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Wisconsin Library Association Announces 2024 Literary and Outstanding Achievement Award Recipients

(Madison, Wisconsin) The Literary Awards Committee of the Wisconsin Library Association (WLA) has announced its literary and outstanding achievement awards for 2024.

The WLA Literary Awards are for the highest literary achievements in fiction, nonfiction, and poetry by an author with a Wisconsin connection, for a work written in the previous year. This year's recipients are:

- Fiction: Hanna Halperin for *I Could Live Here Forever*.
- Nonfiction: Paige Towers for *The Sound of Undoing: A Memoir in Essays*.
- Poetry: K. Iver for *Short Film Starring My Beloved's Red Bronco*

The Literary Awards will be presented on Thursday, November 7, 2024 at the WLA Annual Conference at the KI Convention Center in Green Bay, Wisconsin.

In addition, the following Wisconsin authors were recognized for outstanding achievement for books published in the previous year.

2024 Honored Fiction Authors

- *A Winter's Rime* by Carol Dunbar
- *The Effects of Urban Renewal on Mid-Century America and Other Crime Stories* by Jeff Esterholm
- *The Vaster Wilds* by Lauren Groff
- *Imagine Your Life Like This* by Sarah Layden
- *Dry Land* by B. Pladek

2024 Honored Nonfiction Titles

- *The Devil's Element* by Dan Egan
- *Survival Food: North Woods Stories by a Menominee Cook* by Thomas Pecore Weso
- *Chinese Prodigal: A Memoir in Eight Arguments* by David Shih
- *Owner of a Lonely Heart* by Beth Nguyen

2024 Honored Poetry Titles

- *Auction* by Quan Barry
- *Into the Good World Again* by Max Garland

- *Losing Purchase* by Bruce Dethlefsen

For more information about the WLA Literary Awards and a list of past recipients, please visit www.wisconsinlibraries.org/wla-literary-awards.

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