

# National Book Critic's Circle

The National Book Critics Circle was founded in 1974 by a group of the most influential critics of the day. Comprising 750 working critics and book-review editors throughout the country, including student members and supporting Friends of the NBCC, the organization annually bestows its awards in six categories, honoring the best books published in the past year in the United States. This is the complete list of winners in the Fiction category. For more information, go to [bookcritics.org](http://bookcritics.org).



## Binge Read: National Book Critics Circle Awards

1975	Ragtime	Doctorow, E.L.	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
1976	October Light	Gardner, John	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
1977	Song of Solomon	Morrison, Toni	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
1978	The Stories of John Cheever	Cheever, John	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
1979	The Year of the French	Flanagan, Thomas	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
1980	The Transit of Venus	Hazzard, Shirley	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
1981	Rabbit Is Rich	Updike, John	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
1982	George Mills	Elkin, Stanley	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
1983	Ironweed	Kennedy, William	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
1984	Love Medicine	Erdrich, Louise	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
1985	The Accidental Tourist	Tyler, Anne	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
1986	Kate Vaiden	Price, Reynolds	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
1987	The Counterlife	Roth, Philip	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
1988	The Middleman and Other Stories	Mukherjee, Bharati	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
1989	Billy Bathgate	Doctorow, E.L.	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
1990	Rabbit at Rest	Updike, John	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
1991	A Thousand Acres	Smiley, Jane	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
1992	All the Pretty Horses	McCarthy, Cormac	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
1993	A Lesson Before Dying	Gaines, Ernest J.	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
1994	The Stone Diaries	Shields, Carol	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
1995	Mrs. Ted Bliss	Elkin, Stanley	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
1996	Women in Their Beds	Berriault, Gina	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
1997	The Blue Flower	Fitzgerald, Penelope	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!

1998	The Love of a Good Woman	Munro, Alice	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
1999	Motherless Brooklyn	Lethem, Jonathan	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
2000	Being Dead	Crace, Jim	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
2001	Austerlitz	Sebal, W.G.	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
2002	Atonement	McEwan, Ian	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
2003	The Known World	Jones, Edward P.	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
2004	Gilead	Robinson, Marilynne	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
2005	The March	Doctorow, E.L.	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
2006	The Inheritance of Loss	Desai, Kiran	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
2007	The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao	Diaz, Junot	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
2008	2666	Bolaño, Roberto	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
2009	Wolf Hall	Mantel, Hilary	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
2010	A Visit from the Goon Squad	Egan, Jennifer	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
2011	Binocular Vision: New and Selected Stories	Pearlman, Edith	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
2012	Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk	Fountain, Ben	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
2013	Americanah	Adichie, Chimamanda Ngozi	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
2014	Lila	Robinson, Marilynne	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
2015	The Sellout	Beatty, Paul	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
2016	LaRose	Erdrich, Louise	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
2017	Improvement	Silber, Joan	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
2018	Milkman	Burns, Anna	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
2019	Everything Inside	Danticat, Edwidge	<input type="checkbox"/> read it!
2020	to be awarded March, 2021		