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September 2017 News & Events

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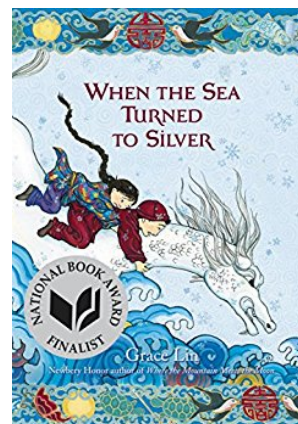
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BAC Awards Event at the BPL on September 13 at 4:30PM

Please join us at the Boston Author's Club annual Julia Ward Howe awards event on September 13, from 4:30-7:00, at the Commonwealth Salon Room of the Boston Public Library McKim Building, 700 Boylston Street, Boston. The program includes time to socialize over refreshments, meet the honored authors, buy their books, and get a copy signed. Each author will make brief remarks.

If you have not already responded to the Evite, please send an RSVP if you plan to attend. You are most welcome to bring a guest. Email the number and names of attendees to bostonauthorsclub@gmail.com

The winners of this year's Julia Ward Howe Prize are Daniel Tobin, *From Nothing* (Four Way Books) and Grace Lin, *When the Sea Turned to Silver* (Little Brown Books for Young Readers).



Finalists and Highly Recommended authors and books BAC will honor at the awards event are:

Finalists –General Readers:

Jung Yun, *Shelter* (Picador)

Susan E. Maycock & Charles M. Sullivan, *Building Old Cambridge* (MIT Press)

Highly Recommended –General Readers:

Nicolson Baker, *Substitute* (Blue Rider Press)

Chris Castellani, *The Art of Perspective* (Graywolf Press)

Joshua Bennett, *The Sobbing School* (Penguin Random House)

Paul Mariani, *The Whole Harmonium* (Simon & Schuster)

Dava Sobel, *The Glass Universe* (Viking)

Finalists –Young Readers:

Jacqueline Davies, *Nothing But Trouble* (Harper Collins)

Susan Lynn Meyer, *Skating with the Statue of Liberty* (Delacorte Press)

Highly Recommended – Young Readers:

Heather Lang, *Swimming with Sharks* (Albert Whitman & Company)

Ellen Wittlinger, *Local Girl Swept Away* (Merit Press)

Reminder to Renew Your Membership

For anyone who has not renewed their BAC membership in 2017, it's past the time but still not too

late! To make renewal even more convenient, we now provide an option to pay your dues directly through the BAC website at: bostonauthorsclub.org/renew/

Full membership dues are \$50 annually and Associate memberships are \$25 annually for the calendar year. If you would rather pay by check, please make your check out to **Boston Authors Club** and mail it to the following address:

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Board Updates and BAC Thanks to Alan Lawson

After many years, Alan Lawson stepped down as President of the BAC this summer. He will be greatly missed by everyone. We sincerely thank him for his dedication and leadership over the years. We are pleased to announce that Mary J. Cronin has been elected by the Board as the new BAC President. We also welcome Nancy Tupper Ling and Scott Guthery to the BAC Board. For more information on our new Board members, please go to our [website](#)



BAC Member News

We are back on schedule for BAC newsletter publication the first week of every month. Please send news about your activities, publications, and new books (along with related pictures) to bostonauthorsclub@gmail.com by September 27 for publication in the October newsletter.

Judith Beth Cohen recently had a story published in this new online magazine that specializes in issues around disability. The story is called "Pray for Willie," and can be found at <https://tinytimliteraryreview.com/>

John J. Ronan's new book of poetry, *Taking the Train of Singularity South from Midtown* appeared Jan. 15. He held readings at the AWP conference in D.C. on February 9, SUNY Farmingdale, NY on March 23, Sawyer Free Library, Gloucester on April 8, at the Cornelia St. Café, NYC on May 3. Also, a play of his, *The Early Bird Special*, was a co-winner in the one-act category at the Fire House Festival in Newburyport and was produced January 27.

Liza Ketchum's YA novel about vaudeville, "The Life Fantastic," (Merit Press) had a lovely launch party at Porter Square Books. Liza joined Karen Hesse and Eileen Christelow for a book talk and a discussion on their decades-long writer's group on April 29th at Northshire Bookstore in Manchester, VT.

This spring, the MIT Press published **Jerome Kagan's** most recent book, titled "Five Constraints in Predicting Behavior."

Nancy Rappaport's most recent writing project is a one-woman play, *Regeneration*. It was just accepted for performance in the United Solo Theatre Festival, the world's largest solo theatre festival. The performance will be on October 5th in NYC. She has other upcoming performances in the Boston area, including a free Public Health Week performance on 4/5 at the Somerville Public Library. More information, including a promotional video and performance details, is here: <http://nancyrappaport.com/speaking/regeneration.shtml>

Alan E. Foulds, a writer of historical books and articles, made his first foray into fiction. The March/April edition of *Alfred Hitchcock Mystery Magazine* made his short story, "Razor's Edge" the cover feature. With luck it's the beginning of a second direction for the author.

Tracy Miller Geary published two articles - "Tips for Writing the College Essay" (Winter Issue) and "Paying for College" (Spring Issue) - in *One Magazine*, a print and online magazine (onethemag.com). Patricia Striar Rohner had a successful book party in Huntingdon Valley, PA on May 22, where she sold 25 copies of "Tzippy the Thief," a novel about an 80-year old Jewish widow, who is also a shoplifter, who wants to change her life in the 11th hour.

Anthony Sammarco's new book, "Jordan Marsh: New England's Largest Store" will be out on November 6, 2017.

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