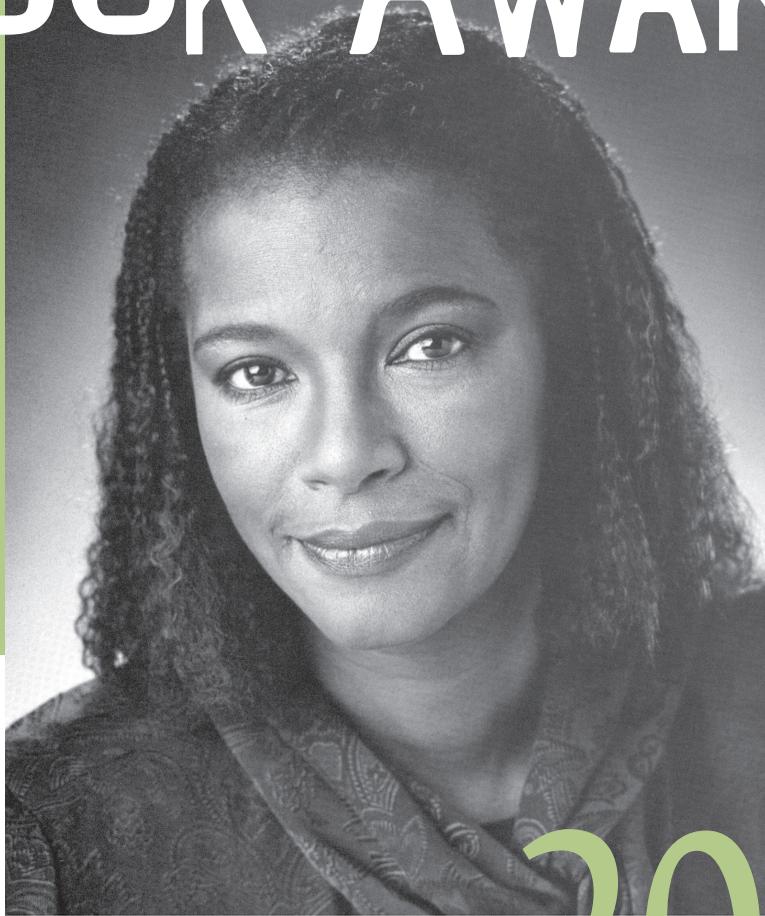


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2001 Lifetime Achievement Award .....	Maureen Sullivan Senior Editor, Hyperion Books for Children
Presented to <b>Joyce Carol Thomas</b>	
Announcements .....	Glenda Carlile Executive Director, Oklahoma Center for the Book

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After dinner and the ceremony, enjoy the coffee bar provided by Full Circle Book Store.

# 2001 OKLAHOMA BOOK AWARD FINALISTS

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## CHILDREN/YOUNG ADULT

**J.C. Watts—Norma Jean Lutz**—Chelsea House, Broomall, Pennsylvania

Lutz, who lives in Tulsa and has been writing professionally since 1977, is the author of more than 250 short stories and articles, as well as 28 books, both fiction and non-fiction. This is the story of Congressman J.C. Watts who first rose to fame as quarterback of the University of Oklahoma Sooners in the early 1980s.

**When the Bough Breaks—Anna Myers**—Walker and Company, New York

Myers has won the Oklahoma Book Award twice: in 1993 for *Red Dirt Jessie* and in 1996 for *Graveyard Girl*. Her life as a teacher in Chandler, Oklahoma, gives her a deep understanding of both small-town life and young people. In *When the Bough Breaks*, a foster child takes a job reading to an elderly neighbor, and the two discover they have much in common.

**Jingle Dancer—Cynthia Leitich Smith**—HarperCollins, New York

Smith has worked in law, public relations, and journalism. A mixed-blood member of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, Smith lives in Austin, Texas, with her husband and a gray tabby. In this book, Jenna lives in a contemporary intertribal community and family in Oklahoma and dreams of becoming a jingle dancer.

**Hush Songs—Joyce Carol Thomas**—Hyperion Books for Children, New York

Thomas, originally from Ponca City, now lives in California. She is known for writing books for the whole family: adults, children, and even toddlers. This is a collection of ten African American lullabies. Thomas will receive the 2001 Arrell Gibson Lifetime Achievement Award this evening.

**Coyote Autumn—Bill Wallace**—Holiday House, New York

Wallace, who received the 2000 Arrell Gibson Lifetime Achievement Award, is the author of many best-selling children's books, including *Beauty*, *Buffalo Gal*, and *Ferret in the Bedroom*. A former teacher and principal, he is now a full-time writer. In *Coyote Autumn*, a young boy moves to rural Oklahoma after living in Chicago apartments, and befriends an orphaned coyote pup.

# POETRY

**Legerdemain—Carol Hamilton**—Mirage Group, Santa Clarita, California

Hamilton is a teacher, children's writer, and poet. She was Poet Laureate of Oklahoma from 1995 to 1997, and received the Oklahoma Book Award for poetry in 1992 for *Once the Dust*. *Legerdemain* is a dreamscape that starts with marriage and drifts through a collage of the everyday and history.

**Camera Obscura—Carol Davis Koss**—Beyond the Press of the Madding Crowd, Oklahoma City  
Koss lives in Oklahoma City, teaches English and creative writing, and nurtures poetry in Oklahoma. She is poetry chair for the Individual Artists of Oklahoma. This collection attempts to capture those split seconds in time and place that make up poetry and stretch them, reduce them, telescope them, take them on a trek—and dynamite them—similar to the principle on which cameras work.

**Still Lookin'—Joe Kreger**—Doane Agricultural Services, St. Louis

An Oklahoma rancher and poet, Kreger was named Poet Laureate of Oklahoma in 1998 by Governor Frank Keating. This book of observations and reflections is a partner to his first book, *Lookin' at Life*.

**Mythic Places—Judith Tate O'Brien**—ByLine Press, Edmond

O'Brien grew up in Oklahoma oil towns and spent two decades as a Benedictine nun. Now "cozily married" for more than twenty years, O'Brien reads or writes poetry every day. *Mythic Places* was the 2000 ByLine Chapbook competition winner.

**Interiors: A Meditation—Leah S. Taylor**

Wood 'N' Barnes Pre-Production Press, Oklahoma City

Taylor grew up in Cincinnati, Ohio, and Tulsa, and has been a family therapist and organizational consultant for 30 years, most of them in Oklahoma City. She has published technical works in her profession and written poetry most of her life. This book of self-reflection is also a journey to self-discovery.

**Seasons of Mangoes and Brainfire—Carolyn Wright**—Lynx House Press, Spokane

Wright has received awards for her writing from the Poetry Society of America and the New York State Council on the Arts. *Seasons of Mangoes and Brainfire* was the winner of the Blue Lynx Prize. Wright is a creative writing professor at the University of Central Oklahoma, Edmond.

# FICTION

***The Search for Shannon*—Vicki Allen**—Magnolia Publishing, Oklahoma City

Set in southern Mississippi and southeast Georgia, this is the story of four women, brought together by birth and the adoption of one child. Allen weaves the lives of four contemporary women into an involving story. This is the second novel for Allen who lives in Oklahoma City.

***Silent Justice*—William Bernhardt**—Ballantine Books, New York

Bernhardt is known as “the master of the courtroom drama” and has won several awards for his work. Bernhardt has also received awards for public service, and in 1993 was named one of the top 25 young lawyers in the nation. He received the Oklahoma Book Award for fiction in 1995 for *Perfect Justice* and again in 2000 for *Dark Justice*. He lives in Tulsa.

***Cherokee Dragon*—Robert Conley**—St. Martin’s Press, New York

Conley is the author of more than 30 novels, including the 10 that comprise his acclaimed *Real People Saga*. He is the winner of three Spur Awards for his work. He is Cherokee and lives in Tahlequah. In *Cherokee Dragon* he explores the life of Dragging Canoe, the last great war chief of the United Cherokee tribe.

***Paper Trail*—Barbara Snow Gilbert**—Front Street Books, Asheville, North Carolina

Gilbert is an attorney, mediator, and writer. She is a member of the mediation panel for the U.S. District Court, Western District of Oklahoma, and mediates litigation pending in both federal and state courts. She lives in Oklahoma City with her family. This is her third novel. Each of her first two novels, *Stone Water* and *Broken Chords*, won the Oklahoma Book Award in the children/young adult category.

***Easy Pickin’s*—Fred Harris**—HarperCollins, New York

Harris was twice elected U.S. Senator from Oklahoma and is the author of 10 non-fiction books. *Easy Pickin’s*, a mystery set in Depression-era Oklahoma, is Harris’ second work of fiction. He lives in Albuquerque.

***Sugarplum Dead*—Carolyn Hart**—William Morrow, New York

An accomplished master of mystery, Hart is the author of twelve *Death on Demand* novels, which have won multiple Agatha, Anthony, and Macavity awards. She is also the creator of the highly praised *Henri O* series. One of the founders of Sisters in Crime, a national mystery writers’ group, Hart lives in Oklahoma City.

***Broken*—Dar Tomlinson**—Genesis Press, Columbus, Mississippi

With *Broken*, which won the prestigious Hemingway First Novel Award, Tomlinson gives readers a disturbing look into the darker sides of love, and basic drives and motives that affect us all. Tomlinson was born in Texas, grew up in Oklahoma, and now divides her time between homes in Denver and Scottsdale, Arizona.

***My Mother's Daughter*—Judith Henry Wall**—Simon & Schuster, New York

A deeply involving novel of a Texas family and three generations of its women, this is a story about mothers, daughters, sisters, and the bonds of trust that bind or destroy a family. Wall lives in Norman.

***Dark Within*—John Wooley**—Hawk Publishing, Tulsa

Wooley has written novels, non-fiction works, screenplays, documentaries, and hundreds of news stories. *Dark Within* is the first fiction work in more than a decade from this horror master, and is his most spine-tingling novel yet, a blend of horror and fantasy with the intimacy of a homespun yarn. He lives in Foyil.

# DESIGN/ILLUSTRATION

***Family Correspondence***

Illustration and design by **Kim Doner** and **Carl Brune**—Hawk Publishing, Tulsa

Brune is a native of Enid. He has worked at the Philbrook Museum of Art in Tulsa for 18 years where he is currently graphics and publication manager. The book design for *Family Correspondence* was by Brune. The cover art and design is by Doner, an author and illustrator. She received the Oklahoma Book Award for design/illustration in 1996 for *Green Snake Ceremony*. A native Oklahoman, Doner lives in Tulsa.

***Still Lookin'***—Illustration by **Gene Dougherty**—Doane Agricultural Services, St. Louis

Dougherty is accomplished in illustration, watercolor and oils, and he characterizes the American West with an open, clear realism. He has a Master's degree in art education from Oklahoma State University, and has taught art for 24 years at Northern Oklahoma College in Tonkawa.

***The Very Persistent Gappers of Frip***—Illustration by **Lane Smith**—Villard Books, New York

Lane Smith has illustrated several number one best-sellers including *The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs* and *James and the Giant Peach*. Twice he won the New York Times' Best

Illustrated Book of the Year award and in 1993 he received a Caldecott Honor. Smith was born in Tulsa; and his parents live in Sapulpa.

### ***Interiors: A Meditation***

Photography by **Robin Smith**—Wood 'N' Barnes Pre-Production Press, Oklahoma City

Robin Smith was born in Alva, and grew up in Oklahoma City. She has been a teacher of journalism and photography for more than 30 years. She began her career as an artistic photographer 15 years ago, and currently has a studio in the Paseo Art District of Oklahoma City.

# NONFICTION

### ***Noodling for Flatheads: Moonshine, Monster Catfish, and Other Southern Comforts*** **Burkhard Bilger**—Scribner, New York

Bilger is a features editor at *Discover*, a contributing editor at *Health*, and an adjunct professor of science writing at New York University. He was born in Oklahoma and received a degree in English from Yale University. He has worked as a writer and editor for more than 14 years. This book of essays on Southern sub-cultures describes many Oklahoma pastimes.

### ***Bryce Harlow: Mr. Integrity***

**Bob Burke** and **Ralph Thompson**—Oklahoma Heritage Association, Oklahoma City

Bryce Harlow served as an advisor to four presidents, informing them about more public issues than perhaps anyone in American history. Author Burke was born in Broken Bow and now practices law and writes books in Oklahoma City. He has written 28 books about Oklahoma, and received the 1999 Oklahoma Book Award for non-fiction for *From Oklahoma to Eternity: The Life of Wiley Post and the Winnie Mae*. Thompson is a U.S. District Judge who teaches trial advocacy at Harvard Law School. An Oklahoma Hall of Fame honoree, Thompson lives in Oklahoma City.

### ***The Santa Fe Trail: Its History, Legends, and Lore***—**David Dary**—Alfred A. Knopf, New York

Dary gives a vivid recreation of an important time in American history. Director of the School of Journalism at the University of Oklahoma for many years, he is the author of eight previous books about the West and is the recipient of a Cowboy Hall of Fame Wrangler award, two Western Writers of America Spur awards, and the Westerners International Best Non-Fiction Book Award.

***The Knife-Thrower's Assistant: Memoirs of a Human Target***

**Ronnie Claire Edwards**—Hawk Publishing, Tulsa

Edwards grew up in Oklahoma and actually did once work as a human target for a knife thrower in a circus. This and other memories of her life make this an entertaining autobiography. Edwards is known for her role as Corabeth Walton Godsey on the television series *The Waltons*. Edwards has appeared on television, in film and theater, and has written musicals, a cookbook, and award-winning fiction. She recently toured the United States in a one-woman show upon which this book is based.

***American Legal Thought From Premodernism to Postmodernism:***

***An Intellectual Voyage***—**Stephen Feldman**—Oxford University Press, New York

This tour through two centuries of American legal thought is a contribution to our understanding of legal theory and how it relates to more general intellectual and cultural trends. Feldman is a professor of law and political science at the University of Tulsa.

***Contrary Neighbors: Southern Plains and Removed Indians in Indian Territory***

**David LaVere**—University of Oklahoma Press, Norman

This book examines the relations between Southeastern Indians who were removed to Indian Territory in the early nineteenth century and Southern Plains Indians who claimed this territory as their own. LaVere is associate professor of history at the University of North Carolina, Wilmington.

***Angie Debo: Pioneering Historian***

**Shirley A. Leckie**—University of Oklahoma Press, Norman

Leckie's biography of Angie Debo assesses the significance of Oklahoma's pioneering historian. She explores Debo's family background, her personality, and the impact of gender discrimination on her career. Leckie is professor of history at the University of Central Florida, Orlando.

***Waltzing With the Ghost of Tom Joad:***

***Poverty, Myth, and Low-Wage Labor in Oklahoma***

**Robert Lee Maril**—University of Oklahoma Press, Norman

In Oklahoma, eighth-poorest state in the nation, poverty is a pressing social problem. Maril's study examines the lives of poverty stricken Oklahomans, explores myths about the poor, discusses the causes of poverty, and presents a public policy agenda designed to benefit the poor. Maril is chair and professor of sociology at the University of Texas, Pan American.

### ***Indian Gaming: Tribal Sovereignty and American Politics***

**W. Dale Mason**—University of Oklahoma Press, Norman

Mason examines the conflicts surrounding American tribal gambling operations, focusing on tribes in New Mexico and Oklahoma. Although Indian gaming accounts for only five percent of all gambling in the United States, it has become *the* issue for tribes in the 1990s. Mason is an assistant professor of political science at the University of New Mexico in Gallup.

### ***Heartsblood: Hunting, Spirituality, and Wildness in America***

**David Laverne Petersen**—Island Press, Washington D.C.

Writer and veteran outdoorsman, Petersen offers a thoroughly informed, unsettlingly honest, intensely personal exploration of hunting. He draws clear distinctions between true hunting and contemporary hunter behavior. Petersen is a former Marine Corps helicopter pilot, magazine editor, and college professor who has invested 50 years in learning about natural wildness, and the past 15 years writing about what he has learned. He lives in the San Juan Mountains of Colorado.

### ***The Dismissal of Miss Ruth Brown: Civil Rights, Censorship, and the American Library***

**Louise S. Robbins**—University of Oklahoma Press, Norman

Ruth Brown, a librarian in Bartlesville, was fired in 1950 after 30 years of exemplary service with the public library, ostensibly because she had circulated subversive materials. In truth she was fired because she had become active in promoting racial equality. Robbins is associate professor and director of the School of Library and Information Studies, University of Wisconsin, Madison.

### ***Take the Cannoli: Stories from the New World***

**Sarah Vowell**—Simon & Schuster, New York

Vowell, a contributing editor for *This American Life* on Public Radio International and a columnist of *Salon*, has put together a collection of personal stories stretching across the immense landscape of the American scene. While tackling subjects such as identity, politics, religion, art, and history, these tales are written with a biting humor in the tradition of Mark Twain and Dorothy Parker. Vowell was born in Braggs, Oklahoma, and lived there until she was 11.

# JOYCE CAROL THOMAS

Recipient of the

## 2001 Arrell Gibson Lifetime Achievement Award

Joyce Carol Thomas was born in Ponca City, Oklahoma, on May 25, 1938. At ten years of age, the family moved to California, but Thomas never forgot her Oklahoma background.

Known for her poetry, playwriting, and novels—especially for children and young adults—her books resonate with the language, and rhythms of Oklahoma. Her work evokes a childhood when she made up songs, stories, and poems and shared them with her family and playmates.

Presently living in California, Thomas has returned to her birthplace through much of her writing. Oklahoma is the setting for her novels *Marked By Fire*, *Bright Shadow*, and *The Golden Pasture*. Her poetry books, *I Have Heard Of A Land*, *Brown Honey In Broomwheat Tea*, and *Gingerbread Days*, are infused with prairie sensibility.

Thomas received the National Book Award for her first novel *Marked by Fire*. Her first illustrated book, *Brown Honey in Broomwheat Tea*, won a Coretta Scott King Award.

## THE ARRELL GIBSON LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The Arrell Gibson Lifetime Achievement Award is presented each year to a person recognized for a body of work. This award was named for the Norman historian who served as the first president of the Oklahoma Center for the Book.



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The Oklahoma Center for the Book is a state affiliate of the Center for the Book in the Library of Congress, and is organized to focus attention on the vital role of books and reading in our lives. The Center promotes the past, current, and future works of Oklahoma authors; promotes the literary heritage of the state; and encourages reading for pleasure by Oklahomans of all ages.

When the Library of Congress announced the granting of permission to States to become part of their program, the Oklahoma Department of Libraries assembled an advisory group and wrote a proposal. The Oklahoma Center for the Book became the fourth state center on February 28, 1986.

The Center is governed by a volunteer board of directors from across the state.

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# OKLAHOMA CENTER FOR THE BOOK PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

The Oklahoma Center for the Book in the Oklahoma Department of Libraries has participated in several events in the past twelve months, and has made commitments for events later this year.

*Kids Caught Reading* is an annual activity of the Center, and is part of Oklahoma's *Celebration of Reading*. The Center will once again give \$25 prizes to ten students from across the state who are caught reading in their spare time. The prizes will be presented at the *Celebration of Reading* on April 10, 2001 at the Lazy-E Arena.

The center is cosponsoring, for the seventh year, the *Letters about Literature* competition. Nationally promoted by *Weekly Reader* and the Center for the Book in the Library of Congress, students in grades 6 through 12 are asked to write letters to the author of a book that affected them in some way. The Center awards a total of \$250 to writers of the top six letters.

The Oklahoma Center for the Book is also providing funds to the Oklahoma Library Association to sponsor author and humorist Jim Boren as banquet speaker during their annual conference, April 18–20, 2001.

The Center was a sponsor for the Center for Poets and Writers' annual *Celebration of Books* in September 2000.

The Center for the Book and the Oklahoma Literacy Coalition co-hosted the Viburnum Literacy Conference in Oklahoma City, September 2000.

The Center continues to provide authors to libraries and schools, and plans to initiate an Oklahoma Authors database on the organization's website.

The Center's website address is [www.odl.state.ok.us/ocb](http://www.odl.state.ok.us/ocb)

## JULIE HOVIS & KATHY KINASEWITZ Recipients of the **2001 Distinguished Service Award**

The Distinguished Service Award is presented to Julie Hovis and Kathy Kinasewitz owners of Best of Books in Edmond in recognition of their service to the Oklahoma Center for the Book.

Hovis and Kinasewitz have been true supporters of the Oklahoma Center for the Book, serving as board members and helping with numerous projects. Best of Books has been the bookseller for the annual Oklahoma Book Award ceremony for several years. Not only do they spend many hours arranging with the authors and publishers to have each finalist's book available on the night of the awards ceremony, they also manage the sale and the return of the books. In addition, they give all the profits of the book sale each year to the Oklahoma Center for the Book.

# PREVIOUS OKLAHOMA

## Fiction

- 1990, **Robert Love Taylor**, *The Lost Sister*  
1991, **Linda Hogan**, *Mean Spirit*  
1992, **Robert L. Duncan**, *The Serpent's Mark*  
1993, **Rilla Askew**, *Strange Business*  
1994, **Eve Sandstrom**, *Down Home Heifer Heist*  
1995, **William Bernhardt**, *Perfect Justice*  
1996, **Billie Letts**, *Where the Heart Is*  
1997, **Stewart O'Nan**, *The Names of the Dead*  
1998, **Rilla Askew**, *The Mercy Seat*  
1999, **Billie Letts**, *The Honk and Holler Opening Soon*  
2000, **William Bernhardt**, *Dark Justice*

## Non-Fiction

- 1990, **Leonard Leff**, *Hitchcock & Selznick*  
1991, **Carl Albert** and **Danney Goble**, *Little Giant*  
1992, **David Morgan**, **Robert England**, and **George Humphreys**,  
*Oklahoma Politics & Policies: Governing the Sooner State*  
1993, **Henry Bellmon** and **Pat Bellmon**, *The Life and Times of Henry Bellmon*;  
and **Daniel Boorstin**, *The Creators*  
1994, **J. Brent Clark**, *3rd Down and Forever*  
1995, **Dennis McAuliffe Jr.**, *The Deaths of Sybil Bolton*  
1996, **William Paul Winchester**, *A Very Small Farm*  
1997, **Annick Smith**, *Big Bluestem: A Journey into the Tall Grass*  
1998, **John Hope Franklin** and **John Whittington Franklin**,  
Editors, *My Life and an Era: The Autobiography of Buck Colbert Franklin*  
1999, **Bob Burke**, *From Oklahoma to Eternity: The Life of Wiley Post and the Winnie Mae*  
2000, **Michael Wallis**, *The Real Wild West: The 101 Ranch and the Creation of the American West*

## Children/ Young Adult

- 1990, **Helen Roney Sattler**, *Tyrannosaurus Rex and His Kin*  
1991, **Stan Hoig**, *A Capitol for the Nation*  
1992, **Jess and Bonnie Speer**, *Hillback to Boggy*  
1993, **Anna Myers**, *Red Dirt Jessie*  
1994, **Diane Hoyt-Goldsmith**, *Cherokee Summer*  
1995, **Russell G. Davis** and **Brent Ashabranner**, *The Choctaw Code*  
1996, **Anna Myers**, *Graveyard Girl*  
1997, **Barbara Snow Gilbert**, *Stone Water*  
1998, **S. L. Rottman**, *Hero*  
1999, **Barbara Snow Gilbert**, *Broken Chords*  
2000, **Harold Keith**, *Brief Garland: Ponytails, Basketball, and Nothing But Net*

# BOOK AWARD WINNERS

## Poetry

- 1990, **William Kistler**, *The Elizabeth Sequence*  
1992, **Carol Hamilton**, *Once the Dust*  
1993, **Jim Barnes**, *The Sawdust War*  
1994, **Carter Revard**, *An Eagle Nation*  
1995, **Joy Harjo**, *The Woman Who Fell from the Sky*  
1996, **Francine Leffler Ringold-Johnson**, *The Trouble with Voices*  
1997, **Renata Treitel**, translation of **Rosita Copioli's** *The Blazing Lights of the Sun*  
1998, **Betty Shipley**, *Somebody Say Amen*  
1999, **Mark Cox**, *Thirty-Seven Years from the Stone*  
2000, **N. Scott Momaday**, *In the Bear's House*

## Design/ Illustration

- 1990, **David E. Hunt**, *The Lithographs of Charles Banks Wilson*  
1991, **Carol Haralson**, *Cleora's Kitchens*  
1992, **Joe Williams**, *Woolaroc*  
1993, **Carol Haralson**, *Will Rogers: Courtship and Correspondence*;  
and **Kandy Radzinski**, *The Twelve Cats of Christmas*  
1994, **Deloss McGraw**, *Fish Story*  
1995, **Mike Wimmer**, *All the Places to Love*  
1996, **Kim Doner**, *Green Snake Ceremony*  
1997, **Carol Haralson** and **Harvey Payne**, *Big Bluestem: A Journey into the Tall Grass*  
1998, **Carol Haralson**, *Visions and Voices: Native American Painting from the Philbrook Museum of Art*  
1999, **David Fitzgerald**, *Bison: Monarch of the Plains*  
2000, **Carol Haralson**, *Glory Days of Summer: The History of Baseball in Oklahoma*

## Arrell Gibson Lifetime Achievement Award

- 1990, **Daniel Boorstin**, Librarian of Congress Emeritus, native of Tulsa  
1991, **Tony Hillerman**, mystery writer, native of Sacred Heart  
1992, **Savoie Lottinville**, Director of the University of Oklahoma Press for 30 years  
1993, **Harold Keith**, Newbery Award winning children's author, Norman  
1994, **N. Scott Momaday**, Pulitzer Prize winning Kiowa author, native of Lawton  
1995, **R.A. Lafferty**, Hugo Award winning author, Tulsa  
1996, **John Hope Franklin**, historian, native of Rentiesville  
1997, **S.E. Hinton**, award winning author of young adult novels, Tulsa  
1998, **Jack Bickham**, novelist, teacher and journalist, Norman  
1999, **Michael Wallis**, award-winning historian and biographer, Tulsa  
2000, **Bill Wallace**, prolific and popular writer of novels for young people, Chickasha

## Ralph Ellison Award

- 1995, **Ralph Ellison**, National Book Award winner, Oklahoma City  
1997, **Angie Debo**, "First Lady of Oklahoma History," Marshall  
1999, **Melvin Tolson**, poet, journalist, and dramatist, Langston  
2000, **Jim Thompson**, novelist and screenwriter, Anadarko

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