

## Oregon Spirit Book Award Archive of Winners

2019

### Picture Books:

Winner – Kurt Cyrus, *Fix That Clock*

Honor – No honor this year

### Middle Readers:

Winner –Rosanne Parry, *Last of the Name*

Honor – Graham Salisbury, *Banjo*

Honor- William Ritter, *The Oddmire, Changeling*

### Young Adult:

Winner –April Henry, *Run, Hide, Fight Back*

Honor – Shea Ernsshaw, *Winterwood*

### Graphic Novels:

Winner – Dylan Meconis, *Queen of the Sea*

Honor – Graham Annable, *Peter & Ernesto: The Lost Sloths*

### Non-fiction:

Winner – Elizabeth Rusch, *Mario and the Hole in the Sky: How a Chemist Saved our Planet*

Honor – Deborah Hopkinson, *Carter Reads the Newspaper*

### Debut:

Winner – Tehlor Kay Mejia, *We Set the Dark on Fire*

2018

### Picture Books:

Winner –Jory John, *Giraffe Problems*

Honor – Kate Berube, *Mae's First Day of School*

Honor – Eric A. Kimmel (author), Josh Cleland (illustrator); *I Want a Real Bike in Oregon*

### Middle Readers:

Winner – Emily Whitman, *The Turning*

Honor – Barbara Kerley, *Following Baxter*

Honor – Cindy Baldwin, *Where the Watermelon Grows*

**Young Adult:**

Winner – Carolyn O’Doherty, *Rewind*

Honor – Arwen Elys Dayton, *Stronger, Faster, and More Beautiful*

Honor – Virginia Boecker, *The Assassin’s Guide to Love and Treason*

**Graphic Novels:**

Winner - Vera Brosgol, *Be Prepared*

Honor – Graham Annable, *Peter & Ernesto: A Tale of Two Sloths*

Honor – Aron Nels Steinke, *Mr. Wolf’s Class*

**Non-fiction:**

Winner – Jane Kurtz, *What Do They Do with All That Poo?*

Honor – Elizabeth Rusch, *Avalanche Dog Heroes: Piper and Friends Learn to Search the Snow*

**Debut:**

Winner – Connie King Leonard, *Sleeping in My Jeans*

2017

**Picture Books:**

Winner: Mark Fearing - *Giant Pants*

Honor: Barbara Herkert - *A Boy, a Mouse, and a Spider* (Lauren Castillo, illustrator)

Honor: Judy Sierra - *Imagine That!:* How Dr. Seuss Wrote *The Cat in the Hat* (Kevin Hawkes, illustrator)

**Middle Reader:**

Winner: Emily Winfield Martin - *Snow & Rose*

**Young Adult:**

Winner: Emily Suvada - *This Mortal Coil*

Honor: Laini Taylor - *Strange the Dreamer*

Honor: Fonda Lee - *Exo*

**Graphic Novels:**

Winner: Mike Lawrence - *Star Scouts*

**Debut:**

Winner: Patricia Bailey - *The Tragically True Adventures of Kit Donovan*

**2016**

**Picture Books:**

Winner: Vera Brosgol – *Leave Me Alone!*

Honor: Jory John – *Quit Calling Me a Monster!*

Honor: Kurt Cyrus – *Billions of Bricks*

**Middle Readers:**

Winner: Rosanne Parry – *The Turn of the Tide*

Honor: Melissa Hart – *Avenging the Owl*

**Young Adult:**

Winner: April Henry – *The Girl I Used to Be*

Honor: Cat Winters – *The Steep and Thorny Way*

**Graphic Novel:**

Winner: Victoria Jamieson – *The Great Pet Escape*

Honor: Cathy Camper – *Lowriders to the Center of the Earth*

**Non-fiction:**

Winner: Barbara Kerley – *Brave Like Me*

Honor: Deborah Hopkinson – *Dive! World War II Stories of Sailors & Submarines in the Pacific*

**Anthology:**

Winner: Smart (Start Making a Reader Today) – *Oregon Reads Aloud: A Collection of 25 Children's Stories by Oregon Authors and Illustrators*

**2015**

**Picture Books:**

Winner - Barbara Kerley - *With a Friend by Your Side*

Honor - Karl Newsom Edwards - *Fly!*

**Middle Readers:**

**Winner - Bryn Fleming - *Jasper and Willie: Wildfire***

Honor - Roland Smith - *Beneath*

**Young Adult**

**Winner - Fonda Lee - *Zeroboxer***

Honor - Teri Brown - *Velvet Undercover*

Honor - Tina Connolly - *Seriously Wicked*

**Graphic Novels**

**Winner - Victoria Jamieson - *Roller Girl***

Honor - Matt Holm - *Sunny Side Up*

**Non-fiction**

**Winner - Deborah Hopkinson - *Courage & Defiance: Stories of Spies, Saboteurs and Survivors in World War II Denmark***

Honor - Barbara Herkert - *Mary Cassatt*

**2014**

**Picture Books:**

**Winner: *The Orchestra Pit*, by Johanna Wright**

**Honor: *The Twelve Days of Christmas in Oregon*, by Susan Blackaby**

**Honor: *Simon and the Bear: A Hanukkah Tale*, by Eric A. Kimmel**

**Middle Readers:**

**Winner: *Absolutely Truly*, by Heather Vogel Frederick**

**Honor: *Hope Is a Ferris Wheel*, by Robin Herrera**

**Honor: *Hook's Revenge*, by Heidi Schulz**

**YA:**

**Winner: *Hunt for the Bamboo Rat*, by Graham Salisbury**

**Honor: *The Body in the Woods*, by April Henry**

**Graphic Novels:**

**Winner: *Muddy Max: The Mystery of Marsh Creek*, by Elizabeth Rusch**

**Honor: *Lowriders in Space*, by Cathy Camper**

**Non-Fiction:**

**Winner: *A Home for Mr. Emerson*, by Barbara Kerley**

**Honor:** *The Next Wave: The Quest to Harness the Power of the Oceans*, by Elizabeth Rusch  
**Honor:** *Gifts from the Enemy*, by Trudy Ludwig

**Oregon Illustrator Honors:**

*Muddy Max: The Mystery of Marsh Creek*, by Elizabeth Rusch, **Mike Lawrence, Illustrator**

*The 12 Days of Christmas in Oregon*, by Susan Blackaby, **Carolyn Conahan, Illustrator**

**2013**

**Picture Books**

**Winner:** *Knit Your Bit: A World War I Story*, by Deborah Hopkinson

**Honor:** *Little Red Hot*, by Eric Kimmel

**Middle Reader**

**Winner:** *The Great Trouble: A Mystery of London, the Blue Death, and a Boy Called Eel*, by Deborah Hopkinson

**Honor:** *Falcon in the Glass*, by Susan Fletcher

**Young Adult**

**Winner:** *In the Shadow of Blackbirds*, by Cat Winters

**Honor:** *The Girl Who Was Supposed to Die*, by April Henry

**Honor:** *Poison*, by Bridget Zinn

**Non-Fiction**

**Winner:** *Electrical Wizard: How Nikola Tesla Lit Up the World*, by Elizabeth Rusch

**Honor:** *The Tree Lady: The True Story of How One Tree-Loving Woman Changed a City Forever*,  
by H. Joseph Hopkins

**Graphic Novels**

**Winner:** *SMASH: Trial by Fire*, by Chris A. Bolton

**2012**

**Picture Books**

**Winner:** *Auntie Yang's Great Soybean Picnic*, by Ginnie Lo

**Honor:** *Wild About You!* by Judy Sierra

**Middle Reader**

**Winner:** *The Secret Chicken Society*, by Judy Cox

**Young Adult**

**Winner:** *The Raft*, by S. A. Bodeen

**Honor:** *The Night She Disappeared*, by April Henry

**Non-Fiction**

**Winner:** *The Mighty Mars Rovers*, by Elizabeth Rusch

**Honor:** *Titanic: Voices from the Disaster*, by Deborah Hopkinson

Honor: *Those Rebels, John & Tom*, by Barbara Kerley

### Graphic Novels

Winner: ***Earthling!*** by Mark Fearing

Honor: *Hereville: How Mirka Met a Meteorite*, by Barry Deutsch

Honor: *Squish: The Power of the Parasite*, by Jennifer L. and Matthew Holm

## 2011

### Picture Books

Winner: ***Big Wish***, by Carolyn Conahan

Honors: *The Voyage of Turtle Rex*, by Kurt Cyrus

*Charlotte Jane Battles, Bedtime* by Myra Wolfe

### Middle Reader

Winner: ***Second Fiddle***, by Rosanne Parry

Honors: *Storm Runners*, by Roland Smith

*Vanishing Acts*, by Phillip Margolin and Ami Margolin Rome

### Young Adult

Winner: ***Daughter of Smoke and Bone***, by Laini Taylor

Honor: *Amplified*, by Tara Kelly

### Non-Fiction

Winner: ***Drawing from Memory***, by Allen Say

Honor: *For the Love of Music*, by Liz Rusch

## 2010

Picture Book: *Joha Makes a Wish: A Middle Eastern Tale*, by Eric A. Kimmel

Middle Reader: *Calvin Coconut: Dog Heaven*, by Graham Salisbury

Young Adult: *Harmonic Feedback*, by Tara Kelly

Nonfiction: *The Extraordinary Mark Twain (According To Susy)*, by Barbara Kerley

## 2009

Picture Book: *Erika-san*, by Allen Say (Author and Illustrator)

Middle Reader: *Heart of a Shepherd*, by Rosanne Parry

Young Adult: *Academy 7*, by Anne Osterlund

## 2008

Picture Book: *The Rain Stomper*, by Addie Boswell (Author), Eric Velasquez (Illustrator)

Middle Reader: *Listening for Crickets*, by David Gifaldi

Young Adult: *A Tugging String: A Novel About Growing Up During the Civil Rights Era*,  
by David Greenberg

**2007**

Picture Book: *The Great Texas Hamster Drive*, by Eric Kimmel

Young Adult: *Elephant Run*, by Roland Smith

**2006**

*Alphabet of Dreams*, by Susan Fletcher

**2005**

*Luba: The Angel of Bergen-Belsen*, by Michelle R. McCann