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**The View from Lazy Point Wins 2012 Orion Book Award**

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THE VIEW FROM LAZY POINT; A Natural Year in an Unnatural World, written by Carl Safina, has been named winner of the 2012 Orion Book Award.

Orion Magazine gives this award for the best book of the year addressing the relationship between humanity and nature.

Criteria for the award include that the book "deepens our connection to the natural world," "presents new ideas about our relationship with nature," and "achieves excellence in writing," according to Orion Magazine's website.

Two hundred wonderful books competed for the award.

The excellent finalists included:

FIRE SEASON by Philip Connors (Ecco)  
OIL ON WATER by Helon Habila (W. W. Norton & Co.)  
SWAMPLANDIA! by Karen Russell (Vintage)  
RAISING ELIJAH by Sandra Steingraber (Da Capo).

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