



Staff Picks 2016: Picture Books

1. *1 Big Salad: A Delicious Counting Book* by Juana Medina
2. *ABCs on Wheels* by Ramon Olivera
3. *Aberdeen* by Stacey Previn
4. *Ada Twist, Scientist* by Andrea Beaty, illustrated by David Roberts
5. *Also an Octopus* by Maggie Tokuda-Hall, illustrated by Benji Davies
6. *Are We There Yet?* by Dan Santat
7. *Armstrong: The Adventurous Journey of a Mouse to the Moon* by Torben Kuhlmann
8. *Baby Wren and the Great Gift* by Sally Lloyd-Jones, illustrated by Jen Corace
9. *The Bear and the Piano* by David Litchfield
10. *Bedtime Blast-off!* by Luke Reynolds, illustrated by Mike Yamada
11. *A Beginner's Guide to Bear Spotting* by Michelle Robinson, illustrated by David Roberts
12. *A Big Surprise for Little Card* by Charise Mericle Harper, illustrated by Anna Raff
13. *Bloom!* by Doreen Cronin, illustrated by David Small
14. *Bring Me a Rock!* by Daniel Miyares
15. *Bringing the Outside In* by Mary McKenna Siddals, illustrated by Patrice Barton
16. *Cat on the Bus* by Aram Kim
17. *Cat's Colors* by Airlie Anderson
18. *Chicken in Space* by Adam Lehrhaupt
19. *A Child of Books* by Oliver Jeffers
20. *The Cow Who Climbed a Tree* by Gemma Marino
21. *The Cranky Ballerina* by Elise Gravel
22. *Daniel Finds a Poem* by Micha Archer
23. *The Darkest Dark* by Chris Hadfield
24. *Dragon Was Terrible* by Greg Pizzoli
25. *Du Iz Tak?* by Carson Ellis
26. *Emma and Julia Love Ballet* by Barbara McClintock
27. *Every Color* by Erin Eitter Kono
28. *A Family Is a Family Is a Family* by Sara O'Leary, illustrated by Qin Leng
29. *Flora and the Peacocks* by Molly Idle
30. *Good Night Owl* by Greg Pizzoli
31. *The Great AAA-Ooo!* by Jonny Lambert
32. *Hank's Big Day: The Story of a Bug* by Evan Kuhlman, illustrated by Chuck Groenink
33. *Hannah and Sugar* by Kate Berube
34. *Hensel and Gretel, Ninja Chicks* by Corey Rosen Schwartz & Rebecca J. Gomez, illustrated by Dan Santat
35. *How This Book Was Made* by Mac Barnett, illustrated by Adam Rex
36. *I Am a Story* by Dan Yaccarino
37. *I Will Not Eat You* by Adam Lehrhaupt, illustrated by Scott Magoon
38. *Ida, Always* by Caron Levis, illustrated by Charles Santosa
39. *Ideas Are All Around* by Philip C. Stead
40. *Is That Wise, Pig?* by Jan Thomas
41. *King Baby* by Kate Beaton
42. *Leave Me Alone* by Vera Brosgol
43. *The Lending Zoo* by Frank Asch
44. *The Lion Inside* by Rachel Bright, illustrated by Jim Field
45. *Lion Lessons* by Jon Agee
46. *Maggie and Wendel: Imagine Everthing!* by Cori Doerrfeld
47. *Mary Had a Little Glam* by Tammi Sauer, illustrated by Vanessa Brantley-Newton
48. *Maybe Something Beautiful: How Art Transformed a Neighborhood* by F. Isabel Campoy & Theresa Howell, illustrated by Rafael López
49. *Mighty Truck* by Chris Barton, illustrated by Troy Cummings
50. *The Mixed-Up Truck* by Stephen Savage

51. *More-igami* by Dori Kleber, illustrated by G. Brian Karas
52. *The Night Gardener* by The Fan Brothers
53. *Nobody Likes a Goblin* by Ben Hatke
54. *Normal Norman* by Tara Lazar, illustrated by S. Britt
55. *Not Quite Black and White* by Jonathan Ying, illustrated by Victoria Ying
56. *Oh No, Astro!* by Matt Roeser, illustrated by Brad Woodard
57. *Old Dog Baby Baby* by Julie Fogliano, illustrated by Chris Raschka
58. *Old MacDonald Had a Truck* by Steve Goetz, illustrated by Eda Kaban
59. *One Very Big Bear* by Alice Briere-Haquet, illustrated by Olivier Philipponneau and Raphaele Enjary
60. *Ooko* by Esmé Shapiro
61. *Oops, Pounce, Quick, Run!: An Alphabet Caper* by Mike Twohy
62. *Poppy Pickle* by Emma Yarlett
63. *President Squid* by Aaron Reynolds, illustrated by Sara Varon
64. *Pug Man's 3 Wishes* by Sebastian Meschenmoser, translated by David Henry Wilson
65. *Quit Calling Me a Monster!* by Jory John, illustrated by Bob Shea
66. *Return* by Aaron Becker
67. *Samson in the Snow* by Philip C. Stead
68. *School's First Day of School* by Adam Rex, illustrated by Christian Robinson
69. *Snappy the Alligator Did Not Ask to Be in This Book* by Julie Falatko, illustrated by Tim Miller
70. *The Sound of Silence* by Katrina Goldsaito, illustrated by Julia Kuo
71. *The Storyteller* by Evan Turk
72. *Surf's Up* by Kwame Alexander, illustrated by Daniel Miyares
73. *Swallow the Leader* by Danna Smith, illustrated by Kevin Sherry
74. *The Sword in the Stove* by Frank W. Dormer
75. *Teacup* by Rebecca Young, illustrated by Matt Ottley
76. *There Is a Tribe of Kids* by Lane Smith
77. *There's a Bison Bouncing on the Bed!* by Paul Bright, illustrated by Chris Chatterton
78. *There's a Giraffe in My Soup* by Ross Burach
79. *They All Saw a Cat* by Brendan Wenzel
80. *This Is My Book!* by Mark Pett
81. *This Is Not a Picture Book!* by Sergio Ruzzier
82. *Thunder Boy Jr.* by Sherman Alexie, illustrated by Yuyi Morales
83. *The Uncorker of Ocean Bottles* by Michelle Cuevas, illustrated by Erin Stead
84. *The Water Princess* by Susan Verde, illustrated Peter H. Reynolds
85. *What Do You Do with a Problem?* by Kobi Yamada, illustrated by Mae Besom
86. *The Wheels on the Tuk-Tuk* by Surishtha & Kabir Sehgal, illustrated by Jess Golden
87. *The White Cat and the Monk* by Jo Ellen Bogart, illustrated by Sydney Smith
88. *Who Wants a Tortoise?* by Dave Keane, illustrated by K. G. Campbell
89. *The Wonderful Habits of Rabbits* by Douglas Florian
90. *Worm Loves Worm* by J. J. Austrian, illustrated by Mike Curato

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Staff Picks 2016: Juvenile Fiction

1. *All Rise for the Honorable Perry T. Cook* by Leslie Connor
2. *Applesauce Weather* by Helen Frost
3. *Beautiful Blue World* by Suzanne LaFleur
4. *The Best Man* by Richard Peck
5. *The Bicycle Spy* by Yona Zeldis McDonough
6. *Booked* by Kwame Alexander
7. *The Case of the Girl in Grey* by Jordan Stratford
8. *Catching a Storyfish* by Janice N. Harrington
9. *The Distance to Home* by Jenn Bishop
10. *Dog Man* by Dav Pilkey
11. *The Door by the Staircase* by Katherine Marsh
12. *Fenway & Hattie* by Victoria J. Coe
13. *Framed!: A T.O.A.S.T. Mystery* by James Ponti
14. *Gertie's Leap to Greatness* by Kate Beasley
15. *Ghost* by Jason Reynolds
16. *Ghosts* by Raina Telgemeier
17. *The Girl Who Drank the Moon* by Kelly Barnhill
18. *The Haunting of Falcon House* by Eugene Yelchin
19. *The Hidden Oracle* by Rick Riordan
20. *Hundred Percent* by Karen Romano Young
21. *The Inquisitor's Tale: Or, The Three Magical Children and Their Holy Dog* by Adam Gidwitz, illuminated by Hatem Aly
22. *The Key to Extraordinary* by Natalie Lloyd
23. *The Last Fifth Grade of Emerson Elementary* by Laura Shovan
24. *Lily & Dunkin* by Donna Jo Gephart
25. *Lucy* by Randy Cecil
26. *Maybe a Fox* by Kathi Appelt & Alison McGhee
27. *Mayday* by Karen Harrington
28. *Mighty Jack* by Ben Hatke
29. *Ms. Bixby's Last Day* by John David Anderson
30. *OCDaniel* by Wesley King
31. *The Other Boy* by M. G. Hennessey
32. *Pax* by Sara Pennypacker
33. *The Poet's Dog* by Patricia MacLachlan
34. *Raymie Nightingale* by Kate DiCamillo
35. *Save Me a Seat* by Sarah Weeks & Gita Varadarajan
36. *The Secret Horses of Briar Hill* by Megan Shepherd
37. *The Secrets of Solace* by Jaleigh Johnson
38. *The Seventh Wish* by Kate Messner
39. *Soar* by Joan Bauer
40. *Some Kind of Courage* by Dan Gemeinhart
41. *Some Kind of Happiness* by Claire Legrand
42. *Summerlost* by Ally Condie
43. *Swing Sideways* by Nanci Turner Steveson
44. *This Is Not the Abby Show* by Debbie Reed Fischer
45. *Unbound: A Novel in Verse* by Ann E. Burg
46. *Waiting for Augusta* by Jessica Lawson
47. *What Elephants Know* by Eric Dinerstein
48. *When Friendship Followed Me Home* by Paul Griffin
49. *When Mischievous Came to Town* by Katrina Nannestad
50. *When the Sea Turned to Silver* by Grace Lin
51. *The Wild Robot* by Peter Brown
52. *Wolf Hollow* by Lauren Wolk
53. *The Wooden Prince* by John Claude Bemis

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Staff Picks 2016: Juvenile Nonfiction

1. *Ada's Violin: The Story of the Recycled Orchestra of Paraguay* by Susan Hood, illustrated by Sally Wern Comport
2. *Alpha Bravo Charlie: The Complete Book of Nautical Codes* by Sara Gillingham
3. *Animals by the Numbers: A Book of Infographics* by Steve Jenkins
4. *Answering the Cry for Freedom: Stories of African Americans and the American Revolution* by Gretchen Woelfle
5. *Are You an Art Sleuth?: Look, Discover, Learn!* by Brooke DiGiovanni Evans
6. *Charles Darwin's Around-the-World Adventure* by Jennifer Thermes
7. *The Deadliest Creature in the World* by Brenda Z. Guiberson, illustrated by Gennady Spirin
8. *Dive!: World War II Stories of Sailors & Submarines in the Pacific* by Deborah Hopkinson
9. *Factastic: A LEGO Adventure in the Real World* by LEGO World
10. *Fannie Never Flinched: One Woman's Courage in the Struggle for American Labor Union Rights* by Mary Cronk Farrell
11. *Fearless Flyer: Ruth Law and Her Flying Machine* by Heather Lang, illustrated by Raúl Cólón
12. *The First Step: How One Girl Put Segregation on Trial* by Susan E. Goodman
13. *Follow the Moon Home: A Tale of One Idea, Twenty Kids, and a Hundred Sea Turtles* by Philippe Cousteau & Deborah Hopkinson, illustrated by Meilo So
14. *Freedom in Congo Square* by Carole Boston Weatherford
15. *Freedom Over Me: Eleven Slaves, Their Lives and Dreams Brought to Life* by Ashley Bryan
16. *Giant Squid* by Candace Fleming
17. *Good Trick, Walking Stick!* by Sheri Mabry Bestor
18. *Grover Cleveland, Again!: A Treasury of American Presidents* by Ken Burns
19. *How to Build a Museum: Smithsonian's National Museum of African American History and Culture* by Tonya Bolden
20. *I Am NOT a Dinosaur!* by Will Lach
21. *I Dissent: Ruth Bader Ginsburg Makes Her Mark* by Debbie Levy, illustrated by Elizabeth Baddeley
22. *Ibn al-Haytham: The Man Who Discovered How We See* by Libby Romero
23. *In the Shadow of Liberty: The Hidden History of Slavery, Four Presidents, and Five Black Lives* by Kenneth C. Davis
24. *Jazz Day: The Making of a Famous Photograph* by Roxane Orgill, illustrated by Francis Vallejo
25. *Let Your Voice Be Heard: The Life and Times of Pete Seeger* by Anita Silvey
26. *Like a Bird: The Art of the American Slave Song* by Cynthia Grady
27. *Masters of Disguise: Amazing Animal Tricksters* by Rebecca L. Johnson
28. *Miracle Man: The Story of Jesus* by John Hendrix
29. *Miss Mary Reporting: The True Story of Sportswriter Mary Garber* by Sue Macy
30. *Ocean Animals: Who's Who in the Deep Blue* by Johnna Rizzo
31. *Plants Can't Sit Still* by Rebecca E. Hirsch
32. *The Plot to Kill Hitler: Dietrich Bonhoeffer: Pastor, Spy, Unlikely Hero* by Patricia McCormick
33. *A Poem for Peter: The Story of Ezra Jack Keats and the Creation of The Snowy Day* by Andrea Davis Pinkney, illustrated by Lou Fancher & Steve Johnson
34. *Prairie Dog Song* by Susan L. Roth & Cindy Trumbore
35. *Preaching to the Chickens: The Story of Young John Lewis* by Jabari Asim
36. *Radiant Child: The Story of Young Artist Jean-Michel Basquiat* by Javaka Steptoe
37. *Rise of the Lioness: Restoring a Habitat and Its Pride on the Liuwa Plains* by Bradley Hague
38. *Sachiko: A Nagasaki Bomb Survivor's Story* by Caren Stelson
39. *Samurai Rising: The Epic Life of Minamoto Yoshitsune* by Pamela S. Turner
40. *Seven and a Half Tons of Steel* by Janet Nolan

41. *Six Dots: A Story of Young Louis Braille* by Jen Bryant
42. *Solving the Puzzle Under the Sea: Marie Tharp Maps the Ocean Floor* by Robert Burleigh
43. *Some Writer!: The Story of E. B. White* by Melissa Sweet
44. *Space: Visual Encyclopedia* by Carole Stott
45. *The Tragic Tale of the Great Auk* by Jan Thornhill
46. *Ultimate Explorer Field Guide: Night Sky* by Howard Schneider
47. *Uprooted: The Japanese American Experience During World War II* by Albert Marrin
48. *Vincent's Starry Night and Other Stories: A Children's History of Art* by Michael Bird, illustrated by Kate Evans
49. *The Way Things Work Now: From Levers to Lasers, Windmills to Wi-fi, a Visual Guide to the World of Machines* by David Macaulay
50. *We Will Not Be Silent: The White Rose Student Movement That Defied Adolf Hitler* by Russell Freedman
51. *Wet Cement: A Mix of Concrete Poems* by Bob Raczka
52. *When Green Becomes Tomatoes: Poems for All Seasons* by Julie Fogliano, illustrated by Julie Morstad
53. *When the Sun Shines on Antarctica: And Other Poems About the Frozen Continent* by Irene Latham
54. *Whoosh! Lonnie Johnson's Super-Soaking Stream of Inventions* by Chris Barton
55. *Women in Science: 50 Female Pioneers Who Changed the World* by Rachel Ignotofsky
56. *Worms for Breakfast: How to Feed a Zoo* by Helaine Becker
57. *You Can Fly: The Tuskegee Airmen* by Carole Boston Weatherford
58. *You Should Meet Mae Jemison* by Laurie Calkhoven

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1. *All We Have Left* by Wendy Mills
2. *Anna and the Swallow Man* by Gavriel Savit
3. *Avenging the Owl* by Melissa Hart
4. *Blood for Blood* by Ryan Graudin
5. *Crooked Kingdoms* by Leigh Bardugo
6. *The Crown* by Kiera Cass
7. *The Dark Days Club* by Alison Goodman
8. *The Darkest Hour* by Carolyn Tung Richmond
9. *The Diabolic* by S. J. Kincaid
10. *Everland* by Wendy Spinale
11. *The Forbidden Orchid* by Sharon Biggs Waller
12. *The Forbidden Wish* by Jessica Khoury
13. *The Forgetting* by Sharon Cameron
14. *Four-Four-Two* by Dean Hughes
15. *Front Lines* by Michael Grant
16. *Ghostly Echoes* by William Ritter
17. *The Gilded Cage* by Lucinda Gray
18. *Goldfish* by Nat Luurtsema
19. *Heartless* by Marissa Meyer
20. *Hour of the Bees* by Lindsay Eagar
21. *Like a River Glorious* by Rae Carson
22. *Love, Lies and Spies* by Cindy Astey
23. *The Memory of Light* by Francisco X. Stork
24. *My Lady Jane* by Cynthia Hand, Brodi Ashton & Jodi Meadows
25. *Outrun the Moon* by Stacey Lee
26. *Passenger* by Alexandra Bracken
27. *Places No One Knows* by Brenna Yovanoff
28. *The Problem with Forever* by Jennifer L. Armentrout
29. *Rebel of the Sands* by Alwyn Hamilton
30. *Rocks Fall, Everyone Dies* by Lindsay Ribar
31. *The Rose and the Dagger* by Renee Ahdieh
32. *Salt to the Sea* by Ruta Sepetys
33. *Scythe* by Neal Shusterman
34. *The Smell of Other People's Houses* by Bonnie-Sue Hitchcock
35. *Starflight* by Melissa Landers
36. *The Star-Touched Queen* by Roshani Chokshi
37. *The Steep & Thorny Way* by Cat Winters
38. *Still Life with Tornado* by A. S. King
39. *A Taste for Monsters* by Matthew J. Kirby
40. *A Torch Against the Night* by Sabaa Tahir
41. *The Transatlantic Conspiracy* by G. D. Falksen
42. *The Unexpected Everything* by Morgan Matson
43. *Up from the Sea* by Leza Lowitz
44. *Up to This Pointe* by Jennifer Longo
45. *Warrior Witch* by Danielle L. Jensen
46. *Where You'll Find Me* by Natasha Friend