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Paoli, PA—The Elevator Group, an independent publishing company located in Paoli, Pennsylvania, scored big in the just announced National Best Books 2009 Awards, sponsored by USA Book News and open to all publishers and authors. The national press release about the awards is at www.usabooknews.com.

“I am so pleased that the work of our small, but growing, publishing company is again being recognized nationally and internationally,” said Sheilah Vance, The Elevator Group’s President & CEO, and author of several of books. In May, the company’s books that were released earlier this year, the novel *Land Mines* by Sheilah Vance, and *A Christian Woman’s Journal to Weight Loss* by Patricia Thomas, were named finalists in multiple categories in the 2009 Next Generation Indie Book Awards, open to independent and self-publishers.

The National Best Books 2009 Awards received are as follows:

- *Obamatyme: Election Poetry*, by Melodye Micere Van Putten, was the winner in the category Poetry: Urban.
- *Land Mines*, a novel by Sheilah Vance, was a finalist in two categories—1) Fiction: Chick Lit/Women’s Lit, and 2) Fiction: African American.
- *A Christian Woman’s Journal to Weight Loss*, by Patricia Thomas, was a finalist in two categories—1) Health: Diet and Weight Loss, and 2) Spirituality: Journals and Quotes.
- *Heads Deacon, Tails Devil*, by debut author P. J. McCalla, was a finalist in Fiction: African American.
- *Journaling Through the Land Mines*, the companion journal to *Land Mines*, by Sheilah Vance, was a finalist in the category Self-Help: Journals and Quotes.

“I’m also very gratified that The Elevator Group took two of the five finalist awards in the category of Fiction: African American,” said Vance. “We work very hard to bring quality books to the public.”

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