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Cast Your Vote for the 12th Annual People's Choice Awards

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The Library of Virginia is pleased to sponsor the 12th Annual People's Choice Awards. Finalists in fiction and nonfiction were selected by Virginia librarians and independent booksellers. Awards are given for the best fiction and nonfiction books by Virginia authors; in the case of nonfiction, books on a Virginia subject that have been published in the past year are eligible.

The winners will be chosen by votes from the public from among five finalists in each category. Readers may vote 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 1 through June 30, 2015.

This year's fiction finalists for the People's Choice Awards are:

- *The Good, the Bad, and the Emus* by Donna Andrews
- *Gray Mountain* by John Grisham
- *The Hunger Artist* by Jeffrey N. Johnson
- *How to Tell Toledo from the Night Sky* by Lydia Netzer
- *Small Blessings* by Martha Woodroof

The nonfiction finalists are:

- *Before the First Draft* by John Casey
- *Give War and Peace a Chance* by Andrew D. Kaufman
- *Factory Man* by Beth Macy
- *Embattled Rebel: Jefferson Davis as Commander in Chief* by James M. McPherson
- *Overwhelmed Work, Love, and Play When No One Has the Time* by Brigid Schulte

Winners will be announced on October 17, 2015, at the 18th Annual Library of Virginia Literary Awards Celebration presented by Dominion. Each winner will receive an engraved crystal book and a monetary prize of \$2,500.

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