

Congratulations to the Winners of **CBA Libris Awards 2007**



TORONTO (10 June 2007) – **Ami McKay**, **David Suzuki** and **Barbara Reid** were among the big winners revealed at Canadian Booksellers Association's (CBA's) Libris Awards 2007 Presentation, which took place on June 10, 2007 at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre in an evening hosted by author and CBC Radio One host Bill Richardson.

Unique in their commitment to acknowledging the best among the chain of talented professionals who deliver great books to Canadian readers, and nominated and voted on by members of the Canadian bookselling community, CBA Libris Awards honour outstanding achievement by authors and editors, sales reps and distributors, booksellers and publishers.

Ami McKay, whose first novel, *The Birth House* (Knopf Canada), has been a hand-selling favourite of booksellers since its debut last year, garnered both the Fiction Book of the Year prize and the Author of the Year win for McKay; while **David Suzuki: The Autobiography** (Greystone Books) faced tough competition but came out ahead in the Non-fiction category.

The Birth House also captured the Book Design of the Year Award for its designer, **Kelly Hill**.

Ami McKay was not the evening's only multiple-winner, however. **Barbara Reid** was recognized for both her storytelling and illustration abilities, when she was named Children's Author *and* Children's Illustrator of the Year.

Industry winners this year spanned from coast to coast—from Specialty Bookseller of the Year honouree **Tattletales Books** (Dartmouth, NS) to 2007 Bookseller of the Year, **Bolen Books** (Victoria, BC). **UBC Bookstore** took The Campus Bookseller of the Year title, while the reigning Small Press and Publisher of the Year are Toronto's **Coach House Books** and **House of Anansi Press**, respectively.

On the Friday (June 8) prior to CBA Libris Awards Ceremony, CBA President Steve Budnarchuk made a special Lifetime Achievement Award presentation on behalf of CBA's Board of Directors to bestselling author **Stephen King** in recognition of considerable contribution to the industry—his commitment to superlative storytelling that reaches as wide an audience as possible; to inspiring and mentoring fellow authors; and to engaging and entertaining readers all over the world.

A complete list of winners of CBA Libris Awards 2007 follows.

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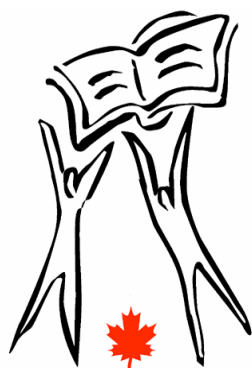
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Bookseller of the Year

Presented in Memory of Roy Britnell
Bolen Books, Victoria BC

Campus Bookseller of the Year

UBC Bookstore

Specialty Bookseller of the Year

Tattletales Books, Dartmouth NS

Fiction Book of the Year

The Birth House, by Ami McKay (Knopf Canada)

Non-Fiction Book of the Year

David Suzuki: The Autobiography (Greystone Books)

Author of the Year

Ami McKay

Children's Author of the Year

Barbara Reid

Children's Illustrator of the Year

Barbara Reid

Small Press Publisher of the Year

Coach House Books

Publisher of the Year

House of Anansi Press

Distributor of the Year

North 49 Books

Editor of the Year

Lynn Henry, House of Anansi Press

Sales Representative of the Year

Presented in Memory of Gordon S. Garner (Atlantic Region)
Genevieve Loughlin, Hornblower Books

Marketing Achievement of the Year

David Suzuki: The Autobiography Campaign,
Douglas & McIntyre/Greystone Books

Book Design of the Year

The Birth House,
designed by Kelly Hill (Knopf Canada)

Lifetime Achievement

Stephen King