

High Plains Book Award

Creative Nonfiction Finalists



2022

- *Helmi's Shadow: A Journey of Survival from Russia to East Asia to the American West* by David Horgan
- *We Are All Perfectly Fine: A Memoir of Love, Medicine and Healing* by Jillian Horton
- *The Holly: Five Bullets, One Gun, and the Struggle to Save an American Neighborhood* by Julian Rubinstein

2021

- *Black Water: Family, Legacy, and Blood Memory* by David A. Robertson (Winner)
- *Cheatgrass Dreams* by Theodore Waddell
- *The 10 Greatest Gifts We Give Each Other: A Memoir on the Magic of Marriage Vows* by Barbara Lynn-Vannoy

2020

- *Deep Creek: Finding Hope in the High Country* by Pam Houston (Winner)
- *Encounters in Yellowstone: The Nez Perce Summer of 1877* by M. Mark Miller
- *Essential Yellowstone: A Landscape of Memory and Wonder* by Michael J. Yochim

2019

- *Bitterroot: A Salish Memoir of Transracial Adoption* by Susan Devan Harness (Winner)
- *Petting Tigers: My Life as a Witness of Jehovah* by Shelley Smith Jones
- *Warblers and Woodpeckers: A Father-Son Big Year of Birding* by Sneed B. Collard III
- *West to Montana* by Christine Wortman-Engren

2018

- *A Darkness Lit By Heroes: The Granite Mountain-Speculator Mine Disaster of 1917* by Doug Ammons (Winner)
- *Headlights on the Prairie: Essays on Home* by Robert Rebein
- *Homestead Soldiers* by Bill Jones

2017

- *Happiness is a Rare Bird* by Gene Walz
- *North of Crazy: A Memoir* by Neltje
- *Temperance Creek* by Pamela Royes (Winner)

2016

- *Betty: The Helen Betty Osborne Story*
by David Alexander Robertson
- *Canoeing the Great Plains: A Missouri
River Summer* by Patrick Dobson
(Winner)
- *A Profession of Hope: Farming on the
Edge of the Grizzly Trail* by Jenna Butler

The Creative Nonfiction Award was first
presented in 2016