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DAYTON LITERARY PEACE PRIZE OPENS 2010 CALL FOR ENTRIES

Submission Deadline for \$10,000 Award is March 31st

<http://www.daytonliterarypeaceprize.org>

Dayton, OH (January 25, 2010) – Gearing up for its fifth annual awards, The Dayton Literary Peace Prize today launched its call for submissions for outstanding fiction and nonfiction books published in 2009 that promote peace and non-violent conflict resolution.

The Dayton Literary Peace Prize is the only international literary peace prize awarded in the United States. It was inspired by goals and dreams achieved in the 1995 Dayton Peace Accords that ended the war in Bosnia. Richard Bausch, Edwidge Danticat, Junot Diaz, Brad Kessler, Mark Kurlansky, Francine Prose, E. Benjamin Skinner, and Stephen Walker are among the established and emerging writers who have been awarded the Dayton Literary Peace Prize.

Winners receive a \$10,000 honorarium and will be honored at a gala ceremony in Dayton on November 7th, 2010. To submit a book for consideration, visit <http://www.daytonliterarypeaceprize.org/2010-guidelines.htm>. The submission deadline is March 31st, 2010. Finalists will be announced in September 2010.

Publishers may submit English-language books first published in 2009 for consideration for the 2010 Dayton Literary Peace Prize. Submissions may address the theme of peace on a variety of levels, such as between individuals, among families and communities, or among nations, religions, or ethnic groups.

For the complete nomination guidelines and for more information on the nomination process, go to www.daytonliterarypeaceprize.org. Submissions may be sent to Sharon Rab at sharonrab@woh.rr.com or by mail at P.O. Box 461, Wright Brothers Branch, Dayton, OH 45409-0461.

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About the Dayton Literary Peace Prize

The Dayton Literary Peace Prize honors writers whose work uses the power of literature to foster peace, social justice, and global understanding. Launched in 2006, it is the only literary peace prize awarded in the United States. Inspired by the 1995 Dayton Peace Accords that ended the war in Bosnia, the Dayton Literary Peace Prize awards a \$10,000 cash prize each year to one fiction and one nonfiction author whose work addresses themes of peace as a solution to conflict, and leads readers to a better understanding of other cultures, peoples, religions, and political points of view. An annual lifetime achievement award is also bestowed upon a writer whose body of work reflects

the Prize's mission; previous honorees include Nicholas Kristof and Sheryl WuDunn, Taylor Branch, Elie Wiesel, and Studs Terkel.

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