

Vote Now!

2010 Book of the Year Finalists Ballot

We invite you and your staff to vote for their favorites for our annual NCIBA Book of the Year awards. Our committees produced nominees in eight categories, and we're quite pleased with their selections. There is no limit to the number of employees who may vote, but one ballot per person, please. Remember, we're looking for the best written, not necessarily best selling, titles. You may vote in any categories in which you have knowledge of the nominees. **Ballots must be submitted by March 20, 2010.**

With the exception of the Regional Book category, all titles were published in 2009 and feature authors or artists residing in Northern California.

Fax Ballots to 415-561-7685 or email to office@nciba.com

FICTION

- The Vagrants** Yiyun Li *Random House*
- Cutting for Stone** Abraham Verghese *Knopf*
- The Writing on My Forehead** Nafisa Haji *William Morrow*
- The Little Giant of Aberdeen County** Tiffany Baker *Grand Central*
- Beat the Reaper** Josh Bazell *Little Brown*
- Murder in the Latin Quarter** Cara Black *Soho*

NONFICTION

- A Paradise Built in Hell: The Extraordinary Communities that Arise in Disaster** Rebecca Solnit *Viking*
- Manhood for Amateurs** Michael Chabon *Harper*
- West of the West** Mark Arax *Public Affairs,*
- Zeitoun** Dave Eggers *McSweeney's*
- Destiny Disrupted: A History of the World Through Islamic Eyes** Tamin Ansary *Public Affairs*
- Trotsky: Downfall of a Revolutionary** Bertrand M. Patenaude *Harper*

POETRY

- Portrait and Dream** Bill Berkson *Coffee House Press*
- Where Shadows Will** Norma Cole *City Lights*
- The Plot Genie** Gillian Conoley *Omnidawn Publishing*
- Thom Gunn: Selected Poems** Edited by August Kleinzahler *FSG*
- Chronic** D.A. Powell *Graywolf Press*
- Sight Map: Poems** Brian Teare *UC Press*

FOOD WRITING

- ❑ **Righteous Porkchop** Nicolette Hahn Niman *Collins Living*
- ❑ **Farm City: The Education of an Urban Farmer** Novella Carpenter *The Penguin Press*
- ❑ **The Foodie's Handbook: The (Almost) Definitive Guide to Gastronomy**
Pim Techamuanvivit *Chronicle*
- ❑ **My Nepenthe: Bohemian Tales of Food, Family, and Big Sur**
Romney Steele *Andrews McMeel*
- ❑ **Deeply Rooted: Unconventional Farmers in the Age of Agribusiness**
Lisa Hamilton *Counterpoint*
- ❑ **Been Doon So Long: A Randall Graham Vinthology** Randall Graham *UC Press*

CHILDREN'S ILLUSTRATED (Award to illustrator)

- ❑ **Long Tail Kitty** Lark Pien *Blue Apple*
- ❑ **Zero Is the Leaves on the Tree** Shino Arihara *Tricycle*
- ❑ **Dinosaurs Roar, Butterflies Soar!** Bob Barner *Chronicle*
- ❑ **Night Lights** Susan Gal Knopf *Young Readers*
- ❑ **June and August** Adam McCauley *Abrams*

CHILDREN'S LITERATURE

- ❑ **Banquet for Hungry Ghosts** Ying Chang Compestine *Henry Holt*
- ❑ **Pharaoh's Secret** Marissa Moss *Amulet*
- ❑ **Al Capone Shines My Shoes** Gennifer Choldenko *Penguin Young Readers*
- ❑ **The Dunderheads** Paul Fleischman *Candlewick*
- ❑ **Islands of the Blessed** Nancy Farmer *Atheneum*

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- ❑ **Hold Still** Nina LaCour *Dutton*
- ❑ **Ash** Malindo Lo *Little Brown Young Readers*
- ❑ **In The Path of Falling Objects** Andrew Smith *Feiwel and Friends*
- ❑ **Andromeda Klein** Frank Portman *Delacorte Young Readers*
- ❑ **Breathing** Cheryl Herbsman *Viking Children*

REGIONAL TITLE

- ❑ **Tamalpais Walking** Tom Killion and Gary Snyder *Heyday Books*
- ❑ **Cosmopolitans: A Social and Cultural History of Jews of the San Francisco Bay Area**
Fred Rosenbaum *UC Press*
- ❑ **Carville-by-the-Sea: San Francisco's Streetcar Suburb** Woody LaBounty *Outside Lands Media*
- ❑ **The Catch: One Play, Two Dynasties, and the Game That Changed the NFL** Gary Myers *Crown*
- ❑ **The San Francisco Cliff House** Mary Germain Hountalas *Ten Speed*
- ❑ **Visions of Marin** Richard Blair and Kathleen Goodwin *Color and Light Editions*