The Concordia University First Book Prize

Official Submission List 2026

Title	Author	Publisher
Missed Connections with Tall Girls	Gwen Aube	LittlePuss Press
River Running	Loch Baillie	Goose Lane Editions / icehouse poetry
Count On Me	Ann Cavlovic	Guernica Editions
Into the Loop: An Ethnography of Compulsive Repetition	Samuele Collu	Duke University Press
Eating the Urban Wild: Food and Foraging in Montreal	Natalie Doonan	McGill-Queen's University Press
Native Immigrant: A Personal Journey into Our Home and Native Land	Carolina Echeverría	Livres Agapé Books
Koh-i-Noor	Michael Eddy	Book*hug Press
No Wrong Seasons	Brenda Hartwell	Inanna Publications and Educations Inc.
The Longest Death	Kevin Jagernauth	House of Anansi Press / Spiderline
The Story of Your Life: How Social Media Shapes the Way We Experience Everything	Kathryn Jezer-Morton	Random House Canada
Ancestral Daughter	Zeina Jhaish	Daraja Press
Buttercup	Emily Tristan Jones	Verge Books
This Is Why I Need You	Alecsandra Kakon	ECW Press
Stranger in the Theologians' Den: Shaping My Soul	Willy Kotiuga	Wipf & Stock / Resource Publications
Nine Bags of Gold: The Real-Life Hunt for the Lost Treasure of Acadie	Stéphane LeBlanc-Rainville	Nimbus Publishing
Banished Rose	Leila	Leila
A Hungry Fire	Élyssa Marcoux-Bissoondath	Cormorant Books
The Guilt Trippers	Philippe Mineau	Baraka Books
My Summer Vacation	Zeenat Nagree	Véhicule Press / Esplanade Books
Wayward Voices	Frank Nixon	FriesenPress
Opioids and Organs	Arizona O'Neill	Drawn & Quarterly
Oxford Soju Club	Jinwoo Park	Dundurn Press
Tell Me I Can't	James Piccoli	Stonehewer Books

The Pornographic Delicatessen: Midcentury Montréal's Erotic Art, Media, and Spaces	Matthew Purvis	Concordia University Press
Other Endings: Organ Transplantation and the Burdens of Hope	Anita Slominska	McGill-Queen's University Press
My Great-Grandfather Danced Ballet	Misha Solomon	Brick Books
There's Always More to Say	Natalie Southworth	Linda Leith Publishing
Layaway Child	Chanel Sutherland	House of Anansi Press / Astoria
Family Secrets: A Daughter's Search for Her Parents' Hidden War	Alice Switocz Goldbloom	Pottersfield Press
Smaller Animals	Carter Vance	Collective Ink / Roundfire Books
The Gates of the Sea: Migration and Rescue at the Edges of Europe	Luna Vives	Fernwood Publishing
Backbone	Meryem Yildiz	Guernica Editions

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