



## Finalists for Audies Include Halberstam, Colbert and More

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The Audio Publishers Association (APA) has announced the finalists for The Audies, which honor excellence in audiobooks. The winners in the 30 different categories will be announced at a gala celebration on May 30 in Los Angeles.

The fiction category includes finalists *Exile*, by Richard North Patterson, narrated by Dennis Boutsikaris and published by Macmillan Audio; *The Friday Night Knitting Club*, by Kate Jacobs, narrated by Carrington MacDuffie and published by Blackstone Audio Inc.; *Tallgrass*, by Sandra Dallas, narrated by Lorelei King and published by Macmillan Audio; *The Tenderness of Wolves*, by Stef Penney, narrated by Sally Armstrong and Adam Sims and published by Ulverscroft Group / Isis Publishing; and *The Vanishing Act of Esme Lennox*, by Maggie O'Farrell, narrated by Anne Flosnick and published by Blackstone Audio Inc.

*Banker to the Poor*, by Muhammad Yunus, narrated by Ray Porter and published by Blackstone Audio Inc.; *The Coldest Winter*, by David Halberstam, narrated by Edward Herrmann and published by Hyperion Audiobooks; *Endurance: Shackleton's Incredible Voyage*, by Alfred Lansing, narrated by Simon Prebble and published by Blackstone Audio Inc.; *Jesus for the Non-Religious*, by John Shelby Spong, narrated by Alan Sklar and published by HarperAudio; and *Roots*, by Alex Haley, narrated by Avery Brooks and published by BBC Audiobooks America, are the finalists in the Nonfiction category.

In the Biography/Memoir category, the finalists are *Einstein*, by Walter Isaacson, narrated by Edward Herrmann and published by Simon & Schuster Audio; *My Lobotomy*, by Howard Dully and Charles Fleming, narrated by Johnny Heller and published by Tantor Media, Inc.; *Schulz and Peanuts*, by David Michaelis, narrated by Holter Graham and published by HarperAudio; *Shakespeare*, by Bill Bryson, narrated by Bill Bryson and published by HarperAudio; and *Tearing Down the Wall of Sound*, by Mick Brown, narrated by Ray Porter and published by Blackstone Audio Inc.

For the Humor category, Stephen Colbert's *I Am America (And So Can You!)*, narrated by Colbert with Paul Dinello, Kevin Dorff, Greg Hollimon, Evie McGee, David Pasquesi, Allison Silverman, Brian Stack and Jon Stewart and published by Hachette Audio, goes up against Tyler Perry's *Don't Make a Black Woman Take off Her Earrings*, narrated by Perry and published by Penguin Audio, as well as other finalists *Our Dumb World*, by The Onion and published by Hachette Audio; *Plato and a Platypus Walk Into a Bar*, by Thomas Cathcart and Daniel Klein, narrated by Johnny Heller and published by Recorded Books; and *The Ultimate David Sedaris Box Set*, by David Sedaris, narrated by David Sedaris with Amy Sedaris and Ann Magnuson and published by Hachette Audio.

Other categories include classics, several children's and young adult lists, achievement in production, multi-voiced performance and audiobooks adapted from another medium. The full list of finalists in the 30 categories can be found [online](#).