University of Washington Press Book Awards

2018

Zuo Tradition / Zuozhuan: Commentary on the "Spring and Autumn Annals," translated by Stephen Durrant, Wai-Yee Li, and David Schaberg
WINNER OF THE PATRICK D. HANAN PRIZE FOR TRANSLATION (sponsored by the Association of Asian Studies)

2017

Building the Golden Gate Bridge: A Workers' Oral History, by Harvey Schwartz
SILVER AWARD WINNER, NAUTILUS BOOK AWARD IN YOUNG ADULT NONFICTION

The City Is More Than Human: An Animal History of Seattle, by Frederick L. Brown
WINNER OF THE HAL K. ROTHMAN BOOK PRIZE (sponsored by the Western History Association)
WINNER OF THE VIRGINIA MARIE FOLKINS AWARD (sponsored by the Association for King County Historical Organizations)

 Conjuring Property: Speculation and Environmental Futures in the Brazilian Amazon, by Jeremy M. Campbell
HONORABLE MENTION, BOOK PRIZE (sponsored by the Association for Political and Legal Anthropology)
WINNER OF THE JAMES M. BLAUT AWARD (sponsored by the Cultural and Political Ecology Specialty Group of the Association of American Geographers)

The Emotions of Justice: Gender, Status, and Legal Performance in Choson Korea, by Jisoo M. Kim
WINNER OF THE JAMES B. PALAIS BOOK PRIZE (sponsored by the Association for Asian Studies)

Writing the South Seas: Imagining the Nanyang in Chinese and Southeast Asian Postcolonial Literature, by Brian C. Bernards
NAMED AN OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC TITLE BY CHOICE

2016

Enduring Conviction: Fred Korematsu and His Quest for Justice, by Lorraine K. Bannai
WINNER OF THE NORRIS AND CAROL HUNDLEY AWARD (sponsored by the Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association)
HONORABLE MENTION, SCRIBES BOOK AWARD (sponsored by the American Society of Legal Writers)
Excavating the Afterlife: The Archaeology of Early Chinese Religion, by Guolong Lai  
HONORABLE MENTION, SCHOLARLY CATEGORY (sponsored by the Society for American Archaeology)

Letters and Epistolary Culture in Early Medieval China, by Antje Richter  
HONORABLE MENTION, EUGENE M. KAYDEN BOOK AWARD IN LITERARY STUDIES  
(sponsored by the University of Colorado Boulder)

Power Interrupted: Antiracist and Feminist Activism inside the United Nations, by Sylvanna M. Falcón  
WINNER OF THE GLORIA E. ANZALDÚA BOOK PRIZE (sponsored by the National Women's Studies Association)

Reclaimers, by Ana Maria Spagna  
HONORABLE MENTION, RACHEL CARSON ENVIRONMENT BOOK AWARD (sponsored by the Society of Environmental Journalists)

Too High and Too Steep: Reshaping Seattle's Topography, by David B. Williams  
WINNER OF THE VIRGINIA MARIE FOLKINS AWARD (sponsored by the Association of King County Historical Organizations)

The World of a Tiny Insect: A Memoir of the Taiping Rebellion and Its Aftermath, by Zhang Daye; translated by Xiaofei Tian  
WINNER OF THE PATRICK D. HANAN PRIZE FOR TRANSLATION (sponsored by the Association of Asian Studies)

2015

Bodies in Balance: The Art of Tibetan Medicine, edited by Theresia Hofer  
BEST ART BOOK ACCOLADE, ICAS BOOK PRIZE IN THE HUMANITIES CATEGORY (sponsored by the International Convention of Asia Scholars)

NAMED AN OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC TITLE BY CHOICE

Exemplary Figures / Fayan, Yang Xiong; translated and introduced by Michael Nylan  
ALDO AND JEANNE SCAGLIONE PRIZE FOR A TRANSLATION OF A SCHOLARLY STUDY OF LITERATURE (sponsored by the Modern Language Association)

Great Bear Wild: Dispatches from a Northern Rainforest, by Ian McAllister  
FINALIST FOR THE RODERICK HAIG-BROWN REGIONAL PRIZE (BC BOOK PRIZES)

Mary Randlett Portraits, by Frances McCue  
FINALIST FOR THE WASHINGTON STATE BOOK AWARD IN HISTORY / GENERAL NONFICTION
Puer Tea: Ancient Caravans and Urban Chic, by Jinghong Zhang
WINNER OF THE ICAS BOOK PRIZE IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCES CATEGORY (sponsored by the International Convention of Asia Scholars)

Shaping Seattle Architecture: A Historical Guide to the Architects, edited by Jeffrey Karl Ochsner
WINNER OF THE ARCHITECTURAL HERITAGE PUBLICATION AWARD (sponsored by Historic Seattle)

Troubling Borders: An Anthology of Art and Literature by Southeast Asian Women in the Diaspora, edited by Isabelle Thuy Pelaud, Lan Duong, Mariam B. Lam, and Kathy L. Nguyen
NAMED AN OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC TITLE BY CHOICE
FINALIST FOR THE ASSOCIATION FOR BORDERLANDS STUDIES BEST BOOK AWARD

Whales and Nations: Environmental Diplomacy on the High Seas, by Kurkpatrick Dorsey
NAMED AN OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC TITLE BY CHOICE

Wilderburbs: Communities on Nature's Edge, by Lincoln Bramwell
FINALIST FOR THE SPUR AWARD FOR BEST WESTERN NONFICTION, CONTEMPORARY (sponsored by the Western Writers of America)

2014

The Boy Who Shot the Sheriff: The Redemption of Herbert Nicholls Jr., by Nancy Bartley
FINALIST FOR THE WASHINGTON STATE BOOK AWARD IN HISTORY / GENERAL NONFICTION

Narwhals: Arctic Whales in a Melting World, by Todd McLeish
SHORTLISTED FOR THE WILLIAM MILLS PRIZE

The Nature of Borders: Salmon, Boundaries, and Bandits on the Salish Sea, by Lissa K. Wadewitz
WINNER OF THE ALBERT COREY PRIZE (sponsored by the American Historical Association)

Pacific Walkers: Poems, by Nance Van Winckel
FINALIST FOR THE WASHINGTON STATE BOOK AWARD IN POETRY

Painting of the Realm: The Kano House of Painters in Seventeenth-Century Japan, by Yukio Lippit
WINNER OF THE JOHN WHITNEY HALL BOOK PRIZE (sponsored by the Association for Asian Studies)
WINNER OF THE CHARLES RUFUS MOREY BOOK AWARD (sponsored by the College Art Association)

Penguins: Natural History and Conservation, edited by Pablo Garcia Borboroglu and P. Dee Boersma
NAMED AN OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC TITLE BY CHOICE
The Promise of Wilderness: American Environmental Politics since 1964, by James Morton Turner
WINNER OF THE CHARLES A. WEYERHAEUSER AWARD (sponsored by the American Society for Environmental History)

Taipei: City of Displacements, by Joseph R. Allen
WINNER OF THE JOSEPH LEVENSON BOOK PRIZE, POST-1900 CATEGORY (sponsored by the Association for Asian Studies)

Temple Grove: A Novel, by Scott Elliott
FINALIST FOR THE WASHINGTON STATE BOOK AWARD IN FICTION

Vacationland: Tourism and Environment in the Colorado High Country, by William Philpott
WINNER OF THE SPUR AWARD FOR BEST WESTERN NONFICTION, CONTEMPORARY (sponsored by the Western Writers of America)

Whales and Nations: Environmental Diplomacy on the High Seas, by Kurkpatrick Dorsey
WINNER OF THE JOHN LYMAN BOOK AWARD IN THE NAVAL AND MARITIME SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY CATEGORY (sponsored by the North American Society for Oceanic History)

2013

University of Washington Press
WINNER OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST HISTORY ORGANIZATIONAL AWARD (sponsored by the Pacific Northwest Historians Guild)

Make Yourself a Teacher: Rabbinic Tales of Mentors and Disciples, by Susan Handelman
FINALIST FOR THE NATIONAL JEWISH BOOK AWARD IN CONTEMPORARY JEWISH LIFE AND PRACTICE (sponsored by the Jewish Book Council)

The Nature of Borders: Salmon, Boundaries, and Bandits on the Salish Sea, by Lissa K. Wadewitz
WINNER OF THE JOHN LYMAN BOOK AWARD IN THE NAVAL AND MARITIME SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY CATEGORY (sponsored by the North American Society for Oceanic History)
WINNER OF THE HAL ROTHMAN AWARD (sponsored by the Western History Association)

Plume: Poems, by Kathleen Flenniken
WINNER OF THE WASHINGTON STATE BOOK AWARD FOR POETRY
FINALIST FOR THE WILLIAM CARLOS WILLIAMS AWARD (sponsored by the Poetry Society of America)
SHORTLIST FOR THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST BOOKSELLERS ASSOCIATION BOOK AWARD

Tahiti Beyond the Postcard: Power, Place, and Everyday Life, by Miriam Kahn
WINNER OF THE ICAS BOOK PRIZE IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCE CATEGORY (sponsored by the International Convention of Asia Scholars)
2012

Atomic Frontier Days: Hanford and the American West, by John M. Findlay and Bruce Hevly
FINALIST FOR THE WASHINGTON STATE BOOK AWARD IN HISTORY / GENERAL NON-FICTION

Qayluyaarmiuni Nunamtenek Qanemciput / Our Nelson Island Stories: Meanings of Place on the Bering Sea Coast, translated by Alice Rearden; edited by Ann Fienup-Riordan
WINNER OF AN AMERICAN BOOK AWARD (sponsored by the Before Columbus Foundation)

Qing Governors and Their Provinces: The Evolution of Territorial Administration in China, 1644-1796, by R. Kent Guy
HONORABLE MENTION, JOSEPH LEVENSON PRIZE, PRE-1900 CATEGORY (sponsored by the Association for Asian Studies)

Quagmire: Nation-Building and Nature in the Mekong Delta, by David Biggs
WINNER OF THE GEORGE PERKINS MARSH PRIZE FOR BEST BOOK IN ENVIRONMENTAL HISTORY (sponsored by the American Society for Environmental History)

Shadow Tribe: The Making of Columbia River Indian Identity, by Andy Fisher
WINNER OF THE ROBERT G. ATHEARN AWARD FOR THE BEST BOOK ON THE TWENTIETH-CENTURY WEST (sponsored by the Western History Association)

Underdog: Poems, by Katrina Roberts
FINALIST FOR THE WASHINGTON STATE BOOK AWARD IN POETRY

Vigilant Things: On Thieves, Yoruba Anti-Aesthetics, and the Strange Fates of Ordinary Objects in Nigeria, by David T. Doris
WINNER OF THE MELVILLE J. HERSKOVITS AWARD FOR THE MOST IMPORTANT SCHOLARLY WORK IN AFRICAN STUDIES (sponsored by the African Studies Association)

Voyages: To the New World and Beyond, by Gordon Miller
WINNER OF THE JOHN LYMAN BOOK AWARD IN THE NAVAL AND MARITIME REFERENCE WORKS AND PUBLISHED PRIMARY SOURCES CATEGORY (sponsored by the North American Society for Oceanic History)

2011

Accumulating Culture: The Collections of Emperor Huizong, by Patricia Buckley Ebrey
WINNER OF THE SHIMADA PRIZE FOR OUTSTANDING WORK OF EAST ASIAN ART HISTORY (sponsored by the Smithsonian Freer Gallery of Art, the Arthur M. Sackler Gallery, and the Metropolitan Center for Far Eastern Art Studies)

Being and Place among the Tlingit, by Thomas F. Thornton
SECOND PLACE FOR THE JULIAN STEWARD AWARD FOR ENVIRONMENTAL ANTHROPOLOGY (sponsored by the American Anthropological Association)
The Birth of a Republic: Francis Stafford's Photographs of China's 1911 Revolution and Beyond, by Hanchao Lu
RECIPIENT OF THE CHINESE HISTORIANS IN THE UNITED STATES 2010 HONOR FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

The Book of Men and Women: Poems, by David Biespiel
WINNER OF THE STAFFORD/HALL AWARD FOR POETRY (Oregon Book Awards)

Building Ships, Building a Nation: Korea's Democratic Unionism under Park Chung Hee, by Hwasook Nam
WINNER OF THE JAMES B. PALAIS BOOK PRIZE (sponsored by the Northeast Asia Council, Association for Asian Studies)

The Car That Brought You Here Still Runs, by Francis McCue
FINALIST FOR THE WASHINGTON STATE BOOK AWARD FOR HISTORY / GENERAL NONFICTION

Dreaming of Sheep in Navajo Country, by Marsha Weisiger
WINNER OF THE HAL K. ROTHMAN AWARD FOR THE BEST BOOK ON WESTERN ENVIRONMENTAL HISTORY (sponsored by the Western History Association)

Toxic Archipelago: A History of Industrial Disease in Japan, by Brett Walker
WINNER OF THE GEORGE PERKINS MARSH PRIZE FOR BEST BOOK IN ENVIRONMENTAL HISTORY (sponsored by the American Society for Environmental History)

2010

Dreaming of Sheep in Navajo Country, by Marsha Weisiger
WINNER OF THE GASPAR PEREZ DE VILLAGRA AWARD (sponsored by the Historical Society of New Mexico)
WINNER OF THE NORRIS AND CAROL HUDLEY AWARD (sponsored by the Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association)
WINNER OF THE CAROLINE BANCROFT HONOR PRIZE (sponsored by the Denver Public Library)

Empire, Architecture, and the City: French-Ottoman Encounters, 1830-1914, by Zeynep Celik
WINNER OF THE SPIRO KOSTOF AWARD (sponsored by the Society of Architectural Historians)

Gathering Leaves and Lifting Words: Histories of Buddhist Monastic Education in Laos and Thailand, by Justin Thomas McDaniel
WINNER OF THE HENRY J. BENDA PRIZE (sponsored by the Association for Asian Studies)

Greening Cities, Growing Communities: Learning from Seattle's Urban Community Gardens, by Jeffrey Hou, Julie Johnson, and Laura Lawson
WINNER OF THE GREAT PLACES AWARD (sponsored by Places: Design Observer and EDRA [Environmental Design Research Association], in cooperation with *Metropolis Magazine*)
HIV Interventions: Biomedicine and the Traffic between Information and Flesh,
by Marsha Rosengarten
WINNER OF THE SOCIOLOGY OF HEALTH AND ILLNESS PRIZE (sponsored by the British Sociological Association)

The Landscape of Words: Stone Inscriptions from Early and Medieval China, by Robert E. Harrist Jr.
WINNER OF THE LEVENSON PRIZE (sponsored by the Association for Asian Studies)

The Love Israel Family: Urban Commune, Rural Commune, by Charles P. LeWarne
WINNER OF THE MALSTROM AWARD OF THE LEAGUE OF SNOHOMISH COUNTY HISTORICAL ORGANIZATIONS

Mind's World: Imagination and Subjectivity from Descartes to Romanticism, by Alexander Schlutz
WINNER OF THE JEAN-PIERRE BARRCELLI PRIZE (sponsored by the International Conference on Romanticism)

A Moveable Empire: Ottoman Nomads, Migrants, and Refugees, by Resat Kasaba
WINNER OF THE FUAD KOPRULU BEST BOOK AWARD (sponsored by the Turkish Studies Association)

Preston Singletary: Echoes, Fire, and Shadows, by Melissa G. Post
WINNER OF THE WASHINGTON MUSEUM ASSOCIATION AWARD FOR PUBLIC EXCELLENCE

Sky Train: Tibetan Women on the Edge, by Canyon Sam
WINNER OF A PEN OPEN BOOK AWARD

Solidarity Stories: An Oral History of the ILWU, by Harvey Schwartz
WINNER OF THE BEST AMERICAN LABOR HISTORY FROM THE BAY AREA INDEPENDENT PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION

This Is What They Say: Stories, by Francois Mandeville; translated from Chipewyan by Ron Scollon
WINNER OF AN AMERICAN BOOK AWARD (sponsored by the Before Columbus Foundation)

Tribes and Empire on the Margins of Nineteenth-Century Iran, by Arash Khazeni
WINNER OF THE HOUSHANG POURSHARIATI IRANIAN STUDIES BOOK AWARD (sponsored by the Middle East Studies Association)

Uncommon Threads: Wabanaki Textiles, Clothing, and Costume, by Bruce Bourque and Laureen LaBar
RECIPIENT OF THE R.L. SHEP ETHNIC TEXTILES BOOK AWARD

Warship under Sail: The USS Decatur in the Pacific West, by Lorraine McConaghy
WINNER OF THE WASHINGTON MUSEUM ASSOCIATION AWARD FOR PUBLIC EXCELLENCE

Wilderness in National Parks: Playground or Preserve, by John C. Miles
NAMED AN OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC TITLE BY CHOICE
Wild Sardinia: Indigeneity and the Global Dreamtimes of Environmentalism, by Tracey Heatherington
WINNER OF THE VICTOR TURNER PRIZE FOR ETHNOGRAPHIC WRITING (sponsored by the Society for Humanistic Anthropology)

2009

Anooshi Lingit Aani Ka / Russians in Tlingit America: The Battles of Sitka, 1802 and 1804, by Nora Marks Dauenhauer, Richard Dauenhauer, and Lydia T. Black
AWARDED THE ALASKA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION'S ALASKANA OF THE YEAR AWARD

Arctic Spectacles: The Frozen North in Visual Culture, 1818-1875, by Russell A. Potter
HONORABLE MENTION FOR THE JOHN LYMAN AWARD FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (sponsored by the North American Society for Oceanic History)

Artisans in Early Imperial China, by Anthony Barbieri-Low
WINNER OF THE 2009 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF ASIA SCHOLARS AWARD
WINNER OF THE LEVONSEN PRIZE (sponsored by the Association for Asian Studies)
WINNER OF THE CHARLES RUFUS MOREY AWARD (sponsored by the College Art Association)
WINNER OF THE JAMES HENRY BREASTED PRIZE (sponsored by the American Historical Association)
NAMED AN OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC TITLE BY CHOICE

Carl Maxey: A Fighting Life, by Jim Kershner
FINALIST FOR THE WASHINGTON STATE BOOK AWARD FOR HISTORY /BIOGRAPHY

The Country in the City: The Greening of the San Francisco Bay Area, by Richard A. Walker
WINNER OF THE 2009 HAL K. ROTHMAN AWARD (sponsored by the Western History Association)

The Informed Gardener, by Linda Chalker-Scott
WINNER THE BEST BOOK PRIZE BY THE GARDEN WRITERS ASSOCIATION

A Kiowa’s Odyssey: A Sketchbook from Fort Marion, edited by Phillip Earenfight
WINNER OF THE ALFRED H. BARR AWARD (sponsored by the College Art Association)

The Many Lives of a Rajput Queen: Heroic Pasts in India, c. 1500-1900, by Ramya Sreenivasan
WINNER OF THE ANANDA KENTISH COOMARASWAMY BOOK PRIZE (sponsored by the Association for Asian Studies)

S’abadeb, The Gifts: Pacific Coast Salish Art and Artists, edited by Barbara Brotherton
WINNER OF THE WASHINGTON STATE BOOK AWARD FOR GENERAL NONFICTION

The Weather of the Pacific Northwest, by Cliff Mass
FINALIST FOR THE WASHINGTON STATE BOOK AWARD FOR GENERAL NONFICTION
2008

The University of Washington Press was honored with an Asian American Living Pioneer Award from Northwest Asian Weekly.

Anooshi Lingit Aani Ka / Russians in Tlingit America: The Battles of Sitka, 1802 and 1804, edited by Nora Marks Dauenhauer, Richard Dauenhauer, and Lydia T. Black
WINNER OF AN AMERICAN BOOK AWARD (sponsored by the Before Columbus Foundation)

Beyond Literary Chinatown, by Jeffrey F. L. Partridge
WINNER OF AN AMERICAN BOOK AWARD (sponsored by the Before Columbus Foundation)

The Country in the City: The Greening of the San Francisco Bay Area, by Richard A. Walker
FINALIST FOR THE WESTERN WRITERS OF AMERICA SPUR AWARD FOR CONTEMPORARY NONFICTION

Danish Cookbooks: Domesticity and National Identity, 1616-1901, by Carol Gold
WINNER OF THE GOURMAND WORLD COOKBOOKS AWARD

A Kiowa’s Odyssey: A Sketchbook from Fort Marion, edited by Phillip Earenfight
WINNER OF THE AWARD OF MERIT FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA FEDERATION OF MUSEUMS AND HISTORICAL ORGANIZATIONS

Lionel H. Pries, Architect, Artist, Educator: From Arts and Crafts to Modern Architecture, by Jeffrey Karl Ochsner
FINALIST FOR THE WASHINGTON STATE BOOK AWARD FOR HISTORY / BIOGRAPHY

Native Seattle: Histories from the Crossing-Over Place, by Coll Thrush
WINNER OF THE WASHINGTON STATE BOOK AWARD FOR HISTORY / BIOGRAPHY

The New Woman in Uzbekistan: Islam, Modernity, and Unveiling under Communism, by Marianne Kamp
WINNER OF THE HELDT PRIZE (sponsored by the Association of Women in Slavic Studies)
WINNER OF THE CENTRAL EURASIAN STUDIES SOCIETY HISTORY AND HUMANITIES BOOK AWARD
HONORABLE MENTION FOR THE W. BRUCE LINCOLN BOOK PRIZE (sponsored by the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies)

Yuungnaqpiallerput / The Way We Genuinely Life: Masterworks of Yup’ik Science and Survival, by Ann Fienup-Riordan
HONORABLE MENTION FOR THE VICTOR TURNER PRIZE (sponsored by the American Association of Anthropology)
HONORABLE MENTION FOR THE WILLIAM MILLS PRIZE FOR POLAR BOOKS