Declaration of Eligibility for 2021 PEN America Literary Awards

2021 PEN/Robert W. Bingham Prize for Debut Short Story Collection

Please have a company executive sign the below form. If you select ‘No’ for any of the following, please be advised that the book is not eligible for this PEN America award. After completion, please upload this form as a PDF with the rest of your application.

I, ________________________________________, hereby state that ___________________________________________, hereby state that

(Name)

__________________________________________________________ (Book Title)

by ______________________________________________________ (Author Name)

is eligible for the 2021 PEN/Robert W. Bingham Prize for Debut Short Story Collection.

I agree that:

Please choose “yes” or “no” boxes as they apply to the submitted title.

YES      NO

The title is the writer’s absolute first published book AND a short story collection.    ☐ ☐

The title’s first U.S. publication was in or is forthcoming in 2020 by a trade publisher. The title is not self-published. ☐ ☐

The author is a U.S. resident and/or U.S. citizen. ☐ ☐

FINALIST TRAVEL: In the event that the nominee is selected as one of the top five finalists for this award, we, the author’s publisher/agent, will be responsible for covering travel and lodging expenses to enable the author to attend the PEN America Literary Awards Ceremony in NYC and to take part in related outreach and publicity, as well as ensuring their availability to attend. (This requirement is not intended to exclude eligible books from consideration. Small presses for which this requirement would pose financial hardship should please notify awards@pen.org. Please note we are monitoring health concerns surrounding COVID-19 and we may revisit event-related requirements in early 2021.)

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