2014

2014 Author Award Winner


2014 Illustrator Award Winner


2013

Author Award Winner


Illustrator Award Winner


2012

Author Award Winner

- Kadir Nelson, author and illustrator of Heart and Soul: The Story of America and African Americans (Balzer + Bray, an imprint of HarperCollins Publishers)

Illustrator Award Winner


2011
Author Award Winner

- Rita Williams-Garcia, author of One Crazy Summer (Amistad, an imprint of HarperCollins Publishers)

Illustrator Award Winner

- Bryan Collier, illustrator of Dave the Potter: Artist, Poet, Slave, written by Laban Carrick Hill (Little, Brown and Company, a division of Hachette Book Group, Inc.)

2010

Author Award Winner

- Vaunda Micheaux Nelson, author of Bad News for Outlaws: The Remarkable Life of Bass Reeves, Deputy U.S. Marshal, illustrated by R. Gregory Christie (Carolrhoda Books, a division of Lerner Publishing Group, Inc.).

Illustrator Award Winner

- Charles R. Smith, Jr., illustrator of My People, text by Langston Hughes (ginee seo books, Atheneum Books for Young Readers)

2009

Author Award Winner

- Kadir Nelson, author and illustrator of We Are the Ship: The Story of Negro League Baseball (Disney-Jump at the Sun, an imprint of Disney Book Group)

Illustrator Award Winner

- Floyd Cooper, illustrator of The Blacker the Berry, written by Joyce Carol Thomas (Joanna Cotler Books, an imprint of HarperCollins Publishers)

2008

Author Award Winner

- Christopher Paul Curtis, author of Elijah of Buxton (Scholastic)

Illustrator Award Winner
• Ashley Bryan, author and illustrator of *Let it Shine* (Atheneum Books for Young Readers)

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2007

Author Award Winner

• Sharon Draper, author of *Copper Sun* (Simon & Schuster/Atheneum Books for Young Readers)

Illustrator Award Winner

• Kadir Nelson, illustrator of *Moses: When Harriet Tubman Led Her People to Freedom*, written by Carole Boston Weatherford (Jump at the Sun/Hyperion Books for Children)

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2006

Author Award Winner

• Julius Lester, author of *Day of Tears: A Novel in Dialogue* (Jump at the Sun, an imprint of Hyperion Books for Children)

Illustrator Award Winner

• Bryan Collier, illustrator of *Rosa*, written by Nikki Giovanni (Henry Holt and Company).

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2005

Author Award Winner

• Toni Morrison, author of *Remember: The Journey to School Integration* (Houghton Mifflin)

Illustrator Award Winner

• Kadir A. Nelson, illustrator of *Ellington Was Not a Street*, written by Ntozake Shange (Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers)

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2004

Author Award Winner
• Angela Johnson, author of *The First Part Last* (Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers)

Illustrator Award Winner

• Ashley Bryan, author and illustrator of *Beautiful Blackbird* (Atheneum Books for Young Readers)

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2003

Author Award Winner

• Nikki Grimes, author of *Bronx Masquerade* (Dial Books for Young Readers)

Illustrator Award Winner

• E. B. Lewis, illustrator of *Talkin’ About Bessie: The Story of Aviator Elizabeth Coleman*, written by Nikki Grimes (Orchard Books/Scholastic)

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2002

Author Award Winner

• Mildred Taylor, author of *The Land* (Phyllis Fogelman Books/Penguin Putnam)

Illustrator Award Winner

• Jerry Pinkney, illustrator of *Goin’ Someplace Special*, written by Patricia McKissack (Anne Schwartz Book/Atheneum)

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2001

Author Award Winner

• Jacqueline Woodson, author of *Miracle’s Boys* (G.P. Putnam’s Sons)

Illustrator Award Winner

• Bryan Collier, author and illustrator of *Uptown* (Henry Holt)
2000

Author Award Winner

- Christopher Paul Curtis, author of *Bud, Not Buddy* (Delacorte)

Illustrator Award Winner

- Brian Pinkney, illustrator of *In the Time of the Drums*, written by Kim L. Siegelson (Jump at the Sun/Hyperion Books for Children)

1999

Author Award Winner

- Angela Johnson, author of *Heaven* (Simon & Schuster)

Illustrator Award Winner

- Michele Wood, illustrator of *I See the Rhythm*, written by Toyomi Igus (Children's Book Press)

1998

Author Award Winner

- Sharon M. Draper, author of *Forged by Fire* (Atheneum)

Illustrator Award Winner

- Javaka Steptoe, illustrator of *In Daddy's Arms I am Tall: African Americans Celebrating Fathers*, written by Alan Schroeder (Lee & Low)

1997

Author Award Winner

- Walter Dean Myers, author of *Slam* (Scholastic)

Illustrator Award Winner
Jerry Pinkney, illustrator of Minty: A Story of Young Harriet Tubman, written by Alan Schroeder (Dial Books for Young Readers)

1996

Author Award Winner

• Virginia Hamilton, author of Her Stories, illustrated by Leo and Diane Dillon (Scholastic/Blue Sky Press)

Illustrator Award Winner

• Tom Feelings, illustrator of The Middle Passage: White Ships Black Cargo (Dial Books for Young Readers)

1995

Author Award Winner

• Patricia C. & Frederick L. McKissack, authors of Christmas in the Big House, Christmas in the Quarters (Scholastic)

Illustrator Award Winner

• James Ransome, illustrator of The Creation, text by James Weldon Johnson (Holiday House)

1994

Author Award Winner

• Angela Johnson, author of Toning the Sweep (Orchard)

Illustrator Award Winner

• Tom Feelings, illustrator of Soul Looks Back in Wonder, edited by Phyllis Fogelman (Dial Books for Young Readers)

1993
Author Award Winner

- Patricia C. McKissack, author of The Dark-Thirty: Southern Tales of the Supernatural, illustrated by Brian Pinkney (Knopf)

Illustrator Award Winner

- Kathleen Atkins Wilson, illustrator of The Origin of Life on Earth: An African Creation Myth, retold by David A. Anderson/SANKOFA (Sights)

1992

Author Award Winner

- Walter Dean Myers, author of Now is Your Time: The African American Struggle for Freedom (HarperCollins)

Illustrator Award Winner

- Faith Ringgold, illustrator of Tar Beach (Crown)

1991

Author Award Winner

- Mildred D. Taylor, author of The Road to Memphis (Dial)

Illustrator Award Winner

- Leo and Diane Dillon, illustrators of Aida, written by Leontyne Price (Harcourt)

1990

Author Award Winner

- Patricia C. & Frederick L. McKissack, authors of A Long Hard Journey: The Story of the Pullman Porter (Walker)

Illustrator Award Winner
• Jan Spivey Gilchrist, illustrator of Nathaniel Talking, written by Eloise Greenfield (Black Butterfly)

1989

Author Award Winner

• Walter Dean Myers, author of Fallen Angels (Scholastic)

Illustrator Award Winner

• Jerry Pinkney, illustrator of Mirandy and Brother Wind, written by Patricia McKissack (Knopf)

1988

Author Award Winner

• Mildred L. Taylor, author of The Friendship (Dial)

Illustrator Award Winner

• John Steptoe, illustrator of Mufaro’s Beautiful Daughters: An African Tale (Lothrop)

1987

Author Award Winner

• Mildred Pitts Walter, author of Justin and the Best Biscuits in the World, illustrated by Catherine Stock (Lothrop)

Illustrator Award Winner

• Jerry Pinkney, illustrator of Half a Moon and One Whole Star, written by Crescent Dragonwagon (Macmillan)

1986

Author Award Winner
- Virginia Hamilton, author of *The People Could Fly: American Black Folktales*, illustrated by Leo and Diane Dillon (Knopf)

**Illustrator Award Winner**

- Jerry Pinkney, illustrator of *The Patchwork Quilt*, written by Valerie Flournoy (Dial)

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### 1985

**Author Award Winner**

- Walter Dean Myers, author of *Motown and Didi* (Viking)

**Illustrator Award Winner**

No award presented.

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### 1984

**Author Award Winner**

- Lucille Clifton, author of *Everett Anderson’s Goodbye*, illustrated by Ann Grifalconi (Holt)

**Illustrator Award Winner**

- Pat Cummings, illustrator of *My Mama Needs Me*, written by Mildred Pitts Walter (Lothrop)

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### 1983

**Author Award Winner**

- Virginia Hamilton, author of *Sweet Whispers, Brother Rush* (Amistad)

**Illustrator Award Winner**

- Peter Magubane, photographer and author of *Black Child* (Knopf)

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### 1982
Author Award Winner

- Mildred D. Taylor, author of *Let the Circle Be Unbroken* (Dial)

Illustrator Award Winner

- John Steptoe, illustrator of *Mother Crocodile: An Uncle Amadou Tale from Sengal*, written by Rosa Guy (Delacorte)

1981

Author Award Winner

- Sidney Poitier, author of *This Life* (Knopf)

Illustrator Award Winner

- Ashley Bryan, illustrator of *Beat the Story Drum, Pum-Pum* (Atheneum)

1980

Author Award Winner

- Walter Dean Myers, author of *The Young Landlords* (Viking)

Illustrator Award Winner

- Carole Byard, illustrator of *Cornrows*, written by Camille Yarbrough (Coward-McCann)

1979

Author Award Winner

- Ossie Davis, author of *Escape to Freedom* (Viking)

Illustrator Award Winner

- Tom Feelings, illustrator of *Something on My Mind*, written by Nikki Grimes (Dial)
1978

Author Award Winner

- Eloise Greenfield, author of Africa Dream, illustrated by Carole Byard (Crowell)

Illustrator Award Winner

- Carole Bayard, illustrator of Africa Dream, written by Eloise Greenfield (Crowell)

1977

Author Award Winner

- James Haskins, author of The Story of Stevie Wonder (Lothrop)

Illustrator Award Winner

No award presented.

1976

Author Award Winner

- Pearl Bailey, author of Duey’s Tale (Harcourt)

Illustrator Award Winner

No award presented.

1975

Author Award Winner

- Dorothy Robinson, author of The Legend of Africana (Johnson Publishing)

Illustrator Award Winner

No award presented.
1974

Author Award Winner

- Sharon Bell Mathis, author of *Ray Charles*, illustrated by George Ford (Crowell)

Illustrator Award Winner (inaugural year)

- George Ford, illustrator of *Ray Charles*, written by Sharon Bell Mathis (Crowell)

1973

Author Award Winner

- Jackie Robinson and Alfred Duckett, authors of *I Never Had it Made: The Autobiography of Jackie Robinson* (Putnam)

1972

Author Award Winner

- Elton C. Fax, author of *17 Black Artists* (Dodd)

1971

Author Award Winner

- Charlemae Rollins, author of *Black Troubador: Langston Hughes* (Rand McNally)
1970

Author Award Winner

- Lillie Patterson, author of *Martin Luther King, Jr.: Man of Peace* (Garrard)