PRESS RELEASE

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2016 Manitoba magazine awards finalists announced!

Twenty-eight finalists have been decided for eight Manitoba magazine awards — also known as the Maggie Awards — with the winners to be announced at a ceremony on June 22.

Awards will be handed out to recognize the best editorial writing, creative writing, and design work on Manitoba-based magazines published in 2015. The event is arranged by the Manitoba Magazine Publishers Association (MMPA) and will be hosted by Mike McIntyre of the *Winnipeg Free Press* and the Corus Radio Network.

There are five finalists for the top prize, Magazine of the Year: *Canada's History, Conservator, Geez, Herizons* and *Kayak*.

Several magazines have multiple finalists, including *Canada's History* (7), *Prairie Fire* (6), *Conservator* (3), *Herizons* (3), and *Kayak* (3).

Other magazines with nominated entries include *Contemporary Verse 2* (2), *The Cellar Door* (2), *Geez* (1) and *The Manitoba Teacher* (1).

The finalists were chosen from among more than 50 entries that were judged by industry professionals from Manitoba and across Canada.

Tickets are still available for the Maggie Awards luncheon, which will be held Wednesday, June 22, beginning at 11:45 a.m. in the Main Dining Hall of Red River College's Exchange District Campus.

Please confirm attendance at the luncheon by Friday, June 17. For tickets or media access, please contact:

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2016 Maggie Awards — complete list of finalists

Creative Writing Awards

Best Poem of Suite of Poems

Contemporary Verse 2, three poems by Dennis Cooley Prairie Fire, "A Loving Follow-Through" by Harold Hoefle Prairie Fire, three poems by Patrick Friesen

Best Short Fiction Story

Prairie Fire, "Hole in the Wall" by Nadia Bozak Prairie Fire, "The Late Show" by Hal Walling Prairie Fire, "The Sandwich Artist" by Alex Leslie

Editorial Writing Awards

Best Editorial Feature (Writing)

Canada's History, "Apocalypse Then"
Canada's History, "A Pox on Our Nation"
Canada's History, "The Twisted Genius of George Feyer"
Prairie Fire, "Six Ways She Might Have Died before She Reached Nineteen"

Best Regular Column or Department

Herizons, First Word Kayak, Fiction feature The Cellar Door, Sidebar

Design Awards

Best Cover, Illustration

Canada's History, Captain Cook Canada's History, Northwest Passage Kayak, Meet Our Prime Ministers

Best Cover, Photography

Conservator, Wetland Wonderland Contemporary Verse 2, Out of Line Herizons, KC Adams and the Art of Disarming Racism

Best Editorial Feature (Design)

Canada's History, "Haunted History"
Conservator, "Pit Stops and Pitfalls"
The Cellar Door, "Summer Kitchen"
The Manitoba Teacher, "Where the Boys Aren't"

Best of the Best

Magazine of the Year

Canada's History Conservator Geez Herizons Kayak