

AUTHORS JOIN THE INTERNATIONAL FIREBIRD BOOK AWARD CIRCLE OF WINNERS

October 20, 2023 – Speak Up Talk Radio announced the recent FIREBIRD BOOK AWARDS contest winners.

One of the winning entries was from Prince George's County Maryland author Jocelyn E. Cox, whose book titled *Jocelyn Learns to Dance* won in the Children's Picture Book Category.

Authors and publishers worldwide submitted their work to the International Firebird Book Awards. Two judges from a select panel of 27 read each book and independently scored each entry. All judges commit to a set of standardized criteria that evaluates the quality of the writing as well as production aspects. Only entries with the highest scores are awarded the coveted Firebird.

Patricia J. Rullo, the founder of the Firebird Book Awards, says, "The Firebird Book Awards adds a charitable twist that allows the author's entry fee to be tax-deductible. In return, we make handmade fun and colorful pillowcases and send them with children's books to women and children who are experiencing homelessness, including the shelter Enchanted Makeovers, a 501(c)3 tax-exempt organization. In this way, authors get notoriety for their work while helping to transform homeless shelters into bright and happy homes. While it feels good to win a book award, it feels even better to do good and serve others."

The Firebird Book Award judging panel includes a diverse group who represent a cross-section of ages, cultural heritage, races, religions, gender, and experience. At Speak Up Talk Radio, we offer creative people a welcome place to promote themselves via book awards, podcast awards, radio interviews, audiobook production, and podcasting services, including free opportunities to be featured in the BOOMBANGO MY GOSH WOW podcast, where authors share short but helpful tips with fellow authors as well as share guest posts on our Blog.

The Firebird Book Awards run quarterly contests so authors can receive recognition on a timely basis. Authors from all genres, mainstream, independent, and self-published, are welcome. For additional winning authors, titles, and entry information:

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