BOOK COVER AWARDS 2026



Terms & Conditions

Key Dates for the 2026 Awards:

Entries Open: Thursday 27 November, 2025

Applications Close: Tuesday 30 December, 2025

Popular Vote Opens: Thursday 8 January, 2026

Popular Vote Closes: Thursday 15 January, 2026

Winners Announced: Thursday 29 January, 2026

Eligibility: Design clients and/or publishers who licensed an image via Bridgeman Images for a Trade or Academic book cover, which has been published through 2025, are all eligible. Submissions can be submitted via the form on the awards website with a deadline of 30 December, 2025. (*All clients who licensed an image for these purposes via Bridgeman Images will be automatically considered.)

Entry Fee: There is no fee to enter the competition.

Submission Guidelines: Each artist may submit up to three artworks. All entries must be submitted digitally via the provided online form by 30 December, 2025.

Selection Process: The judging panel will select a shortlist of finalists and an overall winner. The decision of the judges is final. Any entries that do not comply with the submission guidelines or are deemed inappropriate will be disqualified.

Copyright: Entrants retain the copyright of their artworks. By submitting, designers and publishers grant Bridgeman Images a non-exclusive license to use the artwork for promotional purposes related to the award.

Usage Rights: Bridgeman Images reserves the right to showcase the winning and shortlisted artworks online and in promotional materials related to the award.

Acceptance: By entering, designers and publishers agree to these terms and conditions.