

2023 Notable Children's Books in the Language Arts Award Books

A Bear, a Bee, and a Honey Tree, written by Daniel Bernstrom, illustrated by Brandon James Scott, published by Hippo Park, an imprint of Astra Books for Young Readers.

Ain't Burned all the Bright, written by Jason Reynolds, illustrated by Jason Griffin, published by Atheneum Books an imprint of Simon and Schuster Children's Publishing Division.

Anybody Here Seen Frenchie?, written by Leslie Connor, published by Katherine Tegen Books an imprint of HarperCollins.

Attack of the Black Rectangles, written by Amy Sarig King, published by Scholastic Press an imprint of Scholastic.

Big and Small and In-between, written by Carter Higgins, illustrated by Daniel Miyares, published by Chronicle Books LLC.

Blue: A History of the Color as Deep as the Sea and as Wide as the Sky, written by Nana Ekua Brew Hammond, illustrated by Daniel Minter, published by Alfred A. Knopf an imprint of Random House Children's Books, a division of Penguin Random House.

Caves, written by Nell Cross Beckerman, illustrated by Kalen Chock, published by Orchard Books an imprint of Scholastic Inc.

Copycat: Nature-inspired Design Around the World, written and illustrated by Christy Hale, published by Lee and Low Books.

Going places: Victor Hugo Green and His Glorious Book, written by Tanya Bolden, illustrated by Eric Velasquez, published by Quill Tree Books an imprint of HarperCollins Publishers.

Hazel Hill is Going to Win this One, written by Maggie Horne, published by Clarion an imprint of HarperCollins.

I am Ruby Bridges, written by Ruby Bridges, illustrated by Nikkolas Smith, published by Orchard Books an imprint of Scholastic Inc.

Ice Cycle: Poems About the Life of Ice, written by Maria Gianferrari, illustrated by Jieting Chen, published by Millbrook Press an imprint of Lerner Publishing Group Inc.



Maya's Song, written by Renee Watson, illustrated by Bryan Collier, published by Harper an imprint of HarperCollins Publishing.

Moving Words About a Flower, written by K.C. Hayes, illustrated by Barbara Chotiner, published by Charlesbridge.

My Name is Saajin Singh, written by Kuljinder Kaur Brar, illustrated by Samrath Kaur, published by Annick Press.

On a Gold-Blooming Day: Finding Fall Treasures, written and illustrated by Buffy Silverman, published by Millbrook Press, an imprint of Lerner Publishing Group Inc.

Out of This World, written by Sally M. Walker, illustrated by Matthew Trueman, published by Candlewick Press.

Seen and Unseen: What Dorothea Lange, Toyo Miyatake, and Ansel Adams's photographs reveal about the Japanese American incarceration, written by Elizabeth Partridge, illustrated by Lauren Tamaki, published by Chronicle Books.

Skater Cielo, written by Rachel Katstaller, published by Orchard Books an imprint of Scholastic.

Swim Team: Small Waves, Big Changes, written by Johnnie Christma, published by Harper Alley an imprint of HarperCollins.

Tell Me a Lion Story, written and illustrated by Kara Kramer, published by Candlewick Press.

The Language of Seabirds, written by Will Taylor, published by Scholastic Press an imprint of Scholastic.

The Last Mapmaker, written by Christina Soontornvat, published by Candlewick Press.

The Midnight Children, written by Dan Gemeinhart, published by Henry Holt and Company, a registered trademark of Macmillan Publishing Group LLC.

We Are Wolves, written by Katrina Nannestad, published by Atheneum Books an imprint of Simon and Schuster Children's Publishing Division.

What Are Words Really?, written by Alexi Lubomirski, illustrated by Alexi Lubomirski, published by Candlewick Press.

Wildoak, written by CC Harrington, published by Scholastic Press an imprint of Scholastic.



Wondering Around, written by Meg Fleming, illustrated by Richard Jones, published by Beach Lane Books an imprint of Simon and Schuster Children's Publishing Division.

Yonder, written by Ali Standish, published by Harper an imprint of HarperCollins.

Zia Erases the World, written by Bree Barton, published by Viking an imprint of Penguin Random House LLC.

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