

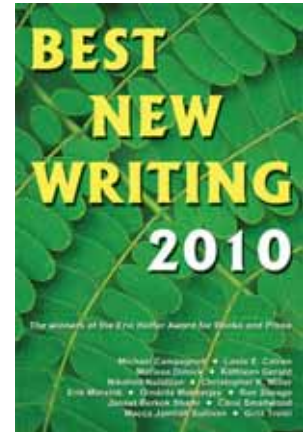
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The 2010 Eric Hoffer Award for Prose Announced

The Eric Hoffer Project announces the 2010 winner of the Eric Hoffer Award for Prose with the release of annual anthology Best New Writing 2010.

NEW JERSEY - The latest issue of **Best New Writing** (Hopewell Publications), an anthology of new fiction and creative nonfiction, will be released on October 6th. *BNW* includes the Eric Hoffer Award for prose and books.

Two separate awards carry the name of American philosopher and freethinker Eric Hoffer, who embodied the spirit of independent learning and human potential. The 2010 Hoffer prizewinner for prose, Louis E. Catron, is featured in *BNW* for his story "Snipe Hunting," along with other honorees. The 2010 prizewinner for books, *Maggots in my Sweet Potatoes*, is also featured with other book award winners.



When author Christopher Klim launched a small literary magazine in 2003, he had little idea that it would eventually house a significant prize for both prose and independent books. "From the start, we wanted to serve modern readers as well as working writers," said *BNW*'s Executive Editor. "The judging pool for the top literary prizes often exclude small presses and previously unpublished work."

Best New Writing is a sample of contemporary writers from around the world. The only major criteria for consideration is that the work is unpublished and less than 10,000 words. "We are not about promoting what you already know, the styles and genres that are comfortably entrenched in the commercial publishing world," Klim noted. "We are about inclusion and discovery."

This issue also includes stories from Michael Campagnoli, Marissa Dimick, Kathleen Gerard, Nikolina Kulidžan, Christopher K. Miller, Erik Morsink, Oindrila Mukherjee, Ron Savage, Janset Berkok Shami, Carol Smallwood, Mecca Jamilah Sullivan, and Gina Troisi.

Best New Writing 2010 was edited by Robert Gover, best-selling author of *One Hundred Dollar Misunderstanding*, *Time and Money*, and *Two Brothers*; Christopher Klim, author of *Jesus Lives in Trenton*, *Everything Burns*, *The Winners Circle*, and *Idiot!*; and Matt Ryan, former editor of *Writers Notes Magazine*, and Christopher Helvey.

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