THE USA “BEST BOOKS 2005” AWARDS

African-American Fiction


Aging/Death & Dying


Finalist: Send Me Tulips by Kathe Oleson, Kristin Pluhacek (Illustrator), Prisma Press, ISBN: 0970239009


Animals/Pets


Anthologies

Winner: Colorado High Country Anthology by the Writers of the Soiree at the Summit, ISBN: 0595327737

Audiobook - Business


Audiobook - Children's

Winner: A Duck in New York City by Story and Songs by Connie Kaldor, La Montagne Press, ISBN: 2923163028


Finalist: The Snow Queen, Book and lyrics by Adrian Mitchell, Music by Richard Peaslee, New York State Theatre Institute, ISBN: 1892613093

Audiobook - Fiction


Audiobook - Non-fiction


**Autobiography/Memoirs**

**Winner:** My War: Killing Time in Iraq by Colby Buzzell, G.P. Putnam's Sons, ISBN: 0399153276

**Finalist:** Wisdom Man by Banjo Clarke as told to Camilla Chance, Penguin Books, ISBN: 0143003453


**Finalist:** Blowing My Cover: My Life as a CIA Spy by Lindsay Moran, G.P. Putnam's Sons, ISBN: 0399152393

**Finalist:** Take Big Bites: Adventures Around the World and Across the Table by Linda Ellerbee, G.P. Putnam's Sons, ISBN: 0399152687

**Finalist:** A Lotus Grows in the Mud by Goldie Hawn, G.P. Putnam's Sons, ISBN: 0399152857

**Finalist:** Breakdown: Diamonds, Death and Second Chances by Gregory John DiStefano, ISBN: 0595342922

**Biography**

**Winner:** The Story of Chicago May by Nuala O'Faolain, Riverhead Books, ISBN: 1573223204


**Business**


**Finalist:** A Whole New Mind: Moving from the Information Age to the Conceptual Age by Daniel H. Pink, Riverhead Books, ISBN: 1573223085

**Finalist:** High Impact Middle Management: Solutions for Today's Busy Managers by Lisa Haneburg, Adams Media, ISBN: 1593371586

Finalist: Kick the Dealer...Not the Tires by Mark Marine, MOTOM Publishing, ISBN: 0976887819

Finalist: 501+ Great Interview Questions for Employers and the Best Answers for Prospective Employees by Dianna Podmoroff, MBA, CHRP, Atlantic Publishing Group, ISBN: 0910627509

Children's Fiction


Children's Non-Fiction


Finalist: "H" is for Healthy by Eileen Tucker Cosby and Michelle May, M.D., Illustrated by Morma S. Strange, SWAK Pak LLC, ISBN: 0970742053


Children's Picture Book


Finalist: Something Special by Terri Cohlene, Illustrated by Doug Keith, Illumination Arts, ISBN: 0974019011


Finalist: Penny House by Dirk Wales, Illustrated by Diane Kenna, Great Plains Press, ISBN: 0963245910

Cookbooks

Winner: California Sol Food by the Junior League of San Diego, Favorite Recipes Press, ISBN: 0961847417

Finalist: Tea Time Entertaining by Dolores Snyder, Wimmer Cookbooks, ISBN: 0974687219


Creative Non-Fiction


Finalist: Just An Accident by Amy Montgomery, ISBN: 1418492906

**Current Events (Entertainment/Media)**

**Winner:** Bono in Conversation with Michka Assayas, Riverhead Books, ISBN: 1573223093


**Current Events (Political/Social)**


**E-Books Fiction**

**Winner:** Monkey Trap by Lee Denning, Twilight Times Books, ISBN: (Print Version) 193120134X


**Education PreK-12**

**Winner:** Primary Art: It's the Process, Not the Product by MaryAnn F. Kohl, Gryphon House, ISBN: 0876592833
Finalist: Reading Games for Young Children by Jackie Silberg, Gryphon House, ISBN: 0876592434


**Education/Academic**

**Winner:** Crash Course: Imagining a Better Future for Public Education by Chris Whittle, Riverhead Books, ISBN: 1594489025


**Environmental/Ecology/Nature**

**Winner:** The Adventures of Riley: Dolphins in Danger by Amanda Lumry & Laura Hurwitz, Illustrations by Sarah McIntyre, Eaglemont Press, ISBN: 0974841110


**Erotica/Sexuality**

**Fantasy/Science Fiction**

**Winner:** Weapon of Flesh by Chris A. Jackson, Jax Books, ISBN: 1419607952


**Gay/Lesbian Fiction**

**Winner:** Now Batting for Boston by J.G. Hayes, Harrington Park Press, ISBN: 1560235225

**Gay/Lesbian Non-Fiction**

**Winner:** Breakdown: Diamonds, Death and Second Chances by Gregory John DiStefano, ISBN: 0595342922

**General Fiction**

**Winner:** Saving Fish from Drowning by Amy Tan, G.P. Putnam's Sons, ISBN: 0399153012


Finalist: We Are All Fine Here by Mary Guterson, G.P. Putnam's Sons, ISBN: 039915230X

**Gift Books**


**Health**

**Winner:** Don't Eat This Book: Fast Food and the Supersizing of America by Morgan Spurlock, G.P. Putnam's Sons, ISBN: 0399152601


**Historical Fiction**

**Winner:** Rashi's Daughters, Book One, Jeheved by Maggie Anton, Banot Press, ISBN: 0976305054
Finalist: My Beloved Talleyrand: The Life of a Scoundrel By His Last Mistress by Steve Pieczenik, iUniverse, ISBN: 0595342086


**History/Political**

**Winner:** Blueprint for Action by Thomas P.M. Barnett, G.P. Putnam's Sons, ISBN: 0399153128


Winner: To Defy the Monster by Albert Arthur Allison, ISBN: 0595332986

**Hobby/Crafts/How-to**


**Home & Garden**


Finalist: Basil to Thyme: Culinary Endeavors From the Garden to the Kitchen by Tim Haas and Jan Beane, Champion Press, ISBN: 1932783113

**Humor**

**Winner:** I Have Chosen to Stay and Fight by Margaret Cho, Riverhead Books, ISBN: 1573223190


Finalist: No More Bobs by Cynthia Borris, AuthorHouse, ISBN: 1414011458


**Interactive CD-ROM Children**

**Winner:** The Rainbow Web by Cheryl Block, Illustrated by Gene Takeshita, Block Publishing, ISBN: 0976162504

**Men's Issues**

Multicultural Fiction


Multicultural Non-Fiction


Mystery/Suspense/Thriller


New Age Fiction

**Winner:** Going Deeper by Jean-Claude Koven, Prism House Press, ISBN: 0972395458


New Age Non-fiction


Finalist: I Dare to Heal with Spiritual Power by Joel Vorensky, Xlibris, ISBN: 1413465951

Parenting/Family

**Winner:** The Mommy Chronicles: Conversations Sharing the Comedy and Drama of Pregnancy and New Motherhood by Sara Ellington and Stephanie Triplett, Hay House, Inc., ISBN: 140190419X


Philosophy


Photography


Poetry


Professional/Career


Finalist: *Highway Hypodermics: Your Road Map To Travel Nursing* by Epstein LaRue, RN, BS, Star Publish, ISBN: 1932993169

Psychology/Mental Health


Finalist: The Ultimate Book of Personality Tests by Dr. Dorothy McCoy, Champion Press, ISBN: 1932783490


**Real Estate**


**Recreation/Sports/Fitness**


**Reference**


Religion


Religious Fiction


Science


**Self-Help**


**Short Story Fiction**


**Social Change**


**Spirituality**

**Winner:** God Without Religion: Questioning Centuries of Accepted Truths by Sankara Saranam, The Pranayama Institute Inc., ISBN: 0972445013


Travel Essay


Finalist: A Woman's Asia, Edited by Marybeth Bond, Travelers' Tales, ISBN: 1932361197


Travel Guides


True Crime

Women's Issues


Finalist: Motherhood Confidential by Linda Cohen and Joan Bechtel, SocioPathways, ISBN: 0976093006


Young Adult Fiction


Young Adult Non-Fiction
