

The 74th Annual

Christopher Awards



"It's better to light one candle than to curse the darkness."

- Christopher motto -

Dear Friend,

Conflict and struggle are a part of every life. It's how we respond to them that matters. Your Christopher Award-winning books, films, and TV programs remind readers and viewers that beauty and hope still exist during the hard times when we work together, despite our differences, to add love and healing to our world. Thank you for making your work a light that dispels the darkness.

Tony Rossi, Director of Communications & Christopher Awards Program Manager



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Testimonials

from Past Christopher Award Winners

“Growing up, The Christophers and the Christopher Award were well-known in our house. They stood for spreading the good news of the gospel. I was beyond thrilled when both ‘A Good Man: Rediscovering My Father, Sargent Shriver’ and ‘10 Hidden Heroes’ won Christopher Awards! Both books were an attempt to elevate and celebrate people who live lives dedicated to feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, sheltering the homeless and visiting those in prison—caring for others. And that’s what The Christophers have long done; they have been shining a light in the darkness, inspiring millions of people all across America, and the world. I am so proud to be associated with them!”

—Mark Shriver, two-time Christopher Award-winning author of “A Good Man” (Books for Adults) and “10 Hidden Heroes” (Books for Young People)

“I am so honored that ‘Lidia Celebrates America: Overcoming the Odds’ has been awarded the prestigious Christopher Award! The teams at GBH and Tavola Productions worked diligently, and I was so touched by the people I met while making this special that overcame their adversities and triumphed!”

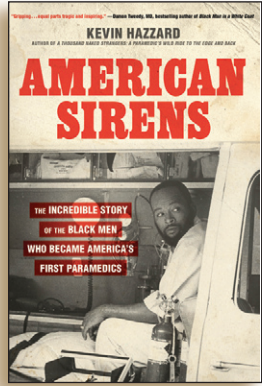
—Lidia Bastianich, host/executive producer of 2022 TV winner “Lidia Celebrates America: Overcoming the Odds”

“‘The Waltons’ Homecoming’ was a labor of love. To be honored by the Christopher Awards for shining a light on something so special as a loving family in the 30s helps us bring a light to these troubled times we’re in. It’s such an honor to be associated with the Christophers and to know that our work is being honored by such a prestigious, classy, wonderful, faith-filled group. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.”

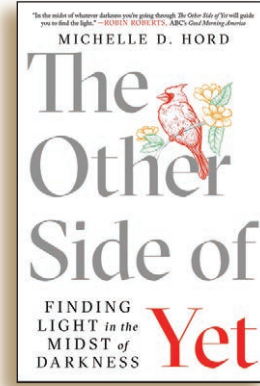
—Sam Haskell, six-time Christopher Award winner for TV movies including “Dolly Parton’s Coat of Many Colors” and “The Waltons’ Homecoming”

“Receiving the Christopher Award for our first ‘Here’s Hank’ book, ‘Bookmarks Are People Too,’ was such a meaningful acknowledgment of our commitment to getting reluctant readers to pick up a book and laugh their way through it. We believe laughter is the perfect light switch to illuminate a child’s path into literature. We were honored and grateful to have been chosen and will continue to support the belief that reading and education can lead us all from darkness to light.”

—2015 winning authors Henry Winkler and Lin Oliver



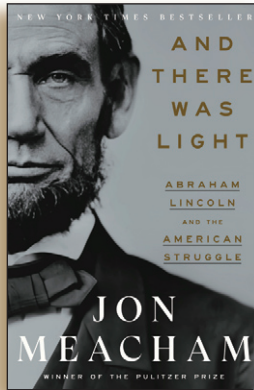
American Sirens:
**The Incredible Story of the
 Black Men Who Became
 America's First Paramedics**
 (Hachette Books)
 by **Kevin Hazzard**



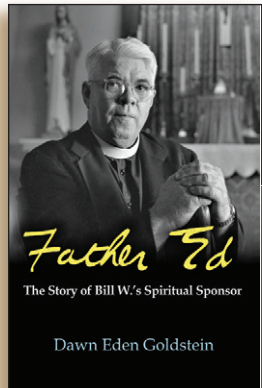
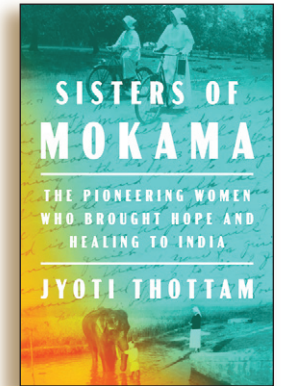
The Other Side of Yet:
Finding Light in the Midst of Darkness
 (Atria Books/Simon & Schuster)
 by **Michelle D. Hord**



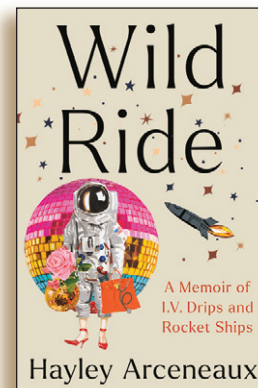
And There Was Light:
**Abraham Lincoln and the
 American Struggle**
 (Random House/Penguin
 Random House)
 by **Jon Meacham**



Sisters of Mokama:
**The Pioneering Women
 Who Brought Hope and
 Healing to India**
 (Viking/Penguin
 Random House)
 by **Jyoti Thottam**

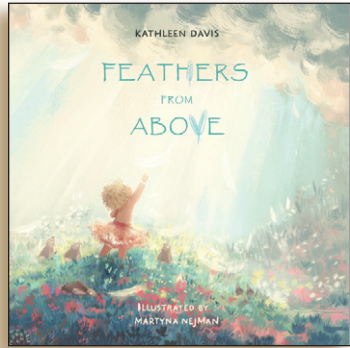


Father Ed:
**The Story of Bill W.'s
 Spiritual Sponsor**
 (Orbis Books)
 by **Dawn Eden Goldstein**



Wild Ride:
**A Memoir of I.V. Drips
 and Rocket Ships**
 (Convergent Books/
 Penguin Random House)
 by **Hayley Arceneaux
 with Sandra Bark**

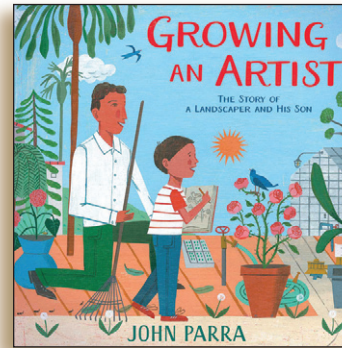
BOOKS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE



Preschool and up
Feathers From Above
 (Kathleen Davis Books)
by Kathleen Davis,
illustrated by
Martyna Nezman



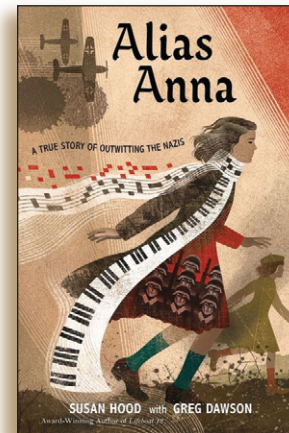
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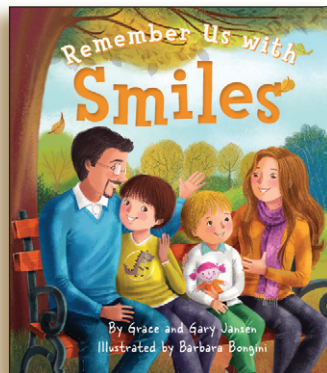
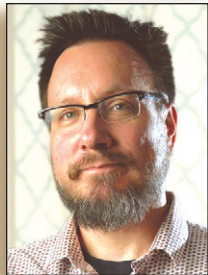
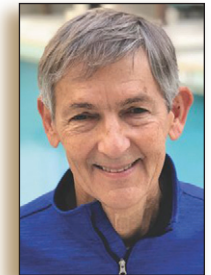
Ages 7 and up
Growing an Artist:
The Story of a
Landscaper and His Son
 (A Paula Wiseman
 Book/Simon & Schuster)
written and illustrated
by John Parra



Kindergarten and up
Wolves Aren't Welcome
 (Wild Iris Publishing)
by Cheryl Benner,
illustrated by
Jeffrey Ebbeler



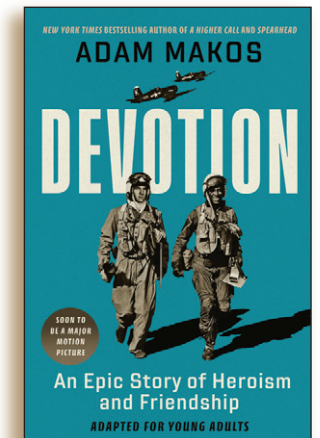
Ages 10 and up
Alias Anna:
A True Story of Outwitting the Nazis
 (Harper Collins Publishers)
by Susan Hood with Greg Dawson



Ages 6 and up
Remember Us with Smiles
 (Loyola Press)
by Grace and Gary Jansen,
illustrated by
Barbara Bongini



Young Adult
Devotion:
An Epic Story of Heroism and Friendship (Adapted for Young Adults)
 (Delacorte Press/Penguin Random House)
by Adam Makos



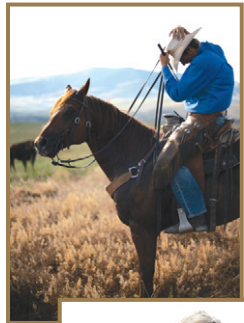
TV, CABLE, & STREAMING



Amber Brown: "Love is Here to Stay" and "Life"

(Apple TV Plus)

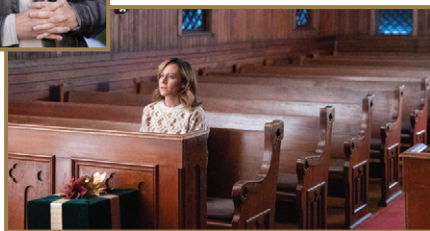
Developed by: Bonnie Hunt
 Directors: Jean Sagal, Michelle Manning
 Writer: Bonnie Hunt
 Staff writers: Nora Sagal and Henry Johnson
 Producers: Jeff T. Miller, Gary L. Stephenson
 Supervising Producer: Audrey Velichka
 Co-Executive Producer: Elaine Arata
 Executive Producers: Bonnie Hunt, Bob Higgins, Jon Rutherford, Bruce Coville, Elizabeth Levy, Carrie Danziger



Facing Suicide

(PBS)

Writer/Director: James Barrat
 Coordinating Producer: William Morgan
 Executive Producer: Michael Rosenfeld



The Gift of Peace

(Hallmark Movies and Mysteries)

Director: Fred Gerber
 Teleplay: Tyler Straessle
 Based on a Story by: Michael Grimm
 Producer: Charles Cooper
 Executive Producer: Beth Miller

TV, CABLE, & STREAMING

American Masters: Marian Anderson: The Whole World in Her Hands

(PBS)

Director: Rita Coburn
 Written by: Rita Coburn & Philip Gittelman
 Co-Producers: Lynneisha Ray, Philip Gittelman
 Executive Producers: Michael Kantor, Sally Jo Fifer, Brenda Robinson, Jenifer Westphal, Joe Plummer, Regina K. Scully, Leslie Fields-Cruz



11 Minutes

(Paramount Plus)

Director: Jeff Zimbalist
 Supervising Producers: Sarah Longden, Aysu Saliba
 Co-Executive Producer: Jessica Philipps
 Executive Producers: Stu Schreiber, Jeff Zimbalist, Ashley Hoff, Susan Zirinsky, Terence Wrong

A Waltons Thanksgiving

(The CW)

Director: Joe Lazarov
 Writer: Jim Strain
 Producers: David Grace, Bobby Kelly, Billy Levin
 Co-Executive Producers: Jim Strain, Hudson Hickman, Joe Lazarov
 Executive Producer: Sam Haskell





FEATURE FILMS



*The Best We've Got:
The Carl Erskine Story*

(Ted Green Films)

Writer/Director/Producer: Ted Green

A Man Called Otto

(Columbia Pictures/
A Sony Company)

Director: Marc Forster
Screenplay: David Magee
Producers: Fredrik
Wikström Nicastro,
Rita Wilson, Tom Hanks,
Gary Goetzman



*Mother Teresa:
No Greater Love*

(Castletown Media)

Writer/Director:
David Naglieri
Producers: David Naglieri,
Tim Moriarty
Executive Producers:
Patrick Kelly,
Jonathan Reyes,
James M. Wahlberg

**A Look at
Some of Our
2022
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Award
Winners**



Mark K. Shriver
10 Hidden Heroes



Laura Watson
10 Hidden Heroes



Don Tate
Pigskins to Paintbrushes



Anitra Rowe Schulte
Dancing with Daddy



Jane Porter
The Boy Who Loved Everyone



Sam Haskell
The Waltons' Homecoming



Lidia Bastianich
Lidia Celebrates America



Jim Strain
The Waltons' Homecoming



David Gibson
Amen-Amen-Amen



Mitch Grabow
Amen-Amen-Amen

The Christopher Prayer

Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

Where there is injury, pardon;

Where there is doubt, faith;

Where there is despair, hope;

Where there is darkness, light;

And where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master,

Grant that I may not so much seek

To be consoled as to console;

To be understood as to understand;

To be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive;

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

—attributed to St. Francis of Assisi



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