The Nebraska Center for the Book believes One Book One Nebraska demonstrates how books and reading connect people across time and place. Each year, Nebraska communities come together through literature in community-wide reading programs to explore a classic or contemporary work by one of Nebraska’s best-loved authors.

Selecting a work by a Nebraska author celebrates the state’s literary heritage.

### 2018 One Book, One Nebraska Finalists

- **Nebraska Presence: An Anthology of Poetry**
  Edited by: Greg Kosmicki and Mary K. Stillwell

- **Nebraska Poetry: A Sesquicentennial Anthology, 1867-2017**
  Edited by: Daniel Simon

- **The Bones of Paradise**
  By: Jonis Agee

- **The Ordinary Spaceman: From Boyhood Dreams to Astronaut**
  By: Clayton C. Anderson

- **The Swan Gondola**
  By: Timothy Schaffert
2017 Nebraska Book Award Winners

The Nebraska Book Awards program, sponsored by the Nebraska Center for the Book (NCB), recognizes and honors books that are written by Nebraska authors, published by Nebraska publishers, set in Nebraska, or concerning Nebraska.

Anthology: Not Quite So Stories by David S. Atkinson. Publisher: Literary Wanderlust

Children’s Picture Book: Choose Your Days by Paula S. Wallace. Publisher: Cinco Puntos Press

Young Adult: Keeping Captain by N. L. Sharp. Publisher: Prairieland Press

Young Adult Honor: The Ghost Juggler by Nona Brooks Morrison. Publisher: Prairieland Press


Fiction: The Bones of Paradise: A Novel by Jonis Agee. Publisher: William Morrow

Fiction Short Story Honor: Where We Land: Stories by Daryl Farmer. Publisher: Brighthorse Books

Nonfiction Biography: A Warrior of the People: How Susan La Flesche Overcame Racial and Gender Inequality to Become America’s First Indian Doctor by Joe Starita. Publisher: St. Martin’s Press

Nonfiction Folklore: Why I’m an Only Child and Other Slightly Naughtly Plains Folktales by Roger Welsch. Publisher: University of Nebraska Press


Nonfiction Photography: Last Days of Red Cloud Agency, Peter T. Buckley’s Photograph Collection (1876-1877), by Thomas R. Buecker. Publisher: Nebraska State Historical Society Books

Nonfiction Reference: Great Plains Indians by David J. Wishart. Publisher: University of Nebraska Press

Nonfiction Travel: Trespassing Across America: One Man’s Epic, Never-Done-Before (and Sort of Illegal) Hike Across the Heartland by Ken Ilgunas. Publisher: Blue Rider Press


Poetry Honor: I Have Nothing to Say about Fire by Marjorie Saiser. Publisher: Backwaters Press

Poetry Honor: Singing and Dying by Glenna Luschei. Publisher: Penciled In

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