2023 Forest of Reading® Evergreen Award™ Nominees Announced
Canadian authors selected for adult recreational reading program award

TORONTO, ON (January 20, 2023) – The Ontario Library Association's (OLA) Forest of Reading is excited to present this year's nominees for its adult program, the Evergreen Award.

The 2023 nominees for the Evergreen Award are:

Cobalt: Cradle of the Demon Metals, Birth of a Mining Superpower by Charlie Angus (House of Anansi Press)

A Convergence of Solitudes by Anita Anand (Book*hug Press)

Ducks: Two Years in the Oil Sands written & illustrated by Kate Beaton (Drawn & Quarterly)

Her First Palestinian: and Other Stories by Saeed Teebi (House of Anansi Press)

Mad Honey by Katie Welch (Wolsak & Wynn Publishers)

Sea of Tranquility: A Novel by Emily St. John Mandel (HarperCollins Publishers Ltd.)

Son of Elsewhere: A Memoir in Pieces by Elamin Abdelmahmoud (McClelland & Stewart)

This is Assisted Dying: A Doctor's Story of Empowering Patients at the End of Life by Dr. Stefanie Green (Simon and Schuster Canada)

Toufah: The Woman Who Inspired an African #MeToo Movement by Toufah Jallow, with Kim Pittaway (Random House Canada)

Valley of the Birdtail: An Indian Reserve, a White Town, and the Road to Reconciliation by Andrew Stobo Sniderman and Douglas Sanderson (HarperCollins Publishers Ltd.)

"We are excited to present our list of ten titles. We are incredibly proud of the collective work of this committee, whose members have read over 250 published works of Canadian fiction and non-fiction," said Enid Wray and Julie Wendland, Co-Chairs of the Evergreen Award Selection Committee. "We are certain that our Evergreen readers will enjoy this collection and find much to discuss and/or debate. Our list includes a number of debut titles – including work from up-and-coming fresh new voices, as well as work from some recognizable names. This list will take some of our Evergreen readers outside of their comfort zone, but also help them to find those little gems they may not have found on their own. This list will also appeal to young readers who may not have read Evergreen previously."

The Evergreen Award program is a perfect way for public libraries and book clubs to engage with best titles in Canadian fiction and non-fiction. It is one of ten programs that form the OLA's Forest of Reading, Canada's largest recreational reading program of its kind with over 270,000 Canadians participating each year.

A committee of library professionals chooses the nominated titles for the Evergreen Award. Readers can submit their votes for the award during September and the winner will be announced during Ontario Public Library Week in October.

Participate in the Evergreen Award program and register for the [Forest of Reading](#) today. Check out the Forest of Reading [Facebook page](#) and follow us on Twitter [@ForestofReading](#).

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