

## **2018 Housatonic Book Awards Entry Form**

The 2018 Housatonic Book Awards will be granted to full-length books published in 2017; the Award for Fiction will be open to titles published in 2016 and 2017.

### **Housatonic Award for Fiction**

Granted to a book of short or long fiction published in 2016 or 2017. The award includes all forms of fiction, both literary and genre (mystery, fantasy, science fiction, thriller, etc.). The Award carries a \$1,000 honorarium in exchange for appearing at the January residency of the MFA in Creative and Professional Writing at Western Connecticut State University (the first week of January) to give a public reading and a one-day, three-hour workshop with MFA students. The Award also includes a \$500 travel stipend and hotel stay during the residency. To enter, either:

- a) send two copies of the book along with entry form and a check for \$25 to the address that appears on the entry form
- b) email a .pdf of the book to [dariesa@wcsu.edu](mailto:dariesa@wcsu.edu) and mail the entry form and a check for \$25 to the address that appears on the form
- c) enter electronically at the Book Awards web site.

Deadline is June 15, 2018.

[Click Here](#) to view past winners.

### **Housatonic Award for Poetry**

Granted to a book of poetry (at least 40 pages) published in 2017. The Award carries a \$1,000 honorarium in exchange for appearing at the January residency of the MFA in Creative and Professional Writing at Western Connecticut State University (the first week of January) to give a public reading and a one-day, three-hour workshop with MFA students. The Award also includes a \$500 travel stipend and hotel stay during the residency. To enter, either:

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### **Housatonic Award for Nonfiction (Includes Creative Nonfiction)**

Granted to a nonfiction book (including all subgenres—memoir, creative nonfiction, investigative and other varieties of journalism, travel, political, science, business communications, public relations, self-help, etc.). The Award carries a \$1,000 honorarium in exchange for appearing at the August residency of the MFA in Creative and Professional Writing at Western Connecticut State University (the first week of August) to give a public reading and a one-day, three-hour workshop with MFA students. The Award also includes a \$500 travel stipend and hotel stay during the residency. To enter, either:

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### **Housatonic Award for Writing for Middle Grades or Young Adults**

Granted to a book of fiction or nonfiction for middle grade children or young adults. The Award carries a \$1,000 honorarium in exchange for appearing at the August residency of the MFA in Creative and Professional Writing at Western Connecticut State University (the first week of August) to give a public reading and a one-day, three-hour workshop with MFA students. The Award also includes a \$500 travel stipend and hotel stay during the residency. To enter, either:

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### **Payment of Award**

The \$500 travel stipend will be paid before the end of 2018. The \$1000 honorarium will be paid upon completion of the winner's appearance at the designated residency of the WCSU MFA program.

Applications are below. Open for submissions on February 15<sup>th</sup>.

**2018 Housatonic Awards for Writing (WCSU)**

**Entry Form**

Genre:

\_\_\_ Poetry \_\_\_ Nonfiction

\_\_\_ Fiction \_\_\_ Writing for Middle Grades or Young Adults

Title:

Author's Name, Address, Email Address, and Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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Publisher's Name, Address, Email Address, and Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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Nominator Name, Email Address, and Phone if not the Author or Publisher:

Publication Date: \_\_\_\_\_ (only books published in 2016 and 2017 for fiction and 2017 for other categories)

Submission Checklist:

1. Entry Form (mailed to address below)
2. 2 copies of book mailed to address below or electronic copy (.pdf) emailed to address below
3. Entry Fee (\$25 check made to WCSU Foundation with "MFA Writing" in the Memo line)

You may also enter digitally at the Awards web site, [housatonicbookawards.wordpress.com](http://housatonicbookawards.wordpress.com)

Submit Hardcopy Materials to:

Housatonic Book Awards

WCSU Writing Dept.

White Hall 314

181 White St.

Danbury, CT 06810

Email electronic materials to [dariesa@wcsu.edu](mailto:dariesa@wcsu.edu) with the subject line "Book Awards"

By nominating this title and submitting the entry fee, I hereby acknowledge that, should the author be selected as the award recipient, the author will attend the WCSU MFA residency indicated in the award description.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signator is \_\_\_\_\_ Author

\_\_\_\_\_ Author's publisher or legal  
representative

Deadline: June 15 postmark or electronic date stamp