

# CHRISTOPHER AWARDS

Presented each February to books "which affirm the highest values of the human spirit."

\*Underlined titles may be used for Summer Reading Challenge for grades 3 and up

2018

- Kindergarten and up: ***Pocket Full of Colors*** (Atheneum Books for Young Readers/Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing) by Amy Guglielmo and Jacqueline Tourville, illustrated by Brigette Barrager
- Kindergarten and up: ***Before She Was Harriet*** (Holiday House Publishing), by Lesa Cline-Ransome, illustrated by James E. Ransome.
- Ages 8 and up: **Genevieve's War** ( Holiday House Publishing) by Patricia Reilly Giff, an American girl's vacation at her grandmother's farm in 1939 France takes an ominous turn when the Nazi occupation begins, leaving her in dangerous circumstances that test her character and sense of personal responsibility. Tom Rinaldi's
- Ages 10 and up: **The Red Bandanna** (Viking/Penguin Young Readers Group) explores the life of 9/11 hero Welles Crowther, who worked on the 104th floor of the World Trade Center's South Tower and helped lead 18 people to safety before being killed himself.

2017

- Kindergarten and up: ***What do you Do with a Problem?*** By Kobi Yamada
- Kindergarten and up: ***Ida Always*** by Caron Lewis
- Ages 8 and up: ***Ada's Violin*** by Susan Hood
- Age 10 and up: **Soar** by Joan Bauer the powerful story of a heart transplant survivor who becomes an amazing baseball coach.

2016

- Kindergarten and up: ***An Invisible Thread Christmas Story*** by Laura Schroff and Alex Tresniowski, illustrated by Barry Root (Little Simon/Simon & Schuster)
- Kindergarten and up: ***Poet: The Remarkable Story of George Moses Horton*** by Don Tate (Peachtree Publishers)
- Ages 8 and up: ***Katie's Cabbage*** by Katie Stagliano with Michelle H. Martin, illustrated by Karen Heid (Young Palmetto Books/University of South Carolina Press)
- Ages 10 and up: **Firefly Hollow** by Alison McGhee, illustrated by Christopher Denise (Atheneum Books for Young Readers/Simon & Schuster)

2014

- Kindergarten and up: ***Year of the Jungle: Memories from the Home Front*** by Suzanne Collins, illustrated by James Proimos (Scholastic Press)
- Ages 6 and up: ***The Matchbox Diary*** by Paul Fleischman, illustrated by Bagram Ibatoulline (Candlewick Press)
- Ages 8 and up: ***Flora & Ulysses*** by Kate DiCamillo, illustrated by K.G. Campbell (Candlewick Press)
- Ages 10 and up: ***The Boy On the Wooden Box*** by Leon Leyson with Marilyn J. Harran and Elisabeth B. Leyson (Atheneum Books for Young Readers/Simon and Schuster Children's Publishing)

2013

- *Kindergarten and up: ***The Fantastic Flying Books of Mr. Morris Lessmore*** by William Joyce with illustrations by Joe Bluhm*
- *Kindergarten and up: ***The House on Dirty-Third Street*** by Jo S. Kittinger with illustrations by Thomas Gonzalez*
- *Age 8 and up: ***The One and Only Ivan*** by Katherine Applegate with illustrations by Patricia Castelao*
- *Ages 8 and up: ***Wonder*** by R.J. Palacio*

2012

- *Kindergarten and up: ***Waiting for the Biblioburro*** by Monica Brown with illustrations by John Parra*
- *Kindergarten and up: ***You Can Be a Friend*** by Tony Dungy and Lauren Dungy with illustrations by Ron Mazellan*
- *Ages 8 and up: ***Hooper Finds a Family*** by Jane Paley*
- *Ages 11 and up: ***Words in the Dust*** by Trent Reedy*

2011

- *Kindergarten and up: ***Knuffle Bunny Free: An Unexpected Diversion*** by Mo Willems*
- *Kindergarten and up: ***Would You Still Love Me If...*** by Wendy LaGuardia with illustrations by Patricia Keeler*
- *Ages 10 and up: ***Lafayette and the American Revolution*** by Russell Freedman*

2010

- *Ages 6–8: ***Nubs: The True Story of a Mutt, a Marine & a Miracle*** by Major Brian Dennis, Kirby Larson, & Mary Nethery*
- *Ages 8–10: ***Most Loved in All the World*** by Tonya Cherie Hegamin with illustrations by Cozbi A. Cabrera*
- *Ages 10–12: ***Extra Credit*** by Andrew Clements with illustrations by Mark Elliott*

2009

- Ages 6–8: ***That Book Woman*** by Heather Henson with illustrations by David Small
- Ages 8-10: ***Clementine's Letter*** by Sara Pennypacker with illustrations by Marla Frazee
- Ages 10-12: ***Shooting the Moon*** by Frances O'Roark Dowell

2008

- Ages 6–8: ***How Many Seeds in a Pumpkin?*** by Margaret McNamara with illustrations by G. Brian Karas
- Ages 8-10: ***Owen & Mzee: The Language of Friendship*** by Isabella Hatkoff, Craig Hatkoff, and Dr. Paula Kahumbu with photographs by Peter Greste
- Ages 10-12: ***The Wild Girls*** by Pat Murphy

2007

- Ages 6–8: ***How We Are Smart*** by W. Nikola-Lisa with illustrations by Sean Qualls
- Ages 8-10: ***The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane*** by Kate DiCamillo with illustrations by Bagram Ibatoulline
- Ages 10-12: ***Listen!*** by Stephanie S. Tolan

2006

- Ages 6–8: ***I Could Do That! Esther Morris Gets Women the Vote*** by Linda Arms White with illustrations by Nancy Carpenter (Ages 6–8)
- Ages 8-10: ***Game Day*** by Tiki Barber and Ronde Barber with Robert Burleigh, illustrations by Barry Root
- Ages 10-12: ***Friendship According to Humphrey*** by Betty G. Birney
- Ages 11 and up: ***Hitch*** by Jeanette Ingold

2005

- Ages 6–8: ***The Hungry Coat: A Tale from Turkey*** written and illustrated by Demi
- Ages 8-10: ***Shredderman: Secret Identity*** by Wendelin Van Draanen with illustrations by Brian Biggs
- Ages 10-12: ***The Teacher's Funeral: A Comedy in Three Parts*** by Richard Peck

2004

- Ages 6–8: ***The Dot*** written and illustrated by Peter H. Reynolds
- Ages 8-10: ***Harvesting Hope: The Story of Cesar Chavez*** by Kathleen Krull with illustrations by Yuyi Morales
- Ages 10-12: ***Iqbal*** by Francesco D'Adamo

2003

- Ages 6–8: ***Dear Mrs. Larue: Letters from Obedience School*** written and illustrated by Mark Teague
- Ages 8-10: ***The Ugly Princess and the Wise Fool*** by Margaret Gray with illustrations by Randy Cecil
- Ages 10-12: ***Pictures of Hollis Woods*** by Patricia Reilly Giff

2002

- Ages 6–8: ***Beatrice's Goat*** by Page McBrier with illustrations by Lori Lohstoeter
- Ages 8-10: ***Love That Dog*** by Sharon Creech
- Ages 10-12: ***Uncle Daddy*** by Ralph Fletcher

2001

- Ages 6-8: ***How Do Dinosaurs Say Good Night?*** by Jane Yolen, illustrated by Mark Teague (The Blue Sky Press/Scholastic Inc.)
- Ages 9-10: ***The Mousery*** by Charlotte Pomerantz, illustrated by Kurt Cyrus (Gulliver Books/Harcourt, Inc.)
- Ages 11-12: ***The Yellow Star*** by Carmen Agra Deedy, illustrated by Henri Sørensen (Peachtree Publishers, Ltd.)
- Ages 11-12: ***Hope Was Here*** by Joan Bauer (G. P. Putnam's Sons)
- Age 11 and up: ***The Wanderer*** by Sharon Creech (Joanna Cotler Books/HarperCollins Publishers)

2000

- Kindergarten and up: ***I Love You, Blue Kangaroo*** by Chrichester Clark
- Ages 6-8: ***A Symphony of Whales*** Steve Schuch
- Ages 9-12: ***Good Luck Mrs. K!*** by Louise Borden