



National
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2019 National Magazine Award Nominees Announced

TORONTO, ON (May 1, 2019) – The [National Media Awards Foundation](#) (NMAF) is delighted to unveil the finalists for the [42nd National Magazine Awards](#), including the publications short listed for the Best Magazine awards. The annual gala, held on May 31, 2019, will be hosted by author, filmmaker, and two-time NMA winner **Omar Mouallem**.

For this year's competition, **187 Canadian magazines** from coast to coast to coast—English and French, print and digital—submitted the work of more than 2,000 writers, editors, photographers, illustrators, art directors, and other creators. The NMAF's **125 volunteer judges** have selected a total of **201 submissions** from **70 different Canadian publications** for awards in 28 written, visual, editorial, and best magazine categories.

“Announcing the nominees of the annual National Magazine Awards is always incredibly exciting,” said **NMAF President Julie Cailliau**. “To see the impressive work of our talented editors, art directors, writers, and visual creators is such an uplifting feeling. The variety of magazines we create here in Canada is astonishing, as is the quality. Congratulations to the finalists of the 42nd annual NMAs! We look forward to celebrating Canada's best creators and magazines at the gala on May 31.”

BEST MAGAZINE AWARDS

Three publications have been shortlisted in each of the four Best Magazine divisions.

The outstanding nominees are:

Best Magazine: News, Business, General Interest

Nouveau Projet

The Walrus

Toronto Life

Best Magazine: Service & Lifestyle

Cottage Life

ELLE Canada

FASHION Magazine

Best Magazine: Art, Literary & Culture

Canadian Art
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The Site Magazine

Best Magazine: Special Interest

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MAGAZINE GRAND PRIX

The **Magazine Grand Prix award**—the highest honour bestowed to a publication—will be presented to one publication among the four winners of the Best Magazine awards, revealed at the gala on May 31st.

BEST NEW MAGAZINE WRITER

The jury selected four nominees for Best New Magazine Writer. This award is given to the individual whose early work in magazines shows the highest degree of craft and promise. This year's emerging writers are:

Max Binks-Collier for "Distant Relatives," published in *Maisonneuve*

Jennifer Thornhill Verma for "Letters From Pop," published in *Maisonneuve*

Anais Granofsky for "Between Two Worlds," published in *Toronto Life*

Mugoli Samba for "Wilbur Howard and the White Church," published in the *United Church Observer*

EDITOR GRAND PRIX

The three editors shortlisted for the prestigious Editor Grand Prix title are **Aaron Kylie** (*Canadian Geographic*), **Alison Uncles** (*Maclean's*), and, for the second year, **Nicolas Langelier** (*Nouveau Projet*).

PUBLISHER GRAND PRIX

New this year, this award honours the publisher whose brand best delivers on their editorial mandate through numerous platforms. The finalists are **Gilles Gagnier** (*Canadian Geographic*), **Alysa Procida** (*Inuit Art Quarterly*), and **Ken Hunt** (*Toronto Life*).

ISSUE GRAND PRIX

Also new to the 2019 lineup, the Issue Grand Prix award honours quality and originality of the content of an entire issue as well as its relevance to the intended readers. The magazine finalists are:

Alberta Views, **BESIDE**, **Canadian Art**, **Inuit Art Quarterly**, **LSTW**, **Nouveau Projet**, **The Walrus**, **The Site Magazine**, **Prairie Fire & Contemporary Verse 2**, and **University of Toronto Magazine**.

ART DIRECTION GRAND PRIX

This coveted award honours excellence in art direction for a complete issue. This year's nominated art directors include: **Eliane Cadieux** (*BESIDE*), **Kim Zagar** (*Cottage Life*), **Jean-François Proulx** (*Nouveau Projet*), **Hélène Mallette** (*Dînette Magazine*), **Domenic Macri**, **Brennan Higginbotham**, **Clare Vander Meersch** (*Report on Business*), **Pamela Rounis** (*SAD Mag*), **Jenn Lawrence** (*The Feathertale Review*), **Benjamin MacDonald** (*The Globe and Mail Style Advisor*), **Carey van der Zalm** (*The Site Magazine*), and **Vanessa Wyse** (*University of Toronto Magazine*).

NOMINATION HIGHLIGHTS

- Photographer **Mathieu Lachapelle** of *Dînette Magazine* is a four-time nominee across three visual categories: Lifestyle Photography, Portrait Photography, and Photo Essay & Photojournalism.
- Writer **Anthony Oliveira** garnered three nominations in as many categories for his story "Death in the Village" published in *Hazlitt*.
- *L'actualité's* **Amélie Chamberland** (art director) and **Charles Grandmont** (editor) received three nominations in the editorial category Cover Grand Prix.
- The jury shortlisted two of Edmonton-based photographer **Amber Bracken's** photographs for Portrait Photography: "Nishnawbe-Aski Police Service," featured in *Maclean's* magazine, and "Life After Coal," published in *The Narwhal*.
- Best New Magazine Writer nominee **Anais Granofsky** is also a finalist in the category of Long-Form Feature Writing for her piece "Between Two Worlds" published in *Toronto Life*.
- Vancouver-based writer **Bruce Grierson** earned two nominations, first for an essay published in *Eighteen Bridges* ("Have You Heard?") and second for a long-form story featured in *Hakai Magazine* ("The Cavernous World under the Woods").
- **Emily Landau** is nominated for two articles published in *Toronto Life* ("The Greatest Showman") and *Toronto Life Stylebook* ("I, Tanya") in addition to being credited as the handling editor for four other stories.
- Also a double nominee this year is writer **Simon Lewsen**, for his profile "The Freeland World" penned for *The Walrus*, and short feature article "A New Leaf," published in *BESIDE*.
- *L'actualité's* journalist **Noémi Mercier** is once again a finalist this year for Columns ("Des gars, des filles") and Long-Form Feature Writing ("Mourir seul").

- Maritime-based writer **Chelsea Murray** is finalist for Personal Journalism (“The Agony of Intimacy,” published in *Hazlitt*) as well as for Long-Form Feature Writing (“Joe and the Whale,” published in *The Deep*).
- Quebec journalist **Sabrina Myre** garnered two nominations for articles published in *ELLE Québec* magazine: Feature Writing (“Le grand sacrifice des nounous philippines”) and Short Feature Writing (“Révolution féministe en Éthiopie, l'intrigant cas d'Awra Amba”).
- Writer **Katrina Onstad** is nominated for two stories: in Essays for “Class Divide”, published in *The Walrus*, as well as in Profiles, for “Mr. Robot”, written for *Toronto Life*.

TOP NOMINATED MAGAZINES

Among the 70 publications shortlisted, *Toronto Life* leads with 19 nominations. *The Walrus* follows with 13 nominations, while *L'actualité*, *Maclean's*, and *Nouveau Projet* share the third place with 9 nominations each. Other top nominated titles include:

MAGAZINE	NOMINATIONS
<i>Toronto Life</i>	19
<i>The Walrus</i>	13
<i>L'actualité</i>	9
<i>Maclean's</i>	9
<i>Nouveau Projet</i>	9
<i>Hazlitt</i>	8
<i>Report on Business</i>	7
<i>Maisonneuve</i>	6
<i>Canadian Geographic</i>	5
<i>Cottage Life</i>	5
<i>Dînette Magazine</i>	5
<i>FASHION Magazine</i>	5
<i>The Fiddlehead</i>	5
<i>The New Quarterly</i>	5
<i>The Site Magazine</i>	5

Publications with **4 nominations** each: *The Narwhal*, *University of Toronto Magazine*

Publications with **3 nominations** each: *BESIDE*, *Canadian Art*, *ELLE Québec*, *The Deep*, *Today's Parent*, *Reader's Digest*

Publications with **2 nominations** each: *Air Canada enRoute*, *Arc Poetry*, *Alberta Views*, *BuzzFeed Canada*, *Chatelaine*, *Eighteen Bridges*, *Geist*, *Hakai Magazine*, *Inuit Art Quarterly*, *Prairie Fire*, *Prairie Fire & Contemporary Verse*, *Québec Science*, *U of T Medicine*

FIRST-TIME NOMINEES

Magazines nominated for their first National Magazine Award are: *Canadian Cycling*, *Fête Chinoise*, *Le Trente*, *The Maritime Edit*, *The Narwhal*, and *Title Magazine*.

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT

On April 30, the NMAF was delighted to name [Linda Spalding](#), an acclaimed Canadian writer and a longtime editor of *Brick* magazine, the recipient of the 2019 Foundation Award for Outstanding Achievement, recognizing her career excellence and leadership in Canadian magazines.

Congratulations to the nominees of the 42nd National Magazine Awards. Visit magazine-awards.com for complete details.

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ABOUT THE 42nd NMAs

The National Media Awards Foundation will welcome Canada's top writers, artists, editors, art directors, publishers, and other creators to the 42nd National Magazine Awards gala, hosted by **Omar Mouallem**. Gold, Silver, and Honourable Mention awards will be presented at the Arcadian Court in Toronto on May 31, at the annual gala. Tickets are on sale at magazine-awards.com.

For **sponsorship enquiries** please contact NMAF Managing Director Barbara Gould at staff@magazine-awards.com.

Credit Changes: The deadline to make any changes to nominations credit is Monday, May 6. Email staff@magazine-awards.com to make any credit changes to your nominations.

ABOUT THE NATIONAL MEDIA AWARDS FOUNDATION

A charitable foundation, the NMAF's mandate is to recognize, support and promote excellence in content creation of Canadian print and digital publications through annual programs of awards and national publicity efforts. The Foundation produces three distinct and bilingual award programs: the [National Magazine Awards](#), the [Digital Publishing Awards](#), and the [National Magazine Awards: B2B](#).

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