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Categories are listed alphabetically. All finalists are of equal merit.

Animals/Pets: General

Winner
Boston Terrier (Animal Planet Dogs 101) by Patricia F. Lehman
TFH Publications, Inc.
978-0793837328

Finalist
An Animal Life: The Beginning by Howard Krum
Fluid Design Foundation
978-0-9884885-0-2
Animals/Pets: Narrative Non-Fiction

Winner
Wild Among Us: True Adventures of a Female Wildlife Photographer who Stalks Bears, Wolves, Mountain Lions, Wild Horses and Other Elusive Wildlife by Pat Toth-Smith
Pat Toth-Smith Photography
978-0-98925130-3

Finalist
If My Mom Were a Platypus: Mammal Babies and Their Mothers by Dia L. Michels
Science, Naturally!
978-1-938492-11-2

Finalist
Old Dog Haven: Every Old Dog Has a Story to Tell by Ardeth De Vries
Bennett & Hastings
978-1934733051

Finalist
Our Most Treasured Tails, Sixty Years of Pet Rescue by Kate J. Kuligowski
Our Guys Publishing Company
978-0-615-0228-08

Finalist
Rescue Me: Tales of Rescuing the Dogs Who Became our Teachers, Healers, and Always Faithful Friends by Val Silver and Team Rescue
Valerie Silver
978-1493791453

Finalist
Through Frankie's Eyes: One woman's journey to her authentic self, and the dog on wheels who led the way by Barbara Techel
Joyful Paw Prints Press
978-09800052-9-2

Anthologies: Non-Fiction

Winner
Risking Everything: A Freedom Summer Reader edited by Michael Edmonds
Wisconsin Historical Society Press
978-0-87020-678-8

Finalist
Shaking Behind the Microphone, Overcoming the Fear of Public Speaking by Jill Ammon Vanderwood
Brighton's Mountain Books-printed by CreateSpace
978-1490941219

Finalist
You Are Here: The WriteGirl Journey edited by Keren Taylor
WriteGirl Publications
978-0-9837081-2-4

Art

Winner
The White House: Its Historic Furnishing and First Families by Betty C. Monkman
White House Historical Association
978-0-7892-1179-8

Finalist
Art of the Sleeping Bear Dunes: Transforming Nature into Art edited by Linda Young, with essays by Jerry Dennis and Kathleen Stocking
Leelanau Press
978-0974208844

Finalist
Berta and Elmer Hader: A Lifetime of Art by Joy Hoerner Rich, Karen Tolley, John Waller and Judy Waller
Joyful Productions
978-0-9891087-0-6

Finalist
Jersey Shore Impressionists: The Fascination of Sun and Sea 1880-1940 by Roy Pedersen
Down The Shore Publishing
978-1-59322-073-0

Finalist
Matthew Troyan: His Spirit & His Art by Robert H. Baker
RHB Publishing
978-0-615-97906-9

Finalist
Michael Cheval's Dreams: Love and Romance by Stanford Apseloff
Ohio Distinctive Publishing
978-1-936772-16-2

Finalist
Watercolor: One Person's Teaching on Watercolor Painting and Becoming an Artist Along With a Gallery of His Work by Ted Keller
**Autobiography/Memoir**

**Winner**
*If Only You People Could Follow Directions* by Jessica Hendry Nelson  
*Counterpoint Press*  
978-1619022331

**Finalist**
*Both Sides Now: A True Story of Love, Loss, and Bold Living* by Nancy Sharp  
*Books & Books Press*  
978-0983937869

*Finalist*  
*Tasting Home: Coming of Age in the Kitchen* by Judith Newton  
*She Writes Press*  
978-1-98314-03-2

**Finalist**  
*Warrior Mother: Fierce Love, Unbearable Loss and the Rituals that Heal* by Sheila K. Collin, Ph.D.  
*She Writes Press*  
978-1-938314-46-9

**Finalist**  
*Winds of Skilak: A Tale of True Grit, True Love and Survival in the Alaskan Wilderness* by Bonnie Rose Ward  
*Two Harbors Press*  
978-1-62652-471-2

**Best Cover Design: Fiction**

**Winner**  
*The Selkie Sorceress* by Sophie Moss  
*Sea Rose Publishing*  
978-0615801056

**Finalist**  
*A Life in Books: The Rise and Fall of Bleu Mobley* by Warren Lehrer  
*Goff Books*  
978-1-939621-02-3

**Finalist**  
*Flesh on the Bone* by Karen Schutte  
*Green Spring Publishing*  
978-0-9904095-0-2

**Finalist**  
*Solomon's Whisper* by Sandra Brannan  
*Greenleaf Book Group*  
978-1-62634-119-7

**Best Cover Design: Non-Fiction**

**Winner**  
*My Fellow Americans: Scouting, Diversity, and the U.S. Presidency* by David C. Scott  
*WindRush Publishers*  
978-098599970-3

**Finalist**  
*A Thinker's Daily Challenge (Volume 1)* by Ken Havelock  
*Howlite Press*  
978-0-9834802-0-4

**Finalist**  
*Stress Pandemic: 9 Natural Steps to Break the Cycle of Stress & Thrive* by Paul Huljich  
*MWellA Publishing*  
978-0-9848204-0-5

**Finalist**  
*The Art of Competition* by Mark Allen  
*Grip Press*  
978-0-9895115-1-3

**Best Interior Design**

**Winner**  
*Tweeting Da Vinci* by Ann. C. Pizzorusso  
*Da Vinci Press*  
978-1940613000

**Finalist**  
*My Fellow Americans: Scouting, Diversity, and the U.S. Presidency* by David C. Scott  
*WindRush Publishers*  
978-098599970-3

**Finalist**  
*Analemma Press*  
978-0-9833804-7-4
Best New Fiction

Winner
A Life in Books: The Rise and Fall of Bleu Mobley by Warren Lehrer
Goff Books
978-1-939621-02-3

Finalist
Confessions of a Self-Help Writer: The Journal of Michael Enzo by Benjamin DeHaven
Lagniappe Publishing
978-0989912686

Finalist
From Finland with Love, A Novel by Ellie Alanko
Libra Publications
978-0989427210

Finalist
Saving Babe Ruth by Tom Swyers
Hillcrest House Publishing
978-1941440001

Finalist
Tim Cratchit's Christmas Carol: The Sequel to the Celebrated Dickens Classic by Jim Piecuch
Simon & Schuster
978-1-4767-6617-1

Best New Non-Fiction

Winner
Stress Pandemic: 9 Natural Steps to Break the Cycle of Stress & Thrive by Paul Huljich
MWellA Publishing
978-0-9848204-0-5

Finalist
Fibromyalgia and Other Chronic Painful Conditions Second Edition: The Patient's Guide and Survival Manual for Obtaining Proper and Effective Medical Care by Jeffrey B. Loomer, M.D., FACP, FACR
Mystery Doc Publishing, LLC
978-0-9849204-3-0

Finalist
The King of Casinos: Willie Martello and the El Rey Club by Andy Martello
Just a Martello Books
978-0615894591

Finalist
Tweeting Da Vinci by Ann. C. Pizzorusso
Da Vinci Press
978-1940613000

Biography: General

Winner
The King of Casinos: Willie Martello and the El Rey Club by Andy Martello
Just a Martello Books
978-0615894591

Finalist
Day of the Elephants by Ron Swager & Ed Chinn
Reel Marketing Systems, LLC
978-0-615-82777-3

Finalist
Fireball: Carole Lombard and the Mystery of Flight 3 by Robert Matzen
GoodKnight Books
978-0-9899025-1-2

Finalist
Literary Legends of the British Isles: The Lives & Burial Places of 50 Great Writers by Michael Thomas Barry
Schiffer
978-0764344381

Finalist
Matthew Troyan: His Spirit & His Art by Robert H. Baker
RHB Publishing
978-0-615-97906-9

Business: Careers

Winner
Talent Wants to Be Free: Why We Should Learn to Love Leaks, Raids and Free Riding by Orly Lobel
Yale University Press
978-0300166279

Finalist
An American Crisis: Veterans Unemployment – Stand by Them, How You Can Help, Solutions by Mark Baird
Inspired Authors Press, LLC
978-0-9840462-3-2
Finalist  
BrandingPays: The Five-Step System to Reinvent Your Personal Brand by Karen Kang  
BrandingPays Media  
978-0-9884375-0-0

Finalist  
EDGY Conversations: How Ordinary People Can Achieve Outrageous Success by Dan Waldschmidt  
Next Century Publishing  
978-0-9895331-0-2

Finalist  
Sensei Mentor Teacher Coach: Powerful Leadership for Leaderless Times by Kris Wilder and Lawrence A. Kane  
Stickman Publications  
978-1495407161

Finalist  
The Resume Coloring Book by Lea McLeod  
Lea McLeod  
978-0-9913287-1-0

**Business: Communications/Public Relations**

**Winner**  
BrandingPays: The Five-Step System to Reinvent Your Personal Brand by Karen Kang  
BrandingPays Media  
978-0-9884375-0-0

**Business: Enterpreneurship & Small Business**

**Winner**  
Heed Your Call: Integrating Myth, Science, Spirituality, and Business by David M. Howitt  
Atria/Beyond Words  
978-1582704845

Finalist  
EDGY Conversations: How Ordinary People Can Achieve Outrageous Success by Dan Waldschmidt  
Next Century Publishing  
978-0-9895331-0-2

Finalist  
Hunting in a Farmer's World by John F. Dini  
Gardendale Press  
978-0-9790531-1-5

Finalist  
Secret to Startup Failure: Fail Fast. Fail Cheap. Fail Happy. by Sonia Lin  
EntrepreNo's  
978-0-9914265-0-8

Finalist  
The Predictable Profits Playbook: The Entrepreneur's Guide to Dominating Any Market and Staying on Top by Charles E. Gaudet II  
Telemachus Press  
978-1940745169

Finalist  
The Responsible Entrepreneur: Four Game-Changing Archetypes for Founders, Leaders and Impact Investors by Carol Sanford  
Wiley/Jossey-Bass  
978-1118910757

**Business: General**

**Winner**  
CODE HALOS: How the Digital Lives of People, Things, and Organizations are Changing the Rules of Business by Malcolm Frank, Paul Roehrig and Ben Pring  
Wiley  
978-1-118-86207-0

Finalist  
EGO vs. EQ: How Top Leaders Beat 8 Ego Traps With Emotional Intelligence by Jen Shirkani  
Bibliomotion, books + media  
978-1-937134-76-1

Finalist  
HR's Seat at the Table: How to Lead the Conversations and Deliver the Talent that Drives Strategic Results by Jack H. Cage, Ph.D. and Laura E. Larson  
Leap for Words  
978-1-940687-53-7

Finalist  
The Age of the Customer: Prepare for the Moment of Relevance by Jim Blasingame  
SBN Books  
978-0-9709278-2-8

Finalist  
The Next Crash: How Short-Term Profit Seeking Trumps Airline Safety by Amy L. Fraher  
Cornell University Press  
978-0-8014-5285-7

Finalist  
The Process Improvement Handbook: A Blueprint for Managing Change and Increasing Organizational Performance by Tristan Boutros and Tim Purdie  
McGraw Hill Education
Business: Management and Leadership

Winner
The Idea Driven Organization: Unlocking the Power in Bottom-Up Ideas by Alan G. Robinson and Dean M. Schroeder
Barrett-Koehler Publishers, Inc.
978-1-62656-123-6

Finalist
EGO vs. EQ: How Top LeadersBeat 8 Ego Traps With Emotional Intelligence by Jen Shirkani
Bibliomotion, books + media
978-1-937134-76-1

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SBN Books
978-0-9709278-2-8

Finalist
The Conscious Leader: Nine Principles and Practices to Create a Wide-Awake and Productive Workplace by Dr. Shelley Reciniello
LID Publishing, Inc.
978-0985268446

Finalist
The Process Improvement Handbook: A Blueprint for Managing Change and Increasing Organizational Performance by Tristan Boutros and Tim Purdie
McGraw Hill Education
978-0071817660

Business: Marketing & Advertising

Winner
Epic Content Marketing: How to Tell a Different Story, Break Through the Clutter, and Win More Customers by Marketing Less by Joe Pulizzi
McGraw Hill
978-0071818939

Finalist
Romancing the Brand by Tim Halloran
Jossey-Bass
978-1118612899

Finalist
The Age of the Customer: Prepare for the Moment of Relevance by Jim Blasingame
SBN Books
978-0-9709278-2-8

Finalist
The Old Rush: Marketing for Gold in The Age of Aging by Peter Hubbell
LID Publishing, Inc.
978-0985268460

Finalist
The Predictable Profits Playbook: The Entrepreneur's Guide to Dominating Any Market and Staying on Top by Charles E. Gaudet II
Telemachus Press
978-1940745169

Business: Motivational

Winner
How Do I Keep My Employees Motivated? The Practice of Empathy-Based Management by George Langelett
River Grove Books (Greenleaf Book Group)
978-1-938416-76-6

Finalist
Living Leadership by Thomas Smith
Alternate Publishing
978-0692249659

Business: Personal Finance/Investing

Winner
Dual Momentum Investing: An Innovative Strategy for Higher Returns with Lower Risk by Gary Antonacci
McGraw-Hill
978-0071849449

Finalist
Stop Flushing Your Money Down the Drain by David A. Thyfault
Book Crafters
978-1-937862-63-6
Business: Real Estate

Winner
Instant Experience for Real Estate Agents by David A. Thyfault
Book Crafters
978-1-937862-62-6

Business: Reference

Winner
Innovative Leaders Workbook for Implementing Analytics Programs by Maureen Metcalf & James Brenza
Integral Publishers
978-0-9904419-2-2

Finalist
How Do I Keep My Employees Motivated? The Practice of Empathy-Based Management by George Langelett
River Grove Books (Greenleaf Book Group)
978-1-938416-76-6

Finalist
How to Find Chinese Investors, Agents & Clients for Your EB-5 Projects & Services: A Practical Guide for Regional Centers, Attorneys, Developers and Businessmen by Dr. Gregory Finkelson
American Corporate Services, Inc.
978-0989945509

Finalist
Insider's Guide to Music Licensing by Brian Tarquin
Allworth Press
978-1621533962

Business: Sales

Winner
Sell or Be Sold: How To Get Your Way in Business and in Life by Grant Cardone
Greenleaf Book Group
978-1-60832-256-5

Finalist
Real World Selling Strategies: The Art of the Selling Conversation by Hal Thorsvig and James Hayden
CreateSpace
978-0-615603537

Finalist
Selling Energy: Inspiring Ideas That Get More Products Approved by Mark Jewell with Rachel Christenson
Energy Efficiency Funding Group
978-1-941991-00-8

Finalist
The Age of the Customer: Prepare for the Moment of Relevance by Jim Blasingame
SBN Books
978-0-9709278-2-8

Business: Writing & Publishing

Winner
The Seven Step Guide to Authorpreneurship by Rochelle Carter
EverFaith Press
978-1937844745

Finalist
Breadcrumbs for Beginners: Following the Writing Trail by Dr. Sherry L. Meinberg
Balboa Press
978-1-4525-7166-9

Finalist
Elderwriters: Celebrate Your Life! A Guide for Creating Your Own Personal Legacy Document by Sue Barocas
CreateSpace
978-1484825648

Finalist
Snappy Sassy Salty: Wise Words for Authors and Writers by Judith Briles
Mile High Press
978-1-885331-49-6
Children’s Educational

Winner
The SMART Playbook: Game-changing life skills for a modern world by Suzanne M. Wind
Modern Grace Publishing
978-1495211621

Finalist
A New Take on ABCs - S is for Smiling Sunrise: An Alphabet Book of Goodness, Beauty, and Wonder by Vick Wadhwa
Wordsbright
978-1-940229126

Finalist
Arizona Agriculture: Bee’s Amazing Adventure by Bonnie Apperson Jacobs and Terri Mainwaring incooperation with the University of Arizona College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Cooperative Extension and Maricopa County Farm Bureau
Little Five Star, a division of Five Star Publications, Inc.
978-1-58985-267-9

Finalist
My Doctor and Me ABC by Dr. Stephanie Cox, illustrated by Emily Burger
CreateSpace
978-1492919087

Finalist
Saving Cinderella: Fairy Tales and Children in the 21st Century by Rachel Hope Crossman
The Apocryphile Press
978-1-940671-31-4

Finalist
Street Sense: Smart Self-Defense for 4th & 5th Graders by Lila Reyna
Bookstand Publishing
978-1-61863-376-7

Finalist
Tools At Work! written and illustrated by Matthew Johnson
Marco Products
978-1575432816

Children’s Fiction

Winner
Red Berries, White Clouds, Blue Sky by Sandra Dallas
Sleeping Bear Press
978-1585369065

Finalist
Horse Raid: The Making of a Warrior by Paul Goble
Wisdom Tales Press
978-1-937786-25-0

Finalist
Olivia Brophie and the Sky Island by Christopher Tozier
Pineapple Press, Inc.
978-1561646907

Finalist
The Orchard of Hope by Amy Neftzger
Fog Ink
978-1940894034

Finalist
Travels with Gannon & Wyatt: Botswana by Patti Wheller and Keith Hemstreet
Greenleaf Book Group
978-1608325866

Finalist
Travels with Gannon & Wyatt: Egypt by Patti Wheller and Keith Hemstreet
Greenleaf Book Group
978-1608325610

Finalist
Travels with Gannon & Wyatt: Great Bear Rainforest by Patti Wheller and Keith Hemstreet
Greenleaf Book Group
978-1608325894

Children’s Mind/Body/Spirit

Winner
Mama Yoga and the Story of Namaste by Susanna Stratford, illustrated by Alex Langenstein
Mama Yoga’s Kids
978-0-9961062-0-7

Finalist
Bucket Filling from A to Z: The Key to Being Happy by Carol McCloud and Caryn Butzke, illustrated by Glenn Zimmer
Glenn Zimmer
978-1933326134
Children's Non-Fiction

Winner
The Girl Who Gave Her Wish Away by Sharon Babineau
Bettie Young Book Publishers
978-1-936332-96-0

Finalist
"Giraffe-Neck Girl" Make Friends With Different Cultures by Jackie Chase
AdventureTravelPress.com
978-1-937630-36-2

Finalist
Street Sense: Smart Self-Defense for 4th & 5th Graders by Lila Reyna
Bookstand Publishing
978-1-61863-376-7

Children's Novelty & Gift Book

Winner
Your Kids: Cooking! A recipe for turning ordinary kids into extraordinary cooks by Barbara Brandt, M.Ed.
Pukka Publishing, LLC
978-0-9825952-1-3

Finalist
Bubble Tubbie (Gift Set) by Epiphany Schwarz
Black Catapult Publishing
978-0-9852920-0-3

Finalist
Tooth Fairy Chronicles: A Toothless Keepsake for Boys and Girls - Kit by Tina Cambio
Banana Peel Press, LLC
978-0-9896028-7-7

Finalist
Once Upon Alaska: A Kid's Photo Book, photography by Mark Kelley, rhyming verse by Nick Jans
Mark Kelley
978-1880865200

Children's Picture Book: Hardcover Fiction

Winner
The Pandas and Their Chopsticks and Other Animal Stories by Demi
Wisdom Tales Press
978-1-937786-16-8

Finalist
Early Birdy Gets the Worm by Bruce Lansky, illustrated by Bill Bolton
Meadowbrook Press
978-1-442-49176-2

Finalist
Never Say a Mean Word Again: A Tale from Medieval Spain by Jacqueline Jules, illustrated by D. Yael Bernhard
Wisdom Tales Press
978-1-937786-20-5

Finalist
Once Upon Alaska: A Kid's Photo Book, photography by Mark Kelley, rhyming verse by Nick Jans
Mark Kelley
978-1880865200
Children's Picture Book: Hardcover Non-Fiction

Winner
Waltzes with Giants, The Twilight Journey of the North Atlantic Right Whale by Peter C. Stone
Skyhorse Publishing
978-1-62087-106-5

Finalist
A New Take on ABCs - S is for Smiling Sunrise: An Alphabet Book of Goodness, Beauty, and Wonder by Vick Wadhwa
Wordsbright
978-1940229216

Finalist
Everyone Prays: Celebrating Faith Around the World by Alexis York Lumbard, illustrated by Alireza Sadeghian
Wisdom Tales
978-1-937786-19-9

Finalist
Rags, Hero Dog of WWI: A True Story by Margot Theis Raven, illustrated by Petra Brown
Sleeping Bear Press
978-1585362585

Finalist
The Prairie That Nature Built by Marybeth Lorbiecki, illustrated by Cathy Morrison
Dawn Publications
978-1-58469-491-5

Children's Picture Book: Softcover Fiction

Winner
Stumble Trip Fall by Robert Scully
PSST! Books
978-0988858916

Finalist
Monster in the Rocks by Conrad J. Storad, illustrated by Nathaniel P. Jensen
Bobolink Media, Inc.
1-891795-65-1

Finalist
Neo the Cool Cat by Josh Prigge & Minha Park
Larv & Mib
978-0-989095-1-1

Finalist
Take the Dog Out! by Lynne Dempsey, illustrated by Mandy Newham-Cobb
Lynne Dempsey
978-0-999787-2-2

Finalist
The Mouse and the Meadow written and illustrated by Chad Wallace
Dawn Publications
978-1-58469-492-3

Children's Picture Book: Softcover Non-Fiction

Winner
And the Crowd goes Wild: A Global Gathering of Sports Poems edited by Carol-Ann Hoyter and Heidi Bee Roemer, illustrated by Kevin Sylvester
Friesen Press
978-1770979536

Finalist
The Swamp Where Gator Hides by Marianne Berkes, illustrated by Roberta Baird
Dawn Publications
978-1-58469-496-0

Finalist
We Are from One Planet by Paulette Kouffman Sherman
Parachute Jump Publishing
978-0-9888905-7-7
Children’s Religious

Winner
Mahavira: The Hero of Nonviolence by Manoj Jain, illustrated by Demi
Wisdom Tales Press
978-1-937786-21-2

Finalist
Everyone Prays: Celebrating Faith Around the World by Alexis York Lumbard, illustrated by Alireza Sadeghian
Wisdom Tales Press
978-1-937786-19-9

Finalist
I Am Strong! I Am Smart! By Fay A. Klingler, illustrated by Briana Shawcroft
Nutrire Fiducia Productions, LLC
978-0-9897871-0-9

Finalist
Si, Mama, Si, Papa by Nancy Scalabroni, illustrated by Terri Kelleher
Mascot Books
978-1-62086-497-5

College Guides

Winner
Distance Learning: Is it Right for You? by Patricia Pedraza-Nafziger
Geek Girl Publishing
978-0-9899042-0-9

Finalist
Your Guide to Succeed in University by Aly Madhavji
Smashwords
978-0-9921028-0-7

Cookbooks: General

Winner
Gluten-Free 101: The Essential Beginner’s Guide to Easy Gluten-Free Cooking by Carol Fenster
Houghton Mifflin Harcourt
978-1-118-53912-5

Finalist
For the Love of Paprika by John Czingula
EdenLili Publishing Company LLC
978-0-9893130-0-1

Finalist
Superfood Juices & Smoothies: 100 Delicious and Mega-Nutritious Recipes from the World’s Most Powerful Superfoods by Tina Leigh, C.H.H.C.
Fair Winds Press
978-1-59233-604-3

Finalist
The Ultimate Anti-Cancer Cookbook by Pam Braun
Rare Bird Books
978-0968745612

Finalist
Visionary Kitchen: A Cookbook for Eye Health by Sandra Young, OD
Beyond Carrots & Kale, LLC
978-0-615-86697-0

Cookbooks: International

Winner
Zing! By Gorji—New Mediterranean Cuisine: Bold, Balanced, Simple & Savory by Mansour Gorji
TasteWonders
978-0-9884897-0-7

Cookbooks: Regional

Winner
Daisy Cakes, Share a Slice of Love by Kim Daisy
Lydia Inglett, Ltd. Book Publishing
978-1938417153

Current Events

Winner
Surviving Sandy: Long Beach Island and the Greatest Storm of the Jersey Shore by Scott Mazzella
Down The Shore Publishing
978-1-59322-079-2

Finalist
America Needs America’s Energy: Creating Together the People’s Energy Plan by Mark A. Stansberry
Brown Books Publishing Group
978-1-61254-071-9

Finalist
Waking Up White, and Finding Myself in the Story of Race by Debby Irving
Elephant Room Press
978-0-9913313-0-7
Education/Academic

**Winner**

Information Today, Inc.
978-1-57387-481-6

**Finalist**

*100+ Native American Women Who Changed the World* by KB Schaller
The Peppertree Press
978-1-61493-216-1

*Identifying Critical Content: Classroom Techniques to Help Students Know What is Important* by Deana Senn, Amber C. Rutherford and Robert J. Marzano
Learning Sciences International
978-1-94-111200-7

*Online Classes That Work! Discovering the Secrets to Teaching Online* by William S. Hettinger, Ph.D.
Effective E-Learning
978-0-9755026-1-7

**Finalist**

*School Safety 101* by John Matthews
CSI Publishing
978-0-9898556-1-8

*The Next Digital Scholar: A Fresh Approach to the Common Core State Standards in Research and Writing* edited by James P. Purdy and Randall McClure
Information Today, Inc.
978-1-57387-495-3

**Finalist**

*The Refractive Thinker: Vol VIII: Effective Practices for Motivation and Communication* edited by Dr. Cheryl Lentz
The Refractive Thinker® Press
978-0-9840054-1-3

Fiction: African-American

**Winner**

*In Search of the Rabbit Man* by Jon-Michael Hamilton
CreateSpace
978-1493743612

**Finalist**

*Blue Butterfly* by Marian L. Thomas
L.B. Publishing
978-0-9848967-5-2

*Deflowered Lyric* by JJ Staples
Beckham Publications Group
978-0990590408

**Finalist**

*Jaded* by Rhonda Eason
The Wild Rose Press
978-1628304503

Fiction: Anthologies

**Winner**

*Chiral Mad 2, edited by Michael Bailey*
Written Backwards
978-1494239978

**Finalist**

*41 Strange* by Diane Doniol-Valcroze & Arthur K. Flam
Diane Doniol-Valcroze & Arthur K. Flam
978-0-615979359

Fiction: Chick Lit/Women's Lit

**Winner**

*Fighting For You* by Sydney Landon
Penguin Publishing
978-0451-468956

**Finalist**

*in Polyester Pajamas* by Catherine Dougherty
Grey Gate Media, LLC
978-1-61807-050-0

**Finalist**

*It Burns a Lovely Light* by Penny McCann Pennington
CreateSpace
978-1301124848
Fiction: Cross Genre

Winner
The Belief in Angels by J. Dylan Yates
She Writes Press
978-1938314643

Finalist
Cliff of the Ruin by Bonnie McKernan
Abbott Press
978-1-4582-0670-1

Finalist
Finding Flipper Frank by Patrick M. Garry
Kenric Books
978-0-9833703-3-8

Finalist
Going for Kona by Pamela Fagan Hutchins
SkipJack Publishing
978-1-939889-18-8

Finalist
Spirit Made Smaller by Phillip Douglas
Book Publishers Network
978-1-940-589-23-9

Fiction: Fantasy

Winner
Atlantis Rising by T.A. Barron
Philomel Books, a division of Penguin Group USA
978-0-399-25757-5

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Merlin: The Book of Magic by T.A. Barron
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