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Connecticut Center for the Book Seeking Nominations for Lifetime Achievement Award

The Connecticut Center for the Book is seeking nominations from the public for the 2004 Lifetime Achievement Award for Service to the Literary Community. This award will be presented on December 5 in Hartford's City Hall at the third annual Connecticut Book Awards ceremony.

The Connecticut Book Awards recognizes and honors authors, illustrators, and designers who represent the best books in or about our state.

Individuals nominated for the Lifetime Achievement Award should support the purpose of the book awards in having contributed to the world of literature; fostered an interest in books, writing and reading throughout the state; and/or advocated for Connecticut's literary heritage. Nominations must include a paragraph outlining how the nominee satisfies these criteria. Any other supporting documents such as a bibliography, a list of awards won, or a Web site would be appreciated.

Nominations must be postmarked no later than 1 October and mailed to Kat Lyons, Connecticut Center for the Book at the Hartford Public Library, 500 Main St., Hartford, CT 06103.

Previous winners were the co-directors of Curbstone Press, Alexander Taylor and Judith Doyle, and Rennie McQuilkin, co-founder of the Sunken Garden Poetry Festival.

The Connecticut Center for the Book, winner of the 2002 Boorstin Award for its innovative programming, celebrates books, writers, readers, authors, illustrators, printers and publishers and the literary heritage of the state. The Connecticut Center for the Book at the Hartford Public Library is an affiliate of the Center for the Book in the Library of Congress.

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