



**PEN/Faulkner Award for Fiction  
Past Winners & Finalists  
1981-Present**

**2017 – Imbolo Mbue, *Behold the Dreamers***

Viet Dinh, *After Disasters*  
Louise Erdrich, *LaRose*  
Garth Greenwell, *What Belongs to You*  
Sunil Yapa, *Your Heart is a Muscle the Size of a Fist*

**2016 – James Hannaham, *Delicious Foods***

Julie Iromuanya, *Mr. and Mrs. Doctor*  
Viet Thanh Nguyen, *The Sympathizer*  
Elizabeth Tallent, *Mendocino Fire*  
Luis Alberto Urrea, *The Water Museum*

**2015 – Atticus Lish, *Preparation for the Next Life***

Jeffery Renard Allen, *Song of the Shank*  
Jennifer Clement, *Prayers for the Stolen*  
Emily St. John Mandel, *Station Eleven*  
Jenny Offill, *Dept. of Speculation*

**2014 – Karen Joy Fowler,  
*We Are All Completely Beside Ourselves***

Daniel Alarcón, *At Night We Walk In Circles*  
Percival Everett, *Percival Everett by Virgil Russell*  
Joan Silber, *Fools*  
Valerie Trueblood, *Search Party: Stories of Rescue*

**2013 – Benjamin Alire Sáenz,  
*Everything Begins and Ends at the Kentucky Club***

Amelia Gray, *Threats*  
Laird Hunt, *Kind One*  
T. Geronimo Johnson, *Hold It 'Til It Hurts*  
Thomas Mallon, *Watergate*

**2012 - Julie Otsuka, *The Buddha in the Attic***

Russell Banks, *Lost Memory of Skin*  
Don DeLillo, *The Angel Esmeralda: Nine Stories*  
Anita Desai, *The Artist of Disappearance*

Steven Millhauser, *We Others: New and Selected Stories*

**2011 - Deborah Eisenberg,  
The Collected Stories of Deborah Eisenberg**

Jennifer Egan, *A Visit From the Good Squad*  
Jaimy Gordon, *Lord of Misrule*  
Eric Puchner, *Model Home*  
Brad Watson, *Aliens in the Prime of Their Lives*

**2010 - Sherman Alexie, War Dances**

Barbara Kingsolver, *The Lacuna*  
Lorraine Lopéz, *Homicide Survivors Picnic*  
Lorrie Moore, *A Gate at the Stairs*  
Colson Whitehead, *Sag Harbor*

**2009 - Joseph O'Neill, Netherland**

Sarah Shun-lien Bynum, *Ms. Hempel Chronicles* Susan Choi,  
*A Person of Interest*  
Richard Price, *Lush Life*  
Ron Rash, *Serena*

**2008 - Kate Christensen, The Great Man**

Annie Dillard, *The Maytrees*  
David Leavitt, *The Indian Clerk*  
T.M. McNally, *The Gateway: Stories*  
Ron Rash, *Chemistry and Other Stories*

**2007 - Philip Roth, Everyman**

Charles D'Ambrosio, *The Dead Fish Museum* Deborah  
Eisenberg, *Twilight of the Superheroes* Amy Hempel, *The  
Collected Stories of Amy Hempel* Edward P. Jones, *All Aunt  
Hagar's Children*

**2006 - E.L. Doctorow, The March**

Karen Fisher, *A Sudden Country*  
William Henry Lewis, *I Got Somebody in Staunton* James  
Salter, *Last Night*  
Bruce Wagner, *The Chrysanthemum Place*

**2005 - Ha Jin, War Trash**

Jerome Charyn, *The Green Lantern*  
Edwidge Danticat, *The Dew Breaker*  
Marilynne Robinson, *Gilead*  
Steve Yarbrough, *Prisoners of War*

**2004 - John Updike, The Early Stories 1953–1975**

Frederick Barthelme, *Elroy Nights*  
ZZ Packer, *Drinking Coffee Elsewhere*  
Caryl Phillips, *A Distant Shore*  
Tobias Wolff, *Old School*

**2003 - Sabina Murray, The Caprices**

Peter Cameron, *The City of Your Final Destination*  
William Kennedy, *Roscoe*  
Victor LaValle, *The Ecstatic*  
Gilbert Sorrentino, *Little Casino*

**2002 - Ann Patchett, Bel Canto**

Karen Joy Fowler, *Sister Noon*  
Jonathan Franzen, *The Corrections*  
Claire Messud, *The Hunters*  
Manil Suri, *The Death of Vishnu*

**2001 - Philip Roth, The Human Stain**

Michael Chabon, *The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier and Clay*  
Millicent Dillon, *Harry Gold*  
Denis Johnson, *The Name of the World*  
Mona Simpson, *Off Keck Road*

**2000 - Ha Jin, Waiting**

Frederick Busch, *The Night Inspector*  
Ken Kalfus, *Pu-239 And Other Russian Fantasies*  
Elizabeth Strout, *Amy and Isabelle*  
Lily Tuck, *Siam, or the Woman Who Shot a Man*

**1999 - Michael Cunningham, *The Hours***

Russell Banks, *Cloudsplitter*  
Barbara Kingsolver, *The Poisonwood Bible*  
Brian Morton, *Starting Out in the Evening*  
Richard Selzer, *The Doctor Stories*

**1998 - Rafi Zabor, *The Bear Comes Home***

Donald Antrim, *The Hundred Brothers*  
Rilla Askew, *The Mercy Seat*  
Mary Gaitskill, *Because They Wanted To*  
Francisco Goldman, *The Ordinary Seaman*

**1997 - Gina Berriault, *Women in their Beds***

Daniel Akst, *St. Bur's Obituary*  
Kathleen Cambor, *The Book of Mercy*  
Ron Hansen, *Atticus*  
Jamaica Kincaid, *The Autobiography of My Mother*

**1996 - Richard Ford, *Independence Day***

Madison Smart Bell, *All Souls' Rising*  
William Gass, *The Tunnel*  
Claire Messud, *When the World Was Steady*  
A.J. Verdelle, *The Good Negress*

**1995 - David Guterson, *Snow Falling on Cedars***

Frederich Busch, *The Children in the Woods*  
Ursula Hegi, *Stones from the River*  
Joyce Carol Oates, *What I Lived For*  
Joanna Scott, *Various Antidotes*

**1994 - Philip Roth, *Operation Shylock***

Stanley Elkin, *Van Gogh's Room at Arles*  
Dagoberto Gilb, *The Magic of Blood*  
Fae Myenne Ng, *Bone*  
Kate Wheeler, *Not Where I Started From*

**1993 - E. Annie Proulx, Postcards**

Robert Olen Butler, *A Good Scent from a Strange Mountain*  
Francisco Goldman, *The Long Night of White Chickens*  
Maureen Howard, *Natural History*  
Sylvia Watanabe, *Talking to the Dead*

**1992 - Don DeLillo, Mao II**

Stephen Dixon, *Frog*  
Paul Gervais, *Extraordinary People*  
Allan Gurganus, *White People*  
Bradford Morrow, *The Almanac Branch*

**1991 - John Edgar Wideman, Philadelphia Fire**

Paul Auster, *The Music of Chance*  
Joanne Meschery, *A Gentleman's Guide to the Frontier*  
Steven Millhauser, *The Barnum Museum*  
Joanna Scott, *Arrogance*

**1990 - E.L. Doctorow, Billy Bathgate**

Russell Banks, *Affliction*  
Molly Gloss, *The Jump-Off Creek*  
Josephine Jacobsen, *On the Island*  
Lynne Sharon Schwartz, *Leaving Brooklyn*

**1989 - James Salter, Dusk**

Mary McGarry Morris, *Vanished*  
Thomas Savage, *The Corner of Rife and Pacific*  
Isaac Bashevis Singer, *The Death of Methuselah*

**1988 - T. Coraghessan Boyle, World's End**

Richard Bausch, *Spirits*  
Alice McDermott, *That Night*  
Cynthia Ozick, *The Messiah of Stockholm*  
Lawrence Thornton, *Imagining Argentina*

**1987 - Richard Wiley, Soldiers in Hiding**

Richard Ford, *The Sportswriter*

Charles Johnson, *The Sorcerer's Apprentice*  
Janet Kauffman, *Collaborators*  
Maureen Howard, *Expensive Habits*

**1986 - Peter Taylor, The Old Forest and Other Stories**

William Gaddis, *Carpenter's Gothic*  
Larry McMurtry, *Lonesome Dove*  
Hugh Nissenson, *The Tree of Life*  
Helen Norris, *The Christmas Wife*  
Grace Paley, *Later the Same Day*

**1985 - Tobias Wolff, The Barracks Thief**

Harriet Doerr, *Stones for Ibarra*  
Donald Hays, *The Dixie Association*  
David Leavitt, *Family Dancing*  
James Purdy, *On Glory's Courses*

**1984 - John Edgar Wideman, Sent for You Yesterday**

Ron Hansen, *The Assassination of Jesse James by the Coward Robert Ford*  
William Kennedy, *Ironweed*  
Jamaica Kincaid, *At the Bottom of the River*  
Bernard Malamud, *The Stories*  
Cynthia Ozick, *The Cannibal Galaxy*

**1983 - Toby Olson, Seaview**

Maureen Howard, *Grace Abounding*  
Bobbie Ann Mason, *Shiloh and Other Stories*  
George Steiner, *The Portage to San Cristobal of A.H.*  
Anne Tyler, *Dinner at the Homesick Restaurant*  
William S. Wilson, *Birthplace*

**1982 - David Bradley, The Chaneyville Incident**

Donald Barthelme, *Sixty Stories*  
Richard Bausch, *Take Me Back*  
Mark Helprin, *Ellis Island and Other Stories*  
Marilynne Robinson, *Housekeeping*  
Robert Stone, *A Flag for Sunrise*

**1981 - Walter Abish, How German Is It?**

Shirley Hazzard, *The Transit of Venus*

Walker Percy, *The Second Coming*

Gilbert Sorrentino, *Aberration of Starlight*

John Kennedy Toole, *A Confederacy of Dunces*