

## **Pura Belpré Award and Honor Books, 1996 to present**

Outstanding works of literature for children and young adults that best portray, affirm, and celebrate the Latino cultural experience

### **2023 Winners**

#### **For Children's Narrative**

##### **Medal Winner**

*Frizzy*, written by Claribel A. Ortega and illustrated by Rose Bousamra (First Second/Macmillan Children's Publishing Group)

##### **Honor Books for children's narration**

*The Coquíes Still Sing*, written by Karina Nicole González and illustrated by Krystal Quiles (Roaring Brook Press/Macmillan Children's Publishing Group)

*The Notebook Keeper: A Story of Kindness from the Border*, written by Stephen Briseño and illustrated by Magdalena Mora (Random House Studio/Random House Children's Books/Penguin Random House)

*Tumble*, written by Celia C. Pérez (Kokila/Penguin Random House)

#### **For Youth Illustrator**

##### **Medal Winner**

*Where Wonder Grows*, illustrated by Adriana M. Garcia and written by Xelena González (Cinco Puntos Press/Lee & Low Books Inc.)

##### **Honor Book for youth illustration**

*The Coquíes Still Sing*, illustrated by Krystal Quiles and written by Karina Nicole González (Roaring Brook Press/Macmillan Children's Publishing Group)

*A Land of Books: Dreams of Young Mexihcah Word Painters*, illustrated and written by Duncan Tonatiuh (Abrams Books for Young Readers/ABRAMS)

*Magic: Once Upon a Faraway Land*, illustrated and written by Mirelle Ortega (Cameron Kids/Cameron + Company/ABRAMS)

*Phenomenal AOC: The Roots and Rise of Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez*, illustrated by Loris Lora and written by Anika Aldamuy Denise (HarperCollins Children's Books/HarperCollins Publishers)

*Srta. Quinces*, illustrated and written by Kat Fajardo (Graphix/Scholastic Inc.)

*Still Dreaming / Seguimos Soñando*, illustrated by Magdalena Mora, written by Claudia Guadalupe Martínez, and translated by Luis Humberto Crosthwaite (Children's Book Press/Lee & Low Books Inc.)

#### **For Young Adult Narrative**

##### **Medal Winner**

*Burn Down, Rise Up*, written by Vincent Tirado (Sourcebooks Fire/Sourcebooks)

### **Honor Books for young adult narration**

*Breathe and Count Back from Ten*, written by Natalia Sylvester (Clarion Books/HarperCollins Publishers)

*High Spirits*, written by Camille Gomera-Tavarez (Arthur A. Levine/Levine Querido)

*The Lesbiana's Guide to Catholic School*, written by Sonora Reyes (Balzer + Bray/HarperCollins Publishers)

### **2022 Winners**

#### **For Children's Narrative**

##### **Medal Winner**

*The Last Cuentista*, by Donna Barba Higuera (Levine Querido)

##### **Honor Books for children's narration**

*Barefoot Dreams of Petra Luna*, written by Alda P. Dobbs (Sourcebooks Young Readers/Sourcebooks Kids)

*Child of the Flower-Song People: Luz Jiménez, Daughter of the Nahua*, written by Gloria Amescua and illustrated by Duncan Tonatiuh (Abrams Books for Young Readers/ABRAMS)

*De aquí como el coquí*, written by Nomar Perez, illustrated by Nomar Perez, and translated by Farah Perez (Dial Books for Young Readers/Penguin Young Readers/Penguin Random House)

#### **For Youth Illustrator**

##### **Medal Winner**

*¡Vamos! Let's Cross the Bridge*, illustrated and written by Raúl Gonzalez (Versify, an imprint of HarperCollins Publishers)

##### **Honor Book for youth illustration**

*Boogie Boogie, Y'all*, illustrated and written by C.G. Esperanza (Katherine Tegen Books/HarperCollins Publishers)

*Bright Star*, illustrated and written by Yuyi Morales (Neal Porter Books/Holiday House)

*De aquí como el coquí*, illustrated and written by Nomar Perez and translated by Farah Perez (Dial Books for Young Readers/Penguin Young Readers/Penguin Random House)

*May Your Life Be Deliciosa*, illustrated by Loris Lora and written by Michael Genhart (Cameron Kids/Cameron + Company/ABRAMS)

#### **For Young Adult Narrative**

##### **Medal Winner**

*How Moon Fuentes Fell in Love with the Universe*, by Raquel Vasquez Gilliland (Simon and Schuster Books for Young Readers/Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing Division)

## **Honor Books for young adult narration**

*Fifteen Hundred Miles from the Sun*, written by Jonny Garza Villa (Skyscape)

*Somewhere Between Bitter and Sweet*, written by Laekan Zea Kemp (Little, Brown and Company/Hachette Book Group)

*Where I Belong*, written by Marcia Argueta Mickelson (Carolrhoda Lab/Lerner Publishing Group)

## **2021 Winners**

### **For Children's Narrative**

#### **Medal Winner**

*Efrén Divided*, by Ernesto Cisneros (Harper, an imprint of HarperCollins Publishers)

#### **Honor Books for children's narration**

*The Total Eclipse of Nestor Lopez*, by Adrianna Cuevas (Farrar Straus Giroux Books for Young Readers, an imprint of Macmillan Publishing Group)

*Lupe Wong Won't Dance*, by Donna Barba Higuera (Levine Querido)

### **For Youth Illustrator**

#### **Medal Winner**

*¡Vamos! Let's Go Eat*, by Raúl Gonzalez (Versify, an imprint of Houghton Mifflin Harcourt)

#### **Honor Book for youth illustration**

*Sharuko: El Arqueólogo Peruano/Peruvian Archaeologist Julio C. Tello*, illustrated by Elisa Chavarri, written by Monica Brown (Children's Book Press, an imprint of Lee & Low Books Inc.)

### **For Young Adult Narrative**

#### **Medal Winner**

*Furia*, by Yamile Saied Méndez (Algonquin Young Readers, an imprint of Algonquin Books of Chapel Hill)

#### **Honor Books for young adult narration**

*Never Look Back*, by Lilliam Rivera (Bloomsbury YA)

*We Are Not from Here*, written by Jenny Torres Sanchez (Philomel Books, an imprint of Penguin Random House)

## **2020 Winners**

### **For narrative**

#### **Medal**

#### **Winner**

*Sal and Gabi Break the Universe* by Carlos Hernandez (Disney-Hyperion/Disney Book Group)

#### **Honor Books for narration**

*Lety Out Loud* by Angela Cervantes (Scholastic Press/Scholastic Inc.)

*The Other Half of Happy* by Rebecca Balcárcel (Chronicle Books)

*Planting Stories: The Life of Librarian and Storyteller Pura Belpré*, written by Anika Aldamuy Denise and illustrated by Paola Escobar (HarperCollins Children's Books)

*Soldier for Equality: José de la Luz Sáenz and the Great War*, written and illustrated by Duncan Tonatiuh (Abrams Books for Young Readers/ABRAMS)

**For illustration**

### **Medal Winner**

Dancing Hands: How Teresa Carreño Played the Piano for President Lincoln, illustrated by Rafael López, written by Margarita Engle (Atheneum Books for Young Readers/Simon & Schuster)

### **Honor Books for illustration**

Across the Bay, illustrated and written by Carlos Aponte (Penguin Workshop/Penguin Random House)

My Papi Has a Motorcycle, illustrated by Zeke Peña, written by Isabel Quintero (Kokila/Penguin Random House)

¡Vamos! Let's Go to the Market, illustrated and written by Raúl Gonzalez (Versify/Houghton Mifflin Harcourt)

Members of the 2020 Pura Belpré Award Selection Committee are: Chair Maria X. Peterson, Chicago Public Library; Linda Caycedo, Forest Hills, N.Y.; Alexandra Gomez, New York Public Library/BookOps, Long Island City, N.Y.; Guadalupe Leyva, Los Angeles Public Library; Pat Toney, Oakland (Calif.) Public Library; and Mercedes Zabawa, Tuscaloosa (Ala.) Public Library.

## **2019**

### **Winners**

#### **For narrative**

##### **Medal Winner**

The Poet X by Elizabeth Acevedo (HarperTeen/HarperCollins)

##### **Honor Book for narration**

They Call Me Güero: A Border Kid's Poems by David Bowles (Cinco Puntos)

#### **For illustration**

##### **Medal Winner**

Dreamers, illustrated by Yuyi Morales, written by Yuyi Morales (Neal Porter Books/Holiday House)

##### **Honor Books for illustration**

Islandborn, illustrated by Leo Espinosa, written by Junot Díaz (Dial/Penguin)

When Angels Sing: The Story of Rock Legend Carlos Santana, illustrated by Jose Ramirez, written by Michael Mahin (Atheneum/Simon & Schuster)

Members of the 2019 Pura Belpré Award Selection Committee are: Chair Dr. Ramona Caponegro, Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, Mich.; Anna Maria Avalos, Los Angeles Public Library Central Library; René Bue, Hedberg Public Library, Janesville, Wis.; Josefa Bustos Pelayo, Jefferson Charter Academy, Hanford, Calif. and California State University, Fresno, Calif.; Evan Michael Bush, Athens-Clarke County Library, Athens, Ga.; Elizabeth Anne Negrete Gaylor, Ardmore (Okla.) Public Library; and Patricia Cortez Valdovinos, Los Angeles Public Library.

## **2018 Winners**

### **For narrative**

#### **Medal**

##### **Winner**

Lucky Broken Girl by Ruth Behar (Nancy Paulsen/Penguin Random House)

**Honor Books for narration**

The Epic Fail of Arturo Zamora by Pablo Cartaya (Viking/Penguin Random House)

The First Rule of Punk by Celia C. Pérez (Viking/Penguin Random House)

**For illustration****Medal Winner**

La Princesa and the Pea, illustrated by Juana Martinez-Neal, written by Susan Middleton Elya (G. P. Putnam's Sons/Penguin Random House)

**Honor Books for illustration**

All Around Us, illustrated by Adriana M. Garcia, written by Xelena González (Cinco Puntos)

Frida Kahlo and Her Animalitos, illustrated by John Parra, written by Monica Brown (NorthSouth Books/NordSüd Verlag)

Members of the 2018 Pura Belpré Award Selection Committee are: Chair Alicia K. Long, State College of Florida, Bradenton, Fla.; Emily Rose Aguiló-Pérez, The Pennsylvania State University, State College, Pa.; Stefanie Isabel Bailey, Las Vegas-Clark County Library District; Amy C. Martin, Oakland (Calif.) Public Library; Susan H. Polos, Bedford Central School District, Mount Kisco, N.Y.; Patty Gonzales Ramirez, Dallas Public Library, White Rock Hills Branch Library; and Edwin Rodarte, Los Angeles Public Library.

**2017 Winners****For narrative****Medal Winner**

Juana & Lucas, written and illustrated by Juana Medina (Candlewick)

**Honor Book for narration**

The Only Road by Alexandra Diaz (Simon & Schuster/Paula Wiseman)

**For illustration****Medal Winner**

Lowriders to the Center of the Earth, illustrated by Raúl Gonzalez, written by Cathy Camper (Chronicle)

**Honor Books for illustration**

Esquivel!: Space-Age Sound Artist, illustrated by Duncan Tonatiuh, written by Susan Wood (Charlesbridge)

The Princess and the Warrior: A Tale of Two Volcanoes, by Duncan Tonatiuh (Abrams)

Members of the 2017 Pura Belpré Award Selection Committee: Chair Eva Mitnick, Los Angeles Public Library; Marissa Alcorta, Pima County Public Library, Tucson, Ariz.; Laura Duncan, Oxnard Public Library, Oxnard, Calif.; Cyndi Giorgis, University of Texas at El Paso; Linda M. Pavonetti, Oakland University, Rochester, Mich.; Lettycia Terrones, Los Angeles Public Library; and Junko Yokota, Center for Teaching through Children's Books, Skokie, Ill.

**2016****Winners****For narrative**

**Medal Winner**

Enchanted Air: Two Cultures, Two Wings: A Memoir, by Margarita Engle (Atheneum Books/Simon & Schuster)

**Honor Books for narration**

The Smoking Mirror, by David Bowles (IFWG Publishing)

Mango, Abuela, and Me, by Meg Medina, illustrated by Angela Dominguez Candlewick)

**For illustration****Medal Winner**

Drum Dream Girl, illustrated by Rafael López, written by Margarita Engle (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt)

**Honor Books for illustration**

My Tata's Remedies = Los remedios de mi tata, illustrated by Antonio Castro L., written by Roni Capin Rivera-Ashford (Cinco Puntos)

Mango, Abuela, and Me, illustrated by Angela Dominguez, written by Meg Medina (Candlewick)

Funny Bones: Posada and His Day of the Dead Calaveras, illustrated and written by Duncan Tonatiuh (Abrams)

Members of the 2016 Pura Belpré Award Committee: Chair Ana-Elba Pavon, Oakland (Calif.) Public Library; Sylvia Cecilia Aguiñaga, San Jose (Calif.) State University; Pat Bashir, Nashville (Tenn.) Public Library; Maria F. Estrella, Cleveland (Ohio) Public Library; Maria C. Mena, Newport News (Va.) Public Library System; Teresa Mlawer, West Orange, N.J.; and Abigail Morales, San Diego (Calif.) County Library.

**2015 Winners****For narrative****Medal Winner**

I Lived on Butterfly Hill by Marjorie Agosín, illustrated by Lee White (Atheneum/Simon & Schuster)

**Honor Book for narrative**

Portraits of Hispanic American Heroes, by Juan Felipe Herrera, illustrated by Raúl Colón (Dial/Penguin)

**For illustration****Medal Winner**

Viva Frida by Yuyi Morales (Roaring Brook/Neal Porter)

**Honor Books for illustration**

Little Roja Riding Hood illustrated by Susan Guevara, written by Susan Middleton Elya (G. P. Putnam's Sons/Penguin)

Green Is a Chile Pepper illustrated by John Parra, written by Roseanne Greenfield Thong (Chronicle)

Separate Is Never Equal: Sylvia Mendez & Her Family's Fight for Desegregation by Duncan Tonatiuh (Abrams)

Members of the 2015 Pura Belpré Award Committee: Chair Tim Wadham, Puyallup (WA) Public Library; Dr. Ramona Caponegro, Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, MI.; Maria Cotto, Pawtucket (RI) Public

Library; Iris N. Ilagan, La Canada Flintridge (CA) Public Library; Louise Lareau, New York Public Library; Maria E. Rodriguez, Dallas (TX) Independent School District; and Victor Lynn Schill, Fairbanks Branch Library, Houston, TX.

## **2014**

### **Winners**

#### **For narrative**

##### **Medal Winner**

Yaqui Delgado Wants to Kick Your Ass by Meg Medina (Candlewick)

##### **Honor Books for narrative**

The Lightning Dreamer: Cuba's Greatest Abolitionist by Margarita Engle (Harcourt/Houghton Mifflin Harcourt)

The Living by Matt de la Peña (Delacorte/Penguin Random House)

Pancho Rabbit and the Coyote: A Migrant's Tale by Duncan Tonatiuh (Abrams)

#### **For illustration**

##### **Medal Winner**

Niño Wrestles the World by Yuyi Morales (Roaring Brook)

##### **Honor Books for illustration**

Maria Had a Little Llama / María Tenía una Llamita by Angela Dominguez (Holt)

Tito Punte: Mambo King / Rey del Mambo, illustrated by Rafael López, written by Monica Brown (Rayo/HarperCollins)

Pancho Rabbit and the Coyote: A Migrant's Tale by Duncan Tonatiuh (Abrams)

Members of the 2014 Pura Belpré Award Committee: Chair C. Ruth Tobar, Grand Rapids, MI; Mary Clark, Young Critics Club, Perrot Memorial Library, Old Greenwich, CN; Paula M. Gonzales, Harris County Public Library, Lone Star College-Cy Fair Branch, Cypress, TX; Alicia K. Long, State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota, Bradenton, FL; Celia C. Pérez, Harold Washington College, City Colleges of Chicago, Chicago, IL; Maria X. Peterson, Thomas Hughes Children's Library, Chicago Public Library, Chicago, IL; and Armando Ramírez, Redwood City (CA) Public Library.

## **2013**

### **Winners**

#### **For narrative**

##### **Medal Winner**

Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe by Benjamin Alire Sáenz (Simon & Schuster)

##### **Honor Book for narrative**

The Revolution of Evelyn Serrano by Sonia Manzano (Scholastic)

#### **For illustration**

##### **Medal Winner**

Martín de Porres: The Rose in the Desert illustrated by David Diaz, written by Gary D. Schmidt (Clarion/Houghton Mifflin Harcourt)

No honor books for illustration were given.

Members of the 2013 Pura Belpré Award Committee: Chair, Charmette Kuhn-Kendrick, South Columbus Public Library, Columbus, GA; Lucia Acosta Princeton Public Library, Princeton, NJ; Aryanez A. Crosby, DeKalb County Library, Chamblee, GA; Katherine Cunningham, Lexington Public Library, Lexington, KY; Robin F. Kurz, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA; Ruth Quiroa, National-Lewis University, Lisle, IL.

## **2012**

### **Winners**

#### **For narrative**

##### **Medal Winner**

Under the Mesquite by Guadalupe Garcia McCall (Lee and Low)

##### **Honor Books for narrative**

Hurricane Dancers: The First Caribbean Pirate Shipwreck by Margarita Engle (Holt)

Maximilian and the Mystery of the Guardian Angel: A Bilingual Lucha Libre Thriller by Xavier Garza (Cinco Puntos)

#### **For illustration**

##### **Medal Winner**

Diego Rivera: His World and Ours, by Duncan Tonatiuh (Abrams)

##### **Honor Books for illustration**

The Cazuela that the Farm Maiden Stirred, illustrated by Rafael López, written by Samantha R. Vamos (Charlesbridge)

Marisol McDonald Doesn't Match /Marisol McDonald no combina, illustrated by Sara Palacios, written by Monica Brown (Children's Book Press/Lee and Low)

Members of the 2012 Pura Belpré Award Committee: Chair Jamie Naidoo, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL; Rebecca A. Alcalá, San Mateo County Library, East Palo Alto, CA; Carling Febry, Cooperative Children's Book Center, Madison, WI; Luis F. Vargas, Yuma County Library District, San Luis, AZ; Daisy Gutierrez, Houston Public Library, Houston, TX; Amanda L. Sharpe, Harper Junior High School Library, Davis, CA; Henrietta M. Smith, University of South Florida, Delray Beach, FL.

## **2011 Winners**

#### **For narrative**

##### **Medal Winner**

The Dreamer, written by Pam Muñoz Ryan, illustrated by Peter Sís (Scholastic)

##### **Honor Books for narrative**

¡Ole! Flamenco, written by George Ancona, illustrated by George Ancona (Lee and Low)

The Firefly Letters: A Suffragette's Journey to Cuba, written by Margarita Engle (Holt)

90 Miles to Havana by Enrique Flores-Galbis (Roaring Brook)

#### **For illustration**

### **Medal Winner**

Grandma's Gift, illustrated and written by Eric Velasquez (Walker/Bloomsbury)

### **Honor Books for illustration**

Fiesta Babies, illustrated Amy Cordova, written by Carmen Tafolla (Tricycle/Crown/Random House)

Me, Frida, illustrated by David Diaz, written by Amy Novesky (Abrams)

Dear Primo: A Letter to My Cousin, illustrated and written by Duncan Tonatiuh (Abrams)

Members of the 2011 Pura Belpré Award Committee: Chair Martha M. Walke, Children's Literature New England, South Strafford, VT; Aryanez Crosby, Dekalb County Public Library, Chamblee, GA; Tatiana De La Tierra, Inglewood Public Library, Long Beach, CA; Floyd Dickman, Ostrander, OH; Sally Miculek, Austin Public Library, Austin, TX; Alma Ramos-McDermott, Pollard Middle School, Needham, MA; Stan Steiner, Boise State University Albertsons Library, Boise, ID; and Ruth Tobar, Grand Rapids, MI.

### **2010 Winners**

#### **For narrative**

#### **Medal Winner**

Return to Sender by Julia Alvarez (Knopf)

#### **Honor Books for narrative**

Diego: Bigger Than Life, by Carmen T. Bernier-Grand, illustrated by David Diaz (Marshall Cavendish)

Federico García Lorca, by Georgina Lázaro; illustrated by Enrique S. Moreiro (Lectorum/Scholastic)

#### **For illustration**

#### **Medal Winner**

Book Fiesta!: Celebrate Children's Day/Book Day; Celebremos El día de los niños/El día de los libros. Illus. by Rafael López; written by Pat Mora (Rayo/HarperCollins)

#### **Honor Books for illustration**

Diego: Bigger Than Life. Illus. by David Diaz; written by Carmen T. Bernier-Grand (Marshall Cavendish)

My Abuelita. Illus. by Yuyi Morales; written by Tony Johnston (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt)

Gracias. Thanks. Illus. by John Parra; written by Pat Mora (Lee & Low)

Members of the 2010 Pura Belpré Award Committee: Chair Lucia González, Broward County Library, North Miami Beach, FL; Rebecca Hickman, Alvin Sherman Library-Nova Southeastern University, Boca Raton, FL; Judi Moreillon, Emily Gray Junior High-Tanque Verde High School, Tucson, AZ; Freda Mosquera, Broward County Library, Fort Lauderdale, FL; Patricia Montiel Overall, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ; Maggie Sepulveda, Houston Public Library, Pearland, TX; Roberto Zapata, San Antonio Public Library, San Antonio, TX.

### **2009 Winners**

#### **For narrative**

#### **Medal**

#### **Winner**

The Surrender Tree: Poems of Cuba's Struggle for Freedom by Margarita Engle. (Henry Holt)

**Honor Books for narrative**

Just In Case by Yuyi Morales (Roaring Brook/Neal Porter)

Reaching Out by Francisco Jiménez (Houghton Mifflin Company)

The Storyteller's Candle / La velita de los cuentos, by Lucía González illustrated by Lulu Delacre (Children's Book Press)

**For illustration****Medal Winner**

Just In Case by Yuyi Morales (Roaring Brook Press/Neal Porter)

**Honor Books for illustration**

Papá and Me, by Rudy Gutierrez, written by Arthur Dorros (Rayo, an imprint of HarperCollins Publishers)

The Storyteller's Candle / La velita de los cuentos, by Lulu Delacre, written by Lucía González (Children's Book Press)

What Can You Do With a Rebozo? by, Amy Córdova, Written by Carmen Tafolla (Tricycle Press, an imprint of Ten Speed Press)

Members of the 2009 Pura Belpré Award Committee: Chair Claudette McLinn, Los Angeles Unified School District; Loretta Dowell, San Francisco Public Library; Elva Garza, Austin (Texas) Public Library; Oralia Garza de Cortes, Latino Children's Literature Consultant, Pasadena, CA; Debra Gold, Cuyahoga County Public Library, Parma Heights, OH; Charmette Kuhn-Kendrick, Chattahoochee Valley Regional Library System, Columbus, GA; and Yolanda Valentin, Birmingham (AL) Public Library.

**2008 Winners****For narrative****Medal Winner**

The Poet Slave of Cuba: A Biography of Juan Francisco Manzano. By Margarita Engle. Illustrated by Sean Qualls (Holt, 2006)

**Honor Books for narrative**

Frida: ¡Viva la vida! Long Live Life! By Carmen T. Bernier-Grand. (Marshall Cavendish, 2007)

Martina the Beautiful Cockroach: A Cuban Folktale. By Carmen Agra Deedy. Illustrated by Michael Austin (Peachtree, 2007)

Los Gatos Black on Halloween, By Marisa Montes. Illustrated by Yuyi Morales. (Holt, 2006)

**For illustration****Medal Winner**

Los Gatos Black on Halloween. By Yuyi Morales. Written by Marisa Montes. (Holt, 2006)

**Honor Books for illustration**

My Name is Gabito: The Life of Gabriel García Márquez/Me llamo Gabito: la vida de Gabriel García Márquez. By Raúl Colón. Written by Monica Brown. (Luna Rising, 2007)

My Colors, My World/Mis colores, mi mundo. By, Maya Christina Gonzalez. (Children's Book Press, 2007)

Members of the 2008 Pura Belpré Award Committee: Chair, Jean Hatfield, Alford Regional Branch, Wichita Public Library, KS; Adrián Barrientos, San José Public Library Biblioteca Latinoamericana Branch, San José, CA; Hope Crandall, Washington Elementary School, Woodburn School District, Woodburn, OR; Judith V. Lechner, Auburn University, AL; Lisa Lintner-Sizemore, Louisville Free Public Library, Louisville, KY. And Jamie Campbell Naidoo, Ph.D, University of South Carolina School of Library and Information Science, Columbia, SC.

## **2006 Winners**

### **For narrative**

#### **Medal Winner**

The Tequila Worm. By, Viola Canales. (Wendy Lamb Books, a division of Random House, 2005).

#### **Honor Books for narrative**

César: ¡Sí, Se Puede! Yes, We Can! By Carmen T. Bernier-Grand. Illustrated by David Diaz. (Marshall Cavendish, 2004)

Doña Flor: A Tall Tale About a Giant Woman with a Great Big Heart. By Pat Mora. Illustrated by Raul Colón. (Alfred A. Knopf, a division of Random House, 2005)

Becoming Naomi León. By Pam Muñoz Ryan. (Scholastic Press, 2004)

### **For illustration**

#### **Medal**

#### **Winner:**

Doña Flor: A Tall Tale About a Giant Woman with a Great Big Heart. By Raul Colón. Written by Pat Mora. (Alfred A. Knopf, a division of Random House, 2005)

#### **Honor Books for illustration**

Arrorró, Mi Niño: Latino Lullabies and Gentle Games. Selected and illustrated by Lulu Delacre. (Lee & Low Books, Inc., 2004)

César: ¡Sí, Se Puede! Yes, We Can! By, David Diaz. Written by Carmen T. Bernier-Grand. (Marshall Cavendish, 2004)

My Name Is Celia/ Me Llamo Celia: The Life of Celia Cruz/ La Vida de Celia Cruz. Rafael López, Illustrator. Written by Monica Brown. (Luna Rising, a bilingual imprint of Rising Moon, 2004)

Members of the 2006 Pura Belpré Award Committee: Chair, Barbara Scotto, Michael Driscoll School, Brookline, MA; Mariá E. Gentle, Arlington County Public Library, Arlington, VA; Lucía M. González, Broward County Library, Fort Lauderdale, FL; Leslie Hauschildt, Jefferson County Public Library, Evergreen, CO; Armando Ramírez, San Mateo County Library, San Mateo, CA; Tim Wadham, Maricopa County Library District, Phoenix, AZ; and Martha M. Walke, Children's Literature New England, Inc., South Strafford, VT.

## **2004 Winners**

### **For narrative**

#### **Medal Winner**

Before We Were Free. By Julia Alvarez. (Alfred A. Knopf, 2002)

**Honor Books for narrative**

Cuba 15. By Nancy Osa. (Delacorte Press, 2003)

My Diary from Here to There/Mi Diario de Aquí Hasta Allá. Amada Irma Pérez. (Children's Book Press)

**For Illustration****Medal Winner**

Just a Minute: A Trickster Tale and Counting Book By Yuyi Morales. (Chronicle Books, 2003)

**Honor Books for illustration**

First Day in Grapes. Robert Casilla, Illustrator. Written by L. King Pérez. (Lee & Low Books, Inc., 2002)

The Pot That Juan Built. David Diaz, Illustrator. Written by Nancy Andrews-Goebel. (Lee & Low Books, Inc., 2002)

Harvesting Hope: The Story of Cesar Chavez. Yuyi Morales, Illustrator. Written by Kathleen Krull. (Harcourt, Inc., 2003)

Members of the 2004 Pura Belpré Award Committee: Chair Chair: Rose Violet Treviño, Houston Public Library; Ilene Abramson, Los Angeles Public Library; Salvador Avila, Las Vegas - Clark County (NV) Library District; Roslyn Beitler, Barrett Elementary School, Arlington, VA; Linda Caycedo, The New York Public Library; Ana-Elba Pavon, San Francisco Public Library; and Tammy Pineda, Hennepin County Library, Minnetonka, MN.

**2002 Winners****For Narrative****Medal Winner**

Esperanza Rising By Pam Munoz Ryan. (Scholastic Press, 2000)

**Honor Books for narrative**

Breaking Through. By Francisco Jiménez. (Houghton Mifflin Company, 2001)

Iguanas in the Snow. By Francisco X. Alarcón. Illustrated by Maya Christina Gonzalez. (Children's Book Press)

**For Illustration****Medal Winner**

Chato and the Party Animals By Susan Guevara, Illustrator. Written by Gary Soto. (G.P. Putnam's Sons, 2000)

**Honor Book for illustration**

Juan Bobo Goes to Work. By Joe Cepeda, Illustrator. Retold by Marisa Montes. (HarperCollins, 2000)

Members of the 2002 Pura Belpré Award Committee: Eliza T. Dresang, Florida State University, Tallahassee; Miguel García Colón, Chicago Public Library; Jean Hatfield, Johnson County Library, Shawnee Mission (Kan.); Bethe Marie Lehman, L.O. Donald Elementary School, Dallas; Maria C. Mena, Leon County Public Library System, Tallahassee (Fla.); Meb Norton, Metairie Park Country Day School, New Orleans; Nissa Montoya-Perez, East Los Angeles Library.

**2000 Winners**

### **For narrative**

#### **Medal Winner**

Under the Royal Palms: A Childhood in Cuba. By Alma Flor Ada. (Atheneum Books, 1998).

#### **Honor Books for narrative**

From the Bellybutton of the Moon and Other Summer Poems/ Del Ombligo de la Luna y Otro Poemas de Verano. By Francisco X. Alarcón. Illustrated by Maya Christina Gonzalez. (Children's Book Press, 1998).

Laughing out Loud, I Fly: Poems in English and Spanish. By Juan Felipe Herrera. Illustrated by Karen Barbour. (HarperCollins, 1998).

### **For illustration**

#### **Medal Winner**

Magic Windows. By Carmen Lomas Garza. (Children's Book Press, 1999).

#### **Honor Books for illustration**

Barrio: José's Neighborhood. George Ancona. (Harcourt Brace, 1998).

The Secret Stars. Felipe Dávalos. Text by Joseph Slate. (Marshall Cavendish, 1998).

Mama & Papa Have a Store. Amelia Lau Carling. (Dial Books, 1998).

Members of the 2000 Pura Belpré Award Committee: Chair Yolanda Bonitch, Mollie B. Bynum, Maria A. Champlin, Miguel A. Garcia-Colon, Ginny Moore Kruse, Priscilla E. Leni, Maureen White.

### **1998 Winners**

#### **For narrative**

##### **Medal**

##### **Winner**

Parrot in the Oven: mi vida. Martinez, Victor. (Joanna Cotler/HarperCollins, 1996).

#### **Honor Books for narrative**

Laughing Tomatoes and Other Spring Poems / Jitomates Risueños y otros poemas de primavera By Francisco Alarcón. Illustrated by Maya Christina Gonzalez (Children's Book Press, 1997).

Spirits of the High Mesa By Floyd Martinez.(Arte Público Press, 1997).

#### **For illustration**

##### **Medal Winner**

Snapshots from the Wedding, illustrated by Stephanie Garcia. Text: Gary Soto (Putnam, 1997).

#### **Honor Books for illustration**

In My Family / En mi familia by Carmen Lomas Garza (Children's Book Press, 1996).

The Golden Flower: a Taino Myth from Puerto Rico Enrique O. Sánchez, text by Nina Jaffe (Simon & Schuster, 1996).

Gathering the Sun: an Alphabet in Spanish and English By Simón Silva, text by Alma Flor Ada; English translation by Rosa Zubizarreta (Lothrop, 1997).

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## **1996 Winners**

### **For narrative**

#### **Medal Winner**

An Island Like You: Stories of the Barrio by Judith Ortiz Cofer (Melanie Kroupa / Orchard Books, 1995).

#### **Honor Books for narrative**

The Bossy Gallito / El Gallo de Bodas: A Traditional Cuban Folktale, written by Lucía González, illustrated by Lulu Delacre (Scholastic, 1994).

Baseball in April, and Other Stories by Gary Soto (Harcourt, 1994).

### **For illustration**

#### **Medal Winner**

Chato's Kitchen, illustrated by Susan Guevara, written by Gary Soto (Putnam, 1995).

#### **Honor Books for illustration**

Pablo Remembers: The Fiesta of the Day of the Dead by George Ancona (Lothrop, 1993).

Also published in a Spanish language edition: Pablo Recuerda: La Fiesta de Día de los Muertos (Lothrop, 1993).

The Bossy Gallito / El Gallo de Bodas: A Traditional Cuban Folktale, illustrated by Lulu Delacre, retold by Lucía González (Scholastic, 1994).

Family Pictures / Cuadros de Familia. By Carmen Lomas Garza. Spanish language text by Rosalma Zubizaretta (Children's Book Press, 1990).

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