



28TH ANNUAL
MIDWEST BOOK AWARDS
Presented by the Midwest Independent Publishing Association

ENTRY DEADLINE:
December 30, 2017

CALL FOR ENTRIES

Presented by the Midwest Independent Publishing Association (MIPA)

Publishers based in the Midwest are invited to enter the 28th Annual Midwest Book Awards competition for excellence in books published in 2017. The awards recognize creativity in content and execution, overall book quality, and the book's unique contribution to its subject area. For a complete set of [rules](#), visit www.mipa.org. Send your entries in today!

AWARDS & BENEFITS

- Three (3) finalists are selected in each category. From those, one (1) winner is chosen. Finalists and award winners receive certificates and two (2) tickets to the Midwest Book Awards Gala.
- Both finalists and winners may purchase foil seals for use in marketing efforts and will be featured in the Midwest Book Awards Gala Program, in MIPA press releases, and on the MIPA website.
- Each entry will be judged by three independent judges. Judges' individual book evaluation sheets will be provided to all entrants after the awards are announced.
- Awards will be presented at the Midwest Book Awards Gala held in May 2018 in St. Paul, Minn.

WHO MAY ENTER

- All entries **MUST** carry a 2017 copyright and an ISBN. If an entry has a 2018 copyright date, documentation must be provided showing that the book was released in 2017. There are no exceptions.
- All entries must have a copyright page that includes publisher's name and address, copyright notice, and ISBN.
- New editions (including the new ISBN) of previously published books are eligible. Reprints do not qualify.
- Entries must be **published** in the 12-state region: Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin. Publishers or authors may submit the entry.
- Only print books may be entered. No eBook or app submissions will be accepted.

DEADLINE

Deadline for receipt of books, entry form, and entry fee is December 30, 2017. There are absolutely no exceptions.

AWARD CATEGORIES

Publisher may select one or more categories in which to enter each book. A single title may be entered in up to three (3) categories. Descriptions of the categories are on the [MIPA website](#).

Subject Categories

- Animals/Pets
- Arts/Photography/Coffee-Table Books
- Autobiography/Memoir
- Biography
- Business
- Children's Fiction
- Children's Nonfiction
- Children's Picture Books
- Young Adult Fiction
- Young Adult Nonfiction
- Cookbooks/Crafts/Hobbies
- Education/Learning
- Family/Parenting
- Fiction – Fantasy/SciFi/Horror/Paranormal
- Fiction – Literary/Contemporary/Historical
- Fiction – Mystery/Thriller
- Fiction – Romance
- Fiction – Short Story/Anthology
- Health
- History
- Humor
- Inspiration
- Nature
- Poetry
- Recreation/Sports/Travel
- Religion/Philosophy/Spirituality
- Social Science/Political Science/Culture

Design Categories

- Cover Design
- Interior Design
- Illustration—Graphic
- Total Book Design

For more information, visit www.mipa.org or contact Deb Jacobson at bookawards@mipa.org



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ENTRY FEES

MIPA member: \$70 per title (includes first category), \$30 for each additional category, maximum of 3 categories

Non-MIPA member: \$135 per title (includes first category), \$30 for each additional category, maximum of 3 categories

Check the appropriate boxes:

- Current Member
- Non-member
- New or Renewing Member (include \$50 membership fee with your entry)
- Check—make payable to MIPA
- PayPal—to pay by credit card, go to www.mipa.org

Total amount submitted: _____

NOTE: By entering this competition, you are verifying that you have read the [rules](#) at www.mipa.org and that you agree to abide by them.

ENTRY FORM

BOOK INFORMATION (Please print. All information must be provided for your entry to be accepted.)

Title: _____

Author: _____

ISBN (required): _____

Publisher: _____

Copyright date: _____

For Design Categories Only—Designer/Illustrator: _____

Categories (maximum of 3): _____

CONTACT INFORMATION (Please print. All information must be provided for your entry to be accepted.)

Submitted by (name and title): _____

Email: _____

Phone (day/evening): _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

WHAT TO SEND

- **Books:** Send four (4) copies of **each** title (one for each of the three judges and one for display) for the first category in which the title is entered. If the same title is entered in additional categories, send **three (3) more** copies (for the three judges) for EACH additional category. No books or entries will be returned.
- **Entry Form:** Send a copy of the completed entry form for each title. Entry forms may be photocopied or may be printed from the [MIPA website](#). Please do not use staples, tape, or glue.
- **Fees:** Entry fees must accompany your submission. **Include your check or a copy of your PayPal receipt with your entry.** Entry fees are non-refundable. Make checks payable to MIPA.

WHERE TO SEND

Deadline for receipt of books, entry form, and entry fee is December 30, 2017. You will receive an email confirming receipt of your submissions. **Ship books, entry form, and entry fee (check or copy of PayPal receipt) in the same package to:**

**Midwest Book Awards, Attn: Deb Jacobson
1868 90th Street
New Richmond, WI 54017**