



Arab American Book Award Mission and Criteria

The Arab American Book Award was established in 2006. The Award is attributed to books published in the last full calendar year*. An Award will be given to an author, editor or illustrator in each of the following categories:

- Adult Non-Fiction in the areas of the Social Sciences and Humanities;
- Adult Fiction, including Arts and Literature
- Poetry
- Children or Young Adult, Fiction or Non-Fiction

Mission Statement

The Arab American Book Award encourages the publication and excellence of books that preserve and advance the understanding, knowledge, and resources of the Arab American Community by celebrating the thoughts and lives of Arab Americans. The purpose of the Awards is to inspire authors, educate readers and foster a respect and understanding of the Arab American culture.

Procedures and Criteria for the Arab American Book Award

The Arab American Book Award Committee invites submissions of published works for the Arab American Book Award. Submissions can be made by either the publisher or the author. The person submitting should complete the Arab American Book Award Submission Form and clearly indicate compliance with the following criteria:

1. The book must be written, edited or illustrated by an Arab American, or address the Arab American experience. See below for a list of the 22 Arab countries.
2. The book must be an original work and published in English between January 1 and December 31 of the last full calendar year. The Award is given the year after the eligible books are published*.
3. The portrayal or representation of Arab Americans should be accurate and engaging; avoid stereotypes, and reflect rich characterization.
4. Submissions must be postmarked by noted deadline. The deadline for the current submission period will be posted on the official Book Award Website, <http://www.arabamericanmuseum.org/bookaward> or you can call the AANM Library for the current Deadline, 313.624.0223.

22 Arab countries: Algeria, Bahrain, Comoros Islands, Djibouti, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Libya, Lebanon, Mauritania, Morocco, Palestine, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Yemen.

* Example: To have been eligible for the 2009 Arab American Book Award the book must have had a copyright date between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2008.



Arab American Book Award Submission Form

Please designate category:

Adult Fiction Adult Non-Fiction Poetry Children's/Young Adult

Please check all that apply:

Arab American Author Arab American Editor
 Arab American Illustrator Arab American Experience

Title:

Author/Illustrator:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Publisher/Imprint:

Copyright Date (month/year):

Book Editor:

Contact Information (if different than author/illustrator):

Name:

Phone:

Email:

Send the AANM Submission Form and four copies of the published book to:

C/O Library Assistant
Arab American National Museum
Library and Resource Center 313.624.0223 (direct line)
13624 Michigan Avenue 313.624.8539 (fax)
Dearborn, Michigan 48126

All books submitted become the property of the Arab American National Museum.