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WOMEN'S NATIONAL BOOK ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCES NOMINEES FOR THE 2016 WNBA PANSELL AWARD

Since 1983, the Women's National Book Association has awarded one of the most prestigious honors in children's bookselling. The WNBA Pannell Award recognizes bookstores that enhance their communities by bringing exceptional creativity to foster a love of reading among their patrons. Every year a panel of publishing professionals selects two award winners—one general bookstore and one children's specialty bookstore. This year's nominees are:

General Bookstore

{pages} a bookstore (Manhattan Beach, CA)
Anderson's Bookshop (Naperville, IL)
Book Culture (New York, NY)
Book Passage (Corte Madera, CA)
Books Inc. (multiple locations in Bay Area, CA)
BookShop West Portal (San Francisco, CA)
Brookline Booksmith (Brookline, MA)
Casa Camino Real Book Store (Las Cruces, NM)
Community Bookstore (Brooklyn, NY)
Flyleaf Books (Chapel Hill, NC)
Gallery Bookshop & Bookwinkle's Children's Books (Mendocino, CA)
Green Apple Books (San Francisco, CA)
Harvard Book Store (Cambridge, MA)
Ink Spell Books (Half Moon Bay, CA)
Inkwood Books (Tampa, FL)
Main Street Books (Davidson, NC)
MainStreet BookEnds of Warner (Warner, NH)
Maple Street Book Shop (New Orleans, LA)
Mrs. Dalloway's Bookstore (Berkeley, CA)
Murder on the Beach Mystery Bookstore (Delray Beach, FL)
Northshire Bookstore (Saratoga Springs, NY)
Octavia Books (New Orleans, LA)
Park Road Books (Charlotte, NC)
Parnassus Books (Nashville, TN)

Saturn Booksellers (Gaylord, MI)
The Annapolis Bookstore (Annapolis, MD)
The Bookworm (Edwards, CO)
The Conundrum (St. Francisville, LA)
The King's English Bookshop (Salt Lake City, UT)
The Twig Book Shop (San Antonio, TX)
Towne Book Center & Café (Collegeville, PA)
Tubby & Co's Mid-City Book Shop (New Orleans, LA)
Village Books (Bellingham, WA)
Village House of Books (Los Gatos, CA)

Children's Specialty Bookstore

Addendum Books (St. Paul, MN)
Jack and Allie's (Vernon, CT)
Little Shop of Stories (Decatur, GA)
Monkey See, Monkey Do...Children's Bookstore (Clarence, NY)
Once Upon a Time Bookstore (Montrose, CA)
Porter Square Books (Cambridge, MA)
Spellbound Children's Bookshop (Asheville, NC)
Square Books, Jr. (Oxford, MS)
Storybook Village (Pentwater, MI)
The Curious Reader (Glen Rock, NJ)
The Magic Tree Bookstore (Oak Park, IL)
Wild Rump (Minneapolis, MN)

The nominated stores assemble electronic submissions with a description of their major achievements, programming, and contributions to the local community. Submission can include photos, media coverage, letters from customers, or other materials. **The deadline for submissions is March 15, 2016.**

The Pannell Award jurors for 2016 are:

- Emma D Dryden, children's editorial and publishing consultant, drydenbks LLC
- Josalyn Moran, children's publishing consultant
- Emily Romero, senior vice president of marketing, Penguin Young Readers
- Roger Sutton, editor in chief, *The Horn Book*
- Lisa Von Drasek, curator of Children's Literature Research Collections, Univ. of Minnesota

The jurors will make their decision in early April, and the winners will be notified. Each of the two winners will receive a \$1,000 check and a framed signed original piece of art by a children's illustrator. The presentation of the award will be in Chicago at the BEA Children's Book and Author Breakfast.

Along with WNBA, Penguin Young Readers Group co-sponsors the Pannell Award. Founded in 1917, WNBA is a national organization of women and men who promote the value to the written word by championing the role of women in the book community and by providing a forum for the exchange of ideas and information relating to the written word.

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