

2016 Skipping Stones Honor Awards



This year we recommend 27 outstanding books and three teaching resources as the winners of our annual **Skipping Stones Awards**. These books promote an understanding of cultures, cultivate cooperation and encourage a deeper understanding of the world's diversity. They also encourage ecological richness, respect for multiple viewpoints and closer relationships within human societies. These unique titles offer an exciting way to explore and understand diverse cultures, places, societies and their histories. We wish to thank the many readers and reviewers who helped us select these great reading adventures and learning experiences for readers of all ages.

Reviews will be ready by mid-June on the website, www.SkippingStones.org.

Multicultural & International Books:

Baby Talk Bilingual Board Books/Palabras del bebé Libros Bilingües, by Katherine Del Monte, illustr. Noël Ill. A set of five books. LecturaBooks.com

I am Hapa! by Crystal Smith; photos: Michael Satoshi Garcia. *English/Spanish/Chinese*. Eastwestdiscovery.com.

Lo que mi abuela me dijo/What My Grandmother Told Me: Practical Wisdom from Spanish Proverbs and Sayings by Maria Paz Eleizegui Weir, illustr. Mahala Urrea. All ages. www.unmpress.com.

El Día de los Muertos/The Remembering Day by/por Pat Mora, illustr. Robert Casilla. Ages 7-9. www.artepublicopress.com

My Tata's Remedies/Los remedios de mi tata by Roni Capin Rivera-Ashford, illustr. Antonio Castro L. Ages 7-11. www.cincopuntos.com

Lailah's Lunchbox: A Ramadan Story by Reem Faruqi, illustr. Lea Lyon. Ages 5-9. Tilburyhouse.com

Mango, Abuela, and Me by Meg Medina, illustr. Angela Dominguez. Ages 5-8. www.candlewick.com

Growing up Pedro: How the Martinez Brothers Made It from the Dominican Republic All the Way to the Major Leagues by Matt Tavares. Ages 8-12. Candlewick Press.

The Green Musician by Mahvash Shahegh, illustr. Claire Ewart. Ages 6-9. www.wisdomtalespress.com.

Pine and the Winter Sparrow Retold by Alexis York Lumbard, illustr. Beatriz Vidal. Ages 4-8. www.wisdomtalespress.com.

Whispers of the Wolf by Pauline Ts'o, illustr. Pauline Ts'o. Ages 5 and up. www.wisdomtalespress.com.

Daddy's Heart, My Heart: The Purple Heart by Angela Kohout, Madeline Murillo and Elizabeth Sagi. Ages 8-13. Available at www.createspace.com



Voice of Freedom, Fannie Lou Hamer: Spirit of the Civil Rights Movement by Carole Boston Weatherford, illustr. Ekua Holmes. Ages 9-13. www.candlewick.com

For The Right to Learn: Malala Yousafzai's Story by Rebecca Langston-George, illustr. Janna Bock. Ages 9-12. www.Capstoneyoungreaders.com

Child Soldier: When Boys and Girls Are Used in War by Jessica Dee Humphreys & Michel Chikwanine, illustr. Claudia Dávila. Ages 10-15. www.kidscanpress.com

Prison Boy, a novel by Sharon E. McKay. Ages 11-17. www.annickpress.com

Stella by Starlight, a novel by Sharon M. Draper. Ages 10-14. Atheneum; kids.Simonandschuster.com

Give Me Wings: How a Choir of Former Slaves Took on the World by Kathy Lowinger. Ages 11-17. www.annickpress.com

My Seneca Village by Marilyn Nelson. Poetry. Ages 12-18. www.namelos.com

The Hero Twins: A Navajo-English Story of the Monster Slayers by Jim Kristofic, illustr. Nolan Karras James. Ages 11-15. www.unmpress.com

Enchanted Air: Two Cultures, Two Wings by Margarita Engle. Ages 12-17. Teen.Simonandschuster.com

Urban Tribes: Native Americans in the City, edited by Lisa Charleyboy and Mary Beth Leatherdale. Ages 15 and up. www.annickpress.com



Nature & Ecology Books:

Crane Boy by Diana Cohn, illustr. Youme. Ages 5-9. Cincopuntos.com

If You Love Honey: Nature's Connections by Martha Sullivan, illustr. Cathy Morrison. Ages 4-9. www.dawnpub.com

Camas & Sage: A Story of Bison Life on the Prairie by Dorothy Hinshaw Patent, illustr. Christina Wald. Ages 7-10. Mountain Press.

Animal Hero Kids: Voices for the Voiceless by Susan Hargreaves. Ages 10-15. Animalherokids.com

5 Elephants by Rob Laidlaw. Ages 10-15. www.fitzhenry.ca

Teaching Resources:

Rhythm and Resistance: Teaching Poetry for Social Justice, edited by Linda Christensen and Dyan Watson. All grades. www.rethinkingschools.org

A History of Civilization in 50 Disasters by Gale Eaton; Phillip Hoose, series editor. Upper grades. www.tilburyhouse.com

Rethinking Sexism, Gender, and Sexuality edited by Annika Butler-Wall, Kim Cosier, et al. All grades. www.rethinkingschools.org

