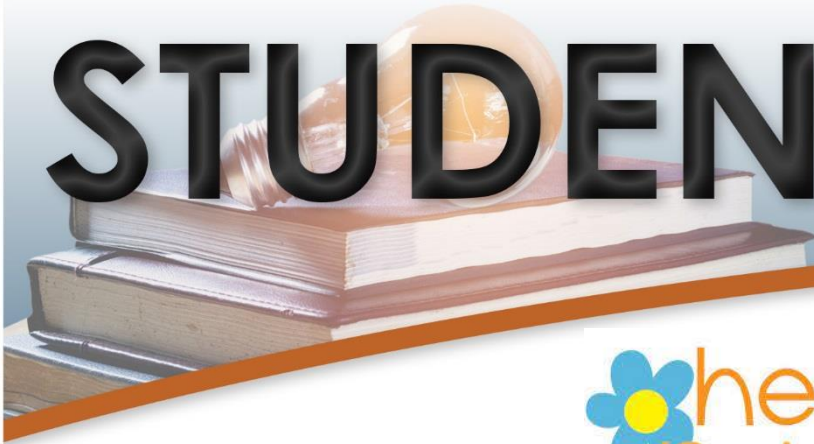




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**New Books for Spring**

The Oregon Talking Book and Braille Library now serves as the statewide Center for the Book. The Library of Congress Center for the Book promotes books, reading, libraries, and literacy through its programs by working closely with its Affiliate Centers for the Book throughout out the United States and territories. Our Talking Book and Braille Library was selected as the first ever accessible library to serve as an Affiliate Center for the Book.

We are so excited and honored to represent our beautiful state as we promote representation for people with disabilities and accessibility in library programming. Our motto is “Reading is for Everyone,” and we strive to serve as inspiration for libraries to consider people experiencing disabilities from the beginning to end of the process when they design and plan their literary programs. Stay tuned for more as we set up our website and begin planning events and programming centered around the Oregon Center for the Book!



**Oregon Center  
for the Book**

**Hello, Puddle!** by Anita Sanchez. DB109716. This nonfiction picture book introduces young readers to a puddle and the many animals that use it for shelter and sustenance throughout the seasons. Perfect for young science learners and nature lovers. For grades K-3. 2022.

**Odder** by Katherine Applegate. DB110420. Inspired by true events, this novel in verse tells of a curious sea otter who is rehabilitated after nearly dying. Unfit for life in the wild, she begins to foster orphaned otter pups. Animal Fiction. For grades 4-7. 2022.



**Jennifer Chan Is Not Alone** by Tae Keller. DB108249. When UFO-obsessed Jennifer Chan disappears after “the Incident,” Mallory feels partly responsible and begins to search for her in this sensitive examination of the complex social dynamics of middle-school bullying. General Fiction. For grades 5-8. 2022.

## 2023 Youth Media Awards

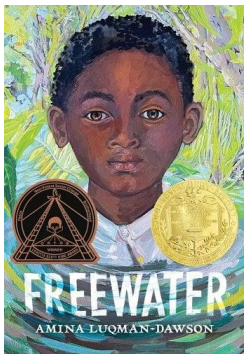
It's award season, and the American Library Association has announced this year's winners!



The winner of the **John Newbery Medal** for most distinguished contribution to American literature for children is also the winner of the **Coretta Scott King Award** which is presented annually to an African American author and illustrator of outstanding books for children and young adults. 2023 Winner:



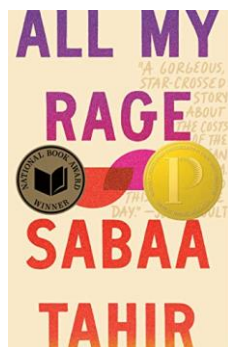
**Freewater** by Amina Luqman-Dawson. DB106684. After fleeing the plantation where they were enslaved, siblings Ada and Homer discover the secret community of Freewater, and work with freeborn Sanzi to protect their new home from the encroaching dangers of the outside world. Historical Fiction. For grades 4-7. 2022.



**Michael L. Printz Award** for excellence in literature written for young adults 2023 Winner:

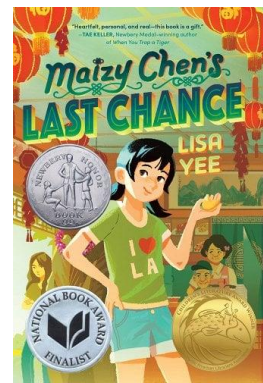


**All My Rage** by Sabaa Tahir. DB107414. A family extending from Pakistan to California deals with generations of young love, old regrets, and forgiveness. Romance. National Book Award winner. For senior high and older readers. 2022.



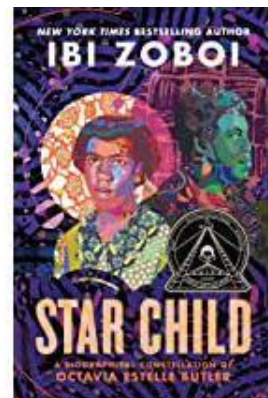
**Stuntboy, in the Meantime** by Jason Reynolds. DB105877. BR024094. Portico Reeves' secret identity as Stuntboy allows him to use his superpower keep everybody safe, but when his superhero parents start fighting a lot, he feels the responsibility to save them. Odyssey Award Winner and Schneider Family Award Honor. For grades 3-6. 2021.

**Maizy Chen's Last Chance** by Lisa Yee. DB106799. Maizy Chen visits her estranged grandparents, who own and run a Chinese restaurant in Last Chance, Minnesota. As her visit lengthens, she makes unexpected discoveries about her family's history and herself. Asian/Pacific American Award Winner, Newbery Honor, and National Book Award Finalist. For grades 4-7. 2022.



**Star Child: A Biographical Constellation of Octavia Estelle Butler**

**Butler** by Ibi Zoboi. DB029049. Acclaimed novelist recounts the young life of the visionary storyteller Octavia E. Butler in poems and prose. Born into the Space Race, the Red Scare, and the dawning Civil Rights Movement, Butler experienced a childhood that shaped her into a groundbreaking science fiction storyteller. Biography. Coretta Scott King Honor. For grades 5-8. 2022.





The Oregon Reader's Choice Award is given each year to the book Oregon students

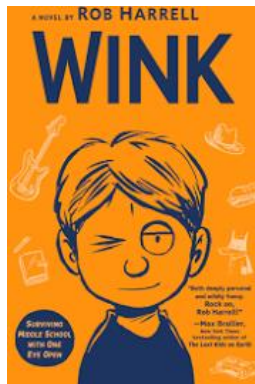
have voted as their favorite book. Here are some of this year's nominees:

**Ways to Make Sunshine** by Renee Watson. DB100041. Portland, Oregon. After her father starts a new job, money is tight, and Ryan has a lot on her mind with all of the changes. But no matter what, Ryan tries to bring sunshine to her loved ones. General Fiction. Oregon Collection. For grades 3-6. 2020.

**Wink** by Rob Harrell. DB106476.

After being diagnosed with a rare eye cancer, twelve-year-old Ross discovers how music, art, and true friends can help him push through treatment and survive middle school.

General Fiction. For grades 3-6. 2020.



**Winterborne Home for Vengeance and Valor** by Ally Carter. DB103899.

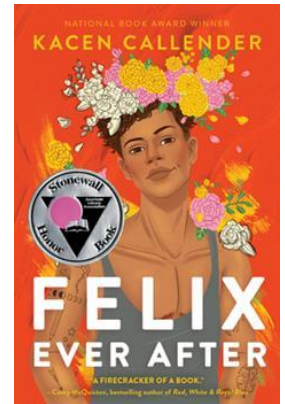
After years in foster care, April gets to live in a mansion, where she and four other children are caught up in a mystery related to a missing heir, a lost legacy, and the Phantom. Mystery. For grades 4-7. 2020.

**Maya and the Rising Dark** by Rena Barron. DB107684. BR024190. A twelve-year-old girl discovers her father is the keeper of the gateway between our world and The Dark, and when he goes missing, she'll need to unlock her own powers and fight a horde of spooky

creatures set on starting a war. Fantasy. For grades 5-8. 2020.

**Felix Ever After** by Kacen Callender.

DB099889. Felix Love, a transgender seventeen-year-old, attempts to get revenge by catfishing his anonymous bully, but lands in a quasi-love triangle with his former enemy and his best friend. Romance.



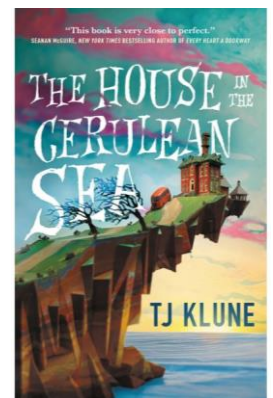
Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Stonewall Award Honor. For senior high and older readers. 2020.

**The Inheritance Games** by Jennifer Lynn Barnes. DB102304.

When a Connecticut teenager inherits vast wealth and an eccentric estate from the richest man in Texas, she must also live with his surviving family and solve a series of puzzles to discover how she earned her inheritance. Strong language and some violence. Mystery. For senior high and older readers. 2020.

**The House in the Cerulean Sea** by T.J.

Klune. DB098951. BR023320. As a case worker at the Department in Charge of Magical Youth, Linus Baker spends his days overseeing the well-being of children in government-sanctioned orphanages. He is unexpectedly given a highly classified assignment: travel to a remote island



orphanage where six dangerous children reside. Fantasy. Strong language. Alex Award Winner. For senior high and older readers. 2020.



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**New DVDS to Check out!**

**DC League of Super-Pets.** DVD0655.

Krypto the Super-Dog and Superman are inseparable best friends, sharing the same superpowers and fighting crime



side by side in Metropolis. However, Krypto must master his own powers for a rescue mission when Superman is kidnapped. Starring Kate McKinnon, Dwayne Johnson, Kevin Hart. Rated PG. 2022.

**Cinderella.** DVD0650. A modern movie musical with a bold take on the classic fairy tale. Our ambitious heroine has big

dreams and with the help of her fab Godmother, she perseveres to make them come true. Starring Camila Cabello, Billy Porter. 2021. Rated PG.

**Jurassic World Dominion.** DVD0627.

Four years after the destruction of Isla Nublar, Biosyn operatives attempt to track down Maisie Lockwood, while Dr. Ellie Sattler investigates a genetically engineered swarm of giant insects. Starring Chris Pratt, Bryce Dallas Howard, Laura Dern, and Sam Neill. 2022. Rated PG-13.

**COMING SOON...**

