

CALDECOTT AWARD WINNERS, 1938 - 2023
Distinguished American Picture Book for Children

- 2023 Winner: *Hot Dog* by Doug Salati**
Honor Books: *Ain't Burned All the Bright* by Jason Reynolds
Berry Song by Michaela Goade
Choosing Brave: How Mamie Till-Mobley and Emmett Till Sparked the Civil Rights Movement by Angela Joy
Knight Owl by Christopher Denise
- 2022 Winner: *Watercress* by Andrea Wang**
Honor Books: *Have You Ever Seen a Flower* by Shawn Harris
Mel Fell by Corey R. Tabor
Unspeakable: The Tulsa Race Massacre by Carole Boston Weatherford
Wonder Walkers by Micha Archer
- 2021 Winner: *We are Water Protectors* by Carol Lindstrom**
Honor Books: *A Place Inside of Me: A Poem to Heal the Heart* by Zetta Elliott
The Cat Man of Aleppo by Irene Latham and Karim Shamsi-Basha
Me & Mama by Cozbi A. Cabrera
Outside In by Deborah Underwood
- 2020 Winner: *The Undeclared* by Kwame Alexander**
Honor Books: *Bear Came Along* by Richard T. Morris
Double Bass Blues by Andrea J. Loney
Going Down Home with Daddy by Kelly Starling Lyons
- 2019 Winner: *Hello Lighthouse* by Sophie Blackall**
Honor Books: *Alma and How She Got Her Name* by Juana Martinez-Neal
A Big Mooncake for Little Star by Grace Lin
The Rough Patch by Brian Lies
Thank you, Omu! by Oge Mora
- 2018 Winner: *Wolf in the Snow* by Matthew Cordell**
Honor Books: *Big Cat, Little Cat* by Elisha Cooper
Crown: An Ode to the Fresh Cut by Gordon C. James
A Different Pond by Thi Bui
Grand Canyon by Jason Chin
- 2017 Winner: *Radiant Child: The Story of Youth Artist Jean-Michel Basquiat* by Javaka Steptoe**
Honor Books: *Leave Me Alone!* by Vera Brosgol
Freedom in Congo Square by R. Gregory Christie
Du Iz Tak? by Carson Ellis
They All Saw a Cat by Brendan Wenzel
- 2016 Winner: *Finding Winnie: The True Story of the World's Most Famous Bear* by Lindsay Mattick**
Honor Books: *Trombone Shorty* by Troy Andrews
Waiting by Kevin Henkes
Voice of Freedom: Fannie Lou Hamer, Spirit of the Civil Rights Movement by Carole Boston Weatherford
Last Stop on Market Street by Matt de la Peña



- 2015 Winner: *The Adventures of Beekle: The Unimaginary Friend* by Dan Santat**
Honor Books: *Nana in the City* by Lauren Castillo
The Noisy Paint Box: the Colors and Sounds of Kandinsky's Abstract Art by Barb Rosenstock
Sam & Dave Dig a Hole by Mac Barnett
Viva Frida by Yuyi Morales
The Right Word: Roget and His Thesaurus by Jen Bryant
This One Summer by Mariko Tamaki
- 2014 Winner: *Locomotive* by Brian Floca**
Honor Books: *Journey* by Aaron Becker
Flora and the Flamingo by Molly Idle
Mr. Wuffles! by David Weisner
- 2013 Winner: *This Is Not My Hat* by Jon Klassen**
Honor Books: *Creepy Carrots!* by Aaron Reynolds
Extra Yarn by Mac Barnett
Green by Laura Vaccaro Seeger
One Cool Friend by Toni Buzzeo
Sleep Like a Tiger by Mary Logue
- 2012 Winner: *A Ball for Daisy* by Chris Raschka**
Honor Books: *Blackout* by John Rocco
Grandpa Green by Lane Smith
Me...Jane by Patrick McDonnell
- 2011 Winner: *A Sick Day for Amos McGee* by Philip C. Stead**
Honor Books: *Dave the Potter: Artist, Poet, Slave* by Laban Carrick Hill
Interrupting Chicken by David Ezra Stein
- 2010 Winner: *The Lion & the Mouse* by Jerry Pinkney**
Honor Books: *All the World* by Liz Garton Scanlon
Red Sings from Treetops: A Year in Colors by Joyce Sidman
- 2009 Winner: *The House in the Night* by Susan Marie Swanson**
Honor Books: *A Couple of Boys Have the Best Week Ever* by Marla Frazee
How I Learned Geography by Uri Shulevitz
A River of Words: The Story of William Carlos Williams by Jen Bryant
- 2008 Winner: *The Invention of Hugo Cabret* by Brian Selznick**
Honor Books: *Henry's Freedom Box: A True Story from the Underground Railroad* by Ellen Levine
First the Egg by Laura Vaccaro Seeger
The Wall: Growing Up Behind the Iron Curtain by Peter Sís
Knuffle Bunny Too: A Case of Mistaken Identity by Mo Willems
- 2007 Winner: *Flotsam* by David Wiesner**
Honor Books: *Gone Wild: An Endangered Animal Alphabet* by David McLimans
Moses: When Harriet Tubman Led Her People to Freedom by Carole Boston Weatherford
- 2006 Winner: *The Hello, Goodbye Window* by Norton Juster**
Honor Books: *Rosa* by Nikki Giovanni
Zen Shorts by Jon J. Muth
Hot Air: The (Mostly) True Story of the First Hot-Air Balloon Ride by Marjorie Priceman
Song of the Water Boatman and Other Pond Poems by Joyce Sidman

- 2005 Winner: *Kitten's First Full Moon* by Kevin Henkes**
Honor Books: *The Red Book* by Barbara Lehman
Coming on Home Soon by Jacqueline Woodson
Knuffle Bunny: A Cautionary Tale by Mo Willems
- 2004 Winner: *The Man Who Walked Between the Towers* by Mordicai Gerstein**
Honor Books: *Ella Sarah Gets Dressed* by Margaret Chodos-Irvine
What Do You Do with a Tail Like This? by Steve Jenkins and Robin Page
Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus by Mo Willems
- 2003 Winner: *My Friend Rabbit* by Eric Rohmann**
Honor Books: *The Spider and the Fly* by Mary Howitt
Hondo & Fabian by Peter McCarty
Noah's Ark by Jerry Pinkney
- 2002 Winner: *The Three Pigs* by David Wiesner**
Honor Books: *The Dinosaurs of Waterhouse Hawkins* by Barbara Kerley
Martin's Big Words: the Life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. by Doreen Rappaport
The Stray Dog by Marc Simont
- 2001 Winner: *So You Want to Be President?* by Judith St. George**
Honor Books: *Casey at the Bat* by Ernest Thayer
Click, Clack, Moo: Cows that Type by Doreen Cronin
Olivia by Ian Falconer
- 2000 Winner: *Joseph Had a Little Overcoat* Simms Taback**
Honor Books: *A Child's Calendar* by John Updike
Sector 7 by David Wiesner
- 1999 Winner: *Snowflake Bentley* by Jacqueline Briggs Martin**
Honor Books: *Duke Ellington: The Piano Prince and His Orchestra* by Andrea Davis Pinkney
No, David! by David Shannon
Snow by Uri Shulevitz
Tibet through the Red Box by Peter Sís
- 1998 Winner: *Rapunzel* by Paul O. Zelinsky**
Honor Books: *The Gardener* by Sarah Stewart
Harlem by Walter Dean Myers
There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly by Simms Taback
- 1997 Winner: *Golem* by David Wisniewski**
Honor Books: *Hush! A Thai Lullaby* by Minfong Ho
The Graphic Alphabet by David Pelletier
The Paperboy by Dav Pilkey
Starry Messenger by Peter Sís
- 1996 Winner: *Officer Buckle and Gloria* by Peggy Rathmann**
Honor Books: *Alphabet City* by Stephen T. Johnson
Zin! Zin! Zin! a Violin by Lloyd Moss
The Faithful Friend by Robert D. San Souci
Tops & Bottoms by Janet Stevens

- 1995 Winner: *Smoky Night* by Eve Bunting**
Honor Books: *John Henry* by Julius Lester
Swamp Angel by Anne Issacs
Time Flies by Eric Rohmann
- 1994 Winner: *Grandfather's Journey* by Allen Say; edited by Walter Lorraine**
Honor Books: *Peppe the Lamplighter* by Elisa Bartone
In the Small, Small Pond by Denise Fleming
Raven: A Trickster Tale from the Pacific Northwest by Gerald McDermott
Owen by Kevin Henkes
Yo! Yes? by Chris Raschka
- 1993 Winner: *Mirette on the High Wire* by Emily Arnold McCully**
Honor Books: *The Stinky Cheese Man and Other Fairly Stupid Tales* by Jon Scieszka
Seven Blind Mice by Ed Young
Working Cotton by Sherley Anne Williams
- 1992 Winner: *Tuesday* by David Wiesner**
Honor Book: *Tar Beach* by Faith Ringgold
- 1991 Winner: *Black and White* by David Macaulay**
Honor Books: *Puss in Boots* by Charles Perrault, trans. by Malcolm Arthur
"More More More," Said the Baby: Three Love Stories by Vera B. Williams
- 1990 Winner: *Lon Po Po: A Red-Riding Hood Story from China* by Ed Young**
Honor Books: *Bill Peet: An Autobiography* by Bill Peet
Color Zoo by Lois Ehlert
The Talking Eggs: A Folktale from the American South by Robert D. San Souci
Hershel and the Hanukkah Goblins by Eric Kimmel
- 1989 Winner: *Song and Dance Man* by Karen Ackerman**
Honor Books: *The Boy of the Three-Year Nap* by Diane Snyder
Free Fall by David Wiesner
Goldilocks and the Three Bears by James Marshall
Mirandy and Brother Wind by Patricia C. McKissack
- 1988 Winner: *Owl Moon* by Jane Yolen**
Honor Book: *Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters: An African Tale* by John Steptoe
- 1987 Winner: *Hey, Al* by Arthur Yorinks**
Honor Books: *The Village of Round and Square Houses* by Ann Grifalconi
Alphabatics by Suse MacDonald
Rumpelstiltskin by Paul O. Zelinsky
- 1986 Winner: *The Polar Express* by Chris Van Allsburg**
Honor Books: *The Relatives Came* by Cynthia Rylant
King Bidgood's in the Bathtub by Audrey Wood
- 1985 Winner: *Saint George and the Dragon* by Margaret Hodges**
Honor Books: *Hansel and Gretel* by Rika Lesser
Have You Seen My Duckling? by Nancy Tafuri
The Story of Jumping Mouse: A Native American Legend by John Steptoe

- 1984 Winner: *The Glorious Flight: Across the Channel with Louis Bleriot* by Alice & Martin Provensen**
Honor Books: *Little Red Riding Hood* by Trina Schart Hyman
Ten, Nine, Eight by Molly Bang
- 1983 Winner: *Shadow* by Marcia Brown, original text in French by Blaise Cendrars**
Honor Books: *A Chair for My Mother* by Vera B. Williams
When I Was Young in the Mountains by Cynthia Rylant
- 1982 Winner: *Jumanji* by Chris Van Allsburg**
Honor Books: *Where the Buffaloes Begin* by Olaf Baker
On Market Street by Arnold Lobel
Outside Over There by Maurice Sendak
A Visit to William Blake's Inn: Poems for Innocent and Experienced Travelers by Nancy Willard
- 1981 Winner: *Fables* by Arnold Lobel**
Honor Books: *The Bremen-Town Musicians* by Ilse Plume
The Grey Lady and the Strawberry Snatcher by Molly Bang
Mice Twice by Joseph Low
Truck by Donald Crews
- 1980 Winner: *Ox-Cart Man* by Donald Hall**
Honor Books: *Ben's Trumpet* by Rachel Isadora
The Garden Of Abdul Gasazi by Chris Van Allsburg
The Treasure by Uri Shulevitz
- 1979 Winner: *The Girl Who Loved Wild Horses* by Paul Goble**
Honor Books: *Freight Train* by Donald Crews
The Way to Start a Day by Byrd Baylor
- 1978 Winner: *Noah's Ark* by Peter Spier**
Honor Books: *Castle* by David Macaulay
It Could Always Be Worse by Margot Zemach
- 1977 Winner: *Ashanti to Zulu: African Traditions* by Margaret Musgrove**
Honor Books: *The Amazing Bone* by William Steig
The Contest by Nonny Hogrogian
Fish for Supper by M. B. Goffstein
The Golem: A Jewish Legend by Beverly Brodsky McDermott
Hawk, I'm Your Brother by Byrd Baylor
- 1976 Winner: *Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears* by Verna Aardema**
Honor Books: *The Desert is Theirs* by Byrd Baylor
Strega Nona by Tomie de Paola
- 1975 Winner: *Arrow to the Sun* by Gerald McDermott**
Honor Book: *Jambo Means Hello: A Swahili Alphabet Book* by Muriel Feelings
- 1974 Winner: *Duffy and the Devil* by Harve Zemach**
Honor Books: *Three Jovial Huntsmen* by Susan Jeffers
Cathedral by David Macaulay
- 1973 Winner: *The Funny Little Woman* by Arlene Mosel**

- Honor Books: *Anansi the Spider: A Tale from the Ashanti* by Gerald McDermott
Hosie's Alphabet by Hosea, Tobias & Lisa Baskin
Snow-White and the Seven Dwarfs by Randall Jarrell, retold from the Brothers Grimm
When Clay Sings by Byrd Baylor
- 1972 Winner: *One Fine Day* by Nonny Hogrogian**
Honor Books: *Hildilid's Night* by Cheli Durán Ryan
If All the Seas Were One Sea by Janina Domanska
Moja Means One: Swahili Counting Book by Muriel Feelings
- 1971 Winner: *A Story A Story* by Gail E. Haley**
Honor Books: *The Angry Moon* by William Sleator
Frog and Toad are Friends by Arnold Lobel
In the Night Kitchen by Maurice Sendak
- 1970 Winner: *Sylvester and the Magic Pebble* by William Steig**
Honor Books: *Goggles!* by Ezra Jack Keats
Alexander and the Wind-Up Mouse by Leo Lionni
Pop Corn & Ma Goodness by Edna Mitchell Preston
Thy Friend, Obadiah by Brinton Turkle
The Judge: An Untrue Tale by Harve Zemach
- 1969 Winner: *The Fool of the World and the Flying Ship* by Arthur Ransome**
Honor Book: *Why the Sun and the Moon Live in the Sky* by Elphinstone Dayrell
- 1968 Winner: *Drummer Hoff* by Barbara Emberley**
Honor Books: *Frederick* by Leo Lionni
Seashore Story by Taro Yashima
The Emperor and the Kite by Jane Yolen
- 1967 Winner: *Sam, Bangs & Moonshine* by Evaline Ness**
Honor Book: *One Wide River to Cross* by Barbara Emberley
- 1966 Winner: *Always Room for One More* by Sorche Nic Leodhas, pseud. [Leclair Alger]**
Honor Books: *Hide and Seek Fog* by Alvin Tresselt
Just Me by Marie Hall Ets
Tom Tit Tot by Evaline Ness
- 1965 Winner: *May I Bring a Friend?* by Beatrice Schenk de Regniers**
Honor Books: *Rain Makes Applesauce* by Julian Scheer
The Wave by Margaret Hodges
A Pocketful of Cricket by Rebecca Caudill
- 1964 Winner: *Where the Wild Things Are* by Maurice Sendak**
Honor Books: *Swimmy* by Leo Lionni
All in the Morning Early by Sorche Nic Leodhas, pseud. [Leclair Alger]
Mother Goose and Nursery Rhymes illustrated by Philip Reed
- 1963 Winner: *The Snowy Day* by Ezra Jack Keats**
Honor Books: *The Sun is a Golden Earring* by Natalia M. Belting
Mr. Rabbit and the Lovely Present by Charlotte Zolotow
- 1962 Winner: *Once a Mouse* by Marcia Brown**

- Honor Books: *Fox Went out on a Chilly Night: An Old Song* by Peter Spier
Little Bear's Visit by Else H. Minarik
The Day We Saw the Sun Come Up by Alice E. Goudey
- 1961 Winner: *Baboushka and the Three Kings* by Ruth Robbins**
Honor Book: *Inch by Inch* by Leo Lionni
- 1960 Winner: *Nine Days to Christmas* by Marie Hall Ets and Aurora Labastida**
Honor Books: *Houses from the Sea* by Alice E. Goudey
The Moon Jumpers by Janice May Udry
- 1959 Winner: *Chanticleer and the Fox* by Barbara Cooney**
Honor Books: *The House that Jack Built: La Maison Que Jacques A Batie* by Antonio Frasconi
What Do You Say, Dear? by Sesyle Joslin
Umbrella by Taro Yashima
- 1958 Winner: *Time of Wonder* by Robert McCloskey**
Honor Books: *Fly High, Fly Low* by Don Freeman
Anatole and the Cat by Eve Titus
- 1957 Winner: *A Tree is Nice* by Janice Udry**
Honor Books: *Mr. Penny's Race Horse* by Marie Hall Ets
1 is One by Tasha Tudor
Anatole by Eve Titus
Gillespie and the Guards by Benjamin Elkin
Lion by William Pène du Bois
- 1956 Winner: *Frog Went A-Courtin'* by John Langstaff**
Honor Books: *Play With Me* by Marie Hall Ets
Crow Boy by Taro Yashima
- 1955 Winner: *Cinderella, or the Little Glass Slipper* by Marcia Brown**
Honor Books: *Book of Nursery and Mother Goose Rhymes* illustrated by Marguerite de Angeli
Wheel On The Chimney by Margaret Wise Brown
The Thanksgiving Story by Alice Dalgliesh
- 1954 Winner: *Madeline's Rescue* by Ludwig Bemelmans**
Honor Books: *Journey Cake, Ho!* by Ruth Sawyer
When Will the World Be Mine? by Miriam Schlein
The Steadfast Tin Soldier by Hans Christian Andersen, translated by M. R. James
A Very Special House by Ruth Krauss
Green Eyes by A. Birnbaum
- 1953 Winner: *The Biggest Bear* by Lynd Ward**
Honor Books: *Puss in Boots* by Marcia Brown
One Morning in Maine by Robert McCloskey
Ape in a Cape: An Alphabet of Odd Animals by Fritz Eichenberg
The Storm Book by Charlotte Zolotow
Five Little Monkeys by Juliet Kepes
- 1952 Winner: *Finders Keepers* by William Lipkind**
Honor Books: *Mr. T. W. Anthony Woo* by Marie Hall Ets
Skipper John's Cook by Marcia Brown

All Falling Down by Gene Zion
Bear Party by William Pène du Bois
Feather Mountain by Elizabeth Olds

- 1951 Winner: *The Egg Tree* by Katherine Milhous**
Honor Books: *Dick Whittington and his Cat* by Marcia Brown
The Two Reds by William Lipkind
If I Ran the Zoo by Dr. Seuss
The Most Wonderful Doll in the World by Phyllis McGinley
T-Bone, the Baby Sitter by Clare Turlay Newberry
- 1950 Winner: *Song of the Swallows* by Leo Politi**
Honor Books: *America's Ethan Allen* by Stewart Holbrook
The Wild Birthday Cake by Lavinia R. Davis
The Happy Day by Ruth Krauss
Bartholomew and the Oobleck by Dr. Seuss
Henry Fisherman by Marcia Brown
- 1949 Winner: *The Big Snow* by Berta & Elmer Hader**
Honor Books: *Blueberries for Sal* by Robert McCloskey
All Around the Town by Phyllis McGinley
Juanita by Leo Politi
Fish in the Air by Kurt Wiese
- 1948 Winner: *White Snow, Bright Snow* by Alvin Tresselt**
Honor Books: *Stone Soup* by Marcia Brown
McElligot's Pool by Dr. Seuss
Bambino the Clown by Georges Schreiber
Roger and the Fox by Lavinia R. Davis
Song of Robin Hood by Anne Malcolmson
- 1947 Winner: *The Little Island* by Margaret Wise Brown**
Honor Books: *Rain Drop Splash* by Alvin Tresselt
Boats on the River by Marjorie Flack
Timothy Turtle by Al Graham
Pedro, the Angel of Olvera Street by Leo Politi
Sing in Praise: A Collection of the Best Loved Hymns by Opal Wheeler
- 1946 Winner: *The Rooster Crows* by Maud & Miska Petersham**
Honor Books: *Little Lost Lamb* by Margaret Wise Brown
Sing Mother Goose illustrated by Marjorie Torrey
My Mother is the Most Beautiful Woman in the World by Becky Reyher
You Can Write Chinese by Kurt Wiese
- 1945 Winner: *Prayer for a Child* by Rachel Field**
Honor Books: *Mother Goose* illustrated by Tasha Tudor
In the Forest by Marie Hall Ets
Yonie Wondernose by Marguerite de Angeli
The Christmas Anna Angel by Ruth Sawyer
- 1944 Winner: *Many Moons* by James Thurber**
Honor Books: *Small Rain: Verses From The Bible* by Jessie Orton Jones
Pierre Pidgeon by Lee Kingman

The Mighty Hunter by Berta & Elmer Hader
A Child's Good Night Book by Margaret Wise Brown
Good-Luck Horse by Chih-Yi Chan

- 1943 Winner:** ***The Little House* by Virginia Lee Burton**
Honor Books: *Dash and Dart* by Mary & Conrad Buff
Marshmallow by Clare Turlay Newberry
- 1942 Winner:** ***Make Way for Ducklings* by Robert McCloskey**
Honor Books: *An American ABC* by Maud & Miska Petersham
In My Mother's House by Ann Nolan Clark
Paddle-To-The-Sea by Holling C. Holling
Nothing At All by Wanda Gág
- 1941 Winner:** ***They Were Strong and Good* by Robert Lawson**
Honor Book: *April's Kittens* by Clare Turlay Newberry
- 1940 Winner:** ***Abraham Lincoln* by Ingri & Edgar Parin d'Aulaire**
Honor Books: *Cock-a-Doodle Doo* by Berta & Elmer Hader
Madeline by Ludwig Bemelmans
The Ageless Story by Lauren Ford
- 1939 Winner:** ***Mei Li* by Thomas Handforth**
Honor Books: *Andy and the Lion* by James Daugherty
Barkis by Clare Turlay Newberry
The Forest Pool by Laura Adams Armer
Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs by Wanda Gág
Wee Gillis by Munro Leaf
- 1938 Winner:** ***Animals of the Bible, A Picture Book* by Helen Dean Fish**
Honor Books: *Four and Twenty Blackbirds* by Helen Dean Fish
Seven Simeons: A Russian Tale by Boris Artzybasheff