

2013 BOOK JURY

BRUCE KIRKBY (CAN)



Bruce is a writer, photographer, traveler and adventurer. As a writer he has contributed work to The Globe and Mail, Explore Magazine, and Canadian Geographic. He is the author of two bestselling books, Sand Dance and Dolphin's Tooth. His journeys have taken him across Arabia by camel, down the Blue Nile on raft, and across Iceland by foot.

ANIK SEE (NED)



Anik has travelled the world by bicycle for more than 25 years, having logged more than a million kilometres from Patagonia to the Caucasus mountains. Her writing, both fiction and non-fiction has appeared in The Walrus, Brick, The National Post, Toronto Life and, as a contributing editor, in Outpost Magazine. She is the author of three books all of which reflect her love of remote cultures, landscape and the possibility of place.

STEVE SWENSON (USA)



Steve has a 45-year climbing career and nearly 20 expeditions to Asia under his belt - and he has made ascents of the North Ridge of K2 and the North Ridge of Everest solo - both without supplementary oxygen. In 2012 he made the first ascent of Sasser Kangri II (7518 metres) and was awarded the prestigious Piolet d'Or. Swenson is a past president of the American Alpine Club and as a writer has contributed to the newly released Rock, Paper, Fire anthology.