



Audio Publishers Association

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Audio Publishers Association announces Audie® finalists in 25 categories

***Winners to be honored at the Audie Awards Gala in Chicago on May 11
hosted by award-winning comedian and author, Paula Poundstone***

Philadelphia, PA – The Audio Publishers Association (APA) has announced finalists for the 21st annual Audie Awards® competition, the premier awards program in the United States recognizing distinction in audiobooks and spoken word entertainment. Winners will be revealed at the Audies Gala on May 11, 2016, at the Adler Planetarium in Chicago. Award-winning comedian, author, and commentator Paula Poundstone will emcee the event.

“With the announcement of these finalists,” says APA President Linda Lee, “the vibrancy of the audiobook industry is apparent in the continued year-over-year increase in submissions. To all our esteemed finalists, ‘May the odds be ever in your favor!’ We look forward to the festivities in Chicago this year.”

“Picking this year's top titles was a tough challenge for our judges because there were so many excellent entries,” adds Janet Benson, Audies Competition Chair. “Each of these finalists is a great representative of the best our audio world has to offer. We encourage listeners to check out all of one category’s finalists, and see which one you think should win the Audie!”

Through the Audie Awards® competition, publishers enter titles in various categories for recognition of excellence. Finalists are selected by a diverse group of experienced judges and one winner is awarded the Audie in each category. For 2016 three new awards have been added: Industry Awards for Excellence in Design, Marketing, and Production. Finalists for these new categories and for Audiobook of the Year will be announced in March. For more information and to see a list of all of the nominees, visit www.theaudies.com.



Finalists in this year’s competition are:

AUDIO DRAMA

Amok by Sebastian Fitzek, narrated by a full cast, published by Audible Studios

Christmas Eve, 1914 by Charles Olivier, narrated by a full cast, published by Audible Studios

Rudyard Kipling's The Jungle Book: The Mowgli Stories by Rudyard Kipling, narrated by a full cast, published by Audible Studios

The Sleeper and the Spindle by Neil Gaiman, narrated by Julian Rhind-Tutt, Lara Pulver, Niamh Walsh, Adjoa Andoh, Peter Forbes, John Sessions, and Michael Maloney, published by HarperAudio.

The Starling Project by Jeffrey Deaver, narrated by Alfred Molina and a full cast, published by Audible Studios

AUTOBIOGRAPHY/MEMOIR

Born with Teeth by Kate Mulgrew, narrated by Kate Mulgrew, published by Hachette Audio

The Courage to Act: A Memoir of a Crisis and Its Aftermath by Ben S. Bernanke, narrated by Grover Gardner, published by Brilliance Audio

Ghost Boy by Martin Pistorius, narrated by Simon Bubb, published by Thomas Nelson/HarperAudio

I Must Say by Martin Short, narrated by Martin Short, published by HarperAudio

Keep Moving by Dick Van Dyke, narrated by Dick Van Dyke, published by Blackstone Audio, Inc.

Travels by Michael Crichton, narrated by Christopher Lane, published by Brilliance Audio

BEST FEMALE NARRATOR

All the Stars in Heaven by Adriana Trigiani, narrated by Blair Brown, published by HarperAudio

The Boston Girl by Anita Diamant, narrated by Linda Lavin, published by Simon & Schuster Audio

Lair of Dreams by Libba Bray, narrated by January LaVoy, published by Listening Library/Penguin Random House Audio

The Lost Landscape by Joyce Carol Oates, narrated by Cassandra Campbell, published by HarperAudio

The Nightingale by Kristin Hannah, narrated by Polly Stone, published by Macmillan Audio

Wild Rover No More by L.A. Meyer, narrated by Katherine Kellgren, published by Listen & Live Audio

BEST MALE NARRATOR

Breakfast of Champions by Kurt Vonnegut, narrated by John Malkovich, published by Audible Studios

Classic Love Poems by various authors, narrated by Richard Armitage, published by Audible Studios

Dead Wake by Erik Larson, narrated by Scott Brick, published by Books on Tape/Penguin Random House Audio

The English Spy by Daniel Silva, narrated by George Guidall, published by HarperAudio
Finders Keepers by Stephen King, narrated by Will Patton, published by Simon & Schuster Audio

Jurassic Park by Michael Crichton, narrated by Scott Brick, published by Brilliance Audio

BUSINESS/EDUCATIONAL

Act Like a Lady, Think Like a Man, Expanded Edition by Steve Harvey, narrated by Mike Hodge, published by HarperAudio

A Curious Mind by Brian Grazer with Charles Fishman, narrated by Norbert Leo Butz, published by Simon & Schuster Audio

Get Big Things Done, The Power of Connectional Intelligence by Erica Dhawan and Saj-nicole Joni, narrated by Christina Moore, published by Recorded Books

Talk to Crazy by Mark Goulston, MD, narrated by L.J. Ganser, published by Audible Studios

Wake up Happy: The Dream Big, Win Big Guide to Transforming Your Life by Michael Strahan and Veronica Chambers, narrated by Michael Strahan, published by Simon & Schuster Audio

EROTICA

Beg Tease Submit by CD Reiss, narrated by Jo Raylan, published by Flip City Media Inc.

Beta by Jasinda Wilder, narrated by Summer Roberts and Tyler Donne, published by ACX/Seth Clarke

Control Burn Resist by CD Reiss, narrated by Jo Raylan and Christian Fox, published by Flip City Media Inc.

Curing Doctor Vincent by Renea Mason, narrated by Noah Michael Levine and Erin deWard, published by Renea Mason

Trust by Ella Frank, narrated by Shannon Gunn, published by Audible Studios

FANTASY

Ascension: The Trysmoon Saga, Book 1 by Brian K. Fuller, narrated by Simon Vance, published by Podium Publishing

The Cycle of Arawn by Edward W. Robertson, narrated by Tim Gerard Reynolds, published by Podium Publishing

The Fifth Season by N.K. Jemisin, narrated by Robin Miles, published by Hachette Audio

Nice Dragons Finish Last by Rachel Aaron, narrated by Vikas Adam, published by Audible Studios

Son of the Black Sword by Larry Correia, narrated by Tim Gerard Reynolds, published by Audible Studios

FICTION

Citizens Creek by Lalita Tademy, narrated by Bahni Turpin and J. D. Jackson, published by Brilliance Audio

A God in Ruins by Kate Atkinson, narrated by Alex Jennings, published by Hachette Audio

Kitchens of the Great Midwest by J. Ryan Stradal, narrated by Amy Ryan and Michael Stuhlbarg, published by Books on Tape/Penguin Random House Audio

The Last Bus to Wisdom by Ivan Doig, narrated by David Aaron Baker, published by Recorded Books

The Nightingale by Kristin Hannah, narrated by Polly Stone, published by Macmillan Audio

The Sellout by Paul Beatty, narrated by Prentice Onayemi, published by Audible Studios

HISTORY/BIOGRAPHY

In Search of Sir Thomas Browne by Hugh Aldersey-Williams, read by Simon Vance, published by HighBridge Audio/Recorded Books

A Man on the Moon by Andrew Chaikin and Tom Hanks, narrated by Bronson Pinchot, published by Audiobooks.com Publishing

Operation Nemesis by Eric Bogosian, narrated by Eric Bogosian, published by Hachette Audio

Pacific Pacific by Simon Winchester, narrated by Simon Winchester, published by HarperAudio

Texas Rising by Stephen L. Moore, narrated by P.J. Ochlan, published by HarperAudio

HUMOR

Almost Interesting by David Spade, narrated by David Spade, published by HarperAudio

Car Talk Classics: No Factory Recalls, So Far by Tom and Ray Magliozzi, narrated by Tom and Ray Magliozzi, published by HighBridge Audio/Recorded Books

Furiously Happy by Jenny Lawson, narrated by Jenny Lawson, published by Macmillan Audio

Modern Romance by Aziz Ansari with Eric Klinenberg, narrated by Aziz Ansari, published by Books on Tape/Penguin Random House Audio

Texts from Jane Eyre by Mallory Ortberg, narrated by Amy Landon and Zach Villa, published by Tantor Media

Why Not Me? By Mindy Kaling, narrated by Mindy Kaling, published by Books on Tape/Penguin Random House Audio

INSPIRATIONAL/FAITH-BASED FICTION

Come to Me Alive by Leah Atwood, narrated by Pamela Almand, published by ACX

Her Brother's Keeper by Beth Wiseman, narrated by Clifton Harris, published by Thomas Nelson/HarperAudio

The Pursuit of Tamsen Littlejohn by Lori Benton, narrated by Kate Forbes, published by Recorded Books

Secrets She Kept by Cathy Gohlke, narrated by Morgan Hallett and Suzy Jackson, published by Recorded Books

To Win Her Favor by Tamera Alexander, narrated by Melba Sibrel, published by Zondervan/HarperAudio

INSPIRATIONAL/FAITH-BASED NON-FICTION

And Then There Were Nuns by Jane Christmas, narrated by Elizabeth Wiley, published by Post Hypnotic Press

Boy Born Dead by David Ring, narrated by Paul Michael, published by christianaudio

Glory Days by Max Lucado, narrated by Ben Holland, published by Thomas Nelson/HarperAudio

The Pastor's Wife by Sabina Wurmbrand, narrated by Sadie Alexandru, published by christianaudio

Through the Eyes of a Lion by Levi Lusko, narrated by Levi Lusko, published by Thomas Nelson/HarperAudio

LITERARY FICTION & CLASSICS

The Fishermen by Chigozie Obioma, narrated by Chukwudi Iwuji, published by Hachette Audio

Kidnapped by Robert Louis Stevenson, narrated by Kieron Elliott, published by Recorded Books

Little Big Man by Thomas Berger, narrated by Scott Sowers, cameo by David Aaron Baker, published by Recorded Books

Sweetland by Michael Crummey, narrated by John Lee, published by HighBridge Audio/Recorded Books

Til the Well Runs Dry by Lauren Francis-Sharma, narrated by Ron Butler and Bahni Turpin, published by Tantor Media

MIDDLE GRADE

Echo by Pam Munoz Ryan, narrated by Mark Bramhall, David deVries, MacLeod Andrews, and Rebecca Soler, published by Scholastic Audio

The Enchanted Files: Diary of a Mad Brownie by Bruce Coville, narrated by various people, published by Listening Library/Penguin Random House Audio

The Incurable Children of Ashton Place: Book V by Maryrose Wood, narrated by Katherine Kellgren, published by HarperAudio

Jump Back, Paul: The Life and Poems of Paul Laurence Dunbar by Sally Derby, narrated by Dion Graham and Bahni Turpin, published by Brilliance Publishing

Stella by Starlight by Sharon M. Draper, narrated by Heather Alicia Simms, published by Simon & Schuster Audio

MULTI-VOICED PERFORMANCE

Clockwork Lives by Kevin J. Anderson and Neil Peart, narrated by Morgan Hallet, George Guidall, Richard Poe, Jim Jenner, Tandy Cronyn, Pete Bradbury, Barbara Rosenblat, and Brian Hutchison, published by Recorded Books

Echo by Pam Munoz Ryan, narrated by Mark Bramhall, David deVries, MacLeod Andrews, and Rebecca Soler, published by Scholastic Audio

How It Went Down by Kekla Magoon, narrated by Cherise Boothe, Shari Peele, Kevin R. Free, Avery Glymph, Patricia R. Floyd, and Brian Hutchison, published by Recorded Books

Illuminae by Amie Kaufman and Jay Kristoff, narrated by Olivia Taylor Dudley, Lincoln Hoppe, and Jonathan McClain, published by Listening Library/Penguin Random House Audio

Just Kids from the Bronx by Arlene Alda, narrated by Alan Alda, Arlene Alda, Christina Delaine with Milton Glaser, Regis Philbin, Robert Klein, Gabrielle Salvatto and Carlos Serrano, published by Macmillan Audio

With Lee in Virginia by G.A. Henty, narrated by Brian Blessed, Sean Astin, Kirk Cameron, and a full cast, published by Heirloom Audio Productions

MYSTERY

All the Old Knives by Olen Steinhauer, narrated by Ari Fliakos and Juliana Francis Kelly, published by Macmillan Audio

Career of Evil by Robert Galbraith, narrated by Robert Glenister, published by Hachette Audio

Corrupted by Lisa Scottoline, narrated by Kate Burton, published by Macmillan Audio

Gun Street Girl by Adrian McKinty, narrated by Gerard Doyle, published by Blackstone Audio, Inc.

Malice at the Palace by Rhys Bowen, narrated by Katherine Kellgren, published by Audible Studios

The Nature of the Beast by Louise Penny, narrated by Robert Bathurst, published by Macmillan Audio

NARRATION BY THE AUTHOR or AUTHORS

The Art of Asking by Amanda Palmer, narrated by Amanda Palmer, published by Hachette Audio

Born with Teeth by Kate Mulgrew, narrated by Kate Mulgrew, published by Hachette Audio

Furiously Happy by Jenny Lawson, narrated by Jenny Lawson, published by Macmillan Audio

I Must Say by Martin Short, narrated by Martin Short, published by HarperAudio

Thirteen Ways of Looking by Colum McCann, narrated by Colum McCann, published by Books on Tape/Penguin Random House Audio

NON-FICTION

The Dorito Effect by Mark Schatzker, narrated by Chris Patton, published by Dreamscape

Ghettoside by Jill Leovy, narrated by Rebecca Lowman, published by Books on Tape/Penguin Random House Audio

I Wasn't Strong Like This When I Started Out by Lee Gutkind, narrated by Tavia Gilbert, published by Tantor Media

Missoula by Jon Krakauer, narrated by Mozhan Marno, published by Books on Tape/Penguin Random House Audio

Song Machine by John Seabrook, narrated by Dion Graham, published by Highbridge Audio/Recorded Books

ORIGINAL WORK

Carmilla by J. Sheridan Le Fanu, narrated by Rose Leslie and David Tennant, published by Audible Studios

Drunken Fireworks by Stephen King, narrated by Tim Sample, published by Simon & Schuster Audio

Locke & Key by Joe Hill, narrated by Haley Joel Osment, Tatiana Maslany, and a full cast, published by Audible Studios

NPR American Chronicles: First Ladies by National Public Radio, narrated by Cokie Roberts, published by HighBridge Audio/Recorded Books

The Starling Project by Jeffery Deaver, narrated by Alfred Molina and a full cast, published by Audible Studios

StoryCorps: Outloud: Voices of the LGBTQ Community from Across America, by David Isay, narrated by Ari Shapiro and a full cast, published by HighBridge Audio/Recorded Books RB

PARANORMAL

The Dead House by Dawn Kurtagich, narrated by Charlotte Parry and Christian Coulson, published by Hachette Audio

Hounacier by Seth Skorkowsky, narrated by R.C. Bray, published by Audible Studios

Lycan Fallout 2: Fall of Man by Mark Tufo, narrated by Sean Runnette, published by Podium Publishing

Seven Years by Dannika Dark, narrated by Nicole Poole, published by Tantor Media

White Trash Zombie Gone Wild by Diana Rowland, narrated by Allison McLemore, published by Audible Studios

ROMANCE

The Duke's Holiday by Maggie Fenton, narrated by Sue Pitkin, published by Brilliance Audio

The Highwayman by Kerrigan Byrne, narrated by Derek Perkins, published by Tantor Media

Never Judge a Lady by Her Cover by Sarah MacLean, narrated by Justine Eyre, published by HarperAudio

The Secrets of Sir Richard Kenworthy, by Julia Quinn, narrated by Rosalyn Landor, published by HarperAudio

A Sorceress of His Own by Dianne Duvall, narrated by Kirsten Potter, published by Tantor Media

SCIENCE FICTION

Ancillary Mercy by Ann Leckie, narrated by Adjoa Andoh, published by Hachette Audio

Aurora by Kim Stanley Robinson, narrated by Ali Ahn, published by Hachette Audio

Golden Son: Book II of the Red Rising Trilogy by Pierce Brown, narrated by Tim Gerard Reynolds, published by Recorded Books

Jurassic Park by Michael Crichton, narrated by Scott Brick, published by Brilliance Audio

Star Wars: Return of the Jedi: Beware the Power of the Dark Side! by Tom Angleberger, narrated by Marc Thompson, published by Listening Library/Penguin Random House Audio

THRILLER/SUSPENSE

Blue Labyrinth by Douglas Preston and Lincoln Child, narrated by Rene Auberjonois, published by Hachette Audio

The Patriot Threat by Steve Berry, narrated by Scott Brick, published by Macmillan Audio

The President's Shadow by Brad Meltzer, narrated by Scott Brick, published by Hachette Audio

Season of Fear by Brian Freeman, narrated by Joe Barrett, published by Blackstone Audio, Inc.

Signal by Patrick Lee, narrated by Ari Fliakos, published by Macmillan Audio

YOUNG ADULT

All the Bright Places by Jennifer Niven, narrated by Kirby Heyborne, Ariadne Meyers, and Jennifer Niven, published by Listening Library/Penguin Random House Audio

Lair of Dreams by Libba Bray, narrated by January LaVoy, published by Listening Library/Penguin Random House Audio

The Sleeper and the Spindle by Neil Gaiman , narrated by Julian Rhind-Tutt, Lara Pulver, Niamh Walsh, Adjoa Andoh, Peter Forbes, John Sessions, and Michael Maloney, published by HarperAudio

Unbroken (The Young Adult Adaptation) by Laura Hillenbrand, narrated by Edward Herrmann, published by Listening Library/Penguin Random House Audio

The Winter Horses by Philip Kerr, narrated by James Langton, published by Tantor Media

X: A Novel by Ilyasah Shabazz and Kekla Magoon, narrated by Dion Graham and Ilyasah Shabazz, published by Brilliance Audio

YOUNG LISTENERS (up to age 8)

Appleblossom the Possum by Holly Goldberg Sloan, narrated by Dustin Hoffman, published by Listening Library/Penguin Random House Audio

Brother Hugo and the Bear by Katy Beebe and S.D. Schindler, narrated by Gildart Jackson, published by Dreamscape

Dory Fantasmagory by Abby Hanlon, narrated by Suzy Jackson, published by Recorded Books

The Eloise Collection by Kay Thompson, narrated by Bernadette Peters, with music by Anthony de Mare, published by Simon & Schuster Audio

Little Shop of Monsters by R.L. Stine and Marc Brown, narrated by Jack Black, published by Hachette Audio

Nino Wrestles the World by Yuyi Morales, narrated by Adriana Sananes, published by Dreamscape

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