

# Oregon City Public Library

## ALA Youth Media Awards 2019

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**John Newbery Award** for the most outstanding contribution to children's literature:

**WINNER:** [Merci Suárez Changes Gears](#) by Meg Medina

**HONORS:** [The Night Diary](#) by Veera Hiranandani and [The Book of Boy](#) by Catherine Gilbert Murdock

**Randolph Caldecott Award** for the most distinguished American picture book for children:

**WINNER:** [Hello Lighthouse](#) by Sophie Blackall

**HONORS:** [Alma and How She Got Her Name](#) by Juana Martinez-Neal, [A Big Mooncake for Little Star](#) by Grace Lin, [The Rough Patch](#) by Brian Lies, and [Thank You, Omu!](#) by Oge Mora

**Coretta Scott King (Author) Book Award** recognizing an African-American author of outstanding books for children and young adults:

**WINNER:** [A Few Red Drops: The Chicago Race Riot of 1919](#) by Claire Hartfield

**HONORS:** [Finding Langston](#) by Lesa Cline-Ransome, [The Parker Inheritance](#) by Varian Johnson, and [The Season of Styx Malone](#) by Kekla Magoon

**Coretta Scott King (Illustrator) Book Award** recognizing an African-American illustrator of outstanding books for children and young adults:

**WINNER:** [The Stuff of Stars](#) illustrated by Ekoa Holmes

**HONORS:** [Hidden Figures](#) illustrated by Laura Freeman, [Let the Children March](#) illustrated by Frank Morrison, and [Memphis, Martin, and the Mountaintop](#), illustrated by R. Gregory Christie

**Coretta Scott King/John Steptoe New Talent Author Award**

**WINNER:** [Monday's Not Coming](#) written by Tiffany D. Jackson

## Coretta Scott King/John Steptoe New Talent Illustrator Award

WINNER: [Thank You, Omu!](#) by Oge Mora

**Michael L. Printz Award** for excellence in literature written for young adults:

WINNER: [The Poet X](#) by Elizabeth Acevedo

HONORS: [Damsel](#) by Elana K. Arnold, [A Heart in a Body in the World](#) by Deb Caletti, and [I, Claudia](#) by Mary McCoy

**Schneider Family Book Award** for books that embody an artistic expression of the disability experience:

### *Young Readers (Age 0-10)*

WINNER: [Rescue & Jessica: A Life-Changing Friendship](#) by Jessica Kensky and Patrick Downes

HONOR: [The Remember Balloons](#) by Jessie Oliveros

### *Middle Grades (Age 11-13)*

WINNER: [The Truth as Told by Mason Buttle](#) by Leslie Connor

HONOR: [The Collectors](#) by Jacqueline West

### *Teen (Ages 13-18)*

WINNER: [Anger Is a Gift](#) by Mark Oshiro

HONOR: [\(Don't\) Call Me Crazy: 33 Voices Start the Conversation about Mental Health](#) edited by Kelly Jensen

**Alex Awards** for the 10 best adult books that appeal to teen audiences:

- [The Black God's Drums](#) by P. Djèlí Clark
- [The Book of Essie](#) by Meghan MacLean Weir
- [Circe](#) by Madeline Miller
- [Educated: A Memoir](#) by Tara Westover
- [The Girl Who Smiled Beads: A Story of War and What Comes After](#) by Clemantine Wamariya and Elizabeth Weil
- [Green](#) by Sam Graham-Felsen

- [Home After Dark](#) by David Small
- [How Long 'Til Black Future Month?](#) by N. K. Jemisin
- [Lawn Boy](#) by Jonathan Evison
- [Spinning Silver](#) by Naomi Novik

**Mildred L. Batchelder Award** for an outstanding children’s book originally published in a language other than English in a country other than the United States, and subsequently translated into English for publication in the United States:

**WINNER:** [The Fox on the Swing](#) by Evelina Daciūtė (Lithuania)

**HONORS:** [Run for Your Life](#) by Silvana Gandolfi (Italian), [My Beijing: Four Stories of Everyday Wonder](#) by Nie Jun (Mandarin Chinese), [Edison: The Mystery of the Missing Mouse Treasure](#) by Torben Kuhlmann (German), and [Jerome By Heart](#) by Thomas Scotto (French)

**Odyssey Award** for best audiobook produced for children and/or young adults, available in English in the United States:

**WINNER:** [Sadie](#) by Courtney Summers

**HONORS:** [Du Iz Tak](#) by Carson Ellis, [Esquivel! Space-Age Sound Artist](#) by Susan Wood, [The Parker Inheritance](#) by Varian Johnson, and [The Poet X](#) by Elizabeth Acevedo

**Pura Belpré Awards** honoring a Latinx writer and illustrator whose children's books best portray, affirm and celebrate the Latino cultural experience:

***Illustrator***

**WINNER:** [Dreamers](#) by Yuyi Morales

**HONORS:** [Islandborn](#) illustrated by Leo Espinosa and [When Angels Sing: The Story of Rock Legend Carlos Santana](#) illustrated by Jose Ramirez

***Author***

**WINNER:** [The Poet X](#) by Elizabeth Acevedo

**HONOR:** [They Call Me Güero: A Border Kid’s Poems](#) by David Bowles

**Robert F. Sibert Informational Book Award** for most distinguished informational book for children:

**WINNER:** *The Girl Who Drew Butterflies: How Maria Merian's Art Changed Science*

**HONORS:** [Camp Panda: Helping Cubs Return to the Wild](#) by Catherine Thimmesh, [Spooked!: How a Radio Broadcast and The War of the Worlds Sparked the 1938 Invasion of America](#) by Gail Jarrow, [The Unwanted: Stories of the Syrian Refugees](#) by Don Brown, [We Are Grateful: Otsaliheliga](#) by Traci Sorell, and [When Angels Sing: The Story of Rock Legend Carlos Santana](#) by Michael Mahin

The inaugural **Excellence in Early Learning Digital Media Award** is being given in 2019 to a digital media producer that has created distinguished digital media for an early learning audience.

**WINNER:** [Play and Learn Science](#) produced by PBS Kids

**HONORS:** [Coral Reef](#) produced by Tinybop Inc. and *Lexi's World* produced by Pop Pop Pop LLC.

**Stonewall Book Award** - Mike Morgan & Larry Romans Children's & Young Adult Literature Award given annually to English-language children's and young adult books of exceptional merit relating to the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender experience:

#### ***Younger Readers***

**WINNER:** [Julián Is a Mermaid](#) by Jessica Love

#### ***Older Readers***

**WINNER:** [Hurricane Child](#) by Kheryn Callender

**HONORS:** [Ivy Aberdeen's Letter to the World](#) by Ashley Herring Blake and [Picture Us in the Light](#) by Kelly Loy Gilbert

**Theodor Seuss Geisel Award** for the most distinguished beginning reader book is

**WINNER:** [Fox the Tiger](#) by Corey R. Tabor

**HONORS:** [The Adventures of Otto: See Pip Flap](#) by David Milgrim, [Fox + Chick: The Party and Other Stories](#) by Sergio Ruzzier, [King & Kayla and the Case of the Lost Tooth](#) by Dori Hillestad Butler, and [Tiger vs. Nightmare](#) by Emily Tetri

**William C. Morris Award** for a debut book published by a first-time author writing for teens:

**WINNER:** [Darius the Great Is Not Okay](#) by Adib Khorram

**HONORS:** [Blood Water Paint](#) by Joy McCullough, [Check, Please! #Hockey](#) by Ngozi Ukazu, [Children of Blood and Bone](#) by Tomi Adeyemi, and [What the Night Sings](#) by Vesper Stamper

## **YALSA Award for Excellence in Nonfiction for Young Adults**

**WINNER:** [The Unwanted: Stories of the Syrian Refugees](#) by Don Brown

**HONORS:** [The Beloved World of Sonia Sotomayor](#) by Sonia Sotomayor, [Boots on the Ground: America's War in Vietnam](#) by Elizabeth Partridge, [The Faithful Spy: Dietrich Bonhoeffer and the Plot to Kill Hitler](#) by John Hendrix, [Hey, Kiddo: How I Lost My Mother, Found My Father, and Dealt with Family Addiction](#) by Jarrett J. Krosoczka

The **Asian/Pacific American Award for Literature** promotes Asian/Pacific American culture and heritage and is awarded based on literary and artistic merit. The award offers three youth categories including Picture Book, Children's Literature and Young Adult Literature. The award is administered by the Asian Pacific American Librarians Association (APALA), an affiliate of the American Library Association.

### ***Picture Book***

**WINNER:** [Drawn Together](#) Minh Lê

### ***Children's Literature***

**WINNER:** [Front Desk](#) by Kelly Yang

### ***Teen***

**WINNER:** [Darius the Great is Not Okay](#) by Adib Khorram

The **Sydney Taylor Book Award** is presented annually to outstanding books for children and teens that authentically portray the Jewish experience. Presented by the Association of Jewish Libraries since 1968, the award encourages the publication and widespread use of quality Judaic literature.

### ***Young Readers***

**WINNER:** [All-of-a-Kind-Family Hanukkah](#) by Emily Jenkins

### ***Older Readers***

**WINNER:** [Sweep: The Story of a Girl and Her Monster](#) by Jonathan Auxier

### ***Teen***

**WINNER:** [What the Night Sings](#) by Vesper Stamper

**Children's Literature Legacy Award** honors an author or illustrator whose books, published in the United States, have made, over a period of years, a substantial and lasting contribution to literature for children through books that demonstrate integrity and respect for all children's lives and experiences.

**WINNER:** [Walter Dean Myers](#)

**Margaret A. Edwards Award** for lifetime achievement in writing for young adults:

**WINNER:** [M.T. Anderson](#)

**May Hill Arbutnot Lecture Award** recognizing an author, critic, librarian, historian or teacher of children's literature, who then presents a lecture at a winning host site.

**WINNER:** [Neil Gaiman](#)