

***No Experts Needed* Receives DIY Honorable Mention**

2007 DIY BOOK FESTIVAL NAMES WINNERS

LOS ANGELES (October 20, 2007) _ Poet **Mark Brunetti's** engaging "**Airplane Lies and Other Poems Without A Home**" was named Book of the Year for the 2007 DIY Book Festival, whose results were announced today.

Brunetti's collection of poetry is a funny yet profound group of insights from a powerful new voice whose curiosity includes contemplations on the relationship problems of Orpheus and Eurydice, the fondness of beats for haiku and whether there's deeper meaning behind the old joke about a priest and a cop walking into a bar.

The strong attitude and accessibility of the work was a big hit with the DIY Book Festival judges, who awarded Brunetti the festival's \$1500 first prize.

Ex Machina Press was named DIY Publisher of the Year, while **Tracy Augstyn's "Pennies For My Thoughts"** was the most artistic book of the festival.

Other winners in the competition:

POETRY:

WINNER: *Airplane Lies and Other Poems Without A Home* – Mark Brunetti

HONORABLE MENTION:

Lush – Avra Kouffman
Choices – Jennifer Loh
Sightlines: A Poet's Diary – Janet Grace Riehl
Walk On The Child's Side – Penelope Dyan
Dancing in Dissent: Poetry For Activism – Jim Moreno
The Shadow of a Dog I Can't Forget – Mary Kennedy Eastham
Head Trauma: Sonnets and Other Poems – Gary David Johnson
Words Collected on The Road To Silence – Margaret Coyle
Waking Spirit – Prose and Poems The Spirit Sings – Shirley Cheng

COMICS/ZINES

WINNER: *How To Do Comics* – Michael Hampton

HONORABLE MENTION:

The Idiom – Mark Baird
The Renegade: A 20th Anniversary Retrospective – Sterling Clark

COOKBOOKS:

WINNER: *Cooking Bouquet: Feeling At Home In The Kitchen* – Arlene Stolley

HONORABLE MENTION:

Cooking Danish – A Taste Of Denmark – Stig Hansen
The Solar Chef: A Southwestern Recipe Book For Solar Cooking – Rose Marie Kern, et. Al
Vegan World Fusion Cuisine – Mark Reinfeld, others
Simply Sarasota – Creatively Casual Cuisine – Junior League of Sarasota
Tastes Treasures: A Storytelling Cookbook of Historic Arizona – Historical League, Inc.

HOW-TO:

WINNER: The Big Book of Pop Culture – Hal Niedzviecki

HONORABLE MENTION:

A Book Is Born: 24 Authors Tell All – Nancy C. Cleary

Stress Down and Lift Up – Renee Wiggins

The Ring of Success – Dianne White

The Complete Guide To Securing Your Own U.S. Patent – Jamaine Burrell

How To Repair Your Credit Score – Jamaine Burrell

No More Ramen: The 20-Something's Real World Survival Guide – Nicholas Aretakis

After Shock From Cancer – Puja A.J. Thomson

CHILDREN'S:

WINNER: Have You Filled A Bucket Today? - Carol McCloud/David Messing

HONORABLE MENTION:

Moonstory – Maarten Ost/Felix Serwir

Very Little Venus and the Very Friendly Fly – Dawn Williams/Joey Chou

If I Had A Giraffe – Fran Snyder

Ralph's First Day of School – A Train Along Story – Terry Simons/Shannon Darch

Twice A Hero: Polish American Heroes of the American Revolution – Dirk Wales/
Lynn Ihsen Peterson

Sad Sam and the Magic Coolies – Stacy Quest/Michael Morris

The Ghost of Bobby – David Limond Miller

Curio – A Sheland Sheepdog and Her Pals – Jeanette Giver/Phyllis Milway

Why The Dog Chases The Cat and the Cat Chases The Mouse – K.L. Vaniko

I Have 4 Feet He Has 2 – Janice V. Savage

Dare To Dream – Carl Sommer/various

Mommy Has To Stay In Bed – Annette Rivlin-Gutman

Buster's December Tale – As Told By Buster – Jody Bunting/David Conlin

Heavenly Skies and Lullabies – Dr. Kathy Reilly Fallon & Frank Pellegrino

Papa Creigh Tells A Story: The Phat Phrogue – Alyn Saint Creigh

TEENAGE:

WINNER: Figures of Echo - Mary Herczog

HONORABLE MENTION:

Songs for a Teenage Nomad – Kim Culbertson

The Collin Chronicles – Book I – T.K. Garrison

Choices – Kate Buckley

Surfer Girl – Penelope Dyan

BIOGRAPHY/AUTOBIOGRAPHY

WINNER: Firefighterette Gillette – Engineer Kathy Gillette

HONORABLE MENTION:

Pomegranate Roads: A Soviet Botanist's Exile From Eden – Dr. Gregory M. Levin

Autobiography of a Redneck Hindu – Robert Ransom Odom

Lily & Me – Frederick Rodgers

When We Were Colored: A Mother's Story – Eva Rutland

A Wealth of Family – Thomas Brooks

NON-FICTION:

WINNER: What's Your BQ – Learn How 35 Companies Add Customers, Subtract Competitors and Multiply Profits with Brand Quotient - Sandra Sellani

HONORABLE MENTION:

Terrorism 101: A Library Reference and Selected Annotated Bibliography –

Leon Newton

Badge 149: "Shots Fired!" – Gary Jones

America's Conscience – Facing Threats To Democracy, The Middle Class

And Our World – Bernadette Vadurro

My Secret Life As A Priestess – Ronnie Turbane

Deer In My Garden, Vol. 1 – Carolyn Singer

Adam and Eve Were Not Naked – Delroy Marshall

My Doggie Says – Fred Haney

How Women Are Exploited By Men Worldwide – Tolu Tolu

Our Earth and Beyond, Book I – Ron Oberon

Restoring My Soul: Finding and Living The Authentic Self – Andrea Mathews

FICTION:

WINNER: The Crossroads Café – Deborah Smith

HONORABLE MENTION:

The Sidewalk Smokers Club – Stephen Siciliano

Big Brown Bag – Mark Danna

Over The Edge – Marc Paul Kaplan

My Half of the Sky – Jana McBurney-Lin

West Across The Board – Andrew Jalbert

Saving Erasmus – Steven Cleaver

A Trial of One – Mary E. Martin

The Street Life Series: Is It Suicide Or Murder? - Kevin M. Weeks

Julia Fairchild – Louise Gaylord

Cyclizen – Jim Provenzano

A Warrant For Mrs. Lincoln – Nancy Schleifer

The Mind Keepers – Kenneth Maclean

Tunnel Vision – W.K. Brown

The Only Game In Town – Gordon Donnell

Friends and Lovers in Black and White – Altomease Rucker Kennedy

Primordial Vault – Frank Deft

The House of Kane – Barbara Casey

Cibolero – Kermit Lopez

PHOTOGRAPHY/ART:

WINNER: Two Sides: Haiku and Other Words – Tom Quinn Kumpf

HONORABLE MENTION:

Pennies For My Thoughts – Tracy Augustyn

Caryatid – Angela N. Hunt

COMPILATIONS/ANTHOLOGIES:

WINNER: Silent Voices: Volume III – Edited by Peter A. Balaskas

HONORABLE MENTION:

Dreamtime: A Collection of Short Stories – Robert Steiner
View From The Middle Of the Road: Volume II – Lucinda Clark
No Experts Needed: The Meaning Of Life According To You! – Louise Lewis
Further Persons Imperfect – Edited by Paul McComas

FAN FICTION:

WINNER: Sub Rosa – Barrie Rosen

GENRE-BASED:

WINNER: Strike at the Heart – The First Mission – Lawrence Berrie

HONORABLE MENTION:

Strike at the Heart: The Rescue Mission – Lawrence Berrie
The Cloud of Doom – Jack Loscutoff
Demon in the Dark – Doc Vega
Alpha Rising – G.L Douglas
JaXXA Rakala – The Search – Bryan Caron
Ring A Ring of Roses – Randall Scott
Introduction To Love And Self – Joan Vassar

E-BOOKS:

WINNER: Going Solo: How To Survive & Thrive As A Freelance Writer - Bobbi Linkemer

HONORABLE MENTION:

Jake's Preacher Gig – Jack Teeter

UNPUBLISHED STORIES:

WINNER: Crossing The Styx – Peter A. Balaskas

HONORABLE MENTION:

Stanley: The Love Story of A Retarded Janitor – Christopher Cowden
The Best Gift I Never Opened – Sally Toole
Papa Creigh Tells A Story: Styro's Foam – Alyn Saint Creigh