

The 71st Annual

NATIONAL BOOK AWARDS

Wednesday, November 18, 2020

7pm ET

Runtime: 90 minutes

1 WELCOME

Jason Reynolds
Master of Ceremonies

Julia Whelan
Announcer

2 PRESENTATION OF THE LITERARIAN AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE AMERICAN LITERARY COMMUNITY

To Carolyn Reidy, accepted by Stephen Reidy

3 PRESENTATION OF THE MEDAL FOR DISTINGUISHED CONTRIBUTION TO AMERICAN LETTERS

To Walter Mosley by Edwidge Danticat

4 REMARKS

Lisa Lucas
Executive Director, National Book Foundation

David Steinberger
Chair of the Board, National Book Foundation

5 PRESENTATION OF THE 71ST NATIONAL BOOK AWARDS

YOUNG PEOPLE'S LITERATURE

Presented by Joan Trygg, *Panel Chair*

TRANSLATED LITERATURE

Presented by Dinaw Mengestu, *Panel Chair*

POETRY

Presented by Layli Long Soldier, *Panel Chair*

NONFICTION

Presented by Terry Tempest Williams,
Panel Chair

FICTION

Presented by Roxane Gay, *Panel Chair*

6 CLOSING REMARKS