

Bedford Free Library

Children's Room

Coretta Scott King
Award Winners
and Honor Books





Coretta Scott King Award Winners



Year	Award	Title	Author/Illustrator	BDV Location	
	Year	Award	Title	Author/Illustrator	Call #
*	2017	Author	March: Book Three	John Lewis	YA 741.5 LEW Graphic Novel
		Illustrator	Radiant Child, The Story of a Young Artist Jean-Michel Basquet	Javaka Steptoe	
	2016	Author	Gone Crazy in Alabama	Rita Williams-Garcia	
		Illustrator	Trombone Shorty	Bryan Collier	
*	2015	Author	Brown Girl Dreaming	Jacqueline Woodson	J B WOODSON
*		Illustrator	Firebird	Misty Copeland	JP COP
	2014	Author	P.S. Be Eleven	Rita Williams-Garcia	J FIC WIL
*		Illustrator	Knock Knock: My Dad's Dream for Me	Bryan Collier	JP BEATY
*	2013	Author	Hand in Hand: Ten Black Men Who Changed America	Andrea Davis Pinkney	J 927 PIN
		Illustrator	I, Too, Am America	Bryan Collier	
*	2012	Author	Heart and Soul: The Story of America and African Americans	Kadir Nelson	J 973.04 NEL
		(Illustrator – Honor)			
*	2011	Author – Winner	One Crazy Summer	Rita Williams-Garcia	
		Illustrator	Dave the Potter	Bryan Collier	
	2010	Author	Bad News for Outlaws: The Remarkable Life of Bass Reeves, Deputy U.S. Marshal	Vaunda Micheaux Nelson	
*		Illustrator	My People	Charles S. Smith, Jr.	J 811.52 HUG
*	2009	Author	We Are the Ship: the Story of Negro League Baseball	Kadir Nelson	YA 796.357 N
		(Illustrator – Honor)			
		Illustrator	The Blacker the Berry	Joyce Carol Thomas	
		(Author – Honor)			
*	2008	Author	Elijah of Buxton	Christopher Paul Curtis	J FIC CUR
		Illustrator	Let it Shine: Three Favorite Spirituals		
*	2007	Author	Copper Sun	Sharon Draper	YA FIC DRA
*		Illustrator	Moses: When Harriet Tubman Led Her People to Freedom	Kadir Nelson	J B TUBMAN
*	2006	Author	Day of Tears: A Novel in Dialogue	Julius Lester	YA FIC LES

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* 2005	Illustrator	Rosa	Bryan Collier	
	Author	Remember: The Journey to School Integration	Toni Morrison	J 379.26 MOR
* 2004	Illustrator	Ellington Was Not a Street	Kadir Nelson	
	Author	The First Part Last	Angela Johnson	YA FIC JOH
* 2003	Illustrator	Beautiful Blackbird	Ashley Bryan	J 398.2 BRY
	Author	Bronx Masquerade	Nikki Grimes	YA FIC GRI
* 2002	Illustrator	Talkin' About Bessie: The Story of (Author – Honor) Aviator Elizabeth Coleman	Nikki Grimes	J B COLEMAN
	Author	The Land	Mildred Taylor	YA FIC TAY
* 2001	Illustrator	Goin' Someplace Special	Jerry Pinkney	JP McK
	Author	Miracle's Boys	Jacqueline Woodson	J FIC WOO
* 2000	Illustrator	Uptown	Bryan Collier	JP COL
	Author	Bud, Not Buddy	Christopher Paul Curtis	J FIC CUR NEWBERY 2000
* 1999	Illustrator	In the Time of the Drums	Brian Pinkney	JP SIE
	Author	Heaven	Angela Johnson	YA FIC JOH
* 1998	Illustrator	i see the rhythm	Michele Wood	J 780.8 IGU
	Author	Forged By Fire	Sharon Draper	YA FIC DRA
* 1997	Illustrator	In Daddy's Arms I am Tall: African Americans Celebrating Fathers	Javaka Steptoe	J 811.08 IN
	Author	Slam	Walter Dean Myers	YA FIC MYE
* 1996	Illustrator	Minty: A Story of Young Harriet Tubman	Jerry Pinkney	J B TUBMAN
	Author	Her Stories: African American Folktales, Fairy Tales, and True Tales	Virginia Hamilton	J 398 HAM
* 1995	Illustrator	The Middle Passage	Tom Feelings	
	Author	Christmas in the Big House, Christmas in the Quarters	Patricia C. and Fred L. McKissack	J 975 McK
* 1994	Illustrator	The Creation	James Ransome	
	Author	Toning the Sweep	Angela Johnson	J FIC JOH
* 1993	Illustrator	Soul Looks Back in Wonder	Tom Feelings	
	Author	Dark Thirty: Souther Tales of the Supernatural	Patricia C. McKissack	J FIC McK
* 1992	Illustrator	The Origin of Life on Earth: An African Creation Myth	Kathleen Atkins Wilson	
	Author	Now is Your Time: the African	Walter Dean Myers	J 305.896

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		American Struggle for Freedom		MYE
*	Illustrator	Tar Beach	Faith Ringgold	JP RIN
* 1991	Author	The Road to Memphis	Mildred Taylor	YA FIC TAY
*	Illustrator	Aida	Leo and Diane Dillon	J 782.1 PRI
* 1990	Author	A Long Hard Journey: the Story of the Pullman Porter	Patricia C. and Fred L. McKissack	J 331.88 McK
*	Illustrator (Author – Honor)	Nathaniel Talking	Eloise Greenfield Jan Spivey Gilchrist	J 811.5 GRE
* 1989	Author	Fallen Angels	Walter Dean Myers	YA FIC MYE
*	Illustrator	Mirandy and Brother Wind	Jerry Pinkney	JP McK
* 1988	Author	The Friendship	Mildred Taylor	J FIC TAY
*	Illustrator	Mufaro’s Beautiful Daughters: An African Tale	John Steptoe	JP STE
1987	Author	Justin and the Best Biscuits in the World	Mildred Pitts Walter	
*	Illustrator	Half a Moon and One Whole Star	Jerry Pinkney	JP DRA
* 1986	Author (Illustrator – Honor)	The People Could Fly: American Black Folktales	Virginia Hamilton Leo & Diane Dillon	J 398 HAM
*	Illustrator	The Patchwork Quilt	Jerry Pinkney	J FIC PIN (YR)
* 1985	Author	Motown and Didi: A Love Story	Walter Dean Myers	YA FIC MYE
* 1984	Author	Everett Anderson’s Good-bye	Lucille Clifton	JP CLI
*	Illustrator	My Mama Needs Me	Pat Cummings	JP WAL
* 1983	Author	Sweet Whispers, Brother Rush	Virginia Hamilton	J FIC HAM
*	Illustrator	Black Child	Peter Magubane	
* 1982	Author	Let the Circle Be Unbroken	Mildred Taylor	YA FIC TAY
	Illustrator	Mother Crocodile: An Uncle Amadou Tale from Sengal	John Steptoe	
1981	Author	This Life	Sidney Poitier	
*	Illustrator	Beat the Story Drum, Pum-Pum	Ashley Bryan	J 398 BRY
1980	Author	The Young Landlords	Walter Dean Myers	
*	Illustrator	Cornrows	Carole Byard	J FIC YAR (YR)
1979	Author	Escape to Freedom	Ossie Davis	
	Illustrator	Something on My Mind	Tom Feelings	
* 1978	Author	Africa Dream	Eloise Greenfield	JP GRE
	Illustrator		Carole Bayard	
1977	Author	The Story of Stevie Wonder	James Haskins	
1976	Author	Duey’s Tale	Pearl Bailey	

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1975	Author	The Legend of Africana	Dorothy Robinson	
1974	Author	Ray Charles	Sharon Bell Mathis	
	Illustrator		George Ford	
1973	Author	I Never Had It Made: the Autobiography of Jackie Robinson, as told to Alfred Duckett	Alfred Duckett	
1972	Author	17 Black Artists	Elton C. Fax	
1971	Author	Black Troubadour: Langston Hughes	Charlemae Rollins	
1970	Author	Martin Luther King, Jr.: Man of Peace	Lillie Patterson	

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2017	Author	March: Book Three	John Lewis	YA 741.5 LEW Graphic Novel	
	Author	As Brave As You	Jason Reynolds		
	Author	Freedom Over Me	Ashley Bryan		
	Illustrator	Radiant Child, The Story of a Young Artist	Javaka Steptoe		
	Illustrator	Jean-Michel Basquet			
	Illustrator	Freedom in Cargo Square	Gregory Christie		
	Illustrator	Freedom Over Me	Ashley Bryan		
	Illustrator	In Plain Sight	Jerry Pinkney		
	2016	Author	Gone Crazy in Alabama	Rita Williams-Garcia	
Author		All American Boys	Jason Reynolds and Brendan Kiely	YA FIC REY	
Author		Boy in the Black Suit	Jason Reynolds		
Author		X: A Novel	Iiyasah Shabazz	YA FIC SHA	
Illustrator		Trombone Shorty	Bryan Collier		
Illustrator		The Book Itch	R. Gregory Christie		
Illustrator		Last Stop on Market Street	Christian Robinson	JP DEL Newberry 2016	
2015		Author	The Crossover	Kwame Alexander	J FIC ALE
		Author	How I Discovered Poetry	Marilyn Nelson	J 811.5 NEL
	Author	How It Went Down	Kikla Magoon	J FIC MAG	
	Illustrator	Josephine: the Dazzling Life of Josephine Baker	Patricia Hruby Powell	J B BAKER	
	Illustrator	Little Melba & Her Big Trombone	Katheryn Russell	J B LISTON	
2014	Author	March 1	John Lewis & Andrew Aydin	Graphic novel	
	Author	Darius and Twig	Dean Myers	YA FIC MYE	
	Author	Words with Wings	Nikki Grimes	J FIC GRI	
	Illustrator	Nelson Mandela	Kadir Nelson	J B MANDELA	
2013	Author	Each Kindness	Jacqueline Woodson		
	Author	No Crystal Stair	Vaunda Nelson		
	Illustrator	Ellen's Broom	Daniel Minter		
	Illustrator	H.O.R.S.E	Christopher Myer		
	Illustrator	I Have a Dream: Martin Luther King Jr.	Kadir Nelson	J CD NONFIC KIT KIN	
2012	Author	The Great Migration: Journey to the North	Eloise Greenfield		
	Author	Never Forgotten	Patricia C. McKissack		
*	Illustrator	Heart and Soul: The Story of America and	Kadir Nelson	J 973.04 NEL	

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	(Author – Winner)	African Americans		
2011	Author	Lockdown	Walter Dean Myers	
*	Author	Ninth Ward	Jewell Parker Rhodes	
	Author	Yummy, the Last Days of a Southside Shorty	G. Neri	
	Illustrator	Jimi Sounds Like a Rainbow: A Story of the Young Jimi Hendrix	Javaka Steptoe	
2010	Author	Mare’s War	Tanita S. Davis	
	Illustrator	The Negro Speaks of Rivers	E. B Lewis (illustrator)	
2009	Illustrator	We Are the Ship: the Story of Negro League Baseball	Kadir Nelson	YA 796.357 NEL
*	(Author – Winner)	Keeping the Night Watch	Hope Anita Smith	
	Author	The Blacker the Berry	Joyce Carol Thomas	
	Author	Becoming Billie Holiday	Carole Boston Weatherford	
	Illustrator	The Moon Over Star	Jerry Pinkney	JP AST
	Illustrator	Before John Was a Jazz Giant	Sean Qualls	
2008	Author	November Blues	Sharon Draper	
	Author	Twelve Rounds to Glory: The Story of Muhammad Ali		
	Illustrator	The Secret Olivia Told Me	Nancy Devard	
	Illustrator	Jazz on a Saturday Night	Leo and Diane Dillon	
2007	Author	The Road to Paris	Nikk Grimes	
	Illustrator	Jazz	Christopher Myers	
	Illustrator	Poetry for Young People: Langston Hughes	Benny Andrews	
2006	Author	Maritcha: A Nineteenth-Century American Girl	Tonya Bolden	J B LYONS
	Author	Dark Sons	Nikki Grimes	
	Illustrator	Brothers in Hope: The Story of the Lost Boys of Sudan	R. Gregory Christie	
2005	Author	The Legend of Buddy Bush	Shelia P. Moses	YA FIC MOS
	Author	Who Am I Without Him?: Short Stories about Girls and the Boys in Their Lives	Sharon G. Flake	YA FIC FLA
	Author	Fortune’s Bones: The Manumission Requiem	Marilyn Nelson	
	Illustrator	God Bless the Child	Jerry Pinkney	
	Illustrator	The People Could Fly: The Picture Book	Leo and Diane Dillon	

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2004	Author	Days of Jubilee: The End of Slavery in the United States	Patricia C. and Fredrick L McKissack	J 973.7 McK	
	Author	The Battle of Jericho	Sharon Draper		
	Illustrator	Almost to Freedom	Colin Bootman		
	Illustrator	Thunder Rose	Kadir Nelson		
2003	Author	The Red Rose Box	Brenda Woods		
	Author	Talkin' About Bessie: The Story of Aviator Elizabeth Coleman	Nikki Grimes		
	Illustrator	Rap a Tap Tap: Here's Bojangles	Leo and Diane Dillon		
	Illustrator	Visiting Langston	Bryan Collier		
2002	Author	Money-Hungry	Sharon G. Flake	YA 811.5 NEL J B KING	
	Author	Carver: A Life in Poems	Marilyn Nelson		
	Illustrator	Martin's Big Words	Bryan Collier		
2001	Author	Let It Shine! Stories of Black Women Freedom Fighters	Andrea Davis Pinkney		
	Illustrator	Freedom River	Bryan Collier		
	Illustrator	Only Passing Through: The Story of Sojourner Truth	R. Gregory Christie		
	Illustrator	Virgie Goes to School with Us Boys	E. B. Lewis		
2000	Author	Francie	Karen English	J 639.2 McK	
	Author	Black Hands, White Sails: The Story of African-American Whalers	Patricia C. and Fredrick L. McKissack		
	Author	Monster	Walter Dean Myers		YA FIC MYE
	Illustrator	My Rows and Piles of Coins	E. B. Lewis		JP MOL
1999	Illustrator	Black Cat	Christopher Myers		
	Author	Jazmin's Notebook	Nikki Grimes		
	Author	Breaking Ground, Breaking Silence: The Story of New York's African Burial Ground	Joyce Hansen and Gary McGowan		
	Author	The Other Side: Shorter Poems	Angela Johnson		
1998	Illustrator	I Have Heard of a Land	Floyd Cooper	J B ELLINGTON	
	Illustrator	The Bat Boy and His Violin	E. B. Lewis		
	Illustrator	Duke Ellington: The Piano Prince and His Orchestra	Brian Pinkney		
	Author	Bayard Rustin: Behind the Scenes of the Civil Rights Movement	James Haskins		
1998	Author	I Thought My Soul Would Rise and Fly: The Diary of Patsy, a Freed Girl	Joyce Hansen	J FIC HAN (DEAR AMERICA)	
	Author	Ashley Bryan's ABC of African American	Ashley Bryan		
	Illustrator				

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		Poetry		
	Illustrator	Harlem	Christopher Myers	
	Illustrator	The Hunterman and the Crocodile	Baba Wagué Diakité	
1997	Author	Rebels Against Slavery: American Slave Revolts	Patricia C. and Fredrick L. McKissack	
	Illustrator	The Palm of My Heart: Poetry by African American Children	Gregorie Christie	
	Illustrator	Running the Road to ABC	Reynold Ruffins	
	Illustrator	Neeny Coming, Neeny Going	Synthia Saint James	
*	Illustrator (Author – Winner)	Her Stories: African American Folktales, Fairy Tales, and True Tales	Virginia Hamilton	J 398 HAM
1996	Author	The Watsons Go to Birmingham – 1963	Christopher Paul Curtis	YA FIC CUR J FIC CUR
	Author	Like Sisters on the Homefront	Rita Williams-Garcia	
	Author	From the Notebooks of Melanin Sun	Jacqueline Woodson	YA FIC WOO
	Illustrator	The Faithful Friend	Brian Pinkney	J 398 SAN
1995	Author	The Captive	Joyce Hansen	
	Author	I Hadn't Meant to Tell You This	Jacqueline Woodson	YA FIC WOO
	Author	Black Diamond: Story of the Negro Baseball League	Patricia C. and Fredrick L. McKissack	J 796.357 McK
	Illustrator	The Singing Man	Teresa Shaffer	
	Illustrator	Meet Danitra Brown	Floyd Cooper	
1994	Author & Illustrator	Brown Honey in Broomwheat Tea	Joyce Carol Thomas	
	Author	Malcolm X: By Any Means Necessary	Walter Dean Myers	J B MALCOLM X
	Illustrator	Uncle Jed's Barbershop	James Ransome	
1993	Author	Sojourner Truth: Ain't I a Woman?	Patricia C. and Fredrick L. McKissack	
	Author	Somewhere in the Darkness	Walter Dean Myers	YA FIC MYE
	Author	Mississippi Challenge	Mildred Pitts Walter	
	Illustrator	Little Eight John	Wil Clay	
	Illustrator	Sukey and the Mermaid	Brian Pinkney	
	Illustrator	Working Cotton	Carole Byard	JP WIL
1992	Author & Illustrator	Night on Neighborhood Street	Eloise Greenfield	
	Illustrator	All Night, All Day: A Child's First Book of African American Spirituals	Ashley Bryan	J 782.25 ALL
1991	Author	Black Dance in America	James Haskins	

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1990	Author	When I Am Old with You	Angela Johnson	
	Author	Nathaniel Talking	Eloise Greenfield	J 811.5 GRE
	* (Illustrator – winner)		Jan Spivey Gilchrist	
	Author	The Bells of Christmas	Virginia Hamilton	J FIC HAM (YR) HOLIDAY
1989	Author	Martin Luther King, Jr., and the Freedom Movement	Lillie Patterson	
	Illustrator	The Talking Eggs	Jerry Pinkney	JP SAN
	Author	A Thief in the Village and Other Stories	James Berry	
	Author	Anthony Burns: The Defeat and Triumph of a Fugitive Slave	Virginia Hamilton	J B BURNS
1988	Illustrator	Under the Sunday Tree	Amos Ferguson	J 811.5 GRE
	Illustrator	Storm in the Night	Pat Cummings	
	Author	An Enchanted Hair Tale	Alexis De Veaux	
	Author	The Tales of Uncle Remus: the Adventures of Brer Rabbit	Julius Lester	J 398 LES
1987	Illustrator	What a Morning! The Christmas Story in Black Spirituals		
	Illustrator	The Invisible Hunters: A Legend from the Miskito Indians of Nicaragua	Joe Sam	
	Author	Justin and the Best Biscuits in the World	Mildred Pitts Walter	
	Author & Illustrator	Lion and the Ostrich Chicks and Other African Folk tales	Ashley Bryan	
1986	Author	Which Way Freedom	Joyce Hansen	J FIC HAN
	Illustrator	C.L.O.U.D.S.	Pat Cummings	
	Illustrator	The People Could Fly: American Black Folktales	Virginia Hamilton	J 398 HAM
	* (Author – winner)		Leo & Diane Dillon	
1985	Author	Junius Over Far	Virginia Hamilton	
	Author	Trouble's Child	Mildred Pitts Walter	
	Author	Circle of Gold	Candy Dawson Boyd	
1984	Author	A Little Love	Virginia Hamilton	
	Author	The Magical Adventures of Pretty Pearl	Virginia Hamilton	
	Author	Lena Horne	James Haskins	
	Author	Bright Shadow	Joyce Carol Thomas	
1983	Author	Because We Are	Mildred Pitts Walter	
	Special Citation	The Words of Martin Luther King, Jr	Coretta Scott King (ed.)	
	Author	This Strange New Feeling	Julius Lester	J FIC LES
	Illustrator	All the Colors of the Race	John Steptoe	
	Illustrator	I'm Going to Sing: Black American	Ashley Bryan	

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		Spirituals		
	Illustrator	Just Us Women	Pat Cummings	JP CAI
1982	Author	Rainbow Jordan	Alice Childress	
	Author	Lou in the Limelight	Kristin Hunter	
	Author	Mary: An Autobiography	Mary E. Mebane	
	Illustrator	Daydreamers	Tom Feelings	
1981	Author	Don't Explain: A Song of Billie Holiday	Alexis De Veaux	
	Illustrator	Grandmama's Joy	Carole Byard	
	Illustrator	Count On Your Fingers African Style	Jerry Pinkney	
1980	Author	Movin' Up	Berry Gordy	
	Author	Childtimes: A Three-Generation Memoir	Eloise Greenfield and Lessie Jones Little	J 920 GRE
	Author	Andrew Young: Young Man with a Mission	James Haskins	
	Author	James Van Der Zee: The Picture Takin' Man	James Haskins	
	Author	Let the Lion Eat Straw	Ellease Southerland	
1979	Author	Benjamin Banneker	Lillie Patterson	
	Author	I Have a Sister, My Sister is Deaf	Jeanne W. Peterson	J 362.7 PET
	Author	Justice and Her Brothers	Virginia Hamilton	J FIC HAM
	Author	Skates of Uncle Richard	Carol Fenner	
1978	Author	The Days When the Animals Talked: Black Folk Tales and How They Came to Be	William J. Faulkner	
	Author	Marvin and Tige	Francina Glass	
	Author	Mary McLeod Bethune	Eloise Greenfield	
	Author	Barbara Jordan	James Haskins	
	Author	Coretta Scott King	Lillie Patterson	
	Author	Portia: The Life of Portia Washington Pittman, the Daughter of Booker T. Washington	Ruth Ann Stewart	
1977	Author	Everett Anderson's Friend	Lucille Clifton	
	Author	Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry	Mildred D. Taylor	J FIC TAY NEWBERY
	Author	Quick Book on Black America	Clarence N. Blake and Donald F. Martin	
1976	Author	Julius K. Nyerere: Teacher of Africa	Shirley Graham	
	Author	Paul Robeson	Eloise Greenfield	
	Author	Fast Sam, Cool Clyde, and Stuff	Walter Dean Myers	J FIC MYE
	Author	Song of the Trees	Mildred Taylor	

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	Author	Do You Remember?	Lucille Clifton	
	Author	Ms. Africa: Profiles of Modern African Women	Louise Crane	
	Author	Guest in the Promise Land; stories	Kristin Hunter Lattany	
	Author	Mukasa	John Nagenda	
1971	Author	I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings	Maya Angelou	YA B ANGELOU
	Author	Unbought and Unbossed	Shirley Chisholm	
	Author	I Am a Black Woman	Mari Evans	
	Author	Every Man Heart Lay Down	Lorenz Graham	
	Author	The Voice of the Children	June Jordan & Terri Bush	
	Author	Black Means	Gladys Groom & Barney Grossman	
	Author	Ebony Book of Black Achievement	Margaret W. Peters	
	Author	Mary Jo's Grandmother	Janice May Udry	

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