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2022	<p>Allison Moorer. Blood: A Memoir. [nonfiction] Brandon Taylor. Real Life. [fiction] Tina Mozelle Braziel. Known By Salt. [poetry] Irene Latham and Karim Shamsi-Basha. The Cat Man of Aleppo. [juvenile] Randi Pink. Girls Like Us. [young adult] Aileen Henderson. [Lifetime Achievement]</p>
2021	<p>Fry Gaillard. A Hard Rain. [nonfiction] Yaa Gyasi. Transcendent Kingdom. [fiction] Angela Jackson-Brown. House Repairs. [poetry] Heather L. Montgomery Bugs Don't Hug. [juvenile] Deborah Wiles. Kent State. [young adult] Gail Godwin. [Lifetime Achievement]</p>
2020	<p>Emily Blejwas, The Story of Alabama in Fourteen Foods. [nonfiction] Patti Callahan Henry. Becoming Mrs. Lewis. [fiction] Ashley Jones. Magic City Gospel. [poetry] Irene Latham. Meet Miss Fancy. [juvenile] John Green. Turtles All the Way Down. [teen] Charles Ghinga. [Lifetime Achievement]</p>
2019	<p>Rick Bragg. The Best Cook in the World: Tales from My Momma's Table. [nonfiction] Daniel Wallace. Extraordinary Adventures. [fiction] Rachel Hawkins. Journey's End. [juvenile] S.F. Henson. Devils Within. [young adult] Carolyn Haines. [Lifetime Achievement]</p>
2018	<p>Winston Groom. The Generals: Patton, MacArthur, Marshall, and the Winning of World War II. [nonfiction] Bryn Chancellor. Sycamore. [fiction] Janice Harrington. Catching a Storyfish. [juvenile] S.J. Kincaid. The Diabolic. [young adult] Edward O. Wilson. [Lifetime Achievement]</p>
2017	<p>Kim Cross. What Stands in a Storm. [nonfiction] Yaa Gyasi. Homegoing. [fiction] Watt Key. Terror at Bottle Creek. [juvenile] Ash Parsons. Still Waters. [young adult]</p>
2016	<p>Bryan Stevenson. Just Mercy. [nonfiction] Gail Godwin. Flora. [fiction] Octavia Spencer. Randi Rhodes, Ninja Detective. [juvenile] Congressman John Lewis. March: Book One. [young adult]</p>
2015	<p>Lilly Ledbetter and Lanier Isom. Grace and Grit. [nonfiction] Walter Bennett. Leaving Tuscaloosa. [fiction] Lori Nichols. Maple. [juvenile] S. J. Kincaid. Insignia. [young adult]</p>
2014	<p>Rev. Dr. Carolyn Maull McKinstry. While the World Watched. [nonfiction] Michael Morris. Man in the Blue Moon. [fiction] Laura Golden. Every Day After. [juvenile] Jennifer Echols. Dirty Little Secret. [young adult]</p>

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2013	Mike Brown. How I Killed Pluto and Why It Had It Coming. [nonfiction] Michael Knight. The Typist. [fiction] John Green. The Fault in Our Stars. [young adult]
2012	Condoleeza Rice. Extraordinary, Ordinary People. [nonfiction] Sonny Brewer. The Widow and the Tree. [fiction] Deborah Wiles. Countdown. [juvenile] Watt Key. Dirt Road Home. [young adult]
2011	Charlie Lucas and Ben Windham. Tin Man. [nonfiction] Tom Franklin. Crooked Letter, Crooked Letter. [fiction] Irene Latham. Leaving Gee's Bend. [juvenile] Han Nolan. Crazy. [young adult]
2010	Rick Bragg. The Prince of Frogtown. [nonfiction] Ace Atkins. Wicked City. [fiction] Angela Johnson. Wind Flyers. [juvenile] Martin Wilson. What They Always Tell Us. [young adult]
2009	John Sledge. An Ornament to the City. [nonfiction] Gin Phillips. The Well and the Mine. [fiction] Janice Harrington. Chicken Chasing Queen of Lamar County. [juvenile] S.A. Harazin. Blood Brothers. [young adult]
2008	Waselkov, Gregory. A Conquering Spirit. [nonfiction] Alarcon, Daniel. Lost City Radio. [fiction] Wiles, Debbie. Each Little Bird That Sings. [juvenile] Key, Watt. Alabama Moon. [young adult]
2007	Frye Gaillard. Cradle of Freedom. [nonfiction] Janice Harrington. Going North. [juvenile] John Green. An Abundance of Katherines. [young adult]
2006	St. John, Warren. Rammer Jammer Yellow Hammer. [nonfiction] Franklin, Tom. Hell at the Breech. [fiction] Henderson, Aileen Kilgore. Hard Times for Jake Smith. [juvenile] Green, John. Looking for Alaska. [young adult]
2005	Jack Sacco. Where the Birds Never Sing. [nonfiction] Robert Inman. Captain Saturday. [fiction] Angela Johnson. First Part Last. [juvenile/young adult]
2004	Toby Graham. A Right to Read: Suggestion and Civil Rights in Alabama's Public Libraries. [nonfiction] Robert McCammon. Speaks the Nightbird. [fiction] Deborah Wiles. Love, Ruby Lavender. [juvenile/young adult]
2003	Samuel L. Webb and Margaret E. Armbruster (editors). Alabama Governors: A Political History of the State. [nonfiction] Mary Ward Brown. It Wasn't All Dancing and Other Stories. [fiction] William Miller. The Piano. [juvenile]
2002	Barbara Robinette Moss. Change Me Into Zeus's Daughter. [nonfiction] Helen Norris. One Day in the Life of a Born Again Loser. [fiction] Tony Earley. Jim the Boy: A Novel. [juvenile]
2001	Homer Hickham, Jr. Rocket Boys. [nonfiction] Sena Joter Naslund. Ahab's Wife. [fiction] Han Nolan. A Face in Every Window. [juvenile]

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2000	Wayne Flynt. Alabama Baptists: Southern Baptist in the Heart of Dixie. [nonfiction] William Cobb. Somewhere In All This Green. [fiction] Charles Ghinga. Animal Trunk: Silly Poems to Read Aloud. [juvenile]
1999	Virginia Van de Veer Hamilto. Looking for Clark Gable and Other 20th Century Pursuits: Collected Writings. [non-fiction] Judith Richards. Too Blue to Fly. [fiction] Han Nolan. Send Me Down a Miracle. [juvenile]
1998	Rick Bragg. All Over But the Shoutin'. [non-fiction] Nancy Packer. Jealous-Hearted Me [fiction] Faye Gibbons. Night in the Barn [juvenile]
1997	Allen T. Cronenberg. Forth To The Mighty Conflict: Alabama World War II. [non-fiction] Don Keith. The Forever Season. [fiction] Aileen Kilgore Henderson. Summer Of The Bonepile Monster. [juvenile]
1996	Dr. Forrest McDonald. The American Presidency: An Intellectual History. [non-fiction] Andrew Hudgins. The Glass Hammer: A Southern Childhood. [literary/poetry] Bill Easterling. Prize In The Snow. [juvenile]
1995	Tobias Wolff. In Pharoah's Army: Memories Of The Lost War. [non-fiction] Dennis McFarland. School For The Blind. [fiction] Rick Shelton. Hoggle's Christmas. [juvenile]
1994	Carl Elliott. The Cost Of Courage: The Journey Of An American Congressman. [nonfiction] Mark Childress. Crazy In Alabama. [fiction] Dennis Covington. Lizard. [juvenile/young adult]
1993	Harry Middleton. On The Spine Of Time: An Angler's Love Of The Smokies. [nonfiction] Gail Godwin. Father Melancholy's Daughter. [fiction] Angela Johnson. When I Am Old With You. [juvenile]
1992	Henry Southerland and Jerry Brown. The Federal Road [nonfiction] Robert Inman. Old Dogs & Children [fiction]
1991	Dr. Wayne Flynt. Poor But Proud: Alabama's Poor Whites. [nonfiction] Vicki Covington. Bird Of Paradise. [fiction] Nancy Van Laan. Rainbow Crow: A Lenape Tale. [juvenile]
1990	Thomas Cook. Sacrificial Ground. [fiction] Jimmy Buffett and Savannah Jane Buffett. The Jolly Mon. [juvenile]
1989	Ann Waldron. Close Connections: Caroline Gordon And The Southern Renaissance. [nonfiction] Fannie Flag. Fried Green Tomatoes At The Whistle-Stop Cafe. [fiction] Nola Thacker. Summer Stories. [juvenile]
1988	Andrew Hudgins. Saints And Strangers. [nonfiction] Robert Inman. Home Fires Burning. [fiction] James Haskins. Count Your Way. [juvenile]
1987	Virginia Foster Durr. Outside The Magic Circle: The Autobiography Of Virginia Foster Durr. Edited by Hollinger F. Barnard [nonfiction, awarded to author and editor] Mary Ward Brown. Tongues Of Flame. [fiction]
1986	Fred Hobson. Tell About The South: The Southern Rage To Explain. [nonfiction] Paul Hemphill. The Sixkiller Chronicles. [fiction] Cindy Wheeler. Marmalade's Christmas Present. [juvenile]
1985	Rhoda Ellison. Bibb County, Alabama: The First Hundred Years, 181 8-1918. [nonfiction] Robert McCammon. Usher's Passing. [fiction]

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1984	Linda O. McMurry. George Washington Carver, Scientist And Symbol. [nonfiction] Roy Hoffman. Almost Family. [fiction] Emma M. Butterworth. As The Waltz Was Ending. [juvenile]
1983	Tinsley E. Yarbrough. Judge Frank Johnson And Human Rights In Alabama. [nonfiction] Hilary Milton. The Brats And Mr. Jack. [juvenile]
1982	Viola Liddell. A Place Of Springs. [nonfiction] Winston Groom. As Summers Die. [fiction] W. E. Butterworth. Leroy And The Old Man. [juvenile]
1981	Sheyann Webb, Rachel West Nelson, and Frank Sikora. Selma, Lord, Selma: Girlhood Memories Of The Civil-Rights Days. [nonfiction] Walker Percy. The Second Coming. [fiction]
1980	Edward O. Wilson. On Human Nature. [nonfiction] Judith Richards. Summer Lightning. [fiction] Margaret Z. Searcy. Tiny Bat And The Ball Game. [juvenile]
1979	Jay Higginbotham. Old Mobile: Fort Louis De La Louisiane, 1702-1711. [nonfiction] Gail Godwin. Violet Clay. [fiction]
1978	Howell Raines. My Soul Is Rested: Movement Days In The Deep South Remembered. [nonfiction] Howell Raines. Whiskey Man. [fiction]
1977	F. Wilbur Helmbold. Tracing Your Ancestry. [nonfiction] William Bradford Huie. In The Hours Of The Night: A Novel. [fiction]
1976	Kathryn Tucker Windham. Alabama: One Big Front Porch. [nonfiction] Virginia Pounds Brown. The Gold Disc Of Coosa. [fiction]
1975	Sara Newton Carroll. The Search: A Biography Of Leo Tolstoy. [nonfiction] Albert Murray. Train Whistle Guitar. [fiction] Blanche E. Dean, Amy Mason, and Joab Thomas. Wildflowers Of Alabama And Adjoining States. [special award]
1974	John Bennett Walters. Merchant Of Terror: General Sherman And Total War. [nonfiction] Joe David Brown. Addie Pray: A Novel. [fiction]
1973	Virginia Van der Veer Hamilton. Hugo Black: The Alabama Years. [nonfiction] Anne Nall Stallworth. This Time Next Year. [fiction]
1972	Sheldon Hackney. Populism To Progressivism In Alabama. [nonfiction]
1971	Mildred Lee. The Skating Rink. [fiction]
1970	Sara Mayfield. The Constant Circle: H. L. Mencken And His Friends. [nonfiction]
1969	Babs Deal. The Walls Came Tumbling Down.
1968	Madison Jones. An Exile.
1967	Wade H. Hall. The Smiling Phoenix; Southern Humor From 1865 To 1914.
1966	Jesse Hill Ford. The Liberation Of Lord Byron Jones.
1965	Douglass Cater. Power In Washington; A Critical Look At Today's Struggle To Govern In The Nation's Capital.
1964	Thomas A. Imhof. Alabama Birds.
1963	Borden Deal. Dunbar's Cove.
1962	James F. Sulzby, Jr. Historic Alabama Hotels And Resorts.
1961	Harper Lee. To Kill A Mockingbird.
1960	Hudson Strode. For his distinguished contribution to Alabama's literary culture. Awarded in recognition of his historical writings and also for his inspiration and instruction to young writers who have become successful.

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1959	Emma Lila Fundaburk and Mary D. Foreman. Sun Circles And Human Hands; The Southeastern Indians Art And Industries.
1958	W. Stanley Hoole. Vizetelly Covers the Confederacy
1957	Malcolm C. McMillan. Constitutional Development in Alabama, 1798-1901: A Study in Politics, The Negro, and Sectionalism