

We Publish Diverse Children's and YA Books, More than 40 Publishers Share Their 2016 Titles

Sunday June 26 3:00-4:00pm ALA Annual Room: W300

Children's and young adult publishers showcase some of their diverse titles published in 2016

Program hosted by the American Library Association's Exhibits Round Table with support from the ALA-CBC Joint Committee.

ABRAMS (Amulet Books)

Every Falling Star: The True Story of How I Survived and Escaped North

Korea by Sungju Lee and Susan McClelland

ISBN: 9781419721328 \$16.95

The first book to portray contemporary North Korea to a young audience, this is the intense memoir of a North Korean boy who is forced at age twelve to live on the streets where he creates a gang and lives by thieving, fighting, begging, and stealing until his life turns around.

ABRAMS (Amulet Books)

The Mighty Odds by Amy Ignatow

ISBN: 9781419712715 \$15.95

From the renowned author/illustrator of the Popularity Papers series, Amy Ignatow, comes the first installment in a new series about a diverse crew of middle school kids who develop very limited superhero powers after a strange accident and manage to become unlikely friends on the adventure of a lifetime.

ABRAMS (Abrams Books for Young Readers)

The Princess and the Warrior: A Tale of Two Volcanoes written and

illustrated by Duncan Tonatiuh

ISBN: 9781419721304 \$16.95

In this brilliantly illustrated Romeo & Juliet story, award-winning author Duncan Tonatiuh reimagines through his stunning Mixtec inspired artwork one of Mexico's cherished legends, of a mere warrior, Popoca, and a Princess, Izta, who tragically fall in love.

Albert Whitman & Company

Freddie Ramos Rules New York (Zapato Power, Book 6) by Jacqueline Jules,

illustrated by Miguel Benítez

ISBN: 9780807594971 \$14.99

In the sixth book in the Zapato Power chapter book series, Freddie Ramos uses his superspeed shoes while visiting Uncle Jorge in New York City.

Albert Whitman & Company

The Nian Monster by Andrea Wang, illustrated by Alina Chau

ISBN: 9780807556429 \$16.99

The legendary Nian monster has returned during the Chinese New Year intent to devour Shanghai, but little Xingling is clever and thinks quickly to outwit him with Chinese New Year traditions.

Annick Press

Fight to Learn: The Struggle to Go to School by Laura Scandiffio

ISBN: 9781554517978 \$14.95

Read inspiring true stories about young people fighting to make education available to children around the world.

Annick Press

Lila and the Crow by Gabrielle Grimard

ISBN: 9781554518586 \$18.95

A young girl is bullied because of her dark hair and skin, until a crow comes to her aid.

Arbordale Publishing

A Case of Sense by Songju Ma Daemicke, illustrated by Shennen Bersani

ISBN: 9781628558524 \$17.95

When Fu Wang demands that his neighbors pay him for the pleasant smells emanating from his home in Chinatown, his neighbors refuse and the case goes to court.

Bloomsbury USA (Bloomsbury USA Children's)

All We Have Left by Wendy Mills

ISBN: 9781619633438 \$17.99

Interweaving the life of a Muslim teen before 9/11 with that of a victim's younger sister in 2016, *All We Have Left* portrays racism, trauma, family, and—most importantly—hope in the wake of incredible tragedy.

Bloomsbury USA (Bloomsbury USA Children's)

Introducing Teddy by Jessica Walton, illustrated by Dougal MacPherson

ISBN: 9781681192109 \$16.99

Introducing Teddy introduces the youngest readers to understanding gender identity and transition in an accessible and heart-warming story about being true to yourself and being a good friend.

Candlewick Press

Juana and Lucas by Juana Medina

ISBN: 9780763672089 \$14.99

Fans of Judy Moody and Clarice Bean will love Juana, the spunky young Colombian girl who stars in this playful, abundantly illustrated new series.

Candlewick Press

When We Was Fierce by e.E. Charlton-Trujillo

ISBN: 9780763679378 \$16.99

This powerful verse novel by e.E. Charlton-Trujillo explores the question: In an endless cycle of street violence and retribution, is there any escape?

Charlesbridge

Mountain Chef by Annette Bay Pimentel, illustrated by Rich Lo

ISBN: 9781580897112 \$16.95

A Chinese-American mountain man loses his groceries, changes his plans, and helps cook up the National Park Service.

Charlesbridge

Whoosh! Lonnie Johnson's Super-Soaking Stream of Inventions by Chris Barton, illustrated by Don Tate

ISBN: 9781580892971 \$16.95

An African-American NASA engineer creates one of the world's most iconic toys.... by accident.

Cinco Puntos Press

Rani Patel in Full Effect by Sonia Patel

ISBN: 9781941026496 \$16.95

A Gujarati Indian teen living in Hawaii escapes her family's dysfunction by becoming a kick-ass rapper.

Consortium Book Sales & Distribution (Black Sheep/Akashic Books)

Changers, Book Three: Kim by Kim T Cooper & Allison Glock-Cooper

ISBN: 9781617754890 \$11.95

In book three of this acclaimed YA series, Oryon Small, an African American boy, transforms into Kim, an Asian American girl, who must deal with body shaming issues and self-worth.

Consortium Book Sales & Distribution (Kube Publishing Ltd)

Hassan and Aneesa Go to Masjid by Yasmeen Rahim, illustrated by Omar Burgess

ISBN: 9780860375210 \$5.99

Hassan and Aneesa Go to Masjid introduces young children to a mosque, and everything inside that makes it a special, sacred place.

Creston Books

The Girl Who Saved Yesterday by Julius Lester, illustrated by Carl Angel

ISBN: 9781939547248 \$16.99

Julius Lester's richly poetic language brings to life this tale about caring for one's ancestors and widening one's sense of community to include the living and the dead.

Cuento de Luz (distributed by Legato)

A Treasure in the Peaks, Learning to Meditate by Ramiro Calle, illustrated by Nivola Uya

ISBN: 9788416078868 \$16.95

Ravi and Tony travel by train from Varansi to Darjeeling, India where meditation practice helps them to listen, taste, and feel as they learn about the people and the culture of this town in the Himalayan foothills.

Cuento de Luz (distributed by Legato)

Un tesoro en las cumbres, Aprendiendo a meditar by Ramiro Calle, illustrated by Nivola Uya

ISBN: 9788416078820 \$16.95

Cuento de Luz, based in Madrid, Spain, publishes contemporary stories based in countries around the world. Each book is published simultaneously in English and Spanish.

Groundwood Books

A Family Is A Family Is A Family by Sara O’Leary, illustrated by Qin Leng
ISBN: 9781554987948 \$17.95

When a teacher asks the children in her class to think about what makes their families special, the answers are all different in many ways — but the same in the one way that matters most of all.

Groundwood Books

Malaika's Costume by Nadia L. Hohn, illustrated by Irene Luxbacher
ISBN: 9781554987542 \$18.95

Malaika's mother promised she would send money for a costume for Carnival, but when the money doesn’t arrive, will Malaika still be able to dance in the parade?

HarperCollins Children's Books (Balzer + Bray)

American Street by Ibi Zoboi
ISBN: 9780062473042 \$17.99

A gritty and moving love story set in Detroit about important current issues like immigration, race, and class by new talent Ibi Zoboi—herself a Haitian immigrant.

HarperCollins Children's Books

One Half from the East by Nadia Hashimi
ISBN: 9780062421906 \$16.99

Perfect for fans of Rita Williams-Garcia, Thanhha Lai, and Rebecca Stead, internationally bestselling author Nadia Hashimi’s first novel for young readers is a coming-of-age journey set in modern-day Afghanistan that explores life as a bacha posh—a preteen girl dressed as a boy.

HarperCollins Children's Books

The Other Boy by M.G. Hennessey
ISBN: 9780062427663 \$16.99

A heartfelt middle grade story in the spirit of *George* and *Gracefully Grayson* about one transgender boy’s journey to find acceptance.

Highlights (Calkins Creek)

Blood Brother: Jonathan Daniels and His Sacrifice for Civil Rights by Rich Wallace and Sandra Neil Wallace, illustrated by Neil Wallace
ISBN: 9781629790947 \$18.95

This important book is about Jonathan Daniels, a young activist in the turbulent 1960s, and his ultimately tragic fight for civil rights.

Highlights (WordSong)

Garvey's Choice by Nikki Grimes
ISBN: 9781629797472 \$16.95

This beautiful novel in verse by Coretta Scott King honor winner Nikki Grimes is for anyone who has ever felt misunderstood.

Holiday House, Inc.

Hidden by Miriam Halaamy
ISBN: 9780823436941 \$16.95

An exciting as well as thought-provoking novel about a teen who finds an injured illegal immigrant and must make a complex moral decision about his fate.

Holiday House, Inc.

Look Up! written and illustrated by Jung Jin-ho
ISBN: 9780823436521 \$16.95

Dramatic aerial views and an expressive, subtle palette tell a story about a wheelchair-bound girl looking down from her balcony at passersby below and urging them to “Look up!”

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Books for Young Readers (Clarion Books)

Factory Girl by Josanne La Valley
ISBN: 9780544699472 \$17.99

The wrenching story of 16-year-old Roshen's experiences when she is sent from her rural home to work as a factory girl in the south of China.

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Books for Young Readers
Midnight Without a Moon by Linda Williams Jackson
ISBN: 9780544785106 \$16.99

An African American girl in 1955 Mississippi witnesses grave injustice and moments of hope in a middle grade debut based on the events surrounding the trial of Emmett Till.

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Books for Young Readers (Clarion Books)
Under Rose-Tainted Skies by Louise Gornall
ISBN: 9780544736511 \$17.99

Agoraphobic Norah can't leave the house, but she might be able to let someone in in this humorous and deeply engaging portrait of a teen struggling to find the strength to face her demons.

Lee & Low Books (Tu Books)
Shame the Stars by Guadalupe Garcia McCall
ISBN: 9781620142783 \$19.95

Pura Belpré Award-winning author Guadalupe Garcia McCall (*Under the Mesquite*) returns with this powerful reimagining of Romeo and Juliet set in Texas during the tumultuous years of Mexico's Revolution.

Lee & Low Books
Step Right Up: How Doc and Jim Key Taught the World About Kindness by Donna Janell Bowman, illustrated by Daniel Minter
ISBN: 9781620141489 \$19.95

A picture book biography of William "Doc" Key, a formerly enslaved man who taught his horse, Beautiful Jim Key, to read, write, do math, and more.

Lerner Publishing Group (Millbrook Press)
Like a Bird: The Art of the American Slave Song by Cynthia Grady, illustrated by Michele Wood
ISBN: 9781467785501 \$19.99
Like a Bird is a unique picture book collaboration between Coretta Scott King Award-winning artist Michele Wood, who was inspired by African American spirituals to depict varied experiences of enslaved African Americans, and author Cynthia Grady, whose text highlights key details about African American history, the artwork, and the spirituals, which express the sorrow of life in bondage and offer a rallying cry for the spirit.

Lerner Publishing Group (Carolrhoda Books)
Sachiko: A Nagasaki Bomb Survivor's Story by Caren Stelson
ISBN: 9781467789035 \$19.99

In *Sachiko*, a striking work of narrative nonfiction, author Caren Stelson shares the experiences of Sachiko Yasui, who was six years old when the atomic bomb was dropped on Nagasaki at the end of World War II, inviting readers to explore a remarkable new perspective on the final moments of the war and its aftermath.

Live Oak Media
28 Days: Moments in Black History That Changed the World by Charles R. Smith, Jr., illustrated by Shane W. Evans
ISBN: 9781430120247 \$31.95 (1 hardcover/1 CD set)
Through spectacular poetry and prose set against the backdrop of Black History Month, a multi-cast of outstanding narrators presents evocative depictions of men, women, and events that have been influential in defining American history.

Live Oak Media
I'm New Here by Anne Sibley O'Brien
ISBN: 9781430125846 \$29.95 (1 hardcover/1 CD set)
Written by one of the founders of I'm Your Neighbor, an organization that promotes children's literature featuring "new arrival" cultures, this touching story focuses on the assimilation of three immigrant students in a supportive school community.

Macmillan Publishers (Griffin Teen, St. Martin's Press)
The Possibility of Somewhere by Julia Day
ISBN: 9781250097354 \$18.99
Ash Gupta's senior year is going exactly as he'd planned—he's admired by his peers and is excelling in his classes. But what can he do about the sharp-tongued senior most likely to become class valedictorian, Eden Moore? Will she continue to stand in his way or will the two be able to work together in pursuit of their dreams?

Macmillan Publishers (Griffin Teen, St. Martin's Press)

The Star-Touched Queen by Roshani Chokshi

ISBN: 9781250085474 \$18.99

A lush, beautifully written and vividly imagined fantasy inspired by Indian folklore.

Macmillan Children's Publishing Group

Into White by Randi Pink

ISBN: 9781250070210 \$17.99

An audacious fiction debut on a subject that will spark conversations about race, class, and gender.

Macmillan Children's Publishing Group

Jess, Chunk, and the Road Trip to Infinity by Kristin Elizabeth Clark

ISBN: 9780374380069 \$17.99

A fresh and funny YA novel about a life-changing road trip for two best friends, one of whom is transgender.

Macmillan Children's Publishing Group

Lou Lou and Pea and the Mural Mystery by Jill Diamond, illustrated by Lesley Vamos

ISBN: 9780374302955 \$16.99

Perfect for readers outgrowing Ivy & Bean and the Nancy Clancy books!

Macmillan Children's Publishing Group (Starscape)

The League of Seven by Alan Gratz

ISBN: 9780765338259 \$9.99

An alternate history/steampunk middle grade novel where the Native tribes in America have as much power and presence as the Yankees, with politics of their own to navigate.

Macmillan Children's Publishing Group (Tor Teen)

Steeplejack by A.J. Hartley

ISBN: 9780765383426 \$17.99

A YA fantasy and detective story set in a world inspired by 19th-century South Africa. Explores issues such as class and race relations, both inter- and intra-racial.

National Geographic

The March Against Fear by Ann Bausum

ISBN: 9781426326660 \$28.90

This powerful book from decorated author Ann Bausum features the often unsung story of James Meredith and his March Against Fear, a walk for peace that sparked a new era in the fight for civil rights and equality.

National Geographic

Shackles From the Deep by Michael Cottman

ISBN: 9781426326646 \$27.90

Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Michael Cottman traces the path of a slave ship that sank off the coast of Key West and, in so doing, embarks on a global search to uncover the saga of those on board and secrets about his own ancestry.

Nobrow (Flying Eye Books)

The Journey written and illustrated by Francesca Sanna

ISBN: 9781909263994 \$18.95

With haunting echoes of today's world, this beautifully illustrated book explores the heart-wrenching and unimaginable experience of leaving one's home to seek refuge from the turmoil of war.

Nobrow (Flying Eye Books)

Marcel written and illustrated by Eda Akaltun

ISBN: 9781909263758 \$16.95

A heartwarming picture book of acceptance featuring Marcel, a New York dog dealing with a new addition to his family!

Owlkids Books

Maya by Mahak Jain, illustrated by Elly MacKay

ISBN: 9781771471008 \$16.95

Set in India and illustrated with spellbinding miniature-paper-theater art, *Maya* is about a little girl who discovers the power of storytelling to help overcome fears.

Owlkids Books

West Meadows Detectives: The Case of Maker Mischief by Liam O'Donnell, illustrated by Aurélie Grand

ISBN: 9781771470704 \$15.95

In the second book in the West Meadows Detectives series, Myron, a third-grade sleuth on the autism spectrum, cracks a case with the help of his friends, all of whom show that neurodiversity comes with unique strengths and abilities.

Papercutz (Super Genius)

Trish Trash: Rollergirl of Mars Vol. 1 written and illustrated by Jessica Abel

ISBN: 9781629916156 \$9.99

A new graphic novel featuring the story of a mixed race young girl trying to become a hover derby star on Mars.

Papercutz

Zodiac Legacy Vol. 2: "Power Line" by Stan Lee and Stuart Moore,

illustrated by Paulo Henrique

ISBN: 9781629914442 \$7.99

Based on the Disney YA novels, this graphic novel tells the story of Asian teen Steven Lee who is gifted with the power of the Chinese Zodiac.

Penguin Random House (DK Publishing)

Children Just Like Me by DK Publishing

ISBN: 9781465453921 \$19.99

Highlighting over 30 countries, *Children Just Like Me* profiles over 40 children and their daily lives, providing a comprehensive view of international cultures and celebrating diverse backgrounds from Argentina to New Zealand to China to Israel.

Penguin Random House (Listening Library)

The Best Man by Richard Peck

ISBN: 9780735288881 \$30.00

Newbery Medalist Richard Peck brings listeners this big-hearted story about gay marriage, from a kid's endearing perspective.

Penguin Random House (Listening Library)

The Sun Is Also a Star by Nicola Yoon

ISBN: 9781524721404 \$40.00

In bestselling author Nicola Yoon's new audiobook, two teens—Daniel, the son of Korean shopkeepers, and Natasha, whose family is in the U.S. illegally from Jamaica—cross paths in New York City on an eventful day in their lives.

Penguin Random House (G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers)

The Water Princess by Susan Verde, illustrated by Peter H. Reynolds

ISBN: 9780399172588 \$17.99

Based on supermodel Georgie Badiel's childhood, a young girl dreams of bringing clean drinking water to her African village.

Penguin Random House (Viking Books for Young Readers)

Wirewalker by Mary Lou Hall

ISBN: 9780698139534 \$10.99

A novel about self-reliance, difficult choices, and imagination in the face of danger and isolation, *Wirewalker* is a masterfully written debut that blends gritty realism with moments of fantastical escape.

Penguin Random House (Random House Children's Books)

The Sun is Also a Star by Nicola Yoon

ISBN: 9780553496680 \$18.99

This book is inspired by Big History - to learn about one thing, you have to learn about everything. In *The Sun is Also a Star*, to understand the characters and their love story, we must know everything around them and everything that came before them that has affected who they are and what they experience.

Penguin Random House (Wendy Lamb Books)

Watched by Marina Budhos

ISBN: 9780553534184 \$17.99

Marina Budhos's extraordinary, timely, and riveting novel examines what it's like to grow up under surveillance, something many Americans experience and most Muslim Americans know.

Penguin Random House (Random House Children's Books)

We Came to America written and illustrated by Faith Ringgold

ISBN: 9780517709474 \$17.99

A timely and beautiful look at America's rich history of diversity, from Faith Ringgold, the Coretta Scott King and Caldecott Honor-winning creator of *Tar Beach*.

Perseus Books Group (Running Press Kids)

Beautiful by Stacy McAnulty, illustrated by Joanne Lew-Vriethoff

ISBN: 9780762457816 \$16.95

Beautiful is a timely and empowering picture book that thoughtfully reimagines how society ordinarily defines beauty for girls and inspires them to be (and love) themselves just as they are.

Perseus Books Group (Running Press Teen)

Look Past by Eric Devine

ISBN: 9780762459216 \$16.95

Look Past is a gripping YA murder mystery with a ripped-from-the-headlines plot in which a transgender teen and his friends and family are targeted by a fundamentalist religious sect.

Polis Books (Distributed by PGW)

Into the River by Ted Dawe

ISBN: 9781943818198 \$17.99

The award-winning and highly controversial novel—the first book banned in New Zealand in over 20 years—about a young Maori man who leaves behind his ancestral tribe to accept a scholarship at a prestigious school, where he finds that in order to fit in he may lose himself in the process. Winner of the Margaret Mahy award in Australia.

Pomelo Books

You Just Wait: a PFA 12/20 Verse Novella by Sylvia Vardell and Janet Wong

ISBN: 9781937057626 \$11.99

Poems by Jen Bryant, Margarita Engle, Carmen T. Bernier-Grand, and others are joined together in snapshots of teen life featuring Paz, a soccer player; extensive back matter encourages teen writers to try this “12/20 verse novella” format for themselves.

Quarto Publishing Group (Walter Foster Jr.)

Ancient Earth Journal: The Late Jurassic by Gregory S. Paul, illustrated by

Juan Carlos Alonso

ISBN: 9781633221086 \$19.95

Written and illustrated in the style of a naturalist's notebook, the reader is given a first-hand account of what it would be like to stand alongside some of the largest creatures to ever walk the earth.

Quarto Publishing Group (Wide Eyed Editions)

The Hello Atlas: Listen to 133 Different Languages by Ben Handicott,

illustrated by Kenard Pak

ISBN: 9781847808639 \$27.99

Look into the lives of children all over the world with this book that celebrates one of humanity's greatest achievements: written and verbal language.

Scholastic Inc. (Scholastic Press)

Riding Chance by Christine Kendall

ISBN: 9780545924047 \$16.99

An inner-city teen in trouble finds redemption through the power and passion for polo at an urban stables and, with the support of family, begins to see the possibility of a future beyond his city life.

Scholastic Inc. (Orchard Books)

Two Friends: Susan B. Anthony and Frederick Douglass by Dean Robbins,

illustrated by Sean Qualls and Selina Alko

ISBN: 9780545399968 \$17.99

With accessible, engaging text and beautiful illustrations, this tells the imagined conversation between Susan B. Anthony and Frederick Douglass in their historical chat over tea about their efforts to win rights for women and African Americans.

Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing (Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers)

Ada's Violin: The Story of the Recycled Orchestra of Paraguay by Susan Hood, illustrated by Sally Wern Comport
ISBN: 9781481430951 \$17.99

The extraordinary true tale of the Recycled Orchestra of Paraguay, an orchestra made up of children playing instruments built from recycled trash, is told through the eyes of violinist Ada Ríos.

Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing (Caitlyn Dlouhy Books/Atheneum)
Freedom Over Me: Eleven Slaves, Their Lives and Dreams Brought to Life by Ashely Bryan
ISBN: 9781481456906 \$17.99

Using original slave auction and plantation estate documents, Ashley Bryan offers a moving and powerful picture book that contrasts the monetary value of a slave with the priceless value of life experiences and dreams that a slave owner could never take away.

Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing (Margaret K. McElderry Books)
Irena's Children: Young Readers Edition by Tilar J. Mazzeo
ISBN: 9781481449915 \$17.99

From *New York Times* bestselling author Tilar Mazzeo comes the extraordinary and long forgotten story of Irena Sendler—the “female Oskar Schindler”—who took staggering risks to save 2,500 children from death and deportation in Nazi-occupied Poland during World War II.

SHOUT Inc.

Shout: A Loud and Lively Book Showcasing the Talents, Thoughts, Ideas and Voices of Kids Who Are Differently “Able” by Pat Loewi, original art created by 90 challenged young adults.
ISBN: 9781495172397 \$19.99

Shout is a moving compilation of stunning art, poetry, and insightful quotes from 90 intellectually and physically challenged youth.

Soho Teen

History is All You Left Me by Adam Silvera
ISBN: 9781616956929 \$18.99

In this explosive new novel from Adam Silvera, author of the electrifying *More Happy Than Not*, an unreliable narrator embarks on a destructive relationship in the wake of a tragic death.

Soho Teen

My Sister Rosa by Justine Larbalestier
ISBN: 9781616956745 \$18.99

A dark YA thriller about a ten-year-old psychopath and her brother's mission to keep her safe—and the world safe from her—from the critically acclaimed author of *Liar* and *Razorhurst*.

Sourcebooks (Fire)

Labyrinth Lost by Zoraida Córdova
ISBN: 9781492620945 \$17.99

Alex is the most powerful bruja in her family, but in attempting to reject her magic, she unwittingly banishes her entire family to the land of the dead.

Sourcebooks (Jabberwocky)

Dara Palmer's Major Drama by Emma Shevah
ISBN: 9781492631385 \$16.99

After being overlooked as the star of the school musical, Dara learns valuable lessons about friendship and delves into her Cambodian roots.

Workman Publishing Co. (Algonquin Young Readers)

The Secret of Dreadwillow Carse by Brian Farrey
ISBN: 9781616205058 \$16.95

A princess and a peasant girl must embark on a dangerous quest to outwit a centuries-old warning foretelling the fall of the Monarchy in this thrilling modern fairytale.

Workman Publishing Co.

This is Me: A Story of Who We Are and Where We Came From by Jamie Lee

Curtis, illustrated by Laura Cornell

ISBN: 9781523500055 \$17.98

A teacher tells her class about her great-grandmother's dislocating journey from home to a new country with nothing but a small suitcase to bring along; and she asks: What would you pack? What are the things you love best? What says "This is me!"