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## **Leeds Book Awards 2018** **11-14 and 14-16 category**

It's time to register for the 2018 Leeds Book Awards!

This is a fantastic opportunity for you and your students to take part and vote for the best children's and young people's books published in 2017. This is a successful city wide initiative, run jointly between Leeds School Library Service and Leeds Public Libraries, now in its 10<sup>th</sup> year!

What are the benefits of taking part?

- promotes reading for pleasure through a city wide initiative
- challenges students to read books they may never have chosen
- students have the opportunity to meet contemporary authors
- allows students to participate in sharing their favourite books with other students
- leads to discussion about how to choose the best books, what makes a good book or author, which helps in guiding students to make even better choices
- encourages speaking and listening, debating skills and positive interaction

There are 2 categories:

Best Book for 11-14 year olds and Breezereads Best Book for 14-16 year olds

To experience the Awards please see our video of the High School Award ceremony 2016

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B1ycJJ3Ekb0>

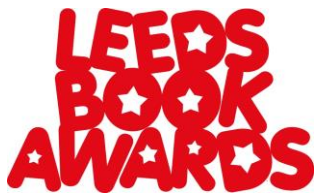
Registering for the Awards entitles you to:

- 1 copy of each of the short listed books for your school to keep (approx value £40 per shortlist)
- Posters and bookmarks
- An invitation to bring your reading group to the exciting Awards Ceremony at LEEDS Civic Hall on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2018. You will be given a guaranteed number of places after registration closes in November.

Our dedicated website [www.leedsbookawards.co.uk](http://www.leedsbookawards.co.uk) is available to everyone, so you and your students will have the opportunity to contribute by sending in book reviews!

If you would like to register for the Awards, please fill out the slip below and return to Carole O'Kane [carole.okane@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:carole.okane@leeds.gov.uk) no later than ***Friday 3rd November 2017.***





**High school registration form 2018  
11-14 and 14-16 age category**

**Registration fee**

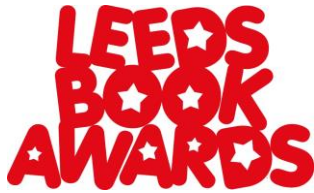
**1 category            £90    (£99 for Academies and non SLA schools).  
2 categories        £130   (£143 for Academies and non SLA schools)**

School Name _____
Contact Name _____
Address _____
Phone number _____
E-mail address _____

**Which category/categories would you like to register for?**

11-14 category    Yes/No	14-16 category    Yes/No
We can order extra book sets at 15% discount with jackets for schools. Approximate cost £40 for 6 books. The actual cost is unknown until the shortlist is announced.	
Please indicate the number of extra shortlisted sets required 11-14 .....	
Please indicate the number of extra shortlisted sets required 14-16 .....	

SLA/Non SLA school (circle as appropriate)
SLA schools only
Expenditure code _____ (We will raise an IDT payment)
Academies and Non SLA schools, will receive an invoice at the address given above
<b>The deadline for registration is Friday 3rd November 2017. Late registrations will not be accepted.</b>



**Leeds Book Awards  
Provisional Timetable 2017/18**

Date	Task
<b>Now</b>	<p><b>Register your group.</b> Please fill out the form above and send to <b>Carole O’Kane</b> by 3rd November 2017.</p> <p><b>Any nominations should be sent to Debbie Moody</b> Young People’s Librarian 0113 3952337 <a href="mailto:deborah.moody@leeds.gov.uk">deborah.moody@leeds.gov.uk</a></p> <p>The nomination criteria are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The book must have been published in English for the 1<sup>st</sup> time (hardback or paperback) since November 2016</li> <li>• The book must be a stand alone read (no series fiction or sequels), although the 1st book in a new series is fine</li> <li>• We are looking for riveting reads – titles that young people will find thoroughly enjoyable and engaging and will want to recommend to all their friends</li> </ul>
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	Closing date for nominations for the long listed titles
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2017	Deadline for school registrations and book orders
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> November 2017	Short-listing meeting 9am at SLS. High School librarians welcome
December 2017	Schools/publishers informed of short listed titles
January-April 2018	Book groups read short lists Reviews submitted to website <a href="http://www.leedsbookawards.co.uk">www.leedsbookawards.co.uk</a> Voting starts to take place
Thursday 29th March 2018	Booking deadline for ceremony
Friday 27th April 2018	Voting closes
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Celebration event and announcement of the winners at LEEDS Civic Hall 1.00 - 3.00pm

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