

2023 Banff Mountain Book Competition Category Finalists

Mountain Literature (non-fiction) - The Jon Whyte Award

\$3000 - Sponsored by The Whyte Museum of the Canadian Rockies

A Line Above the Sky: On Mountains and Motherhood Helen Mort, Ebury Press (UK, 2022)

One Man's Legacy: Tom Patey
Mike Dixon, Scottish Mountaineering Press (UK, 2022)

Royal Robbins: The American Climber
David Smart, Mountaineers Books (USA, 2023)

The Boy and The Mountain: A Father, His Son, and a Journey of Discovery Torbjørn Ekelund, Greystone Books (Canada, 2023)

Unraveled: A Climber's Journey Through Darkness and Back Katie Brown, Mountaineers Books (USA, 2022)

Mountain Fiction & Poetry

\$3000 - Sponsored by the Town of Banff

Cascadia Field Guide: Art, Ecology, Poetry
Elizabeth Bradfield, CMarie Fuhrman, Derek Sheffield, Mountaineers Books (USA, 2023)

Oldman's River Sid Marty, NeWest Press (Canada, 2023)

On Heaven's Hill
Kim Heacox, West Margin Press (USA, 2023)

We Measure the Earth with Our Bodies
Tsering Yangzom Lama, McClelland & Stewart (Canada, 2022)



Environmental Literature

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Drawing Botany Home: A Rooted Life
Lyn Baldwin, Rocky Mountain Books (Canada, 2023)

Eight Bears: Mythic Past and Imperiled Future Gloria Dickie, W. W. Norton & Company (USA, 2023)

Fire Weather: The Making of a Beast John Vaillant, Knopf Canada (Canada, 2023)

The Treeline: The Last Forest and the Future of Life on Earth Ben Rawlence, St. Martin's Press (USA, 2022)

The Saviour Fish: Life and Death on Africa's Greatest Lake Mark Weston, Earth Books (UK, 2022)

Adventure Travel

\$3000 – Sponsored by Rocky Mountain Books

A Complex Coast - A Kayak Journey from Vancouver Island to Alaska David Norwell, Heritage House (Canada, 2023)

Empire of Ice and Stone: The Disastrous and Heroic Voyage of the Karluk Buddy Levy, St. Martin's Press (USA, 2022)

Free to Go: Across the World on a Motorbike Esa Aldegheri, JM Originals (UK, 2022)

Instead: Navigating the Adventures of a Childfree Life - A Memoir Maria Coffey, Rocky Mountain Books (Canada, 2023)

The Life Cycle: 8,000 Miles in the Andes by Bamboo Bike Kate Rawles, Icon Books (UK, 2023)



Mountain Image

\$3000 - Sponsored by Mountain Life

Lechuguilla Cave: Discoveries in a Hidden Splendor Max Wisshak, Speleo-Photo Editions (Germany, 2022)

Mont Blanc Lines
Alex Buisse, Vertebrate Publishing (UK, 2022)

Polar Explorations: To the Ends of the Earth Sebastian Copeland, Rizzoli New York (USA, 2023)

Tones of Grace: 100 Black and White Images from Planet Earth Dave Brosha, Rocky Mountain Books (Canada, 2022)

Guidebooks

\$3000 – Sponsored by the Association of Canadian Mountain Guides

Alpine Select: Climbs & Scrambles in Southwest British Columbia Kevin McLane, High Col Press (Canada, 2023)

Alpine Skills Summer (Third Edition)
UIAA, The Alpine Club of Canada- Rocky Mountain Section (Canada, 2022)

The Art of Shralpinism: Lessons from the Mountains Jeremy Jones, Mountaineers Books (USA, 2022)

Cook It Wild: Sensational Prep-Ahead Meals for Camping, Cabins, and the Great Outdoors Chris Nuttall-Smith, Penguin Canada (Canada, 2023)

> Sierra Grand Traverse: An Epic Route Across the Range of Light John and Monica Chapman, Mountaineers Books (USA, 2023)

> Walking & Wayfinding in the Westfjords of Iceland
> Henry Fletcher and Jay Simpson, Wayfinding Guides (UK, 2022)



Mountain Article

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The Free Soloist Who Fell to Earth Michael Levy, Outside Magazine (USA, 2023)

Islands in the Sky
Lor Sabourin, Alpinist Magazine (USA, 2022)

Power on the Peaks Shehla Anjum, Alpinist Magazine (USA, 2023)

Securing the Shadows
David Stevenson, The Mississippi Review (USA, 2023)

Climbing Literature

\$3000 - Sponsored by MEC

Books whose primary focus is on climbing from the categories above are eligible for this award. Winner will be announced October 19, 2023.

Stand Prize\$5000 - Sponsored by The Alpine Club of Canada

The shortlist of category award winners eligible for the Grand Prize will be announced October 19. The Grand Prize will be announced during the festival on Thursday November 2, 2023.