



Staff Picks 2018: Picture Books

1. *All Are Welcome* by Alexandra Penfold
2. *Alma and How She Got Her Name* by Juana Martinez-Neal
3. *Are You Scared, Darth Vader?* by Adam Rex
4. *The Backup Bunny* by Abigail Rayner
5. *Be Kind* by Pat Zietlow Miller
6. *Bear and Wolf* by Daniel Salmieri
7. *The Big Bed* by Bunmi Laditan
8. *Big Bunny* by Rowboat Watkins
9. *The Big Umbrella* by Amy June Bates
10. *Bob's Blue Period* by Marion Denchers
11. *The Boy and the Giant* by David Litchfield
12. *A Busy Creature's Day Eating* by Mo Willems
13. *Can I Be Your Dog?* by Troy Cummings
14. *Cock-a-doodle-poo!* by Steve Smallman
15. *A Couch for Llama* by Leah Gilbert
16. *Crash, Splash, or Moo?* by Bob Shea
17. *Crunch, the Shy Dinosaur* by Cirocco Dunlap
18. *The Day You Begin* by Jacqueline Woodson
19. *Dino Duckling* by Alison Murray
20. *A Dog Called Bear* by Diane Fox
21. *Drawn Together* by Minh Lê
22. *Dreamers* by Yuyi Morales
23. *Dude!* by Aaron Reynolds
24. *The Epic Adventures of Huggie and Stick* by Drew Daywalt
25. *Every Color Soup* by Jorey Hurley
26. *Everything You Need for a Treehouse* by Carter Higgins
27. *A Fall Ball for All* by Jamie A. Swenson
28. *Finn's Feather* by Rachel Noble
29. *Fox and the Bike Ride* by Corey R. Tabor
30. *Friends Stick Together* by Hannah E. Harrison
31. *Giraffe Problems* by Jory John
32. *The Great Dictionary Caper* by Judy Sierra
33. *Harold Loves His Woolly Hat* by Vern Kousky
34. *Harriet Gets Carried Away* by Jessie Sima
35. *Hello, Door* by Alastair Heim
36. *Honey* by David Ezra Stein
37. *The Honeybee* by Kirsten Hall
38. *A House That Once Was* by Julie Fogliano
39. *I Am a Cat* by Galia Bernstein
40. *I Am the Boss of This Chair* by Carolyn Crimi
41. *I Got a Chicken for My Birthday* by Laura Gehl
42. *I Love You More Than . . .* by Taye Diggs
43. *I Say OOH, You Say AAH* by John Kane
44. *I Sleep in a Big Bed* by Maria Van Lieshout
45. *I Walk with Vanessa* by Kerascoët
46. *Idea Jar* by Adam Lehrhaupt
47. *I'm Sad* by Michael Ian Black
48. *Islandborn* by Junot Díaz
49. *Jerome by Heart* by Thomas Scotto
50. *Julián Is a Mermaid* by Jessica Love

51. *Knock Knock* by Tammi Sauer
52. *The Koala Who Could* by Rachel Bright
53. *Lazybones* by Claire Messer
54. *Little Robot Alone* by Patricia MacLachlan
55. *Look* by Fiona Woodcock
56. *Lost in the Library: A Story of Patience & Fortitude* by Josh Funk
57. *Love* by Matt de la Peña
58. *Mae's First Day of School* by Kate Berube
59. *Mixed: A Colorful Story* by Arree Chung
60. *My Dog Laughs* by Rachel Isadora
61. *My Pet Wants a Pet* by Elise Broach
62. *Niblet and Ralph* by Zachariah O'Hora
63. *Night Out* by Daniel Miyares
64. *Night Train, Night Train* by Robert Burleigh & Wendell Minor
65. *Nobody's Duck* by Mary Sullivan
66. *Now That I'm Here* by Aaron Meshon
67. *Octopus Escapes!* by Nathaniel Lachenmeyer
68. *Old Hat* by Emily Gravett
69. *A Page in the Wind* by José Sanabria & María Laura Díaz Domínguez
70. *A Parade of Elephants* by Kevin Henkes
71. *Perfectly Norman* by Tom Percival
72. *Petra* by Marianna Coppo
73. *A Place for Pluto* by Stef Wade
74. *Play This Book* by Jessica Young
75. *Pretty Kitty* by Karen Beaumont
76. *The Rabbit Listened* by Cori Doerrfeld
77. *Ready to Ride* by Sébastien Pelon
78. *Ready, Set, Sail!* by Meg Fleming
79. *Rock What Ya Got* by Samantha Berger
80. *The Sasquatch and the Lumberjack* by Crix Sheridan
81. *Shake the Tree!* by Chiara Vignocchi
82. *Sheep 101* by Richard T. Morris
83. *Sleepy, the Goodnight Buddy* by Drew Daywalt
84. *The Snow Lion* by Jim Helmore
85. *Stegothosaurus* by Bridget Heos
86. *A Stone for Sascha* by Aaron Becker
87. *The Stuff of Stars* by Marion Dane Bauer
88. *Thank You, Omu!* by Oge Mora
89. *There's a Dragon in Your Book* by Tom Fletcher
90. *There's a Hole in the Log in the Bottom of the Lake* by Loren Long
91. *They Say Blue* by Jillian Tamaki
92. *Tiny Little Rocket* by Richard Collingridge
93. *Trampoline Boy* by Nan Forler
94. *We Don't Eat Our Classmates!* by Ryan T. Higgins
95. *What Can a Citizen Do?* by Dave Eggers
96. *What If . . .* by Samantha Berger
97. *With Your Paw in Mine* by Jane Chapman
98. *The Word Collector* by Peter H. Reynolds
99. *Wordy Birdy* by Tammi Sauer
100. *Zola's Elephant* by Randall de Sève



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Staff Picks 2018: Juvenile Fiction

1. *24 Hours in Nowhere* by Dusti Bowling
2. *Baby Monkey, Private Eye* by Brian Selznick
3. *Be Prepared* by Vera Brosgol
4. *Betty Before X* by Ilyasah Shabazz & Renée Watson
5. *Bob* by Wendy Mass & Rebecca Stead
6. *Breakout* by Kate Messner
7. *The Cardboard Kingdom* by Chad Sell
8. *City of Ghosts* by Victoria Schwab
9. *The Colors of the Rain* by R.L. Toalson
10. *Dear Sister* by Alison McGhee
11. *Drum Roll, Please* by Lisa Jenn Bigelow
12. *Endling: The Last* by Katherine Applegate
13. *Finding Langston* by Lesa Cline-Ransome
14. *Front Desk* by Kelly Yang
15. *Ghost Boys* by Jewell Parker Rhodes
16. *Granted* by John David Anderson
17. *Grenade* by Alan Gratz
18. *Harbor Me* by Jacqueline Woodson
19. *Heartseeker* by Melinda Beatty
20. *The House That Lou Built* by Mae Respicio
21. *I'm Ok* by Patti Kim
22. *It Wasn't Me* by Dana Alison Levy
23. *The Journey of Little Charlie* by Christopher Paul Curtis
24. *The Length of a String* by Elissa Brent Weissman
25. *The Lifters* by Dave Eggers
26. *Marcus Vega Doesn't Speak Spanish* by Pablo Cartaya
27. *Mascot* by Antony John
28. *Megabat* by Anna Humphrey
29. *Merci Suárez Changes Gears* by Meg Medina
30. *The Night Diary* by Veera Hiranandani
31. *Nowhere Boy* by Katherine Marsh
32. *The Orphan Band of Springdale* by Anne Nesbet
33. *Out of Left Field* by Ellen Klages
34. *The Parker Inheritance* by Varian Johnson
35. *Playing Atari with Saddam Hussein* by Jennifer Roy & Ali Fadhil
36. *Sanity & Tallulah* by Molly Brooks
37. *The Science of Breakable Things* by Tae Keller
38. *The Season of Styx Malone* by Kekla Magoon
39. *The Seismic Seven* by Katie Slivensky
40. *Small Spaces* by Katherine Arden
41. *Sneak Thief* by Faith Harkey
42. *The Stone Girl's Story* by Sarah Beth Durst
43. *Sweep: The Story of a Girl and Her Monster* by Jonathan Auxier
44. *The Third Mushroom* by Jennifer L. Holm
45. *Tiger Vs. Nightmare* by Emily Tetri
46. *The Train of Lost Things* by Ammi-Joan Paquette
47. *The Truth As Told by Mason Buttle* by Leslie Connor
48. *Until Tomorrow, Mr. Marsworth* by Sheila O'Connor
49. *What Goes Up* by Wen Jane Baragrey
50. *The Wild Robot Escapes* by Peter Brown
51. *Winnie's Great War* by Lindsay Mattick & Josh Greenhut
52. *You Go First* by Erin Entrada Kelly





Staff Picks 2018: Teen Fiction

1. *After the Shot Drops* by Randy Ribay
2. *Always Never Yours* by Emily Wibberley
3. *Amal Unbound* by Aisha Saaed
4. *The Assassination of Brangwain Spurge* by M.T. Anderson & Eugene Yelchin
5. *August and Everything After* by Jennifer Salvato Doktorski
6. *The Belles* by Dhonielle Clayton
7. *Broken Beautiful Hearts* by Kami Garcia
8. *Cadaver & Queen* by Alisa Kwitney
9. *Darius the Great Is Not Okay* by Adib Khorram
10. *Dread Nation* by Justina Ireland
11. *Dry* by Neal Shusterman & Jarrod Shusterman
12. *Fatal Throne: The Wives of Henry VIII Tell All* by M.T. Anderson, Candace Fleming, Jennifer Donnelly, Stephanie Hemphill, Deborah Hopkinson, Linda Sue Park & Lisa Ann Sandell
13. *Fawkes* by Nadine Brandes
14. *Flight Season* by Marie Marquardt
15. *The Hazel Wood* by Melissa Albert
16. *The House of One Thousand Eyes* by Michelle Barker
17. *A Kiss in the Dark* by Gina Ciocca
18. *Leah on the Offbeat* by Becky Albertalli
19. *Like Vanessa* by Tami Charles
20. *Listen to Your Heart* by Kasie West
21. *Love & Other Train Wrecks* by Leah Konen
22. *Monday's Not Coming* by Tiffany D. Jackson
23. *Muse of Nightmares* by Laini Taylor
24. *The Poet X* by Elizabeth Acevedo
25. *The Prince and the Dressmaker* by Jen Wang
26. *Puddin'* by Julie Murphy
27. *Reaper at the Gates* by Sabaa Tahir
28. *Shadowson* by S. Jae-Jones
29. *Swing* by Kwame Alexander & Mary Rand Hess
30. *Tiffany Sly Lives Here Now* by Dana L. Davis
31. *Truly Devious* by Maureen Johnson
32. *A Very Large Expanse of Sea* by Tahereh Mafi
33. *We'll Fly Away* by Bryan Bliss
34. *Wildcard* by Marie Lu



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Staff Picks 2018: Juvenile/Teen Nonfiction

1. *1,000 Facts About Insects* by Nancy Honovich
2. *Action Presidents: George Washington* by Fred Van Lente
3. *Alabama Spitfire: The Story of Harper Lee and To Kill a Mockingbird* by Bethany Hegedus
4. *Around the World in 50 Ways: Canoe, Camel, or Cable Car . . . You Choose!* by Dan Smith
5. *The Atlas Obscura Explorer's Guide for the World's Most Adventurous Kid* by Dylan Thuras
6. *Backyard Bears: Conservation, Habitat Changes, and the Rise of Urban Wildlife* by Amy Cherrix
7. *Between the Lines: How Ernie Barnes Went from the Football Field to the Art Gallery* by Sandra Neil Wallace
8. *Bold & Brave: Ten Heroes Who Won Women the Right to Vote* by Kirsten Gillibrand
9. *Boots on the Ground: America's War in Vietnam* by Elizabeth Partridge
10. *The Brilliant Deep: Rebuilding the World's Coral Reefs* by Kate Messner
11. *Camp Panda: Helping Cubs Return to the Wild* by Catherine Thimmesh
12. *Can I Touch Your Hair?: Poems of Race, Mistakes, and Friendship* by Irene Latham & Charles Waters
13. *Champion: The Comeback Tale of the American Chestnut Tree* by Sally M. Walker
14. *The Complete Cookbook for Young Chefs* by America's Test Kitchen Kids
15. *Countdown: 2979 Days to the Moon* by Suzanne Slade
16. *Counting on Katherine: How Katherine Johnson Saved Apollo 13* by Helaine Becker
17. *Crash: The Great Depression and the Fall and Rise of America* by Marc Favreau
18. *The Creativity Project: An Awesometastic Story Collection* by Colby Sharp
19. *Drawn from Nature* by Helen Ahpornsir
20. *Eleanor Roosevelt, Fighter for Justice: Her Impact on the Civil Rights Movement, the White House, and the World* by Ilene Cooper
21. *Endurance: My Year in Space and How I Got There* by Scott Kelly (Young Readers Edition)
22. *Epic Fails* series by Erik Slader & Ben Thompson
The Wright Brothers: Nose-Diving Into History *The Race to Space: Countdown to Liftoff*
23. *The Faithful Spy: Dietrich Bonhoeffer and the Plot to Kill Hitler* by John Hendrix
24. *First Generation: 36 Trailblazing Immigrants and Refugees Who Make America Great* by Sandra Neil Wallace & Rich Wallace
25. *Fly Girls: The Daring American Women Pilots Who Helped Win WWII* by P. O'Connell Pearson
26. *Fly with Me: A Celebration of Birds Through Pictures, Poems, and Stories* by Jane Yolen, Heidi E.Y. Stemple, Adam Stemple & Jason Stemple
27. *Flying Deep: Climb Inside Deep-Sea Submersible Alvin* by Michelle Cusolito
28. *The Girl Who Drew Butterflies: How Maria Merian's Art Changed Science* by Joyce Sidman
29. *Hey, Kiddo: How I Lost My Mother, Found My Father, and Dealt with Family Addiction* by Jarrett J. Krosoczka
30. *Hidden Figures: The True Story of Four Black Women and the Space Race* by Margot Lee Shetterly
31. *How I Resist: Activism and Hope for the New Generation* edited by Maureen Johnson
32. *How Tickles Saved Pickles: A True Story* by Maddie Johnson
33. *Howl Like a Wolf!* by Kathleen Yale
34. *The Hyena Scientist* by Sy Montgomery
35. *In the Past* by David Elliott
36. *Irving Berlin: The Immigrant Boy Who Made America Sing* by Nancy Churnin
37. *Joan Procter, Dragon Doctor: The Woman Who Loved Reptiles* by Patricia Valdez
38. *A Journey Through Art: A Global History* by Aaron Rosen
39. *Junior Maker: Experiments to Try, Crafts to Create, and Lots to Learn!* by DK
40. *Meet My Family: Animal Babies and Their Families* by Laura Purdie Salas
41. *Memphis, Martin, and the Mountaintop: The Sanitation Strike of 1968* by Alice Faye Duncan
42. *No Small Potatoes: Junius G. Groves and His Kingdom in Kansas* by Tonya Bolden
43. *Nothing Stopped Sophie: A Story of Math and Impossible Dreams* by Cheryl Bardoe

44. *Pass Go and Collect \$200: The Real Story of How Monopoly Was Invented* by Tanya Lee Stone
45. *Proud: Living My American Dream* by Ibtihaj Muhammad (Young Readers Edition)
46. *Rodent Rascals* by Roxie Munro
47. *Roses and Radicals: The Epic Story of How American Women Won the Right to Vote* by Susan Zimet
48. *Science Comics: Solar System: Our Place in Space* by Jon Chad
49. *Science Comics: Trees: Kings of the Forest* by Andy Hirsch
50. *The Secret Life of the Little Brown Bat* by Laurence Pringle
51. *Seeing Into Tomorrow* by Richard Wright & Nina Crews
52. *Shaking Things Up: 14 Young Women Who Changed the World* by Susan Hood
53. *Ski Solider: A World War II Biography* by Louise Borden
54. *Snowy Owl Invasion: Tracking an Unusual Migration* by Sandra Markle
55. *So Tall Within: Sojourner Truth's Long Walk Toward Freedom* by Gary D. Schmidt
56. *Something Rotten: A Fresh Look at Roadkill* by Heather L. Montgomery
57. *Spooked!: How a Radio Broadcast and the War of the Worlds Sparked the 1938 Invasion of America*
by Gail Jarrow
58. *Streetcar to Justice: How Elizabeth Jennings Won the Right to Ride in New York* by Amy Hill Hearth
59. *Thirty Minutes Over Oregon: A Japanese Pilot's World War II Story* by Marc Tyler Nobleman
60. *This Moment Is Your Life (And So Is This One): A Fun and Easy Guide to Mindfulness, Meditation, and Yoga for
Teens and Tweens* by Mariam Gates
61. *The Triumphant Tale of the House Sparrow* by Jan Thornhill
62. *Turning Pages: My Life Story* by Sonia Sotomayor
63. *The Ultimate Book of Sharks: Your Guide to These Fierce and Fantastic Fish* by Brian Skerry
64. *The United States v. Jackie Robinson* by Sudipta Bardham-Quallen
65. *The Unwanted: Stories of the Syrian Refugees* by Don Brown
66. *Water Land: Land and Water Forms Around the World* by Christy Hale
67. *We Rise, We Resist, We Raise Our Voices* edited by Wade Hudson
68. *Weird-But-True Know-It-All: Greek Mythology* by Sarah Wassner Flynn
69. *What Do You Do with a Voice Like That?: The Story of Extraordinary Congresswoman Barbara Jordan* by Chris
Barton
70. *When Angels Sing: The Story of Rock Legend Carlos Santana* by Michael James Mahin
71. *With My Hands: Poems About Making Things* by Amy Ludwig Vanderwater
72. *Words That Built a Nation: Voices of Democracy That Have Shaped America's History* by Marilyn Miller, Ellen
Scordato & Dan Tucker
73. *Young, Gifted and Black: Meet 52 Black Heroes from Past and Present* by Jamia Wilson



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