2020 Canadian Authors Fred Kerner Book Award

GUIDELINES

The Canadian Authors Fred Kerner Book Award is awarded annually to a Canadian Authors member who has the best overall book published in the previous calendar year.

Fred Kerner was a devoted and longtime CAA member. An Honorary President of the Association until his passing in 2011 at 90, Fred was an author, journalist, editor, teacher and mentor. He wrote over a dozen books as well as for magazines, radio and TV, and he gave unstintingly of his time to assist emerging writers.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Only current CAA members whose memberships are up-to-date are eligible for this award.
- Entries must be full-length English-language literature written by a single author or co-written by two or more authors.
- Books in all genres are eligible, as are self-published books; however, ebooks are not eligible at this time.
- Publication may have taken place outside Canada, but the author must be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada.
- Entrants are not eligible to win a prize two years in a row.
- Reprints, translations and posthumous entries are not eligible.

PRIZE: $400 and a one-year complimentary membership ($175 value)
ENTRY FEE: $30 per title entered
DEADLINE: Entries must be postmarked on or before March 1, 2020
TO ENTER: Send four copies of the book, plus a completed entry form and the $30 entry fee to:

Canadian Authors Fred Kerner Book Award
c/o The Book and Periodical Council
192 Spadina Avenue, Suite 107,
Toronto ON M5T 2C2

PROCESS

A trustee is appointed and the trustee selects and works with two judges. The identities of the trustee and judges are confidential throughout the judging process. Decisions of the trustee and judges are final, and they may choose not to award a prize in any given year.

A shortlist of the top three entries will be announced in May, and the winner will be announced in June.

For further information, contact us at admin@canadianauthors.org.