Previous Award Winners and Special Recognition

Children/Young Adult

1990 Helen Roney Sattler • Tyrannosaurus Rex and Its Kin
1991 Stan Hoig • A Capital for the Nation
1992 Jess and Bonnie Speer • Hillback to Boggy
1993 Anna Myers • Red Dirt Jessie
1994 Diane Hoyt-Goldsmith • Cherokee Summer
1995 Russell G. Davis and Brent Ashabranner • The Choctaw Code
1996 Anna Myers • Graveyard Girl
1997 Barbara Snow Gilbert • Stone Water
1998 S. L. Rottman • Hero
1999 Barbara Snow Gilbert • Broken Chords
2000 Harold Keith • Brief Garland: Ponytails, Basketball, and Nothing But Net
2001 Joyce Carol Thomas • Hush Songs
2002 Molly Levite Griffis • The Rachel Resistance
2003 Darleen Bailey Beard • The Babbs Switch Story
2004 Children Una Belle Townsend • Grady’s in the Silo • Young Adult Sharon Darrow • The Painters of Lexieville
2005 Children Joyce Carol Thomas • The Gospel Cinderella • Young Adult Molly Levite Griffis • Simon Says
2006 Anna Myers • Assassin
2007 Children Tim Tingle • Crossing Bok Chitto: A Choctaw Tale of Friendship and Freedom • Young Adult Tim Tharp • Knights of the Hill Country
2008 Children Devin Scillian • Pappy’s Handkerchief • Young Adult P.C. Cast and Kristin Cast • Marked: A House of Night Novel
2009 Anna Myers • Spy
2010 Children Tammi Sauer • Chicken Dance • Young Adult George Edward Stanley • Night Fires
2011 Children Tammi Sauer • Mostly Monsterly • Young Adult—M.J. Alexander • Portrait of a Generation: The Children of Oklahoma
2012 Children Glenda Galvan • Chikasha Stories, Volume One: Shared Spirit • Young Adult Sonia Gensler • The Revenant
2013 Children Frank Keating • George: George Washington Our Founding Father • Young Adult M. Scott Carter • The Immortal Von B.
2014 Children Tammi Sauer • Nugget & Fang • Young Adult Tim Tharp • MOJO
2015 Children Greg Rodgers • Chukfi Rabbit’s Big, Bad Bellyache: A Trickster Tale • Young Adult Roy Deering • Finders Keepers
2016 Children Cynthia Liu • Bike on, Bear! • Young Adult Alton Carter • The Boy Who Carried Bricks
2017 Children Jane McKellips • Dust Storm • Young Adult Lutricia Clifton • Seeking Cassandra
2018 Children/Young Adult Patricia Loughlin • Angie Debo: Daughter of the Prairie
2019 Children Hannah E. Harrison • Friends Stick Together • Young Adult Brad McElhand and Louis Sylvester • Legends of the Lost Causes

Design/Illustration/Photography

1990 David E. Hunt • The Lithographs of Charles Banks Wilson
1991 Carol Haralson • Cleora’s Kitchens
1992 Joe Williams • Woolaroc
1993 Design Carol Haralson • Will Rogers: Courtship and Correspondence • Illustration Kandy Radzinski • The Twelve Cats of Christmas
1994 Deloss McGraw • Fish Story
1995 Mike Wimmer • All the Places to Love
1996 Kim Doner • Green Snake Ceremony
1997 Carol Haralson and Harvey Payne • Big Bluestem: A Journey into the Tall Grass
1998 Carol Haralson • Visions and Voices: Native American Painting from the Philbrook Museum of Art
1999 David Fitzgerald • Bison: Monarch of the Plains
2000 Carol Haralson • Glory Days of Summer: The History of Baseball in Oklahoma
2001 Lane Smith • The Very Persistent Gappers of Frip
2002 Carl Brune • Woven Worlds: Basketry from the Clark Field Collection
2003 Murv Jacob • The Great Ball Game of the Birds and Animals
2004 Design Scott Horton and Jim Argo • Family Album: A Centennial Pictorial of the Oklahoma Publishing Company ✩ Illustration Kandy Radzinski • S is for Sooner
2005 Carol Haralson • A History of the Oklahoma Governor’s Mansion
2006 Design Carol Haralson • Home: Native People in the Southwest ✩ Illustration Jon Goodell • Mother, Mother, I Want Another
2007 Design Carl Brune • OKC: Second Time Around ✩ Illustration Jeanne Rorex Bridges • Crossing Bok Chitto: A Choctaw Tale of Friendship and Freedom
2008 Design Carl Brune, photography by Scott Raffe • Oklahoma: A Portrait of America ✩ Illustration Kandy Radzinski • What Cats Want for Christmas
2010 Design Carol Haralson • Willard Stone ✩ Illustration Kandy Radzinski • Where to Sleep
2011 Carol Haralson • Building One Fire
2012 Design Eric Anderson • The Eugene B. Adkins Collection ✩ Illustration photography by Sanford Mauldin, design by Skip McKinstry • Ilimpa’chi’i’ (Let’s Eat!): A Chickasaw Cookbook
2013 Design Carol Haralson, with cover by Tony Roberts • The James T. Bialac Native American Art Collection ✩ Illustration Mike Wimmer • George: George Washington Our Founding Father
2014 Design Jenny Chan and Lisa Yelon, photography by Alan Karchmer and Joe C. Aker • Devon ✩ Illustration Jeannie Barbour • Chikasha Stories Volume Three: Shared Wisdom
2015 Design book design by Julie Rushing and jacket design by Anthony Roberts • A Legacy in Arms ✩ Illustration Hannah E. Harrison • Extraordinary Jane
2016 Design Laura Hyde • Making Friends Was My Business ✩ Photography Sanford Mauldin, book and cover design by Corey Fetters • Ilittibaaimpa’: Let’s Eat Together! A Chickasaw Cookbook
2017 Design Douglas Miller • 4th and Boston: Heart of the Magic Empire ✩ Illustration Terry Widener • My Name is James Madison Hemings
2018 Design Laura Hyde • The Robson Ranch: Hard Work and Family Ties ✩ Illustration Janet Skates • Marmie: A Mouse on Main Street
2019 Design book design by Christopher Lee, cover design by Steven Walker, cover photography by Joel Sartore, and illustrations by J.J. Ritchey • Love Can Be ✩ Illustration Hannah E. Harrison • Friends Stick Together

Fiction

1990 Robert Love Taylor • The Lost Sister
1991 Linda Hogan • Mean Spirit
1992 Robert L. Duncan • The Serpent’s Mark
1993 Rilla Askew • Strange Business
1994 Eve Sandstrom • Down Home Heifer Heist
1995 William Bernhardt • Perfect Justice
1996 Billie Letts • Where the Heart Is
1997 Stewart O’Nan • The Names of the Dead
1998 Rilla Askew • The Mercy Seat
1999 Billie Letts • The Honk and Holler Opening Soon
2000  William Bernhardt  •  Dark Justice  
2001  Carolyn Hart  •  Sugarplum Dead  
2002  Douglas Kelley  •  The Captain's Wife  
2003  Diane Glancy  •  The Mask Maker: A Novel  
2004  M.K. Preston  •  Song of the Bones  
2005  Will Thomas  •  Some Danger Involved  
2006  David Kent  •  The Black Jack Conspiracy  
2007  Sheldon Russell  •  Dreams to Dust: A Tale of the Oklahoma Land Rush  
2008  Rilla Askew  •  Harpsong  
2009  Carolyn Wall  •  Sweeping Up Glass  
2010  Kirk Bjornsgaard  •  Confessions of a Former Rock Star  
2011  David Gerard  •  God’s Acre  
2012  Constance Squires  •  Along the Watchtower  
2013  Linda McDonald  •  Crimes of Redemption  
2014  Jack Shakely  •  Che Guevara’s Marijuana and Baseball Savings and Loan  
2015  Will Thomas  •  Fatal Enquiry  
2016  Lou Berney  •  The Long and Faraway Gone  
2017  Luana Ehrlich  •  Three Weeks in Washington  
2018  Sheldon Russell  •  The Bridge Troll Murders  
2019  Lou Berney  •  November Road  

Non-Fiction  
1990  Leonard Leff  •  Hitchcock & Selznick  
1991  Carl Albert and Danney Goble  •  Little Giant  
1992  David Morgan, Robert England, and George Humphreys  •  Oklahoma Politics & Policies: Governing the Sooner State  
1993  Henry Bellmon and Pat Bellmon  •  The Life and Times of Henry Bellmon; and Daniel Boorstin  •  The Creators  
1994  J. Brent Clark  •  3rd Down and Forever  
1995  Dennis McAuliffe Jr.  •  The Deaths of Sybil Bolton  
1996  William Paul Winchester  •  A Very Small Farm  
1997  Annick Smith  •  Big Bluestem: A Journey Into the Tall Grass  
1998  John Hope Franklin and John Whittington Franklin, Editors  •  My Life and an Era: The Autobiography of Buck Colbert Franklin  
1999  Bob Burke  •  From Oklahoma to Eternity: The Life of Wiley Post and the Winnie Mae  
2000  Michael Wallis  •  The Real Wild West: The 101 Ranch and the Creation of the American West  
2001  David LaVerre  •  Contrary Neighbors: Southern Plains and Removed Indians in Indian Territory  
2002  Lydia L. Wyckoff, Editor  •  Woven Worlds: Basketry from the Clark Field Collection  
2003  Michael A. Mares  •  A Desert Calling: Life in a Forbidding Landscape  
2004  Eric R. Pianka and Laurie J. Vitt  •  Lizards: Windows to the Evolution of Diversity  
2005  Ed Cray  •  Ramblin’ Man: The Life and Times of Woody Guthrie  
2006  Timothy Egan  •  The Worst Hard Time  
2008  Nancy Isenberg  •  Fallen Founder: The Life of Aaron Burr  
2009  Linda Peavy and Ursula Smith  •  Full Court Quest: The Girls from Shaw Indian School, Basketball Champions of the World  
2010  Randy Ramer, Carole Klein, Kimberly Roblin, Eric Singleton, Anne Morand, Gary Moore, and April Miller  •  Thomas Gilcrease  
2011  S. C. Gwynne  •  Empire of the Summer Moon: Quanah Parker and the Rise and Fall of the Comanches, the Most Powerful Indian Tribe in American History  
2012  Daniel Blake Smith  •  An American Betrayal: Cherokee Patriots and the Trail of Tears  
2013  W.K. Stratton  •  Floyd Patterson: The Fighting Life of Boxing’s Invisible Champion  
2014  Mary Jane Warde  •  When the Wolf Came: The Civil War and the Indian Territory  
2015  Cheryl Elizabeth Brown Wattley  •  A Step Toward Brown v. Board of Education: Ada Lois Sipuel Fisher and Her Fight to End Segregation  
2016  Holly Bailey  •  The Mercy of the Sky  
2017  Rusty Williams  •  The Red River Bridge War: A Texas-Oklahoma Border Battle  
2018  David Grann  •  Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI  
2019  Robert L. Dorman  •  Alfalfa Bill: A Life in Politics
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2011 Rilla Askew—novelist—native of Sans Bois Mountains
2012 Anna Myers—author of young adult novels—Chandler
2013 Billie Letts—novelist—Tulsa
2014 Alvin O. Turner—educator, historian, author, and poet—Norman
2015 Rennard Strickland—author, historian, and legal scholar—Norman
2016 Diane Glancy—poet, author, and playwright—Tulsa
2017 Dr. George Henderson—educator and author—Norman
2018 Tim Tingle—author, storyteller, and performer—member Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma
2019 William Bernhardt—author—Choctaw

Ralph Ellison Award

1995 Ralph Ellison—National Book Award winner—Oklahoma City
1997 Angie Debo—“First Lady of Oklahoma History”—Marshall
1999 Melvin Tolson—poet, journalist, and dramatist—Langston
2000 Jim Thompson—novelist and screenwriter—Anadarko
2002 John Berryman—poet, biographer, and editor—McAlester
2004 Lynn Riggs—playwright and screenwriter—Claremore
2005 Woody Guthrie—author, illustrator, and songwriter—Okemah
2006 John Joseph Mathews—Osage novelist and historian—Pawhuska
2007 Muriel Wright—acclaimed Oklahoma historian—Oklahoma City
2008 Danney Glenn Goble—acclaimed Oklahoma historian—Tulsa
2010 Stan Hoig—author, journalist, and historian—Edmond
2013 Alexander Lawrence Posey, poet, journalist, and essayist—Eufaula
2016 Dr. H. Wayne Morgan, author and historian—Norman

2017 Ralph Marsh, newspaperman, award-winning magazine writer, and author—Okemah

Glenda Carlile Distinguished Service Award

2000 Ken Jackson—Tulsa World editor and columnist, Oklahoma Center for the Book Board Member, 1988–2000
2001 Julie Hovis and Kathy Kinasewitz—owners of Best of Books, booksellers for the Oklahoma Book Awards
2002 Dan Blanchard—a founding member of the Oklahoma Center for the Book and Master of Ceremonies for the book award ceremony for eleven years
2005 Fran Ringold—Oklahoma poet laureate and the founder and editor for over forty years of the international literary journal Nimrod
2006 Oklahoma Today—for fifty years of publication
2007 Bill Young—Public Information Manager, Oklahoma Department of Libraries
2008 Bob Burke—author, and supporter of the Oklahoma Center for the Book  ※ B.J. Williams—producer and host of Read About It, and Past President of the Oklahoma Center for the Book
2009 Glenda Carlile—20 years of service to the Center as volunteer, board member, president, and executive director
2010 Teresa Miller—founder of the Oklahoma Center for Poets and Writers, and producer and host of Writing Out Loud.
2011 Kitty Pittman—Friends of the Center board member and creator of Oklahoma Authors database
2012 **FOLIO/Oklahoma Literary Landmarks**—honoring Oklahoma's writers and poets through historic landmark designations

2013 **Fred Marvel**, photographer for the Oklahoma Book Awards ♠ **Dorothy Alexander**, owner Village Books Press, promoting Oklahoma poets

2014 **Lynn McIntosh**, Executive Director of Chickasaw Regional (Public) Library System and Past President of the Friends of the Oklahoma Center for the Book

2015 **Laurie Williams**, attorney, and supporter of the Oklahoma Center for the Book

2016 **Gini Moore Campbell**, Past President and supporter of the Oklahoma Center for the Book

2017 **Anne Masters**, past Director of Pioneer Library System and supporter of the Oklahoma Center for the Book

2018 **Ken Hada**, founder and director of Scissortail Creative Writing Festival

**Directors Awards**

Presented by the Awards Committee for works of special merit

2004 **Doris Eaton Travis** • *The Days We Danced: The Story of My Theatrical Family*

2005 **B. Byron Price** • *Fine Art of the West* ♠ **Deborah Duvall** and **Murv Jacob** • *The Series of Grandmother Stories*

2006 **Patricia Loughlin** • *Hidden Treasures of the American West*

2011 Editors **Dianna Everett** • **Jon May**, **Larry O’Dell**, and **Linda Wilson** • *Encyclopedia of Oklahoma History and Culture*

2018 **Gaye Sanders** • *The Survivor Tree*

**Past Presidents**

**Arrell Gibson**, namesake of the Center’s lifetime achievement award, Norman 1986–1988

**Dan Blanchard**, Oklahoma City 1988–1990

**Judy Moody**, Tulsa 1990–1992


**Glenda Carlile**, Oklahoma City 1994–1995

**Laurie Sundborg**, Tulsa 1996–1997

**Liz Codding**, Oklahoma City 1998–2000

**B.J. Williams**, Oklahoma City 2001–2004

**M.J. VanDeventer**, Oklahoma City 2005–2007

**Lynn McIntosh**, Ardmore 2008–2010


**Past Executive Directors**

**Jan Blakely** 1986–1988

**Aarone Corwin** 1988–1990

**Ann Hamilton** 1991–1996

**Glenda Carlile** 1996–2009