



## The Washington Irving Book Awards

Program was established by the Westchester Library Association to honor Westchester County authors & to promote reading.

This list, compiled by librarians, features books published by Westchester authors in the past two years. Criteria for selection include readability, literary quality, & wide general appeal.

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## WESTCHESTER PUBLIC LIBRARIES

<b>Ardsley Public Library</b> 9 American Legion Drive 693-6636	<b>Mount Pleasant Public Library</b> <b>Valhalla Branch</b> 125 Lozza Drive 741-0276
<b>(Armonk)</b> <b>North Castle Public Library</b> 19 Whipoorwill Rd. East 273-3887	<b>Mount Vernon Public Library</b> 28 S. First Avenue 668-1840
<b>North White Plains Branch</b> 10 Clove Road 948-6359	<b>New Rochelle Public Library</b> One Library Plaza 632-7878
<b>Bedford Free Library</b> Village Green 234-3570	<b>Huguenot Children's Branch</b> 794-North Avenue 632-8954
<b>Bedford Hills Free Library</b> 26 Main Street 666-6472	<b>(North Salem)</b> <b>Ruth Keeler Memorial Library</b> 276 Titicus Road (Rte.116) 669-5161
<b>Briarcliff Manor Public Library</b> Library Road 941-7072	<b>Ossining Public Library</b> 53 Croton Avenue 941-2416
<b>Bronxville Public Library</b> 201 Pondfield Road 337-7680	<b>(Peekskill) The Field Library</b> 4 Nelson Avenue 737-1212
<b>Chappaqua Public Library</b> 195 S. Greeley Avenue 238-4779	<b>Town of Pelham Public Library</b> 530 Colonial Avenue 738-1234
<b>Croton Free Library</b> 171 Cleveland Drive 271-6612	<b>Port Chester-Rye Brook Library</b> 1 Haseco Avenue 939-6710
<b>Dobbs Ferry Public Library</b> 55 Main Street 693-6614	<b>(Pound Ridge)</b> <b>Hiram Halle Memorial Library</b> 271 Westchester Avenue 764-5085
<b>Eastchester Public Library</b> 11 Oak Ridge Place 793-5055	<b>Purchase Free Library</b> 30093 Purchase Street 948-0550
<b>Greenburgh Public Library</b> 300 Tarrytown Road 721-8200	<b>Rye Free Reading Room</b> 1061 Boston Post Road 967-0480
<b>Harrison Public Library</b> Bruce Avenue 835-0324	<b>Scarsdale Public Library</b> 54 Olmsted Road 722-1300
<b>West Harrison Branch</b> 2 Madison Street 948-2092	<b>Somers Library</b> Route 139 232-5717
<b>Hastings-on-Hudson Public Library</b> 7 Maple Avenue 478-3307	<b>South Salem Lewisboro Library</b> 15 Main Street 763-3857
<b>Irvington Public Library</b> 12 South Astor Street 591-7840	<b>(Tarrytown) The Warner Library</b> 121 N. Broadway 631-7734
<b>Katonah Village Library</b> 26 Bedford Road (Rte. 117) 232-3509	<b>Tuckahoe Public Library</b> 71 Columbus Avenue 961-2121
<b>Larchmont Public Library</b> 121 Larchmont Avenue 834-2281	<b>White Plains Public Library</b> 100 Martine Avenue 422-1400
<b>Mamaroneck Public Library</b> 136 Prospect Avenue 698-1250	<b>Yonkers Public Library</b> <b>Main Branch-Riverfront Library</b> One Larkin Center 337-1500
<b>(Montrose)</b> <b>Hendrick Hudson Free Library</b> 185 Kings Ferry Road 739-5654	<b>Crestwood Branch</b> 16 Thompson Street 337-1500
<b>Mount Kisco Public Library</b> 100 Main Street 666-8041	<b>Grinton I. Will Branch</b> 1500 Central Park Ave. 337-1500
<b>Mount Pleasant Public Library</b> 350 Bedford Road 769-0548	<b>(Yorktown)</b> <b>John C. Hart Memorial Library</b> 1130 Main Street 245-5262

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## Fiction

Maggie Barbieri (Croton)  
**EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

Minotaur Books, 2008

Dobbs Ferry English Professor/amateur sleuth Alison Bergeron is back in this witty mystery featuring murder and romance.

Ira Berkowitz (Ardsley)  
**OLD FLAME**

Three Rivers Press, 2008

A former cop takes on a series of colorful thugs — and his ex-mother-in-law — in this whodunit set in Hell's Kitchen.

Amy Boaz (Hastings-on-Hudson)  
**A RICHER DUST**

Permanent Press, 2008

Three stages of an artist's life are lyrically interwoven in this story loosely based on D.H. Lawrence's pilgrimage to Taos, New Mexico.

Susan Breen (Irvington)  
**THE FICTION CLASS**

Plume, 2008

An adult-school writing teacher discovers truths about herself and her mother in this novel structured as a series of creative writing assignments.

Don DeLillo (Yonkers)  
**FALLING MAN: A NOVEL**

Scribner, 2007

The horror of 9/11 as seen through the eyes of a World Trade Center survivor and two of the hijackers.

Andrew Gross (Purchase)  
**THE DARK TIDE**

William Morrow, 2008

A Grand Central bombing kills a hedge fund trader whose revealed secret life thrusts his widow into a twisting trail of crimes and a romance with the investigator on the case.

Janice Kaplan (Larchmont)  
**A JOB TO KILL FOR: A LACY FIELDS MYSTERY**

Touchstone Books, 2008

An interior decorator hones her detective skills while clearing her best friend of murder charges in this engaging sequel.

Cynthia Ozick (New Rochelle)  
**DICTION: A QUARTET**

Houghton Mifflin, 2008

A collection of well-crafted stories by an accomplished writer at the top of her game.

Wendy Corsi Staub (Katonah)  
**DON'T SCREAM**

Zebra Books, 2007

Ten years after the death of one of their own, sorority sisters are picked off one by one in this taut thriller.

Jonathan Tropper (New Rochelle)  
**HOW TO TALK TO A WIDOWER**

Delacorte Press, 2007

Funny, insightful look at a man behaving badly after the unexpected death of his wife.



## Nonfiction

Pope Brock (Chappaqua)  
**CHARLATAN: AMERICA'S MOST DANGEROUS HUCKSTER, THE MAN WHO PURSUED HIM, AND THE AGE OF FLIM FLAM**

Crown Publishers, 2008

The highly entertaining story of an incredible scallywag and the era that shaped him.

Benjamin Cheever (Pleasantville)  
**STRIDES: A HISTORY OF RUNNING BY AN UNLIKELY ATHLETE**

Rodale Press, 2007

An avid marathoner examines his passion for running and the sport's place in history.

Bill Clinton (Chappaqua)  
**GIVING: HOW EACH OF US CAN CHANGE THE WORLD**

Alfred A. Knopf, 2007

An inspirational call to citizen activism highlighting the contributions of people from all walks of life.

Richard M. Cohen (Irvington)  
**STRONG AT THE BROKEN PLACES: VOICES OF ILLNESS, A CHORUS OF HOPE**

HarperCollins, 2008

Candid profiles of five who face the harsh realities of life-threatening chronic illness with determination and courage.

Stefan Kanfer (Hastings-on-Hudson)  
**SOMEBODY: THE RECKLESS LIFE AND REMARKABLE CAREER OF MARLON BRANDO**

Alfred A. Knopf, 2008

A biography of the immensely gifted and conflicted actor set against the backdrop of Broadway and Hollywood history.

Peter Quinn (Hastings-on-Hudson)  
**LOOKING FOR JIMMY: A SEARCH FOR IRISH AMERICA**

Overlook Press, 2007

Lively essays that explore the evolving image of the Irish immigrant through the experiences of the author's own family.

Gary Stern (White Plains)  
**CAN GOD INTERVENE? HOW RELIGION EXPLAINS NATURAL DISASTERS**

Praeger Publishers, 2007

Interviews with forty-three prominent leaders across the religious spectrum on the subject of natural disasters and the ensuing widespread human suffering.

Lee & Bob Woodruff (Rye)  
**IN AN INSTANT: A FAMILY'S JOURNEY OF LOVE AND HEALING**

Random House, 2007

Life before and after traumatic brain injury suffered by a reporter covering the Iraq War.