



THE WILLOW AWARDS

Congratulations!

We are very pleased to inform you that your book, *Beyond the Northern Lights* has been nominated for SYRCA's 2008 Shining Willow Award.

The Saskatchewan Young Readers' Choice Award (SYRCA), which promotes reading among Saskatchewan children and youth, has three awards. Ten books written by Canadian authors are nominated at each level. The Shining Willow Award is for books written for children from kindergarten to grade 3. The Diamond Willow Award is for books written for children in grades 4 to 6 and the Snow Willow Award is for books written for youth in grades 7 to 9.

Students throughout Saskatchewan may vote in any category in which they have read the minimum number of books required. Last year over 8000 children and young adults voted for their favourite book. The Launch of this year's nominees will be held in the fall of 2008 and the award winners are announced and awards presented at the Gala that will be held in May/June 2009. Both these events are hosted by schools and involve participation by large numbers students and their teachers.

On our website you will find a variety of educational materials to accompany each book. Materials include photos and biographical information on authors, reviews, links, and activities to enhance the enjoyment of the books. A list of this year's nominees will be posted in early March.

A copy of our promotional material will be sent to you at a later date.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your outstanding contribution to Canadian children's literature.

E. Ann Atchison
Vice President SYRCA – The Willow Awards

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