



2016 Bluestem Award Illinois' Gr. 3-5 Readers' Choice Award

TITLE	AUTHOR / ILLUSTRATOR	PUBLISHER	YEAR
13-Story Treehouse, The	Andy Griffiths & Terry Denton (ill.)	Feiwel and Friends	2013
100 Year Old Secret, The	Tracy Barrett	Henry Holt	2008
Adventures of a South Pole Pig, The	Chris Kurtz & Jennifer Black Reinhardt (ill.)	Harcourt Children's Books	2013
Alex the Parrot	Stephanie Spinner & Meilo So (ill.)	Alfred A Knopf	2012
Brave Girl: Clara and the Shirtwaist Makers' Strike of 1909	Michelle Markel & Melissa Sweet (ill.)	Balzer + Bray	2013
Dorko the Magnificent	Andrea Beaty	Amulet Books	2013
Escape From Mr. Lemoncello's Library	Chris Grabenstein	Random House	2013
Fortunately, the Milk	Neil Gaiman & Skottie Young (ill.)	HarperCollins	2013
Glory Be	Augusta Scattergood	Scholastic Press	2012
Hatchet	Gary Paulsen	Atheneum Books for Young Readers	1987
How Do You Burp in Space? And Other Tips Every Space Tourist Needs to Know	Susan E. Goodman & Michael Slack (ill.)	Bloomsbury	2013
I Survived The Sinking of The Titanic, 1912	Lauren Tarshis & Scott Dawson (ill.)	Scholastic Press	2010
Junction of Sunshine and Lucky, The	Holly Schindler	Dial Books for Young Readers	2014
Little Dog, Lost	Marion Dane Bauer & Jennifer A. Bell (ill.)	Atheneum Books for Young Readers	2012
Masterpiece	Elise Broach & Kelly Murphy (ill.)	Holt/Christy Ottaviano Books	2008
Matilda	Roald Dahl & Quentin Blake (ill.)	Puffin Books	1988
Regarding the Fountain	Kate Klise & M. Sarah Klise (ill.)	Avon Books	1998
Rump: the True Story of Rumplestiltskin	Liesl Shurtliff	Alfred A Knopf	2013
Sidekicks	Dan Santat	A. A. Levine	2011
Stay: the True Story of Ten Dogs	Michaela Muntean	Scholastic Press	2012



2017 Illinois Bluestem Readers' Choice Award Nominees Master List

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<i>Absolutely Almost</i>	Lisa Graff	Philomel Books	2014
<i>Becoming Babe Ruth</i>	Matt Tavares	Candlewick Press	2015
<i>Brilliant Fall of Gianna Z., The</i>	Kate Messner	Walker	2009
<i>Eddie Red Undercover: Mystery on Museum Mile</i>	Marcia Wells / Marcus Calo	Houghton Mifflin Harcourt	2014
<i>El Deafo</i>	Cece Bell	Amulet Books	2014
<i>Fourteenth Goldfish, The</i>	Jennifer L. Holm	Random House	2014
<i>Genius Files, The: Mission Unstoppable</i>	Dan Gutman	Harper	2011
<i>Gone Fishing: A Novel in Verse</i>	Tamera Will Wissinger / Matthew Cordell	Houghton Mifflin	2013
<i>Journey that Saved Curious George, The</i>	Louise Borden	Houghton Mifflin	2005
<i>Justin Case: School, Drool, and other Daily Disasters</i>	Rachel Vail / Matthew Cordell	Feiwel and Friends	2010
<i>Lulu's Mysterious Mission</i>	Judith Viorst / Kevin Cornell	Atheneum Books for Young Readers	2014
<i>Misadventures of the Family Fletcher, The</i>	Dana Alison Levy	A Yearling Book	2015
<i>Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH</i>	Robert C. O'Brien / Zena Bernstein	Atheneum	1971
<i>Neighborhood Sharks: Hunting with the Great Whites of California's Farallon Islands</i>	Katherine Roy	David Macaulay Studio/ Roaring Brook Press	2014
<i>Rain Reign</i>	Ann M. Martin	Feiwel and Friends	2014
<i>Shooting at the Stars: the Christmas Truce of 1914</i>	John Hendrix	Abrams Books for Young Readers	2014
<i>Sit In: How Four Friends Stood Up by Sitting Down</i>	Andrea Davis Pinkney / J. Brian Pinkney	Little, Brown	2010
<i>Spirit Animals: Wild Born</i>	Brandon Mull	Scholastic, Inc.	2013
<i>Tuck Everlasting</i>	Natalie Babbitt	Farrar, Straus, Giroux	1975
<i>War that Saved my Life, The</i>	Kimberly Bradley Brubaker	Dial Books for Young Readers	2015

Reading List for Rising Third and Fourth Graders

Coraline by Neil Gaiman

The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe: The Chronicles of Narnia by C. S. Lewis

Bridge to Terabithia by Katherine Paterson

The Tale of Despereaux by Kate Di Camillo

Anne of Green Gables by L.M. Montgomery

Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis

The Hobbit by J.R.R. Tolkien

A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L'Engle

Hold Fast by Blue Balliet

Inside Out and Back Again by Thanhha Lai

I am a Malala: How One Girl Stood Up for Education and Changed the World by Malala Yousafzai, Patricia McCormick

Walk Two Moons by Sharon Creech

The Sixty Eight Rooms (Series of four books) by
Marianne Malone

Rump by Liesl Shurtliff

Red by Liesl Shurtliff

Jack by Liesl Shurtliff



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AGES 0-2 (By Title, Author & Illustrator)

- 1, 2, 3 to the Zoo, Eric Carle
- Baa, Baa, Black Sheep, Jane Cabrera
- Bear Counts, Karma Wilson & Jane Chapman
- Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?, Bill Martin Jr. & Eric Carle
- Duck and Goose, Let's Dance!, Tad Hills & Lauren Savage
- Five Little Monkeys: A Fingers & Toes Nursery Rhyme Book, Natalie Marshall
- Graffiti Can't Dance, Giles Andreae & Guy Parker-Rees
- Guess How Much I Love You, Sam McBratney & Anita Jerman
- Little Owl's Colors, Diya Srinivasan
- Love Weez series, Caroline Jayne Church
- Mother Goose's Pajama Party, Danna Smith & Virginia Allyn
- Pat the Bunny, Dorothy Kunhardt
- Pat-a-Cake, Mary Brigid Barrett
- Red Light, Green Light, Yumi Heo
- Safe in a Storm, Stephen R. Swinburne & Jennifer A. Bell
- Scholastic Early Learners: Lift the Flap: First 100 Words, Scholastic
- Scholastic Early Learners: Noisy Touch & Lift Farm, Scholastic
- Scholastic Early Learners: Playful Pets: Woof!, Scholastic
- Scholastic Early Learners: Touch and Lift: Peek-a-Who? Who's My Mother?, Scholastic
- Shark vs. Train, Chris Barton

AGES 3-5 (By Title, Author & Illustrator)

- Frog on a Log?, Kes Gray & Jim Field
- Gaston, Kelly DiPucchio & Christian Robinson
- Goodnight, Already!, Jory John & Benji Davies
- Goodnight, Goodnight, Construction Site, Sherri Duskey Rinker & Tom Lichtenheld
- Green is a Chile Pepper: A Book of Colors, Roseanne Greenfield
- Thong & John Parra
- Hey, Seymour!, Walter Wick
- How Do Dinosaurs Stay Friends?, Jane Yolen & Mark Teague
- I Wish You More, Amy Krouse Rosenthal & Tom Lichtenheld
- Last Stop on Market Street, Matt de la Peña & Christian Robinson
- Llana Llana Gram and Grandpa, Anna Dewdney
- Night Animals, Gianna Marino
- Pete the Cat and His Magic Sunglasses, James Dean & Kimberly Dean
- Please, Mr. Panda, Steve Antony
- Press Here, Hervé Tullet
- Ten Pigs: An Epic Bath Adventure, Derek Anderson
- The Adventures of Beekle: The Unimaginary Friend, Dan Santat
- The Pirate Jamboree, Mark Teague
- The Pout-Pout Fish Goes to School, Deborah Diesen & Dan Hanna
- There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Frog!, Lucille Colandro & Jared Lee
- Wolfe the Bunny, Ame Dyckman & Zachariah OHora

AGES 6-7 (By Title, Author & Illustrator)

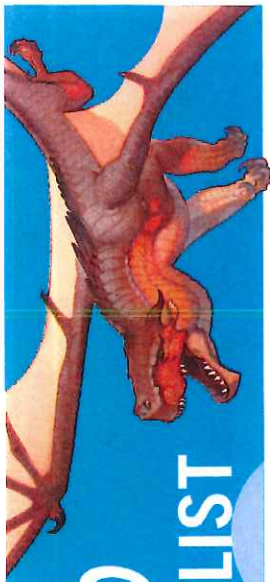
- 8. An Animal Alphabet, Elisha Cooper
- Batman's Dark Secret, Kelly Puckett & Jon J Muth
- Dr. Kitty Cat is Ready to the Rescue: Posy the Puppy, Jane Clarke
- Eerie Elementary: The School is Alive!, Jack Chabert & Sam Ricks
- Elephant & Piggie: I Really Like Slap!, Mo Willems
- Emma and Julia Love Ballet, Barbara McClintock
- Finding Winnie: The True Story of the World's Most Famous Bear, Lindsay Mattick & Sophie Blackall
- Fly Guy Presents: Snakes, Tedd Arnold
- Goldilocks and the Three Dinosaurs, Mo Willems
- Magic Tree House: Balto of the Blue Dawn, Mary Pope Osborne & Sal Murdocca
- Notebook of Doom: Rise of the Balloon Goons, Troy Cummings
- Ordinary People Change the World: I Am Jackie Robinson, Brad Meltzer & Christopher Eliopoulos
- Owl Diaries: Eva's Treetop Festival, Rebecca Elliott
- Princess Pink and the Land of Fake-Believe: Moldylocks and the Three Beards, Noah Z. Jones
- Scholastic Discover More™: Animal Faces, Penelope Adlon
- The Day the Crayons Came Home, Drew Daywalt & Oliver Jeffers
- The Paperboy, Dav Pilkey
- The Princess and the Pony, Kate Beaton
- What This Story Needs is a Pig in a Wig, Emma J. Virjan
- Zen Socks, Jon J Muth

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AGES 8-10 (By Title, Author & Illustrator)

- Allie, First at Last*, Angela Cervantes **FA**
- Auggie & Me: Three Wonder Stories*, R.J. Palacio
- Cake Pop Crush*, Suzanne Nelson
- Captain Underpants series, Dav Pilkey **FA**
- Cleo Edison Oliver, Playground Millionaire*, Sundee T. Frazier
- Cleopatra in Space series, Mike Maihack **FA**
- Crimebusters: My Dog is Better Than Your Dog*, Tommy Greenwald & Adam Stower **FA**
- Diary of a Wimpy Kid series, Jeff Kinney
- Foxcraft: The Taken*, Inballi series **FA**
- Gaby, Lost and Found*, Angela Cervantes **FA**
- Geronimo Stilton Micelkings: Attack of the Dragons*, Geronimo Stilton
- Goosebumps series, R.L. Stine **FA**
- I Survived True Stories series, Lauren Tarshis
- It Came From Ohio! My Life as a Writer*, R.L. Stine **FA**
- Key Hunters series, Eric Luper **FA**
- Save Me a Seat*, Sarah Weeks & Gita Varadarajan **FA**
- Sit, Stay, Love*, J.J. Howard
- Some Kind of Courage*, Dan Gemeinhart
- Sunny Side Up*, Jennifer L. Holm & Matthew Holm
- The Baby-Sitters Club Graphix series, Ann M. Martin & Raina Telgemeier
- The Key to Extraordinary*, Natalie Lloyd **FA**
- The Oodlethurks: Oona Finds an Egg*, Adele Griffin & Mike Wu
- TomQuest series, Michael Northrop **FA**
- Upside-Down Magic series, Sarah Mlynowski, Lauren Myracle & Emily Jenkins **FA**
- Whatever After series, Sarah Mlynowski **FA**
- Wings of Fire series, Tui T. Sutherland **FA**

AGES 11-13 (By Title, Author & Illustrator)

- A Night Divided*, Jennifer A. Nielsen **FA**
- Amulet series, Kazu Kibuishi
- Echo*, Pam Munoz Ryan
- Embassy Row: All Fall Down*, Ally Carter
- George*, Alex Gino
- Josh Baxter Levels Up*, Gavin Brown
- Kalahari*, Jessica Khoury
- Magnus Chase and the Gods of Asgard: The Sword of Summer*, Rick Riordan
- Moving Target*, Christina Diaz Gonzalez **FA**
- No Summit Out of Sight*, Jordan Romero with Linda LeBlanc
- Public School Superhero*, James Patterson
- Secret Hero Society: Study Hall of Justice*, Derek Fridolfs & Dustin Nguyen
- Serafina and the Black Cloak*, Robert Beatty
- Space Dumpkins*, Craig Thompson
- Star Wars: Jedi Academy: A New Class*, Jarrett J. Krosoczka **FA**
- The Haunting of Sunshine Girl*, Paige McKenzie & Alyssa Sheinmel
- The Hero Two Doors Down*, Sharon Robinson
- The Lost Track of Time*, Paige Britt & Lee White
- The Marvels*, Brian Selznick
- The Zodiac Legacy: Convergence*, Stan Lee, Stuart Moore, & Andie Tong
- To Catch a Cheat*, Varian Johnson **FA**
- Unidentified Suburban Object*, Mike Jung **FA**
- Waterfire Saga series, Jennifer Donnelly **FA**

Young Adult (By Title, Author & Illustrator)

- American Born Chinese*, Gene Luen Yang
- Becoming Maria: Love and Chaos in the South Bronx*, Sonia Manzano
- Eleanor & Park*, Rainbow Rowell
- Faceless*, Alyssa Sheinmel
- I Am Malala: How One Girl Stood Up for Education and Changed the World*, Malala Yousefzai with Patricia McCormick
- I Am Princess X*, Cherie Priest & Kall Ciesemier
- If I Stay*, Gayle Foreman
- If I Was Your Girl*, Meredith Russo
- Miss Peregrine's Peculiar Children series, Ransom Riggs
- Ms. Marvel*, G. Willow Wilson & Adrian Alphona
- Paper Towns*, John Green
- Red Queen series, Victoria Aveyard
- Shadowshaper*, Daniel José Older
- Simon vs. The Homo Sapiens Agenda*, Becky Albertalli
- The Colors of Madeleine series, Jaclyn Moriarty
- The Hunger Games trilogy, Suzanne Collins
- The Porcupine of Truth*, Bill Konigsberg
- The Secret Language of Sisters*, Luanne Rice
- Unfriendly*, Rachel Vail
- Untwine*, Edwidge Danticat

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