

2020 Forest of Reading® Evergreen Award Nominees Announced

Canadian authors selected for adult recreational reading program award

NEWS RELEASE

TORONTO, ON (January 31, 2020) – The Ontario Library Association’s (OLA) Forest of Reading program is excited to present this year’s nominees for its adult reading program, the Evergreen Award.

The 2020 nominees for the Evergreen Award are:

Autopsy of a Boring Wife, Marie-Renée Lavoie, Translated by Arielle Aaronson (Arachnide Editions, House of Anansi Press)

Chasing Painted Horses, Drew Hayden Taylor (Cormorant Books)

Crow Winter, Karen McBride (HarperCollins Publishers Ltd)

Frying Plantain, Zalika Reid-Benta (Astoria, House of Anansi Press)

Greenwood, Michael Christie (McClelland & Stewart)

A Mind Spread Out on the Ground, Alicia Elliott (Doubleday Canada)

This One Looks Like a Boy: My Gender Journey to Life as a Man, Lorimer Shenher (Greystone Books)

Undercard, David Albertyn (Spiderline, House of Anansi Press)

Watching You Without Me, Lynn Coady (House of Anansi Press)

Watermark, Christy Ann Conlin (Astoria, House of Anansi Press)

“Chairing the Evergreen Committee is the best volunteer job out there. Over the past year I have had the pleasure of reading so many amazing Canadian stories, each with their own unique point of view, and our 2020 finalist list reflects that uniqueness,” says Christine MacArthur, Chair of the Evergreen Award Steering and Selection Committee. “This is the very best of Canadian writing—books that made me laugh, cry, and want to learn more about places and people who inspire. I’m excited to finally be able to share our choices with the public!”

The Evergreen Award reading program is comprised of the best titles in Canadian fiction and non-fiction for adults of any age. It is one of ten programs that form the OLA’s Forest of Reading, Canada’s largest recreational reading program of its kind. Over 270,000 Canadians participate each year in the Forest of Reading.

A committee of library professionals chooses the titles nominated for the Evergreen Award, which are announced every January. Votes from readers will be tallied for the award in September and the winner will be announced during Ontario Public Library Week in October.

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