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K. N. Smith Wins Jesse Redmon Fauset Book Award: *The Urban Boys* Named Best of YA!
Fantasy novel called "A wonderful and deeply written emotional adventure!" by reviewers

LOS ANGELES, Calif., August 20, 2016 (Google News) – Author K.N. Smith and her debut novel, *Discovery of the Five Senses* (ISBN-9780989474757, 340 pages, \$12.95; e-book \$2.99), have been awarded “Best of” in the category “Outstanding Young Adult Novel” at the Jessie Redmon Fauset Book Awards. The awards were held at the 10th Annual Leimert Park Village Book Fair, with many well-deserving authors and books in contention.

The Leimert Park Village Book Fair, "VOTED ONE OF LA'S 5 BEST ANNUAL BOOK FESTIVALS", attracts over 200 authors, poets, spoken word artists, storytellers, performers, and literary/educational exhibitor participants – and boasts an audience of over 5,000. Since its inception, it has grown in popularity and prestige becoming a cultural tradition and premier summer literary event. Presenting an exciting line-up of headliners and book club favorites, the festival covers much ground including retail and outdoor space to accommodate the ever-growing crowds. K.N. Smith also participated as a panelist along with renowned book cover designer Juan Roberts, Director at Creative Lunacy. The workshop, entitled: Creative Branding and Book Design, was held inside Macy's to a large and enthusiastic crowd.

Established in the Young Adult Urban Fantasy/ Action-Adventure category, *Discovery of the Five Senses* follows five teen boys who are exposed to a foreign energy source that gives them extremely heightened senses. Sight, sound, touch, taste, and smell become hypersensitive gifts that change the world. The story follows the testing of their bonds as they face adversity while undertaking a special journey, but they must find a way to embrace their fate. Mysterious strangers lead to confusion while shocking details about the evil antagonist, Druth, twist and grind the story into something even greater.

"*Discovery of Five Senses* by K.N. Smith is hands down one of the most original and well-crafted YA paranormal novels I've read in a long time! I was completely drawn in from the opening pages, and absolutely loved the author's use of description of the different scenery and locales, and her attention to detail, especially with the characters. An epic literary feat, to be certain, well written and with beautiful narrative. I was really impressed and would recommend this book with the highest of praise to fans of YA adventure/action/light fantasy - 5 stars!" said Brenda Maxwell of Indie Book Reviews. In celebration of its win, the e-book version of *Discovery of the Five Senses* is on sale for \$0.99 for a limited time. The saga will continue with the next book in the series. For more details, visit www.knsmith.com.



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