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of course:

true change is always too slow
and our best hopes rest with
steady
on
beyond our own times

the true revolutions happen
within the covers of our best books
inside the noises of words with words
inside the movements of reading eyes

so:

the writers are the engines
the artists are the engines
and the women and men
and the girls and the boys
reading those noisy books
all are engines of true change

the words contain the power
and the books must have that
power and the noise of that
story and the shout of that song
must always be louder than the
silence of the bullets and the
silent deaths of grim despair

we move forward with love

the struggle continues

and

the noise of singing
must always be

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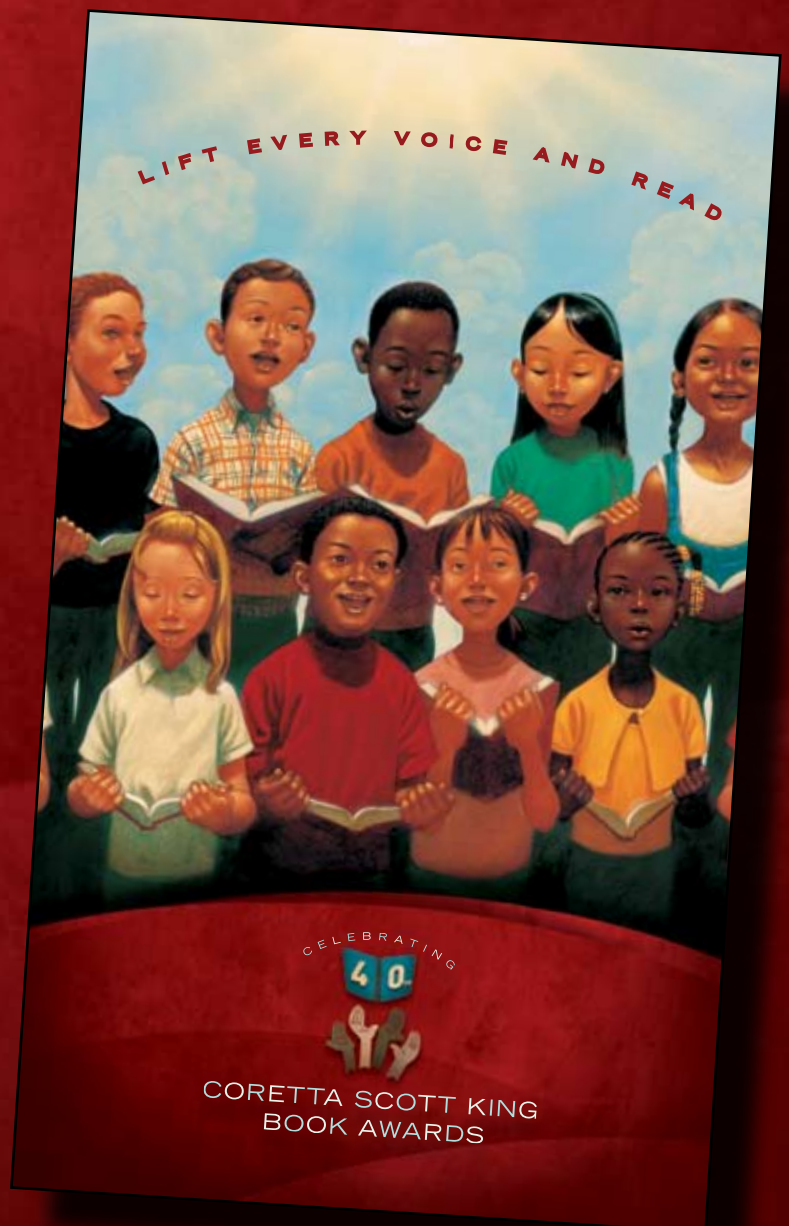


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