NOTABLE CHILDREN’S BOOKS CRITERIA

Notable is defined as: Worthy of note or notice, important, distinguished, outstanding. As applied to children’s books, the term “notable” includes books for all age levels (through age 14) of especially commendable quality, books that exhibit venturesome creativity, and books of fiction, information, poetry, folklore, and picture books that reflect and encourage children’s interest in exemplary ways.

The evaluation criteria to be used are:
1. Literary quality
2. Originality of text and illustration
3. Clarity and style of language
4. Excellence of Illustration
5. Excellence of design and format
6. Clarity of organization and accuracy of Information
7. Subject matter of interest and value to Children
8. The likelihood of acceptance by children (Board Action, June 1977)
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books with an * were already discussed at Annual

FICTION (19+43=62 titles)


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**Gone to Drift.** By Diana McCaulay. HarperCollins, $16.99 (9780062672964).


* **Hurricane Child.** By Kheryn Callender. Scholastic, $17.99 (9781338129304).

**Illegal.** By Eoin Colfer and Andrew Donkin. Illus. by Giovanni Rigano. Sourcebooks Jabberwocky, $19.99 (9781492665823).

**It Wasn't Me.** By Dana Alison Levy. Delacorte Books for Young Readers, $16.99 (9781524766436).


**Lifeboat 12.** By Susan Hood. Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, $17.99 (9781481468831).


**New Shoes.** Sara Varon. Illus. by the author. First Second, $17.99 (9781596439207).


**The Orphan Band of Springdale.** Anne Nesbet. Candlewick Press, $18.99 (9780763688042).


* **A Sky Full of Stars.** By Linda Williams Jackson. HMH Books for Young Readers, $16.99 (9780544800656).


NON-FICTION (15+33=48 titles)


Blacklisted!: Hollywood, the Cold War, and the First Amendment. By Larry Dane Brimner. Boyds Mills Press/Calkins Creek, $17.95 (9781620916032).


**Chasing King’s Killer: The Hunt for Martin Luther King Jr.’s Assassin.** By James L. Swanson. Scholastic, $19.99 (9780545723336).

**Crash: The Great Depression and the Fall and Rise of America.** By Marc Favreau. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, $18.99 (9780316545860).

**Curiosity: The Story of a Mars Rover.** By Markus Motum. Candlewick Press, $22.99 (9780763695040).

(Don’t) Call Me Crazy: 33 Voices Start the Conversation about Mental Health. Edited by Kelly Jensen. Algonquin Young Readers, $16.95 (9781616207816).


**Facing Frederick: The Life of Frederick Douglass, a Monumental American Man.** By Tonya Bolden. Abrams/Abrams Books for Young Readers, $19.99 (9781419725463).

**The Faithful Spy: Dietrich Bonhoeffer and the Plot to Kill Hitler.** By John Hendrix. Abrams/Amulet, $24.99 (9781419728389).


**Library on Wheels: Mary Lemist Titcomb and America's First Bookmobile.** By Sharlee Glenn. Abrams/Abrams Books for Young Readers, $18.99 (9781419728754).


We Rise, We Resist, We Raise Our Voices. Edited by Wade Hudson and Cheryl Willis Hudson. Crown Books for Young Readers, $18.99 (9780525580423).


PICTURE BOOK (24+43=67 titles)


*Jerome By Heart.* By Thomas Scotto. Illus. by Olivier Tallec. Translated by Claudia Zoe Bedrick and Karin Snelson. Enchanted Lion, $16.95 (9781592702503).

*Julián is a Mermaid.* By Jessica Love. Illus. by the author. Candlewick, $16.99 (9780763690458).


**Pie is for Sharing.**  By Stephanie Parsley Ledyard. Illus. by Jason Chin. Roaring Brook Press, $17.99 (9781626725621).


*Saffron Ice Cream.*  By Rashin Kheiriyeh. Illus. by the author. Scholastic, $17.99 (9781338150520).

**Saturday is Swimming Day.**  By Hyewon Yum. Illus. by the author. Candlewick Press, $16.99 (9780763691172).


**This Is the Nest That Robin Built.**  By Denise Fleming. Illus. by the author. Simon & Schuster/Beach Lane Books, $17.99 (9781481430838).


**Up the Mountain Path.**  By Marianne Dubuc. Illus. by the author. Princeton Architectural Press, $17.95 (9781616897239).


**We Are Brothers.**  By Yves Nadon. Illus. by Jean Claverie. Creative Editions, $18.99 (9781568462929).

**We Are Grateful: Otsaliheliga.**  By Traci Sorell. Illus. by Frane Lessac. Charlesbridge, $17.99 (9781580897223).

**We Don't Eat Our Classmates.**  By Ryan T. Higgins. Illus. by the author. Disney-Hyperion, $17.99 (9781368003551).


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