

CHILDREN'S BOOK AWARDS

AWARD	EXPLANATION	WEBSITE LINK
ALA Notable Children's Book Awards	Each year the Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC) identifies the best of the best in children's books, recordings, videos, and computer software.	http://www.ala.org/ala/alsc/awardsscholarships/childrensnotable/Default1888.htm
Alex Awards	Best adult books that appeal to teen audiences.	http://www.ala.org/ala/yalsa/booklistsawards/alexawards/nominatetitle.htm
Andrew Carnegie Medal	Excellence in children's video.	http://www.ala.org/ala/alsc/awardsscholarships/literaryawds/carnegiemedal/carnegieterms/carnegiemedal.htm
Batchelder Award	Outstanding children's book translated from a foreign language and subsequently published in the United States.	http://www.ala.org/ala/alsc/awardsscholarships/literaryawds/batchelderaward/batchelderapp/batchelderaward.htm
Bluebonnet Award	The objective of the Texas Bluebonnet Award program is to promote literature of excellence for children and to encourage reading by organizing a statewide contest in which young readers choose their favorite titles.	http://www.txla.org/groups/tba/forms/tbasuggest.html
Coretta Scott King Award	Recognizing African American authors and illustrators of outstanding books for children and young adults that demonstrate sensitivity to "the true worth and value of all beings."	http://www.ala.org/ala/emiert/corettascottkingbookaward/submitcsk/csksubmissions.htm
Hans Christian Andersen Medals	Established 1956. Currently awarded every two years to one author and one illustrator in recognition of his or her entire body of work	http://www.ibby.org/index.php?id=273

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International Reading Association	Children's Book Awards are given for an author's first or second published book written for children or young adults (ages birth to 17 years). Awards are given for fiction and nonfiction in each of three categories: primary, intermediate, and young adult. Books from any country and in any language published for the first time during the 2006 calendar year will be considered. Each award carries a monetary stipend.	http://www.reading.org/association/awards/childrens_ira.html
John Newbery Medal	Most outstanding contribution to children's literature.	http://www.ala.org/ala/alsc/awardsscholarships/literaryawds/newberymedal/newberyapp/newberyapplication.htm
Laura Ingalls Wilder Award	Honors an author or illustrator whose books, published in the United States, have made, over a period of years, a substantial and lasting contribution to literature for children.	http://www.ala.org/ala/alsc/awardsscholarships/literaryawds/wildermedal/wilderterms/wildermedalterms.htm
Margaret Edwards Award	Lifetime achievement in writing for young adults.	http://www.ala.org/ala/yalsa/booklistsawards/margaretaedwards/maenom/nominationform.htm
May Hill Arbuthnot Honor Lecture Award	Honors an author, critic, librarian, historian, or teacher of children's literature, of any country, who then presents a lecture at a winning host site.	http://www.ala.org/ala/alsc/awardsscholarships/literaryawds/arbutthnothonor/arbutthnothonor.htm
Michael L. Printz Award	Excellence in literature written for young adults.	http://www.ala.org/ala/yalsa/booklistsawards/printzaward/nominationform/nominationform.htm
Mythopoeic Fantasy Award for Children's Literature	Honors books for younger readers (from "Young Adults" to picture books for beginning readers), in the tradition of The Hobbit or The Chronicles of Narnia. Rules for eligibility are otherwise the same as for the Adult literature award.	http://www.mythsoc.org/awards/

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Odyssey Award for Excellence in Audiobook Prod.	This annual award will be given to the producer of the best audiobook produced for children and/or young adults, available in English in the United States.	http://www.ala.org/ala/alsc/awardsscholarships/literaryawds/odysseyaward/odysseyawardeligibilitycriteria/odysseycriteria.htm
Parents' Choice Approved	The Parents' Choice Approved seals are given on the basis of the production, entertainment and human values they exemplify. A Parents' Choice Approved seal indicates a wholesome product that helps children enjoy developing physical, emotional, social or academic skills.	http://www.parents-choice.org/entryforms/index.html
Parents' Choice Classic Award	The Parents' Choice Classic Award is given to material that meets the criteria for our Gold Award and that, for at least five years, has maintained its original excellence. The Classic Award indicates the product, program or experience has stood the test of time.	http://www.parents-choice.org/entryforms/index.html
Parents' Choice FunStuff Award	The Parents' Choice FunStuff Award was created in response to requests for PCF to identify value priced age-appropriate products such as kits for making a keepsake for Grandma, party games, or birthday party gifts that won't break the bank - nonviolent products that may not be "educational" but are well produced and fun.	http://www.parents-choice.org/entryforms/index.html
Parent's Choice Gold Award	Given to those books, toys, games, videos, software, magazines, audio recordings, and television programs that are judged as the highest quality, most appealing products in their genre. Criteria for judgments include the highest production standards, universal human values and a unique, individual quality that pushes the product a notch above others.	http://www.parents-choice.org/entryforms/index.html

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Parents' Choice Recommended	The Parents' Choice Recommended seal indicates that our committees found the product distinguished enough to give it a notch above our "Approval" rating. In other words, this commendation implies our approval and, even beyond that, our thorough recommendation for reasons of production, appeal and fulfillment of its clear intent.	http://www.parents-choice.org/entryforms/index.html
Parent's Choice Silver Honors	Given to excellent products that, like the Gold Award winners, are designed to entertain and help children develop universally ethical attitudes, and rigorous standards and skills. Silver Honors come in a high second with one or more evaluating groups. Silver Honors are highly prized-like the Gold Awards-for production and human values.	http://www.parents-choice.org/entryforms/index.html
Phoenix Award	Established 1985. Awarded annually to a book originally published in English twenty years previously which did not receive a major award at the time of its publication.	http://www.ucalgary.ca/~dkbrown/phoenix.html
Randolph Caldecott Medal	Most distinguished American picture book for children.	http://www.ala.org/ala/alsc/awardsscholarships/literaryawds/caldecottmedal/caldecottapp/caldecottapplication.htm
Schneider Family Book Award	Books that embody an artistic expression of the disability experience.	http://www.ala.org/ala/pr2004/prfeb2004/SchneiderFamilyBookAw.htm
Sibert Award	Most distinguished informational book for children.	http://www.ala.org/ala/alsc/awardsscholarships/literaryawds/sibertmedal/sibertterms/sibertmedalterms.htm
State Award Books	Each year, children in many states read titles from selected reading lists and vote for their favorite books.	http://www.carr.org/read/stateAwardbks.htm
Theodor Seuss Geisel Award	Outstanding book for beginning readers.	http://www.ala.org/ala/alsc/awardsscholarships/literaryawds/geiselaward/geiselawardapplicationprocess/GeiselAwardAppProcess.htm