



Louisiana Young Readers' Choice (LYRC) Awards Program 2020-2021 Nominated Titles

Grades 3-5:

- *All That Trash: The Story of the 1987 Garbage Barge and Our Problem with Stuff* written and illustrated by Meghan McCarthy (Simon & Schuster)
- *The Art of the Swap* by Kristine Asselin and Jen Malone (Aladdin)
- *Between the Lines: How Ernie Barnes Went from the Football Field to the Art Gallery* by Sandra Neil Wallace, illustrated by Bryan Collier (Simon & Schuster)
- *The Boo-Boos That Changed the World: A True Story About an Accidental Invention (Really!)* by Barry Wittenstein, illustrated by Chris Hsu (Charlesbridge)
- *Charlie and Frog (Book #1)* by Karen Kane (Disney-Hyperion)
- *Chester Nez and the Unbreakable Code: A Navajo Code Talker's Story* by Joseph Bruchac, illustrated by Liz Amini-Holmes (Albert Whitman & Company)
- *Counting on Katherine: How Katherine Johnson Saved Apollo 13* by Helaine Becker, illustrated by Tiemdown Phumiruk (Henry Holt and Co.)
- *Dear Sister* by Alison McGhee, illustrated by Joe Bluhm (Atheneum)
- *Fly to the Rescue (Tiny Geniuses: Book 1)* by Megan E. Bryant (Scholastic)
- *Hammering for Freedom* by Rita Lorraine Hubbard, illustrated by John Holyfield (Lee & Low)
- *Max Einstein: The Genius Experiment (Book #1)* by James Patterson and Chris Grabenstein, illustrated by Beverly Johnson (Jimmy Patterson)
- *The Miscalculations of Lightning Girl* by Stacy McAnulty (Random House)
- *The Phantom Tower* by Keir Graff (G.P. Putnam's Sons)
- *Saving Fiona: The Story of the World's Most Famous Baby Hippo* by Thane Maynard (HMH)
- *Strongheart: Wonder Dog of the Silver Screen* by Candace Fleming, illustrated by Eric Rohmann (Schwartz & Wade)

Grades 6-8:

- *The Benefits of Being an Octopus* by Ann Braden (Sky Pony)
- *Boy Bites Bug* by Rebecca Petruck (Harry N. Abrams)
- *City of Ghosts* by Victoria Schwab (Scholastic)
- *Game Changer* by Tommy Greenwald (Harry N. Abrams)
- *Love Like Sky* by Leslie C. Youngblood (Disney-Hyperion)
- *Marcus Vega Doesn't Speak Spanish* by Pablo Cartaya (Viking)
- *The Night Diary* by Veera Hiranandani (Kokila)
- *They Serpent's Secret (Kiranmala and the Kingdom Beyond #1)* by Sayantani DasGupta (Scholastic)

- *Small Spaces* by Katherine Arden (G.P. Putnam's Sons)
- *So Done* by Paula Chase (Greenwillow Books)
- *The Storm Runner, Book 1* by J.C. Cervantes (Rick Riordan Presents)
- *Tight* by Torrey Maldonado (Nancy Paulsen)

Grades 9-12 (Teen):

- *The Belles* by Dhonielle Clayton (Freeform)
- *The Cruel Prince (The Folk of the Air: Book 1)* by Holly Black (Little, Brown Books)
- *Dry* by Neal Shusterman and Jarrod Shusterman (Simon & Schuster)
- *Hey, Kiddo* by Jarrett J. Krosoczka (Graphix)
- *The Lying Woods* by Ashley Elston (Disney-Hyperion)
- *The Poet X* by Elizabeth Acevedo (HarperTeen)
- *Price of Duty* by Todd Strasser (Simon & Schuster)
- *Pride* by Ibi Zoboi (Balzer + Bray)
- *Sadie* by Courtney Summer (Wednesday Books)
- *The Summer of Jordi Perez (And the Best Burger in Los Angeles)* by Amy Spalding (Sky Pony)

For information about the program including previous winners, how to participate and additional resources such as free bookmarks, posters, and study guides, please visit the [Louisiana Young Readers' Choice Program webpage](#).