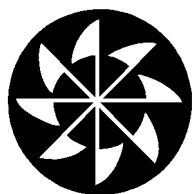


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ALA BOOK AWARDS ANNOUNCED

American Library Association (ALA) announced winners of the Caldecott, King, Newbery, and Printz awards at its Midwinter Meeting in San Antonio. The 2006 Caldecott Medal, the most distinguished American picture book for children, was awarded to The Hello, Goodbye Window, illustrated by Chris Raschka. The book was written by Norton Juster and published by Michael di Capua Books, an imprint of Hyperion Books for Children. The 2006 Newbery Medal for the most outstanding contribution to children's literature is Criss Cross, written by Lynne Rae Perkins. The book is published by Greenwillow Books, an imprint of HarperCollins Publishers.

Four Caldecott Honor Books were also named: Rosa, illustrated by Bryan Collier, written by Nikki Giovanni and published by Henry Holt and Company; Zen Shorts, written and illustrated by Jon J. Muth and published by Scholastic Press; Hot Air: The (Mostly) True Story of the First Hot-Air Balloon Ride, written and illustrated by Marjorie Priceman, An Anne Schwartz Book from Atheneum Books for Young Readers, Simon & Schuster; Song of the Water Boatman and Other Pond Poems, illustrated by Beckie Prange, written by Joyce Sidman and published by Houghton Mifflin Company.

Four Newbery Honor Books also were named: Whittington by Alan Armstrong, illustrated by S.D. Schindler and published by Random House; Hitler Youth: Growing Up in Hitler's Shadow by Susan Campbell Bartoletti and published by Scholastic Nonfiction, an imprint of Scholastic; Princess Academy by Shannon Hale, published by Bloomsbury Children's Books; and Show Way by Jacqueline Woodson, illustrated by Hudson Talbott and published by G.P. Putnam's Sons.

The Michael L. Printz Award, for excellence in

literature written for young adults, is Looking for Alaska, written by John Green. The book is published by Dutton Books, a member of Penguin Group (USA), Inc. Four Printz Honor Books are Black Juice by Margo Lanagan, published by EOS, an imprint of HarperCollins; I Am the Messenger by Markus Zusak, published by Alfred A. Knopf, an imprint of Random House Children's Books; John Lennon: All I Want Is the Truth, a Photographic Biography by Elizabeth Partridge, published by Viking, a member of Penguin Group (USA), Inc.; and A Wreath for Emmett Till, written by Marilyn Nelson, illustrated by Philippe Lardy and published by Houghton Mifflin Company.

Coretta Scott King (Author) Book Award recognizes an African American author and illustrator of outstanding books for children and young adults. The 2006 winner is Day of Tears: A Novel in Dialogue, written by Julius Lester. The book is published by Jump at the Sun, an imprint of Hyperion Books for Children. The Coretta Scott King (Illustrator) Book Award goes to Rosa.

Three King Author Honor Books were selected: Maritcha: A Nineteenth-Century American Girl by Tonya Bolden, published by Harry N. Abrams, Inc., Publishers; Dark Sons by Nikki Grimes, published by Jump at the Sun, an imprint of Hyperion Books for Children; and A Wreath for Emmett Till, written by Marilyn Nelson, illustrated by Philippe Lardy and published by Houghton Mifflin Company. A single King Illustrator Honor Book was selected: Brothers in Hope: The Story of the Lost Boys of Sudan by R. Gregory Christie, published by Lee and Low Books.

Jimi & Me, written by Jaime Adoff, is the Coretta Scott King/John Steptoe New Talent Author Award winner. The book is published by Jump at the Sun, an imprint of Hyperion Books for Children.

The Pura Belpré (Illustrator) Award honoring a

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Latino writer and illustrator whose children's books best portray, affirm, and celebrate the Latino cultural experience was awarded to Doña Flor: A Tall Tale About a Giant Woman with a Great Big Heart, illustrated by Raul Colón. The book was written by Pat Mora and published by Alfred A. Knopf, a division of Random House. The Pura Belpré (Author) Award was won by Viola Canales for her book, The Tequila Worm, published by Wendy Lamb Books, a division of Random House. Three Belpré Illustrator Honor Books for illustration were selected: Arrorró, Mi Niño: Latino Lullabies and Gentle Games, selected and illustrated by Lulu Delacre and published by Lee & Low Books, Inc.; César: ¡Sí, Se Puede! Yes, We Can! illustrated by David Diaz, written by Carmen T. Bernier-Grand and published by Marshall Cavendish; and My Name Is Celia/Me Llamo Celia: The Life of Celia Cruz/La Vida de Celia Cruz, illustrated by Rafael López, written by Monica Brown and published by Luna Rising, a bilingual imprint of Rising Moon. Three Belpré Author Honor Books were named: César: ¡Sí, Se Puede! Yes, We Can!, Doña Flor: A Tall Tale About a Giant Woman with a Great Big Heart, and Becoming Naomi León by Pam Muñoz Ryan and published by Scholastic Press.

The Schneider Family Book Award chooses books that embody an artistic expression of the disability experience. Dad, Jackie, and Me written by Myron Uhlberg, illustrated by Colin Bootman and published by Peachtree Press, won the award for children ages 0 to 10. Kimberly Newton Fusco is the winner of the middle-school (ages 11-13) award for Tending to Grace, published by Alfred A. Knopf, an imprint of Random House Children's Books. The teen (ages 13-18) award winner is Under the Wolf, Under the Dog, written by Adam Rapp and published by Candlewick Press.

Theodor Seuss Geisel Award is made for the most distinguished beginning reader book. Henry and Mudge and the Great Grandpas, written by Cynthia Rylant and illustrated by Suçie Stevenson is the Seuss Award winner. The book is published by Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers. Four Geisel Honor Books were named: Hi! Fly Guy by Tedd Arnold and published by Cartwheel Books, an imprint of Scholastic Inc.; A Splendid Friend, Indeed by Suzanne Bloom and published by Boyds Mills Press; Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa by Erica Silverman, illustrated by Betsy Lewin and published by Harcourt, Inc.; and Amanda Pig and

the Really Hot Day by Jean Van Leeuwen, illustrated by Ann Schweninger and published by Dial Books for Young Readers, a division of Penguin Young Readers Group.

The Margaret A. Edwards Award is an award for lifetime achievement in writing for young adults. Jacqueline Woodson is the 2006 Edwards Award winner. Her books include: I Hadn't Meant to Tell You This, and its sequel, Lena: From the Notebooks of Melanin Sun, If You Come Softly, and Miracle's Boys.

Robert F. Sibert Informational Book Award for most distinguished informational book for children. Secrets of a Civil War Submarine: Solving the Mysteries of the H.L. Hunley, written by Sally M. Walker, is the Sibert Award winner. The book is published by Carolrhoda Books, Inc., a division of Lerner Publishing Group. One Sibert Honor Book was named: Hitler Youth: Growing Up in Hitler's Shadow.

The Andrew Carnegie Medal is awarded for excellence in children's video. Michael Sporn, of Michael Sporn Animation, Inc., and Paul Gagne and Melissa Reilly, of Weston Woods Studios, producers of The Man Who Walked Between the Towers are the Carnegie Medal winners. The video is based on the book by Mordicai Gerstein and is narrated by Jake Gyllenhaal, with music by Michael Bacon.

The Mildred L. Batchelder Award for an outstanding children's book translated from a foreign language and subsequently published in the United States went to An Innocent Soldier. It is published by Arthur A. Levine Books, an imprint of Scholastic Inc. Originally published in German in 2002 as Der Russländer, the book was written by Josef Holub and translated by Michael Hofmann. Two Batchelder Honor Books also were selected: Nicholas, published by Phaidon Press Limited and When I Was a Soldier, published by Bloomsbury Children's Books.

Alex Awards are for the ten best adult books that appeal to teen audiences. They are as follows:

- Midnight at the Dragon Café, written by Judy Fong Bates and published by Counterpoint
- Upstate, written by Kalisha Buckhanon and published by St Martins
- Anansi Boys, written by Neil Gaiman and published by William Morrow & Company
- As Simple as Snow, written by Gregory Gallaway and published by Putnam

- *Never Let Me Go*, written by Kazuo Ishiguro and published by Alfred A. Knopf
- *Gil's All Fright Diner*, written by A. Lee Martinez, published by Tor
- *The Necessary Beggar*, written by Susan Palwick and published by Tor
- *My Jim*, written by Nancy Rawles and published by Crown
- *Jesus Land: A Memoir*, written by Julia Scheeres, and published by Counterpoint
- *The Glass Castle: A Memoir*, written by Jeannette Walls and published by Scribner

The May Hill Arbuthnot Honor Lecture Award recognizes an author, critic, librarian, historian, or teacher of children's literature, who then presents a lecture at a winning host site. Kevin Henkes will deliver the 2007 lecture. Henkes has published seven novels and more than 20 picture books, as well as a number of board books for young children.

For complete coverage, go to ALA's website at <http://news.ala.org/releases/rollup.html>.

BRIEFINGS

Carlsbad library renovation. After seven long months of jackhammers and dust, the Children's area of the Carlsbad Public Library is finally ready to reopen. The \$435,000 remodel began last June with the transfer of 10,000 juvenile items to temporary quarters, then the existing wood flooring and cement pilings were removed and the entire 4,000 square foot area was lowered 27 inches to match the rest the library. This was necessary to eliminate a non-ADA compliant ramp and stairs that were installed during the last renovation in 1961. As the Carlsbad library has been on site over 100 years, many changes were needed. Two old fireplaces and exposed ceiling beams were enclosed, while a new family restroom and children's program room were added. Spacious information and computer desks were put in and new carpet, shelving, and lights were also installed. The walls were painted a restful blue and sound-dampening wall coverings were added. The addition of three library hamsters (Humphrey, Harry, and Hermione) was the finishing touch. Response from the Carlsbad community has been overwhelmingly positive and library staff members are very pleased with the final

result.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dream Journal/Pop-Ups II workshops. The New Mexico State Library would like to help you dream with your choice of three workshop sessions. Create an incredible dream journal from beautiful papers, colorful string, interesting beads, and a huge array of rubber stamps. Using the basic accordion fold with pocket, make a keepsake that can hold quotations, small pictures, dream details, wishes, etc.

The instructor is Aurelia Gomez from the Museum of International Folk Art, the site of the "Dream On: Beds from Asia to Europe" exhibit. Target audience is the youth services librarians in public libraries taking part in the 2006 Statewide Summer Reading Program: Lasting Impressions. Workshop dates and locations are as follows:

- February 7, Tuesday
New Mexico State Library, Santa Fe, 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- February 22, Wednesday
Fort Sumner (Court House Annex), 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- March 1, Wednesday
New Mexico State Library, Santa Fe, 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Further details and registration info are on the State Library website at <http://www.stlib.state.nm.us> under Librarian Training Calendar (second item under Development Services in the middle right side of the homepage). Be sure and click on the words "Dream Journal/Pop Ups II Workshop" title (in color) to get the full scoop. Questions? Contact Kathy Barco, Youth Services Coordinator, toll-free at 1-800-340-3890 or e-mail kathy.barco@state.nm.us.

JOBS

Librarian. The University of New Mexico-Gallup, Zollinger Library, invites applications for an expected full-time, nine month position, a Lecturer position in librarianship. Applicants should be prepared to plan and coordinate Library automation and Technical Services

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activities, including original cataloging, and to serve as a resource in leading, coaching, and mentoring Library staff with the ability to work as part of a team. The position requires providing reference and instruction services to the college community and the extended community; facilitating an awareness of resources; being active in providing library bibliographic instruction; assisting in collection development. The selected individual must be able to assist the Library Department Chair and appropriate administrators in developing ideas that meet and/or anticipate the Library services objectives, which include maintaining a close working relationship with campus and community. Minimum requirements include a Master's degree in Library Science, Library & Information Science or equivalent from an ALA accredited institution in hand within one year of hire and one to five years of library experience. Desirable qualifications include experience in coordinating technical services functions, particularly cataloging; working knowledge of OCLC and Library of Congress Systems; ability to train paraprofessionals in cataloging practices; evidence of strong interpersonal and communication skills; knowledge of providing reference services; strong commitment to user-focused service as stated in letter of interest; evidence of ability to work effectively with students and faculty of diverse cultural background, preferably with Southwestern cultures; experience with web page development, e-resource management and bibliographic instruction. Summer teaching possible with additional compensation. Base salary is commensurate with qualifications/budget policy. To apply, send a signed letter of interest (address desirable qualifications in letter of interest), one-page essay concerning team management and shared governance for libraries, curriculum vita/résumé with listing of employment dates by month/year, legible copies of all undergraduate and graduate transcripts, three current professional references with name, address, email address and phone number. Application must be received by UNM-Gallup Personnel Office, 200 College road, Gallup, NM 87301, no later than 5 p.m. February 3 for best consideration (will remain open until filled). Please indicate JR#5968. Successful candidate must be prepared to submit official transcripts. Faxed applications will only be accepted if hard copy is mailed within twenty-four hours. A detailed job description and how to apply is available on the website at <http://www.unm.edu/~oeounm/facpost.html>. Must be legally authorized to work in USA. The University of New Mexico is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer and Educator.