

AJL JEWISH FICTION AWARD SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Submissions for the 2022 Association of Jewish Libraries Fiction Award are now being accepted.

The criteria used to evaluate books for the Award are:

- The book is a work of fiction with literary merit written for adult readers.
- The book has significant Jewish thematic content related to Jews, Judaism, the Jewish experience or Israel. Works with little Jewish content (e.g. a peripheral character or two) will not be considered. The author of the work does not need to be of Jewish heritage.
- Books submitted for the 2022 award must have a publication date of 2021. The book must be available for purchase in the United States.
- Books will not be considered which are reprints or reissues; books published only as e-books; books which are translations.
- Novels, short story and flash fiction collections by a single author are eligible. Anthologies and collections by multiple authors will not be considered.

There is no submission fee for this award. Authors or publishers may submit books for consideration. However, the committee requests that multiple shipments of the same book be avoided. In order to be considered, a review copy must be sent to **each** of the following Committee Members by **December 1, 2021**:

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Advance reader's copies, digital copies, or finished books are all acceptable. Additional copies may be requested at the Committee's discretion.

Winning authors or their designated representatives are expected to attend the Association of Jewish Libraries Conference in June 2022 to receive the award. Support will be extended to defray the winner's travel and hotel costs. Only the winner of the award will be notified. Please do not contact the Committee to query the status of your submission. For more information visit www.jewishlibraries.org or contact ajljewishfictionaward@gmail.com.

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The Association of Jewish Libraries Jewish Fiction Award was established in 2017 with generous underwriting from Dan Wyman Books.

All works of fiction with significant Jewish thematic content written in English--novels, short story and flash fiction collections--by a single author published and available for purchase in the United States during 2021 are eligible for the 2022 award. Jewish thematic content means an extended grappling with Jewish themes throughout the book, including Judaism, Jewish history and culture, Jewish identity, etc.

The award will include a \$1,000 cash prize as well as support to attend the AJL conference to receive the award.

Please see the [Submission Guidelines](#) for further information.