2026 LIVING NOW AWARDS ENTRY FORM

TITLE INFORMATION Title Author Publisher Name (as you'd like it to appear in results listing and publicity) Category(s) Entered (You may list multiple categories, but don't forget to pay the fee and send one book for each category) PLEASE REMEMBER TO SUBMIT ONE COPY OF BOOK FOR EACH CATEGORY ENTERED! (This is a postmark deadline.) • EARLY-BIRD DEADLINE 1: JANUARY 14, 2026 @ \$ 79 = _____ TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED • EARLY-BIRD DEADLINE 2: MARCH 11, 2026 @ \$ 89 = TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED @ \$ 99 = _____ • FINAL DEADLINE: JUNE 25, 2026 TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED CONTACT INFORMATION **Contact Person** Email Address (for judging updates) Company / Publisher (for mailing purposes) Mailing Address (for mailing packets if awarded a medal) City, State, Postal Code, Country Telephone

PAYMENT METHOD

☐ Check or Money Order in U.S. funds

To enter online and pay by credit card, visit: www.livingnowawards.com

HOW TO SEND

Ship books with entry fee(s) and entry form(s) to:

Jenkins Group 1129 Woodmere Ave, Suite B Traverse City, MI 49686

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WHO MAY ENTER

Authors, illustrators, publishers, and self-publishers around the world who write and publish in English may enter.

ELIGIBILITY

Books published with a copyright date between **2024-2026** are eligible. Any book published since 2000 is eligible for the five Evergreen categories.

The contest is for finished books only, as we judge on cover design, layout, etc. eBooks are eligible in our eBook categories and can also be entered in regular subject categories, where they will be judged alongside print books.

HOW TO ENTER

There are two ways to enter the awards:

- 1. **Online**: Enter and pay by credit card at livingnowawards.com/enter.
- 2. **By Mail**: Print and fill out the entry form, then send it with your payment by check.

SUBMISSION & FEES

You may submit a title in multiple categories, but an entry fee is required for each category entered. Please send one copy of the title for each category. Mail submissions to:

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Entry Deadlines:

- Early-Bird Deadline 1: January 14, 2026 \$79 per entry
- Early-Bird Deadline 2: March 11, 2026 \$89 per entry
- Final Deadline: June 25, 2026 \$99 per entry

Once you submit your entry, we'll confirm it via email and keep you updated with judging progress and results announcements. So, be sure to provide a valid email address and add info@livingnowawards.com to your contacts.



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WHAT TO SEND

Include your online registration receipt or completed entry form and check (in U.S. funds) with your books, unless they are shipped directly from a distributor.

Submission Requirements:

- Submit one copy of the title per category entered
- **eBook files** (PDF only) can be uploaded after entry. If you have an issue with your upload, please email your PDF to digital@livingnowawards.com with your order number in the subject line.
- **Audiobooks** can be entered as a gift code from your platform of choice after entry (audio files will not be accepted).

All books submitted become the property of Jenkins Group and will be donated after each award cycle. eBook files will be deleted after judging and the announcement of results. Judges will only see the book itself, so please don't send any press kits, reviews, bookmarks, etc.

DEADLINE

All entries must be submitted online or postmarked by the final entry deadline of **June 25**, **2026**. A tenday grace period allows books to arrive at our office by **July 9**, **2026**, which is the start of judging.

JUDGING PROCESS

Judging will be based on content, originality, design, and production quality, with emphasis on innovation and creativity. Our judging panel includes experts from the fields of editing, design, reviewing, bookselling, and library. Three to five medalists per category will be named on **August 6**, **2026**.

AWARDS & PRESENTATION

Gold, silver, and bronze medals will be awarded in each category. Each winning book receives a medal, a personalized certificate, and 20 sample seals. Additional award seals are available for medalists in rolls of 250 and 1,000. High-resolution versions of the medalist artwork are also available for purchase for book covers and promotional materials.

AWARD CEREMONY

All medalists are invited to join the awards ceremony that will be held virtually on **September 10, 2026**.



2026 LIVING NOW AWARDS CATEGORIES

GENERAL CATEGORIES

- 1. Cookbook/Gift/Specialty
- 2. Journal/Activity/coloring book
- 3. Animals/Pets
- 4. Green Living Alternative Energy, Conservation, Gardening
- 5. Family/Parenting
- 6. Social Activism/Charity
- 7. Personal Development/Growth
- 8. Motivation/Self-Improvement
- 9. Sexuality/Femininity
- 10. Relationships/Marriage
- 11. Inspirational Memoir Male
- 12. Inspirational Memoir Female
- 13. Enlightenment/Spirituality
- 14. Metaphysical (Astrology, Tarot, Psychic Development, etc.)
- 15. Exercise/Fitness/Yoga
- 16. Health/Wellness
- 17. Relaxation/Mindfulness
- 18. Mature Living/Caregiving
- 19. Grieving/Death/Dying
- 20. How-To/DIY
- 21. Fiction
- 22. Children's Inspirational Picture Book
- 23. Digital Media (eBook, audiobooks)

EVERGREEN CATEGORIES

The Evergreen categories commemorate books published since the year 2000 for contributing to positive global change. The entry fee is the same as the other contest categories – the main difference is that books published since the year 2000 are eligible.

- EB1 Living Now Evergreen Book Medal for World Peace
- EB2 Living Now Evergreen Book Medal for Health & Wellness
- EB3 Living Now Evergreen Book Medal for Personal Growth
- EB4 Living Now Evergreen Book Medal for Leadership
- EB5 Living Now Evergreen Book Medal for Nature Conservation
- EB6 Living Now Evergreen Book Medal for Fiction

