



The Rough Guide to Climate Change Shortlisted for Royal Society Prize

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In an announcement today The Rough Guide to Climate Change, by Robert Henson, has been shortlisted for the prestigious Royal Society Prize for Science Books 2007.

Celebrating the very best in popular science literature, The Royal Society Prize for Science Books (formerly the Aventis Prize) is the world's top award for science writing.

Of **The Rough Guide to Climate Change**, the judges said: "This clearly illustrated book tells you everything you ever wanted to know about the 'hot topic' of the day in an accessible way."

Professor Colin Pillinger, chair of the judging panel said, "This year's shortlist reflects the great range of styles that science books can encompass. We believe that they are the best six science books of the last year."

The hugely successful Rough Guide to Climate Change has been at the centre of a Parliamentary questionnaire in the UK and is a complete and unbiased guide to one of the most pressing problems of our time.

The Rough Guide provides the low-down on everything from the background science to the government sceptics and possible solutions. The guide looks at the visible symptoms of change, the evolution of our atmosphere over billions of years and what computer simulations reveal about our climate past, present, and future.

Looking at the grounds for disagreement, global warming in the media and what governments and scientists are doing to try and solve the problem, it also includes lifestyle advice for consumers who want to make a difference in tomorrow's climate.

The winner will be announced on 15 May 2007

NOTES FOR EDITORS

The Rough Guide to Climate Change

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About The Author:

Robert Henson was born in 1960 in Oklahoma City, tornado capital of the world. He completed graduate school in both meteorology and journalism at the University of

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Oklahoma. Through the 1980s, Bob crisscrossed the U.S. prairie as an assistant on several storm-chase research forays. Since 1989 he's been employed as a writer and editor at the University Corporation for Atmospheric Research (UCAR), which operates the National Centre for Atmospheric Research (NCAR). The job has allowed him not only to indulge his interests in both meteorology and journalism but also provided a bird's-eye perch on the evolution of research on global warming and other hot topics in atmospheric science. His previous books include *The Rough Guide to Weather* and *Television Weathercasting: A History*, and he's a contributing editor of *Weatherwise* magazine.

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