

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 eighth 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 2013. We hope you'll join us for 2014 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 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/basic-contest-info.html

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2013 Cybils Finalists

Book Apps

Disney Animated written by Disney; developed by Disney and Touch Press

Endless Alphabet by Originator, Inc. MirrorWorld written by Cornelia Funke, developed by Mirada Studios To This Day written by Shane Koyczan developed by Moving Tales inc Wee You-Things written and developed by Wee Society LLC

Easy Readers/Early Chapter Books

Easy Readers: Urgency Emergency! Big Bad Wolf by Dosh Archer

A Big Guy Took My Ball! (An Elephant and Piggie Book) by Mo Willems Joe and Sparky Go to School by Jamie Michalak, illustrated by Frank Remkiewicz Love Is in the Air by Jonathan Fenske Penny and Her Marble by Kevin Henkes The Meanest Birthday Girl by Josh Schneider

Early Chapter Books: Home Sweet Horror (Scary Tales) by James Preller, illustrated by Iacopo Bruno

Dragonbreath #9: The Case of the Toxic Mutants by Ursula Vernon Kelsey Green, Reading Queen by Claudia Mills, illustrated by Rob Shepperson Lulu and the Dog from the Sea by Hilary McKay, illustrated by Priscilla Lamont The Life of Ty: Penguin Problems by Lauren Myracle, illustrated by Jed Henry Violet Mackerel's Natural Habitat by Anna Branford, illustrated by Elanna Allen

Fiction Picture Books Mr. Tiger Goes Wild by Peter Brown

Count the Monkeys by Mac Barnett, illustrated by Kevin Cornell If You Want to See a Whale by Julie Fogliano, illustrated by Erin Stead Journey by Aaron Becker Open This Little Book by Jesse Klausmeier, illustrated by Suzy Lee Sophie's Squash by Pat Zietlow Miller, illustrated by Anne Wilsdorf The Bear's Song by Benjamin Chaud

Non-fiction (Elementary/MG) Look Up!: Bird-Watching in Your Own Backyard by Annette LeBlanc Cate

Anubis Speaks!: A Guide to the Afterlife by the Egyptian God of the Dead by Vicky Alvear Shecter, illus. by Antoine Revoy

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Barbed Wire Baseball by Marissa Moss, illustrated by Yuko Shimizu How Big Were Dinosaurs? by Lita Judge Locomotive by Brian Floca The Boy Who Loved Math: The Improbable Life of Paul Erdos by Deborah Heiligman, illustrated by LeUyen Pham Volcano Rising by Elizabeth Rusch, illustrated by Susan Swan

Poetry

Forest Has a Song: Poems by Amy Ludwig VanDerwater; illus. by Robbin Gourley

Follow Follow: A Book of Reverso Poems by Marilyn Singer, illus. by Josee Masse Poems to Learn by Heart by Caroline Kennedy; illustrated by Jon J. Muth Pug: And Other Animal Poems by Valerie Worth; illus. by Steve Jenkins The Pet Project: Cute and Cuddly Vicious Verses by Lisa Wheeler, illustrated by Zachariah OHora What the Heart Knows: Chants, Charms,

and Blessings by Joyce Sidman, illustrated by Pamela Zagarenski

When Thunder Comes: Poems for Civil Rights Leaders by J. Patrick Lewis, illustrated by Jim Burke

Middle Grade Fiction Ultra by David Carroll

Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library by Chris Grabenstein Prisoner B-3087 by Alan Gratz Serafina's Promise by Ann E. Burg The 14 Fibs of Gregory K. by Greg Pincus

Speculative Fiction

Elementary/Middle Grade: Lockwood & Co.: The Screaming Staircase by Jonathan Stroud Jinx by Sage Blackwood Rose by Holly Webb Sidekicked by John David Anderson The Rithmatist by Brandon Sanderson The True Blue Scouts of Sugar Man Swamp by Kathi Appelt The Water Castle by Megan F. Blakemore

Teen/Young Adult: The Summer Prince by Alava Dawn Johnson

Conjured by Sarah Beth Durst Dark Triumph (His Fair Assassin Trilogy) by Robin LaFevers Pantomime by Laura Lam Shadows by Robin McKinley The Waking Dark by Robin Wasserman William Shakespeare's Star Wars by Ian Doescher

Graphic Novels

Elementary/Middle Grade: *Hereville: How Mirka Met a Meteorite* by Barry Deutsch

Bluffton: My Summers with Buster Keaton by Matt Phelan March: Book 1 by John Lewis, Andrew Aydin, and Nate Powell Monster on the Hill by Rob Harrell Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales: Donner Dinner Party by Nathan Hale Squish #5: Game On! by Jennifer Holm and Matthew Holm The Lost Boy by Greg Ruth

Teen/Young Adult: Templar by Jordan Mechner, illus. by LeUyen Pham and Alex Puvilland

Bad Machinery Vol. 1 by John Allison Boxers & Saints by Gene Luen Yang Captain Marvel, Vol. 1 by Kelly Sue Deconnick, illus. Dexter Soy, Emma Rios Delilah Dirk and the Turkish Lieutenant by Tony Cliff

Uzumaki Deluxe Edition by Junji Ito *War Brothers: The Graphic Novel* by Sharon McKay, illus. by Daniel Lafrance

Non-fiction (Young Adult)

Imprisoned: The Betrayal of Japanese Americans during World War II by Martin W. Sandler

Breakfast on Mars & 37 Other Delectable Essays, eds. Rebecca Stern, Brad Wolfe The Boy on the Wooden Box: How the Impossible Became Possible . . . on Schindler's List by Leon Leyson The Bronte Sisters: The Brief Lives of Charlotte, Emily, and Anne by Catherine Reef "The President Has Been Shot!": The Assassination of John F. Kennedy by James L. Swanson

Young Adult Fiction

Yaqui Delgado Wants to Kick Your Ass by Meg Medina

Dr. Bird's Advice for Sad Poets by Evan Roskos Eleanor & Park by Rainbow Rowell Out of the Easy by Ruta Sepetys Rose Under Fire by Elizabeth Wein Sex & Violence by Carrie Mesrobian