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2009 Notable Books for a Global Society

Poetry

Alarcon, Francisco X. (2008). *Animal poems of the Iguazu/Animalario del Iguazu*. Illustrated by Maya Christina Gonzalez. San Francisco, CA: Children's Book Press.

Greenberg, Jan. (2008). *Side by side: New poems inspired by art from around the world*. New York: Abrams.

Historical Fiction

Anderson, Laurie Halse (2008). *Chains*. New York: Simon & Schuster.

Barker, M. P. (2008). *A difficult boy*. New York: Holiday House.

Bartoletti, Susan Campbell. (2008). *The boy who dared*. New York: Scholastic.

Erdrich, Louise. (2008). *The porcupine year*. New York: HarperCollins.

LeZotte, Ann Clare (2008). *T4*. Boston: Houghton Mifflin.

White, Ruth. (2008). *Little Audrey*. New York: Farrar Straus & Giroux.

Realistic Fiction

Carter, Anne Laurel. (2008). *The shepherd's granddaughter*. Toronto: Groundwood Books.

de la Peña, Matt. (2008). *Mexican whiteboy*. New York: Delacorte.

Gifaldi, David. (2008). *Listening for crickets*. New York: Henry Holt.

Myers, Walter Dean. (2008). *Sunrise over Fallujah*. New York: Scholastic.

Schmidt, Gary (2008). *Trouble*. New York: Clarion.

Zenatti, Valerie. (2008). *A bottle in the Gaza Sea*. New York: Bloomsbury Children's Books.

Picturebooks

Fox, Mem. (2008). *Ten little fingers and ten little toes*. Illustrated by Helen Oxenbury. New York: Harcourt.

Reibstein, Mark. (2008). *Wabi Sabi*. Illustrated by Ed Young. Boston: Little, Brown.

Rumsford, James. (2008). *Silent music*. New York: Roaring Brook.

Nonfiction (Includes Biography)

Bellward, Stacy. (2008). *Ethiopian voices: Tsion's life*. Photographs by Erlend Berge. Brooklyn Park, MN: Amharic Kids.

Bolden, Tonya. (2008). *George Washington Carver*. Published in association with the Field Museum, Chicago. New York: Abrams.

D'Aluisio, Faith. (2008). *What the World Eats*. Photographs by Peter Menzel. Berkeley, CA: Tricycle Press.

Kuklin, Susan. (2008). *No choirboy: Murder, violence, and teenagers on death row*. New York: Henry Holt.

Milway, Katie Smith (2008). *One hen: How one small loan made a big difference*. Illustrated by Eugenie Fernandes. Toronto, ON: Kids Can Press.

Nelson, Kadir. (2008). *We are the ship: The story of Negro League baseball*. New York: Jump-at-the-Sun/Hyperion Books for Children.

Nivola, Claire A. (2008). *Planting the trees of Kenya: The story of Wangari Maathai*. New York: Frances Foster/Farrar, Straus & Giroux.

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- Alexie, Sherman. *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian*. Art by Ellen Forney. Boston: Little, Brown Young Readers, 2007.
- Bae, Hyun-Joo. *New Clothes for New Year's Day*. La Jolla, CA: Kane-Miller, 2007.
- Barakat, Ibtisam. *Tasting the Sky*. New York: Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 2007.
- Beah, Ishmael. *A Long Way Gone: Memoirs of a Boy Soldier*. New York: Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 2007.
- Bryan, Ashley. *Let It Shine*. New York: Atheneum, 2007.
- Compestine, Ying Chang. *Revolution is Not a Dinner Party*. New York: Henry Holt, 2007.
- Curtis, Christopher Paul. *Elijah of Buxton*. New York: Scholastic, 2007.
- Fleischman, Paul. *Glass Slipper, Gold Sandal: A Worldwide Cinderella*. Illustrated by Julie Paschkis. New York: Henry Holt, 2007.
- Greenwood, Barbara. *Factory Girl*. Toronto, ON: Kids Can Press, 2007.
- Judge, Lita. *One Thousand Tracings*. New York: Hyperion, 2007.
- Levine, Ellen. *Henry's Freedom Box*. Illustrated by Kadir Nelson. New York: Scholastic, 2007.
- Marsden, Carolyn. *When Heaven Fell*. Cambridge, MA: Candlewick, 2007.
- Myers, Walter Dean. *Harlem Summer*. New York: Scholastic, 2007.
- O'Connor, Barbara. *How to Steal a Dog*. New York: Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 2007.
- Perkins, Mitali. *Rickshaw Girl*. Illustrated by Jamie Hogan. Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2007.
- Sheth, Kashmira. *Keeping Corner*. New York: Hyperion, 2007.
- Sis, Peter. *The Wall: Growing Up Behind the Iron Curtain*. New York: Farrar Straus & Giroux, 2007.
- Stanton, Karen. *Papi's Gift*. Illustrated by Rene King Moreno. Honesdale, PA: Boyds Mills Press, 2007.

Strauss, Rochelle. *One Well: The Story of Water on Earth*. Illustrated by Rosemary Woods. Toronto, ON: Kids Can Press, 2007.

Tan, Shaun. *The Arrival*. New York: Scholastic, 2007.

Thompson, Lauren. *Ballerina Dreams: A True Story*. Photographs by James Estrin. New York: Holtzbrink, 2007.

Toksvi, Sandi. *Hitler's Canary*. New York: Roaring Brook Press, 2007.

Wells, Rosemary. *Red Moon at Sharpsburg*. New York: Penguin, 2007.

Williams, Karen Lynn & Mohammed, Khadra. *Four Feet, Two Sandals*. Illustrated by Doug Chayka. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans Publishing Company, 2007.

Wise, Bill. *Louis Sockalexis: Native American Baseball Pioneer*. Illustrated by Bill Farnsworth. New York: Lee & Low, 2007.

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- Boyne, John. *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas*. New York: David Fickling, 2006.
- Campoy, F. Isabel. & Ada, Alma F. *Tales Our Abuelitas Told: A Hispanic Folktale Collection*. Illustrated by Felipe Davalos, Viva Escriva, Susan Guevara, Leyla Torres. New York: Atheneum, 2006.
- Diakite, Penda. *I Lost My Tooth in Africa*. Illustrated by Bab Wague Diakite. New York: Scholastic, 2006.
- Draper, Sharon. *Copper Sun*. New York: Atheneum, 2006.
- Freedman, Russell. *Freedom Walkers: The Story of the Montgomery Bus Boycott*. New York: Holiday House, 2006.
- Greenfield, Eloise. *When the Horses Ride By*. Illustrated by Jan Spivey Gilchrist. New York: Lee & Low, 2006.
- Hobb, Will. *Crossing the Wire*. New York: HarperCollins, 2006.
- Holm, Jennifer L. *Penny from Heaven*. New York: Random House, 2006.
- Hopkinson, Deborah. *Up Before Daybreak: Cotton and People in America*. New York: Scholastic, 2006.
- Kessler, Cristina. *Best Beekeeper of Lalibela: A Tale from Africa*. Illustrated by Leonard Jenkins. New York: Holiday House, 2006.
- Kroll, Virginia. *Selvakumar Knew Better*. Illustrated by Xiaojun. Fremont, CA: Shen's Books, 2006.
- Lee-Tai, Amy. *A Place Where Sunflowers Grow*. Illustrated by Felicia Hoshino. San Francisco, CA: Children's Book Press, 2006.
- McCormick, Patricia. *Sold*. New York: Hyperion, 2006.
- McCutcheon, John. *Christmas in the Trenches*. Illustrated by Henri Sorensen. Atlanta, GA: Peachtree, 2006.

- McKissack, Patricia. *Porch Lies: Tales of Slicksters, Tricksters, and Other Wily Characters*. Illustrated by Andre Carrilho. New York: Schwartz & Wade, 2006.
- Myers, Walter Dean. *Jazz*. Illustrated by Christopher Myers. New York: Holiday House, 2006.
- Raven, Margeret. T. *Night Boat to Freedom*. Illustrated by E. B. Lewis. New York: Melanie Kroupa, 2006.
- Rubin, Susan Goldman. with Ela Weissberger. *The Cat with the Yellow Star: Coming of Age in Terezin*. New York: Holiday House, 2006.
- Shoveller, Herb. *Ryan and Jimmy and the Well in Africa That Brought Them Together*. Tonawanda, NY: Kids Can Press, 2006.
- Tingle, Tom. *Crossing Bok Chitto: A Choctaw Tale of Friendship and Freedom*. Illustrated by Jeanne Rorex Bridges. El Paso, TX: Cinco Puntos Press, 2006.
- Winthrop, Elizabeth. *Counting on Grace*. New York: Wendy Lamb, 2006.
- Weatherford, Carol Boston. *Dear Mr. Rosenwald*. Illustrated by Gregory R. Christie. New York: Scholastic, 2006.
- Weatherford, Carol Boston. *Moses: When Harriet Tubman Led Her People to Freedom*. Illustrated by Kadir Nelson. New York: Jump at the Sun, 2006.
- Zalben, Jane B. *Paths to Peace*. New York: Dutton, 2006.
- Zusak, Markus. *The Book Thief*. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2006.

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- Ahmadi, Farah. *The story of my life: An Afghan girl on the other side of the sky*. New York: Simon & Schuster, 2005.
- Bartoletti, Susan Campbell. *Hitler youth: Growing up in Hitler's shadow*. New York: Scholastic, 2005.
- Carling, Amelia Lau. *Sawdust carpets*. Toronto: Groundwood/Douglas & McIntyre, 2005.
- Carvell, Marlene. *Sweetgrass basket*. New York: Dutton, 2005.
- Chamberlin, Mary and Chamberlin, Rich. *Mama Panya's pancakes: A village tale from Kenya*. Illustrated by Julia Cairns. Cambridge, MA: Barefoot Books, 2005.
- Cheng, Andrea. *Shanghai messenger*. Illustrated by Ed Young. New York: Lee & Low Books, 2005.
- Giovanni, Nikki. *Rosa*. Illustrated by Bryan Collier. New York: Henry Holt, 2005.
- Hillman, Laura. *I will plant you a lilac tree: A Memoir of a Schindler's list survivor*. New York: Atheneum, 2005.
- Johnson-Davis, Denys. *Goha the wise fool*. Illustrated by Hag Handy and Hany. New York: Philomel, 2005.
- Jurmain, Suzanne. *The forbidden schoolhouse: The true and dramatic story of Prudence Crandall and her students*. Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2005.
- Krinitz, Esther Nisenthal and Steinhardt, Bernice. *Memories of survival*. New York: Hyperion, 2005.
- Lester, Julius. *The Old African*. Illustrated by Jerry Pinkney. New York: Dial Books, 2005.
- Millman, Isaac. *Hidden child*. New York: Farrar, Strauss and Giroux, 2005.
- Nelson, Marilyn. *A wreath for Emmett Till*. Illustrated by Philippe Lardy. Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2005.

- Park, Linda Sue. *Project mulberry*. New York: Clarion, 2005.
- Rappaport, Doreen. *The school is not white! A true story of the Civil Rights Movement*. Illustrated by Curtis James. New York: Hyperion, 2005.
- Reich, Susanna. *José!: Born to dance: The story of José Limon*. Illustrated by Raul Colón. New York: Simon & Schuster, 2005.
- Ruurs, Martriet. *My librarian is a camel: How books are brought to children around the world*. Honsdale, PA: Boyds Mills Press, 2005.
- Say, Allen. *Kamishibai man*. Boston: Houghton Mifflin 2005.
- Staples, Suzanne Fisher. *Under the persimmon tree*. New York: Farrar, Straus, & Giroux, 2005.
- Tal, Eve. *Double crossing*. El Paso, TX: Cinco Puntos Press, 2005.
- Weatherford, Carole Boston. *A Negro league scrapbook*. Honesdale, PA: Boyds Mills Press, 2005.
- Williams, Mary. *Brothers in hope: The story of the lost boys of Sudan*. Illustrated by R. Gregory Christie. New York: Lee & Low Books, 2005.
- Woodson, Jacqueline. *Show way*. Illustrated by Hudson Talbott. New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons, 2005.
- Yoo, Paula. *Sixteen years in sixteen seconds*. Illustrated by Don Lee. New York: Lee & Low Books, 2005.

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Folklore

Demi. *The hungry coat: A tale from Turkey*. McElderry/Simon & Schuster, 2004.

MacDonald, Margaret Read. *Three minute tales: Stories from around the world to tell or read when time is short*. August House, 2004.

Poetry

Bernier-Grand, Carmen T. César: *¡Sí, se puede! = Yes, we can!* Illus. by David Diaz. Marshall Cavendish, 2004.

Myers, Walter Dean. *Here in Harlem: Poems in many voices*. Holiday House, 2004.

Picture Books (Realistic Fiction)

Kyuchukov, Hristo. *My name was Hussein*. Illustrated by Allan Eitzen. Boyds Mills, 2004.

Raven, Margot Theis. *Circle unbroken*. Illustrated by E. B. Lewis. Melanie Kroupa/Farrar Straus & Giroux, 2004.

Picture Books (Historical Fiction)

Hall, Bruce Edward. *Henry and the kite dragon*. Illustrated by William Low. Philomel/Penguin Young Readers Group, 2004.

Hesse, Karen. *The cats in Krasinski Square*. Illustrated by Wendy Watson. Scholastic, 2004.

Woodson, Jacqueline. *Coming on home soon*. Illustrated by E. B. Lewis. Putnam/Penguin Young Readers Group, 2004.

Yee, Paul. *A song for Ba*. Illustrated by Jan Peng Wang. Groundwood, 2004.

Realistic Fiction

Kessler, Cristina. *Our secret, Siri Aang*. Philomel/Penguin Young Readers Group, 2004.

Krishnaswami, Uma. *Naming Maya*. Farrar Straus & Giroux, 2004.

Mikaelsen, Ben. *Tree girl*. HarperTempest/HarperCollins, 2004.

Ryan, Pam Muñoz. *Becoming Naomi León*. Scholastic, 2004.

Singer, Marilyn (Ed.). *Face relations: 11 stories about seeing beyond color*. Simon & Schuster, 2004.

Stratton, Allan. *Chanda's secrets*. Annick, 2004.

Historical Fiction

Chotjewitz, David. *Daniel half human and the good Nazi*. Trans. by Doris Orgel. Richard Jackson/Atheneum/ Simon & Schuster, 2004.

Hale, Marian. *The truth about sparrows*. Henry Holt, 2004.

Oswald, Nancy. *Nothing here but stones*. Henry Holt, 2004.

Whelan, Gloria. *Chu Ju's house*. HarperCollins, 2004.

Nonfiction: Informational Books & Biographies

Freedman, Russell. *The voice that challenged a nation: Marian Anderson and the struggle for equal rights*. Clarion, 2004.

Hill, Laban Carrick. *Harlem stomp!: A cultural history of the Harlem Renaissance*. Megan Tingley/Little, Brown, 2004.

Turner, Pamela S. *Hachiko: The true story of a loyal dog*. Illus. by Yan Nascimbene. Houghton Mifflin, 2004.

Warren, Andrea. *Escape from Saigon: How a Vietnam War orphan became an American boy*. Melanie Koupa/Farrar Straus & Giroux, 2004.

Weber, Ednah New Rider. *Rattlesnake Mesa: Stories from a Native American childhood*. Photos. by Richela Renkun. Lee & Low Books, 2004.

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