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LOCAL AUTHOR JOINS 138 OTHERS IN THE FIREBIRD BOOK AWARD CIRCLE OF WINNERS

30 April 2022 – Speak Up Talk Radio announced the winners of 2022's first quarter FIREBIRD BOOK AWARDS contest.

One of the winning entries was from Burnet, Texas author, Marcha Fox, whose book titled "Return to Dead Horse Canyon: Grandfather Spirits," written with Montana co-author, Pete Risingsun, won in the multi-cultural and cross-genre categories.

Authors and publishers from around the world submitted their work to the Firebird Book Awards. Two judges from a select panel of 23 judges read each book in its entirety and independently scored each entry. All judges commit to a set of standardized criteria that evaluates the quality of the writing as well as production aspects. Only entries with the highest of scores were awarded the coveted Firebird.

Patricia J. Rullo, founder of the Firebird Book Awards, says, "the number of entries this quarter exceeded our previous quarters. It looks like 2022 will be the year of a steady stream of new and important books. This increase allowed us to send even more pillowcases and other handmade gifts to the homeless shelters. The charitable component to our awards allows all entry fees to be tax-deductible to the author. In return, we personally make and send handmade fun and colorful pillowcases to women and children in homeless shelters via Enchanted Makeovers, a 501(c)3 tax-exempt organization. In this way, authors get notoriety for their work while helping to transform homeless shelters into bright and happy homes. It is a rewarding venture for everyone."

Pat adds, "our judging panel grew this quarter and includes a diverse group who represent a cross section of ages, cultural heritage, race, religion, gender, and experience. At Speak Up Talk Radio, our mission is to offer authors a welcome place to promote themselves and their books via book awards, radio interviews, audiobook production, voiceover marketing tools, and podcasting services. Last month we added a new in-house podcast called the BOOMBANGOHMYGOSHWOW podcast where authors share short but helpful tips with fellow authors."

The Firebird Book Awards run quarterly contests so authors can receive recognition on a timely basis. Authors from all genres, mainstream, independent, and self-published are welcome. For additional winning authors, titles, and entry information:

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