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CRIME WRITERS OF CANADA ANNOUNCES 2021 AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE WINNERS

Thursday 27 May 2021: Crime Writers of Canada (CWC) is pleased to announce the winners of the 2021 Crime Writers of Canada Awards of Excellence in Canadian Crime Writing. The annual Crime Writers of Canada Awards of Excellence recognizes the best in mystery, crime, and suspense fiction, and crime nonfiction by Canadian authors. Formerly known as the Arthur Ellis Awards, the Awards started in 1984 and has grown from one category, Best Novel, to nine categories including one for best unpublished manuscript.

On behalf of CWC, Judy Penz Sheluk, Board Chair, wishes to congratulate all the winners. The presentation of the winners can be viewed on CWC's YouTube channel:

<https://tinyurl.com/zshycwcyt>

**Best Crime Novel sponsored by Rakuten Kobo, with a \$1000 prize**

Will Ferguson, **The Finder**, Simon & Schuster Canada

**Best Crime First Novel sponsored by Writers First, with a \$500 prize**

Guglielmo D'Izza, **The Transaction**, Guernica Editions

**The Howard Engel Award for Best Crime Novel Set in Canada sponsored by The Engel Family with a \$500 prize**

Katrina Onstad, **Stay Where I Can See You**, HarperCollins Publishers Ltd.

**Best Crime Novella sponsored by Mystery Weekly with a \$200 prize**

Sam Wiebe, **Never Going Back**, Orca Book Publishers

**Best Crime Short Story sponsored by Mystery Weekly with a \$300 prize**

Marcelle Dubé, **Cold Wave**, Sisters in Crime - Canada West

**Best French Crime Book (Fiction and Nonfiction)**

Roxanne Bouchard, **La mariée de corail**, Libre Expression

**Best Juvenile or YA Crime Book (Fiction and Nonfiction) sponsored by Shaftesbury with a \$500 prize**



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Frances Greenslade, **Red Fox Road**, Puffin Canada, an imprint of Penguin Random House

**The Brass Knuckles Award for Best Nonfiction Crime Book sponsored by Simpson & Wellenreiter LLP, Hamilton, with a \$300 prize**

Justin Ling, **Missing From the Village: The Story of Serial Killer Bruce McArthur, the Search for Justice, and the System That Failed Toronto's Queer Community**, McClelland & Stewart

**The Award for Best Unpublished Manuscript sponsored by ECW Press with a \$500 prize**

*The Future* by Raymond Bazowski

## About Crime Writers of Canada

Crime Writers of Canada was founded in 1982 as a professional organization designed to raise the profile of Canadian crime writers. Our members include authors, publishers, editors, booksellers, librarians, reviewers, and literary agents as well as many developing authors. Past winners of the Awards have included such major names in Canadian crime writing as Mario Bolduc, Gail Bowen, Stevie Cameron, Howard Engel, Barbara Fradkin, Louise Penny, Peter Robinson and Eric Wright. We would like to thank ECW Press, Rakuten Kobo, Mystery Weekly Magazine, Shaftesbury, Simpson and Wellenreiter LLP (Hamilton), and the Howard Engel family for their sponsorship, and the many participating publishers for their continued support.

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