THE
2023
STONEMWALL BOOK AWARDS

Monday, June 26, 2023
Chicago, IL
2–4pm
Today’s Program

Welcome

Introduction of the 2023 Stonewall Book Awards Committees and Rainbow Round Table Board

Presentation of the 2023 Larry Romans Mentorship Award

Acknowledgement of Past Stonewall Winners, Finalists, and Honor Book Authors

2023 Israel Fishman Award for Nonfiction

2023 Barbara Gittings Literature Award for Fiction & Inaugural Barbara Gittings Literature Award for Poetry

2023 Mike Morgan & Larry Romans Children’s & Young Adult Literature Awards

Concluding Remarks

Meet and Greet with participating press will be held following today’s program
History of the Stonewall Book Awards

The first and most enduring award for GLBT books is the Stonewall Book Awards, sponsored by the American Library Association’s Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Round Table. Since Isabel Miller’s Patience and Sarah received the first award in 1971, many other books have been honored for exceptional merit relating to the gay/lesbian/bisexual/transgender experience.

Originally a grassroots acknowledgment honoring hallmark works in GLBT publishing, the Gay Book Award (as it was originally known) became an official American Library Association award in 1986. The next year, its name was changed to the Gay and Lesbian Book Award. Beginning in 1990, the Book Award expanded into two categories: nonfiction and literature. In 1994, the name changed once more to the Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Book Award.

In 1999, when the Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Task Force became the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Round Table, the name changed yet again to the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Book Award. In 2002, the name changed to the Stonewall Book Award-Barbara Gittings Literature Award and the Stonewall Book Award-Israel Fishman Non-Fiction Award. In 2010 the Stonewall Book Awards was expanded again to add a Children and Young Adult Literature Award. In 2012, the Children’s and Young Adult Literature Award was renamed the Stonewall Book Award-Mike Morgan and Larry Romans Children’s and Young Adult Literature Award in honor of the couple’s gift to the endowment.

Visit [http://www.ala.org/rt/glbtrt/award/stonewall](http://www.ala.org/rt/glbtrt/award/stonewall) to learn more.
2023 Larry Romans Mentorship Award

Presented to a librarian who has demonstrated excellence in the area of mentoring, has successfully encouraged others to serve as mentors, and has impacted the lives and careers of others through tirelessly devoting time, energy, and talent toward helping others succeed in our profession.

DEBBIE RABINA

Rabina’s commitment to fostering a two-way relationship of teaching and learning with her students at the Pratt Institute School of Information and Library Science has sparked new ideas and created lasting impressions in the field of government information access, storage, and retrieval. Her curiosity and dedication is reflected in the way her colleagues speak about her. Her students are no different, citing her engagement with them and on their behalf as key models for how they should interact and move forward on their path to librarianship.
Israel Fishman Non-Fiction Awards

2023 WINNERS

Faltas: Letters to Everyone in My Hometown Who Isn’t My Rapist
by Cecilia Gentil
LITTLEPUSS PRESS

The Women’s House of Detention: A Queer History of a Forgotten Prison
by Hugh Ryan
BOLD TYPE BOOKS
2023 HONOR BOOKS

Refusing Compulsory Sexuality: A Black Asexual Lens on Our Sex-Obsessed Culture
by Sherronda J. Brown
NORTH ATLANTIC BOOKS

High-Risk Homosexual: A Memoir
by Edgar Gomez
SOFT SKULL PRESS

Voice of the Fish: A Lyric Essay
by Lars Horn
GRAYWOLF PRESS
Barbara Gittings Literature Awards

2023 LITERATURE WINNER

*The Other Mother*
by Rachel M. Harper
COUNTERPOINT PRESS

2023 POETRY WINNER

*Revenge Body*
by Rachel Wiley
BUTTON POETRY
2023 HONOR BOOKS

*Dominant Genes*
by SJ Sindu
BLACK LAWRENCE PRESS

*How to Identify Yourself with a Wound*
by KB
KALLISTO GAIA PRESS

*Dead Collections*
by Isaac Fellman
PENGUIN BOOKS
Mike Morgan & Larry Romans
Children’s & Young Adult Literature Awards

2023 CHILDREN’S AWARD BOOK WINNER

Love, Violet by Charlotte Sullivan
Wild
Illustrated by Charlene Chua
FARRAR, STRAUS AND GIROUX BOOKS FOR YOUNG READERS, AN IMPRINT OF MACMILLAN CHILDREN’S PUBLISHING GROUP

2023 YOUNG ADULT AWARD BOOK WINNER

When the Angels Left the Old Country by Sacha Lamb
LEVINE QUERIDO
2023 CHILDRENS HONOR BOOKS

**In the Key of Us**
by Mariama J. Lockington
FARRAR, STRAUS AND GIROUX BOOKS FOR YOUNG READERS, AN IMPRINT OF MACMILLAN CHILDREN'S PUBLISHING GROUP

**Kapaemahu**
by Hinaleimoana Wong-Kalu, Dean Hamer, and Joe Wilson
Illustrated by Daniel Sousa
KOKILA, AN IMPRINT OF PENGUIN YOUNG READERS, A DIVISION OF PENGUIN RANDOM HOUSE

**The Real Riley Mayes**
by Rachel Elliott
BALZER + BRAY, AN IMPRINT OF HARPERCOLLINS PUBLISHERS

**Strong**
by Rob Kearney and Eric Rosswood
Illustrated by Nidhi Chanani
LITTLE, BROWN BOOKS FOR YOUNG READERS
2023 YOUNG ADULT HONOR BOOKS

I Kissed Shara Wheeler
by Casey McQuiston
WEDNESDAY BOOKS, AN IMPRINT OF ST. MARTIN’S PUBLISHING GROUP, A DIVISION OF MACMILLAN PUBLISHERS

Kings of B’more
by R. Eric Thomas
KOKILA, AN IMPRINT OF PENGUIN YOUNG READERS, A DIVISION OF PENGUIN RANDOM HOUSE

Man o’War
by Cory McCarthy
DUTTON BOOKS FOR YOUNG READERS, AN IMPRINT OF PENGUIN YOUNG READERS, A DIVISION OF PENGUIN RANDOM HOUSE

The Summer of Bitter and Sweet
by Jen Ferguson
HEARTDRUM, AN IMPRINT OF HARCOURT PUBLISHERS
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