



2009 Notable Children's Books in the Language Arts

Poetry

Bryant, Jen. (2008). *Ringside 1925*. New York: Alfred A. Knopf/Random House.

Giovanni, Nikki. (2008). *Hip Hop Speaks to Children: A Celebration of Poetry with a Beat*. Naperville, IL: Sourcebooks.

Greenberg, Jan. (2008). *Side by Side: New Poems Inspired by Art from Around the World*. New York: Abrams.

Thomas, Joyce Carol. (2008). *The Blacker the Berry*. Illustrated by Floyd Cooper. New York: HarperCollins.

Weston, Robert Paul. (2008). *Zorgamazoo*. New York: Penguin.

Historical and Realistic Fiction

Almond, David. (2008). *The Savage*. Illustrated by Dave McKean. Cambridge, MA: Candlewick.

Bartoletti, Susan Campbell. (2008). *The Boy Who Dared*. New York: Scholastic.

Bauer, Joan. (2008). *Peeled*. New York: Penguin.

Giff, Patricia Reilly. (2008). *Eleven*. New York: Wendy Lamb/Random House.

Lowry, Lois. (2008). *The Willoughbys*. New York: Houghton Mifflin.

Nicholls, Sally. (2008). *Ways to Live Forever*. New York: Arthur A. Levine/Scholastic.

Fantasy/Folklore

Alley, Zoe B. (2008). *There's a Wolf at the Door*. Illustrated by R.W. Alley. New York: Roaring Brook.

Berk, Ari. (2008). *The Secret History of Giants*. Cambridge, MA: Candlewick.

Morales, Yuyi. (2008). *Just in Case: A Trickster Tale and Spanish Alphabet Book*. New York: Roaring Brook.

Prineas, Sarah (2008). *The Magic Thief*. New York: HarperCollins.

Reeve, Philip. (2008). *Here Lies Arthur*. New York: Scholastic.

Information/Biography

Bryant, Jen. (2008). *A River of Words: The Story of William Carlos Williams*. Illustrated by Melissa Sweet. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans.

Deneberg, Barry. (2008). *Lincoln Shot: A President's Life Remembered*. New York: Feiwel and Friends/MacMillan.

Dray, Philip. (2008). *Yours for Justice, Ida B. Wells: The Daring Life of a Crusading Journalist*. Illustrated by Stephen Alcorn. Atlanta, GA: Peachtree.

Nelson, Scott Reynolds, & Aronson, Marc. (2008). *Ain't Nothing but a Man: My Quest to Find the Real John Henry*. Washington, DC: National Geographic.

Prelutsky, Jack. (2008). *Pizza, Pigs, and Poetry: How to Write a Poem*. New York: Greenwillow Books/HarperCollins.

Scieszka, Jon. (2008). *Knucklehead*. New York: Penguin.

Picture Books

Chen, Chih-Yuan. (2008). *Artie and Julie*. Alhambra, CA: Heryin.

Choung, Eun-Hee. (2008). *Minji's Salon*. La Jolla, CA: Kane/Miller.

Cottin, Menena. (2008). *The Black Book of Colors*. Illustrated by Rosana Faria. Toronto, Canada: Groundwood.

Gravett, Emily. (2008). *Little Mouse's Big Book of Fears*. New York: Simon & Schuster.

Johnson, Stephen T. (2008). *A is for Art: An Abstract Alphabet*. New York: Simon & Schuster.

Reibstein, Mark. (2008). *Wabi Sabi*. Illustrated by Ed Young. New York: Little Brown.

Rumford, James. (2008). *Silent Music: A Story of Baghdad*. New York: Roaring Brook.

Seeger, Laura Vaccaro. (2008). *One Boy*. New York: Roaring Brook.

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