



CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2017 JUDY MAPPIN COMMUNITY AWARD

The Quebec Writers' Federation is now accepting written nominations from members of the community for the Judy Mappin Community Award. The prize is named for the first recipient of the QWF Community Award in 1995, who quietly but fiercely promoted generations of Canadian writers in her long career as a bookseller at The Double Hook bookstore in Westmount, Quebec.

This award is given to a member of the extended literary community who has made a significant and longstanding contribution to the development and/or dissemination of English-language literature in Quebec. Candidates must be living at the time of their nomination, and those who have already won the award are not eligible.

Criteria for Nomination:

- Proposed nominees must have made their contributions to the community for a period of ten years or more. (Provide evidence of the duration of your nominee's contribution.)
- The work of the nominee must have furthered English-language literature in Quebec. (Describe how your nominee's work has contributed towards the development and/or dissemination of that literature.)
- The nominee's work must have been unique and/or of long-lasting value to the community.
- Nominees who are in the business of publishing, promoting or teaching literature must have gone beyond the boundaries of their job description to enrich the English-language literary community.

To submit a nomination, please send the name of your candidate and a 500-word description of relevant activities, corresponding to the criteria above, to admin@qwf.org. Your name should be clearly indicated in the document.

Nominations may also include a CV, indicating the nominees' activities over the course of their career.

Please note that decisions will be made based on the thoroughness and quality of the applications as well as the qualifications of the candidates.

The QWF retains the right not to award the prize in a given year should no outstanding candidate be put forward. If a prize is awarded this year, it will be presented at the QWF Awards Gala on Tuesday, November 21, 2017.

The deadline for nominations is Friday, September 15, 2017.

Prior recipients:

1995	Judith Mappin, bookseller
1996	Bryan Demchinsky, journalist, book section editor at The Gazette
1997	Shelley Pomerance, arts broadcast journalist
1998	Simon Dardick and Nancy Marrelli, publishers, Véhicule Press

- 1999 Mireille Goulet, lawyer, advocate for writers' rights
- 2000 Patricia Pleszczynska, CBC Radio deputy director of English programming
- 2001 Germain Lefevre, cultural advisor, visual arts and literature, Conseil des arts de Montréal
- 2002 Linda Shohet, director, Centre for Literacy of Quebec
- 2003 Linda Leith, writer, founder/artistic director of Blue Metropolis Foundation and Literary Festival
- 2004 Margaret Goldik and Ian McGillis, co-editors of the Montreal Review of Books
- 2005 Guy Rodgers, writer, executive director of the English-Language Arts Network
- 2006 Julie Keith, writer, past president of the Quebec Writers' Federation
- 2007 André Vanasse, writer, publisher, XYZ Éditeur, activist for the writing community
- 2008 Mary Soderstrom, writer and advocate for the writing community
- 2009 Luci and Adrian King-Edwards, owners of The Word bookstore
- 2010 Ilona Martonfi, founder, producer and host of The Yellow Door Poetry and Prose Reading Series
- 2011 Endre Farkas, editor, publisher and long-time promoter of the English- language arts
- 2012 Steve Luxton, writer, publisher, editor, teacher and mentor
- 2013 No prize – honoured the “Founding Members of FEWQ, QSPELL and QWF”
- 2014 Elizabeth Macdonnell, librarian at the Vega Branch of the Montreal Children's Library
- 2015 Maya Munro Byers, owner of Babar Books and (formerly) Babar en Ville
- 2016 Rana Bose, author, playwright, poet and dramaturge, and moving force *Montreal Serai*

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