	UNM Press
Young Adult (high school)		
Silki, the Girl of Many Scarves: Summer of the Ancient	Jodi Lea Stewart	Progressive Rising Phoenix Press
Young Readers (grades 1-3)		
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