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Publisher \_\_\_\_\_ ISBN # \_\_\_\_\_

Publication Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/2020  
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Our final judging process sees each book evaluated by a librarian and a bookseller chosen as experts for their particular genre. Over 130 librarians and booksellers carefully appraise using the following criteria: editorial excellence, professional production, originality of the narrative, and the value the book adds to its genre.

*Foreword Reviews* reserves the right to withhold an award in any category should submissions not meet our criteria of editorial excellence and professional production standards.

### PRIZES & AWARDS:

Gold, Silver, and Bronze winners, along with Honorable Mentions will be awarded in each category. An Editor's Choice prize of \$1,500 will be awarded to Best Fiction and Best Nonfiction as determined by the editors of *Foreword Reviews*.

## MARK CATEGORIES FOR SUBMISSION\*

### ADULT FICTION

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Fantasy       | <input type="checkbox"/> Religious           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> General       | <input type="checkbox"/> Romance             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historical    | <input type="checkbox"/> Science Fiction     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Humor         | <input type="checkbox"/> Short Stories       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> LGBTQ+        | <input type="checkbox"/> Thriller & Suspense |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Multicultural |  |
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### ADULT NONFICTION

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Art                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Humor                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Autobiography & Memoir         | <input type="checkbox"/> LGBTQ+                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Biography                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Multicultural                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Body, Mind & Spirit            | <input type="checkbox"/> Nature                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business & Economics           | <input type="checkbox"/> Performing Arts & Music      |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Family & Relationships         | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion                     |
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