



2024 CURT JOHNSON PROSE AWARDS FICTION AND NONFICTION

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All Finalists listed in Awards Issue

Deadline: MAY 1, 2024

Leslie Jamison

Nonfiction Judge



Leslie Jamison is the author of the New York Times bestsellers *The Recovering* and *The Empathy Exams*; the collection of essays *Make It Scream, Make It Burn*, a finalist for the PEN/ Diamonstein-Spielvogel Award; and the novel *The Gin Closet*, a finalist for the Los Angeles Times Book Prize. She teaches at Columbia University and lives in Brooklyn. Her most recent book, *Splinters: Another Kind of Love Story*, comes out on February 20, 2024.

Tlotlo Tsamaase

Fiction Judge



Tlotlo Tsamaase is a Motswana author (xe/xem/xer or she/her pronouns). Tlotlo's debut adult novel, *Womb City*, is out now from Erewhon Books. Tlotlo is a Caine Prize finalist. Xer novella, *The Silence of the Wilting Skin*, is a 2021 Lambda Literary Award finalist and was shortlisted for a 2021 Nommo Award. Tlotlo has received support from the Rolex Mentor and Protégé Arts Initiative. Tsamaase is currently pursuing an MFA in Creative Writing at Chapman University.

Submit 1 story/essay per entry, max. 8,000 words, March 1-May 1, 2024.

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