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Américas Award Winners

1993 – 2019

1993	<i>Veijante Masquerader</i> by Lulu Delacre (Scholastic Press, 1993)
1994	<i>The Mermaid's Twin Sister</i> by Lynn Joseph (Clarion Books, 1984)
1995	<i>Tonight by Sea</i> by Frances Temple (Orchard Books, 1995)
1996	<i>In My Family/En mi familia</i> by Carmen Lomas Garza (Children's Book Press, 1996)
	<i>Parrot in the Oven</i> by Victor Martínez (HarperCollins, 1996)
1997	<i>The Circuit</i> by Francisco Jiménez (University of New Mexico Press, 1997)
	<i>The Face at the Window</i> by Regina Hanson illustrated by Linda Saport (Clarion, 1997)
1998	<i>Barrio: José's Neighborhood</i> by George Ancona (Harcourt Brace, 1998)
	<i>Mama and Papa Have a Store</i> by Amelia Lau Carling (Dial Books, 1998)
1999	<i>CrashBoomLove</i> by Juan Felipe Herrera (University of New Mexico Press, 1999)
2000	<i>The Color of My Words</i> by Lynn Joseph (HarperCollins, 2000)
	<i>The Composition</i> by Antonio Skármeta illustrated by Alfonso Ruano (Groundwood Books, 2000)
2001	<i>A Movie in My Pillow/Una Película en mi almohada</i> by Jorge Argueta illustrated by Elizabeth Gómez (Children's Book Press, 2001)
	<i>Breaking Through</i> by Francisco Jiménez (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2001)
2002	<i>Before We Were Free</i> by Julia Alvarez (Knopf Doubleday Publishing, 2002)
2003	<i>Just a Minute</i> by Yuyi Morales (Chronicle Books, 2003)
	<i>The Meaning of Consuelo</i> by Judith Ortiz Cofer (Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2003)
2004	<i>My Name is Celia/Me llamo Celia</i> by Monica Brown illustrated by Rafael López (Luna Rising, 2004)
	<i>Sammy & Juliana in Hollywood</i> by Benjamin Alire Saénz (Cinco Puntos, 2004)

2005	<i>Cinnamon Girl: letters found inside a cereal box</i> by Juan Felipe Herrera (HarperCollins, Joanna Cotler Books, 2005)
2006	<i>Josias, Hold the Book</i> by Jennifer Elvgren illustrated Nicole Tadgell (Boyd's Mill, 2006)
	<i>The Poet Slave of Cuba</i> by Margarita Engle illustrated by Sean Qualls (Henry Holt & Co., 2006)
2007-08	<i>Red Glass</i> by Laura Resau (Delacorte, 2007)
	<i>Yum! MMM! Qué Rico! Americas Sproutings</i> by Pat Mora illustrated by Rafael López (Lee & Low Books, 2007)
2009	<i>Just in Case: A Trickster Tale and Spanish Alphabet Book</i> by Yuyi Morales (Roaring Brook Press, 2008)
2010	<i>Return to Sender</i> by Julia Alvarez (Knopf, 2009)
	<i>What Can You Do with a Paleta?</i> by Carmen Tafolla illustrated by Magaly Morales (Tricycle Press, 2009)
2011	<i>Clemente</i> by Willie Perdomo illustrated by Bryan Collier (Henry Holt & Co., 2010)
	<i>The Dreamer</i> by Pam Muñoz Ryan illustrated by Peter Sís (Scholastic Press, 2010)
2012	<i>Hurricane Dancers</i> by Margarita Engle (Henry Holt & Co., 2011)
	<i>Pablo Neruda: Poet of the People</i> by Monica Brown illustrated by Julie Paschkis (Henry Holt & Company, 2011)
2013	<i>The Revolution of Evelyn Serrano</i> by Sonia Manzano (Scholastic Press, 2012)
2014	<i>Parrots over Puerto Rico</i> by Cindy Trumbore and Susan L. Roth illustrated by Susan L. Roth (Lee & Low Books, 2013)
2015	<i>Separate is Never Equal</i> by Duncan Tonatiuh (Abrams Books, 2014)
	<i>Silver People: Voices from the Panama Canal</i> by Margarita Engle (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2014)
2016	<i>Echo</i> by Pam Muñoz Ryan (Scholastic Press, 2015)
	<i>Out of Darkness</i> by Ashley Hope-Pérez (Carolrhoda Lab, 2015)
2017	<i>Ada's Violin</i> by Susan Hood and Sally Wern Comport (Simon and Schuster, 2016)
	<i>The Only Road</i> by Alexandra Diaz (Simon and Schuster, 2016)
2018	<i>American Street</i> by Ibi Zoboi (Harpers Collins Press, 2017)
	<i>Danza!</i> by Duncan Tonatiuh (Abrams Books, 2017)

2019	<i>Islandborn</i> by Junot Díaz (Dial Books, 2018)
	<i>Undocumented</i> by Duncan Tonatiuh (Abrams Books, 2018)
2020	<i>Between Us and Abuela</i> by Mitali Perkins illustrated by Sara Palacios (Farrar Straus Giroux, 2019)
	<i>Beast Rider</i> by Tony Johnston and Maria Elena Fontanot de Rhoads (Abrams Books, 2019)



CABA

CHILDREN'S AFRICANA BOOK AWARD

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Best Books for Young Children

[*Hector: A Boy, a Protest, and the Photography that Changed Apartheid*](#) by Adrienne Wright (Page Street Kids, 2019).

[*Sing to the Moon*](#) by Nansubuga Nagadya Isdahl and illustrated by Sandra van Doorn (Lantana, 2018).

[*Baby Goes to Market*](#) by Atinuke and illustrated by Angela Brooksbank (Candlewick, 2017).

[*Mama Africa*](#) by Kathryn Erskine and illustrated by Charly Palmer (Farrar Straus Giroux, 2017).

[*Grandma's List*](#) by Portia Dery and illustrated by Toby Newsome (African Bureau Stories, 2017).

[*Gizo,-Gizo! A Tale from the Zongo Lagoon*](#) by Emily Williamson with the students and teachers of the Hassaniyya Quranic School in Cape Coast Ghana (Sub-Saharan Publishers, 2016).

[*The Storyteller*](#) by Evan Turk (Atheneum, 2016).

[*Chicken in the Kitchen*](#) by Nnedi Okorafor and illustrated by Mehrdokht Amini (Lantana Publishing, 2015).

[*Wangari Maathai : The Woman Who Planted Millions of Trees*](#) by Franck Prévot and illustrated by Aurélia Front (Charlesbridge, 2015).

[*Desmond and the Very Mean Word: A Story of Forgiveness*](#) by Desmond Tutu and Douglas Abrams and illustrated by A.G. Ford (Candlewick, 2013).

[*Bundle of Secrets: Savita Returns Home*](#) by Mubina Hassanali Kirmani and illustrated by Tony Siema (CreateSpace, 2013).

[*The Matatu*](#) by Eric Walters and illustrated Eva Campbell (Orca Book Publishers, 2012).

[*Ostrich and Lark*](#) by Marilyn Nelson and illustrated by the Kuru Art Project (Boyd's Mills Press, 2012).

[*Hands Around the Library: Protecting Egypt's Treasured Books*](#) by Susan Roth and Karen Leggett Abouraya and illustrated by Susan Roth (Dial Books for Young Children, 2012).

[*When I Get Older :The Story Behind Wavin' Flag*](#) by K'Naan with Sol Guy and illustrated by Rudy Gutierrez (Tundra Books, 2012).

[*The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind*](#) by William Kamkwamba and Bryan Mealer and illustrated by Elizabeth Zunon (Dial Books for Young Children, 2012).

[*Seeds of Change : Planting a Path to Peace*](#) by Jen Cullerton Johnson and illustrated by Sonia Lynn Sadler (Lee & Low Books, 2010).

[*Pharaoh's Boat*](#) by David L. Weitzman (Houghton Mifflin, 2009).

[*One Hen: How One Small Loan Made a Big Difference*](#) by Katie Smith Milway and illustrated by Eugenie Fernandes (Kids Can Press, 2008).

[*Ikenna goes to Nigeria*](#) by Ifeoma Onyefulu (Frances Lincoln, 2007).

[*I Lost my Tooth in Africa*](#) by Penda Diakit  and illustrated by Baba Wagu  Diakit  (New York: Kane Miller 2006).

[*How the Amazon Queen Fought the Prince of Egypt*](#) written and illustrated by Tamara Bowers (New York : Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2005).

[*Here Comes Our Bride!*](#) by Ifeoma Onyefulu (Frances Lincoln Children's Book Distributed in the USA by Publishers Group West 2004).

[*Babu's Song*](#) by Stephanie Stuve-Bodeen illustrated by Aaron Boyd (Lee & Low Books 2003).

[*Fatuma's New Cloth*](#) by Leslie Bulion and illustrated by Nicole Tadgell (Moon Mountain 2002).

[*What's Cooking, Jamela*](#) by Niki Daly (Farrar, Strauss & Giroux 2001).

[*Africa is Not a Country*](#) by Margy Burns Knight and Mark Melnicove and illustrated by Anne Sibley O'Brien (Millbrook Press, 2000).

[*My Rows and Piles of Coins*](#) by Tololwa Mollel and illustrated by E. B. Lewis (Clarion Books, 1999).

[*The Master Weaver From Ghana*](#) by Gilbert Ahiagble and Louise Meyers with photographs by Nester Hernandez (Open Hand Publisher, 1998).

[*Only a Pigeon*](#) by Christopher and Jane Kurtz and illustrated by E.B. Lewis (Simon and Schuster, 1997).

[*The Day Gogo Went to Vote*](#) by Elinor Sisulu and illustrated by Sharon Wilson (Little, Brown 1996).

[*The New King*](#) by Doreen Rappaport. and illustrated by E.B. Lewis (Dial, 1995).

[*It Takes a Village*](#) by Jane Cowen-Fletcher (Scholastic, 1994).

[*Sundiata: Lion King of Mali*](#) by David Wisniewski (Clarion Books, 1992).

[*The Origin of Life on Earth: An African Creation Myth*](#) by David Anderson and illustrated by Kathleen Atkins (Sights Productions, 1991).

Honor Books for Young Children

[*Sulwe*](#) by Lupita Nyong'o and illustrated by Vashti Harrison (Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 2019).

[*Grandpa Cacao: A Tale of Chocolate, from Farm to Family*](#) by Elizabeth Zunon (Bloomsbury Children's Books, 2019).

[*Songs in the Shade of the Cashew and Coconut Trees: Lullabies and Nursery Rhymes from West Africa and the Caribbean*](#) by Nathalie Soussana, Jean-Christophe Hoarau and illustrated by Judith Gueyfier (The Secret Mountain, 2019).

[*Animal Village*](#) by Nelda LaTeef (Sub-Saharan Publishers, 2018).

[*Grandad Mandela*](#) by Zazi. Zinwelene and Zindzi Mandela and illustrated by Sean Qualls (Lincoln's Children's books / Quarto Publishing, 2018).

[*Mama's Amazing Cover Cloth*](#) by Ruby Goka and illustrated by Edmund Opare (Sub-Saharan Publishers, 2018).

[*Sleep Well, Siba & Saba*](#) by Nansubuga Nagadya Isdahl and illustrated by Sandra Van Doorn (Lantana, 2017).

[*The Wooden Camel*](#) by Wanuri Kahiu and illustrated by Manuela Adreani (Lantana, 2017).

[*Double Trouble for Anna Hibiscus*](#) by Atinuke and illustrated by Lauren Tobias (Walker Books / Kane Miller, 2015).

[*Nana and Me*](#) by Kathy Knowles and illustrated by Edmund Opare (Osu Children's Library Fund, 2015).

[*S is for South Africa*](#) by Beverley Naidoo and illustrated by Prodeepta Das (Frances, Lincoln, 2010)

[*Planting the Trees of Kenya: The Story of Wangari Maathai*](#) by Clair Nivola (Straus, and Giroux 2008).

[*The Butter Man*](#) by Elizabeth and Ali Alalou and illustrated by Julie Klear Essakalli (Charlesbridge Publishing, 2008).

[*Will Waal A Somali Folktale*](#) retold by Kathleen Moriarty, Somali translation by Jamal Adam and illustrated by Amin Amir (Minnesota Humanities Commission, 2007).

[*My Father's Shop*](#) by Satomi Ichikawa (Scholastic 2006).

[*Circle Unbroken: the Story of a Basket and its People*](#) by Margot Theis Raven. and illustrated by E. B. Lewis (Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2004).

[*Once Upon a Time*](#) by Niki Daly (Farrar, Straus & Giroux 2003).

[*The Magic Gourd*](#) by Baba Wague Diakité (Scholastic 2003).

[*Silly Mammo*](#) by Gebregeorgis Yohannes and illustrated by Bogale Belachew (African Sun Publishing 2002).

[*Sosu's Call*](#) by Meshack Asare (Kane/Miller Books 2002).

[*Beatrice's Goat*](#) by Page McBrier and illustrated by Lori Lohstoeter (An Anne Schwartz Book/Atheneum Book for Young Readers 2001).

[*Gugu's House*](#) by Catherine Stock (Clarion Books 2001).

[*Bikes for Rent*](#) by Isaac Olaleye and illustrated by Chris Demarest (Orchard Books 2001).

[*My Great-Grandmother's Gourd*](#) by Cristina Kessler and illustrated by Walter Lyon Krudop (New York: Orchard Books/Grolier, 2000).

[*Subira Subira*](#) by Tololwa Mollel and illustrated by Linda Saport (New York: Clarion/ Houghton Mifflin, 2000).

[*Jamela's Dress*](#) by Niki Daly (Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 1999).

[*Vacation in the Village*](#) by Pierre Yves Njeng (Boyd's Mill Press, 1999).

[*Halala Means Welcome: A Book of Zulu Words*](#) by Ken Wilson-Max (Hyperion, 1998).

[*Boundless Grace*](#) by Mary Hoffman and illustrated by Caroline Binch (Dial, 1995).

[*Big Boy*](#) by Tololwa Mollel and illustrated by E.B. Lewis (Clarion, 1995).

Best Books for Older Readers

[*Tristan Strong Punches a Hole in the Sky*](#) by Kwame Mbalia (Disney Hyperion, 2019).

[*Children of Blood and Bone*](#) by Tomi Adeyemi (Henry Holt & Company, 2018).

[*When Morning Comes*](#) by Arushi Raina (Tradewinds, 2017).

[*Amagama Enkululeko! Words for Freedom: Writing Life Under Apartheid*](#). Equal Education (Cover2Cover, 2016).

[*Black Dove, White Raven*](#) by Elizabeth Wein (Disney-Hyperion, 2015).

[*Who is King? Ten Magical Stories from Africa*](#). Beverly Naidoo and illustrated by Piet Grobler (Frances Lincoln, 2015).

[*The Red Pencil*](#) by Andrea Pinkney and Illustrated by Shane Evans (Little Brown & Co., 2014).

[*Africa Is My Home : A Child of the Amistad*](#) by Monica Edinger and illustrated by Robert Byrd. (Candlewick, 2013).

[*Once Upon a Time in Ghana: Traditional Ewe Stories Retold in English*](#) by Anna Cottrell and Agbotadua Kumassah and illustrated by Kwabena Poku (Afram, 2013).

[*Abina and the Important Men of Ghana: A Graphic History*](#) by Trevor Getz and illustrated by Liz Clarke (Oxford University, 2012).

[*Far From Home*](#) by Na'ima Robert (Frances Lincoln / Janetta Otter-Barry Books, 2012).

[*Stones for My Father*](#) by Trilby Kent (Tundra, 2011).

[*Nelson Mandela : The Authorized Comic Book by Nelson Mandela Foundation*](#) and Umlando Wezithombe (Norton, 2009).

[*Aya*](#) by Marguerite Abouet and Clement Oubrerie (Drawn & Quarterly / Farrar, Straus, & Giroux, 2007).

[*Illustrator's Notebook*](#) by Mohieddine Ellabbad (Groundwood Books, 2006).

[*Mzungu Boy*](#) by Meja Mwangi (Groundwood Books, House of Anansi Press, 2005).

[*Chanda's Secrets*](#) by Allan Stratton (Annick Press, 2004).

[*Out of Bounds: Seven Stories of Conflict & Hope*](#) written by Beverley Naidoo (HarperCollins 2003).

[*Africa: An Encyclopedia for Students*](#) edited by John Middleton (Ed.) (Charles Scribner's Sons of Gale Group 2002).

[*Kings and Queens of West Africa*](#) by Sylviane Diouf (Franklin Watts, 2000).

[Why Leopard Has Spots: Dan Stories from Liberia](#) by Won-Ldy Paye and Margaret H. Lippert (Fulcrum Kids, 1998).

[No Turning Back](#) by Beverley Naidoo (HarperCollins, 1997).

[Middle Passage](#) written and illustrated by Tom Feelings (Dial, 1995).

[The Captive](#) by Joyce Hansen (Scholastic, 1994).

Honor Books for Older Readers

[War Girls](#) by Tochi Onyebuchi. (Razorbill / Penguin Random House, 2019).

[Mirage](#) by Somaiya Daud (Flatiron Books, 2018).

[Shaka Rising](#) by Luhttp://africaaccessreview.org/2018/06/mirage/ke Molver and Mason O'Connor (Catalyst Press / Story Press Africa, 2018).

[Solo](#) by Kwame Alexander with Mary Rand Hess (Blink, 2017).

[Akata Warrior](#) by Nnedi Okorafor (Viking, 2017).

[Aluta](#) by Adwoa Badoe (Walker Books / Kane Miller, 2016).

[Bitter Side of Sweet](#) by Tara Sullivan (G.P. Putnam, 2016).

[The Boy Who Spat in Sargrenti's Eye](#) by Manu Herbstein (Techmate, 2016).

[May I Have This Dance.](#) by Connie Manse Ngcaba (Cover2Cover Books, 2015).

[Street Level: A Collection of Drawings and Creative Writing Inspired by Dar es Salaam](#) by Sarah Markes (Mkuki Na Nyota Publishers, 2011).

[Burn my Heart](#) by Beverley Naidoo (HarperCollins / Amistad, 2009).

[Trouble in Timbuktu](#) by Cristina Kessler (Philomel Books, 2009).

[A Long Way Gone: Memoirs of a Boy Soldier](#) by Ishmael Beah (Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 2007).

[Rise of the Golden Cobra](#) by Henry T. Aubin (Annick Press, 2007).

[The Ancient Kushites](#) by Liz Sonneborn. (Scholastic, Franklin Watts, 2005).

[Empires of Medieval West Africa: Ghana, Mali, and Songhay](#) by David Conrad. (Facts on File, 2005).

[The Old African](#) by Julius Lester and illustrated by Jerry Pinkney (Penguin Group (USA) Inc./ Dial Books, 2005).

[*The Heaven Shop*](#) by Deborah Ellis (Fitzhenry & Whiteside, 2004).

[*Talking Drums*](#) by Veronique Tadjo (Bloomsbury USA Children's Books, 2004).

[*Saba: Under the Hyena's Foot*](#) by Jane Kurtz (Pleasant Company 2003).

[*No More Strangers Now: Young Voices from a New South Africa*](#) by Tim McKee and Anne Blackshaw (DK Publishing, 1998).

[*The Royal Kingdoms of Ghana, Mali and Songhay*](#) by Patricia and Frederick McKissack (Henry Holt, 1994).

[*The African Mask*](#) by Janet Rupert (Clarion Books, 1994).

[*Apartheid: Calibrations of Color*](#) edited by [*Patra McSharry*](#) and [*Roger Rosen*](#) (Rosen Publishers, 1991).

Notable Books

[*One Shadow on the Wall*](#) by Leah Henderson (Simon and Schuster, 2017).

[*Soldier Boy*](#) by Keely Hutton (Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2017).

[*The World Beneath : A Novel*](#) by Janice Warman (Candlewick, 2016).

[*Emmanuel's Dream : The True Story of Emmanuel Ofosu Yeboah*](#) by Laurie Ann Thompson and illustrated by Sean Qualls (Random House / Schwartz & Wade, 2015).

[*One Plastic Bag : Isatou Ceesay and the Recycling Women of The Gambia*](#) by Miranda Paul and illustrated Elizabeth Zunon (Millbrook Press, 2015).

Best Book for New Adults

[*Gold of our Fathers*](#) by Kwei Quartey (Soho Press, 2017).

[*Behold the Dreamers*](#) by Imbolo Mbue (Random House, 2017).

[*Trevor Noah, Born a Crime*](#) by Trevor Noah (Spiegel & Grau / Penguin Random House, 2016).



Freeman Book Awards

Winners and Honorable Mentions, 2019

Children's Literature

- **Winner:** *The Phone Booth in Mr. Hirota's Garden* by Heather Smith, illus. Rachel Wada (Orca Books) - Fiction, set in Japan
- **Honorable Mention:** *Magic Ramen: The Story of Momofuku Ando* by Andrea Wang, illus. Kana Urbanowicz (Little Bee Books) - Non-fiction, set in Japan
- **Honorable Mention:** *The Moose of Ewenki* by Gerelchimeg Blackcrane, illus. by Jiu Er (Greystone Books) - Fiction, set in Inner Mongolia, China
- **Honorable Mention:** *When Spring Comes to the DMZ* by Uk-Bae Lee (Plough Publishing House) - Fiction, set in Korea

Young Adult/Middle School Literature

- **Winner:** *All The Ways Home* by Elsie Chapman (Macmillan, Feiwel and Friends) - Fiction, set in Japan
- **Winner:** *A Place to Belong* by Cynthia Kadohata, Illustrated by Julia Kuo (Simon & Schuster, Atheneum/Caitlyn Dlouhy Books) - Fiction, set in Japan
- **Honorable Mention:** *Girl of the Southern Sea* by Michelle Kadarusman (Pajama Press) - Fiction, set in Indonesia
- **Of Note:** *House Without Walls* by Ching Yeung Russell (Simon & Schuster) - Fiction, set in Vietnam
- **Of Note:** *The Magnolia Sword: A Ballad of Mulan* Sherry Thomas (Lee & Low) - Fiction, set in China

Young Adult/High School Literature

- **Winner:** *The Weight of Our Sky* by Hanna Alkaf (Simon & Schuster, Salaam Reads) - Fiction, set in Malaysia
- **Winner:** *Patron Saints of Nothing* by Randy Ribay (Penguin Young Readers, Kokila) - Fiction, set in the Philippines
- **Honorable Mention:** *Indigo Girl* by Suzanne Kamata (Gemma Media) - Fiction, set in America and Japan

Winners and Honorable Mentions, 2018

Children's Literature

- **Winner:** *Moth and Wasp, Soil and Ocean: Remembering Chinese Scientist Pu Zhelong's Work for Sustainable Farming* by Sigrid Schmalzer, illus. by Melanie Linden Chan (Tilbury House Nature Books) - Non fiction, set in China
- **Honorable Mention:** *The Turtle Ship* by Helena Ku Rhee, illus. by Colleen Kong-Savage (Shen's Books/Lee & Low Books) - Fiction, set in Korea
- **Honorable Mention:** *Confucius: Great Teacher of China* by Demi, (Lee & Low Books) - Non fiction, set in China
- **Honorable Mention:** *Thirty Minutes Over Oregon: A Japanese Pilot's World War II Story* by Marc Tyler Nobleman, illus. by Melissa Iwai (Clarion Books) - Non fiction, set in the U.S.
- **Of Note:** *My Beijing: Four Stories of Everyday Wonder* by Nie Jun, trans. by Edward Gauvin (Lerner Books) - Fiction, set in China

Young Adult/Middle School Literature

- **Winner:** *Grenade* by Alan Gratz (Scholastic Press) - Historical fiction, set in Japan
- **Honorable Mention:** *Onibi: Diary of a Yokai Ghost Hunter* by Atelier Sento, Cecile Brun, Olivier Pichard, trans. by Marie Velde (Tuttle Publishing) - Fiction, set in Japan
- **Honorable Mention:** *Shadow of the Fox* by Julie Kagawa (Harlequin Teen) - Fiction, set in Japan
- **Honorable Mention:** *Too Young to Escape: A Vietnamese Girl Waits to be Reunited with Her Family* by Van Ho and Marsha Skrypuch (Pajama Press) - Non fiction, set in Vietnam

Young Adult/High School Literature

- **Winner:** *Go: A Coming of Age Novel* by Kazuki Kaneshiro, Translated by Takami Nieda (AmazonCrossing) - Fiction, set in Japan
- **Winner:** *The Astonishing Color of After* by Emily X.R. Pan (Little, Brown Books for Young Readers) - Fiction, set in Taiwan
- **Honorable Mention:** *Girls on the Line* by Jennie Lie (Lerner Publishing Group/Carolrhoda Lab) - Fiction, set in China
- **Honorable Mention:** *Thousand Beginnings and Endings* edited by Ellen Oh and Elsie Chapman (Harper Collins Publishers) - Fiction, set in East and South Asia
- **Of Note:** *The Analects: An Illustrated Edition* by Confucius, Adapted and Illustrated by C.C. Tsai, trans. by Brian Bruya, With a foreword by Michael Puett (Princeton University Press) - Non fiction, set China
- **Of Note:** *The Dragon Ridge Tombs* by Tianxia Bachang, trans. by Jeremy Tiang (Penguin Random House) - Fiction, set China

Winners and Honorable Mentions, 2017

Children's Literature

- **Winner:** *The Crane Girl* by Curtis Manley, illustr. by Lin Wang (Shen's Books) - Fiction, set in Japan
- **Honorable Mention:** *An's Seed* by Zaozao Wang, illustr. by Li Huang, tr. Helen Wang (Candied Plums; Bilingual edition) - Fiction, set in China
- **Honorable Mention:** *Chibi Samurai Wants a Pet* by Sanae Ishida (Little Bigfoot) - Fiction, set in Japan
- **Honorable Mention:** *My First Book of Vietnamese Words* by Tran Thi Minh Phuoc (Tuttle Publishing; Bilingual edition) - Fiction, set in Vietnam

Young Adult/Middle School Literature

- **Winner:** *Bronze and Sunflower* by Cao Wenxuan, illustr. by Meilo So, tr. Helen Wang (Candlewick Press) - Fiction, set in China
- **Honorable Mention:** *Hotaka: Through My Eyes – Natural Disaster Zones* by John Heffernan, edited by Lyn White (Allen & Unwin) - Fiction, set in Japan
- **Honorable Mention:** *Ten: A Soccer Story* by Shamini Flint (Clarion Books, an imprint of Houghton Mifflin Harcourt) - Fiction, set in Malaysia
- **Honorable Mention:** *The Emperor's Riddle* by Kat Zhang (Simon & Schuster; Aladdin) - Fiction, set in China

Young Adult/High School Literature

- **Winner:** *The Forbidden Temptation of Baseball* by Doris Jones Yang (Spark Press) - Fiction, set in Japan and the U.S.
- **Honorable Mention:** *Want* by Cindy Pon (Simon & Schuster; Simon Pulse) - Fiction, set in Taiwan
- **Honorable Mention:** *Tanabata Wish* by Sara Fujimura (Wishes Enterprises, LLC) - Fiction, set in Japan

Winners and Honorable Mentions, 2016

Children's Literature

- **Winner:** *My Night in the Planetarium* by Innosanto Nagara (Seven Stories Press) - Non-Fiction, set in Indonesia
- **Honorable Mention:** *Are You an Echo? The Lost Poetry of Misuzu Kaneko* by Misuzu Kaneko (Chin Music Press) - Non-Fiction, set in Japan

Young Adult/Middle School Literature

- **Winner:** *Somewhere Among* by Annie Donwerth-Chikamatsu (Atheneum Books for Young Readers) - Fiction, set in Japan
- **Winner:** *The Night Parade* by Kathryn Tanquary (Sourcebooks Jabberwocky) - Fiction, set in Japan
- **Honorable Mention:** *Falling into the Dragon's Mouth* by Holly Thompson (Henry Holt BYR/Macmillan Children's Publishing Group) - Fiction, set in Japan

Young Adult/High School Literature

- **Winner:** *Every Falling Star: The True Story of How I Survived and Escaped North Korea* by Sungju Lee and Susan Elizabeth McClelland (Amulet, an imprint of ABRAMS) - Non-Fiction, set in North Korea
- **Honorable Mention:** *Sachiko: A Nagasaki Bomb Survivor's Story* by Caren Stelson (Carolrhoda Books, a division of Lerner Publishing Group) - Non-Fiction, set in Japan

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Middle East Book Award Winners

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PICTURE BOOK CATEGORY

2020 Award Winners	SALMA THE SYRIAN CHEF by Danny Ramadan, illustrated by Anna Bron (Annick Press, 2020).
	THE CAT MAN OF ALEPPO by Irene Latham and Karim Sham si-Basha, illustrated by Yuko Shimizu (G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers, 2020).
2020 Honorable Mention	THE GHOUL by Taghreed Najjar, illustrated by Hassan Mansara, translated from Arabic by Michel Moushabeck (Crocodile Books, 2019).
2019 Award Winners	A DROP OF THE SEA by Ingrid Chabbert, illustrated by Guridi (Kids Can Press, 2018).
	RIDING A DONKEY BACKWARDS: WISE AND FOOLISH TALES OF MULLA NASRUDDIN retold by Sean Taylor & the Khayaal Theatre, illustrated by Shirin Adl (Candlewick, 2019).
2019 Honorable Mentions	TOMORROW by Nadine Kaadan (Lantana Publishing, 2018).
	MY GRANDMA AND ME by Mina Javaherbin, illustrated by Lindsey Yankey (Candlewick, 2019).
2018 Award Winner	TATA'S EARRINGS by Desirée Caldéron de Fawaz (Yogi Impressions, 2017).
2018 Honorable Mention	CRESCENT MOONS AND POINTED MINARETS by Hena Khan, illustrated by Mehrdokht Amini (Chronicle Books, 2018). 2017 Award Winner
	LOST AND FOUND CAT: THE TRUE STORY OF KUNKUSH'S INCREDIBLE JOURNEY by Doug Kuntz & Amy Shrodes, illustrated by Sue Conelison (Crown Books for Young Readers, 2017).
2017 Honorable Mentions	MY BEAUTIFUL BIRDS by Suzanne Del Rizzo (Pajama Press, 2017).
	STEPPING STONES: A REFUGEE FAMILY'S JOURNEY by Margriet Ruurs, translated by Falah Raheem, illustrated by Nizar Ali Badr (Orca Book Publishers, 2016).

2015 Award Winner	WHEN THE ANIMALS SAVED EARTH: AN ECO-FABLE retold by Alexis York Lumbard, illustrated by Demi (Wisdom Tales, 2015).
2015 Honorable Mentions	NEW MONTH/NEW MOON by Allison Ofanansky, photographs by Eliyahu Alpern (Kar-Ben Publishing, 2014).
	THE OLIVE TREE by Elsa Marston, illustrator Claire Ewart (Wisdom Tales, 2014).
	THE STORY OF HURRY by Emma Williams, illustrated by Ibrahim Quraishi (Seven Stories Press, 2014).
2014 Award Winner	RAZIA'S RAY OF HOPE by Elizabeth Suneby, illustrated by Suana Verelst (Citizen Kid, 2013).
2013 Award Winner	HANDS AROUND THE LIBRARY: PROTECTING EGYPT'S TREASURED BOOKS by Karen Leggett Abouraya, illustrated by Susan L. Roth (Dial Books, 2012).
2013 Honorable Mention	GOLDEN DOMES AND SILVER LANTERNS: A MUSLIM BOOK OF COLORS by Hena Khan, illustrated by Mehrdokht Amini (Chronicle Books, 2012).
2012 Award Winners	FOLKTALES FROM TURKEY: FROM AGRI TO ZELVE by Serpil Ural, illustrated by Dilara Arin (Citlumbik Publications, 2012).
	THE WOODEN SWORD: A JEWISH FOLKTALE FROM AFGHANISTAN by Ann Redisch Stampler, illustrated by Carol Liddiment (Albert Whitman & Company, 2012).
2012 Honorable Mention	WHAT'S THE BUZZ: HONEY FOR A SWEET NEW YEAR by Alison Ofanansky, photographs by Eliyahu Alpern. (Kar-Ben Publishing, 2011).
2011 Award Winner	MIRROR by Jeannie Baker (Candlewick Press, 2010).
2011 Honorable Mentions	THE SECRET MESSAGE by Mina Javaherbin, illustrated by Bruce Whatley, (Disney/Hyperion Books, 2010).
	TIME TO PRAY by Maha Addasi, illustrated by Ned Gannon (Boyd's Mills Press, 2010).
2010 Award Winner	HOW MANY DONKEYS: AN ARABIC COUNTING TALE by Marga Read MacDonald, and Nadia Jameel Taibah, illustrated by Carol Liddiment (Albert Whitman & Company, 2009).
2010 Honorable Mention	KINGS AND CARPENTERS: ONE HUNDRED BIBLE LAND JOBS YOU MIGHT HAVE PRAISED OR PANNED by Laurie Coulter and Mary Newbigging (Annick Press, 2010).
2009 Award Winner	THE BUTTER MAN by Elizabeth Alalou and Ali Alalou (Charles bridge Publishing, 2008).
2009 Honorable Mention	THE GRAND MOSQUE OF PARIS: A STORY OF HOW MUSLIMS RESCUED JEWS DURING THE HOLOCAUST by Karen Gray Ruelle and Deborah Durland DeSaix (Holiday House, 2009).
2008 Award Winner	SILENT MUSIC: A STORY OF BAGHDAD written and

	illustrated by James Rumford (Roaring Brook Press, 2008).
2008 Honorable Mentions	FOUR FEET, TWO SANDALS by Karen Lynn Williams and Khadra Mohammed, illustrated by Doug Chayka (Eerdman's Books for Young Readers, 2007).
	THE BEST EID EVER by Asma Mobin-Uddin, illustrated by Laura Jacobsen (Boyd's Mills Press, 2007).
2007 Award Winner	ONE CITY, TWO BROTHERS by Chris Smith, illustrated by Aurélie Fronty (Barefoot Books, 2007).
2007 Honorable Mentions	COUNT YOUR WAY THROUGH IRAN by Jim Haskins and Kathleen Benson, illustrated by Farida Zaman (Millbrook Press, 2007).
	THE RICH MAN AND THE PARROT retold by Suzan Nadimi, illustrated by Ande Cook (Albert Whitman & Company, 2007). 2006 Award Winner
	LUGALBANDA, THE BOY WHO GOT CAUGHT UP IN A WAR by Kathy Henderson, illustrated by Jane Ray (Candlewick Press, 2006).
2006 Honorable Mention	MYSTERY BOTTLE by Kristen Balouch (Hyperion Books for Children, 2006).
2005 Award Winner	ALIA'S MISSION: SAVING THE BOOKS OF IRAQ by Mark Alan Stamaty (Alfred A. Knopf, 2004).
2005 Honorable Mentions	THE LIBRARIAN OF BASRA by Jeanette Winter (Harcourt, 2005).
	THE TRAVELS OF BENJAMIN OF TUDELA by Uri Shulevitz (Farrar Traus Giroux, 2005).
2004 Award Winner	MUHAMMAD written and illustrated by Demi (Margaret K. McElderry Books, 2003).
2002 Award Winner	CELEBRATING RAMADAN by Diane Hoyt Goldsmith, photographs by Lawrence Migdale (Holiday House, 2002).
2001 Award Winner	TRAVELING MAN: THE JOURNEY OF IBN BATTUTA, 1325-1354 written and illustrated by James Rumford (Houghton Mifflin Company, 2001).
2000 Award Winner	THE HOUSE OF WISDOM by Florence Parry Heide and Judith Heide Gilliland, (DK Publishing, Inc., 1999).
2000 Honorable Mention	THE STORYTELLERS by Ted Lewin (New York: Lothrop, Lee and Shepard Books, 1998).

YOUTH LITERATURE CATEGORY

2020 Award Winners	NO BALLET SHOES IN SYRIA by Catherine Bruton (Nosy Crow, Ltd., 2019).
	OTHER WORDS FOR HOME by Jasmine Warga (Balzer + Bray, 2019).
2020 Honorable	ONCE UPON AN EID: STORIES OF HOPE AND JOY BY 15

Mention	MUS LIM VOICES edited by S.K. Ali and Aisha Saeed, illustrated by Sara Alfageeh (Harry N. Abrams, 2020).
2019 Award Winners	DARIUS THE GREAT IS NOT OKAY by Adib Khorram (Dial Books, 2018).
	NOWHERE BOY by Katherine Marsh (Roaring Brook Press, 2018).
2019 Honorable Mention	THE LAST WATCHMAN OF OLD CAIRO by Michael David Lukas (Spiegel & Grau, 2018).
2018 Award Winner	THE MAP OF SALT AND STARS by Zeinab Joukhadar (Touchstone, 2018).
2018 Honorable Mentions	ESCAPE FROM ALEPPO by N. H. Senzai (Simon & Schuster, 2018).
	THE GIRL FROM ALEPPO: NUJEEN’S ESCAPE FROM WAR TO FREEDOM by Nujeen Mustafa & Christina Lamb (Harper Wave, 2017)
2017 Award Winner	SALT HOUSES by Hala Alyan (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2017).
2017 Honorable Mentions	BALCONY ON THE MOON: COMING OF AGE IN PALESTINE by Ibtisam Barakat (Macmillan 2016).
	THE GIRL IN GREEN by Derek B. Miller (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2017).
	SAINTS & MISFITS by S. K. Ali (Salaam Reads, 2017).
2016 Award Winners	WHEN THE MOON IS LOW by Nadia Hashimi (William Morrow, 2016).
	DARE TO DISAPPOINT: GROWING UP IN TURKEY by Ozge Samanci (Farrar Strauss Giroux for Young Readers, 2015).
2016 Honorable Mention	IT AIN’T SO AWFUL FALAFEL by Firoozeh Dumas (Clarion Books, 2015).
2015 Award Winner	THE TURTLE OF OMAN by Naomi Shihab Nye (Greenwillow Books, 2014).
2015 Honorable Mentions	LIKE WATER ON STONE by Dana Walrath (Delacorte Press, 2014).
	REBELS BY ACCIDENT by Patricia Dunn (Sourcebooks, Inc., 2014).
2014 Award Winner	FEAR OF BEAUTY: A NOVEL by Susan Froetschel (Seventh Street Books, 2013).
2013 Award Winner	THE GIRL WHO FELL TO EARTH: A MEMOIR by Sophia Al-Maria (Harper Perennial, 2012).
2013 Honorable Mentions	A GAME FOR SWALLOWS: TO DIE, TO LEAVE, TO RETURN by Zeina Abirached (Graphic Universe, 2012).
	A FORT OF NINE TOWERS: AN AFGHAN FAMILY STORY by Qais Akbar Omar (Farrar, Straus, and Giroux, 2012).
2012 Award Winners	ALIF THE UNSEEN by G. Willow Wilson (Grove Press, 2012).
	JERUSALEM CHRONICLES FROM THE HOLY CITY by Guy Delisle (Drawn and Quarterly, 2012).

2011 Award Winner	WHERE THE STREETS HAD A NAME by Randa Abdel-Fattah (Scholastic Press, 2010).
2010 Award Winner	SHOOTING KABUL by N.H. Senzai (Simon & Schuster/Paula Wiseman Books, 2011).
2009 Award Winner	WANTING MOR by Rukhsana Khan (Groundwood Books, 2009).
2009 Honorable Mentions	A BOTTLE IN THE GAZA SEA by Valérie Zenatti (Bloomsbury Publishing PLC, 2008).
	EXTRA CREDIT by Andrew Clements (Atheneum Books, 2009).
2008 Award Winner	THE APPRENTICE'S MASTERPIECE: A STORY OF MEDIEVAL SPAIN by Melanie Little (Annick Press, 2007).
2007 Award Winner	TASTING THE SKY: A PALESTINIAN CHILDHOOD by Ibtisam Barakat (Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2007).
2006 Award Winner	A LITTLE PIECE OF GROUND by Elizabeth Laird (Haymarket Books, 2006).
2005 Award Winner	FIGS AND FATE by Elsa Marston (George Braziller, 2005).
2003 Award Winner	19 VARIETIES OF GAZELLE by Naomi Shihab Nye (Greenwillow Books, 2002).
2002 Award Winner	THE BREADWINNER by Deborah Ellis (Groundwood, 2002).
2001 Award Winner	SAMIR AND YONATAN by Daniella Carmi (Scholastic, 2000).
2000 Award Winner	HABIBI by Naomi Shihab Nye (Simon and Schuster, 1997).

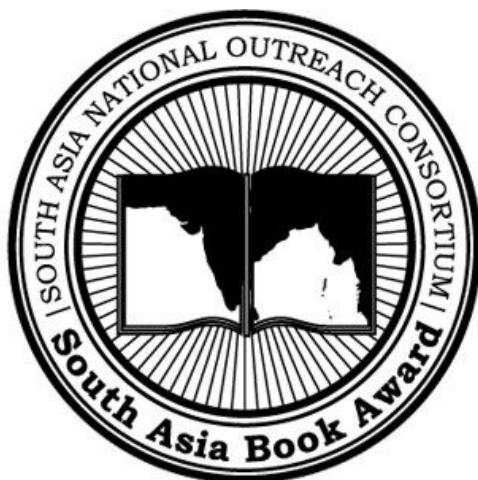
NON-FICTION CATEGORY

2019 Award Winner	THE UNWANTED: STORIES OF THE SYRIAN REFUGEES by Don Brown (HMH Books for Young Readers, 2018)
2019 Honorable Mention	IBN BATTUTA: THE JOURNEY OF A MEDIEVAL MUSLIM (A CONCISE LIFE SERIES) by Edouardo Albert (Kube Publishing, 2019).
2018 Award Winner	PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST (VIEWPOINTS ON MODERN WORLD HISTORY) by Martin Gitlin (Greenhaven Press, 2018).
2018 Honorable Mentions	AFGHANISTAN (ENCHANTMENT OF THE WORLD, SECOND SERIES) by Ruth Bjorklund (Childrens Press, 2018).
	YOUNG PALESTINIANS SPEAK: LIVING UNDER OCCUPATION by Anthony Robinson & Annemarie Young (Interlink Publishing, 2017).
2017 Award Winner	A REFUGEE'S JOURNEY FROM SYRIA and A REFUGEE'S JOURNEY FROM AFGHANISTAN by Helen Mason (Leaving My Homeland series; Crabtree Publishing, 2017).
2017 Honorable Mentions	A REFUGEE'S JOURNEY FROM IRAQ by Helen Rodger (Leaving My Homeland Series; Crabtree Publishing, 2017).
	ROADMAP TO SUCCESS: INSPIRING JOURNEYS OF TEN ICONIC COPTIC LEADERS by Shahira Abdel Shahid (Archway Publishing, 2016).
2016 Award Winners	GOLDA MEIR: A STRONG, DETERMINED LEADER by David

	A. Adler (Puffin, 2015).
	THE ANCIENT EGYPTIANS (DISCOVER) by Isabel and Imogen Greenberg (Frances Lincoln Children's Books, 2016).
2015 Award Winner	CHILDREN GROWING UP WITH WAR by Jenny Matthews (Candlewick Press, 2014).
2015 Honorable Mentions	CHILDREN OF THE STONE: THE POWER OF MUSIC IN A HARD LAND by Sandy Tolan (Bloomsbury Publishing, 2015).
	OPPOSING VIEWPOINTS: EGYPT, edited by Margaret Haerens (Greenhaven Press, 2015).
2013 Award Winners	THE ARAB WORLD THOUGHT OF IT: INVENTIONS, INNOVATIONS, AND AMAZING FACTS by Saima Hussain (Annick Press, 2013).
	THE COMPASSIONATE WARRIOR: ABD EL-KADER OF ALGERIA by Elsa Marston (Wisdom Tales, 2013).
2012 Award Winners	BEYOND BULLETS: A PHOTO JOURNAL OF AFGHANISTAN by Rafal Gerszak (Annick Press, 2012).
	BYE BYE BABYLON: BEIRUT 1975-1979 by Lamia Ziade (Interlink Publishing Group, 2012).
2012 Honorable Mention	LIVING THROUGH THE ARAB-ISRAELI WAR SINCE 1948 by Alex Woolf (Heinemann-Raintree, 2012).
2011 Award Winners	THE GENIUS OF ISLAM: HOW MUSLIMS MADE THE MODERN WORLD by Bryn Barnard (Alfred A. Knopf Books for Young Readers, 2011).
	HOW TO UNDERSTAND ISRAEL IN 60 DAYS OR LESS by Sarah Glidden (Vertigo, 2011).
2010 Award Winner	A BRIEF HISTORY OF SAUDI ARABIA by James Wynbrandt (Checkmark Books, 2010).
2010 Honorable Mention	ENCYCLOPEDIA OF MUSLIM-AMERICAN HISTORY by Edward E. Curtis IV, editor (Facts on File, 2010).
2009 Award Winner	THE IRANIAN REVOLUTION by Brendan January (Twenty-First Century Books, 2008).
2009 Honorable Mentions	THE ILLUSTRATED ENCYCLOPAEDIA OF ARABIA by Mary Beardwood (Stacey International Publishing, 2009).
	THE MIDDLE EAST TODAY; POLITICAL, GEOGRAPHICAL & CULTURAL PERSPECTIVES by Dona J. Stewart (Routledge, 2008).
2008 Award Winner	EXTRAORDINARY WOMEN FROM THE MUSLIM WORLD by Natalie Maydell and Sep Riahi, illustrated by Heba Amin (Global Content Ventures, 2007).
2007 Award Winners	IRAQ (MODERN WORLD NATION SERIES) by Dale Lightfoot, Charles F. Gritzner, series editor (Chelsea House Publishers, 2007).
	OPPOSING VIEWPOINTS: IRAN (OPPOSING VIEWPOINTS SERIES) Laura K. Egenorf, editor (Greenhaven Press, 2006).
2006 Award Winner	THE ILLUSTRATOR'S NOTEBOOK by Mohieddin Ellabbad

	(Groundwood Books, 2006).
2006 Honorable Mentions	GREAT MUSLIM PHILOSOPHERS AND SCIENTISTS IN THE MIDDLE AGES series (Rosen Publishing Group, 2006).
	LEBANON A to Z: A MIDDLE EASTERN MOSAIC by Marijean Boueri, Jill Boutros, and Joanne Sayad, illustrated by Tatiana Sabbagh (Publishing Works, 2005).
2005 Award Winner	HISTORICAL ATLAS OF ISLAM by Malise Ruthven and Azim Nanji (Harvard University Press, 2004).
2004 Award Winners	MOSQUE by David Macaulay (Houghton Mifflin Company, 2003). TEEN LIFE IN THE MIDDLE EAST by Ali Akbar Mahdi, editor (Greenwood Press, 2003).
2004 Honorable Mentions	A HISTORY OF THE MUSLIM WORLD TO 1405: THE MAKING OF A CIVILIZATION by Vernon O. Egger (Prentice Hall, 2003).
	WITNESS TO HISTORY: AFGHANISTAN by David Downing (Heinemann Library, 2004).
2003 Award Winner	WOMEN IN THE MIDDLE EAST: TRADITION AND CHANGE by Ramsay Harik and Elsa Marston (revised edition, Franklin Watts, 2003).
2001 Award Winner	ISLAM by Sue Penney (World Beliefs and Cultures series, Heinemann Library, 2000).

ALL SABA award winners and honor books in time



***Ordered by age of author (youngest to oldest), and then alphabetically by book title (if more than one age group in honorable mentions)

2012

Winners:

- Award Book for Younger Readers: *Same, Same but Different* by Jenny Sue Kostecki-Shaw (Henry Holt and Company, 2011)
- Award Book for Older Readers: *Island's End* by Padma Venkatraman (G.P. Putnam's Sons, division of Penguin Young Readers Group, 2011)

Honorable Mention Books:

- *Following My Paint Brush* by Dulari Devi and Gita Wolf (Tara Books Pvt. Ltd, 2011)
- *No Ordinary Day* by Deborah Ellis (Groundwood Books, 2011)
- *Sita's Ramayana* by Samhita Arni, illustrations by Moyna Chitrakar (Groundwood Books, 2011)
- *Small Acts of Amazing Courage* by Gloria Whelan (Simon & Schuster, 2011)

2013

Winners:

- Award Book for Younger Readers: *The Rumor* by Anushka Ravishankar, illustrations by Kanyika Kini (Tundra Books, a division of Random House of Canada, Ltd. 2012)
- Award Book for Older Readers: *Kids of Kabul: Living Bravely Through a Never-Ending War* by Deborah Ellis (Groundwood Books, House of Anansi Press, 2012)

Honorable Mention Books:

- *The Elephant's Friend and Other Tales from Ancient India* by Marcia Williams (Candlewick Press, 2012)
- *The Wooden Sword* by Ann Redisch Stampler, illustrated by Carol Liddiment (Albert Whitman & Company, 2012)
- *Chained* by Lynne Kelly (Farrar Straus Giroux, Margaret Ferguson Books, 2012)
- *Same Sun Here* by Silas House and Neela Vaswani (Candlewick Press, 2012)

2014

Winners:

- Award Book for Younger Readers: *Razia's Ray of Hope One Girl's Dream of an Education* by Elizabeth Suneby (Kids Can Press, 2013)
- Award Book for Older Readers: *A Moment Comes* by Jennifer Bradbury (Atheneum Book, an imprint of Simon & Schuster, 2013)

Honorable Mention Books:

- *Bye, Bye, Motabhai!* by Kala Sambasivan, illustrations by Ambika Sambasivan (Yali Books, 2013)
- *Gandhi: A March to the Sea* by Alice B. McGinty, illustrations by Thomas Gonzalez (Amazon Publishing, 2013)
- *The Garden of My Imaan* by Farhana Zia (Peachtree, 2013)
- *Mother Teresa: Angel of the Slums* by Lewis Helfand, art by Sachin Nagar (Campfire, an imprint of Kalyani Navyug Media, 2013)

2015

Winners:

- Award Book for Younger Readers: *Twenty-Two Cents: Muhammad Yunus and the Village Bank* by Paula Yoo, illustrated by Jamel Akib (Lee & Low Books Inc., 2014)
- Award Book for Older Readers: *Bombay Blues* by Tanuja Desai Hidier (PUSH, an imprint of Scholastic Press, 2014)

Honorable Mention Books:

- *Chandra's Magic Light: A Story in Nepal* by Theresa Heine; illustrated by Judith Gueyfier (Barefoot Books, 2014)
- *Secrets of the Sky Caves: Danger and Discovery on Nepal's Mustang Cliffs* by Sandra K. Athans (Millbrook Press, 2014)
- *A Time to Dance* by Padma Venkatraman (Nancy Paulsen Books, an imprint of Penguin Young Readers Group, 2014)
- *God Loves Hair* by Vivek Shraya; illustrated by Juliana Neufeld (Arsenal Pulp Press, 2014)

2016

Winners:

- Award Book for Younger Readers: *Tiger Boy* by Mitali Perkins; illustrated by Jamie Hogan (Charlesbridge, 2015)
- Award Book for Older Readers: *Dear Mrs. Naidu* by Mathangi Subramanian (Young Zubaan, 2015)

Honorable Mention Books:

- *Bhimrao Ambedkar: The Boy Who Asked Why* by Sowmya Rajendran; illustrated by Satwik Gade (Tulika Publishers, 2015)
- *Razia and the Pesky Presents* by Natasha Sharma; illustrated by Priya Kuriyan (Duckbill Books, 2015)
- *The Boy Who Speaks in Numbers* by Mike Masilami; illustrated by Matthew Frame (Tara Books, 2015)

2017

Winners:

- Award Book for Younger Readers: *Maya* by Mahak Jain; illustrated by Elly MacKay (Owlkids Books, 2016)
- Award Book for Older Readers: *What Elephants Know* by Eric Dinerstein (Disney-Hyperion, 2016)

Honorable Mention Books:

- *Book Uncle and Me* by Uma Krishnaswami; illustrated by Julianna Swaney (Groundwood Books, 2016)
- *A Long Pitch Home* by Natalie Dias Lorenzi (Charlesbridge, 2016)

2018

Winners:

- Award Book for Younger Readers: *Manjhi Moves a Mountain* by Nancy Churnin; illustrated by Danny Popovici (Creston Books, 2017)
- Award Books for Older Readers:
 - *Outside In* by Jennifer Bradbury (Atheneum Books, 2017)
 - *You Bring the Distant Near* by Mitali Perkins (Farrar Straus Giroux Books, 2017)

Honorable Mention Books:

- *Maharani the Cow* by Christy Shoba Sudhir; illustrated by Nancy Raj (Tulika Publishers, 2017)
- *Pashmina* by Nidhi Chanani (First Second, 2017)
- *Ahimsa* by Supriya Kelkar (Tu Books, 2017)

2019

Winners:

- Award Book for Younger Readers: *The Secret Kingdom: Nek Chand, a Changing India, and a Hidden World of Art* by Barb Rosenstock; illustrated by Claire A. Nivola (Candlewick Press, 2018)
- Award Books for Older Readers: *Amal Unbound* by Aisha Saeed (Nancy Paulsen Books, 2018)

Honorable Mention Books:

- *Iqbal and His Ingenious Idea* by Elizabeth Suneby; illustrated by Rebecca Green (Kids Can Press, 2018)
- *The Eleventh Trade* by Alyssa Hollingsworth (Roaring Brook Press, 2018)
- *The Night Diary* by Veera Hiranandani (Dial Books, 2018)

2020

Winners:

- Award Book for Younger Readers: *Priya Dreams of Marigolds and Masala* by Meenal Patel (Beaver's Pond Press, 2019)
- Award Books for Older Readers:
 - *The Bridge Home* by Padma Venkatraman (Nancy Paulsen Books, 2019)
 - *Forward Me Back to You* by Mitali Perkins (Farrar Straus Giroux, 2019)

Honorable Mention Books:

- *The Jungle Radio: Bird Songs of India* by Devangana Dash (Puffin Books, 2019)
- *Stories for South Asian Supergirls* by Raj Kaur Khaira (Kashi House, 2019)
- *Across the Line* by Nayanika Mahtani (Penguin Books India, 2019)

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