

Recommended Fiction Reading

Honoring excellence in Christian fiction of all genres,
the 2011 AMERICAN CHRISTIAN FICTION WRITERS
Carol Award finalists (winners starred*):

Debut Author:

The Preacher's Bride by Jody Hedlund (Bethany House)
**Crossing Oceans* by Gina Holmes (Tyndale Publishers)
Rooms by James L. Rubart (B&H Publishing)

Short Contemporary:

The Wedding Garden by Linda Goodnight (Love Inspired)
**A Father for Zach* by Irene Hannon (Love Inspired)
Winter's End by Ruth Logan Herne (Love Inspired)

Short Contemporary Suspense:

**Night Prey* by Sharon Dunn (Love Inspired Suspense)
Legacy of Lies by Jill Elizabeth Nelson (Love Inspired Suspense)
Firestorm by Kelly Ann Riley (Love Inspired Suspense)

Short Historical:

**Her Healing Ways* by Lyn Cote (Love Inspired)
Promise of Tomorrow by S. Dionne Moore (Barbour)
The Columns of Cottonwood by Sandra Robbins (Barbour)

Long Contemporary:

The Choice by Suzanne Woods Fisher (Revell)
Red Ink by Kathi Macias (New Hope Publishers)
**Never Say Never* by Lisa Wingate (Bethany House)

Long Contemporary Romance:

Plain Jayne by Hilary Manton Lodge (Harvest House)
Anna's Return by Marta Perry (Berkley)
**Plain Paradise* by Beth Wiseman (Thomas Nelson)

Long Historical:

Here Burns My Candle by Liz Curtis Higgs (Waterbrook Press)
Petra: City in Stone by T.L. Higley (B&H Publishing)
**Sons of Thunder* by Susan May Warren (Summerside Press)

Long Historical Romance:

The Husband Tree by Mary Connealy (Barbour)
**Love Finds You In Homestead, Iowa* by Melanie Dobson (Summerside)
Courting Morrow Little by Laura Frantz (Revell)

Mystery:

Mirrored Image by Alice K. Arenz (Sheaf House)
Muslin Mystery by Vera Dodge (Guideposts)
**The Camera Never Lies* by Elizabeth Goddard (Barbour)

Novellas:

The Prodigal Groom by Vickie McDonough (Barbour)
Ride With Me Into Christmas by Rachael Phillips (Barbour)
**A Trusting Heart* by Carrie Turansky (Barbour)

Romantic Suspense:

**The Silent Order* by Melanie Dobson (Summerside Press)
Don't Look Back by Lynette Eason (Revell)
Pursuit of Justice by DiAnn Mills (Tyndale Publishers)

Speculative Fiction:

The Wolf of Tebron by C. S. Lakin (AMG Publishers)
Rooms by James L. Rubart (B&H Publishing)
**König's Fire* by Marc Schooley (Marcher Lord Press)

Suspense/Thriller:

**Predator* by Terri Blackstock (Zondervan)
Fear No Evil by Robin Carroll (B&H Publishing)
Medical Error by Richard L. Mabry (Abingdon Press)

Women's Fiction:

**Beaded Hope* by Cathy Liggett (Tyndale Publishers)
They Almost Always Come Home by Cynthia Ruchti (Abingdon)
Beyond Summer by Lisa Wingate (NAL)

Young Adult:

**Anything But Normal* by Melody Carlson (Revell)
Healer's Apprentice by Melanie Dickerson (Zonderkidz)
Katy's New World by Kim Vogel Sawyer (Zonderkidz)

