

News from Newfoundland and Labrador

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The Newfoundland and Labrador Public Libraries are about to celebrate *Love Our Local Author Month* this February, which will be capped off with their *NL Reads Gala* on February 28th. Newfoundland and Labrador Reads enjoyed its inaugural year in 2018 and 2019 looks to be even more successful. Four NL books have been chosen as the *NL Reads* finalists. At the Gala, each book's Reader Advocate will champion their chosen work. The audience of the event and the people of the province will vote on a winner. This event has been heavily promoted by the NLPL and their partner, CBC NL, over the last four months. The people of NL have been encouraged to read each of the books and vote for their choice either in library or online through a poll. Those votes will be added to the audience votes the night of the Gala and a winner will be announced. This initiative has been a wonderful way for the literary community of Newfoundland and Labrador to come together and celebrate their own through the library. Each of the selected authors will be attending the Gala and it is anticipated to be a bigger event than last year.

The four finalists for *NL Reads* this year are:

Most Anything You Please by Trudy

Morgan-Cole

Publisher: Breakwater Books

Reader/Advocate: Stephanie Tobin - CBC

End of Music by Jamie Fitzpatrick

Publisher: Breakwater Books

Reader/Advocate: Leigha Chiasson-Locke,
Librarian

Boat People by Sharon Bala

Publisher: McClelland Stewart

Reader/Advocate: Hasan Hai - Library
Patron

Something for Everyone by Lisa Moore

Publisher: House of Anansi

Reader/Advocate: Maggie Burton - City Councillor

