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<td><strong>Jumbies</strong></td>
<td>Baptiste, T</td>
<td>Corinne La Mer knows that the jumbies are just fictional monsters the adults of her island home made up to scare children—so when a real jumbie chases her out of the woods, Corinne is in for quite the education.</td>
<td>Americas Award CLASP 2016  CT Nutmeg Intermediate Award 2020  MA Children's Award 2017-2018  NH Gate City Book Award 2016-2017  PA Reader's Choice Award 2018-2019  TN Volunteer MS Award 2017-2018  Just One More Page! List 2016</td>
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<td><strong>Nine, Ten : A September 11 Story</strong></td>
<td>Baskin, N</td>
<td>A few days before September 11, 2001, four middle schoolers in different parts of the country are going about their lives. Sergio, in Brooklyn, struggles with his hatred for his often absent father while living with his beloved grandmother.</td>
<td>Compendium Fall 2016  Best Children's Book of the Year 2017  Kirkus Prize Young Readers' Nominee 2016  NCSS Notable Title 2017  Nutmeg Intermediate Nominee 2019</td>
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<td><strong>Lucky Broken Girl</strong></td>
<td>Behar, R</td>
<td>Author Behar has crafted a story based on her own experience of adjusting to life in New York City as a young Cuban Jewish girl in 1966. Just as fifth-grader Ruthie feels like she's settling into her new world, she's terribly injured in a car accident.</td>
<td>Compendium Fall 2017  Pura Belpre Award  William Allen White Award 2019-2020  NCSS Notable Titles 2018  Massachusetts Children's Book Award 2019-2020  ALA Honor 2018  VOYA Top Shelf Fiction for MS Readers 2017  ALA Notable Children's Books of 2018  Notable Books for a Global Society 2018</td>
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<td><strong>Sanity &amp; Tallulah</strong></td>
<td>Brooks, M</td>
<td>Kid genius Sanity Jones experiments and creates a cute three-headed kitten on the space station she shares with her best friend, Tallulah Vega. However, the kitten</td>
<td>Compendium Title  Black-Eyed Susan Graphic Novel Award 2019-</td>
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<td>Freedom Over Me: Eleven Slaves, Their Lives And Dreams Brought to Life</td>
<td>Bryan, A</td>
<td>Draws on a slave owner's will dated 1828 that lists eleven slaves and their &quot;value&quot; as property of their owner. Gives voices to these slaves by painting their portraits, and allowing them to describe their jobs on the slave owner's estate and unrealized dreams.</td>
<td>2020 Nene Award Nominee</td>
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<td>Hurricane Child</td>
<td>Callender, K</td>
<td>On the island of St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands, twelve-year-old Caroline is known for her bad luck because she was born during a hurricane. A new student from Barbados named Kalinda arrives and becomes Caroline's only friend.</td>
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<td>Lowriders In Space</td>
<td>Camper, C</td>
<td>Friends Lupe Impala, El Chavo Flapjack, and Elirio Malaria share a love of fixing up cars, and enter a contest to fix up a lowrider with the hopes of winning a cash prize that will enable them to open their own shop. Includes Spanish words and phrases.</td>
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<td>Epic Fail Of Arturo Zamora</td>
<td>Cartaya, P</td>
<td>When his family's restaurant and Cuban American neighborhood in Miami are threatened by a greedy land developer, thirteen-year-old Arturo, joined by Carmen, a cute poetry enthusiast, fight back, discovering the power of poetry and protest.</td>
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| Me, Frida, And The Secret Of The Peacock Ring                         | Cervantes, A | Paloma never had a chance to spend much time with her now-deceased father, so she is traveling to Mexico City, hoping the trip will strengthen her memories. There, she and her new friends, Lizzie and Gael, set out to find a valuable ring that once belonged… | Great Texas Mosquito List 2019-2020  
Texas Bluebonnet Award 2019-2020  
Horned Toad Tales Award 2019-2020  
Volunteer Intermediate Nominee 2020-2021 |
| Storm Runner                                                         | Cervantes, J | To prevent the Mayan gods from battling each other and destroying the world, thirteen-year-old Zane must unravel an ancient prophecy, stop an evil god, and discover how the physical disability that makes him reliant on a cane also connects him to his father. | Compendium Title  
Texas Lone Star Reading List 2019  
Booklist's Top 10 #OWNVOICES Middle Grade Title |
| Daphne Definitely Doesn't Do Drama                                   | Charles, T | Annabelle has started her second assignment from her therapist—now, her alter-ego, Daphne, must try her hand at theater, but Annabelle fails her auditions for "Little Shop of Horrors." Posting funny impersonations on her blog helps. |                                                                                           |
| Like Vanessa                                                         | Charles, T | It is 1983 and Vanessa Martin, a thirteen-year-old African American girl in Newark's public housing, dreams of following in the footsteps of the first black Miss America, Vanessa Williams; but the odds are against her until a new teacher at school organizes… | Compendium Spring 2018  
OK Sequoyah Intermediate Book Award 2020  
Volunteer Middle School Nominee 2020-2021 |
| White Socks Only                                                     | Coleman, E | Grandma tells the story about her first trip alone into town during the days when segregation still existed in Mississippi.                                                                                   | 1984-1999 KY Bluegrass Nominee  
1999-2000 KY Bluegrass Award |
| Waiting For Normal                                                   | Connor, L | Twelve-year-old Addie tries to cope with her mother's erratic behavior and being separated from her beloved stepfather and half-sisters when she and her mother go to live in a small trailer by the railroad tracks on the outskirts of Schenectady, New York. | Compendium Fall 2008  
ALA Honor 2009  
ALA Best Books for YA 2009  
ALA Notable Children's Books 2009  
Schneider Family Book Award  
CA Young Reader Medal 2011-2012  
CCBC Book 2009  
Connecticut Book Award  
CT Nutmeg Children's Award 2011  
DC Capitol Choices Award 2009  
GA Grade 4-8 Book Award 2011-2012  
Heartland Award Nominee 2011  
IA Teen Award 2010-2011  
IL Rebecca Caudill Young Readers' 2011  
KS William Allen White Award 2010-2011 |
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<td><strong>Journey Of Little Charlie</strong></td>
<td>Curtis, C</td>
<td>When his poor sharecropper father is killed in an accident and leaves the family in debt, twelve-year-old Little Charlie agrees to accompany fearsome plantation overseer Cap'n Buck north in pursuit of people who have stolen from him.</td>
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<td><strong>Blended</strong></td>
<td>Draper, S</td>
<td>Isabella is only eleven, but she is already so used to hearing about how &quot;exotic&quot; and unusual she is due to her black father and white mother that she is sick of her biracial identity. Now that her parents are divorced and fighting over her worse than ever…</td>
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<td><strong>Stella By Starlight</strong></td>
<td>Draper, S</td>
<td>When a burning cross set by the Klan causes panic and fear in 1932 Bumblebee, North Carolina, fifth-grader Stella must face prejudice and find the strength to demand change in her segregated town.</td>
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KY Bluegrass Award 2009-2010  
MD Black-Eyed Susan Award 2010-2011  
ME Student Book Award 2009-2010  
MI Thumbs Up! Nominee 2009  
NH Isinglass Teen Read List 2010-2011  
NJ Garden State Fiction Award 2011  
OR Reader's Choice Award 2010-2011  
RI Teen Book Award Nominee 2009-2010  
School Library Journal Best Books of 2008  
TN Volunteer YA Award 2010-2011  
TX Lone Star Reading List 2009  
UT Beehive YA Book 2009-2010  
VT Dorothy Canfield Fisher Award 2019-2020  
WV Children's Book Award 2009-2010  

Compendium Winter 2018  
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SLJ 2018 Best Books  
Georgia Children's Book Award 2019-2020  
CCBC Book 2019  

Compendium Title  
SLJ 2018 Best Books  
CCBC Book 2019  

Compendium Spring 2015  
ALA Notable Children's Books 2016  
AR Charlie May Simon Award 2017-2018  
AZ Grand Canyon Reader Intermediate Award 2018  
Best Children's Books of 2016  
CCBC Book 2016  
Chicago Public Library Best of the Best 2015  
DC Capitol Choices Award 2016  
GA Grade 4-8 Book Award 2016-2017  
IA Children's Choice Award 2017-2018  
IL Rebecca Caudill Young Readers' 2017  
IN Young Hoosier Award 2017  
IRA Notable Books for a Global Society 2016  
IRA Teacher's Choice 2016  
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<td><strong>I Am Not A Number</strong></td>
<td>Dupuis, J</td>
<td>Forced to attend a residential school, Irene Couchie struggles to remember who she is and the ways of her people, despite the abuse she endures.</td>
<td>KY Bluegrass Award 2017-218&lt;br&gt;MA Children's Award 2017-2018&lt;br&gt;MD Black-Eyed Susan Award 2016-2017&lt;br&gt;MI Great Lakes Great Books Award 2016-2017&lt;br&gt;NC Junior Book Award 2016-2017&lt;br&gt;NCSS Notable Title 2016&lt;br&gt;NCTE Notable Book 2016&lt;br&gt;NE Golden Sower Intermediate Award 2016-2017&lt;br&gt;OK Sequoyah Children's Book Award 2018&lt;br&gt;OR Reader's Choice Award 2017-2018&lt;br&gt;PA Reader's Choice Award 2016-2017&lt;br&gt;Parents' Choice Award Winner 2015&lt;br&gt;RI Children's Book Award 2016-2017&lt;br.SC Children's Book Award 2016-2017&lt;br.Skipping Stones Book Award 2016&lt;br.VT Dorothy Canfield Fisher Award 2016-2017&lt;br.WA Sasquatch Reading Award 2018&lt;br.WI Just One More Page! List 2016&lt;br&gt;Compendium Spring 2017&lt;br&gt;ALA Notable Children's Books 2017&lt;br&gt;Best Children's Books of 2017&lt;br.CCBC Book 2017&lt;br.Hour Of The Bees</td>
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<td><strong>Forest World</strong></td>
<td>Engle, M</td>
<td>Sent to Cuba to visit the father he barely knows, Edver is surprised to meet a half-sister, Luza, whose plan to lure their cryptozoologist mother into coming there, too, turns dangerous.</td>
<td>Compendium Winter 2018&lt;br&gt;Green Earth Book Award Winner&lt;br.NCSS Notable Book&lt;br.The Walter Award</td>
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<td><strong>Wild Book</strong></td>
<td>Engle, M</td>
<td>In early twentieth-century Cuba, bandits terrorize the countryside as a young farm girl struggles with dyslexia. Based on the life of the author's grandmother.</td>
<td>Compendium Fall 2012&lt;br&gt;Best Children's Books of 2013&lt;br.CA Collection 2013-2014&lt;br.VOYA Poetry Picks</td>
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<td><strong>90 Miles To Havana</strong></td>
<td>Flores-galbis, E</td>
<td>Two young brothers are sent by their mother from Cuba to escape the revolution there. After they arrive in Miami they enter a strange world where they feel isolated and confused and miss their homeland.</td>
<td>2011 Pura Belpre Honor Book for Narrative&lt;br.2011 Bank Street Best Children's Book of the Year&lt;br.ALA 2011 Honor&lt;br.ALA Notable Children's Books 2011</td>
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| Only Living Girl: 1: The Island At The Edge Of Infinity | Gallaher, D  | Zandra, Zee, & Parfitt searches out the truth of the Chemerika wasteland, a patchwork world formed through a cosmic disaster that merged hundreds of planets, and with few human survivors, Zee must find out the truth behind her dead father, Doctor Once. | Best Children's Books 2011  
CCBC Book 2011  
FL Sunshine State Young Readers 2012-2013  
MA Children's Award 2013-2014  
NCSS Notable Title 2011  
NJ Garden State Teen Fiction Award 2013  
OK Sequoyah Intermediate Book Award 2013 |
| Last Last-day-of-summer                          | Giles, L     | Cousins Otto and Sheed Alston aren't quite ready to return to school after summer break. Although they might wish for a little more time to be free of the daily grind of the classroom, they didn't mean to actually freeze time. Now they'll have to figure out… | Compendium Title |
| Moving Target                                     | Gonzalez, C  | Twelve-year-old Cassie Arroyo is a student in Rome, but her life changes when a secret organization, the Hastati, shoots her father—and she learns that she is a member of an ancient bloodline that enables her to use the Spear of Destiny, a legendary object. | Compendium Spring 2016  
Iowa Children’s Choice Award 2019-2020  
ALA Quick Picks for Reluctant Readers YA  
Florida Book Award 2015  
FL Sunshine State Young Reader Award 2017-2018  
ME Student Book Award 2016-2017  
OH Buckeye Children’s Award 2016  
SC Children's Book Award  
TX Lonestar Reading List 2016 |
| Omg, Zombie!                                      | Graves, E    | Tulah Jones, an average, twelve-year-old zombie, eats some seriously suspicious Mystery Meal at school and starts to get cravings for meat, a lot of meat. Nevertheless, she has a musical audition she needs to focus on. | |
| Sky At Our Feet                                   | Hashimi, N   | When Jason learns that his mother has been living illegally in the United States since his father was killed in Afghanistan, he becomes terrified that she will be deported and they will be separated. | Compendium Spring 2018  
Golden Sower Chapter Book 2019-2020 |
| Handbook For Dragon Slayers                       | Haskell, M   | Yearning for life in a cloistered scriptorium, thirteen-year-old Princess Matilda, whose lame foot brings fear of the evil eye, escapes her scheming cousin Ivo and joins her servant Judith and an old friend, Parz, in hunting dragons and writing about them… | ALA Honor 2014  
Schneider Family Book Award |
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<td>Full Cicada Moon</td>
<td>Hilton, M</td>
<td>As the Apollo 11 mission goes to the Moon, Mimi Yoshiko Oliver moves to Vermont, a mostly Caucasian state, a place to feel out of place for a half-black, half-Asian girl like her. Mimi does her best to follow her dreams, taking shop class instead of home economics.</td>
<td>Compendium Spring 2016 Winner of the 2015-2016 APALA Literature Award - Children's Category</td>
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<td>Same Sun Here</td>
<td>House, S</td>
<td>Writing to each other as pen pals, Meena, an Indian immigrant living in New York, and River, a Kentucky coal miner’s daughter, discover common ground between them and rely on their friendship to work through the difficult situations in their lives.</td>
<td>Compendium Fall 2012 Best Children's Books of 2013 E.B. White Read Aloud Award Honor IRA Children's Choices 2013 KY Bluegrass Award 2012-2013 NY Charlotte Award Intermediate 2014 Parent's Choice Award Winner 2012 VT Dorothy Canfield Fisher Award 2013-2014</td>
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<td>Misfits</td>
<td>Howe, J</td>
<td>Four students who do not fit in at their small-town middle school decide to create a third party for the student council elections to represent all students who have ever been called names.</td>
<td>Compendium Title MI Thumbs Up! Award Winner ALA Popular Paperbacks for YA 2005 AZ Young Reader Teen Award 2005 GA Grade 4-8 Book Award 2007-2008 MD Children's Book Award 2004 MI Great Lakes Great Books Award 2003-2004 RI Teen Book Award Nominee 2003-2004 TN Volunteer Young Adult Award 2003-2004</td>
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<td>Red Bicycle: The Extraordinary Story Of One Ordinary Bicycl</td>
<td>Isabella, J</td>
<td>After Leo outgrows his bike, Big Red, he donates it to a program that helps provide bicycles to people in Africa. Follows Big Red as it helps Alietta do her chores and a hospital transport patients.</td>
<td>Compendium Fall 2015 CCBC Book</td>
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<td>Midnight Without A Moon</td>
<td>Jackson, L</td>
<td>Rose Lee Carter, a thirteen-year-old African-American girl, dreams of life beyond the Mississippi cotton fields during the summer of 1955, but when Emmett Till is murdered and his killers are unjustly acquitted, Rose is torn between seeking her destiny…</td>
<td>Compendium 2017 Nutmeg Middle School Nominee 2020 ALA Notable Children's Books 2018</td>
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<td>Roller Girl</td>
<td>Jamieson, V</td>
<td>Twelve-year-old Astrid discovers roller derby just as she and her best friend, Nicole, begin growing apart. Now Astrid must learn who she is--and how to be a Roller Girl--without Nicole.</td>
<td>Compendium Fall 2015 Newbery Honor Award Winner New York Times Best Seller Texas Bluebonnet Award Winner Nene Award Winner Young Hoosier Award Winner Maine Student Book Award Winner Garden State Children's Fiction Winner Oklahoma Sequoyah Children's Book Award</td>
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<td>Charlie &amp; Frog</td>
<td>Kane, K</td>
<td>At his grandparents' place for the summer, Charlie worries when a woman who always greets him in American Sign Language disappears after giving him a desperate message in sign language.</td>
<td>Beehive Fiction Award Winner, Junior Book Award Winner, Great Stone Face Award Winner, Golden Archer Middle Nominee 2019-2020, Nutmeg Intermediate Winner, Bluestem Book Award Winner, Youper Award Honor, E.B. White Read Aloud Award Honor, Reader's Choice Award Winner</td>
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<td>Blackbird Fly</td>
<td>Kelly, E</td>
<td>After twelve-year-old Apple Yengko is voted third-ugliest girl in Chapel Spring Middle School, her life threatens to spiral out of control. Her refuge is in Beatles music--if only she could afford it, she would buy a guitar and learn to play.</td>
<td>Compendium Fall 2015, ALA Notable Children's Books of 2016, Best Children's Books 2016, CCBC Book 2016, Delaware Diamonds Award Winner, Golden Kite Award Winner, IRA Children's Choices 2016, OK Sequoyah Intermediate Book Award 2018, School Library Journal Best Books 2015</td>
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<td>Land Of Forgotten Girls</td>
<td>Kelly, E</td>
<td>Abandoned by their father and living in poverty with their heartless stepmother in Louisiana, two sisters from the Philippines, twelve-year-old Sol and six-year-old Ming, learn the true meaning of family.</td>
<td>Compendium Fall 2016, APALA Children's Literature Award, Best Children's Books of the Year 2017</td>
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<td>Grand Plan To Fix Everything</td>
<td>Krishnaswami, U</td>
<td>Eleven-year-old Dini loves movies, and so when she learns that her family is moving to India for two years, her devastation over leaving her best friend in</td>
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| *Step Up To The Plate, Maria Singh*       | Krishnaswami, U  | In 1945, Nine-year-old Maria Singh focuses mostly on school and baseball. Her parents--one from India and the other from Mexico--are in danger of losing their farm, and Maria is forced to recognize and overcome the racial prejudice working against her family. | APALA Children's Literature Award  
Amelia Bloomer Project Title 2018 |
| *Inside Out & Back Again*                 | Lai, T           | Through a series of poems, a young girl chronicles the life-changing year of 1975, when she, her mother, and her brothers leave Vietnam and resettle in Alabama. | Compendium Fall 2011  
ALA Honor 2012  
Newbery Honor Book  
AR Charlie May Simon Award 2013-2014  
Book Links Lasting Connections of 2011  
CCBC Book 2011  
CT Nutmeg Intermediate Award 2014  
DC Capitol Choices Award 2012  
IA Children's Choice Award 2014-2015  
IN Young Hoosier Award 2014  
IRA Notable Books for a Global Society 2012  
Jane Addams Honor  
MA Children's Award 2013-2014  
MD Black-Eyed Susan Award 2012-2013  
MI Great Lakes Great Books Award 2012-2013  
National Book Award Honor  
NC Junior Book Award Winner  
NCTE Notable Book 2012  
NH Cochecho Reader Award 2012-2013  
UT Beehive Fiction Award 2013-2014  
WA Sasquatch Reading Award 2014  
(more individual state awards not noted due to space restriction) |
| *Goldie Vance : 1*                         | Larson, H        | When Walter, the current in-house hotel detective, encounters a case he can't crack, he agrees to mentor Goldie in exchange for her help solving the mystery utilizing her smarts, random skills, and connections with the hotel staff and various folks. | TX Maverick Graphic Novel Award 2017 |
| *Goldie Vance : 2*                         | Larson, H        | Sixteen-year-old Marigold “Goldie” Vance lives at a Florida resort and wants nothing more than to become the in-house detective someday. When Goldie and her friend Cheryl find an astronaut washed up on a beach, they investigate the mystery. | ALA Great Graphic Novels for Teens 2018 |
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| *Goldie Vance : 3*           | Larson, H | Insatiably curious sixteen-year-old Marigold "Goldie" Vance meets Sugar, spoiled daughter of the Crossed Palm resort's owner, who needs her help for solving a mystery involving the world of Prescription One racing cars. | ALA Rainbow Project Book List 2019  
ALA Great Graphic Novels for Teens 2018 |
| *Goldie Vance : 4*           | Larson, H | Offers chapter thirteen through sixteen in the Goldie Vance series following sixteen-year-old amateur detective Marigold "Goldie" Vance as she investigates mysterious power outages, missing musicians, and Russian spies at the 'Rockin' the Beach Music Fest... | ALA Great Graphic Novels for Teens 2019  
ALA Rainbow Project Book List 2019 |
| *When The Sea Turned To Silver* | Lin, G   | Pinmei lives a quiet, happy life with her grandmother, the village's beloved storyteller, and a young boy named Yishan. But when the emperor's soldiers kidnap her grandmother and burn their hut down, Pinmei and Yishan set out to find the Luminous Stone. | Compendium Spring 2017  
New York Times Best Seller  
National Book Award Finalist  
Indie Bound Best Seller  
Best Children's Books of the Year 2017  
Georgia Club Tome Society "It" List Nominee 2019-2020  
Booklist's 50 Best Middle Grade Books of the 21st Century  
CCBC Book  
E.B. White Read Aloud Award Honor |
| *Sweet Potato Pie*           | Lindsey, K | During a drought in the early 1900s, a large loving African American family finds a delicious way to earn the money they need to save their family farm. |  |
| *Ask My Mood Ring How I Feel* | Lopez, D | Confused about all her emotions, Erica "Chia" Montenegro looks to her mood ring to figure out what she is feeling. She has not seen Blue for Peaceful in a long time, but she often sees Black for Stressful--especially since her mother's sickness. | Best Children's Books Award 2014  
NJ Garden State Teen Fiction Award 2016  
TX Lone Star Reading List 2014  
VOYA Top Shelf Fiction for MS 2013 |
| *Lucky Luna*                 | Lopez, D | Luna Ramos feels like every time she gets in trouble, it is one or more of her many cousins' faults. One day, Luna locks cousin Claudia, the know-it-all, in the bathroom, and all the blame falls on her. |  |
| *Nothing Up My Sleeve*       | Lopez, D | Sixth graders Dominic, Loop, and Z love to compete, and when the three discover a new magic shop in town they plan to outdo one another's tricks all summer. But this magic shop is special, and it has the Vault, where they meet a real live magician. | Compendium 2016 Fall |
| *Camo Girl*                  | Magoon, K | Ella, a biracial girl with a patchy and uneven skin tone, and her friend Z, a boy who is very different, have been | Compendium Fall 2011  
2012 Best Children's Books |
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| **Season Of Styx Malone** | Magoon, K | Caleb Franklin and his younger brother, Bobby Gene, spend an extraordinary summer with their new, older neighbor, Styx Malone, a foster boy from the city. | Compendium Title  
2012 CCBC Book  
2012 DC Capitol Choices Award  
2013-2014 GA Grade 4-8 Book Award  
IL Rebecca Caudill Young Readers' Award  
2012-2013 ME Student Book Award  
2015-2016 MN Maud Hart Lovelace Div. 2 Award  
2012-2013 SC Junior Book Award  
2012-2013 VA Readers' Choice MS |
| **Shadows Of Sherwood** | Magoon, K | Robyn Loxley's parents disappear one night, leaving her to fend for herself in Nott City. When Ignomus Crown takes over the city, Robyn must flee for her life, taking up with a band of teens with unique talents for evading problems. Robyn enlists their help. | FL Sunshine State Young Reader Award 2017-2018  
TX Lone Star Reading List 2017  
VT Dorothy Canfield Fisher Award 2016-2017  
WA Sasquatch Reading Award 2018 |
| **There's No Base Like Home** | Mendoza, J | Sophia Garcia, thirteen, wants to excel at softball like her older sister, Ellie, and make her family proud, but when she is chosen for a different team and position than Ellie, she must learn to succeed by being herself. | |
| **Sci-fu : 1 : Kick It Off** | Mercado, Y | Teenage DJ Wax is transported to the robot-filled world of Discopia where he has to compete against the Five Deadly Dangers in a sound-bending martial arts contest that will determine the fate of the Earth. | Texas Maverick Graphic Novel Award 2019  
Black-Eyed Susan Graphic Novel Award 2019-2020 |
| **Banana-leaf Ball : How Play Can Change The World** | Milway, K | When Deo and his family are forced to flee their home in Burundi, they find themselves in a refugee camp where resources are scarce. A bully named Remy targets Deo, and Deo takes comfort in making a banana-leaf ball to play with. | Compendium Winter 2018  
California Eureka! Nonfiction Award 2017  
Skipping Stones Award 2018 |
2016 ALA Honor Book |
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| *Harlem's Greatest Bookstore* |        | 1939, as seen from the perspective of Louis Michaux Jr., who met famous men like Muhammad Ali and Malcolm X while helping there. | Coretta Scott King Honor Book  
2016 ALA Notable Children's Book  
2016 Best Children's Book  
2016 CCBC Book  
2015 Chicago Public Library Best of the Best  
2018-2019 GA Picture Storybook Award  
Jane Addams Honor Book  
2016 Kirkus Prize - Young Readers' Nominee  
2017-2018 KS William Allan White Award  
2016 NCTE Notable Book  
Compendium Spring 2016 |
| *Ghetto Cowboy*        | Neri, G | Twelve-year-old Cole's behavior causes his mother to drive him from Detroit to Philadelphia to live with a father he has never known, but who soon has Cole involved with a group of African-American "cowboys" who rescue horses and use them to steer youths... | IL Rebecca Caudill Young Readers Award 2014  
ME Student Book Award 2012-2013  
MN Maud Hart Lovelace Div. 2 Award 2016-2017  
NJ Garden State Teen Fiction Award 2014  
PA Reader's Choice YA 2012-2013  
SC Junior Book Award 2013-2014  
TN Volunteer MS Award 2013-2014  
TX Bluebonnet Award 2013-2014  
VOYA Top Shelf Fiction for MS 2011  
WA Evergreen Teen Book Award 2014 |
| *Turtle Of Oman*       | Nye, N | When Aref, a third grader who lives in Muscat, Oman, refuses to pack his suitcase and prepare to move to Michigan, his mother asks for help from his grandfather, Sidi, who takes Aref around the countryside storing up memories he can carry with him. | Compendium Spring 2015  
ALA Notable Children's Books of 2015  
Best Children's Books of 2015  
CCBC Book 2015  
CCBC Global Reading Book  
Horn Book Fanfare 2014  
IRA Notable Children's Books for a Global Society 2015  
MA Children's Award 2017-2018  
Middle East Book Honor  
MN Maud Hart Lovelace Award 2017-2018  
NJ Garden State Children's Fiction Award 2017  
VA Reader's Choice Elementary Award 2016-2017  
VT Dorothy Canfield Fisher Award 2015-2016 |
| *Spirit Hunters*        | Oh, E  | Twelve-year-old Harper Raine suspects her house is haunted. And when her four-year-old brother begins acting strangely, she gets a strange sense of déjà vu and realizes she must unlock certain memories to understand and stop the dangerous sensations. | Compendium Fall 2017  
Texas Bluebonnet Award 2018-2019  
South Carolina Children's Book Award 2019-2020  
Bluegrass Award Nominee 2019-2020  
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| **Dactyl Hill Squad** | Older, D | Maggdalys Roca and her companions from the Colored Orphan Asylum go on a field trip to New York in 1863, even as the Civil War rages among raptor-mounted armies in the South, just when the Draft Riots break out. | Sasquatch Reading Award Nominee 2020  
Nene Award Nominee 2020  
Chicago Public Library Best of the Best 2017  
Rhode Island MS Nominee 2018-2019  
Compendium Title  
Flicker Tale Middle Readers Nominee 2020  
SLJ 2018 Best Books  
Just One More Page! Reading List 2019 |
| **Hidden Witch**   | Ostertag, M | Aster is thrilled his parents have finally agreed to let him learn witchery with the girls. But his happiness is met with concern when it becomes apparent that someone is practicing dark magic and Aster's friend Charlie is in danger. | ALA Great Graphic Novels for Teens 2019 |
| **Witch Boy**      | Ostertag, M | Everyone from Aster's family is born with magic, and all boys grow up to be shapeshifters, girls to be witches--unfortunately, Aster doesn't know how to shapeshift, but he seems pretty good at witchery. | Compendium Winter 2018  
YARP MS Teen Choice Nominee 2019-2020  
Maine Student Book Award Winner  
Blue Hen Middle Graphic Novel Nominee 2020  
Texas Maverick Graphic Novel 2019  
Nene Award Nominee  
Black-Eyed Susan Graphic Novel Award Winner  
ALA Great Graphic Novels for Teens 2019 |
| **Long Walk To Water** | Park, L | When the Sudanese civil war reaches his village in 1985, eleven-year-old Salva becomes separated from his family and must walk with other Dinka tribe members through southern Sudan, Ethiopia, and Kenya in search of safe haven. | Compendium Spring 2011  
New York Times Best Seller  
Book Links Lasting Connections of 2010  
CT Nutmeg Children's Award 2013  
FL Sunshine State Young Readers Award 2012-2013  
HI Nene Nominees 2013  
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Jane Addams Honor  
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<td>Single Shard</td>
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<td>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.</td>
<td>MS Magnolia Award 2013&lt;br&gt;NC Junior Book Award 2012-2013&lt;br&gt;NCSS Notable Title 2011&lt;br&gt;ND Flicker Tale Award 2011-2012&lt;br&gt;NE Golden Sower YA Award 2012-2013&lt;br&gt;NJ Garden State Teen Fiction Award 2013&lt;br&gt;NY 3 Apples Teen Nominee 2018-2019&lt;br&gt;SC Junior Book Award 2012-2013&lt;br&gt;PA Reader's Choice 2012-2013&lt;br&gt;Smithsonian Notable Books for Children&lt;br&gt;TN Volunteer MS Award 2012-2013&lt;br&gt;VA Reader's Choice MS Award 2013-2014&lt;br&gt;WA Sasquatch Reading Award 2013&lt;br&gt;WY Indian Paintbrush Award 2012-2013</td>
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<td>Being You</td>
<td>Pate, A</td>
<td>Poetic text follows two African American children who must choose between the labels others put on them, and their true inner selves that they must find and celebrate. Also shows them how to look for people who see their value and individuality.</td>
<td>Newbery Medalist&lt;br&gt;APALA Children's Literature Award&lt;br&gt;NEA Asian American Booklist&lt;br&gt;Booklist's 50 Best Middle Grade Books of the 21st Century</td>
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<td>My Brigadista Year</td>
<td>Paterson, K</td>
<td>Thirteen-year-old Lora heeds the call of Fidel Castro that all teachers spread literacy to Cuba; and despite the objections of her parents, who've kept her in Havana her whole life, she takes off to remote Cuban communities to spread her knowledge.</td>
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<td>When basketball player Castle Cranshaw--nicknamed Ghost--challenges an elite sprinter to a race and wins, he finds himself on the radar of an Olympic medalist track coach who wants to nurture his raw talent.</td>
<td>Compendium Spring 2017&lt;br&gt;National Book Award Finalist for Young People's Literature&lt;br&gt;Nomintated as one of America's best-loved novels by PBS's The Great American Read</td>
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| *Stepping Stones: A Refugee Family's Journey* | Ruurs, M | A young girl and her family are forced to flee their village to escape the civil war that has engulfed Syria and make their way toward freedom in Europe. | Compendium Spring 2017  
Best Children's Books 2017  
IRA Notable Books for a Global Society 2017  
Middle East Book Award  
WI Picture This! 2018 |
| *Becoming Naomi Leon*     | Ryan, P | When Naomi's absent mother resurfaces to claim her, Naomi runs away to Mexico with her great-grandmother and younger brother in search of her father. | Compendium Title  
Notable Children's Books 2005  
Pura Belpre Honor Book  
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Amelia Bloomer Project 2002-2009  
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MA Children's Award 2006-2007  
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NCTE Notable Books 1997-2006  
NM Land of Enchantment Award 2007-2008  
Parent's Choice Award Winner  
*(more individual state awards not noted due to space restriction)* |
| *Esperanza Rising*        | Ryan, P | Esperanza and her mother are forced to leave their life of wealth and privilege in Mexico to go work in the labor camps of Southern California, where they must adapt to the harsh circumstances facing Mexican farm workers on the eve of the Great Depression... | Compendium Title  
ALA Best Books for Young Adults  
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New Visions Award Winner |
| *Escape From Aleppo* | Senzai, N | Compendium Winter 2018  
Indie Next List Pick  
The Global Read Aloud 2018 Contenders |
| *Shooting Kabul* | Senzai, N | APALA Young Adult Literature Award  
Best Children's Books of 2011  
California Collection MS 2012-2014  
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IRA Teacher's Choice 2011  
MA Children's Award 2012-2013  
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Middle East Book Honor  
NCSS Notable Title 2011  
NJ Garden State Teen Fiction Award 2013  
SC Junior Book Award 2012-2013 |
| *In Daddy's Arms I Am Tall: African Americans Celebrating Fathers* | Steptoe, J | Coretta Scott King Award Winner  
ALA Notable Children's Book  
Chicago Public Library's Best of the Best  
1997 DC Capitol Choices Award  
Compendium Title |
| *Right As Rain* | Stoddard, L | Compendium Title |
| *Stef Soto, Taco Queen* | Torres, J | Compendium 2017  
Texas Bluebonnet Award 2018-2019  
South Carolina Children's Book Award 2019-2020  
Young Hoosier Intermediate Nominee 2020  
Reader's Choice Award Nominee 2019-2020  
Rhode Island Children's Book Award 2018-2019 |
| *Dad, Jackie, And Me* | Uhlberg, M | Compendium Title  
ALA Schnieder Family Book Award  
2007-2008 AR Diamond Primary Award  
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<td>As Karma Khullar prepares to enter middle school, her life has taken several dramatic turns. First her beloved Dadima passes away. Then her mother became the primary breadwinner, leaving her father as the stay-at-home parent.</td>
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| One Crazy Summer                           | Williams-garcia, R | In the summer of 1968, after traveling from Brooklyn to Oakland, California, to spend a month with the mother they barely know, eleven-year-old Delphine and her two younger sisters arrive to a cold welcome. | ALA Notable Children's Books 2016  
Best Children's Books Award 2016  
Bulletin Blue Ribbon Award 2015  
CCBC Book 2016  
DC Capitol Choices Award 2016  
NJ Garden State Teen Fiction Award 2018  
School Library Journal Best Books of 2015  
WI Just One More Page! List 2016 |
| President Of The Whole Sixth Grade: Girl Code | Winston, S      | Brianna Justice is already the president of the whole sixth grade and has future aspirations of being a cupcake bakery owner, and now she has added middle school journalist to her résumé--so it is totally unfair that a star of the nightly news broadcast is… | Compendium Fall 2010  
Newbery Honor Book  
Coretta Scott King Award Winner  
Scott O'Dell Award for Historical Fiction  
National Book Award Honor  
Booklist's 50 Best Middle Grade Books of the 21st Century |
| Secret Coders : 1                          | Yang, G         | Hopper's new school is awful, full of mean kids, a scary principal, and for some creepy reason the walls are covered in the number nine. Determined to figure out why Stately Academy is so strange, Hopper and her friend Eni become secret coders. | Gene Luen Yang (Author) is the National Ambassador for Young People's Literature  
Chicago Public Library Best of the Best 2015  
Black-Eyed Susan Graphic Novel Award 2016-2017  
TX Little Maverick Graphic Novel 2015-2016  
WI Just One More Page! List 2017 |
| Secret Coders : 2 : Paths & Portals        | Yang, G         | Hopper, Eni, and Josh learn that Stately Academy use to be the Bee School where teachers, students, and robots unraveled the mysteries of coding. The kids want to follow the tradition and learn to be top coders, but they face opposition from Principal Dea... | Gene Luen Yang (Author) is the National Ambassador for Young People's Literature |
| Secret Coders : 3 : Secrets & Sequences    | Yang, G         | Discovering that her missing father was once a student at her mysterious Bee School, Hopper surmises that his disappearance is due to the nefarious work of Dr. One-Zero, a green-skinned villain who wants to find the most powerful turtle in the world. | Gene Luen Yang (Author) is the National Ambassador for Young People's Literature  
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