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CutBank is pleased to announce the finalists and winners of the 2008 Montana Prize in Fiction, Montana Prize in Creative Nonfiction, and Patricia Goedicke Prize in Poetry.

The three awards were founded this year in the spirit of the Richard Hugo Memorial Poetry Award and A. B. Guthrie, Jr. Short Fiction Award, which CutBank awarded for over a decade in the '80s and '90s. The goal of the Montana and Goedicke Prizes is to recognize work that showcases authentic voice, boldness of form, and a rejection of functional fixedness.

Our congratulations to the winners and finalists, and our thanks to everyone who entered. Very special thanks to guest judges Aimee Bender, Suzanne Paola, and Michele Glazer for the time and thought they invested into each submission.

MONTANA PRIZE IN FICTION
Winner: Kate Lane, “Spectacle of the Missing”
Finalists: Buffy Cram, Kara Levy, Joe B. Sills, and Marc T. Wise
Judge: Aimee Bender

MONTANA PRIZE IN CREATIVE NONFICTION
Winner: Kim van Alkemade, “Severance Pay”
Finalists: Kelley Calvert, Matthew Clark, Jackie Shannon-Hollis, and Jane Satterfield
Judge: Suzanne Paola

PATRICIA GOEDICKE PRIZE IN POETRY
Winner: Rusty Morrison, “Insolence”
Finalists: William S. Barnes, Ariel Goldberg, Jennifer Chapis, Karyna McGlynn, Dan Chelotti, Jennifer Metsker, Derek Henderson, Michael Sikkema, Nathan Hoks, and Jen Tynes
Judge: Michele Glazer

Winners received a $500 honorarium, and their work appears on the following pages.