



EJK Award and Honor List

1986-2025

2025		
<i>Go Forth and Tell, Augusta Baker</i>	Breanna J. McDaniel	Writer Award
<i>We Are Definitely Human</i>	X. Fang	Illustrator Award
<i>The Last Stand</i>	Antwan Eady	Writer Honor
<i>Emergency Quarters</i>	Carlos Matias	Writer Honor
<i>Ernö Rubik and His Magic Cube</i>	Kara Kramer	Illustrator Honor
<i>Bao's Doll</i>	Bo Lu	Illustrator Honor
2024		
<i>Nell Plants a Tree</i>	Anne Wynter	Writer Award
<i>The Only Way to Make Bread</i>	Sarah Gonzales	Illustrator Award
<i>Sora's Seashells</i>	Helena Ku Rhee	Writer Honor
<i>Just Like Grandma</i>	Kim Rogers	Writer Honor
<i>Dancing Hands</i>	Fran Alvarez	Illustrator Honor
<i>Benito Juárez Fights For Justice</i>	Beatriz Gutierrez Hernandez	Illustrator Honor
2023		
<i>How to Say Hello to a Worm</i>	Kari Percival	Writer Award
<i>Hot Dog</i>	Doug Salati	Illustrator Award
<i>Everything in Its Place</i>	Pauline David-Sax	Writer Honor
<i>Sometimes All I Need is Me</i>	Juliana Perdomo	Writer Honor
<i>Emile and the Field</i>	Chioma Ebinama	Illustrator Honor
<i>Where Butterflies Fill the Sky</i>	Zahra Marwan	Illustrator Honor
2022		
<i>Out Into The Big Wide Lake</i>	Paul Harbridge	Writer Award
<i>Lala's Words</i>	Gracey Zhang	Illustrator Award
<i>Playing at the Border</i>	Joanna Ho	Writer Honor
<i>Everybody in the Red Brick Building</i>	Anne Wynter	Writer Honor
<i>Every Little Kindness</i>	Marta Bartolj	Illustrator Honor
<i>Many Shapes of Clay</i>	Kenehsa Sneed	Illustrator Honor
2021		
<i>Nana Akua Goes to School</i>	Tricia Elam Walker	Writer Award
<i>Brick by Brick</i>	Heidi Woodward Sheffield	Illustrator Award
<i>The Old Truck</i>	Jarrett & Jerome Pumphrey	Writer Honor
<i>Can Bears Ski?</i>	Raymond Antrobus	Writer Honor
<i>I'm Sticking With You</i>	Steve Small	Illustrator Honor
<i>Cyclops of Central Park</i>	Victoria Tentler-Krylov	Illustrator Honor

2020		
<i>Small in the City</i>	Sydney Smith	Writer Award
<i>Layla's Happiness</i>	Ashleigh Corrin	Illustrator Award
<i>Lawrence in the Fall</i>	Matthew Farina	Writer Honor
<i>Layla's Happiness</i>	Mariahadessa Ekere Tallie	Writer Honor
<i>One Fox: A Counting Book Thriller</i>	Kate Read	Illustrator Honor
<i>Lawrence in the Fall</i>	Doug Salati	Illustrator Honor
2019		
<i>Kitten and the Night Watchman</i>	John Sullivan	Writer Award
<i>Thank You, Omu!</i>	Oge Mora	Illustrator Award
<i>Lena's Shoes are Nervous</i>	Keith Calabrese	Writer Honor
<i>The Funeral</i>	Matt James	Writer Honor
<i>Alma and How She Got Her Name</i>	Juana Martinez-Neal	Writer Honor
<i>Julian is a Mermaid</i>	Jessica Love	Illustrator Honor
<i>Prickly Hedgehogs!</i>	Jane McGuinness	Illustrator Honor
2018		
<i>Crown: An Ode to the Fresh Cut</i>	Derrick Barnes	Writer Award
<i>Muddy: The Story of Blues Legend Muddy Waters</i>	Evan Turk	Illustrator Award
<i>Laundry Day</i>	Jessixa Bagley	Writer Honor
<i>City Moon</i>	Rachael Cole	Writer Honor
<i>Things to Do</i>	Elaine Magliaro	Writer Honor
<i>A Different Pond</i>	Bao Phi	Writer Honor
<i>A Different Pond</i>	Thi Bui	Illustrator Honor
<i>The One Day House</i>	Bianca Diaz	Illustrator Honor
<i>Windows</i>	E.B. Goodale	Illustrator Honor
<i>Crown: An Ode to the Fresh Cut</i>	Gordon C. James	Illustrator Honor
2017		
<i>A Piece of Home</i>	Jeri Watts	Writer Award
<i>Daniel Finds a Poem</i>	Micha Archer	Illustrator Award
<i>Excellent Ed</i>	Stacy McNulty	Writer Honor
<i>The Journey</i>	Francesca Sanna	Writer Honor
<i>The Girl with the Parrot on Her Head</i>	Daisy Hirst	Illustrator Honor
<i>The Journey</i>	Francesca Sanna	Illustrator Honor

2016		
<i>Poet: The Remarkable Story of George Moses Horton</i>	Don Tate	Writer Award
<i>Sonya's Chickens</i>	Phoebe Wahl	Illustrator Award
<i>A Crow of His Own</i>	Megan Dowd Lambert	Writer Honor
<i>The Bear Ate Your Sandwich</i>	Julia Sarcone-Roach	Writer Honor
<i>Mother Bruce</i>	Ryan T. Higgins	Illustrator Honor
<i>Rude Cakes</i>	Rowboat Watkins	Illustrator Honor
2015		
<i>Hana Hashimoto, Sixth Violin</i>	Chieri Uegaki	Writer Award
<i>Shh! We Have a Plan</i>	Chris Haughton	Illustrator Award
<i>Edda: A Little Valkyrie's First Day of School</i>	Adam Auerbach	Writer Honor
<i>Firebird</i>	Misty Copeland	Writer Honor
<i>A Boy and a Jaguar</i>	Alan Rabinowitz	Writer Honor
<i>Little Elliot, Big City</i>	Mike Curato	Illustrator Honor
<i>Grandfather Gandhi</i>	Evan Turk	Illustrator Honor
2014		
<i>Tea Party Rules</i>	Ame Dyckman	Writer Award
<i>Rain!</i>	Christian Robinson	Illustrator Award
<i>I Love You, Nose! I Love You, Toes!</i>	Linda Davick	Writer Honor
<i>Sophie's Squash</i>	Pat Zietlow Miller	Writer Honor
<i>My Grandpa</i>	Marta Altés	Illustrator Honor
<i>Tea Party Rules</i>	K.G. Campbell	Illustrator Honor
<i>Take Me Out to the Yakyu</i>	Aaron Meshon	Illustrator Honor
2013		
<i>And Then It's Spring</i>	Julie Fogliano	Writer Award
<i>Mom, It's My First Day of Kindergarten!</i>	Hyewon Yum	Illustrator Award
<i>The Stamp Collector</i>	Jennifer Lanthier	Writer Honor
<i>My Heart Will Not Sit Down</i>	Mara Rockliff	Writer Honor
<i>It Jes' Happened</i>	Don Tate	Writer Honor
<i>Lester's Dreadful Sweaters</i>	K.G. Campbell	Illustrator Honor
<i>Ganesha's Sweet Tooth</i>	Sanjay Patel	Illustrator Honor

2012		
<i>Tia Isa Wants a Car</i>	Meg Medina	Writer Award
<i>Same, Same but Different</i>	Jenny Sue Kostecki-Shaw	Illustrator Award
<i>Same, Same but Different</i>	Jenny Sue Kostecki-Shaw	Writer Honor
<i>Cinnamon Baby</i>	Nicola Winstanley	Writer Honor
<i>Lola's Fandango</i>	Anna Witte	Writer Honor
<i>Lola's Fandango</i>	Micha Archer	Illustrator Honor
<i>Not Inside this House!</i>	David Ercolini	Illustrator Honor
2011		
<i>I Know Here</i>	Laurel Croza	Writer Award
<i>Bunny Days</i>	Tao Nyeu	Illustrator Award
2010		
<i>Most Loved in All the World</i>	Tonya Cherie Hegamin	Writer Award
<i>Only a Witch Can Fly</i>	Taeun Yoo	Illustrator Award
2009		
<i>Garmann's Summer</i>	Stian Hole	Writer Award
<i>Bird</i>	Shadra Strickland	Illustrator Award
2008		
<i>Leaves</i>	David Ezra Stein	Writer Award
<i>The Apple Pie that Papa Baked</i>	Jonathan Bean	Illustrator Award
2007		
<i>For You Are a Kenyan Child</i>	Kelly Cunnane	Writer Award
<i>Mystery Bottle</i>	Kristen Balouch	Illustrator Award
2006		
<i>My Best Friend</i>	Mary Ann Rodman	Writer Award
<i>Silly Chicken</i>	Yunmee Kyong	Illustrator Award
2005		
<i>Going North</i>	Janice N. Harrington	Writer Award
<i>The Night Eater</i>	Ana Juan	Illustrator Award
2004		
<i>Yesterday I Had the Blues</i>	Jeron Ashford Frame	Writer Award
<i>My Name is Yoon</i>	Gabi Swiatkowska	Illustrator Award
2003		
<i>Ruby's Wish</i>	Shirin Yim Bridges	Writer Award
<i>Ruby's Wish</i>	Sophie Blackall	Illustrator Award

2002		
<i>Freedom Summer</i>	Deborah Wiles	Writer Award
<i>Freedom Summer</i>	Jerome Lagarrigue	Illustrator Award
2001		
<i>Henry Hikes to Fitchburg</i>	D.B. Johnson	Writer Award
<i>Uptown</i>	Bryan Collier	Illustrator Award
2000		
<i>Dear Juno</i>	Soyung Pak	Writer Award
1999		
<i>Elizabeti's Doll</i>	Stephanie Stuve-Bodeen	Writer Award
1997		
<i>Calling the Doves (El canto de las palomas)</i>	Juan Felipe Herrera	Writer Award
1995		
<i>Taxi! Taxi!</i>	Cari Best	Writer Award
1993		
<i>Tar Beach</i>	Faith Ringgold	Writer Award
1991		
<i>Tell Me a Story, Mama</i>	Angela Johnson	Writer Award
1989		
<i>Anna's Special Present</i>	Yoriko Tsutsui	Writer Award
1987		
<i>Jamaica's Find</i>	Juanita Havill	1987 Writer Award
1986		
<i>The Patchwork Quilt</i>	Valerie Flourney	1986 Writer Award