



The Paragraphe Hugh MacLennan Prize for Fiction

Official Submission List 2026

Title	Author	Publisher
Oyster	Marianne Ackerman	Dundurn Press
Edisson and Jeremiah	Michael Carin	Guernica Editions
The Cat Laughs	Louise Carson	Signature Editions
Count On Me	Ann Cavlovic	Guernica Editions
Koh-i-Noor	Michael Eddy	Book*hug Press
Black Creek	Susan Grundy	Inanna Publications and Education, Inc.
No Wrong Seasons	Brenda Hartwell	Inanna Publications and Educations Inc.
Private Number	David Homel	Véhicule Press / Esplanade Books
The Longest Death	Kevin Jagernauth	House of Anansi Press / Spiderline
This Is Why I Need You	Aleksandra Kakon	ECW Press
This Weekend Doesn't End Well for Anyone	Catherine Mack	Minotaur Books
A Hungry Fire	Élyssa Marcoux-Bissoondath	Cormorant Books
Leila and Khaled	Nyla Matuk	House of Anansi Press
The Guilt Trippers	Philippe Mineau	Baraka Books
My Summer Vacation	Zeenat Nagree	Véhicule Press / Esplanade Books
Wayward Voices	Frank Nixon	Frank Nixon
The Last Mandarin	Louise Penny and Melissa Fung	Minotaur Books
The Black Wolf	Louise Penny	Minotaur Books
Asha in Her Garden	Anita Rau Badami	Knopf Canadian Publishing
There's Always More to Say	Natalie Southworth	Linda Leith Publishing
Layaway Child	Chanel Sutherland	House of Anansi Press / Astoria
And Then Again Begin	H. Nigel Thomas	Guernica Editions
Lavender Spike	Rachel Tremblay	ECW Press
Smaller Animals	Carter Vance	Collective Ink / Roundfire Books
You x Me	Ayla Vejdani	Generous Press
Mind the Gap	Alice Zorn	NeWest Press

26 Titles