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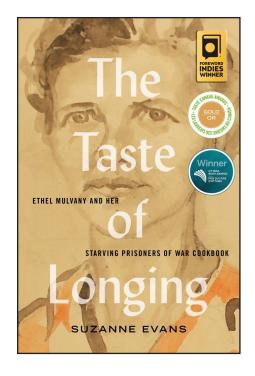
## **OHS Creighton Award Recognizes** Suzanne Evans for *The Taste of Longing*: Ethel Mulvany and her Starving Prisoners of War Cookbook

The Ontario Historical Society is pleased to present the 2021-22 Donald Grant Creighton Award to Suzanne Evans for her book, The Taste of Longing: Ethel Mulvany and her Starving Prisoners of War Cookbook, published by Between the Lines. The Donald Grant Creighton Award honours the best book of biography or autobiography highlighting life in Ontario, past or present, published in the past three years.

In The Taste of Longing: Ethel Mulvany and her Starving Prisoners of War Cookbook, Suzanne Evans sheds light on the little-known story of Ethel Mulvany and her experiences during the Second World War. Original and well-executed, it traces Mulvany's life from her home on Manitoulin Island, her imprisonment in 1942 and survival as a POW in Singapore's infamous Changi Prison, and her life following the war while battling trauma and mental illness.

As Evans writes, Mulvany and many of the hundreds of women held at Changi "beat back pangs of hunger by playing decadent games of make-believe and writing down recipes filled with cream, raisins, chocolate, butter, cinnamon, ripe fruit – the unattainable ingredients of peacetime, of home, of memory." Food, and the longing for it, is central to the story, with the recipes taking on vital significance as instruments of individual and collective resistance.

The Honours and Awards Committee proudly presents the Donald Grant Creighton Award to Suzanne Evans.



## Watch Suzanne Evans' Acceptance Video



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