BOOK AWARD WINNERS

2018 (66th)

Books for Younger Children


Books for Older Children

The Enemy: Detroit 1954, written by Sara E. Holbrook, illustrated by Stephanie Dalton Cowan, and published by Calkins Creek.

Honors Books for Younger Children

Before She Was Harriet, written by Lesa Cline-Ransome, illustrated by James E. Ransome, and published by Holiday House.

Honors Books for Older Children

Fred Korematsu Speaks Up, written by Laura Atkins and Stan Yogi, illustrated by Yutaka Houlette, and published by Heyday.

Midnight Without A Moon, written by Linda Williams Jackson, and published by HMH Books for Young Readers.

Piecing Me Together, written by Renée Watson, and published by Bloomsbury USA Childrens.

2017 (65th)

Books for Younger Children

Steamboat School, written by Deborah Hopkinson, illustrated by Ron Husband, and published by Disney-Jump at the Sun, an imprint of Disney Book Group.

Books for Older Children

Sachiko: A Nagasaki Bomb Survivor’s Story, written by Caren B. Stelson, and published by Carolrhoda Books, a division of Lerner Publishing Group

Honors Books for Younger Children

First Step: How One Girl Put Segregation on Trial, written by Susan E. Goodman, illustrated by E. B. Lewis, and published by Bloomsbury Children’s Books

I Dissent: Ruth Bader Ginsburg Makes Her Mark, written by Debbie Levy, illustrated by Elizabeth Baddeley, and published by Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers
Honors Books for Older Children


Wolf Hollow, written by Lauren Wolk, published by Dutton Books for Young Readers, an imprint of Penguin Random House.

2016 (64th)

Books for Younger Children

New Shoes written by Susan Lynn Meyer, illustrated by Eric Velasquez and published by Holiday House.

Books for Older Children

Turning 15 on the Road to Freedom: My Story of the 1965 Selma Voting Rights March by Lynda Blackmon Lowery as told to Elspeth Leacock and Susan Buckley, illustrated by PJ Loughran, and published by Dial Books an imprint of Penguin Group LLC.

Honors Books for Younger Children


Mama’s Nightingale: A Story of Immigration and Separation written by Edwidge Danticat, illustrated by Leslie Staub, and published by Dial Books For Young Readers, an imprint of Penguin Group LLC.


Honors Books for Older Children

Full Cicada Moon by Marilyn Hilton published by Dial Books, an imprint of Penguin Group LLC.

2015 (63rd)

Books for Younger Children

Separate is Never Equal: Sylvia Mendez and her family’s fight for desegregation, written and illustrated by Duncan Tonatiuh and published by Abrams Books.

Books for Older Children

The Girl From the Tar Paper School: Barbara Rose Johns and the advent of the Civil Rights Movement by Teri Kanefield and published by Abrams Books for Young Readers.

Honors Books for Younger Children

Whispering Town written by Jennifer Elvgren and illustrated by Fabio Santomauro and published by Kar-Ben Publishing.

**Honors Books for Older Children**

Revolution by Deborah Wiles published by Scholastic Press.

Silver People: Voices from the Panama Canal by Margarita Engle published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt.

**2014 (62nd)**

**Books for Younger Children**


**Books for Older Children**


**Honors Books for Younger Children**

We Shall Overcome: The Story of a Song written by Debbie Levy and illustrated by Vanessa Brantley-Newton and published by Jump at the Sun, an imprint of Disney-Hyperion.

Razia’s Ray of Hope: One Girl’s Dream of an Education written by Elizabeth Suneby and illustrated by Suana Verelst and published by Kids Can Press.

**Honors Books for Older Children**

Seeing Red by Kathryn Erskine and published by Scholastic Press.

Brotherhood by Anne Westrick and published by Viking.

**2013 (61st)**

**Books for Younger Children**


**Books for Older Children**


**Honors Books for Younger Children**


We March written and illustrated by Shane W. Evans, and published by Roaring Brook Press, a Neal Porter imprint of Macmillan.
**Honors Books for Older Children**

Marching to the Mountaintop: How Poverty, Labor Fights and Civil Rights Set the Stage for Martin Luther King Jr’s Final Hours, written by Ann Bausum and published by National Geographic.


**2012 (60th)**

**Books for Younger Children**

The Mangrove Tree: Planting Trees to Feed Families written by Susan L. Roth and Cindy Trumbore, illustrated by Susan L. Roth, published by Lee & Low

**Books for Older Children**

Sylvia & Aki by Winifred Conkling, published by Tricycle Press, an imprint of Random House

**Honors Books for Younger Children**


Belle, the Last Mule at Gee’s Bend written by Calvin Alexander Ramsey and Bettye Stroud, illustrated by John Holyfield, and published by Candlewick Press.

**Honors Books for Older Children**


**2011 (59th)**

**Books for Younger Children**


A Long Walk to Water: Based on a True Story by Linda Sue Park, Clarion Books, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company

**Honors Books for Younger Children**


Ruth and the Green Book by Calvin Alexander Ramsey with Gwen Strauss and illustrated by Floyd Cooper, published by Carolrhoda Books, a division of Lerner Publishing Group, Inc.

**Honors Books for Older Children**

Birmingham Sunday by Larry Dane Brimner, Calkins Creek, an imprint of Boyds Mills Press, Inc.

2010 (58th)
Books for Younger Children

Nasreen’s Secret School: A True Story from Afghanistan, written and illustrated by Jeanette Winter, Beach Lane Books, an imprint of Simon & Schuster Children’s Publishing

Books for Older Children


Honors Books for Younger Children

Sojourner Truth’s Step-Stomp Stride, by Andrea Davis Pinkney & Brian Pinkney, published by Disney-Jump at the Sun Books.

You and Me and Home Sweet Home by George Ella Lyon and Stephanie Anderson, a Richard Jackson Book/Atheneum Books for Young Readers, an imprint of Simon & Schuster Children’s Publishing.

Honors Books for Older Children

Almost Astronauts: 13 Women Who Dared to Dream by Tanya Lee Stone, is published by Candlewick Press.


2009 (57th)
Books for Younger Children

Planting the Trees of Kenya: The Story of Wangari Maathai, written and illustrated by Claire A. Nivola, published by Frances Foster Books/Farrar, Straus and Giroux, an imprint of Macmillan Children’s Publishing Group

Books for Older Children

The Surrender Tree: Poems of Cuba’s Struggle for Freedom, written by Margarita Engle, published by Henry Holt Books for Young Readers, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group

Honors Books for Younger Children


Silent Music: A Story of Baghdad written and illustrated by James Rumford, is a Neal Porter Book/Roaring Brook Press, an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group.
**Honors Books for Older Children**


Ain't Nothing But a Man: My Quest to Find the Real John Henry, published by National Geographic

**2008 (56th)**

**Books for Younger Children**


**Books for Older Children**

We Are One: The Story of Bayard Rustin by Larry Dane Brimner, published by Calkins Creek, an imprint of Boyds Mills Press, Inc.

**Honors Books for Younger Children**

One Thousand Tracings: Healing the Wounds of World War II written and illustrated by Lita Judge, published by Hyperion Books for Children.

**Honors Books for Older Children**

Rickshaw Girl by Mitali Perkins, illustrations by Jamie Hogan, published by Charlesbridge.

Elijah of Buxton by Christopher Paul Curtis, published by Scholastic Press, an imprint of Scholastic, Inc.


**2007 (55th)**

**Books for Older Children**

Weedflower by Cynthia Kadohata, published by Atheneum Books for Young Readers, an imprint of Simon & Schuster Children’s Publishing

**Books for Younger Children**

A Place Where Sunflowers Grow, written by Amy Lee-Tai, illustrated by Felicia Hoshino and published by Children’s Book Press

**Honors Books for Older Children**


Counting on Grace, by Elizabeth Winthrop, published by Wendy Lamb Books.

**Honors Books for Younger Children**

Night Boat to Freedom, written by Margot Theis Raven with pictures by E. B. Lewis, published by Melanie Kroupa Books
Crossing Bok Chitto: told in written form by nationally recognized Choctaw storyteller, Tim Tingle, illustrated by Jeanne Rorex Bridges, an award-winning artist, published by Cinco Puntos press.

2006 (54th)

Books for Older Children

Let Me Play: The Story of Title IX, the Law that Changed the Future of Girls in America, by Karen Blumenthal published by Atheneum Books for Young Readers, an imprint of Simon & Schuster

Books for Younger Children


Honors Books for Older Children


Sweetgrass Basket, by Marlene Carvell, published by Dutton Children’s Books a Division of Penguin Young Readers Group.

Honors Books for Younger Children


2005 (53rd)

Books for Older Children


Honor Books for Older Children

The Heaven Shop, by Deborah Ellis, published by Fitzhenry & Whiteside. Books for Younger Children

Sélavi, That is Life: A Haitian Story of Hope, written and illustrated by Youme Landowne, from Cinco Puntos Press.

Honors Books for Younger Children


Henry and the Kite Dragon, by Bruce Edward Hall, with paintings of William Low published by Philomel Books/Penguin Young Readers Group


2004 (52nd)

Picture Book Category

**Honor Books**


**Book for Older Children**

Out of Bounds: Seven Stories of Conflict and Hope, written by Beverley Naidoo and published by HarperCollins Children's Books.

**Honor Books**


Shutting Out the Sky: Life in the Tenements of New York 1880-1924 by Deborah Hopkinson and published by Orchard Books, an imprint of Scholastic, Inc.

**Special Commendation:** This year a Special Commendation is being awarded to The Breadwinner Trilogy, three books by Deborah Ellis, published by Groundwood Books/Douglas & McIntyre. The Breadwinner, Parvana's Journey, and Mud City are connected realistic novels of children in contemporary Afghanistan, orphaned and displaced by war. As refugees in their own ravaged country, the courageous protagonist in each story displays her own special enterprise and perseverance.

2003 (51st)

**Book for Older Children**


**Honor Books**


When My Name Was Keoko written by Linda Sue Park. Clarion, 2002.

**Picture Book**


**Honor Books**


2002 (50th)
Book for Older Children

Honor Books

Picture Book
Martin’s Big Words: The Life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. written by Doreen Rappaport with artwork by Bryan Collier. Jump at the Sun / Hyperion, 2001.

Honor Book

2001 (49th)
Book for Older Children
Esperanza Rising written by Pam Muñoz Ryan. Scholastic Press, 2000

Honor Books

Picture Book

Honor Book

2000 (48th)
Book for Older Children

Honor Books

**Picture Book**


**Honor Books**


1999 (47th)

**Book for Older Children**


**Honor Books**


**Picture Book**


**Honor Books**

Hey, Little Ant written by Phillip and Hannah Hoose. Illustrated by Debbie Tilley. Tricycle Press, 1998


1998 (46th)

**Book for Older Children**


**Honor Books**


**Picture Book**

**Honor Books**


1997 (45th)
**Book for Older Children**


**Honor Books**

Behind the Bedroom Wall written by Laura E. Williams. Milkweed, 1996.


**Picture Book**


**Honor Book**


1996 (44th)
**Book for Older Children**


**Honor Books**

From the Notebooks of Melanin Sun written by Jacqueline Woodson. Blue Sky / Scholastic, 1995.


**Picture Book**

No award given.

**Special Commendation:** The Middle Passage written by Tom Feelings. Dial, 1995.

1995 (43rd)
**Book for Older Children**

Honor Books


I Hadn't Meant to Tell You This written by Jacqueline Woodson. Delacorte, 1994.

Picture Book


Honor Book


1994 (42nd)
Book for Older Children


Honor Book


Picture Book


Honor Book


1993 (41st)
Book for Older Children


Honor Book


Picture Book


Honor Book


1992 (40th)
Journey of the Sparrows written by Fran Leeper Buss with the assistance of Daisy Cubias. Lodestar, 1991.

Honor Book

1991 (39th)

Honor Books


1990 (38th)

Honor Books


1989 (37th)
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Honor Books


1988 (36th)

Honor Books

1987 (35th)

Honor Books
All in a Day written by Mitsumasa Anno. Philomel, 1986.
Children of the Maya: A Guatemalan Indian Odyssey written by Brent Ashabranner. Photographs by Paul Conklin. Dodd, Mead, 1986

1986 (34th)

Honor Book

1985 (33rd)

Honor Books


1984 (32nd)

1983 (31st)

Honor Books


West Coast Honor Book


1982 (30th)
Honor Books


1981 (29th)

Honor Books


We Are Mesquakie, We Are One written by Hadley Irwin. Feminist Press, 1980.

1980 (28th)

West Coast Honor Book


1979 (27th)

Honor Books


1978 (26th)

Honor Books


1977 (25th)

Honor Book

1976 (24th)

Honor Books
Song of the Trees written by Mildred D. Taylor, Dial, 1975.

1975 (23rd)

Honor Books

1974 (22nd)

Honor Books

1973 (21st)

Honor Book

1972 (20th)

1971 (19th)

1970 (18th)
1969 (17th)

1968 (16th)

1967 (15th)

1966 (14th)

1965 (13th)

1964 (12th)

1963 (11th)

1962 (10th)

1961 (9th)

1960 (8th)
Champions of Peace written by Edith Patterson Meyer. Little Brown, 1959.

1959 (7th)
No Award Given

1958 (6th)

1957 (5th)

1956 (4th)

1955 (3rd)

1954 (2nd)
People Are Important written by Eva Knox Evans. First published by Capital, 1951.