

# The Cybils Awards

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Off the Shelf and Online

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 fifth 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 2010. We hope you'll join us for 2011 and beyond.

#### Dates to remember:

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

### Simple rules:

Titles must be published between the close of last year's contest and the start of this year's contest
Books must be published in English, or bilingual with English
Only one nomination per genre per person

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# 2010 Cybils Finalists

## Easy Readers/Early Chapter Books

Easy Readers:

Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa: Spring Babies by Erica Silverman

Fly Guy Meets Fly Girl by Tedd Arnold

National Geographic Readers: Ants

by Melissa Stewart

The Babysitters (Cork and Fuzz)

by Dori Chaconas

We Are in a Book! (An Elephant and Piggie Book) by Mo Willems

Early Chapter Books:

Anna Hibiscus by Atinuke

Frankie Pickle and the Pine Run 3000 by Eric Wight

Home on the Range (Down Girl and Sit) by Lucy Nolan

Princess Posey and the First Grade Parade: Book 1 by Stephanie Greene

Zapato Power: Freddie Ramos Takes Off by Jacqueline Jules

## Fantasy and Science Fiction

Teen/Young Adult

Brain Jack by Brian Falkner

Guardian of the Dead by Karen Healey
Plain Kate by Erin Bow

Pod by Stephen Wallenfels

Rot & Ruin by Jonathan Maberry

Ship Breaker by Paolo Bacigalupi

The Wager by Donna Jo Napoli

Elementary/Middle Grade:

The Call (The Magnificent 12) by Michael Grant

The Dead Boys by Royce Buckingham Dragonbreath: Attack of the Ninja Frogs by Ursula Vernon

Fever Crumb by Philip Reeve

Ninth Ward by Jewell Parker Rhodes

Reckless by Cornelia Funke

The Shadows (The Books of Elsewhere, Vol. 1) by Jacqueline West

# Graphic Novels

Teen/Young Adult:

Ghostopolis by Doug TenNapel

Mercury by Hope Larson

Night Owls Vol. 1 by Peter Timony; illus.
by Bobby Timony

Twin Spica, Vol. 1 by Kou Yaginuma

Yummy: The Last Days of a Southside Shorty by G. Neri; illus. Randy Duburke Elementary/Middle Grade:

Athena: Grey-Eyed Goddess by George O'Connor

Guinea Pig, Pet Shop Private Eye 1: Hamster and Cheese by Colleen A.F.

Venable; illus. Stephanie Yue

Meanwhile: Pick Any Path. 3,856 Story

Possibilities by Jason Shiga

Smile by Raina Telgemeier

The Unsinkable Walker Bean by Aaron Renier

# Non-fiction (Middle Grade and YA)

The Dark Game: True Spy Stories by Paul Janeczko

The Hive Detectives: Chronicle of a

Honey Bee Disaster

by Loree Griffin Burns

Kakapo Rescue: Saving the World's Strangest Parrot by Sy Montgomery

The Secret of the Yellow Death: A True Story of Medical Sleuthing

by Suzanne Jurmain

Spilling Ink: A Young Writer's Handbook by Anne Mazer and Ellen Potter

Under a Red Sky: Memoir of a Childhood in Communist Romania

by Haya Leah Molnar

An Unspeakable Crime: The Prosecution and Persecution of Leo Frank by Elaine Marie Alphin

## Middle Grade Fiction

Because of Mr. Terupt by Rob Buyea
Belly Up by Stuart Gibbs
Betti on the High Wire by Lisa Railsback
Crunch by Leslie Connor
Milo: Sticky Notes and Brain Freeze
by Alan Silberberg
The Kneebone Boy by Ellen Potter
The Strange Case of Origami Yoda
by Tom Angleberger

## **Young Adult Fiction**

Dirt Road Home by Watt Key
Harmonic Feedback by Tara Kelly
I Now Pronounce You Someone Else
by Erin McCahan
Scrawl by Mark Shulman
Some Girls Are by Courtney Summers
Split by Swati Avasthi
Stolen by Lucy Christopher

### **Fiction Picture Books**

A Beach Tail by Karen Lynn Williams; illus. by Floyd Cooper
Chalk by Bill Thomson
The Cow Loves Cookies
by Karma Wilson; illus. by Marcellus Hall
Flora's Very Windy Day
by Jeanne Birdsall; illus. by Matt Phelan
Interrupting Chicken by David Ezra Stein
Shark vs. Train by Chris Barton; illus. by
Tom Lichtenheld

A Sick Day for Amos McGee by Philip Christian Stead; illus. Erin Stead

## Nonfiction Picture Books

Bones by Steve Jenkins

Dinosaur Mountain: Digging into the Jurassic Age by Deborah Kogan Ray Henry Aaron's Dream by Matt Tavares

Pop!: The Invention of Bubble Gum by Meghan McCarthy

Sit-In: How Four Friends Stood Up by Sitting Down by Andrea Pinkney; illus. by Brian Pinkney

Skit-Scat Raggedy Cat: Ella Fitzgerald by Roxane Orgill; illus. Sean Qualls The Extraordinary Mark Twain (According to Susy) by Barbara Kerley; illus. by Edwin Fotheringham

## **Poetry**

Borrowed Names: Poems About Laura Ingalls Wilder, Madam C.J. Walker, Marie Curie, and Their Daughters by Jeannine Atkins

Dark Emperor and Other Poems of the Night by Joyce Sidman; illus. Rick Allen Mirror Mirror: A Book of Reversible Verse by Marilyn Singer; illus. by Josee Massee

Scarum Fair by Jessica Swaim; illus. by Carol Ashley

Sharing the Seasons: A Book of Poems ed. by Lee Bennett Hopkins; illus. by David Diaz

Switching on the Moon: A Very First Book of Bedtime Poems ed. by Jane Yolen and Andrew Fusek Peters; illus. G. Brian Karas Ubiquitous: Celebrating Nature's Survivors by Joyce Sidman; illus. by Beckie Prange

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