

The Cybils are a series of book awards given by children's and young adult book bloggers. The Cybils have only two criteria: literary merit and kid appeal. We don't think those two values have to collide. There are books we want kids to read and books kids can't resist. Somewhere in the middle, they meet.

Now in our 10th year, we're comprised of 100+ bloggers who write about children's and teen's books every day. We open our nominations to the public.

Maybe there's a book your child devoured under the covers with a flashlight. Another may've circulated from locker to locker. And still another never seemed to make it back to the library by its due date.

You compile the list. We take it from there.

On the back of this flyer are our shortlisted picks for the best children's and teen books for 2015. We hope you'll join us for 2016 and beyond.

# Dates to remember:

Oct. 1-15: Nominations open to the public October 16-25: Publisher submissions New Year's Day: Short lists announced St. Valentine's Day: Winners announced

# Simple rules:

Titles must be published between October 16 of last year and October 15 of this year Books must be published in English, or bilingual with English Only books published in the U.S. or Canada are eligible Only one nomination per genre per person Authors, publishers and publicists may submit their own books after the public nomination period FAQ: www.cybils.com/about-the-cybils-awards

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# 2015 Cybils Finalists

#### **Book Apps**

#### \*Professor Astro Cat's Solar System by Minilab Ltd

David Wiesner's Spot by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Earth Primer by Chaim Gingold Hilda Bewildered by Slap Happy Larry Metamorphabet by Vectorpark Wuwu & Co. - A magical picture book by Step In Books

# Easy Readers/Early Chapter Books

#### Easy Readers: \*Ling & Ting: Twice as Silly by Grace Lin A Pig, a Fox, and a Box (Penguin Young Readers, Level 2) by Jonathan Fenske Don't Throw It to Mo! by David A. Adler In, Over and On the Farm by Ethan Long National Geographic Readers: Rosa Parks (Readers Bios) by Kitson Jazynka

National Geographic Readers: Slither, Snake! by Shelby Alinsky

*Picture Perfect (Sofia Martinez)* by Jacqueline Jules

Early Chapter Books:

# \*Dory and the Real True Friend (Dory Fantasmagory) by Abby Hanlon

Big Bad Detective Agency by Bruce Hale Ranger in Time #1: Rescue on the Oregon Trail by Kate Messner Lulu and the Hamster in the Night by Hilary McKay My Pet Human by Yasmine Surovec The Magical Animal Adoption Agency, Book 1 Clover's Luck by Kallie George West Meadows Detectives: The Case of the Snack Snatcher by Liam O'Donnell

## **Fiction Picture Books**

# \*Sidewalk Flowers by JonArno Lawson

*Blizzard* by John Rocco *Bug in a Vacuum* by Melanie Watt *Hoot Owl, Master of Disguise* by Sean Taylor

In a Village by the Sea by Muon Van Last Stop on Market Street by Matt De La Peña, illustrated by Christian Robinson Mango, Abuela, and Me by Meg Medina

## Non-fiction (Elementary/MG)

#### \*I, Fly: The Buzz About Flies and How Awesome They Are by Bridget Heos, illustrated by Jennifer Plecass

Emmanuel's Dream: The True Story of Emmanuel Ofosu Yeboah by Laurie Ann Thompson

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Fatal Fever: Tracking Down Typhoid Mary by Gail Jarrow Guts & Glory: The Vikings by Ben Thompson Kid Presidents: True Tales of Childhood from America's Presidents by David Stabler One Plastic Bag: Isatou Ceesay and the Recycling Women of the Gambia by Miranda Paul Untamed: The Wild Life of Jane Goodall by Anita Silvey

# Poetry

#### \*Flutter and Hum / Aleteo y Zumbido: Animal Poems / Poemas de Animales by Julie Paschkis

*Full Cicada Moon* by Marilyn Hilton *House Arrest* by K.A. Holt *National Geographic Book of Nature Poetry: More than 200 Poems With Photographs That Float, Zoom, and Bloom!* by J. Patrick Lewis *Paper Hearts* by Meg Wiviott *The Popcorn Astronauts: And Other Biteable Rhymes* by Deborah Ruddell *Winter Bees & Other Poems of the Cold* by Joyce Sidman

# Middle Grade Fiction

#### \*The Blackthorn Key by Kevin Sands Blackbird Fly by Erin Entrada Kelly

Book Scavenger by Jennifer Chambliss Bertman Footer Davis Probably Is Crazy by Susan Vaught Listen, Slowly by Thanhha Lai

## **Speculative Fiction**

#### Elementary/Middle Grade: \*The Fog Diver by Joel Ross

Bayou Magic by Jewell Parker Rhodes Castle Hangnail by Ursula Vernon Cuckoo Song by Frances Hardinge Mars Evacuees by Sophia McDougall The Dungeoneers by John David Anderson Wings of Fire Book Six: Moon Rising by Tui Sutherland

#### Teen/Young Adult:

\*The Walls Around Us by Nova Ren Suma An Inheritance of Ashes by Leah Bobet Bone Gap by Laura Ruby Mortal Heart by Robin LaFevers Shadowshaper by Daniel José Older Slasher Girls & Monster Boys edited by April Genevieve Tucholke The Six by Mark Alpert

#### Graphic Novels

Elementary/Middle Grade: \*Roller Girl by Victoria Jamieson Baba Yaga's Assistant by Marika McCoola Courtney Crumrin Volume 7: Tales of a Warlock by Ted Naifeh

Dragons Beware! (The Chronicles of Claudette) by Jorge Aguirre and Rafael Rosado

Secret Coders by Gene Luen Yang and Mike Holmes Sunny Side Up by Jennifer L. Holm

The Marvels by Brian Selznick Teen/Young Adult:

\*Nimona by Noelle Stevenson Honor Girl: A Graphic Memoir by Maggie Thrash Lion of Rora by Christos Gage/Ruth Gage/ Jackie Lewis March: Book Two by John Lewis Ms. Marvel Vol. 1 by G. Willow Wilson Oyster War by Ben Towle Terrorist: Gavrilo Princip, the Assassin Who Ignited World War I by Henrik Rehr

#### Non-fiction (Young Adult)

#### \*Most Dangerous: Daniel Ellsberg and the Secret History of the Vietnam War by Steve Sheinkin

*Bayard Rustin: The Invisible Activist* by Jacqueline Houtman, Walter Naegle, and Michael G. Long

Courage & Defiance: Stories of Spies, Saboteurs, and Survivors in World War II Denmark by Deborah Hopkinson Give Me Wings: How a Choir of Former Slaves Took on the World by Kathy Lowinger

I Will Always Write Back: How One Letter Changed Two Lives by Martin Ganda Symphony for the City of the Dead: Dmitri Shostakovich and the Siege of Leningrad by M.T. Anderson

*Tommy: The Gun That Changed America* by Karen Blumenthal

## **Young Adult Fiction**

# \**Every Last Word* by Tamara Ireland Stone

All the Rage by Courtney Summers Dumplin' by Julie Murphy Everything, Everything by Nicola Yoon How It Went Down by Kekla Magoon Infandous by Elana K. Arnold The Truth Commission by Susan Juby