

WRITING PRIZE:
Youth wrote on
'The Badlands'

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my thoughts in my head. Then I come back and edit and rearrange things and that often takes longer than the actual writing process."

Lehto submitted her work to the Waterston Prize and was the winning recipient of a \$250 scholarship.

"I am grateful that people read my piece and it is nice for it to be acknowledged," Lehto said.

Lehto will be attending the University of Oregon in

the fall and plans to keep up with their writing over the summer. They run a book and literature club with their literature professor from RPA as well.

"He let me create the curriculum for this club and I plan on really focusing on becoming an educator," Lehto said.

The Waterston Desert Writing Prize has postponed the annual award reception event due to COVID-19 but expects the event to be held September 10 (*see related story below*). More information can be found about all the writing prize winners this year at <https://www.waterstondesertwritingprize.org/>.

AZ writer wins Waterston Desert Writing Prize

Hannah Hindley of Tucson, Arizona, is the winner of the 2020 Waterston Desert Writing Prize.

Guest judge, noted author Robert Michael Pyle, and the Waterston Desert Writing Prize Board of Directors made the selection last month.

Eli Beck, Salt Lake City, Utah, and Leath Tonino, Ferrisburgh, Vermont were Prize finalists. The winner of the Prize's inaugural student desert writing contest is Al Lehto, a senior at Redmond Proficiency Academy (*see related story, page 18*).

Winners and finalists will be honored and offer readings at the annual reception and awards ceremonies at the High Desert Museum, currently scheduled for Thursday, September 10, at 6 p.m. The event was rescheduled from June due to COVID-19-related constraints. The event will also feature "A Desert Conversation" addressing this year's theme of "Climate Change in the Desert." Featured panelists include Robert Michael Pyle, author of 30 books, including "Wintergreen," which won the John Burroughs Medal for distinguished nature writing, his first novel, "Magdalena Mountain," and "Where Bigfoot Walks: Crossing the Dark Divide," which has been adapted to a movie titled "The Dark Divide."

Also on the panel, environmental writer Dahr Jamail is the author of "The End of Ice: Bearing Witness and Finding Meaning in the Path of Climate Disruption." Jamail is a recipient of numerous honors, including the Martha Gellhorn Award for Journalism for his work in Iraq and a 2018 Izzy Award for Outstanding Achievement in Independent Media for

his reporting on the Climate Crisis. A third panel member is pending. Free creative writing workshops led by the panelists precede the evening's events.

Hannah Hindley's winning submission, "Thin Blue Dream," proposes a collection of interconnected stories that explore the Sonoran Desert's disappearing waterways, the fish that used to call them home, and the successes and complications that come with efforts to help restore depleted tributaries with city effluent.

"It's a strange story of ghost rivers, dead fish, and resilience in the heart of urban spaces in the desert," Hindley stated

Currently completing her Master of Fine Arts (MFA) in Creative Nonfiction at the University of Arizona, Hindley is also a wilderness guide and naturalist. She will be presented with a \$2,500 cash award and a residency at PLAYA in Summer Lake, Oregon, at the Prize's sixth annual award event.

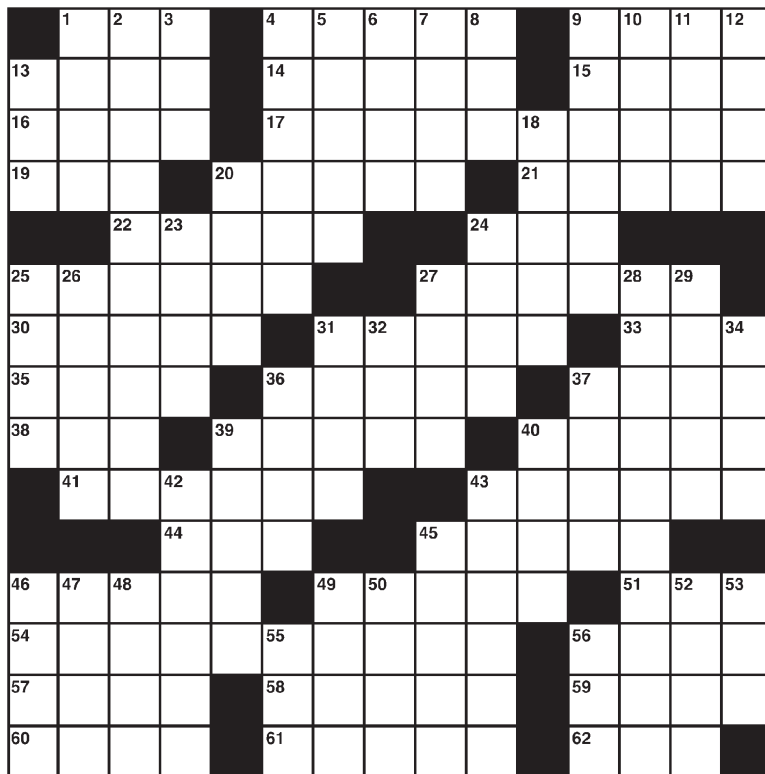
Now in its sixth year, the Waterston Desert Writing Prize awards will again be held at the High Desert Museum. Dana Whitelaw, Executive Director of the Museum, will co-host the evening with Ellen Waterston, President of the Waterston Desert Writing Prize. The Prize honors creative nonfiction that illustrates artistic excellence, sensitivity to place, and desert literacy, with the desert as both subject and setting. The Prize recognizes the vital role deserts play worldwide in the ecosystem and the human narrative. For more information about the Waterston Desert Writing Prize, visit www.waterstondesertwritingprize.org, email info@waterstondesertwritingprize.org or call 541-480-3933.

The Nugget Newspaper Crossword

By Jacqueline E. Mathews, Tribune News Service

- ACROSS**
- 1 Spring month
 - 4 Summarize
 - 9 "Half a loaf is better ___ none"
 - 13 Clavicle or scapula
 - 14 Roy's wife Dale
 - 15 Stockings
 - 16 ___ up; confesses
 - 17 Finicky
 - 19 "___ was going to St. Ives..."
 - 20 Zip ___; address parts
 - 21 Make right
 - 22 Monopoly player's purchase
 - 24 Tease
 - 25 Fly
 - 27 Population count
 - 30 Indianapolis team
 - 31 Forest clearing
 - 33 Slap cuffs on
 - 35 "___ the night before Christmas..."
 - 36 Sudden attacks
 - 37 Salami shop
 - 38 Adjust, as a watch
 - 39 House cleaners
 - 40 Kept for later
 - 41 Leave high and dry
 - 43 Hug
 - 44 "___ Miss"; southern univ.
 - 45 Bra wearers
 - 46 Furniture wood
 - 49 "Here comes the ___"
 - 51 ___ T; exactly
 - 54 Honest
 - 56 Saucers in the air
 - 57 Toulouse dad
 - 58 Cherub
 - 59 Baby dogs
 - 60 Huguenots' city
 - 61 Awaken
 - 62 Capp & Hirt

- DOWN**
- 1 Cuts blades
 - 2 Destroy completely
 - 3 ___-man; toady
 - 4 Rest peacefully
 - 5 Sidestep
 - 6 Concern
 - 7 Picnic spoilers
 - 8 Letter before omega
 - 9 All ___; clumsy
 - 10 Donut's center
 - 11 As comfortable ___ old shoe
 - 12 Bookish fellow
 - 13 Feathery scarf
 - 18 Actor Michael
 - 20 ___ off; severs
 - 23 Cereal grains
 - 24 Cincinnati team
 - 25 ___ up; misbehaves
 - 26 Made a solemn promise
 - 27 Two-timing jerks
 - 28 Like a trip neither great nor lousy
 - 29 Business deals
 - 31 Trot or canter
 - 32 Trash barrel top
 - 34 eBay offers
 - 36 Infrequent
 - 37 "How ___ you!"; cry of outrage



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- 39 Free-for-all
- 40 Identical
- 42 Does math problems
- 43 Indulge; pamper
- 45 Electrician's supply
- 46 Geographical diagrams
- 47 As busy as ___
- 48 X-rated material
- 49 Sonny, for one
- 50 Spaghetti topper
- 52 Butterfingers' cry
- 53 Long-eared critter
- 55 Forbid entry to
- 56 "___ Lazy River"

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