

## The Stonewall Book Award

For books of exceptional merit relating to the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender experience.



**Darius the Great Deserves Better** by Adib Khorram

**You Should See Me in a Crown** by Leah Johnson

## Asian/Pacific American Award

Promotes Asian/Pacific American culture and heritage. Awarded based on literary merit.



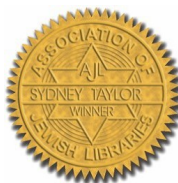
**WINNER:**

**This Light Between Us** by Andrew Fukada

**HONOR: Displacement** by Kiku Hughes

## Sydney Taylor Book Award

Awarded to outstanding books that authentically portray the Jewish experience.



**WINNER:**

**Dancing at the Pity Party** by Tyler Feder

**HONOR: They Went Left** by Monica Hesse

## Schneider Family Book Award

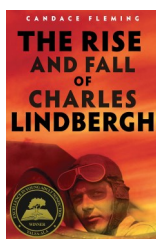
For books that embody an artistic expression of the disability experience.



**WINNER:**

**This Is My Brain in Love** by I. W. Gregorio

## YALSA Award for Excellence in Nonfiction



2021 WINNER

**The Rise and Fall of Charles Lindbergh** by Candace Fleming

## 2021 HONORS

**All Thirteen: The Incredible Cave Rescue of the Thai Boys' Soccer Team** by Christina Soontornvat

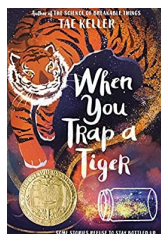
**The Cat I Never Named: A True Story of Love, War and Survival** by Amra Sabic-El-Rayess

**How We Got to the Moon** by John Rocco

**You Call This Democracy?: How to Fix Our Democracy and Deliver Power to the People** by Elizabeth Rusch

## John Newbery Medal

For the most outstanding contribution to children's literature.



**WINNER:**

**When You Trap a Tiger** by Tae Keller

**HONOR:**

**All Thirteen: The Incredible Cave Rescue of the Thai Boys' Soccer Team** by Christina Soontornvat  
**Fighting Words** by Kimberley B. Bradley  
**We Dream of Space** by Erin E. Kelly  
**A Wish in the Dark** by Christina Soontornvat

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# this is teen



Best Books of the Year for Teens 2021



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The 10 best adult books that appeal to teen audiences.

1. **Black Sun**  
by Rebecca Roanhorse
2. **The House in the Cerulean Sea** by TJ Klune
3. **The Impossible First: From Fire to Ice** by Colin O'Brady
4. **Kent State: Four Dead in Ohio**  
by Derf Backderf
5. **The Kids Are Gonna Ask**  
by Gretchen Anthony
6. **The Only Good Indians**  
by Stephen Graham Jones
7. **Plain Bad Heroines**  
by Emily M. Danworth
8. **Riot Baby** by Tochi Onyebuchi
9. **Solutions and Other Problems**  
by Allie Brosh
10. **We Ride Upon Sticks: A Novel**  
by Quan Barry

### The William C. Morris Award

Chosen by the American Library Association, this award honors a debut book published by a first-time author writing for teens.

2021 WINNER



**If These Wings Could Fly** by Kyrie McCauley

2021 HONORS

- Black Girl Unlimited** by Echo Brown
- The Black Kids** by Christina H. Reed
- It Sounded Better in My Head** by Nina Kenwood
- Woven in Moonlight** by Isabel Ibanez

### The Coretta Scott King Award



**Before the Ever After**  
by Jacqueline Woodson

### The Coretta Scott King/John Steptoe New Talent Award



**Legendborn** by Tracy Deonn

### The Michael L. Printz Award

Chosen by the American Library Association for excellence in Young Adult Literature.

2021 WINNER



**Everything Sad is Untrue (a true story)**  
by Daniel Nayeri

2021 HONORS

- Apple (Skin to the Core)** by Eric Gansworth
- Dragon Hoops** by Gene Leun Yang
- Every Body Looking** by Candice Iloh
- We Are Not Free** by Traci Chee

### The Pura Belpre Awards

Honoring a Latinx writer whose books best portray, affirm and celebrate the Latino cultural experience.

WINNER:

**Furia** by Yamile Saied Mendez

HONOR BOOKS:

**Never Look Back** by Lilliam Rivera

**We Are Not From Here** by Jenny Torres Sanchez

