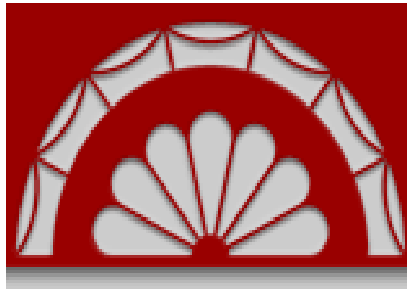


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THE CALDECOTT MEDAL WINNERS

The Caldecott Medal was established in 1938 and was named in honor of nineteenth-century English illustrator Randolph Caldecott. It is awarded annually to the illustrator of the most distinguished American picture book for children published in the preceding year.

- 2008** **THE INVENTION OF HUGO CABRET: A NOVEL IN WORDS AND PICTURES** Brian Selznick. (Scholastic Press) **ERC Child Fic S464i** (Grade ps -3) When twelve-year-old Hugo, an orphan living and repairing clocks within the walls of a Paris train station in 1931, meets a mysterious toy seller and his goddaughter, his undercover life and his biggest secret are jeopardized.
- 2007** **FLOTSAM**. David Wiesner. (Clarion) **ERC Pic W651f** (Grade ps -3) The story of what happens when a camera becomes a piece of flotsam.
- 2006** **THE HELLO, GOODBYE WINDOW**. Chris Raschka. (Hyperion Books for Children) **C J96h** (Grade ps +) A little girl describes the magic kitchen window in her grandparents' home.
- 2005** **KITTEN'S FIRST FULL MOON**. Kevin Henkes. (Greenwillow Books/Harper Collins Publishers) **P H513 K** (Grade ps +)
When kitten mistakes the full moon for a bowl of milk, she ends up tired, wet, and hungry trying to reach it.
- 2004** **THE MAN WHO WALKED BETWEEN THE TOWERS**. Mordicai Gerstein. (Roaring Brook Press) **C 791.3 G383 2003** (Grade ps-6)
A lyrical evocation of Philippe Petit's 1974 tightrope walk between the World Trade Center towers.
- 2003** **MY FRIEND RABBIT**. Eric Rohmann. (Roaring Brook Press) **P R738m** (Grade k-3)
Something always seems to go wrong when Rabbit is around, but Mouse lets him play with his toy plane anyway because he is his good friend.
- 2002** **THE THREE PIGS**. David Wiesner. (Clarion Books) **P W651t** (Grade k-3)
The three pigs escape the wolf by going into another world where they meet the cat and the fiddle, the cow that jumped over the moon, and a dragon.
- 2001** **SO YOU WANT TO BE PRESIDENT?** David Small. (Philomel Books)
C 973.099 S139 (Grade 4-8)
Presents an assortment of facts about the qualifications and characteristics of U.S. presidents, from George Washington to Bill Clinton.
- 2000** **JOSEPH HAD A LITTLE OVERCOAT**. Simms Taback. (Viking)
C T112j (Grade k-2)
A very old overcoat is recycled numerous times into a variety of garments.

- 1999** **SNOWFLAKE BENTLEY.** Jacqueline B. Martin. (Houghton Mifflin)
C 551.57841 M381 (Gradek-3)
 A biography of a self-taught scientist who photographed thousands of individual snowflakes in order to study their unique formations.
- 1998** **RAPUNZEL.** Paul O. Zelinsky. (Dutton Children's Books) **C 398.21 Z69** (Grade k-3)
 A retelling of the German folktale in which a beautiful girl with long golden hair is kept imprisoned in a lonely tower by a sorceress.
- 1997** **GOLEM.** David Wisniewski. (Clarion Books) **C 398.21 W815** (Grade 1-5)
 A saintly Rabbi miraculously brings to life a clay giant who helps him watch over the Jews of sixteenth-century Prague.
- 1996** **OFFICER BUCKLE AND GLORIA.** Peggy Rathmann. (G.P. Putnam's)
C R234o (Grade k-4)
 The children at Napville Elementary School always ignore Officer Buckle's safety tips, until a police dog named Gloria accompanies him when he gives his safety speeches.
- 1995** **SMOKY NIGHT.** Eve Bunting. (Harcourt Brace & Co.) **C B942sn** (Grade 4 up)
 When the Los Angeles riots break out in the streets of their neighborhood, a young boy and his mother learn the value of getting along with others no matter what their background or nationality.
- 1994** **GRANDFATHER'S JOURNEY.** Allen Say. (Houghton Mifflin) **C S274g**
 (Grade 0-3)
 A Japanese American man recounts his grandfather's journey to America which he later also undertakes, and the feelings of being torn by a love for two different countries.
- 1993** **MIRETTE ON THE HIGH WIRE.** Emily Arnold McCully. (G.P. Putnam's)
C M133m (Grade k-3)
 Mirette learns tightrope walking from Monsieur Bellini, a guest in her mother's boarding house, not knowing that he is a celebrated tightrope artist who has withdrawn from performing because of fear.
- 1992** **TUESDAY.** David Wiesner. (Clarion Books) **P W6515t** (Grade k up)
 Frogs rise on their lily pads, float through the air, and explore the nearby houses while their inhabitants sleep.
- 1991** **BLACK AND WHITE.** David Macaulay. (Houghton Mifflin) **C M117b** (Grade ps-3)
 Four brief "stories" about parents, trains, and cows, or is it really all one story? The author recommends careful inspection of words and pictures to both minimize and enhance confusion.

- 1990** **LON PO PO: A RED RIDING HOOD STORY FROM CHINA.** Ed Young.
(Philomel Books) **C 398.2 Y71** (Grade k-4)
Three sisters staying home alone are endangered by a hungry wolf who is disguised as their grandmother.
- 1989** **SONG AND DANCE MAN.** Karen Ackerman. (Knopf) **C A182s** (Grade k-2)
Grandpa demonstrates for his visiting grandchildren some of the songs, dances, and jokes he performed when he was a vaudeville entertainer.
- 1988** **OWL MOON.** Jane Yolen. (Philomel) **C Y54o** (Grade ps-1)
On a winter's night under a full moon, a father and daughter trek into the woods to see the Great Horned Owl.
- 1987** **HEY AL.** Arthur Yorinks. (Farrar, Straus, Giroux) **C Y595h** (Grade k up)
A city janitor and his treasured canine companion are transported by a large colorful bird to an island in the sky, where their comfortable paradise existence threatens to turn them into birds as well.
- 1986** **THE POLAR EXPRESS.** Chris Van Allsburg. (Houghton Mifflin)
C V217p (Grade 2 up)
A magical train ride on Christmas Eve takes a boy to the North Pole to receive a special gift from Santa Claus.
- 1985** **SAINT GEORGE AND THE DRAGON.** Margaret Hodges. (Little Brown)
C 398.22 H689 (Grade k-4)
Retells the segment from Spenser's The Faerie Queene, in which George, the Red Cross Knight, slays the dreadful dragon that has been terrorizing the countryside for years and brings peace and joy to the land.
- 1984** **THE GLORIOUS FLIGHT.** Alice Provensen. (Viking) **C 629.13 P944** (Grade 3-5)
A biography of the man whose fascination with flying machines produced the Bleriot XI, which crossed the English Channel in thirty-seven minutes in the early 1900's.
- 1983** **SHADOW.** Blaise Cendrars. (Scribner) **P C397s** (Grade 2 up)
Free verse evocation of the eerie, shifting images of Shadow which represents the beliefs and ghosts of the past and is brought to life wherever there is light, fire, and a storyteller.
- 1982** **JUMANJI.** Chris Van Allsburg. (Houghton Mifflin) **C V217i** (Grade 3 up)
Left on their own for an afternoon, two bored and restless children find more excitement than they bargained for in a mysterious and mystical jungle and adventure board game.
- 1981** **FABLES.** Arnold Lobel. (Harper & Row) **C 398.2 L797** (Grade 1-4)
Twenty original fables about an array of animal characters from a crocodile to an ostrich.

- 1980 **OX-CART MAN.** Donald Hall. (Viking) **P H175o** (Grade k-3)
Describes the day-to-day life throughout the changing seasons of an early 19th-century New England family.
- 1979 **THE GIRL WHO LOVED WILD HORSES.** Paul Goble. (Simon & Schuster)
C G575g 1978a (Grade k-3)
Though she is fond of her people, a girl prefers living among the wild horses where she is truly happy and free.
- 1978 **NOAH'S ARK.** Spier, Peter. (Doubleday) **P R454n** (Grade k-3)
Retells in pictures how a pair of every manner of creature climbed on board Noah's ark and thereby survived the Flood.
- 1977 **ASHANTI TO ZULU.** Margaret Musgrove. (Dial) **P M987a** (Grade k-4)
Explains some traditions and customs of 26 African tribes, beginning with letters from A to Z.
- 1976 **WHY MOSQUITOES BUZZ IN PEOPLE'S EARS.** Verna Aardema. (Dial)
C 398.2 A113 (Grade k-3)
Reveals the meaning of the mosquito's buzz.
- 1975 **ARROW TO THE SUN.** Gerald McDermott. (Viking) **C 398.2 M134** (Grade 1 up)
An adaptation of the Pueblo Indian myth which explains how the spirit of the Lord of the Sun was brought to the world of men.
- 1974 **DUFFY AND THE DEVIL.** Harve Zemach. (Farrar, Straus & Giroux)
C 398.2 Z53d (Grade k up)
The spinning and knitting the devil agrees to do for her win Duffy the Squire's name and a carefree life until it comes time for her to guess the devil's name.
- 1973 **THE FUNNY LITTLE WOMAN.** Arlene Mosel. (Dutton) **C 398.232 M898** (Grade k-4)
While chasing a dumpling, a little lady is captured by wicked creatures from whom she escapes with the means of becoming the richest woman in Japan.
- 1972 **ONE FINE DAY.** Nonny Hogrogian. (Macmillan) **C H7167o** (Grade k-3)
After an old woman cuts off his tail when he steals her milk, the fox must go through a long series of transactions before she will sew it back on again.
- 1971 **A STORY, A STORY.** Gail E. Haley. (Atheneum) **C 398.2 H168** (Grade k-3)
Recounts how most African folk tales came to be called "Spider Stories."

- 1970 **SYLVESTER AND THE MAGIC PEBBLE.** William Steig. (Windmill Books)
P S818 (Grade k-3)
 In a moment of fright, Sylvester the donkey asks his magic pebble to turn him into a rock but then can not hold the pebble to wish himself back to normal again.
- 1969 **THE FOOL OF THE WORLD AND THE FLYING SHIP.** Arthur Ransome.
 (Farrar, Straus, Giroux) **C 398.21 R212f** (Grade k-3)
 When the Czar proclaims that he will marry his daughter to the man who brings him a flying ship, the Fool of the World, sets out to try his luck and meets some unusual companions on the way.
- 1968 **DRUMMER HOFF.** Barbara Emberley. (Prentice-Hall) **P E53** (Grade k-4)
 A cumulative folk song in which seven soldiers build a magnificent cannon, but Drummer Hoff fires it off.
- 1967 **SAM, BANGS AND MOONSHINE.** Evaline Ness. (Holt, Rinehart & Winston)
C N463s (Grade k-2)
 Relates the experiences of a little girl as she learns to tell the difference between makebelieve and real life.
- 1966 **ALWAYS ROOM FOR ONE MORE.** Sorche Nic Leodhas. (Holt, Rinehart & Winston)
C 784 A395a (Grade k-2)
 In this Scottish folk song, a generous family always has room for another person and invites in everyone who passes by.
- 1965 **MAY I BRING A FRIEND?** Beatrice Schenk de Regniers. (Atheneum)
P D431 (Grade k-2)
 A well-mannered little boy has permission to bring his animal friends to visit the king and queen.
- 1964 **WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE.** Maurice Sendak. (Harper & Row)
P S474 (Grade k up)
 A naughty little boy, sent to bed without his supper, sails to the land of the wild things where he becomes their king.
- 1963 **THE SNOWY DAY.** Ezra Jack Keats. (Viking) **C K25** (Grade k-1)
 The adventures of a little boy in the city on a very snowy day.
- 1962 **ONCE A MOUSE.** Hitopadeśa. English. Selections. (Scribner) **P H675o** (Grade k-3)
 As it changes from mouse, to cat, to dog, to tiger, a hermit's pet also becomes increasingly vain.

- 1961 **BABOUSHKA AND THE THREE KINGS.** Ruth Robbins. (Parnassus) **C R635** (Grade k-3)
An old woman who was too busy to travel with the Wise Men to find the Child now searches endlessly for Him each Christmas season.
- 1960 **NINE DAYS TO CHRISTMAS.** Marie Hall Ets. (Viking) **C E85n** (Grade k-3)
Ceci anxiously awaits her first posada, the special Mexican Christmas party, and the opportunity to select a piñata for it.
- 1959 **CHANTICLEER AND THE FOX.** Geoffrey Chaucer. (Crowell) **C C496** (Grade k-3)
A sly fox tries to outwit a proud rooster through the use of flattery.
- 1958 **TIME OF WONDER.** Robert McCloskey. (Viking) **C M127t** (Grade k-3)
Follows the activities of two children spending their summer vacation on an island off the coast of Maine.
- 1957 **A TREE IS NICE.** Janice May Udry. (Harper) **P U21** (Grade k-3)
Briefly describes the value of a tree.
- 1956 **FROG WENT A-COURTIN.** John Langstaff. (Harcourt Brace) **P L285** (Grade k-3)
Illustrates the well-known American folk song about the courtship and marriage of the frog and the mouse.
- 1955 **CINDERELLA...** Marcia Joan Brown. (Scribner) **C 398.21 P454cb** (Grade k-5)
In her haste to flee the palace before the fairy godmother's magic loses effect, Cinderella leaves behind a glass slipper.
- 1954 **MADELINE'S RESCUE.** Ludwig Bemelmans. (Viking) **P B455mr 1981** (Grade k-3)
A hound rescues a schoolgirl from the Seine, becomes a beloved school pet, is chased away by the trustees, and returns with a surprise.
- 1953 **THE BIGGEST BEAR.** Lynd Kendal Ward. (Houghton Mifflin) **P W259** (Grade k-3)
Johnny goes hunting for a bearskin to hang on his family's barn and returns with a small bundle of trouble.
- 1952 **FINDERS KEEPERS.** William Lipkind. (Harcourt, Brace) **P W689f** (Grade 1-4)
The story of 2 dogs who go in search of someone to help them solve a dispute over a bone.
- 1951 **THE EGG TREE.** Katherine Milhous. (Scribner) **C M644e** (Grade 1-4)
Katy's Easter morning discovery renews the tradition of the Easter egg tree.

- 1950 **SONG OF THE SWALLOWS.** Leo Politi. (Scribner) **C P769s** (Grade 1-4)
The story is of the friendship between Juan, a little boy, and Julian the old gardener and bell-ringer at the Mission of San Juan Capistrano.
- 1949 **THE BIG SNOW.** Berta (Hoerner) Hader. (Macmillan) **P H128b** (Grade 1-3)
Despite their elaborate preparations for the winter, the animals and birds are delighted by a surprise banquet after a big snow.
- 1948 **WHITE SNOW, BRIGHT SNOW.** Alvin R. Tresselt. (Lothrop) **C T799w** (Grade k-3)
When it begins to look, feel, and smell like snow, everyone prepares for a winter blizzard.
- 1947 **THE LITTLE ISLAND.** Margaret Wise Brown. (Doubleday) **P B879L** (Grade k-3)
Depicts the changes that occur on a small island as the seasons come and go, as day changes to night, and as a storm approaches.
- 1946 **THE ROOSTER CROWS...** Maud (Fuller) Petersham. (Macmillan)
C 398.8 P484 (Grade k-2)
A collection of traditional American nursery rhymes, finger games, skipping rhymes, jingles, and counting-out rhymes.
- 1945 **PRAYER FOR A CHILD.** Rachel Lyman Field. (Macmillan) **P F455p** (Grade k-1)
An illustrated bedtime prayer which gives thanks for the many aspects of a child's world.
- 1944 **MANY MOONS.** James Thurber. (Harcourt) **C T536** (Grade 3-7)
Though many try, only the court jester is able to fulfill Princess Lenore's one wish.
- 1943 **THE LITTLE HOUSE.** Virginia Lee Burton. (Houghton Mifflin)
P B974L (Grade k-3)
A country house is unhappy when the city, with all its buildings and traffic, grows up around her.
- 1942 **MAKE WAY FOR DUCKLINGS.** Robert McCloskey. (Viking) **P M127**
(Grade 1-3)
Mr. and Mrs. Mallard proudly return to their home in the Boston Public Garden with their eight offspring.
- 1941 **THEY WERE STRONG AND GOOD.** Robert Lawson. (Viking) **P L425t**
(Grade 4-6)
Relates the story of the author's grandparents and parents, who, though not famous, helped build the United States.

- 1940** **ABRAHAM LINCOLN.** Ingri D'Aulaire. (Doubleday) **C 921 L736d** (Grade k-4)
Text and illustrations present the life of the boy born on the Kentucky frontier who became the sixteenth president of the United States.
- 1939** **MEI LI.** Thomas Handforth. (Doubleday) **P H236m** (Grade k-3)
After spending an eventful day at the fair held on New Year's Eve, Mei Li arrives home just in time to greet the Kitchen God.
- 1938** **ANIMALS OF THE BIBLE.** Dorothy Pulis Lathrop. (Lippincott)
C 220 L353 (Grade k up)
This story presents the most memorable animals of the Old and New Testaments.

THE NEWBERY MEDAL WINNERS

The Newbery Medal was established in 1922 and was named in honor of eighteenth-century British bookseller John Newbery. It is awarded annually to the author of the most distinguished contribution to American literature for children published in the preceding year.

- 2008** **GOOD MASTERS! SWEET LADIES!: VOICES FROM A MEDIEVAL VILLAGE.** Laura Amy Schlitz. (Candlewick Press) **ERC Young Ad. Non-Fic 812.6 S344** (Grade 4-8)
A collection of short one-person plays featuring characters, between ten and fifteen years old, who live in or near a thirteenth-century English manor.
- 2007** **THE HIGHER POWER OF LUCKY.** Susan Patron. (Atheneum Books for Young Readers) **Young Ad. Fic P314** (Grade 4-6)
Fearing that her legal guardian plans to abandon her to return to France, ten-year-old aspiring scientist Lucky Trimble determines to run away while also continuing to seek the Higher Power that will bring stability to her life.
- 2006** **CRISS CROSS.** Lynn Rae Perkins. (Harper/Collins Children's Book Group) **Young Ad. Fic P450c** (Grade 6-9)
Teenagers in a small town in the 1960s experience new thoughts and feelings, question their identities, connect, and disconnect as they search for the meaning of life and love.
- 2005** **KIRA-KIRA.** Cynthia Kadohata. (Atheneum Books for Young Readers/Simon & Schuster) **C K11k** (Grade 4-7)
Chronicles the close friendship between two Japanese-American sisters growing up in rural Georgia during the late 1950s and early 1960s, and the despair when one sister becomes terminally ill.
- 2004** **THE TALE OF DESPEREAUX: BEING THE STORY OF A MOUSE, A PRINCESS, SOME SOUP, AND A SPOOL OF THREAD.** Kate DiCamillo. (Candlewick Press) **C D545t 2003** (Grade 3-7)
The adventures of Desperaux Tilling, a small mouse of unusual talents, the princess that he loves, the servant girl who longs to be a princess, and a devious rat determined to bring them all to ruin.
- 2003** **CRISPIN: THE CROSS OF LEAD.** Avi. (Hyperion Books for Children) **Y A957cr** (Grade 3-7)
Falsely accused of theft and murder, an orphaned peasant boy in fourteenth-century England flees his village and meets a larger-than-life juggler who hold a dangerous secret.
- 2002** **A SINGLE SHARD.** Linda Sue Park. (Clarion Books) **C P235s** (Grade 5-9)
Tree-ear, a thirteen-year-old orphan in medieval Korea, lives under a bridge in a potters' village, and longs to learn how to throw the delicate celadon ceramics himself.

- 2001** **A YEAR DOWN YONDER.** Richard Peck . (Dial Books for Young Readers)
Y P3673y (Grade 5-9)
 During the recession of 1937, fifteen-year-old Mary Alice is sent to live with her feisty, larger-than-life grandmother in rural Illinois and comes to a better understanding of this fearsome woman.
- 2000** **BUD, NOT BUDDY.** Christopher Paul Curtis. (Delacorte Press) **C C975bu**
 (Grade 4-7)
 Ten-year-old Bud, a motherless boy living in Flint, Michigan, during the Great Depression, escapes a bad foster home and sets out in search of the man he believes to be his father—the renowned bandleader, H.E. Calloway of Grand Rapids.
- 1999** **HOLES.** Louis Sachar. (Farrar, Straus, Giroux) **Y S121h** (Grade 6 up)
 As further evidence of his family's bad fortune which they attribute to a curse on a distant relative, Stanley Yelnats is sent to a hellish correctional camp in the Texas desert where he finds his first real friend, a treasure, and a new sense of himself.
- 1998** **OUT OF THE DUST.** Karen Hesse. (Scholastic Press) **Y H587o** (Grade 9-12)
 In a series of poems, fifteen-year-old Billie Jo relates the hardships of living on her family's wheat farm in Oklahoma during the dust bowl years of the Depression.
- 1997** **THE VIEW FROM SATURDAY.** E.L. Konigsburg. (Atheneum) **C K82v**
 (Grade 3-6)
 Four students, with their own individual stories, develop a special bond and attract the attention of their teacher, a paraplegic, who chooses them to represent their sixth grade class in the Academic Bowl competition.
- 1996** **THE MIDWIFE'S APPRENTICE.** Karen Cushman. (Clarion Books)
C C987m (Grade 6-9)
 In medieval England, a nameless, homeless girl is taken in by a sharp-tempered Midwife, and in spite of obstacles and hardship, eventually gains the three things she most wants: a full belly, a contented heart, and a place in this world.
- 1995** **WALK TWO MOONS** Sharon Creech. (HarperCollins) **C C913w** (Grade 3-7)
 After her mother leaves home suddenly, thirteen-year-old Sal and her grandparents take a trip retracing her mother's route. Along the way, Sal recounts the story of her friend Phoebe, whose mother also left.

- 1994** **THE GIVER.** Lois Lowry. (Houghton Mifflin) **Y L921g** (Grade 7-9)
Given his lifetime assignment at the Ceremony of Twelve, Jonas becomes the receiver of memories shared by only one other in his community and discovers the terrible truth about the society in which he lives.
- 1993** **MISSING MAY.** Cynthia Rylant. (Orchard Books) **C R994m** (Grade 6 up)
After the death of the beloved aunt who has raised her, twelve-year-old Summer and her uncle Ob leave their West Virginia trailer in search of the strength to go on living.
- 1992** **SHILOH.** Phyllis Reynolds Naylor. (Atheneum) **C N333s** (Grade 3-7)
When he finds a lost beagle in the hills behind his West Virginia home, Marty tries to hide it from his family and the dog's real owner, a mean-spirited man known to shoot deer out of season and to mistreat his dogs.
- 1991** **MANIAC MAGEE: A NOVEL.** Jerry Spinelli. (Little, Brown) **Y S757m** (Grade 4-7)
After his parents die, Jeffrey Lionel Magee's life becomes legendary, as he accomplishes athletic and other feats which awe his contemporaries.
- 1990** **NUMBER THE STARS.** Lois Lowry. (Houghton Mifflin) **C L9215n** (Grade 7 up)
In 1943, during the German occupation of Denmark, ten-year-old Annemarie learns how to be brave and courageous when she helps shelter her Jewish friend from the Nazis.
- 1989** **JOYFUL NOISE: POEMS FOR TWO VOICES.** Paul Fleischman. (Harper & Row)
C 811.54 F596 (Grade 3-8)
A collection of poems describing the characteristics and activities of a variety of insects.
- 1988** **LINCOLN: A PHOTOBIOGRAPHY.** Russell Freedman. (Clarion)
C 921 L736f (Grade 4 up)
Photographs and text trace the life of the Civil War President.
- 1987** **THE WHIPPING BOY.** Sid Fleischman. (Greenwillow) **C F596w** (Grade 2-6)
A bratty prince and his whipping boy have many adventures when they inadvertently trade places after becoming involved with dangerous outlaws.
- 1986** **SARAH, PLAIN AND TALL.** Patricia MacLachlan. (Harper & Row)
C M161s (Grade 3 up)
When their father invites a mail-order bride to come live with them in their prairie home, Caleb and Anna are captivated by their new mother and hope that she will stay.
- 1985** **THE HERO AND THE CROWN.** Robin McKinley. (Greenwillow)
Y M1583h (Grade 7 up)
Aerin, with the guidance of the wizard Luthe and the help of the blue sword, wins the birthright due her as the daughter of the Damarian King and a witchwoman of the mysterious, demon-haunted North.

- 1984 **DEAR MR. HENSHAW.** Beverly Cleary. (Morrow) **C C623d** (Grade 4-7)
 In his letters to his favorite author, ten-year-old Leigh reveals his problems in coping with his parents' divorce, being the new boy in school, and generally finding his own place in the world.
- 1983 **DICEY'S SONG.** Cynthia Voigt. (Atheneum) **Y V891d** (Grade 6 up)
 Now that the four abandoned Tillerman children are settled in with their grandmother, Dicey finds that their new beginnings require love, trust, humor and courage.
- 1982 **A VISIT TO WILLIAM BLAKE'S INN.** Nancy Willard. (Harcourt)
C 811.54 W715 (Grade k-3)
 A collection of poems describing the curious menagerie of guests who arrive at William Blake's Inn.
- 1981 **JACOB HAVE I LOVED.** Katherine Paterson. (Crowell) **Y P296j** (Grade 5 up)
 Feeling deprived all her life of schooling, friends, mother and even her name by her twin sister, Louise finally begins to fight back.
- 1980 **A GATHERING OF DAYS.** Joan W. Blos. (Scribner) **Y B656g** (Grade 4-7)
 The journal of a 14-year-old girl, kept the last year she lived on the family farm, records daily events in her small New Hampshire town, her father's remarriage, and the death of her best friend.
- 1979 **THE WESTING GAME.** Ellen Raskin. (Dutton) **Y R225w** (Grade 5-9)
 The mysterious death of an eccentric millionaire brings together an unlikely assortment of heirs who must uncover the circumstances of his death before they can claim their inheritance.
- 1978 **BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA.** Katherine Paterson. (Crowell) **C P296b** (Grade 5 up)
 The life of a ten-year-old boy in rural Virginia expands when he becomes friends with a newcomer who subsequently meets an untimely death trying to reach their hideaway, Terabithia, during a storm.
- 1977 **ROLL OF THUNDER, HEAR MY CRY.** Mildred D. Taylor. (Dial)
Y T244r (Grade 6 up)
 A black family living in the South during the 1930's are faced with prejudice and discrimination which their children don't understand.
- 1976 **THE GREY KING.** Susan Cooper. (Atheneum) **C C778g** (Grade 4-8)
 In this fourth book of The Dark is Rising Sequence, Will Stanton, visiting Wales, is swept into a desperate quest to find the golden harp and to awaken the ancient sleepers.

- 1975** **M.C. HIGGINS, THE GREAT.** Virginia Hamilton. (Macmillan) **Y H221m** (Grade 7 up)
As a slag heap, the result of strip mining, creeps closer to his house in the Ohio hills, fifteen-year-old M. C. is torn between trying to get his family away and fighting for the home they love.
- 1974** **THE SLAVE DANCER.** Paula Fox. (Bradbury) **Y F793s** (Grade 5-8)
Kidnapped by the crew of an Africa-bound ship, a thirteen-year-old boy discovers to his horror that he is on a slaver and his job is to play music for the exercise periods of the human cargo.
- 1973** **JULIE OF THE WOLVES.** Jean Craighead George. (Harper & Row)
Y G348j (Grade 7 up)
While running away from home and an unwanted marriage, a thirteen-year-old Eskimo girl becomes lost on the North Slope of Alaska and is befriended by a wolf pack.
- 1972** **MRS. FRISBY AND THE RATS OF NIMH.** Robert C. O'Brien. (Atheneum)
C O13 (Grade 3-7)
Having no one to help her with her problems, a widowed mouse visits the rats whose former imprisonment in a laboratory made them wise and long lived.
- 1971** **THE SUMMER OF THE SWANS.** Betsy (Cromer) Byars. (Viking)
Y B993s (Grade 5 up)
A teen age girl gains new insight into herself and her family when her mentally retarded brother gets lost.
- 1970** **SOUNDER.** William Howard Armstrong. (Harper & Row) **Y A739** (Grade 6 up)
Angry and humiliated when his sharecropper father is jailed for stealing food for his family, a young black boy grows in courage and understanding by learning to read and with the help of the devoted dog Sounder.
- 1969** **THE HIGH KING.** Lloyd Alexander. (Holt, Rinehart & Winston) **C A376h** (Grade 6 up)
In this fifth and final chronicle of Prydain the forces of good and evil meet in ultimate confrontation.
- 1968** **FROM THE MIXED-UP FILES OF MRS. BASIL E. FRANKWEILER.**
E. L. Konigsburg. (Atheneum) **C K82f** (Grade 3-7)
Having run away with her younger brother to live in the Metropolitan Museum of Art, twelve-year-old Claudia strives to keep things in order in their new home and to become a changed person and a heroine to herself.
- 1967** **UP A ROAD SLOWLY.** Irene Hunt. (Follett) **Y H941u** (Grade 4-9)
The story is about Julie's growth---from a tantrum-throwing 7-year-old to a gracious young woman of 17.

- 1966** **I, JUAN DE PAREJA.** Elizabeth Borton Trevino. (Bell) **C T813** (Grade 6 up)
The slave of the 17th century Spanish painter Velazquez becomes a painter in his own right.
- 1965** **SHADOW OF A BULL.** Maia Wojciechowska. (Atheneum) **C W847s** (Grade 5 up)
Manolo Olivar has to make a decision: to follow in his famous father's shadow and become a bullfighter, or to follow his heart and become a doctor.
- 1964** **IT'S LIKE THIS CAT** Emily Cheney Neville. (Harper & Row) **C N523** (Grade 5-9)
The story of a fourteen-year-old New York boy and his relationships with a stray tomcat, an eccentric old woman, a troubled older boy, the first girl with whom he has been friends, and his father.
- 1963** **A WRINKLE IN TIME.** Madeleine L'Engle. (Ariel) **Y L566w** (Grade 5-9)
The story of the adventures in space and time of Meg, Charles Wallace, and Calvin O'Keefe. They are in search of Meg's father, a scientist who disappeared while engaged in secret work for the government on the tesseract problem.
- 1962** **THE BRONZE BOW.** Elizabeth George Speare. (Houghton Mifflin)
C S741b (Grade 6 up)
When the Romans brutally kill Daniel bar Jamin's father, the young Palestinian searches for a leader to drive them out, but comes to realize that love may be a more powerful weapon than hate.
- 1961** **ISLAND OF THE BLUE DOLPHINS.** Scott O'Dell. (Bantam Doubleday Dell Books for Young Readers) **C O23i** (Grade k-6)
Left alone on a beautiful but isolated island off the coast of California, a young Indian girl spends eighteen years, not only merely surviving through her enormous courage and self-reliance, but also finding a measure of happiness in her solitary life.
- 1960** **ONION JOHN.** Joseph Krungold. (Crowell) **C K94** (Grade 5 up)
His friendship with the town odd-jobs man, Onion John, causes a conflict between Andy and his father.
- 1959** **THE WITCH OF BLACKBIRD POND.** Elizabeth George Speare. (Houghton Mifflin)
C S741 (Grade k-6)
When 16-year-old Kit Tyler moves in with her New England relatives, she finds that her dress and behavior are in conflict with local standards. She then befriends an outcast Quaker who is considered a witch and, as a result, is put on trial for witchcraft.
- 1958** **RIFLES FOR WATIE.** Harold Keith. (Crowell) **C K28** (Grade 7 up)
The story of Jeff Bussey, a farm boy living in 1861, who joins the Union army and goes on an important mission to discover how Stand Watie and his Confederate Cherokee Rebels are receiving repeating rifles from northern manufacturers.

- 1957 **MIRACLES ON MAPLE HILL.** Virginia Eggertsen Sorensen. (Harcourt Brace)
C S713 (Grade 3-7)
 After her father returns from the war moody and tired, Marly's family decides to move from the city to Maple Hill Farm in the Pennsylvania countryside where they share many adventures which help restore their spirits and their bond with each other.
- 1956 **CARRY ON MR. BOWDITCH.** Jean Lee Latham. (Houghton Mifflin)
C L352 (Grade 6 up)
 A fictionalized biography of the mathematician and astronomer, who realized his childhood desire to become a ship's captain and authored The American Practical Navigator.
- 1955 **THE WHEEL ON THE SCHOOL.** Meindert de Jong. (Harper) **C D327w** (Grade 4-7)
 The storks never came to Shora to build their nests, as they did in the neighboring villages. The children began wondering—Why didn't the storks come to Shora?—and sometimes when you wonder Why? you can begin to make things happen.
- 1954 **... AND NOW MIGUEL.** Joseph Krumgold. (Crowell) **C K94a** (Grade 5 up)
 The story of a twelve-year-old Miguel Chavez, who yearns in his heart to go with the men of his family on a long and hard sheep drive to the Sangre de Cristo Mountains--until his prayer is finally answered, with a disturbing and dangerous exchange.
- 1953 **SECRET OF THE ANDES.** Ann Nolan Clark. (Viking) **C C592** (Grade 4-8)
 An Indian boy who tends llamas in a hidden valley in Peru learns the traditions and secrets of his Inca ancestors.
- 1952 **GINGER PYE.** Eleanor Estes. (Harcourt, Brace) **C E79** (Grade 3-7)
 The disappearance of a new puppy named Ginger and the appearance of a mysterious man in a mustard yellow hat bring excitement into the lives of the Pye children.
- 1951 **AMOS FORTUNE, FREE MAN.** Elizabeth Yates. (Aladdin Books)
C326.92 F745y (Grade 3-7)
 The story of a young African prince who is captured by slavers, sold at auction, and finally granted manumission by his owner.
- 1950 **THE DOOR IN THE WALL.** Marguerite De Angeli. (Doubleday)
C D284d (Grade 3-6)
 The story of young Robin, the crippled son of a mighty lord, who proves his courage and earns recognition from the King. Set in England during the Middle Ages.
- 1949 **KING OF THE WIND.** Marguerite Henry. (Rand McNally) **C H523k** (Grade 3-7)
 Follows the adventures of the Arabian stallion brought to England to become one of the founding sires of the Thoroughbred breed and the mute Arab stable boy who tended him with loyalty and devotion all his life.

- 1948 **THE TWENTY-ONE BALLOONS.** William Pene DuBois. (Viking) **C D816** (Grade 5-9)
Professor Sherman travels the Pacific in his hot air balloon, having incredible adventures and surviving the eruption of a volcano.
- 1947 **MISS HICKORY.** Carolyn Sherwin Bailey. (Viking) **C B154** (Grade 4-7)
Relates the adventures of a country doll made of an apple-wood twig with a hickory nut for a head.
- 1946 **STRAWBERRY GIRL.** Lois Lenski. (Lippincott) **C L573s** (Grade 4-6)
The story of the feud between the Slaters and the Boyers in Florida during the 1900s.
- 1945 **RABBIT HILL.** Robert Lawson. (Viking) **C L425** (Grade 4-6)
New folks are coming to live in the Big House. The animals of Rabbit Hill wonder if they will plant a garden and thus be good providers.
- 1944 **JOHNNY TREMAIN.** Esther Forbes. (Houghton Mifflin) **Y F692** (Grade 7-9)
After injuring his hand, a silversmith's apprentice in Boston becomes a messenger for the Sons of Liberty in the days before the American Revolution.
- 1943 **ADAM OF THE ROAD.** Elizabeth Gray Vining. (Viking) **C V785a** (Grade 4-8)
The adventures of eleven-year-old Adam as he travels the open roads of thirteenth-century England searching for his missing father, a minstrel, and his stolen red spaniel, Nick.
- 1942 **THE MATCHLOCK GUN.** Walter Dumaux Edmonds. (Dodd, Mead) **C E24** (Grade 3-7)
During the French and Indian War, ten-year-old Edward is determined to protect his home and family with the ancient Spanish gun which had hung over the fireplace.
- 1941 **CALL IT COURAGE.** Armstrong Sperry. (Macmillan) **C S751c** (Grade 5-7)
Relates how Mafatu, a young Polynesian boy whose name means Stout Heart, overcomes his terrible fear of the sea and proves his courage to himself and his people.
- 1940 **DANIEL BOONE.** James Henry Daugherty. (Viking) **C 921 B724** (Grade 5-11)
An authentic account of frontier and pioneer life.
- 1939 **THIMBLE SUMMER.** Elizabeth Enright. (Farrar & Rinehart) **C E59t** (Grade 5-11)
Garnet is sure a silver thimble she found by the river was full of magic because the whole summer on the farm in Wisconsin has been full of exciting adventures.
- 1938 **THE WHITE STAG.** Kate Seredy. (Viking) **C 398.22 S483** (Grade 4-7)
Retells the legendary story of the Huns and Magyars' long migration from Asia to Europe where they hope to find a permanent home.

- 1937 **ROLLER SKATES.** Ruth Sawyer. (Viking) **C S271r** (Grade 4-7)
Liberated for a year from her parents' restrictions, ten-year-old Lucinda discovers true freedom in the care of her temporary guardians as she roller skates around the streets of turn-of-the-century New York.
- 1936 **CADDIE WOODLAWN.** Carol Ryrie Brink. (Macmillan) **C B858** (Grade 4-6)
The adventures of an eleven-year-old tomboy growing up on the Wisconsin frontier in the mid-nineteenth century.
- 1935 **DOBRY.** Monica Shannon. (Viking) **C S528** (Grade 5 up)
The author's memories of childhood in Bulgaria enhance this story of a young peasant boy who wants to be a sculptor. He is discouraged by his mother's opposition but nourished by his grandfather's support.
- 1934 **INVINCIBLE LOUISA.** Cornelia Lynde Meigs. (Little, Brown)
C 921 A355m (Grade 7 up)
The story of the author of "Little Women", Louisa May Alcott.
- 1933 **YOUNG FU OF THE UPPER YANGTZE.** Elizabeth Foreman Lewis. (Winston)
C L673y (Grade 4-6)
Young Fu is apprenticed to Tang, the coppersmith, against the backdrop of the China of the 1920's.
- 1932 **WATERLESS MOUNTAIN.** Laura Adams Armer. (Longmans, Green)
C A728w. and A728w 1959a (Grade 5-8)
Younger Brother, a Navaho Indian boy, undergoes eight years of training in the ancient religion of his people and the practical knowledge of material existence.
- 1931 **THE CAT WHO WENT TO HEAVEN.** Elizabeth Jane Coatsworth. (Macmillan)
C C652c (Grade 4-6)
This is the story of a little cat who came to the home of a poor Japanese artist and, by humility and devotion, brought him good fortune.
- 1930 **HITTY: HER FIRST HUNDRED YEARS.** Rachel Lyman Field. (Macmillan)
C F455 (Grade 4-6)
Hitty is a doll of great charm and real character. Hitty, or Mehitable, as she was really named, was carved from a piece of white ash by a peddler who was spending the winter in Maine. Phoebe Preble, for whom Hitty was made, was very proud of her doll and took her everywhere, even on a long sailing trip in a whaler.
- 1929 **THE TRUMPETER OF KRAKOW.** Eric Philbrook Kelly. (Macmillan)
C K297t (Grade 3-7)
A Polish family in the Middle Ages guards a great secret treasure and a boy's memory of an earlier trumpeter of Krakow makes it possible for him to save his father.

- 1928 **GAY NECK, THE STORY OF A PIGEON.** Dhan Gopal Mukerji. (Dutton)
 C 598.2 M953 (Grade 4 up)
 The story of Gay-Neck, a carrier pigeon raised by an Indian boy and taught to fly messages for the Allies in France during World War I.
- 1927 **SMOKY THE COW HORSE.** Will James. (Scribner) **Y J29s** (Grade 4-10)
 The experiences of a mouse-colored horse from his birth on the range, through his capture by humans and his work in the rodeo and on the range, to his eventual old age.
- 1926 **SHEN OF THE SEA.** Arthur Bowie Chrisman. (Dutton) **C C555s** (Grade 4-7)
 A series of fascinating Chinese stories. Not only are the tales amusing and attractive in themselves, but those who know anything about Chinese life will observe hidden beneath their surface the curious practical philosophy that has governed Chinese existence for thousands of years.
- 1925 **TALES FROM SILVER LANDS.** Charles Joseph Finger. (Doubleday)
 C 398.2 F497 (Grade 4-9)
 Presents a series of stories about animals, magic, witches, giants, and other beings from Central and South America.
- 1924 **THE DARK FRIGATE.** Charles Boardman Hawes. (Little, Brown) **C H391** (Grade 5-11)
 A young man dares not return to England after his ship is taken over by pirates and he becomes a member of their crew.
- 1923 **THE VOYAGES OF DOCTOR DOLITTLE.** Hugh Lofting. (Lippincott)
 C L829 (Grade 3-7)
 Presents the story of the good doctor who learned the language of animals, and made adventurous voyages.
- 1922 **THE STORY OF MANKIND.** Hendrik Willem Van Loon. (Boni & Liveright)
 Y 909 V261 (Grade 7 up)

THE CORETTA SCOTT KING AWARD WINNERS

*The Coretta Scott King Award was established in 1969 and was designed to commemorate the life and work of the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and to honor Mrs. Coretta Scott King for her courage and determination in continuing to work for peace and world brotherhood. It is awarded annually to an author and illustrator of African descent whose distinguished books promote an understanding and appreciation of the "American Dream."
The separate award for illustrator was added in 1979.*

2008

Author Award

ELIJAH OF BUXTON. Christopher Paul Curtis. (Scholastic Press) **ERC Child Fic C975e** (Grade 4-7) In 1859, eleven-year-old Elijah Freeman, the first free-born child in Buxton, Canada, which is a haven for slaves fleeing the American south, uses his wits and skills to try to bring to justice the lying preacher who has stolen money that was to be used to buy a family's freedom.

Illustrator Award

LET IT SHINE: THREE FAVORITE SPIRITUALS. Ashley Bryan. (Atheneum Books for Young Readers) **Pic B915I** (Grade Ps-3) Illustrated versions of three well-known hymns.

2007

Author Award

COPPER SUN. Sharon Draper. (Simon & Schuster/Atheneum) **ERC Young Ad. Fic D765c** (Grade 8+) Two fifteen-year-old girls--one a slave and the other an indentured servant--escape their Carolina plantation and try to make their way to Fort Moses, Florida, a Spanish colony that gives sanctuary to slaves.

Illustrator Award

MOSES: WHEN HARRIET TUBMAN LED HER PEOPLE TO FREEDOM. Kadir Nelson. (Jump at the Sun/Hyperion Books for Children) **ERC Child Non Fic 973.7115 W3621** (Grade Ps-3) Describes Tubman's spiritual journey as she hears the voice of God guiding her north to freedom on that very first trip to escape the brutal practice of forced servitude. Tubman would make nineteen subsequent trips back south, never being caught, but none as profound as this first one.

2006

Author Award

DAY OF TEARS: A NOVEL IN DIALOGUE. Julius Lester. (Jump at the Sun, an imprint Hyperion Books for Children) **ERC Child Fic L642d** (Grade 4 - 8) Through flashbacks, foreshadowing, and shifting first-person points of view, readers will travel with Emma and others through time and space. They come to discover that every decision has its consequences, and final judgment is passed down not by man, but by his maker.

Illustrator Award

ROSA. Bryan Collier. (Henry Holt and Company) **ERC Child Non-Fic 323.092 G512r**
(Grade 4 - 7)

Fifty years after her refusal to give up her seat on a Montgomery, Alabama, city bus, Mrs. Rosa Parks is still one of the most important figures in the American civil rights movement. This picture- book tribute to Mrs. Parks is a celebration of her courageous action and the events that followed.

2005

Author Award

REMEMBER: THE JOURNEY TO SCHOOL INTEGRATION. Toni Morrison. (Houghton Mifflin Co. Trade & Reference Division) **C 379.2 M882** (Grade 3 – 5)

A fictional account of the dialogue and emotions of the students who lived during the era of change in separate-but-equal schooling with a collection of archival photographs that depict the events surrounding school integration.

Illustrator Award

ELLINGTON WAS NOT A STREET. Ntozake Shange. (Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing) **P S528e** (Grade 4 – 7)

In a reflective tribute to the African-American community of old, noted poet Ntozake Shange recalls her childhood home and the close-knit group of innovators that often gathered there. These men of vision, brought to life in the majestic paintings of artist Kadir Nelson, lived at a time when the color of their skin dictated where they could live, what schools they could attend, and even where they could sit on a bus or in a movie theater. Yet in the face of this tremendous adversity, these dedicated souls and others like them not only demonstrated the importance of Black culture in America, but also helped issue in a movement that "changed the world." Their lives and their works inspire us to this day, and serve as a guide to how we approach the challenges of tomorrow.

2004

Author Award

THE FIRST PART LAST. Angela Johnson. (Simon & Schuster) **Y J67f** (Grade 6 & up)

Bobby's carefree teenage life changes forever when he becomes a father and must care for his adored baby daughter.

Illustrator Award

BEAUTIFUL BLACKBIRD. Ashley Bryan. (Atheneum Books for Young Readers) **C 398.2 B915be** (Grade ps-2)

In a story of the Ila people, the colorful birds of Africa ask Blackbird, whom they think is the most beautiful of birds, to decorate them with some of his "blackening brew."

2003

Author Award

BRONX MASQUERADE. Nikki Grimes. (Dial Books) **Y G862b** (Grade 8 up)

While studying the Harlem Renaissance, students at a Bronx high school read aloud poems they've written, revealing their innermost thoughts and fears to their formerly clueless classmates.

Illustrator Award.

TALKIN' ABOUT BESSIE: THE STORY OF AVIATOR BESSIE COLEMAN.

Nikki Grimes. (Orchard Books/Scholastic) **C 921 C148g** (Grade k-4)

A biography of the woman who became the first licensed Afro-American pilot.

2002

Author Award

THE LAND. Mildred D. Taylor. (Phyllis Fogelman Books) **Y T244L** (Grade 7 up)

After the Civil War Paul, the son of a white father and a black mother, finds himself caught between the two worlds of colored folks and white folks as he pursues his dream of owning land of his own.

2002

Illustrator Award

GOIN' SOMEPLACE SPECIAL. Pat McKissack. (Atheneum Books for Young Readers)

C M1585g (Grade k-3)

In segregated 1950's Nashville, a young African American girl braves a series of indignities and obstacles to get to one of the few integrated places in town: the public library

2001

Author Award

MIRACLE'S BOYS. Jacqueline Woodson. (Putnam) **C W898m** (Grade 4-6)

Twelve-year-old Lafayette's close relationship with his older brother Charlie changes after Charlie is released from a detention home and blames Lafayette for the death of their mother.

Illustrator Award

UPTOWN. Bryan Collier. (Holt) **C C699u** (Grade k-3)

A tour of the sights of Harlem, including the Metro-North train, brownstones, shopping on 125th Street, a barber shop, summer basketball, the Boy's Choir, and sunset over the Harlem River.

2000

Author Award

BUD, NOT BUDDY. Christopher Paul Curtis. (Delacorte Press) **C C975bu** (Grade 4-7)

Ten-year-old Bud, a motherless boy living in Flint, Michigan, during the Great Depression, escapes a bad foster home and sets out in search of the man he believes to be his father—the renowned bandleader, H.E. Calloway of Grand Rapids.

Illustrator Award

IN THE TIME OF THE DRUMS. Kim L. Siegelson. (Jump at the Sun/Hyperion Books for

Children) **C S571i** (Grade 1-4)

Mentu, an American-born slave boy, watches his beloved grandmother, Twi, lead the insurrection at Teakettle Creek of Ibo people arriving from Africa on a slave ship.

1999

Illustrator Award

I SEE THE RHYTHM. Michele Wood. (Children's Book Press) **C 780.89 W877**

(Grade 2-4)

Chronicles and captures poetically the history, mood and movement of African American music.

- 1996** **Author Award**
HER STORIES: AFRICAN AMERICAN FOLKTALES, FAIRY TALES, AND TRUE TALES. Virginia Hamilton. (Blue Sky Press) **C 398.2082 H221** (Grade 3-6)
 Nineteen stories on the magical lore and wonderous imagining of African American women.
- 1995** **Author Award**
CHRISTMAS IN THE BIG HOUSE, CHRISTMAS IN THE QUARTERS.
 Pat McKissack. (Scholastic) **C975.03 M158** (Grade 3-8)
 Describes the customs, recipes, poems and songs used to celebrate Christmas in the big plantation houses and in the slave quarters just before the Civil War.
- 1994** **Author Award**
TONING THE SWEEP. Angela Johnson. (Orchard Books) **Y J67** (Grade 5-8)
 On a visit to her grandmother Ola, who is dying of cancer in her house in the desert, fourteen-year-old Emmie hears many stories about the past and her family history and comes to a better understanding of relatives both dead and living.
- 1992** **Illustrator Award**
TAR BEACH. Faith Ringgold. (Crown Publishers) **C R581t** (Grade ps-3)
 A young girl dreams of flying above her Harlem home, claiming all she sees for herself and her family. Based on the author's quilt painting of the same name.
- 1990** **Illustrator Award**
NATHANIEL TALKING. Eloise Greenfield. (Black Butterfly Children's Books)
C 811.54 G812 (Grade k-5)
 Simple poems on a black American's recollection of childhood.—summary from *Books In Print*®
- 1989** **Author Award**
FALLEN ANGELS. Walter Dean Myers. (Scholastic) **Y M996fa** (Grade 7-12)
 Seventeen-year-old Richie Perry, just out of his Harlem high school, enlists in the Army in the summer of 1967 and spends a devastating year on active duty in Vietnam.
- 1988** **Author Award**
THE FRIENDSHIP. Mildred D. Taylor. (Dial Books for Young Readers)
C T2445f (Grade 4-7)
 Four children witness a confrontation between an elderly black man and a white storekeeper in rural Mississippi in the 1930's.

Illustrator Award

MUFARO'S BEAUTIFUL DAUGHTERS: AN AFRICAN TALE. John Steptoe.

(Lothrop, Lee & Shepard) **C 398.232 S837** (Grade k-3)

Mufaro's two beautiful daughters, one bad-tempered, one kind and sweet, go before the king, who is choosing a wife.

1986

Author Award

THE PEOPLE COULD FLY: THE BOOK OF BLACK FOLKTALES. Virginia Hamilton.

(Knopf) **C 398.2 H221** (Grade 3-6)

Retold Afro-American folktales of animals, fantasy, the supernatural, and desire for freedom, born of the sorrow of the slaves, but passed on in hope.

1986

Illustrator Award

THE PATCHWORK QUILT. Valerie Flournoy. (Dial Books for Young Readers)

C F644p (Grade k-3)

Using scraps cut from the family's old clothing, Tanya helps her grandmother and mother make a beautiful quilt that tells the story of her family's life.

1984

Author Award

EVERETT ANDERSON'S GOODBYE. Lucille Clifton. (Holt, Rinehart and Winston)

C C639eg (Grade k-3)

Everett Anderson has a difficult time coming to terms with his grief after his father dies.

1983

Author Award

SWEET WHISPERS, BROTHER RUSH. Virginia Hamilton. (Philomel)

Y H221s (Grade 5-8)

Fourteen-year-old Tree, resentful of her working mother who leaves her in charge of a retarded brother, encounters the ghost of her dead uncle and comes to a deeper understanding of her family's problems.

1981

Illustrator Award

BEAT THE STORY DRUM, PUM, PUM. Ashley Bryan. (Atheneum)

C 398.2 B915b (Grade 4-7)

Five traditional Nigerian tales include "Hen and Frog," "Why Bush Cow and Elephant are Bad Friends," "The Husband Who Counted the Spoonfuls," "Why Frog and Snake Never Play Together," and "How Animals Got Their Tails."

1979

Author Award

ESCAPE TO FREEDOM: A PLAY ABOUT YOUNG FREDERICK DOUGLASS.

Ossie Davis. (Viking) **C 812.54 D263** (Grade 9-12)

Born a slave, young Frederick Douglass endures many years of cruelty before escaping to the North to claim his freedom.

1970

Author Award

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.: MAN OF PEACE. Lillie Patterson. (Garrard)

C921 K53p (Grade 3-6)

A biography of the Baptist minister, focusing on his leadership role in the civil rights movement.

THE MILDRED L. BATCHELDER AWARD

The Batchelder Award honors Mildred L. Batchelder, a former executive director of the Association for Library Service to Children, a believer in the importance of good books for children in translation from all parts of the world. This award, established in her honor in 1966, is a citation awarded to an American publisher for a children's book considered to be the most outstanding of those books originally published in a foreign language in a foreign country, and subsequently translated into English and published in the United States. ALSC gives the award to encourage American publishers to seek out superior children's books abroad and to promote communication among the peoples of the world.

- 2008** **BRAVE STORY**. Miyuki Miyabe. (VIZ Media) **Youn Ad. Fic M618b** A young boy named Wataru enters a fantasy world in hopes of saving his parent's marriage. With a determined plan to reunite his mother and father, the 10-year-old boy knowingly enters a fantasy realm inhabited by a goddess who has the power to change destiny. With the help of the Lizard Boy, the Cat Girl, and the Fire-breathing Dragon, Wataru faces a series of seemingly insurmountable obstacles on this once-in-a-lifetime adventure. One way or another, the young hero must reach the Tower of Destiny and bring his mother and father back together again.
- 2007** **THE PULL OF THE OCEAN**. Jean-Claude Mourlevat. (Delacorte Press) **Young Ad. Fic M929p** (Grade 7+) Loosely based on Charles Perrault's "Tom Thumb," seven brothers in modern-day France flee their poor parents' farm, led by the youngest who, although mute and unusually small, is exceptionally wise.
- 2006** **AN INNOCENT SOLDIER**. Josef Holub. (Arthur Levine Books) **Young Ad Fic H722i** (Grade 8+) A sixteen-year-old farmhand is tricked into fighting in the Napoleonic Wars by the farmer for whom he works, who secretly substitutes him for the farmer's own son.
- 2005** **THE SHADOWS OF GHADAMES**. Joelle Stolz. (Delacorte Press) **C S8761s** (Grade 3-7) At the end of the nineteenth century in Libya, eleven-year-old Malika simultaneously enjoys and feels constricted by the narrow world of women, but an injured stranger enters her home and disrupts the traditional order of things.
- 2004** **RUN, BOY, RUN**. Uri Orlev. (Houghton Mifflin) **Y O71r** (Grade 5+) Based on the true story of a nine-year-old boy who escapes the Warsaw Ghetto and must survive throughout the war in the Nazi-occupied Polish countryside.
- 2003** **THE THIEF LORD**. Cornelia C. Funke. (Scholastic) **C F982t** (Grade 5+) Escaping the aunt who wants to adopt only one of them, two orphaned brothers run away from Hamburg to Venice, finding shelter with a gang of street children and their leader, the thirteen-year-old "Thief Lord," while also eluding the detective hired to return them to Germany.

- 2002** **HOW I BECAME AN AMERICAN**. Karin Gundisch. (Cricket Books) **C G975ho** (Grade 3-7) In 1902, ten-year-old Johann and his family, Germans who had been living in Austria-Hungary, board a ship to immigrate to Youngstown, Ohio, where they make a new life as Americans.
- 2001** **SAMIR AND YONATAN**. Daniella Carmi. (Arthur A. Levine) **Y C287s** (Grade 3-7) Samir, a Palestinian boy, is sent for surgery to an Israeli hospital where he has two otherworldly experiences, making friends with an Israeli boy, Yonatan, and traveling with him to Mars where Samir finds peace over his younger brother's death in the war.
- 2000** **THE BABOON KING**. Anton Quintana. (Walker and Company) **Y Q7b** (Grade 7+) Son of a Kikuyu mother and a Masai herdsman father, Morengáru the hunter lives on the edges of tribal society until an actual banishment forces him to make a life for himself among a troop of baboons.
- 1999** **THANKS TO MY MOTHER**. Schoschanah Rabinovits. (Dial Books) **Y 940.5318 R116** (Grade 7-12) After struggling to survive in Nazi-occupied Lithuania, a young Jewish girl and her mother endure much suffering in Kaiserwald, Stutthof, and Tauntzien concentration camps and on an eleven-day death march before being liberated by the Russian army.
- 1998** **THE ROBBER AND ME**. Josef Holub. (H. Holt) **Not Available at Maxwell Library** (Grade 5-9) Because he knows that the man accused of robbery is innocent, an eleven-year-old orphan struggles to find the courage to reveal the truth to his uncle in their small German village in 1867.
- 1997** **THE FRIENDS**. Kazumi Yumoto. (Farrar, Straus & Giroux) **Y Y94f** (Grade 5-9) Curious about death, three sixth-grade boys decide to spy on an old man waiting for him to die, but they end up becoming his friends.
- 1996** **THE LADY WITH THE HAT**. Uri Orlev. (Houghton Mifflin) **Y O711** (Grade 5-9) In 1947, seventeen-year-old Yulek, the only member of his immediate family to survive the German concentration camps, joins a group of young Jews preparing to live on a kibbutz in Israel, unaware that his aunt living in London is looking for him.
- 1995** **THE BOYS FROM ST. PETRI**. Bjarne Reuter. (Dutton) **Y R447b** (Grade 7+) In 1942, a group of young men begin a series of increasingly dangerous protests against the German invaders of their Danish homeland.
- 1994** **THE APPRENTICE**. Pilar Molina Llorente. (Farrar, Straus & Giroux) **C M722a** (Grade 4-7) Working as an artist's apprentice in Renaissance Florence, thirteen-year-old Arduino makes a discovery which may cost him the chance to become a painter.
- 1993** [No Award Given]

- 1992 **THE MAN FROM THE OTHER SIDE**. Uri Orlev. (Houghton Mifflin Co.) **Y O71m** (Grade 5-9) Living on the outskirts of the Warsaw Ghetto during World War II, fourteen-year-old Marek and his grandparents shelter a Jewish man in the days before the Jewish uprising.
- 1991 **A HAND FULL OF STARS**. Rafik Schami. (Puffin Books) **Y S299h** (Grade 7+) A teenager who wants to be a journalist in a suppressed society describes to his diary his daily life in his hometown of Damascus, Syria.
- 1990 **BUSTER'S WORLD**. Bjarne Reuter. (E.P. Dutton) **Not Available in Maxwell Library** (Grade 5-9) Buster's magic tricks get him in and out of trouble.
- 1989 **CRUTCHES**. Peter Hartling. (Lothrop, Lee & Shepard) **C H331c** (Grade 4-7) A young boy, searching vainly for his mother in post-war Vienna, is befriended by a man on crutches and together they find hope for the future.
- 1988 **IF YOU DIDN'T HAVE ME**. Ulf Nilsson. (McElderry Books) **C N655i** (Grade 2-5) Spending most of a year with relatives on a farm in southern Sweden while his parents are busy building a new house in town, a young boy finds inner strengths and unexpected sources of entertainment.
- 1987 **NO HERO FOR THE KAISER**. Rudolph Frank. (Lothrop, Lee & Shepard) **Y F828n** (Grade 7+) Jan, a fourteen-year-old Polish boy whose town is invaded in World War I, joins a German battalion and experiences the horrors of battle.
- 1986 **ROSE BLANCHE**. Robert Innocenti. (Lothrop, Lee & Shepard) **C I58r** (Grade 4-8) During World War II, a young German girl's curiosity leads her to discover something far more terrible than the day-to-day hardships and privations that she and her neighbors have experienced.
- 1985 **THE ISLAND ON BIRD STREET**. Uri Orlev. (Houghton Mifflin) **C O71i** (Grade 4-6) During World War II a Jewish boy is left *on* his own for months in a ruined house in the Warsaw Ghetto, where he must learn all the tricks of survival under constantly life-threatening conditions.
- 1984 **RONIA, THE ROBBER'S DAUGHTER**. Astrid Lindgren. (Viking Press) **C L745r** (Grade 3-7) Ronia, who lives with her father and his band of robbers in a castle in the woods, causes trouble when she befriends the son of a rival robber chieftain.
- 1983 **HIROSHIMA NO PIKA**. Toshi Maruki. (Lothrop, Lee & Shepard) **C 952.033 M389** (Grade 7+) A retelling of a mother's account of what happened to her family during the Flash that destroyed Hiroshima in 1945.

- 1982 **THE BATTLE HORSE**. Harry Kullman. (Bradbury Press) **C K955b**
The children on a Stockholm street engage in a modern-day jousting tournament in which the rich are knights and the poor are the horses who bear them.
- 1981 **THE WINTER WHEN TIME WAS FROZEN**. Els Pelgrom. (William Morrow & Co.) **C P382w** (Grade 4-6) In Holland during the last months of World War II a 12-year-old girl and her father find shelter with a farm family who courageously give sanctuary to all in need of it.
- 1979 **Two Awards Given:**
- 1979 **RABBIT ISLAND**. Jorg Steiner. (Harcourt Brace Jovanovich) **C S819r** (Grade 1+)
The adventures of two rabbits who escape from the rabbit factory.
- 1979 **KONRAD**. Christine Nostlinger. (Franklin Watts, Inc.) **C N898k** (Grade 4-6) By mistake, an unconventional lady receives a perfectly behaved factory-made child in the mail. To escape being returned, he must learn "normal" child behavior.
- 1978 **[No Award Given]**
- 1977 **THE LEOPARD**. Cecil Bodker (Atheneum) **Not Available in Maxwell Library** An Ethiopian boy finds his life endangered when he discovers that a disguised blacksmith, not a leopard, is responsible for a great many missing carrel in the area.
- 1976 **THE CAT AND MOUSE WHO SHARED A HOUSE**. Ruth Hurlimann (H.Z. Walck) **Not Available in Maxwell Library** Once a cat and mouse shared a house and had a pot of butter to last them through the winter. Then the cat tried to get all the food for herself.
- 1975 **AN OLD TALE CARVED OUT OF STONE**. A. Linevskii. (Crown Publishing) **Y 891.73 L754** (Grade 7+) When the shaman's responsibility for finding fish and game falls to seventeen-year-old Liok, he accepts it reluctantly, knowing that he has never seen Roko, Friend of the Hunters, or heard the spirit voices which are the proof of a true shaman.
- 1974 **PETROS' WAR**. Aliko Zei (E.P. Dutton) **Not Available in Maxwell Library** A ten-year-old boy and his family endure the Fascist occupation of Athens during World War II.
- 1973 **PULGA**. Siny Rose Van Iterson. (William Morrow & Co.) **C I88p** For a fifteen-year-old boy from the slums of Bogotá, Colombia, being taken on as a truck driver's helper is an unbelievably good break.

- 1972 **FRIEDRICH.** Hans Peter Richter **Not Available in Maxwell Library**
- 1971 **IN THE LAND OF UR, THE DISCOVERY OF ANCIENT MESOPOTAMIA.** Hans Baumann (Pantheon Books) **Not Available in Maxwell Library** Describes archaeological finds in Mesopotamia and what they have revealed of the ancient civilizations of that area.
- 1970 **WILDCAT UNDER GLASS.** Alikei Zei. (Holt, Rinehart & Winston.) **C Z45w** (Grade 4-7)
The Fascist dictatorship of Greece in 1936 changes the lives and divides the loyalties of a ten-year-old girl and her family.
- 1969 **DON'T TAKE TEDDY.** Babbis Friis Baastad. (Charles Scribner's Sons.) **C B111d** Using a background of adventure the book probes the world and problems of a retarded child and his family.