

Caldecott Medal Books

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The Caldecott Medal is awarded annually by the Association for Library Service to Children. It is given to the illustrator of the most distinguished American picture book published the preceding year. The name of Randolph Caldecott, an English illustrator of books for children, was chosen for the medal because his work best represented the "joyousness of picture books as well as their beauty." The horseman on the medal is taken from one of Caldecott's illustrations for "The Diverting History of John Gilpin" (1878). The medal was originally donated by publisher Frederic G. Melcher (1879–1963), and is now donated by his son, Daniel.

1939	<i>Mei Li</i>	Handforth	1972	<i>One Fine Day</i>	Hogrogian
1940	<i>Abraham Lincoln</i>	d'Aulaire	1973	<i>The Funny Little Woman</i>	Lent
1941	<i>They Were Strong and Good</i>	Lawson	1974	<i>Duffy and the Devil</i>	Zemach
1942	<i>Make Way for Ducklings</i>	McCloskey	1975	<i>Arrow to the Sun</i>	McDermott
1943	<i>The Little House</i>	Burton	1976	<i>Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears</i>	Dillon
1944	<i>Many Moons</i>	Slobodkin	1977	<i>Ashanti to Zulu: African Traditions</i>	Dillon
1945	<i>Prayer for a Child</i>	Jones	1978	<i>Noah's Ark</i>	Spier
1946	<i>The Rooster Crows</i>	Petersham	1979	<i>Girl Who Loved Wild Horses</i>	Goble
1947	<i>The Little Island</i>	Weisgard	1980	<i>Ox-Cart Man</i>	Cooney
1948	<i>White Snow, Bright Snow</i>	Duvoisin	1981	<i>Fables</i>	Lobel
1949	<i>The Big Snow</i>	Hader	1982	<i>Jumanji</i>	Van Allsburg
1950	<i>Song of the Swallows</i>	Politi	1983	<i>Shadow</i>	Brown
1951	<i>The Egg Tree</i>	Milhous	1984	<i>The Glorious Flight</i>	Provinsen
1952	<i>Finders Keepers</i>	Mordvinoff	1985	<i>Saint George and the Dragon</i>	Hyman
1953	<i>The Biggest Bear</i>	Ward	1986	<i>Polar Express</i>	Van Allsburg
1954	<i>Madeline's Rescue</i>	Bemelmans	1987	<i>Hey, Al</i>	Egelski
1955	<i>Cinderella</i>	Brown	1988	<i>Owl Moon</i>	Schoenherr
1956	<i>Frog Went A-Courtin'</i>	Rojankovsky	1989	<i>Song and Dance Man</i>	Gammell
1957	<i>A Tree Is Nice</i>	Simont	1990	<i>Lon Po Po: A Red Riding Hood Story From China</i>	Young
1958	<i>Time of Wonder</i>	McCloskey	1991	<i>Black and White</i>	Macauley
1959	<i>Chanticleer and the Fox</i>	Cooney	1992	<i>Tuesday Wiesner</i>	Wiesner
1960	<i>Nine Days to Christmas</i>	Ets	1993	<i>Mirette on the High Wire</i>	McCully
1961	<i>Baboushka and the Three Kings</i>	Sidjakov	1994	<i>Grandfather's Journey</i>	Say
1962	<i>Once a Mouse</i>	Brown	1995	<i>Smoky Night</i>	Bunting
1963	<i>The Snowy Day</i>	Keats	1996	<i>Officer Buckle and Gloria</i>	Rathman
1964	<i>Where the Wild Things Are</i>	Sendak	1997	<i>Golem</i>	Wisniewski
1965	<i>May I Bring a Friend?</i>	Montresor	1998	<i>Rapunzel</i>	Zelinsky
1966	<i>Always Room for One More</i>	Hogrogian	1999	<i>Snowflake Bentley</i>	Azarian
1967	<i>Sam, Bangs and Moonshine</i>	Ness	2000	<i>Joseph Had a Little Overcoat</i>	Taback
1968	<i>Drummer Hoff</i>	Emberley	2001	<i>So You Want to Be President?</i>	St. George
1969	<i>The Fool of the World and the Flying Ship</i>	Shulevitz	2002	<i>The Three Pigs</i>	Wiesner
1970	<i>Sylvester and the Magic Pebble</i>	Steig			
1971	<i>A Story, A Story</i>	Haley			



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2003	<i>My Friend Rabbit</i>	Rohmann
2004	<i>The Man Who Walked Between the Towers</i>	Gerstein
2005	<i>Kitten's First Full Moon</i>	Henkes
2006	<i>The Hello, Goodbye Window</i>	Raschka
2007	<i>Flotsam</i>	Wiesner
2008	<i>The Invention of Hugo Cabret</i>	Selznik
2009	<i>The House in the Night</i>	Krommes
2010	<i>The Lion and the Mouse</i>	Pinkney
2011	<i>A Sick Day for Amos McGee</i>	Stead
2012	<i>A Ball for Daisy</i>	Raschka
2013	<i>This Is Not My Hat</i>	Klassen
2014	<i>Locomotive</i>	Floca
2015	<i>The Adventures of Beekle</i>	Santat
2016	<i>Finding Winnie</i>	Blackall
2017	<i>Radiant Child</i>	Step toe
2018	<i>Wolf in the Snow</i>	Cordell
2019	<i>Hello Lighthouse</i>	Blackall
2020	<i>The Undefeated</i>	Alexander
2021	<i>We are Water Protectors</i>	Goade



2021 Winner

We are Water Protectors.
Illustrated by Michaela Goade;
Written by Carole Lindstrom

2021 Honor Books

A Place Inside of Me: A Poem to Heal the Heart. Illustrated by Noa Denmon;
Written by Zetta Elliott

The Cat Man of Aleppo. Illustrated by Yuko Shimizu; Written by I. Latham & K. Shamsi-Basha

Me & Mama. Illustrated & written by Cozbi A. Cabrera

Outside In. Illustrated by Cindy Derby;
Written by Deborah Underwood