



2023 Purple Dragonfly Book Award Winners

Grand Prize Winner:

Pebbles and the Biggest Number
by Joey Benun, illustrated by Laura Watson

\$100 Drawing Winner:

Edgar Allan Know and His Big Busy Brain
by Rahni Varieur-Davies

Activity Books

1st Place: The Case of the Stolen Treasure: A Mystery Activity Book by Sara Furlong

2nd Place: Kayla: A Modern-Day Princess Activity Book by Deedee Cummings, illustrated by Charlene Mosley

Honorable Mention:

Tools to Cool: Finding Ways to Cope by Stephanie Scott, illustrated by Natalia Starikova

My Little Angel Coloring Book by Sherrill S. Cannon, illustrated by Kalpart

Hello, It's Me! by Elena Schietinger

Wabash & Erie Canal Activity Book by Leland P. Gamson, illustrated by Karen Camden Welsh

ABCity by Roxie Munro

My Fingerpaint Masterpiece Coloring Book by Sherrill S. Cannon, illustrated by Kalpart

Activity Kit

1st Place: The Case of the Stolen Treasure: A Mystery Activity Book by Sara Furlong

Animals/Pets

1st Place (tie): Desert Friends (Travels with the Pack) by Linda Harkey, illustrated by Mike Minick

1st Place (tie): Lauren The Cow by T.I. Frazier, illustrated by Meritxell Andreu

1st Place (tie): Find Your Brave by Kristen Lloyd

2nd Place (tie): Geckos in the Garden by Ruth Amanda

Honorable Mention:

Nicky, A Boy's Furry Companion by Bonnie Lou Schreiner

Phoebe the Flamingo by Ethan Warlick, illustrated by Kim Warlick

Wild about the Alphabet! (and Other Tales) by Mike Crowder

Rescuing Reed: The Little Dog Who Could by Heidi Mottin, illustrated by Stephani Fliss

Riley the Little Lost Corgi by Tammy Knudtson, illustrated by Robert Sauber

Story Swapping A Tale of a Naughty Puppy by Vassi Rombis, illustrated by Frances Rose Espanol

The Stallion and His Peculiar Boy by M.J. Evans

Good Girl, Karma by Laurie Hanson, illustrated by Jessica Anlauf

Wimps of the Wild by Brooke C., illustrated by John Ramsey

Being a Good Friend by Miselle Goffman

Binky the Bowerbird by Barb Cromie, illustrated by Nandina Vines

Carlito Pizarra: Hero of the Tarsiers by Christine L. Villa, illustrated by Nonisel Sipalay

Slow Dog by Joy Johnston, illustrated by Lana Lee

Brady and the Backyard Monster by Pattie Manente, illustrated by Olena Kharkovenko

Alpaca Ranch Fun! by Jack Rotifer

Blue is the Only Color in the Rainbow by Deanna Hart, illustrated by Chrish Vindhy

Buddy: A Farm in the Forest Story by Jena Wagmann, illustrated by Alana Hyrtle

Secrets of the Wild by Olivia Kent

Twelve Days of Rescue by Tonya Cartmell

Squawk: A Book of Bird Adventures by Lorna Collins

The Zookeepers' Quest: The Koala and the Bushfire by Lorraine and Jessica Miller

The Purple Raccoon by Sara Furlong

Eli Finds His Zen by Ginette Valiquette, illustrated by Jupiters Muse

Toby's Big Adventure by Bonnie Lou Schreiner, illustrated by Ron Pios

Frewin Frog Shares His Log by Ethan Warlick, illustrated by Kim Warlick

Yukon Dogs: Phil Finds a Friend by Kylie Campbell-Clarke

Kudzu's Enormous New Life by Sidney Thompson

Lulu and Malek Sail Off to Sea! by June Foster and Rob Scheer, illustrated by Gill Guile

Montana Cats: A Tale of Winter by Peggy Sullivan

Ryan Daniels: Good Night, Firefly by Dr. Ada Aguilar, illustrated by Tapoti Rani Sarkar

Schoolhouse Dogs Face Life by Dawn Renee Darnell and Jim H. Darnell Jr.

The Arctic Quest by Minda Gomez

Teamwork! Betty the Iditarod Sled Dog by Jack Rotifer

A Friend for Princess Ada by Emilee Moore, illustrated by Kim Soderberg

Cradle in the Wild by Linda Wilson, illustrated by 1000 Storybooks

Arts/Music

1st Place: A Colorful Beginning by Raven Howell, illustrated by Carina Povarchik

2nd Place: The Accidental Orchestra by Aniel Emma Chaudhuri, illustrated by Daniel McCloskey

Honorable Mention:

Katy on Broadway by Ella English

Artism and Me, Autism Within My Heart in Color by Maggie Russell

Sora Searches for a Song by Once Upon a Dance

The Piano by Chari Smith, illustrated by Elle Smith

Ella Learns to Dance by Stenetta Anthony

Painting Joy: the Art and Life of Fernando Llorc by Teddi Ahrens

Audiobooks

1st Place: Mickie McKinney: Boy Detective, Connections in Chemistry by R.L. Fink, illustrated by Antony Wootten

2nd Place: Book of Bad Bargains by Laura Teste

Honorable Mention:

The Adventures of the Bureau of the Missing Socks by Millicent Sutton

Best Cover Design

1st Place (tie): Maya Moves to a New Country by Pearl Alimo, illustrated by Sayani Mukherjee

1st Place (tie): Pebbles and the Biggest Number by Joey Benun, illustrated by Laura Watson

2nd Place: Moby Plays the Flute by Eeha Bhatt

Honorable Mention:

Desert Friends (Travels with the Pack) by Linda Harkey, illustrated by Mike Minick

In My Heart: A Book About Kindness by Julie Nichole, illustrated by Blueberry Illustrations

You Have to Live, Why Not Win? by David Ketchen and Larry Thornton, illustrated by Dave Dodson

Riley the Little Lost Corgi by Tammy Knudtson, illustrated by Robert Sauber

Buddy: A Farm in the Forest Story by Jena Wagmann, illustrated by Alana Hyrtle

DanSing Pancakes' Healthy Choices Musical Story by Joe Coleman, illustrated by Tracy F. Pyke

Who's New at Lou's Zoo by JoAnn Dickinson, illustrated by Lauren Sparks

It's That Time of Year! Diwali is Here! by Vanessa Kapadia

Sneaky Snobby by Jennifer Kvam, illustrated by Sarah Joy Kvam

Gracie and the Radar Girls by Karen J Moore, illustrated by Lyn Meredith

Grandpa's Short Stories by Roger Williams, illustrated by Barbara Owczarek

Squawk: A Book of Bird Adventures by Lorna Collins

Bentley's Dream by Sandra Harry, illustrated by Nikki Boetger

Best Illustrations

1st Place (tie): Pebbles and the Biggest Number by Joey Benun, illustrated by Laura Watson

1st Place (tie): The Bear and the Hug by Melissa Cannioto

2nd Place: Find Your Brave by Kristen Lloyd

Honorable Mention:

Artism and Me, Autism Within My Heart in Color by Maggie Russell

Desert Friends (Travels with the Pack) by Linda Harkey, illustrated by Mike Minick

In My Heart: A Book About Kindness by Julie Nichole, illustrated by Blueberry Illustrations

You Have to Live, Why Not Win? by David Ketchen and Larry Thornton, illustrated by Dave Dodson

Gizelle's Silly Soggy Day by Michelle Hill and Joy VanDertuin, illustrated by Kimberly Merritt

A Penguin's World by Patricia Gleichauf, illustrated by Karen Staszko

Lulu and Malek Sail Off to Sea! by June Foster and Rob Scheer, illustrated by Gill Guile

Oscar the Piglet Does Not Want to Wash Up by Elizaveta Akimova

Riley the Little Lost Corgi by Tammy Knudtson, illustrated by Robert Sauber

Wild about the Alphabet! (and Other Tales) by Mike Crowder

The White Buffalo by Marc Nitsche, illustrated by Jonathan Warm Day Coming

DanSing Pancakes' Healthy Choices Musical Story by Joe Coleman, illustrated by Tracy F. Pyke

The Rowdy Randy Wild West Show by Casey Day Rislov, illustrated by Zachary Pullen

Jelly Baby by Moira Andrew, illustrated by Caterina Cozza

A Dinosaur in the Woods by Annette Allison, illustrated by Courtney Crawford

Mr Washington's Granite State Vacation by Angela Welch, illustrated by Sarah Boudreau

Turning Pennies Into Dimes (Doc the Wolf) by Kevin Chu

Burt: the Airport Cat by Christine Henry

Finding George by Joan Enockson, illustrated by Abra Shirley

Grandpa's Short Stories by Roger Williams, illustrated by Barbara Owczarek

Nurse Florence®, How Do We Feel Hot and Cold Things? by Michael Dow, illustrated by Kenady Kitchen

Sora Searches for a Song by Once Upon a Dance, illustrated by Scott Partridge

Squawk: A Book of Bird Adventures by Lorna Collins

Wings of Glitter by Miranda Sada, illustrated by Rafael and Leilani Hasson

Bentley's Dream by Sandra Harry, illustrated by Nikki Boetger

Magic Gifts by Marlene Bryenton, , illustrated by Allison Wolverers

The Girl and the Lock on Her Heart by Lauren Lee

Toby's Big Adventure by Bonnie Lou Schreiner, illustrated by Ron Pios

I Wish I Knew by Soha Abou Chacra

Moving by Linda Budge

There's a Moose in My Juice by Joan Fitzgerald

The No Snow North Pole by Elena Schietinger, illustrated by Michael Perez

Alessia and the Lamb by Lorre Wisham, illustrated by Jazmyn Mejia

Tex the Explorer Journey to the Oceans by Ellie Smith, illustrated by Eyen Johnson

Could the Stars Stay Bright? by Basma Elkhatib

The Wolf Suit by Sid Sharp

Kraylos: The Power of Words by Bartholemew Williamson

Best Interior Design

1st Place: DanSing Pancakes' Healthy Choices Musical Story by Joe Coleman, illustrated by Tracy F. Pyke

Best Photography

1st Place: Sonnet, Sonnet, What's In Your Bonnet? by Sherry Roberts

Biography/Autobiography

1st Place: Bass Reeves: Legendary Lawman of the Wild West by Billie Holladay Skelley, illustrated by James Paul Skelley

2nd Place: You Have to Live, Why Not Win? by David Ketchen and Larry Thornton, illustrated by Dave Dodson

Honorable Mention:

Because of You, I lost Everything! by Jim Darnell, illustrated by Dawn Darnell

Thomas Hooker: Puritan Minister and Founder of the Connecticut Colony by Julia Kneeland, illustrated by Rebekah Budd

Board Books

1st Place: Fishy, Fishy by Brielle Lilygarten

2nd Place: What's my Amplitude? by Teju Prasad, illustrated by Nadia Ronquillo

Honorable Mention:

Baby Longhorns by John Biemer, illustrated by Cynthia Meadows

Book Trailer

1st Place: Mom's Not Wipin' Your Bum by Lin Hawthorne, illustrated by Stevie Mahardhika

2nd Place: Adventures In Time 2: The Treasure by Arlene Timoney

Careers

1st Place: Who God Wants Me to Be by Crystal Bowman and Michelle Lazurek, illustrated by Sandra Eide

2nd Place: A Hero Answers 9-1-1 by Steve Frank Schubert

Chapter Books

1st Place: Naomi Nash: The Mystery of the Ball Python by Jessica Lee Anderson, illustrated by Alejandra Barajas

2nd Place: Sienna, a Wizard & the Magical Mice by Donald Schaeffer, illustrated by Zoe Ranucci

Honorable Mention:

The Dog Snatcher: Guardians of Time Book 1 by Phyllis Wheeler, illustrated by Katie O'Malley

Pillow Palace Princess by Laura Skidmore, illustrated by Giao Williams

Katy on Broadway by Ella English

The Whimsical Witch by Katherine Spencer, illustrated by Bettina Brasko

In Search of Sparkle: A Faerie Fairy Tale by Donna E. Lane

Cat McGillicutty Learns to Skateboard by Brian Phillips, illustrated by Jenette Phillips

Marlon and the Wide World by Dan Bailes

Peter and the Ants Pt1 - Read to Me by Gary Gedall

Teamwork! Betty the Iditarod Sled Dog by Jack Rotifer

Charity/Making a Difference

1st Place (tie): In My Heart: A Book About Kindness by Julie Nichole, illustrated by Blueberry Illustrations

1st Place (tie): Children Who Dance in the Rain by Susan Justice

2nd Place: Paisley's Pay it Forward Adventure by Gail Nussbaum, illustrated by Nadia Ronquillo

Honorable Mention:

A Story of Whoa by Chris Corbett

Superheroes Here and There by Crystel Patterson, illustrated by Briana Young

Joni's Wish by Jon Phillips, illustrated by Candace Camling

Let's Celebrate Being Different by Lainey Dee

Let's Talk! Learning to Bowl by Lisa Jacovsky

Benefelence the Elephence and the Wonderful You by Todd H. William, illustrated by Ilya Fortuna

The Hummingbird & The Narwhal by Annie Higbee

Making Friends With Feelings by Keith Ruffner, illustrated by Kate Gleyzer

Children's Nonfiction

1st Place (tie): Pebbles and the Biggest Number by Joey Benun, illustrated by Laura Watson

1st Place (tie): Growing Up in the Dragonfly Zone by Marlana DeMarco Hogan

2nd Place: Wild about the Alphabet! (and Other Tales) by Mike Crowder

Honorable Mention:

Sonnet, Sonnet, What's In Your Bonnet? by Sherry Roberts

A Penguin's World by Patricia Gleichauf, illustrated by Karen Staszko

How Your Brain Learns to Read by Denise Eide, illustrated by Ingrid Hess
Science Matter and the Baseball Park by Catherine Ciochi, illustrated by Chantelle and Bergen Thorne
Snow And Amur Leopards by Anna Grob
The Elements of Art: An Elementary Art Teacher’s Guide to Color, Shape, Texture & More!
by Maren Daniels
Too Young to What? by Crystel Patterson, illustrated by Briana Young
Carlito Pizarra: Hero of the Tarsiers by Christine L. Villa, illustrated by Nonisel Sipalay
Biffy the Bunny by Marina Bonanno, illustrated by Amy Parsons Ellis
Hello, It’s Me! by Elena Schietinger
Nature Flow by Pamila Shanti
Bibi Yoga Story about Gratitude by Agnieszka Migew, illustrated by Ashleigh Heyns
Antoinette and the Story of the Invisible Giraffes by Alison McGregor
Rangeela Bhaarat (Colorful India): A bilingual, Hindi book about colors! by Neha Nabar
Rosie Finds Her Shine by Megan Rogers, illustrated by Megan Wilson

Collection of Short Stories

1st Place: Crimes, Covens & Curses by Sara Furlong

2nd Place: Squawk: A Book of Bird Adventures by Lorna Collins

Honorable Mention:

A Surreal Trilogy as Chicken Man, Pickle Man, and the Rat of Justice by Joseph Lupton

Cultural Diversity

1st Place (tie): Ebony and Her Crown by Nicole Marshall

1st Place (tie): Growing Up in the Torrone Zone by Marlana DeMarco Hogan

1st Place (tie): What the Bread Says by Vanessa Garcia, illustrated by Tim Palin

1st Place (tie): Growing Up in the Medieval Time Zone by Marlana DeMarco Hogan

1st Place (tie): Growing Up in the Pasta Zone by Marlana DeMarco Hogan

2nd Place (tie): Vivienne in Paris by Maria Castellucci Moore

2nd Place (tie): Maya Moves to a New Country by Pearl Alimo, illustrated by Sayani Mukherjee

Honorable Mention:

Kayla: A Modern-Day Princess: A Little Magic by Deedee Cummings, illustrated by Charlene Mosley

Kayla: A Modern-Day Princess: These Shoes are Made for Dancing by Deedee Cummings, illustrated by Charlene Mosley

Maria and the Magic of the Rainbow by Suzanna Lou Royse, illustrated by Keith Klein

My Words and I by Mary Ann Tyson-Arceneaux

You Have to Live, Why Not Win? by David Ketchen and Larry Thornton, illustrated by Dave Dodson

Islanders: The Pacific Chronicles by James Eldridge, illustrated by Richard Eldridge

The Adventures of The Soul Sistas by Newton Vanriel

Pretty Comes in All Shapes and Shades by Cindy Young, illustrated by Anisha Fernando
Mahalo Does Not Mean Trash by Aura Perkins
Millie Mammoth by Joan Enockson
The Case of the Missing Socks by Darlinda Jacobs
Fini: The Beauty of a Broken Shell by Melitta Santos, illustrated by El Creativo
Milko by Samuel Narh and Freda Narh, illustrated by Alisa Knatko
Trouble in the Middle by Nazli Koyl
Catalogue of Ripening by Sabrina Guo
Devin Speaks Up! by Devin Moore, illustrated by Sutekina Ame
In the Nick of Time Too by Deedee Cummings, illustrated by Charlene Mosley
It's That Time of Year! Holi is Here! by Vanessa Kapadia
Turning the Corner by Ruozhen Ma
Could My Neighbor Be A Prince? by Nicole Denise Smith, illustrated by Chris Padavano
Rangeela Bhaarat (Colorful India): A bilingual, Hindi book about colors! by Neha Nabar
The Arctic Quest by Minda Gomez
Everyone Can Dream: Always Dare to Dream by Dr. Chantele Mitchell-Miland, illustrated by Ramon Miland
Vamos a Camboya. Let's go to Cambodia by Lina Zepeda

Early Readers

1st Place (tie): A Slug Inside My House by Miselle Goffman
1st Place (tie): Asha and Baz Meet Hedy Lamarr by Caroline Fernandez, illustrated by Dharmali Patel
1st Place (tie): Desert Friends (Travels with the Pack) by Linda Harkey, illustrated by Mike Minick
1st Place (tie): In My Heart: A Book About Kindness by Julie Nichole, illustrated by Blueberry Illustrations
2nd Place (tie): I Will Do My Best to Be On Time by Miselle Goffman
2nd Place (tie): Mom's Not Wipin' Your Bum by Lin Hawthorne, illustrated by Stevie Mahardhika
Honorable Mention:
Paddock by Winfield Murray, illustrated by HH Pax
Raindrops and Rainbow by Patti Hamilton
Asha and Baz Meet Mary Sherman Morgan by Caroline Fernandez, illustrated by Dharmali Patel
Little Freddi at the Kentucky Derby by Kathryn Cocquyt, illustrated by Julia Shchepeteva
Pagong: How the Turtle Got Its Shell by Mylene Leumin, illustrated by Stephanie Richoll
London Secrets by Laura Skidmore, illustrated by Giau Williams
Chicken in the City by Cindy Kovacic
Nurse Florence®, How Do We Feel Pain? by Michael Dow, illustrated by Alessa Baker
Wings of Glitter by Miranda Sada, illustrated by Rafael and Leilani Hasson
Bentley's Dream by Sandra Harry, illustrated by Nikki Boetger
Pirates on Friday by Lindsay Zarse, illustrated by Brian Martin
Peter and the Ants Pt1 - Read to Me by Gary Gedall

Shipwrecked on Fudgepop Island by Jonathan R. Notis and Deborah Raider Notis, illustrated by Jennifer Kaye
Book of Bad Bargains by Laura Teste

Educational/Instructional

1st Place (tie): Edgar Allan Know and His Big Busy Brain by Rahni Varieur-Davies
1st Place (tie): Pebbles and the Biggest Number by Joey Benun, illustrated by Laura Watson
2nd Place: How To Make Your Sock Talk: A Beginner's Guide To Ventriloquism by Jimmy Vee, illustrated by Peter Raymundo
Honorable Mention:
The Elements of Art: An Elementary Art Teacher's Guide to Color, Shape, Texture & More! by Maren Daniels
Nurse Florence®, What are some Summer Safety Tips? by Michael Dow, illustrated by JoAnn Smith
What Is the Shape of My Egg? by Lisa M. Weckbacher, illustrated by Gabriela Vega
Jack's Garage: Oil Maintenance for Kids by Jack Scudder, illustrated by Nita Candra
Meet the Birds by Rae Rankin, illustrated by J-San

Exercise/Fitness

1st Place: Ella's Dance Debut by Once Upon a Dance
2nd Place: Would You Care to Join Our Team? by Miselle Goffman
Honorable Mention:
Corey and Abby Go to the Gym by Jay Blumberg, illustrated by Brian McQueen

Family Matters

1st Place (tie): How I Wonder Where You Are by Anna Maria DiDio, illustrated by Tatiana Lobanova
1st Place (tie): Maya Moves to a New Country by Pearl Alimo, illustrated by Sayani Mukherjee
2nd Place: We Find Joy: Cancer Messed with the Wrong Family by Charissa Bates, illustrated by Nadja Bullis
Honorable Mention:
My Silly Granny by Terri Leedom, illustrated by Michael Paustian
Harmony Dances On by Mandy Woolf
Story Swapping A Tale of a Naughty Puppy by Vassi Rombis, illustrated by Frances Rose Espanol
Milko by Samuel Narh and Freda Narh, illustrated by Alisa Knatko
Sadness is a Dark Cloud by Lauren Martin
When We Are Apart by Becca Johnsey, illustrated by Marizan
Magic Gifts by Marlene Bryenton, , illustrated by Allison Wolvers

Benji's Springtime Surprise by Lynda Modell, , illustrated by Julia Ivanytska
It's Okay to Be You! It's Okay to Show Emotion Too! by Wynta Milton, illustrated by
Laurentiu Dumitru
Moo and Bark by Pam Obi
Ryan Daniels: Good Night, Firefly by Dr. Ada Aguilar, illustrated by Tapoti Rani Sarkar
The Arctic Quest by Minda Gomez
Daisy the Angel by Melanie Ruiz

Food-Related

1st Place: What the Bread Says by Vanessa Garcia, illustrated by Tim Palin
2nd Place: Grow a Pizza Garden by John Benzee

General

1st Place: Benefelence the Elephence and the Wonderful You by Todd H. William, illustrated
by Ilya Fortuna
2nd Place: Lotus Flowers and Superpowers by Julie Seel Renaud, illustrated by Brittany Jones
Honorable Mention:
Roxie, the Traveling Rocker by Becky Van Vleet, illustrated by Courtney Smith
The Forbearing Mage: The Adventures of Jack Wartnose by A.S. Norris
The Wayward Mage: The Adventures of Jack Wartnose by A.S. Norris
Nina's Dear Moon by Crystal Luffberry

Global & Social Issues

1st Place: The Dreamer: The Girl Who Dreamed the War Over by Julie Fox and Tzuri King,
illustrated by Natali Barbalat
2nd Place: The Antidotes: Pollution Solution by Patty Mechael
Honorable Mention:
What the Bread Says by Vanessa Garcia, illustrated by Tim Palin
Some Days He Growled by Nicole Kimball Ostrowski
Catalogue of Ripening by Sabrina Guo
Stay Safe with Ruby and Reuben by Sneha Sabu

Graphic Novel

1st Place: You Have to Live, Why Not Win? by David Ketchen and Larry Thornton, illustrated
by Dave Dodson

Green Books/Environmental

1st Place (tie): Sam the Eco Robot & the Ghost Nets by Thassanee Wanick, illustrated by Teresa and Steven Geer

1st Place (tie): The Antidotes: Pollution Solution by Patty Mechael

2nd Place: Living Green and the Smoke: A story about air pollution, global warming and teamwork by Florian Bushy

Honorable Mention:

Lulu and Malek Sail Off to Sea! by June Foster and Rob Scheer, illustrated by Gill Guile

Mabel Meets a Black Bear by Frances Figart, illustrated by Jesse White

Nature's Apprentices by Elizabeth Bekolay, illustrated by Jennifer Lynn Becker

Talbot the Turtle: The Plastic Ocean by Taylor Edwards

The Metamorphosis of Emma Murry by Rebecca Laxton, illustrated by Gracie Laxton

Legend Keepers: The Partnership by Bruce Smith

Anita's National Park Cleanup by Krystine Cabrera, illustrated by Guilherme Salomon

The Fin-Tastic Rescue by Laura Mancuso, illustrated by Jenna Guidi

Catalogue of Ripening by Sabrina Guo

The No Snow North Pole by Elena Schietinger, illustrated by Michael Perez

Bondi & Poppy Help Heal the Planet by Judith Proffer, illustrated by Yoko Matsuoka

Sakari's Adventure Under the Sea by Ashley Nevison

Growing Pains

1st Place: The Mindful Magician and the Trip to Feelings Town by Lauren Brukner, illustrated by Jennifer Jamieson

2nd Place: I Love You More Than Cereal: Maeva and Dad Redefine Love by Justin and Alexis Black

Honorable Mention:

Salmon Survivor by Christian Shane

Cool Kid Cason Is Angry by Chayla Cooper

The No-Phone Kid by Leonardo Lesage, illustrated by Kylie McCoy

Big Change, Better You, Beautiful World by Lindsey Frank

Melanie and the Box by James Thibeault, illustrated by Siiri Paton

My Little World by Dawn McLucas and Norma McLucas

Health

1st Place: DanSing Pancakes' Healthy Choices Musical Story by Joe Coleman, illustrated by Tracy F. Pyke

2nd Place: Ellie on the Mat by Danielle Price, illustrated by Nana Gonzales

Honorable Mention:

The Superpower of Your HEART by Lindsey Frank

Gilly and the Garden by Donna Housman, illustrated by Renée Andriani

Facing Mighty Fears About Health by Dawn Huebner, illustrated by Liza Stevens

Lotus Flowers and Superpowers by Julie Seel Renaud, illustrated by Brittany Jones

Miles Smiles by Abby Patterson, illustrated by Wendy Leach
Benefelence the Elephence and the Wonderful You by Todd H. William, illustrated by Ilya Fortuna
Nurse Florence®, What is Bacterial Meningitis? by Michael Dow, illustrated by Lorie Brooker

Historical Fiction

1st Place: Mr. Washington's Granite State Vacation by Angela Welch, illustrated by Sarah Boudreau

2nd Place: Aboard Blackbeard's Queen by Robin Reams

Honorable Mention:

The Sea Witch's Revenge: A Delta & Jax Mystery by Susan Diamond Riley

The Gold Hole Quest by Lindsay Zarse, illustrated by Stuart Parks

Historical Nonfiction

1st Place: Gracie and the Radar Girls by Karen J Moore, illustrated by Lyn Meredith

2nd Place: Bass Reeves: Legendary Lawman of the Wild West by Billie Holladay Skelley, illustrated by James Paul Skelley

Honorable Mention:

Thomas Hooker: Puritan Minister and Founder of the Connecticut Colony by Julia Kneeland, illustrated by Rebekah Budd

The Courageous Six Triple Eight by Dr. Artika R. Tyner, illustrated by Cynthia Paul

Holiday

1st Place: Love is in the Air by Karen Bobos, illustrated by Jazinel Libranda

2nd Place: A Santa for Everyone by Nicole Kimball Ostrowski

Honorable Mention:

Rosie Finds Her Shine by Megan Rogers, illustrated by Megan Wilson

Freester's First Easter: A loving tale of friendship and kindness as the true spirit of Easter by Krishna Ramavat

In the Nick of Time Too by Deedee Cummings, illustrated by Charlene Mosley

Yes, Virginia, There is a Santa Claus by Lauren Martin

Marvin the Mouse In Search of the Perfect Christmas Present by Jacquelyn Commander

Santa's Wish by Kristina Rowlands, illustrated by Mia Lloyd

The No Snow North Pole by Elena Schietinger, illustrated by Michael Perez

I Have Questions, Lots and Lots of Questions by David Lane, illustrated by Caleb McBee

Ramadan with the Noor Family by Nermine Noeman and Salwa Elshazly, illustrated by Sarah Kashef

In Search of Christmas by James Richard Highsmith

Humor

1st Place: Mom's Not Wipin' Your Bum by Lin Hawthorne, illustrated by Stevie Mahardhika

2nd Place: When You Meet a Hangry Howard by Joe Ciccarelli, illustrated by Gary Ciccarelli

Honorable Mention:

My Very Punny Dad by Ryan Milligan, illustrated by Justin Castaneda

Desert Friends (Travels with the Pack) by Linda Harkey, illustrated by Mike Minick

Harold Goes to School by Philippa Rae, illustrated by Diego Cadena

Carl Corn: Have You Heard? by Joan Enockson

If Cats Could Talk: Laugh Together As You Go On A Spontaneous Adventure With Five

Talking Cats by Ashley Marie, illustrated by Elizabeth Doudna

Malcolm Webster, (Aspiring) 5th-Grade Whiz Kid by Dakota Klaes

The Farting Machine: A Victim's Revenge by Katherine Spencer, illustrated by Bettina Brasko

Letters, Journals

1st Place: Let Me Tell My Story: Journal for Kids with the Bayside Bunch by Dr. Unsel
Robinson

LGBT

1st Place: I Don't Like Blue by Lyric Faulder

2nd Place: Super Gay by Jessi Hersey, illustrated by Ray B

Middle Grade Fiction

1st Place (tie): Daphne Higginbotham Battles the Fifth Grade by Rosemary Starr

1st Place (tie): Food Fight by Linda B. Davis

1st Place (tie): Grady Whill and the Templeton Codex by Carole P. Roman

2nd Place: My Big Heart-Shaped Fail by Cindy Callaghan

Honorable Mention:

Maria and the Magic of the Rainbow by Suzanna Lou Royse, illustrated by Keith Klein

Summer of L.U.C.K. by Laura Segal Stegman

Sydney Mackenzie Knocks 'Em Dead by Cindy Callaghan

Adventures In Time 2: The Treasure by Arlene Timoney

Geo by Topher Allen

Lucky At Bat by Alisse Lee Goldenberg and Joseph Goldenberg

Pack of the Lost: The Uninviting Forest by Nikita Kapoor

Salmon Survivor by Christian Shane

The Metamorphosis of Emma Murry by Rebecca Laxton, illustrated by Gracie Laxton

Ghost Girl by Patti M. Walsh

Islanders: The Pacific Chronicles by James Eldridge, illustrated by Richard Eldridge

Jordie and Joey Fell from the Sky by Judi Lauren

Medium Well Done by Eddie Jones
In Search of Sparkle: A Faerie Fairy Tale by Donna E. Lane
The Math Kids A Knotty Problem by David Cole, illustrated by Shannon O'Toole
The Math Kids An Artificial Test by David Cole, illustrated by Shannon O'Toole
Lemonade Lilli by Joan Enockson, illustrated by Jennifer Hansen
Chester and the Magic 8 Ball by Lynn Katz
Flower Power 2 Friendship Rules by Judy Lindquist
Katelyn's Crow by Mary Beth Laufer, illustrated by Kathleen Phillips Poulsen
Second Hand Witch by Tonya Cartmell
The Amarisian Prophecies: The Reckoning by Zoe Nauman
The Antidotes: Pollution Solution by Patty Mechael
Turning the Corner by Ruozhen Ma
HurriCamp! by Steph Katzovi
The Purple Raccoon by Sara Furlong
Abby's Pony Love by Susan Count, illustrated by Bev Johnson
The Prison for the Magically Cursed by Brett Perkins, illustrated by Ricky Gunawan
Kudzu's Enormous New Life by Sidney Thompson
Schoolhouse Dogs Face Life by Dawn Renee Darnell and Jim H. Darnell Jr.
The Audacious Adventures of Drippy the Dragon by Michael Lunsford
The Magicians' Convention by Elena Paige

Mystery

1st Place: Saltwater Secrets by Cindy Callaghan
2nd Place: The Metamorphosis of Emma Murry by Rebecca Laxton, illustrated by Gracie Laxton
Honorable Mention:
Crimes, Covens & Curses by Sara Furlong
Do You Know Who Killed Me? by Sara Furlong
The Case of the Missing Socks by Darlinda Jacobs
Deception in December by Doreen McAvoy
Shepherd's Call: A Shepherd & Wolfe Mystery by Angie Counios
The Sea Witch's Revenge: A Delta & Jax Mystery by Susan Diamond Riley
The Purple Raccoon by Sara Furlong

New Author: Fiction

1st Place: The Traveling Book by Charissa Bates, illustrated by Nadja Bullis
2nd Place: In My Heart: A Book About Kindness by Julie Nichole, illustrated by Blueberry Illustrations
Honorable Mention:
Big Rig Family Truckster: Adventures in Camper Truckin' by Jennifer Mazzetta
Shiny Friends Super Squad: Starr of the Show by Leigh Alley, illustrated by Mark Hurry
Molly Shipton, Secret Actress by Sheri Graubert

Geckos in the Garden by Ruth Amanda
I Will Be ... by Susan Pivero, illustrated by Jo Renfro
Nature's Apprentices by Elizabeth Bekolay, illustrated by Jennifer Lynn Becker
The Adventures of The Soul Sistas by Newton Vanriel
Pack of the Lost: The Uninviting Forest by Nikita Kapoor
Paddock by Winfield Murray, illustrated by HH Pax
A Very Important Trip by Darryl Busink
Bentley's Dream by Sandra Harry, illustrated by Nikki Boetger
Binky the Bowerbird by Barb Cromie, illustrated by Nandina Vines
Ghost Girl by Patti M. Walsh
Malcolm Webster, (Aspiring) 5th-Grade Whiz Kid by Dakota Klaes
DanSing Pancakes' Healthy Choices Musical Story by Joe Coleman, illustrated by Tracy F. Pyke
Fini: The beauty of a broken shell by Melitta Santos, illustrated by El Creativo
My Friend, the Marshmallow Man by Grant Vassos, illustrated by Michelle Simpson
The Adventure Begins by Clint Van Iseghem
The Bear and the Hug by Melissa Cannioto
Miles Smiles by Abby Patterson, illustrated by Wendy Leach
Benefelence the Elephence and the Wonderful You by Todd H. William, illustrated by Ilya Fortuna
Book of Bad Manners by Laura Teste
Sophie Won't Sleep by Danielle Camer, illustrated by Tatsiana Burgaud
The Adventures of Little Luna by Hayley Denning
When You Meet a Hangry Howard by Joe Ciccarelli, illustrated by Gary Ciccarelli
Blue is the Only Color in the Rainbow by Deanna Hart, illustrated by Chrish Vindhy
Brady and the Backyard Monster by Pattie Manente, illustrated by Olena Kharkovenko
The Antidotes: Pollution Solution by Patty Mechael
The Hummingbird & The Narwhal by Annie Higbee
T-Rex Can't Tie His Shoes by Andrea Whitmarsh, illustrated by Anastasia Merzlaya
Turning the Corner by Ruozhen Ma
Wimps of the Wild by Brooke C., illustrated by John Ramsey
HurriCamp! by Steph Katzovi
Squawk: A Book of Bird Adventures by Lorna Collins
Find Your Brave by Kristen Lloyd
Suzi and Sally The Golden Rule by Angi Brown and Cali Byram
The Purple Croc In An Orange Sock by Sally Longlegs
Alessia and the Lamb by Lorre Wisham, illustrated by Jazmyn Mejia
Home by Anastasia Romero
Alpaca Ranch Fun! by Jack Rotifer
Lulu the Beaver by Bethany Gano
Shipwrecked on Fudgepop Island by Jonathan R. Notis and Deborah Raider Notis, illustrated by Jennifer Kaye
The Adventures of the Bureau of the Missing Socks by Millicent Sutton
The Four Bears and the Wizard by William Gribble, illustrated by Tad Jackson
We Are Clouds by Ethan Warlick, illustrated by Kim Warlick
Lacinda the Lion is a Super Youneek Beast by Beth Davis

New Author: Nonfiction

1st Place (tie): Gracie and the Radar Girls by Karen J Moore, illustrated by Lyn Meredith

1st Place (tie): Pebbles and the Biggest Number by Joey Benun, illustrated by Laura Watson

2nd Place: Growing Up in the Dragonfly Zone by Marlana DeMarco Hogan

Honorable Mention:

Mom's Not Wipin' Your Bum by Lin Hawthorne, illustrated by Stevie Mahardhika

All Life Matters by Mary Lynne Zahler

Rangeela Bhaarat (Colorful India): A bilingual, Hindi book about colors! by Neha Nabar

Outdoor Recreation

1st Place: My First Duck Hunt by Beverly King, illustrated by Bex Sutton

2nd Place: Big Rig Family Truckster: Adventures in Camper Truckin' by Jennifer Mazzetta

Honorable Mention:

Growing Up in the Dragonfly Zone by Marlana DeMarco Hogan

Growing Up in the Splash Zone by Marlana DeMarco Hogan

Salmon Survivor by Christian Shane

Snowy Prints by Catherine Nevin-Pike, illustrated by Phoebe Todd-Parrish

H is for Hunting by Kimberly Ondriska, illustrated by Siddhant Jumde

Picture Books 5 & Younger

1st Place (tie): Sam the Eco Robot & the Ghost Nets by Thassanee Wanick, illustrated by Teresa and Steven Geer

1st Place (tie): Lauren The Cow by T.I. Frazier, illustrated by Meritxell Andreu

1st Place (tie): What the Bread Says by Vanessa Garcia, illustrated by Tim Palin

1st Place (tie): Millie's Rainbow by Hilary Hawkes, illustrated by Andrea Petrlik

2nd Place (tie): Mom's Not Wipin' Your Bum by Lin Hawthorne, illustrated by Stevie Mahardhika

2nd Place (tie): Find Your Brave by Kristen Lloyd

Honorable Mention:

1 2 3 Count with Me on Granddad's Farm by Valerie Johnson, illustrated by Cee Biscoe
Anger by Rima Ismail

My Bumpy Lumpy Belly Button by Cindy Ninni Grant, illustrated by Katie Weaver

Rhyme Time ABC: An alphabet adventure from A to Z by May Killebrew Hanna

Roxie, the Traveling Rocker by Becky Van Vleet, illustrated by Courtney Smith

Remember This Always by Anna Ikeda, illustrated by Andrée Young

A Big Blue Boat by Susea Spray, illustrated by Lesley Cybulka

Fishy, Fishy by Brielle Lilygarten

Geckos in the Garden by Ruth Amanda

Lulu and Malek Sail Off to Sea! by June Foster and Rob Scheer, illustrated by Gill Guile

Riley Does Big Things by Janet Daigle, illustrated by Rick W. Knowles

Riley the Little Lost Corgi by Tammy Knudtson, illustrated by Robert Sauber

Wild about the Alphabet! (and Other Tales) by Mike Crowder
Chipper Sends Sunshine by Kimber Fox Morgan, illustrated by Kim Sponaugle
Ready... Set... Frog! by Katharine Mitropoulos, illustrated by Laura Watson
When You Meet a Hangry Howard by Joe Ciccarelli, illustrated by Gary Ciccarelli
Wilbur and the Watering Can by Cynthia L. Clark
Barker's Wish by Dan Stern, illustrated by Iva Zugic
One Wave by Lauren Martin
Sam's Stormy Night by Calum Greenall, illustrated by Ellie Lewis
The Adventure Begins by Clint Van Iseghem
The Bedtime Story Race by Shel Curry, illustrated by Hatice Bayramoglu
The Only Me by Marissa Bader, illustrated by Arlene Soto
Who You Are by Jessi Hersey, illustrated by Lizaveta Tarasiuk
Who's New At Lou's Zoo by JoAnn Dickinson, illustrated by Lauren Sparks
Princess Noa is Not Sorry by Ashley Brook
Abella Gets a New Hairdo! by Zane Carson Carruth
Rangeela Bhaarat (Colorful India): A bilingual, Hindi book about colors! by Neha Nabar
Sophie Won't Sleep by Danielle Camer, illustrated by Tatsiana Burgaud
Slow Dog by Joy Johnston, illustrated by Lana Lee
Blue is the Only Color in the Rainbow by Deanna Hart, illustrated by Chrish Vindhy
Brady and the Backyard Monster by Pattie Manente, illustrated by Olena Kharkovenko
Elsewhere Bear by Isaac Bader
PinkyWinky by Lena LaRue, illustrated by Sammie Clark
Neurofables: Inclusion by Charlie Xavier and Jill Butler, illustrated by Colin Throm
Sadie Sasquatch Goes to School by C. James Sweeney
THE 7 Days: A Classic Nursery Rhyme Made New by Deborah Burns, illustrated by Cydney Bittner
The Purple Croc In An Orange Sock by Sally Longlegs
Up in the Air by J.B. Stockings, illustrated by Gaspar Sabater
Call Your Grandma by Nicole Denise Smith, illustrated by Chris Padavano
Grandpa's Short Stories by Roger Williams, illustrated by Barbara Owczarek
Suzi and Sally The Missing Manners by Angi Brown and Cali Byram
We Are Clouds by Ethan Warlick, illustrated by Kim Warlick
Imagine Life (Earth's Biomes) by Jeanette RD
My Name is Saajin Singh by Kuljinder Kaur Brar, illustrated by Samrath Kaur
The Bear on Grandfather's Den Floor by John Patrick Hickey, illustrated by Emma Werch
Antoinette and the Story of the Invisible Giraffes by Alison McGregor
Cradle in the Wild by Linda Wilson, illustrated by 1000 Storybooks
Give You The World by C. Anne, illustrated by Alessandra Liane
Little Lovedog's Long Walk Home by Barbara Valenza
Max Goes to Town by Cynthia L. Clark
Musical Soul Mates by Cindy B Witty, illustrated by Estelle Corke
My Aunt The Witch and the London Midnight Meet by Kelly Miles, illustrated by Dannii Summerfield
Ryan Daniels: Good Night, Firefly by Dr. Ada Aguilar, illustrated by Tapoti Rani Sarkar
Tex the Explorer Journey to the Oceans by Ellie Smith, illustrated by Eyen Johnson
The Alphabet Family and Friends A to Z by Lisa Narciso

The Four Bears and the Wizard by William Gribble, illustrated by Tad Jackson
Nosey by Katie Hallam, illustrated by Danica Publico
Robby the Dyslexic Taxi and the Airport Adventure by Lynn and Jonathan Greenberg
My Name is Cyrius by Jackie Ferrell, illustrated by Scott Ferrell
A Guide to Finding your Monster Best Friend by Sara Furlong, illustrated by Brady Warren
Oh, How I Wish by Ms. Kimms
The Little White Kitten and Her Little Red Mittens by Terrie Sizemore
Mira and the Lost Baby Whale by Jennifer Wang

Picture Books 6 & Older

1st Place (tie): Adeline Visits the Library by Meredith Johnson, illustrated by Mary Barrows

1st Place (tie): Pebbles and the Biggest Number by Joey Benun, illustrated by Laura Watson

1st Place (tie): Sam the Eco Robot & the Ghost Nets by Thassanee Wanick, illustrated by Teresa and Steven Geer

1st Place (tie): What the Bread Says by Vanessa Garcia, illustrated by Tim Palin

1st Place (tie): Edgar Allan Know and His Big Busy Brain by Rahni Varieur-Davies

2nd Place (tie): Desert Friends (Travels with the Pack) by Linda Harkey, illustrated by Mike Minick

2nd Place (tie): Love is in the Air by Karen Bobos

Honorable Mention:

Aqua Paws by Patricia Allieri, illustrated by Stella Maris

Blue is the Only Color in the Rainbow by Deanna Hart, illustrated by Chrish Vindhy

Lala and the Pond by The Rock (Lala y el Charco de la Piedra) by Susana Illera Martinez, illustrated by Natalia Jiménez Osorio

Lala. The Concert of Lights (El Concerto de las Luces) by Susana Illera Martinez, illustrated by Natalia Jiménez Osorio

Firefly Fran's Fran-tastic Day by Kristin Ellis, illustrated by Brian Talbott

The No Snow North Pole by Elena Schietinger, illustrated by Michael Perez

A Yoga Storytelling Adventure: Kauhuhu by Kathe Hudson, illustrated by Jecoe Firmalan

Biggie and Birdie are Different (so what) by Karen Bell-Brege, illustrated by Darrin Brege
Cristobal Bull by Chris Corbett

Geckos in the Garden by Ruth Amanda

Goin' Fishin' by Terry Jackson, illustrated by Jason Fowler

Hope and Fortune by Marissa Bañez, illustrated by Santiago Cornejo

How Your Brain Learns to Read by Denise Eide, illustrated by Ingrid Hess

Lulu the Beaver by Bethany Gano

Moby Plays the Flute by Eeha Bhatt

My Violin Is Not Broken? by Evelyn Grundy

Riley Does Big Things by Janet Daigle, illustrated by Rick W. Knowles

Riley the Little Lost Corgi by Tammy Knudtson, illustrated by Robert Sauber

The Legend of the Fairy Stones by Janet Toonen

Wild about the Alphabet! (and Other Tales) by Mike Crowder

Ishkabibble Unafraid by Cindi Handley Goodeaux, illustrated by Jack Foster

Paddock by Winfield Murray, illustrated by HH Pax

A Time to Fly by Diann Floyd Boehm, illustrated by Nancy Hoover
A Very Important Trip by Darryl Busink
Chipper Sends Sunshine by Kimber Fox Morgan, illustrated by Kim Sponaugle
Lala. A Different Kind of Lizard (Una lagartija diferente) by Susana Illera Martinez, illustrated by Natalia Jiménez Osorio
The Only Me by Marissa Bader, illustrated by Arlene Soto
Brady and the Backyard Monster by Pattie Manente, illustrated by Olena Kharkovenko
Embarrassing George by Kimber Fox Morgan, illustrated by Jessica Kwan
Mischievous Tommy by Bonnie Lou Schreiner
Proud to Be Me by Kim Farrell
The Accidental Orchestra by Aniela Emma Chaudhuri, illustrated by Daniel McCloskey
The Elements of Art: An Elementary Art Teacher's Guide to Color, Shape, Texture & More! by Maren Daniels
The Kindness Quilt by Indigo Johnson
Kayla: A Modern-Day Princess: These Shoes are Made for Dancing by Deedee Cummings, illustrated by Charlene Mosley
Benefelence the Elephence and the Wonderful You by Todd H. William, illustrated by Ilya Fortuna
Geraldine and the Rainbow Machine by Sol Regwan, illustrated by Denise Muzzio
Mr Washington's Granite State Vacation by Angela Welch, illustrated by Sarah Boudreau
The Adventures of Grandmasaurus at the Supermarket by Caroline Fernandez, illustrated by Shannon O'Toole
Turning Pennies Into Dimes (Doc the Wolf) by Kevin Chu
When You Meet a Hangry Howard by Joe Ciccarelli, illustrated by Gary Ciccarelli
Alien's Homework by Tarif Youssef-Agha, illustrated by Aashay Utkarsh
Alitaptap A Philippine Myth Of The Firefly by Mylene Leumin, illustrated by Stephanie Richoll
Seraphina Ballerina by Sara Robinson, illustrated by Celina Guerra
Sneaky Snobby by Jennifer Kvam, illustrated by Sarah Joy Kvam
In Shape by Terry Jackson, illustrated by Jason Fowler
Nelly the Jelly and Camille the Eel Find the Lost City of Atlantis by John DeGuire, MD
Nelly the Jelly and Camille the Eel Visit the Bermuda Triangle by John DeGuire
Nelly the Jelly and Camille the Eel's Outer Space Adventure by John DeGuire, MD
Nurse Florence®, How Do We Feel Touch? by Michael Dow, illustrated by Erin Miller
Rangeela Bhaarat (Colorful India): A bilingual, Hindi book about colors! by Neha Nabar
Special Ed meets Kennedy by Michelle Kaiser
The Adventures of Connor the Courageous Cutter, The Blinding Blizzard by Scott McBride and Rod Thompson, illustrated by Brian Martin
You Can Hear Me 'Patrice Finds A Friend' by Judie Nance, illustrated by Ray Russotto
Nicky, A Boy's Furry Companion by Bonnie Lou Schreiner
A Guide to Finding your Monster Best Friend by Sara Furlong, illustrated by Brady Warren
Melusine Birds of Many Feathers by Geraldine Oades-Sese, illustrated by Franchesca Guerrero
My Little World by Dawn McLucas and Norma McLucas
Special Ed and the Baby Sister by Michelle Kaiser
Special Ed and the Bull-ies by Michelle Kaiser

Just Call Me Jupiter by Ethan Delatte and Dr. Lily Delatte, illustrated by Sastra Noor
Book of Best Words by Laura Teste
Maggie, the Dog with a Heart: The Adventures of a Jack Russell Terrier Book 1: Becoming Maggie by Catherine Fitzgerald, illustrated by Mary Delaney
Grandpa's Short Stories by Roger Williams, illustrated by Barbara Owczarek
Nelly the Jelly and Camille the Eel's Deep Sea Adventure by John DeGuire, MD and Hendrix Nash Hackett
Toby's Big Adventure by Bonnie Lou Schreiner, illustrated by Ron Pios
Unicorn for a Day by Golan Vaknin, illustrated by Margaret Breen
Max the Mine in Secret Agent Max by Mike Johannes, illustrated by Holly Johannes
Parmesan Pig by Ben Barrowman, illustrated by Alexis Eastburn
Making Friends With Feelings by Keith Ruffner, illustrated by Kate Gleyzer
Otis the Trash Talking Octopus by Gina Giordano
The Naughty Angel by Gillena Cox, illustrated by Jiliane Vilches
Alessia and the Lamb by Lorre Wisham, illustrated by Jazmyn Mejia
All the Queen's Crowns by Susan Manzke, illustrated by Remesh Ram
Burt: the Airport Cat by Christine Henry
Disgust Makes Me Sick by Dr. Moose, illustrated by Persephone Jayne
Ellie Visits the Dentist by Katie Specht, illustrated by Creative Illustrations Studio
Hello, Can I Bug You? by Sherry Roberts, illustrated by Marta Taylor
Lacinda the Lion is a Super Youneek Beast by Beth Davis
Peter and the Ants Pt1 - Read to Me by Gary Gedall
Teddy's RUFF Day! by Sandie Leigh McCullough
Tex the Explorer Journey to the Oceans by Ellie Smith, illustrated by Eyen Johnson
The Alphabet Family and Friend A to Z "At Work" by Lisa Narciso
My Soul Treasure by Kate Searle, illustrated by Alison Mutton
Tina the First Tooth Fairy by Bruce Scharschmidt, illustrated by Mathilde Millot
Dancing with the Spirit of The Golden Tiger by Donna Zhang, illustrated by QBN Studios

Poetry

1st Place: Welcome to Monsterville by Laura Shovan

2nd Place: Snowy Prints by Catherine Nevin-Pike, illustrated by Phoebe Todd-Parrish

Honorable Mention:

Growing Up in the Dragonfly Zone by Marlana DeMarco Hogan

Mr Washington's Granite State Vacation by Angela Welch, illustrated by Sarah Boudreau

The Magic of Plants with Mo the Garden Fairy by Aunt Jenni

Catalogue of Ripening by Sabrina Guo

Rhymes for Small and Large by Tom Hindley

Moving by Linda Budge

Remember the Flowers by Enni Harlan

I Like Mud: and other poems for the young and young-at-heart by Margaret Grote

Grandma Goose Storybook Rhymes by January Joyce

School Issues

1st Place (tie): Middle School: Safety Goggles Advised by Jessica Speer, illustrated by Lesley Imgart

1st Place (tie): A Boy Called Chipmunk by Judy Goelitz

1st Place (tie): Shiny Friends Super Squad: Starr of the Show by Leigh Alley, illustrated by Mark Hurry

2nd Place (tie): Becoming Bully Proof by Rich Grogan

2nd Place (tie): Blooming Rose Blasts Off by Lauren Piland, illustrated by Kristen Humphrey

Honorable Mention:

Maria and the Magic of the Rainbow by Suzanna Lou Royse, illustrated by Keith Klein

Schoolhouse Dogs Face Life by Dawn Renee Darnell and Jim H. Darnell Jr.

Theo's Deliciously Different Dumplings by Donna Housman, illustrated by Renée Andriani

Disappointment is a Wave by Lauren Martin

Piper by Arielle Haughee, illustrated by Marina Veselinovic

Philomena and the Name Game by Paola Benevento, illustrated by Lauren Cameron, Mellina DeSilvio, Mario Melendez-Telles

You Can Hear Me 'Patrice Finds A Friend' by Judie Nance, illustrated by Ray Russotto

Embarrassing George by Kimber Fox Morgan, illustrated by Jessica Kwan

I Absolutely Love My Curly Hair by Miselle Goffman

Let's Celebrate Being Different by Lainey Dee

Kayla: A Modern-Day Princess: A Little Magic by Deedee Cummings, illustrated by Charlene Mosley

Sneaky Snobby by Jennifer Kvam, illustrated by Sarah Joy Kvam

Carl Corn: Have You Heard? by Joan Enockson

Let's Welcome a New Friend by Miselle Goffman

Harold Goes to School by Philippa Rae, illustrated by Diego Cadena

I Am Different by Crystel Patterson, illustrated by Briana Young

Special Ed and the Bull-ies by Michelle Kaiser

Special Ed meets Kennedy by Michelle Kaiser

Turning the Corner by Ruozhen Ma

Who Says We Can't Be Friends? by Kimberly Waters

Friends No Matter What by Kim Heaton Ramsay

Pa's Hockey Sweater by Tonya Cartmell

Special Ed and the Baby Sister by Michelle Kaiser

Hello, Can I Bug You? by Sherry Roberts, illustrated by Marta Taylor

Life-affirming stories of Tony the Pony and his friends by Richard Carlisle and Elisa Carlisle, illustrated by Olena Zavitaylo

Moo and Bark by Pam Obi

Ryan Daniels: Good Night, Firefly by Dr. Ada Aguilar, illustrated by Tapoti Rani Sarkar

The Farting Machine: A Victim's Revenge by Katherine Spencer, illustrated by Bettina Brasko

I Love Me! There's No One I'd Rather Be by Wynta Milton, illustrated by Hayley Moore

Science Fiction/Fantasy

1st Place: Find Me in the Time Before by Robin Stevens Payes

2nd Place: Time Story by W.W. Marplot

Honorable Mention:

Geo by Topher Allen

Do You Know Who Killed Me? by Sara Furlong

DanSing Pancakes' Healthy Choices Musical Story by Joe Coleman, illustrated by Tracy F. Pyke

A Dream of Magic by Claire Zhong, illustrated by Grace Xiang

Adventures In Time 2: The Treasure by Arlene Timoney

Special Needs/Disability Awareness

1st Place: The Mindful Magician and the Trip to Feelings Town by Lauren Brukner, illustrated by Jennifer Jamieson

2nd Place: Medieval Mashup by Charlene McIver, illustrated by Caroline Keys

Honorable Mention:

My Silly Granny by Terri Leedom, illustrated by Michael Paustian

The Pony Who Wanted to Be a Unicorn by Leland P. Gamson, illustrated by Betsy Bleed

Violet's Victory by Valerie Goldstein, illustrated by Alejandro Echavez

"Later," Said Gator by Carli Valentine

Seth and the Secret of the Butterfly by Sally Grayson Chinn, illustrated by Harriet Anderson, Carolyn Turner, Cindy Moore

Joni's Wish by Jon Phillips, illustrated by Candace Camling

Song of the Sea by Meredith Leigh Burton

T-Rex Can't Tie His Shoes by Andrea Whitmarsh, illustrated by Anastasia Merzlaya

Squishy Sand by Charlene McIver, illustrated by Caroline Keys

Kids of Courage Camp Adventures: Kim's Challenge by Kim Spence-Bollinger, illustrated by Alexis Bollinger

Kudzu's Enormous New Life by Sidney Thompson

Mykal the Monkey is a Super Youneek Beast by Beth Davis

Spiritual/Religious

1st Place: Who God Wants Me to Be by Crystal Bowman and Michelle Lazurek, illustrated by Sandra Eide

2nd Place: The Circle of Hugs by Heather Cosimo, illustrated by Hiruni Hiru Kariyawasam

Honorable Mention:

One Wave by Lauren Martin

It's That Time of Year! Diwali is Here! by Vanessa Kapadia

The Very Scary Pajama Drama (Daniel in the Lions' Den) by Claudia West, illustrated by Elettra Cudignotto

Ramadan with the Noor Family by Nermine Noeman and Salwa Elshazly, illustrated by Sarah Kashef

Sassy Discovers the AME Church by B. A. Johnson

Alessia and the Lamb by Lorre Wisham, illustrated by Jazmyn Mejia

Come See Me in My Dreams by Stephanie Grayson, illustrated by Ada Walman

A is for Anthony: An Alphabet of Saints and Animals by Teresa Traver, illustrated by Miguel Lopez

Sports

1st Place: One Flip, Two Flip, Three Flip, Four by Crystel Patterson, illustrated by Briana Young

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Math)

1st Place: Pebbles and the Biggest Number by Joey Benun, illustrated by Laura Watson

2nd Place: Tay Goes to STEM Camp by Phelicia Lang

Honorable Mention:

Geo by Topher Allen

Oh, No ... Hacked Again!: A Story About Online Safety by Zinet Kemal

What Is the Shape of My Egg? by Lisa M. Weckbacher, illustrated by Gabriela Vega

Science Matter and the Baseball Park by Catherine Ciochi, illustrated by Chantelle and Bergen Thorne

Nina Shiner Wants to be a Web Designer by Kathy Childs

The Antidotes: Pollution Solution by Patty Mechael

What's my Amplitude? by Teju Prasad, illustrated by Nadia Ronquillo

Young Adult Fiction

1st Place: The Stallion and His Peculiar Boy by M.J. Evans

2nd Place: The Adventures of Ruby Pi and the Math Girls by Tom Durwood, illustrated by Mai Nguyen

Honorable Mention:

Faded Glimpses of Time by Nyah Nichol

Grady Whill and the Templeton Codex by Carole P. Roman

The Amarisian Prophecies: The Reckoning by Zoe Nauman

The Forbearing Mage: The Adventures of Jack Wartnose by A.S. Norris

The Wayward Mage: The Adventures of Jack Wartnose by A.S. Norris

Eira's Book of Magic by Camellia White

Find Me in the Time Before by Robin Stevens Payes

Mosquito Creek Inn by Sherrie Todd-Beshore

Life-affirming stories of Tony the Pony and his friends by Richard Carlisle and Elisa Carlisle, illustrated by Olena Zavitaylo

Lightning Butterflies by Jim Darnell, illustrated by Dawn Darnell

Youth Author Fiction

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2nd Place: Sakari's Adventure Under The Sea by Ashley Nevison

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