



HUMMINGBIRD AWARD IN LITERARY ARTS

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BENJAMIN ALIRE SÁENZ

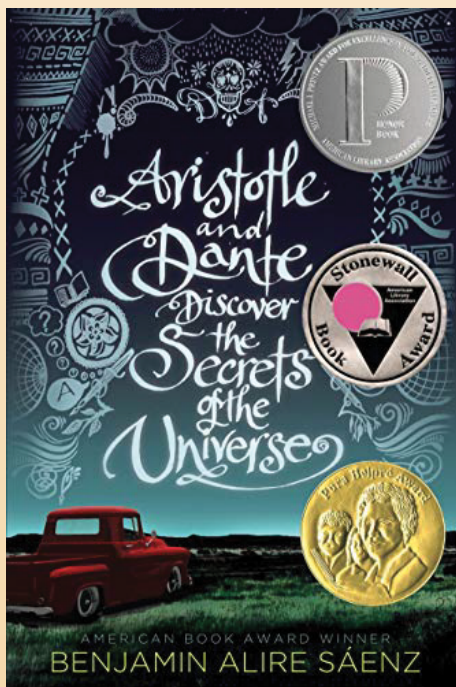
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Benjamin Alire Sáenz, an award-winning American author of poetry and prose for adults and teens, and a writer of books for children, will receive the inaugural Hummingbird Award in Literary Arts, talk about his life and writings, and sign books.

Sáenz was the first Hispanic author to win the prestigious PEN/Faulkner Award for fiction with his collection of stories *Everything Begins and Ends at the Kentucky Club*. He also was a recipient of the 1992 American Book Award for his first book of poems, *Calendar of Dust*. He is the author of

Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe, which was a Printz Honor Book; and his first novel for teens, *Sammy and Juliana in Hollywood*, was an ALA Top Ten Book for Young Adults and a finalist for the *Los Angeles Times* Book Prize. His children's books include the bilingual *A Gift From Papa Diego* and its sequel, *The Dog Who Loved Tortillas*.

Given biennially by the Tulsa Library Trust and Tulsa City-County Library's Hispanic Resource Center, the Hummingbird Award in Literary Arts honors and recognizes a nationally prominent author, poet or artist of Latinx descent whose work has elevated and affirmed the voice of the Latinx community. The award consists of an engraved plaque and a \$10,000 cash prize.


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