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Cast Your Vote for the Eighth Annual People's Choice Awards

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The Library of Virginia is pleased to sponsor the Eighth Annual People's Choice Awards. Finalists in fiction and nonfiction were selected by an independent panel of judges from the books nominated, and winners will be announced at the 14th Annual Library of Virginia Literary Awards at the Library of Virginia. Awards are given for the best fiction and nonfiction books by Virginia authors; in the case of nonfiction, books on a Virginia subject that have been published in the past year are eligible.

The winners will be chosen by votes from the public from among five finalists in each category. Readers may vote in public libraries or online at the Library of Virginia's Web site, <http://www.lva.virginia.gov/public/litawards/vote.asp>. **Voting for the People's Choice Awards runs through June 30, 2011.**

This year's fiction finalists for the People's Choice Awards are:

Dreams That Won't Let Go by Stacy Hawkins Adams

Stork Raving Mad by Donna Andrews

Mattaponi Queen: Stories by Belle Boggs

The Confession by John Grisham

In the Company of Others by Jan Karon

The nonfiction finalists are:

When Janey Comes Marching Home by Laura Browder

The Horse in Virginia by Julie A. Campbell

Birthright: The True Story that Inspired Kidnapped by A. Roger Ekirch

The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot

Bible Babel by Kristen Swenson

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The winners of the People's Choice Awards for nonfiction and fiction will be chosen from these finalists by readers voting online and at libraries and bookstores. Winners will be announced at the Library of Virginia Literary Awards Celebration on October 15, 2011. Dominion is the presenting sponsor of the 2011 Literary Awards Celebration and the Richmond Times-Dispatch is the media sponsor.

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