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NEIL GAIMAN, OPRAH WINFREY, AND SAM HEUGHAN AMONG THE  
AUDIO PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION’S 2022 AUDIE AWARD® FINALISTS**

**ACTOR AND AUTHOR KAL PENN TO HOST AUDIE AWARDS ON MARCH 4**

***GIGI GORGEOUS, CAITLYN PAXSON, AND ANTHONY ALLEN RAMOS  
TO JUDGE YOUNG ADULT CATEGORY; KRISTEN ARNETT, GAYLE FORMAN, AND  
SEIJA RANKIN TO JUDGE AUDIOBOOK OF THE YEAR***

**FEBRUARY 3, 2022, NEW YORK, NY** – Today, the [Audio Publishers Association](https://www.audiopub.org) (APA) announced finalists for the **2022 Audie Awards®**, the premier awards program recognizing distinction in audiobooks and spoken-word entertainment. Full list of finalists below. Winners will be revealed at the Audie Awards Gala on March 4 from 9:00pm-10:00pm EST/6:00pm-7:00pm PST. Hosted by actor, author, producer, and former Associate Director of the White House Office of Public Engagement, **Kal Penn**, the ceremony will be streamed to the public at <https://www.audiopub.org/audies-gala>.

Winners across 25 competitive categories will be determined by industry professionals, including special guest judges: **Gigi Gorgeous** (critically acclaimed author, LGBTQ+ activist, and co-host of the hit podcast *Queerified with Gigi Gorgeous and Mimi*), **Caitlyn Paxson** (writer and book reviewer for NPR), and **Anthony Allen Ramos** (Executive Producer of the GLAAD Media Awards and official Entertainment Correspondent) will judge the Young Adult category; **Kristen Arnett** (*New York Times* bestselling author), **Gayle Forman** (award-winning author and journalist), and **Seija Rankin** (Senior Books Editor at *Entertainment Weekly*) will judge the Audiobook of the Year category.

“The Audio Publishers Association is proud to announce this year’s slate of impressive finalists,” said Ana Maria Alessi, President of the APA. “They are a reflection of the continuous growth and popularity of the medium. There’s truly something for everyone. We cannot wait to celebrate all of our finalists and their tremendous work on March 4 with host Kal Penn.”

“I’m overjoyed to be joining my fellow authors and audiobook narrators as the host of this year’s ceremony,” Kal Penn said. “I plan to use my platform to celebrate this year’s most talented finalists and will in no way plug my own hilarious and gripping audiobook, *You Can’t Be Serious*, which is available for purchase now!”

## **AUDIO DRAMA**

### *Chonburi International Hotel and Butterfly Club*

Written by Shakina Nayfack

Performed by Shakina Nayfack, Kate Bornstein, Annie Golden, Telly Leung, Jason Tam, Bianca Leigh, Ivory Aquino, Pooya Mohseni, Samy Figaredo, Angelica Ross, Liz Lark Brown, Ita Segev, and Dana Aliya Levinson

Published by Audible Originals

### *The Coldest Case: A Black Book Audio Drama*

Written by James Patterson, Aaron Tracy, and Ryan Silbert

Performed by Aaron Paul, Krysten Ritter, Nathalie Emmanuel, Beau Bridges, and a full cast

Published by Audible Originals

### *The Fyodor Dostoevsky BBC Radio Drama Collection*

Written by Fyodor Dostoevsky

Performed by Roy Marsden, Alex Jennings, Roger Allam, Paul Rhys, Nicholas Boulton, Paul Hilton, David Suchet, Barnaby Kay, and Lia Williams

Published by BBC Audio/Penguin Random House UK

### *No-No Boy*

Written by Ken Narasaki, from the novel by John Okada

Performed by Greg Watanabe, Kurt Kanazawa, Emily Kuroda, John Miyasaki, Ken Narasaki, Sharon Omi, Joy Osmani, Sab Shimono, and Paul Yen

Published by L.A. Theatre Works

### *Sherlock Holmes - The Seamstress of Peckham Rye*

Written by Jonathan Barnes

Performed by Nicholas Briggs, Richard Earl, Lucy Briggs-Owen, India Fisher, James Joyce, Anjella MacKintosh, Glen McCready, and Mark Elstob

Published by Big Finish Productions

## **AUDIOBOOK OF THE YEAR**

### *Project Hail Mary*

Written by Andy Weir

Narrated by Ray Porter

Published by Audible Studios

### *A Promised Land*

Written and narrated by Barack Obama

Published by Penguin Random House Audio

### *The Storyteller*

Written and narrated by Dave Grohl

Published by HarperAudio

*The Sweetness of Water*  
Written by Nathan Harris  
Narrated by William DeMeritt  
Published by Hachette Audio

**AUTOBIOGRAPHY/MEMOIR**

*Act Like You Got Some Sense*  
Written and narrated by Jamie Foxx, foreword by Corinne Foxx  
Published by Hachette Audio

*The Boys*  
Written by Ron Howard and Clint Howard  
Narrated by Ron Howard, Clint Howard, and Bryce Dallas Howard  
Published by HarperAudio

*Fits and Starts: A Memoir of Living with Epilepsy*  
Written by Franziska Thomas  
Narrated by Tracy Wiles and Franziska Thomas  
Published by Almost Tangible

*Listen Mama*  
Written by M.S.P. Williams  
Narrated by JD Jackson  
Published by Souls Take Flight

*Somebody's Daughter*  
Written and narrated by Ashley C. Ford  
Published by Macmillan Audio

**BEST FEMALE NARRATOR**

Hillary Huber  
*Before She Disappeared*  
Written by Lisa Gardner  
Published by Brilliance Publishing

Julia Whelan  
*The Four Winds*  
Written by Kristin Hannah  
Published by Macmillan Audio

Natalie Naudus  
*The Morning After*  
Written by Lisa Jackson  
Published by Brilliance Publishing

Deepti Gupta  
*The Parted Earth*  
Written by Anjali Enjeti  
Published by Novel Audio

Cynthia Erivo  
*Wild Swan: A Story of Florence Nightingale*  
Written by Patti Callahan  
Published by Audible Originals

**BEST MALE NARRATOR**

Lin-Manuel Miranda  
*Aristotle and Dante Dive into the Waters of the World*  
Written by Benjamin Alire Sáenz  
Published by Simon & Schuster Audio

John Lithgow  
*The Didomenico Fragment*  
Written by Amor Towles  
Published by Audible Originals

Edoardo Gero  
*Legends of the North Cascades*  
Written by Jonathan Evison  
Published by Workman Audio

Robert Bathurst  
*The Madness of Crowds*  
Written by Louise Penny  
Published by Macmillan Audio

William DeMeritt  
*The Sweetness of Water*  
Written by Nathan Harris  
Published by Hachette Audio

**BUSINESS/PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT**

*Badass Habits*  
Written and narrated by Jen Sincero  
Published by Penguin Random House Audio

*Carry On*

Written by John Lewis with Kabir Sehgal, foreword by Andrew Young

Narrated by Don Cheadle

Published by Hachette Audio

*Machiavelli for Women*

Written and narrated by Stacey Vanek Smith

Published by Simon & Schuster Audio

*Uncomfortable Conversations with a Black Man*

Written and narrated by Emmanuel Acho

Published by Macmillan Audio

*What Happened to You?*

Written and narrated by Oprah Winfrey and Bruce D. Perry

Published by Macmillan Audio

## **ESPAÑOL - SPANISH LANGUAGE**

*25 cuentos populares de Perú para crecer juntos*

Tradición popular (popular tradition), edited by José Morán Orti

Narrated by Nuria Mediavilla, Nerea Alfonso, Marcel Navarro, and Xavi Fernández

Published by VOCA Editorial

*Desierto Sonoro*

Written by Valeria Luiselli

Narrated by Marina De Tavira

Published by Penguin Random House Audio

*Gabo y Mercedes: una despedida*

Written and narrated by Rodrigo García

Published by Penguin Random House Grupo Editorial

*La casa de Bernarda Alba*

Written by Federico García Lorca

Narrated by Gloria Muñoz, Elena González, Rebeca Hernando, Carmen Mayordomo, Marta

Poveda, Sol de la Barreda, Beatriz Melgares, Cristina Arias, and Antonio Martínez Asensio

Published by Penguin Random House Grupo Editorial

*Valentine: Amor y furia*

Written by Elizabeth Wetmore

Narrated by Gabriela Guraieb and Patricia Loranca Ochoa

Published by HarperAudio

## **FAITH-BASED FICTION OR NON-FICTION**

### *Crazy Faith*

Written by Michael Todd

Narrated by Aaron Goodson

Published by Penguin Random House Audio

### *The Gift of Black Folk*

Written by W.E.B. Du Bois

Narrated by Arnell Powell

Published by Brilliance Publishing

### *The Happiest Man on Earth*

Written by Eddie Jaku

Narrated by Raphael Corkhill

Published by HarperAudio

### *He Saw That It Was Good*

Written by Sho Baraka and Chris Broussard

Narrated by Sho Baraka, Chris Broussard, Tedashii Anderson, and Nasia Danielle

Published by Penguin Random House Audio

### *Home Sweet Road*

Written by Johnnyswim

Narrated by Abner Ramirez and Amanda Sudano

Published by Penguin Random House Audio

## **FANTASY**

### *The Jasmine Throne*

Written by Tasha Suri

Narrated by Shiromi Arserio

Published by Hachette Audio

### *Princess Floralinda and the Forty-Flight Tower*

Written by Tamsyn Muir

Narrated by Moira Quirk

Published by Recorded Books

### *Rhythm of War*

Written by Brandon Sanderson

Narrated by Michael Kramer and Kate Reading

Published by Macmillan Audio

### *The Sandman: Act II*

Written by Neil Gaiman and Dirk Maggs

Narrated by Neil Gaiman, James McAvoy, Emma Corrin, Brian Cox, Kat Dennings, John Lithgow, Bill Nighy, Regé-Jean Page, and a full cast  
Published by Audible Originals

*The Witch's Heart*

Written by Genevieve Gornichec  
Narrated by Jayne Entwistle  
Published by Penguin Random House Audio

**FICTION**

*All the Lonely People*

Written by Mike Gayle  
Narrated by Ben Onwukwe  
Published by Hachette Audio

*The Final Revival of Opal & Nev*

Written by Dawnie Walton  
Narrated by Janina Edwards, Bahni Turpin, James Langton, André De Shields, Dennis Boutsikaris, Steve West, Gabra Zackman, Robin Miles, and a full cast  
Published by Simon & Schuster Audio

*The Four Winds*

Written by Kristin Hannah  
Narrated by Julia Whelan  
Published by Macmillan Audio

*The Lincoln Highway*

Written by Amor Towles  
Narrated by Edoardo Ballerini, Marin Ireland, and Dion Graham  
Published by Penguin Random House Audio

*The Nature of Fragile Things*

Written by Susan Meissner  
Narrated by Alana Kerr Collins and Jason Culp  
Published by Penguin Random House Audio

**HISTORY/BIOGRAPHY**

*Clanlands: Whisky, Warfare, and a Scottish Adventure Like No Other*

Written and narrated by Sam Heughan and Graham McTavish (with a foreword written and narrated by Diana Gabaldon)  
Published by Hodder & Stoughton

*Music Is History*

Written and narrated by Ahmir Khalib Thompson and Questlove (Ahmir Khalib Thompson)  
Published by Recorded Books

*Somerset: Benjamin Franklin and the Masterminding of American Independence*

Written by Phillip Goodrich

Narrated by Robert Petkoff, Joe Morton, Simon Jones, Euan Morton, Nicola Barber, and the author (reading the author's note and afterword)

Published by Blackstone Publishing and May Wuthrich Productions

*The Code Breaker*

Written by Walter Isaacson

Narrated by Kathe Mazur with Walter Isaacson

Published by Simon & Schuster Audio

*A Weekend with Pablo Picasso*

Written and performed by Herbert Sigüenza

Published by L.A. Theatre Works

## **HUMOR**

*Brackish Waters*

Written by Matt Boren

Narrated by Christina Applegate

Published by Audible Originals

*A Carnival of Snackery*

Written by David Sedaris

Narrated by David Sedaris and Tracey Ullman Published by Hachette Audio

*How Y'all Doing?*

Written and narrated by Leslie Jordan

Published by HarperAudio

*The Life-Changing Science of Detecting Bullshit*

Written by John V. Petrocelli

Narrated by Larry Herron

Published by Macmillan Audio

*The Seven Day Switch*

Written by Kelly Harms

Narrated by Arielle DeLisle and Megan Tusing Published by Brilliance Publishing

## **LITERARY FICTION & CLASSICS**

*All Creatures Great and Small*

Written by James Herriot

Narrated by Nicholas Ralph

Published by Macmillan Audio



*Ariadne*

Written by Jennifer Saint  
Narrated by Barrie Kreinik  
Published by Macmillan Audio

*Mary Jane*

Written by Jessica Anya Blau  
Narrated by Caitlin Kinnunen  
Published by HarperAudio

*Matrix*

Written by Lauren Groff  
Narrated by Adjoa Andoh  
Published by Penguin Random House Audio

*Moby Dick*

Written by Herman Melville  
Narrated by Jonathan Epstein  
Published by Alison Larkin Presents

**MIDDLE GRADE**

*Class Act*

Written by Jerry Craft  
Narrated by Nile Bullock, Jesus Del Orden, Guy Lockard, Marc Thompson, Peyton Lusk, Rebecca Soler, Dan Bittner, January LaVoy, Phoebe Strole, Jordan Cobb, A.J. Beckles, Robin Miles, Ron Butler, Miles Harvey, Kim Mai Guest, Kyla Garcia, and Soneela Nankani  
Published by HarperAudio

*Frankie & Bug*

Written by Gayle Forman  
Narrated by Stockard Channing  
Published by Simon & Schuster Audio

*Playing the Cards You're Dealt*

Written by Varian Johnson  
Narrated by Dion Graham  
Published by Scholastic Audio

*Stamped (for Kids)*

Written by Ibram X. Kendi and Jason Reynolds, adapted by Sonja Cherry-Paul  
Narrated by Pe'Tehn Raighn-Kem Jackson  
Published by Hachette Audio

*Temple Alley Summer*

Written by Sachiko Kashiwaba and Avery Fischer Udagawa (translator)

Narrated by Traci Kato-Kiriyama

Published by Yonder: Restless Books for Young Readers

**MULTI-VOICED PERFORMANCE**

*The Anatomy of Desire*

Written by L. R. Dorn

Narrated by Santino Fontana, Shelby Young, Marin Ireland, JD Jackson, Dan Bittner, Vikas Adam, Gabra Zackman, Fred Berman, Darrell Dennis, Oliver Wyman, Jonathan Davis, Hillary Huber, Lisa Flanagan, and Sharahn LaRue

Published by HarperAudio

*Bourdain*

Written by Laurie Woolever

Narrated by Laurie Woolever, Christopher Bourdain, José Andrés, Nigella Lawson, W. Kamau Bell, Adam Epstein, Alex Getmanov, Alex Lowry, Alison Mosshart, Amy Entelis, Ben Selkow, Beth Aretsky, Bonnie McFarlane, Chris Collins, Christiane Amanpour, Daniel Halpern, Dave McMillan, David Choe, David Rosenthal, Diane Schutz, Eileen Opatut, Fred Morin, Helen Cho, Helen Lang, Hilary Snyder, James Graham, Jared Andrukianis, Jason Rezaian, Jeff Allen, Jeff Formosa, Jeff Zucker, Joe Coleman, Joel Rose, John Lurie, Josh Ferrell, Karen Rinaldi, Kimberly Witherspoon, Laurie Barnett, Lenny Mosse, Lizzie Fox, Lolis Elie, Lydia Tenaglia, Maria Bustillos, Matt Goulding, Matt Walsh, Michael Ruhlman, Michael Steed, Mike Ruffino, Morgan Fallon, Mustafa Bhagat, Nari Kye, Natasha Phan, Nathan Thornburgh, Nick Brigden, Panio Gianopoulos, Pat Younge, Patrick Radden Keefe, Patti Jackson, Peter Meehan, Philip Lajaunie, Rennik Soholt, Rob Stone, Robert Vuolo, Robin Standefer, Roy Choi, Sally Freeman, Sam Goldman, Sam Sifton, Sandy Zweig, Shant Petrossian, Steven Tempel, Todd Liebler, Tom Vitale, Web Stone, Whitney Ward, Yeganeh Rezaian, Aspen Miller, Barbara Rosenblat, Billie Fulford-Brown, Cheryl Smith, Dan Bittner, Ewan Chung, Gabra Zackman, George Newbern, Hillary Huber, James Lurie, Jason Culp, Jean Brassard, Joe Knezevich, Oliver Wyman, Rob Shapiro, and Roger Wayne

Published by HarperAudio

*Four Hundred Souls*

Edited by Ibram X. Kendi and Keisha N. Blain

Narrated by Joniece Abbott-Pratt, Amir Abdullah, Ryan Vincent Anderson, Kristen Ariza, Dashawn Barnes, Joshua Bennett, Quincy Tyler Bernstine, Andre Blake, Torian Brackett, Donte Bonner, Mahogany L. Browne, Ron Butler, Kellie Carter-Jackson, Brianna Collette, Karen Chilton, Sean Crisden, Keith David, Angela Y. Davis, William DeMeritt, Leonard Dozier, Robin Eller, Kevin R. Free, James Fouhey, Alicia Garza, Dion Graham, Danai Gurira, Jerome Harmann-Hardeman, Jamal Henderson, Ethan Herisse, Susan Heyward, Cary Hite, Dominic Hoffman, Sherrilyn Ifill, James Monroe Iglehart, JD Jackson, Zainab Jah, Nikole Hannah-Jones, Sullivan Jones, Peter Francis James, Terrence Kidd, January LaVoy, Adam Lazarre-White, Keylor Leigh, Nicole Lewis, Dennis Logan, Chanté McCormick, Desmond Manny, Jesus

Martinez, Heather McGhee, Sheryl Mebane, Robin Miles, Karen Murray, Soneela Nankani, Leon Nixon, Soledad O'Brien, Leslie Odom, Jr., Adenrele Ojo, Genesis Oliver, Prentice Onayemi, Tovah Ott, Morgan Parker, Imani Parks, Lisa Renee Pitts, Imani Jade Powers, Rhett Samuel Price, Bill Quinn, Phylicia Rashad, David Sadzin, Joshua David Scarlett, Heather Alicia Simms, Shayna Small, Patricia Smith, Marisha Tapera, Tashi Thomas, Damian Thompson, TL Thompson, Ella Turenne, Bahni Turpin, Anita Welch, Jade Wheeler, Samira Wiley, Zenzi Williams, Mirron Willis, Andia Winslow, Kai Wright, and with co-editors Ibram X. Kendi and Keisha N. Blain  
Published by Penguin Random House Audio

*Heresy*

Written by Melissa Lenhardt  
Narrated by Barrie Kreinik, Bailey Carr, Ella Turenne, Nikki Massoud, Natalie Naudus, Imani Jade Powers, and James Fouhey  
Published by Hachette Audio

*Twins*

Written by Varian Johnson  
Narrated by Ahnya O'Riordan, Grace Capeless, Mashari Bain, Malcolm Bowen, Antoinette Comer, André Blake, Armand Xavier, and Rufen-Blanchette  
Published by Scholastic Audio

**MYSTERY**

*The Bucket List*

Written by Peter Mohlin and Peter Nystrom  
Narrated by Dion Graham  
Published by Recorded Books

*Later*

Written by Stephen King  
Narrated by Seth Numrich  
Published by Simon & Schuster Audio

*Murder in Old Bombay*

Written by Nev March  
Narrated by Vikas Adam  
Published by Macmillan Audio

*The Man in the Brown Suit*

Written by Agatha Christie  
Narrated by Gabrielle de Cuir, with John Lee  
Published by Blackstone Publishing and Skyboat Media

*The Midnight Man*

Written by Caroline Mitchell

Narrated by Emma Gregory and Elliot Fitzpatrick Published by Embla Books

**NARRATION BY THE AUTHOR(S)**

*All the Rage: A Partial Memoir in Two Acts and a Prologue*

Written and narrated by Brad Fraser

Published by Penguin Random House Canada

*Going There*

Written and narrated by Katie Couric

Published by Hachette Audio

*A Promised Land*

Written and narrated by Barack Obama

Published by Penguin Random House Audio

*Stories to Tell*

Written and narrated by Richard Marx

Published by Simon & Schuster Audio

*The Truth About Lies*

Written and narrated by Aja Raden

Published by Brilliance Publishing

*Vulnerable AF*

Written and narrated by Tarriona Ball

Published by Andrews McMeel Publishing

**NON-FICTION**

*Freedom*

Written and narrated by Sebastian Junger

Published by Simon & Schuster Audio

*The Joy of Sweat*

Written by Sarah Everts

Narrated by Sophie Amoss

Published by Penguin Random House Audio

*Last Call*

Written by Elon Green

Narrated by David Pittu

Published by Macmillan Audio

*The Menopause Manifesto: Own Your Health with Facts and Feminism*  
Written and narrated by Dr. Jen Gunter  
Published by HighBridge Audio, a division of Recorded Books

*The Premonition: A Pandemic Story*  
Written by Michael Lewis  
Narrated by Adenrele Ojo  
Published by Audible Studios

*This Is Your Mind on Plants*  
Written and narrated by Michael Pollan  
Published by Penguin Random House Audio

### **ORIGINAL WORK**

*Beatrix Greene*  
Written by Rachel Hawkins, Ash Parsons, and Vicky Alvear Shecter  
Narrated by Shiromi Arserio and Alister Austin  
Published by Realm

*Heroine*  
Written and narrated by Mary Jane Wells  
Published by Author's Republic

*The Man She Never Met*  
Written and narrated by Annie Hulley  
Published by Bolinda Publishing Pty Ltd

*No One Goes Alone*  
Written by Erik Larson  
Narrated by Julian Rhind-Tutt and Erik Larson  
Published by Penguin Random House Audio

*Sunset Springs*  
Written by Kacen Callender  
Narrated by Qamar Yochanan  
Published by Audible Originals

### **ROMANCE**

*The Charm Offensive*  
Written by Alison Cochrun  
Narrated by Vikas Adam, Graham Halstead, and Cassandra Campbell  
Published by Simon & Schuster Audio

*Mine to Protect*  
Written by Kennedy L. Mitchell

Narrated by Maxine Mitchell and Teddy Hamilton Published by Blue Nose Audio

*Pause*

Written by Kylie Scott

Narrated by Andi Arndt

Published by Audible Originals

*Reel: Hollywood Renaissance, Book 1*

Written by Kennedy Ryan

Narrated by Eboni Flowers, Jakobi Diem, Nicole Small, and April Christina

Published by Scribbeck Media LLC, Produced by Lyric Audiobooks

*The Wrong Heart*

Written and published by Jennifer Hartmann

Narrated by Stefanie Kay and Neill Thorne

**SCIENCE FICTION**

*Day Zero*

Written by C. Robert Cargill

Narrated by Vikas Adam

Published by HarperAudio

*Orphan Wars*

Written by Scott Moon and J.N. Chaney

Narrated by Luke Daniels

Published by Podium Audio

*Pastel Pink (Book 1 of The Zadok Series)*

Written and published by Nikki Minty

Narrated by Khristine Hvam, James Patrick Cronin, and Jodie Harris

*Project Hail Mary*

Written by Andy Weir

Narrated by Ray Porter

Published by Audible Studios

*Ready Player Two*

Written by Ernest Cline

Narrated by Wil Wheaton

Published by Penguin Random House Audio

**SHORT STORIES/COLLECTIONS**

*The Best American Short Stories 2021*

Edited by Jesmyn Ward and Heidi Pitlor

Narrated by Brittany Pressley, Katie Tang, Ryan Vincent Anderson, Emily Ellet, Michael Crouch, Frankie Corzo, Adan Rocha, Priya Ayyar, JD Jackson, Johnathan Davis, Bahni Turpin, Robin Eller, Sarah Mollo-Christensen, Katherine Howe, Lisa Flanagan, Alex Mann, Robert Fass, Tre Hall, Graham Halstead, Piper Goodeve, and Sterling Sulieman  
Published by HMH Audio (HarperCollins)

*Binge*

Written by Douglas Coupland

Narrated by Douglas Coupland, Anna Faris, Bret Easton Ellis, Michael Stipe, Chuck Klosterman, Jarvis Cocker, Jane Pratt, Will Ferguson, Genki Ferguson, Salvatore Antonio, Katie Ryerson, Andrew Moodie, Lorna Wilson, Victoria Carr, Stephanie Belding, Liz Dunn, Selena Dhillon, Charlotte Shaifer, and Caleb Stull  
Published by Penguin Random House Canada

*Blackout*

Written by Dhonielle Clayton, Tiffany D. Jackson, Nic Stone, Angie Thomas, Ashley Woodfolk, and Nicola Yoon  
Narrated by Jonece Abbott-Pratt, Dion Graham, Imani Parks, Jordan Cobb, Shayna Small, A.J. Beckles, and Bahni Turpin  
Published by HarperAudio

*How It Ends: A Novella*

Written by Rachel Howzell Hall  
Narrated by Jonece Abbott-Pratt  
Published by Audible Originals

*Lyrics for Rock Stars*

Written by Heather Matteus Sappenfield  
Narrated by Michael Crouch  
Published by V Press LC

**THRILLER/SUSPENSE**

*The Last Thing He Told Me*

Written by Laura Dave  
Narrated by Rebecca Lowman  
Published by Simon & Schuster Audio

*Local Woman Missing*

Written by Mary Kubica  
Narrated by Brittany Pressley, Jennifer Jill Araya, Gary Tiedemann, and Jesse Vilinsky  
Published by HarperAudio

*Never Far Away*

Written by Michael Koryta

Narrated by Robert Petkoff

Published by Hachette Audio

*Night She Disappeared*

Written by Lisa Jewell

Narrated by Joanne Froggatt

Published by Simon & Schuster Audio

*Razorblade Tears*

Written by S. A. Cosby

Narrated by Adam Lazarre-White

Published by Macmillan Audio

**YOUNG ADULT**

*Be Dazzled*

Written by Ryan La Sala

Narrated by Pete Cross

Published by Dreamscape Media

*Firekeeper's Daughter*

Written by Angeline Boulley

Narrated by Isabella Star LaBlanc

Published by Macmillan Audio

*The Prison Healer*

Written by Lynette Noni

Narrated by Jeanette Illidge

Published by HMH Audio (HarperCollins)

*The Project*

Written by Courtney Summers

Narrated by Therese Plummer and Emily Shaffer Published by Macmillan Audio

*A Sitting in St. James*

Written by Rita Williams-Garcia

Narrated by Machel Williams

Published by HarperAudio

**YOUNG LISTENERS**

*Boogie Boogie, Y'all*

Written and narrated by C. G. Esperanza

Published by HarperAudio



*The Couch Potato*

Written by Jory John

Narrated by Kirby Heyborne

Published by HarperAudio

*I and I Bob Marley*

Written by Tony Medina

Narrated by Jaime Lincoln Smith and Tony Medina

Published by Live Oak Media

*Jasmine Toguchi, Mochi Queen*

Written by Debbie Michiko Florence

Narrated by Allison Hiroto

Published by OrangeSky Audio

*Remember to Dream, Ebere*

Written and narrated by Cynthia Erivo

Published by Hachette Audio

### **ABOUT KAL PENN**

Kal Penn is the author and narrator of the audiobook *You Can't Be Serious*, available from Simon & Schuster Audio. In this entertaining and refreshingly candid memoir, the star of the Harold and Kumar franchise, *House*, and *Designated Survivor* recounts why he rejected the advice of his aunts and guidance counselors and, instead of becoming a doctor or “something practical,” embarked on a surprising journey that has included confronting racism in Hollywood, meeting his future husband, working in the Obama administration and more, through a series of funny, consequential, awkward, and ridiculous stories from his idiosyncratic life.

### **ABOUT THE AUDIE AWARDS®**

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### **ABOUT THE AUDIO PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION**

The Audio Publishers Association (APA) is a not-for-profit trade organization whose primary goals are to promote awareness of the audiobook industry, gather and disseminate industry statistics, encourage high production standards and represent the interests of audiobook publishers. Since 1986, the APA has worked to bring audio publishers together to increase interest in audiobooks. For more information about the APA, please visit <https://www.audiopub.org/members/audies>.

## **ASSETS**

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