

Mount Hermon Christian Writers Conference

AWARDS HISTORY

1980

Writer of the Year	Joy P. Gage
Pacesetter	Lee Roddy
Special Recognition (Distinguished Service)	Sherwood E. Wirt

1981

Writer of the Year	Joe Smalley
Pacesetter	Sally E. Stuart
Special Recognition (Best Writer's Helps)	Elaine Wright Colvin

1982

Writer of the Year	Steve & Janet Bly
Pacesetter	Ethel Herr
Special Recognition (Inspirational)	Bonnie Wheeler

1983

Writer of the Year	Patricia Rushford
Pacesetter	Donna Fletcher Crow
Special Recognition (Special Editor Recognition)	Virginia Muir

1984

Writer of the Year	Dorothy Galde
Pacesetter	Norman B. Rohrer
Special Recognition	Lissa Halls Johnson ; Lucille Gardner

1985

Writer of the Year	None Awarded
Pacesetter	Al Janssen; Alan Cilburn
Special Recognition	Jerry B. Jenkins; Georgiana Walker

1986

Writer of the Year	Ann Howard; Arleta Richardson; Kay Marshall Strom
Pacesetter	Harold Ivan Smith

1987

Writer of the Year	Fern Neal Stocker
Pacesetter	Roberta Donovan
Special Recognition	Gayle G. Roper; David Talbott (10 year Director Award)

1988

Writer of the Year	Larry Clark
Pacesetter	Gloria Chisholm
Special Recognition	Margaret J. Anderson

1989

Writer of the Year	W. Terry Whalin
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Pacesetter	Christine H. Tangvald
Special Recognition	Jerry B. Jenkins
1990	
Writer of the Year	Marian F. Bray
Pacesetter	Donna Fletcher Crow

1991	
Writer of the Year	Marilyn Woody
Pacesetter	Carole Gift Page
Special Recognition	Jonathan Kattenhorn
Poetry (sponsored by Lucille Gardner Memorial Fund)	Danella Kimura

1992	
Writer of the Year	Sally E. Stuart
Pacesetter	Joy Pennock Gage
Special Recognition	Barbara Lockwood
Poetry (sponsored by Lucille Gardner Memorial Fund)	Ranelda Hunsicker

1993	
Writer of the Year	Janet Holm McHenry; Cindy Secret McDowell
Pacesetter	Bill Myers
Special Recognition	Daniel W. Driver
Poetry (sponsored by Lucille Gardner Memorial Fund)	Robin Jones Gunn
Most Promising New Writer	Jon Henderson

1994	
Writer of the Year	Ken Jones
Pacesetter	Bob Davies
Special Recognition	Leslie H. Stobbe
Poetry (sponsored by Lucille Gardner Memorial Fund)	Patricia Baldwin
Most Promising New Writer	Marlo Schalesky

1995	
Writer of the Year	G. Ron Darbee
Pacesetter	Ward Tanneberg
Special Recognition	Robert B. Haslam
Poetry (sponsored by Lucille Gardner Memorial Fund)	Barbara Hudson
Most Promising New Writer	Mary Pielenz Hampton

1996	
Writer of the Year	Barbara Curtis
Pacesetter	Robin Jones Gunn
Special Recognition	Sharon Jones
Poetry (sponsored by Lucille Gardner Memorial Fund)	Shirley Brinkerhoff
Most Promising New Writer	Allyson Atwell

1997	
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Writer of the Year	Doris Elaine "Till" Fell
Pacesetter	Helen Haidle
Special Recognition	Harold Hostetler
Poetry (sponsored by Lucille Gardner Memorial Fund)	Kelly Kim
Most Promising New Writer	Joanna Weaver

1998

Writer of the Year	Tricia McCary Rhodes
Pacesetter	Lauraine Snelling
Special Recognition	WinePress Publishing
Poetry (sponsored by Lucille Gardner Memorial Fund)	Michael O'Connor
Most Promising New Writer	John Olson

1999

Writer of the Year	Randall Ingermanson; Wendy Lawton
Pacesetter	Steve Laube; Jeanne Zornes
Special Recognition	Juanita Kattenhorn
Poetry (sponsored by Lucille Gardner Memorial Fund)	Heath Davis Havlick

2000

Writer of the Year	Dr. William R. Nesbitt
Pacesetter	Ken Walker
Special Recognition	David Kopp
Poetry (sponsored by Lucille Gardner Memorial Fund)	Allyson Atwell

2001

Writer of the Year	Marlo Schlaesky; Elsie J. Larson
Pacesetter	Kathy Tyers; Nick Harrison
Special Recognition	Nancy Bayless
Most Promising New Writer	Grace Fox

2002

Writer of the Year	Cynthia Allen (magazines); Brandilyn Collins (books)
Pacesetter	Cecil Murphey
Special Recognition	Karen O'Connor

2003

Writer of the Year	Tricia Goyer; Roxanne Henke
Pacesetter	Tim Riter; Tim Wesemann
Special Recognition	Roger Palms

2004

Writer of the Year (sponsored by Alive Communications)	DiAnn Mills
Pacesetter (sponsored by Alive Communications)	Mary DeMuth
Special Recognition (sponsored by Mount Hermon)	Matthew Jones

Poetry (sponsored by Lucille Gardner Memorial Fund)	Bridgette Craddock
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2005

Writer of the Year (sponsored by Alive Communications)	Donna Fleisher
Pacesetter (Sponsored by Alive Communications)	Laura Jensen Walker
Special Recognition (sponsored by Mount Hermon)	Joy Pennock Gage
Poetry (sponsored by WinePress Publishing)	Bob Waymire
Most Promising New Writer (sponsored by Boos 'N Such Agency)	Rachel Wheeler

2006

Writer of the Year (sponsored by Alive Communications)	Susan Meissner
Pacesetter (sponsored by Alive Communications)	B. J. Taylor
Poetry (sponsored by WinePress Publishing)	Marcy Weydemuller
Most Promising New Writer (sponsored by Books 'N Such Agency)	Carol Lee Hall

2007

Writer of the Year (sponsored by Alive Communications)	Sharon Hinck
Pacesetter (sponsored by Alive Communications)	Austin Boyd
Special Recognition (sponsored by Mount Hermon)	Billie Wilson
Poetry (sponsored by WinePress Publishing)	John Kilmer
Most Promising New Writer (sponsored by Books 'N Such Agency)	Shelley Pimentel

2008

Writer of the Year (sponsored by Alive Communications)	Virginia Smith
Pacesetter (sponsored by Alive Communications)	Lawrence Darmani
Special Recognition (sponsored by Glassroads Public Relations)	Pamela Erickson
Poetry (sponsored by WinePress Publishing)	Ezekiel Ross
Most Promising New Writer (sponsored by Books 'N Such Agency)	Shawn Grady

2009

Writer of the Year (sponsored by The Steve Laube Agency)	Kathleen Popa; Sharon Souza
Pacesetter (sponsored by The Steve Laube Agency)	James Scott Bell
Special Recognition (sponsored by Glassroads Public Relations)	David Talbott
Poetry (sponsored by WinePress Publishing)	Denise Levette
Most Promising New Writer (sponsored by Anonymous)	Alexa Schnee

2010

Writer of the Year (sponsored by The Steve Laube Agency)	Merrie Destefano
Ethel Herr Most Promising New Writer (sponsored by Kathy Ide)	Angus Nelson
Most Promising Teen Writer (sponsored by Alexa Schnee)	Amanda Davis
Pacesetter (sponsored by The Steve Laube Agency)	Lynn Vincent
Poetry (sponsored by WinePress Publishing)	Cheryl Ricker
The Lauren Beyenhof True Grit Award (sponsored by Boyd & Stobbe)	Rachel Marks

2011

Writer of the Year (sponsored by The Steve Laube Agency)	Sarah Sundin
Ethel Herr Most Promising New Writer (sponsored by Kathy Ide)	Cheri Williams

Most Promising Teen Writer (sponsored by Alexa Schnee)	Nicole Buzzelli
Pacesetter (sponsored by The Steve Laube Agency)	Randy Ingermanson
Poetry (sponsored by WinePress Publishing)	Sandra Wood
The Lauren Beyenhof True Grit Award (sponsored by Boyd & Stobbe)	Marci Seither
Dave Talbott Special Recognition Award	Sally Stuart

2012

Writer of the Year (sponsored by The Steve Laube Agency)	Ginny Yttrup
Ethel Herr Most Promising New Writer (sponsored by Kathy Ide)	Gillian Marchenko
Most Promising Teen Writer (sponsored by Alexa Schnee/ Clash Entertainment)	Emily Bergstrom
Pacesetter (sponsored by The Steve Laube Agency)	Lauraine Snelling
The Lauren Beyenhof True Grit Award (sponsored by Boyd & Stobbe)	Ian Bennett
Innovator Award (sponsored by Author Media)	Brad Huebert
Dave Talbott Special Recognition (sponsored by Mona & Bob Hodgson)	Jon Drury

2013

Writer of the Year (sponsored by Lynn Vincent)	Janice Cantore
Ethel Herr Most Promising New Writer (sponsored by Kathy Ide)	Adelle Gabrielson
Most Promising Teen Writer (sponsored by Alexa Schnee)	Holly Benavides
Pacesetter (sponsored by New Hope Publishers)	Mona Hodgson
The Lauren Beyenhof True Grit Award (sponsored by Daryl & Ellen Koops)	Tom & Amy Hauser
Dave Talbott Special Recognition (sponsored by Roald & Christine Tangvald)	Walter Herr

2014

Most Promising Teen Writer (sponsored by Alexa Schnee)	Jeremiah Bokulick
Ethel Herr Most Promising New FICTION Writer (sponsored by Kathy Ide)	Lindsay Franklin
Ethel Herr Most Promising New NONFICTION Writer (sponsored by Kathy Ide)	Gwyn Schneck
Writer of the Year (sponsored by Mick Silva Editing & Mount Hermon)	Jill Osborne
Pacesetter (sponsored by New Hope Publishers)	Karen Ball
Focused on the Centrality of Scripture (sponsored by Sharon Elliott)	Henry Harris
The Lauren Beyenhof True Grit Award (sponsored by Daryl & Ellen Koops & Beyenhof family)	Jing Li
Special Recognition (sponsored by Christine Tangvald)	Leslie H. Stobbe

2015

Most Promising Teen Writer (sponsored by Alexa Schnee)	Kara Swanson
Ethel Herr Most Promising New Writer (sponsored by Kathy Ide's Christian Editor Conn)	R. Glenn Brown
Writer of the Year (sponsored by Nick Harrison)	Joanne Bischof
Pacesetter (sponsored by Mona Hodgson)	Rene Gutteridge
The Lauren Beyenhof True Grit Award (sponsored by Daryl/Ellen Koops & Beyenhof family)	Martha Tessner
Special Recognition (sponsored by Anonymous Author)	Rachel Williams

2016

Most Promising Teen Writer (sponsored by Nancy Rue)	GraceAnne Hoss
Writer of the Year (sponsored by Nick Harrison & Anonymous Author)	Karen Barnett
Ethel Herr Most Promising New Writers (sponsored by Kathy Ide's Christian Editor Connection)	Jennifer Rough
Pacesetter (sponsored by Credo Communications)	Kathi Lipp
The Lauren Beyenhof True Grit Award (sponsored by Daryl & Ellen Koops & Beyenhof family)	Bruce Martin
Special Recognition (sponsored by Susie Larson)	Shayla Joy Tonge