



The Michael Van Rooy Award for Genre Fiction

Criteria: The Michael Van Rooy Award for Genre Fiction is awarded to the book by a Manitoba writer that is judged the best book of genre fiction written in English and published within a two-year period - for the 2018 awards, books must have been published in 2016 or 2017.

Language: English

Prize: \$1500 to the author

Sponsors: Writers' Collective of Manitoba, Prairie Fire Press Inc., and the Winnipeg International Writers Festival

Eligibility:

- To qualify, an entry must be a work of genre fiction (mystery, science fiction, horror, romance, western, fantasy) written in English.
- Submitted books must have been published between January 1, 2016, and December 31, 2017.
- Submitted books may be collected &/or selected works by a single author unless they contain previously published material that has been shortlisted for the Manitoba Book Awards in previous years.
- Submitted books may be collaborations or anthologies, as long as all authors meet the residency criteria.
- Books submitted for this award may also be submitted to all other pertinent categories.
- Reprints are not eligible.
- Author or authors must be residents in Manitoba for one of the past two years, and for at least three of the past five years.
- Prize may be awarded posthumously to an author who has met the publication and residency requirements but who has died within the two-year award period.

Books submitted for this award may also be submitted to all other pertinent categories. Publishers are encouraged to send four (4) copies of any eligible books to the Manitoba Writers' Guild on or before January 31, 2018 (date of postmark). Submission forms and a \$25 entry fee must accompany the books. Cheque must be made out to the Manitoba Writers' Guild.