

Dorothy Canfield Fisher Children's Book Award

Master List 2010 – 2011

<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>PUBLISHER</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
Baskin, Nora Raleigh	<i>Anything But Typical</i>	S & S	5 up
Burg, Ann	<i>All the Broken Pieces</i>	Scholastic	6 up
Collard III, Sneed B.	<i>Double Eagle</i>	Peachtree	6 up
Couloumbis, Audrey & Akila Couloumbis	<i>War Games</i>	Random House	6 up
Fleischman, Paul	<i>The Dunderheads</i>	Candlewick	4 up
Fleming, Candace	<i>The Great and Only Barnum</i>	Schwartz & Wade	5 up
Hahn, Mary Downing	<i>Closed for the Season</i>	Clarion	5 up
Hartinger, Brent	<i>Project Sweet Life</i>	HarperTeen	6 up
Hiaasen, Carl	<i>Scat</i>	Knopf	5 up
Hoose, Phillip	<i>Claudette Colvin: Twice Toward Justice</i>	FSG	6 up
Jennings, Patrick	<i>We Can't All Be Rattlesnakes</i>	HarperCollins	4 up
Kelly, Jacqueline	<i>The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate</i>	Holt	5 up
Ketchum, Liza	<i>Newsgirl</i>	Viking	5 up
Knudsen, Michelle	<i>The Dragon of Trelian</i>	Candlewick	5 up
Korman, Gordon	<i>Pop</i>	Balzer & Bray	7 up
Lin, Grace	<i>Where the Mountain Meets the Moon</i>	Little, Brown	4 up
Marino, Nan	<i>Neil Armstrong is My Uncle and Other Lies</i> <i>Muscle Man McGinty Told Me</i>	Roaring Brook	4 up
Martin, Ann M.	<i>Everything for a Dog</i>	Feiwel & Friends	5 up
Mass, Wendy	<i>11 Birthdays</i>	Scholastic	4 up
McKinnon, Hannah Roberts	<i>Franny Parker</i>	FSG	5 up
Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds	<i>Faith, Hope, and Ivy June</i>	Delacorte	5 up
O'Connor, Barbara	<i>The Small Adventure of Popeye and Elvis</i>	FSG	4 up
Philbrick, Rodman	<i>The Mostly True Adventures of Homer P. Figg</i>	Blue Sky	5 up
Potter, Ellen	<i>Slob</i>	Philomel	6 up
Preller, James	<i>Bystander</i>	Feiwel & Friends	6 up
Slade, Arthur	<i>The Hunchback Assignments</i>	Wendy Lamb	6 up
Stead, Rebecca	<i>When You Reach Me</i>	Wendy Lamb	6 up
Sturm, James, Andrew Arnold, & Alexis Frederick Frost	<i>Adventures in Cartooning: How to Turn Your Doodles Into Comics</i>	First Second	4 up
Taylor, Greg	<i>Killer Pizza</i>	Feiwel & Friends	6 up
Wolf-Morgenländer, Karl	<i>Ragtag</i>	Clarion	4 up

These books, to be read during the 2010-2011 school year, comprise the master list for the award to be made in 2010. Voting forms will be made available to all Vermont schools and public libraries in spring, 2010, so children can vote for their favorite book. The master list titles have been selected to satisfy the reading interests of children in grades 4-8. **Please note grade level before ordering the books.** The grades listed should be regarded more as maturity levels than reading levels.

MASTERLIST OF ANNOTATIONS

- Baskin, Nora Raleigh. *Anything But Typical*. S & S. \$15.99. 978-1-4169-6378-3. Jason, a twelve-year-old autistic boy who wants to become a writer, relates what his life is like as he tries to make sense of his world.
- Burg, Ann. *All the Broken Pieces*. Scholastic. \$16.99. 978-0-5450-8092-7. Two years after being airlifted out of Vietnam in 1975, Matt Pin is haunted by the terrible secret he left behind and, now, in a loving adoptive home in the United States, a series of profound events forces him to confront his past.
- Collard III, Sneed B. *Double Eagle*. Peachtree. \$16.95. 978-1-5614-5480-8. In 1973, Michael and Kyle's discovery of a rare Confederate coin near an old Civil War fort turns into a race against time as the boys try to find more coins before a hurricane hits Alabama's Gulf coast.
- Couloumbis, Audrey & Akila Couloumbis. *War Games*. Random House. \$16.99. 978-0-3758-5628-0. What were once just boys' games become matters of life and death as Petros and his older brother Zola each wonder if, like their resistance-fighter cousin, they too can make a difference in a Nazi-occupied Greece.
- Fleischman, Paul. *The Dunderheads*. Illustrated by David Roberts. Candlewick. \$16.99. 978-0-7636-2498-9. Junkyard, Einstein, Wheels, Pencil, Spider, Hollywood, Spitball, Clips, and Google-Eyes team up to try to outwit their teacher Miss Breakbone.
- Fleming, Candace. *The Great and Only Barnum: The Tremendous, Stupendous Life of Showman P.T. Barnum*. Illustrated by Ray Fenwick. Schwartz & Wade. \$18.99. 978-0-3758-4197-2. Biography of P.T. Barnum, showman and founder of the Barnum & Bailey Circus. Readers can visit Barnum's American Museum; meet Tom Thumb, the miniature man (only 39 in. tall) and his tinier bride (32 in.); experience the thrill Barnum must have felt when, at age 60, he joined the circus; and discover Barnum's legacy.
- Hahn, Mary Downing. *Closed for the Season*. Clarion. \$16.00. 978-0-5470-8451-0. When thirteen-year-old Logan and his family move into a run-down old house in rural Virginia, he discovers that a woman was murdered there and becomes involved with his neighbor Arthur in a dangerous investigation to try to uncover the killer.
- Hartinger, Brent. *Project Sweet Life*. HarperTeen. \$16.99. 978-0-0608-2411-2. When their fathers insist that they get summer jobs, three fifteen-year-old friends in Tacoma, Washington, dedicate their summer vacation to fooling their parents into thinking that they are working, which proves to be even harder than having real jobs would have been.
- Hiaasen, Carl. *Scat*. Knopf. \$16.99. 978-0-3758-3486-8. Nick and his friend Marta decide to investigate when a mysterious fire starts near a Florida wildlife preserve and an unpopular teacher goes missing.

- Hoose, Phillip. *Claudette Colvin: Twice Toward Justice*. FSG. \$19.95. 978-0-3743-1322-7. Based on extensive interviews with Claudette Colvin and many others, Phillip Hoose presents the first in-depth account of an important yet largely unknown civil rights figure, skillfully weaving her dramatic story into the fabric of the historic Montgomery bus boycott and court case that would change the course of American history.
- Jennings, Patrick. *We Can't All Be Rattlesnakes*. HarperCollins. \$15.99. 978-0-0608-2114-2. When Crusher the snake is captured, her only thought is to escape, but as time goes by and she befriends the other inmates of the "zoo," she realizes that freedom also means leaving companions behind.
- Kelly, Jacqueline. *The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate*. Holt. \$16.99. 978-0-8050-8841-0. In central Texas in 1899, eleven-year-old Callie Vee Tate learns about love from the older three of her six brothers and studies the natural world with her grandfather which leads to an important discovery.
- Ketchum, Liza. *Newsgirl*. Viking. \$17.99. 978-0-6700-1119-3. In the spring of 1851 San Francisco is booming. Twelve-year-old Amelia Forrester has just arrived with her family and they are eager to make a new life in Phoenix City. But the mostly male town is not that hospitable to females and Amelia decides she'll earn more money as a boy. Cutting her hair and donning a cap, she joins a gang of newsboys, selling Eastern newspapers for a fortune.
- Knudsen, Michelle. *The Dragon of Trelian*. Candlewick. \$16.99. 978-0-7636-3455-1. A mage's apprentice, a princess, and a dragon combine their strength and magic to bring down a traitor and restore peace to the kingdom of Trelian.
- Korman, Gordon. *Pop*. Balzer & Bray. \$16.99. 978-0-0617-4228-6. Lonely after a midsummer move to a new town, sixteen-year-old high-school quarterback Marcus Jordan becomes friends with a retired professional linebacker who is great at training him, but whose childish behavior keeps Marcus in hot water.
- Lin, Grace. *Where the Mountain Meets the Moon*. Little, Brown. \$16.99. 978-0-3161-1427-1. Minli, an adventurous girl from a poor village, buys a magical goldfish, and then joins a dragon who cannot fly on a quest to find the Old Man of the Moon in hopes of bringing life to Fruitless Mountain and freshness to Jade River.
- Marino, Nan. *Neil Armstrong is My Uncle and Other Lies Muscle Man McGinty Told Me*. Roaring Brook. \$16.95. 978-1-5964-3499-8. Ten-year-old Tamara Ann Simpson thinks she has finally found a chance to prove Muscle Man McGinty is a liar when he brags he can beat anyone in the neighborhood at kickball, but as she awaits McGinty's downfall, she begins to understand his motives for lying.
- Martin, Ann M. *Everything for a Dog*. Feiwel & Friends. \$16.99. 978-0-3123-8651-1. In parallel stories, Bone, an orphaned dog, finds and loses a series of homes; Molly, a family pet, helps Charlie through the grief and other after-effects of his brother's death, and lonely Henry pleads for a dog of his own.

- Mass, Wendy. *11 Birthdays*. Scholastic. \$16.99. 978-0-5450-5239-4. After celebrating their first nine same-day birthdays together, Amanda and Leo, having fallen out on their tenth and not speaking to each other for the last year, prepare to celebrate their eleventh birthday separately but peculiar things begin to happen as the day of their birthday begins to repeat itself over and over again.
- McKinnon, Hannah Roberts. *Franny Parker*. FSG. \$16.00. 978-0-3743-2469-8. Through a hot, dry Oklahoma summer, twelve-year-old Franny tends wild animals brought by her neighbors, hears gossip during a weekly quilting bee, befriends a new neighbor who has some big secrets, and learns to hope.
- Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds. *Faith, Hope, and Ivy June*. Delacorte. \$16.99. 978-0-3857-3615-2. During a student exchange program, seventh-graders Ivy June and Catherine share their lives, homes, and communities, and find that although their lifestyles are total opposites they have a lot in common.
- O'Connor, Barbara. *The Small Adventure of Popeye and Elvis*. FSG. \$16.99. 978-0-3743-7055-8. In Fayette, South Carolina, the highlight of Popeye's summer is learning vocabulary words with his grandmother until a motor home gets stuck nearby and Elvis, the oldest boy living inside, joins Popeye in finding the source of strange boats floating down the creek.
- Philbrick, Rodman. *The Mostly True Adventures of Homer P. Figg*. Blue Sky. \$16.99. 978-0-4396-6818-7. Twelve-year-old Homer, a poor but clever orphan, has extraordinary adventures after running away from his evil uncle to rescue his brother, who has been sold into service in the Civil War.
- Potter, Ellen. *Slob*. Philomel. \$16.99. 978-0-3992-4705-7. Picked on, overweight genius Owen tries to invent a television that can see the past to find out what happened the day his parents were killed.
- Preller, James. *Bystander*. Feiwel & Friends. \$16.99. 978-0-3123-7906-3. Thirteen-year-old Eric discovers there are consequences to not standing by and watching as the bully at his new school hurts people, but although school officials are aware of the problem, Eric may be the one with a solution.
- Slade, Arthur. *The Hunchback Assignments*. Wendy Lamb. \$15.99. 978-0-3857-3784-5. In Victorian London, fourteen-year-old Modo, a shape-changing hunchback, becomes a secret agent for the Permanent Association, which strives to protect the world from the evil machinations of the Clockwork Guild.
- Stead, Rebecca. *When You Reach Me*. Wendy Lamb. \$15.99. 978-0-3857-3742-5. As her mother prepares to be a contestant on the 1970s television game show, "The \$20,000 Pyramid," a twelve-year-old New York City girl tries to make sense of a series of mysterious notes received from an anonymous source that seems to defy the laws of time and space.

Sturm, James, Andrew Arnold, & Alexis Frederick Frost. *Adventures in Cartooning: How to Turn Your Doodles Into Comics*. First Second. \$12.99. 978-1-5964-3369-4 (pap.). Once upon a time...a princess tried to make a comic. And with the help of a magical cartooning elf, she learned how-well enough to draw her way out of an encounter with a dangerous dragon, near-death by drowning, and into her very own adventure!

Taylor, Greg. *Killer Pizza*. Feiwel & Friends. \$16.99. 978-0-3123-7379-5. While working as summer employees in a local pizza parlor, three teenagers are recruited by an underground organization of monster hunters.

Wolf-Morgenländer, Karl. *Ragtag*. Clarion. \$16.00. 978-0-5470-7424-5. A young swallow leads a band of birds against an empire of raptors that has invaded Boston.

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