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Cast Your Vote for the 7th Annual People's Choice Awards

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The Library of Virginia is pleased to announce the finalists for the 7th Annual People's Choice Awards. Finalists in fiction and nonfiction were selected by an independent panel of judges from the books nominated for the 13th Annual Library of Virginia Literary Awards. The People's Choice Awards are given for the best fiction and nonfiction books by Virginia authors or in the case of nonfiction on a Virginia subject. The books must be published in the past calendar year. Winners are decided by a vote of Virginia readers.

This year's fiction finalists for the People's Choice Awards are *First Family* by David Baldacci, *The Riesling Retribution* by Ellen Crosby, *The Lacuna* by Barbara Kingsolver, *Very Valentine* by Adriana Trigiani, and *Half Broke Horses* by Jeannette Walls.

The nonfiction finalists are *Haunted Plantations of Virginia* by Beth Brown, *I Am Murdered* by Bruce Chadwick, *Girl in a Library* by Kelly Cherry, *It'll All Come Out in the Wash* by Joanne Crutchfield, and *Soul of a People* by David A. Taylor.

The winners of the People's Choice Awards for fiction and nonfiction will be chosen from these finalists by readers voting at libraries and online at the Library of Virginia's Web site <http://www.lva.virginia.gov/vote>.

Voting for the People's Choice Awards runs from May 17 through June 30. Winners will be announced at the Library of Virginia Literary Awards Celebration on October 16, 2010. Dominion is the sponsor of the 2010 Literary Awards.

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