

VIOLA DAVIS' FINDING ME RECEIVES AUDIOBOOK OF THE YEAR AND NARRATION BY AUTHOR AT THE AUDIO PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION'S 2023 AUDIE AWARDS®

Rosamund Pike Wins Best Female Narrator; Seth Numrich Wins Best Male Narrator

March 29, 2023, NEW YORK, NY – Last night, the <u>Audio Publishers Association</u> (APA) unveiled the winners of the 2023 Audie Awards® at its premier awards program which recognizes distinction in audiobooks and spoken-word entertainment. The annual ceremony was hosted by writer, comedian, television host, and actress **Michelle Buteau** at Chelsea Piers' Pier Sixty in NY.

Viola Davis' *Finding Me*, which she wrote and narrated, and published by HarperCollins Publishers, earned two Audie Awards. It received the night's top honor, **Audiobook of the Year** as well as **Narration by Author.** Winners across 26 competitive categories may be found below and the list of this year's finalists may be found <u>here</u>.

Special guest judges, EGOT-winner and author **Whoopi Goldberg** and *AudioFile*'s **Robin Whitten**, judged the Young Listeners category.

2023 AUDIE AWARD WINNERS:

AUDIO DRAMA

PIPELINE

Written by Dominique Morisseau

Performed by Sophina Brown, Eugene Byrd, Demetrius Grosse, Sharon Lawrence, X Mayo, Uyoata Udi, and Karen Malina White

Published by L.A. Theatre Works

AUDIOBOOK OF THE YEAR

FINDING ME

Written and narrated by Viola Davis
Published by HarperCollins Publishers

AUTOBIOGRAPHY/MEMOIR

UNPROTECTED: A MEMOIR
Written and narrated by Billy Porter
Published by Recorded Books, a division of RBmedia

BEST FEMALE NARRATOR

THE EYE OF THE WORLD
Written by Robert Jordan
Narrated by Rosamund Pike
Published by Macmillan Audio

BEST MALE NARRATOR

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

BUSINESS/PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

TOUGH

Written and narrated by Terry Crews
Published by Penguin Random House Audio

EROTICA

ON THE HUSTLE
Written by Adriana Herrera
Narrated by Lola James and Sean Crisden
Published by HarperAudio

ESPAÑOL – SPANISH LANGUAGE

*¡PRIMERA CAÍDA! EI ENMASCARADO DE TERCIOPELO*Written by Diego Mejía Eguiluz
Narrated by Noé Velázquez
Published by Penguin Random House Grupo Editorial México

FAITH-BASED FICTION & NON-FICTION

DARK ANGEL

Written by Brian Andrews and Jeffrey Wilson Narrated by MacLeod Andrews Published by Tyndale House Publishers

FANTASY

THE MONSTERS WE DEFY
Written by Leslye Penelope
Narrated by Shayna Small

Published by Hachette Audio

FICTION

MAD HONEY

Written by Jodi Picoult and Jennifer Finney Boylan Narrated by Carrie Coon, Key Taw, Jodi Picoult, and Jennifer Finney Boylan Published by Penguin Random House Audio

HISTORY/BIOGRAPHY

SUMMER OF '85

Written by Chris Morrow, Kevin Hart, Tara Thomas, Nicole Shelton, Charlamagne Tha God, Marc Gerald, Dave Becky, Mike Stein, Thai Randolph, Bryan Smiley, and Karen Kinney Narrated by Kevin Hart
Published by Audible Originals

HUMOR

HAPPY-GO-LUCKY
Written and narrated by David Sedaris
Published by Hachette Audio

LITERARY FICTION & CLASSICS

WAR AND PEACE
Written by Leo Tolstoy
Translated by Louise Maude and Aylmer Maude
Narrated by Thandiwe Newton
Published by Audible Studios

MIDDLE GRADE

STUNTBOY, IN THE MEANTIME

Written by Jason Reynolds

Narrated by Guy Lockard, Nile Bullock, Angel Pean, James Fouhey, Soneela Nankani, Leon Nixon, Chanté McCormick, Lamarr Gulley, and DePre Owens Published by Simon & Schuster Audio

MULTI-VOICED PERFORMANCE

SPARRING PARTNERS
Written by John Grisham
Narrated by Jeff Daniels, Ethan Hawke, January LaVoy, and John Grisham
Published by Penguin Random House Audio

MYSTERY

THE HERON
Written by Don Winslow
Narrated by Ed Harris

Published by Audible Originals

NARRATION BY AUTHOR OR AUTHORS

FINDING ME

Written and narrated by Viola Davis Published by HarperAudio

NON-FICTION

THE RANSOMWARE HUNTING TEAM
Written by Renee Dudley and Daniel Golden
Narrated by BD Wong
Published by Macmillan Audio

ORIGINAL WORK

MRS. WICKHAM
Written by Sarah Page
Narrated by Jessie Buckley, Johnny Flynn, and a full cast
Published by Audible Originals

ROMANCE

DELILAH GREEN DOESN'T CARE
Written by Ashley Herring Blake
Narrated by Kristen DiMercurio
Published by Penguin Random House Audio

SCIENCE FICTION

INTERGALACTIC EXTERMINATORS, INC
Written by Ash Bishop
Narrated by Scott Brick and Suzanne Elise Freeman
Published by CamCat Books

SHORT STORIES/COLLECTIONS

GETAWAY

Written by Sally Hepworth, Zakiya Dalila Harris, Catherine Steadman, Luanne Rice, Jess Lourey, and Rumaan Alam

Narrated by Candice Moll, Shayna Small, Samara Naeymi, Jennifer Jill Araya, Carly Robins, and Fajer Al-Kaisi

Published by Brilliance Publishing

THRILLER/SUSPENSE

GREENWICH PARK
Written by Katherine Faulkner
Narrated by Laura Kirman
Published by Simon & Schuster Audio

YOUNG ADULT

DEMON IN THE WOOD GRAPHIC NOVEL

Written by Leigh Bardugo

Narrated by Ben Barnes, Benjamin Valic, Cassandra Morris, Eason Rytter, James Fouhey, Mary McCartney, Matt Leisy, Salli Saffioti, Sean Gormley, and Tom Bromhead Published by Macmillan Audio

YOUNG LISTENERS

A DOOR MADE FOR ME
Written and narrated by Tyler Merritt
Published by Hachette Audio

ABOUT THE AUDIE AWARDS®

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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/.

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