

Children's Literature & Reading SIG

FALL 2017 NEWSLETTER



MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deborah Marciano, Associate Professor at Valdosta State University, published "Assessment in Children's Literature: Ways Young Children Can Make Meaning from Stories of Testing and Competition" in *The Utah Journal of Literacy*. The article is available at <https://utahreading.org/index.php?page=assessment-in-childrens-literature-ways-young-children-can-make-meaning-from-stories-of-testing-and-competition>.

Jennifer Shettel was invited to become a member of the ILA Children's and Young Adults' Book Award Committee (Primary category). The ILA Children's and Young Adults' Book Award Committee's work focuses on selecting up to six newly published authors of literary excellence in both fiction and nonfiction. Committee member terms are typically three years (2017-2020).

Kathy Short published *Critical Content Analysis of Children's and Young Adult Literature* on research methodology, co-edited with Holly Johnson and **Janelle Mathis** (Routledge, 2017), and *Teaching Globally: Reading the World through Literature* on global curriculum, co-edited with **Deanna Day** and Jean Schroeder (Stenhouse, 2016).

Vivian Yenika-Agbaw was elected to serve on the International Research Society for Children's Literature board this summer at the IRSCL biennial congress in Toronto, Canada. She is to serve during the 2017-2019 term. She will also be honored in November for her service as a Children's Africana Book Award Committee Member at the 25th CABA Festival on November 3, 2017.

2017 ELECTION RESULTS

Jessica Edwards, doctoral candidate at the University of North Texas, **Ruth Lowery**, Professor of Literacy and Associate Chair of Teaching and Learning at The Ohio State University, and **Sandip Wilson**, Professor in the School of Education at Husson University, were elected to three-year terms on the Board of Directors (2017-2020). **Stacey Korson**, Assistant Professor in the Curriculum and Instruction Department at Eastern Kentucky University, was elected to a one-year term on the Board of Directors (2017-2018). **Danielle Hartsfield**, Assistant Professor in the Teacher Education Department at the University of North Georgia, was reelected to a three-year term as Recording Secretary (2017-2020).

CL/R SIG MEMBERS AT ILA

The following photos were taken at the 2017 ILA conference in Orlando and submitted by members.



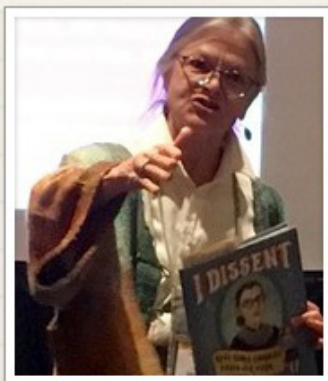
Nancy Bo Flood, **F. Isabel Campoy**, and **April Halprin Wayland** at the United States Board on Books for Young People (USSBY) booth.



Sylvia Vardell, **April Halprin Wayland**, and **Janet Wong** at the USSBY booth.



"But I never win ANYthing!" **Diana Porter**, SIG President, exclaimed after winning a raffle at the Notable Books for a Global Society session.



Sandip Wilson's passionate and entertaining synopsis of *I Dissent* at the Notable Books for a Global Society session.



Members of the Notable Books for a Global Society committee with author/illustrator Duncan



The Notable Books for a Global Society session at the 2017 ILA conference.

KEEPING UP WITH THE SIG

Minutes from previous board meetings can be viewed at <https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B2Ch05YUdVx5fmNkcVRWQng3LW1kbGRydjNxbVZfNEYzdRqN0IMVGdXQzQ3RIN1VUI3bzg>. The Board of Directors will have its next meeting at the National Council of Teachers of English conference on Saturday, November 18th from 2:30 PM to 4:30 PM. The location is to be determined.

Be sure to check out the weekly book reviews by fellow SIG members at <https://www.literacyworldwide.org/blog/children's-ya-literature/book-reviews>.

OPPORTUNITIES

If you are interested in reviewing books for the *Literacy Daily* blog in 2018, please contact Carolyn Angus at cangus114@gmail.com for additional information. You must be a SIG member to serve as a reviewer.

The department of Curriculum and Instruction at Penn State is having searches for the following positions: Social Studies Education, Children's Literature, Science Education, and Mathematics Education. Details for these and other positions in our college do and/or will appear on the following site: <https://ed.psu.edu/employment/open-faculty-positions>.

Call for papers: *Perspectives in Learning*

See <https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B2Ch05YUdVx5RUltNkl0eW5hWk0/view?usp=sharing> for additional information.

Proposals are sought for the Kennesaw State University Conference on Literature for Children and Young Adults on March 19-20. Please visit http://lcya.kennesaw.edu/call_proposals.php for more information.