

Dorothy Canfield Fisher Children's Book Award Master List 2012 – 2013

<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>PUBLISHER</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
Avi	<i>City of Orphans</i>	Atheneum	5 up
Bauer, Joan	<i>Close to Famous</i>	Viking	6 up
Brooks, Martha	<i>Queen of Hearts</i>	FSG	7 up
Clements, Andrew	<i>Troublemaker</i>	Atheneum	4 up
Davies, Jacqueline	<i>The Lemonade Crime</i>	Houghton Mifflin	4 up
Deedy, Carmen Agra & Randall Wright	<i>The Cheshire Cheese Cat</i>	Peachtree	5 up
Denenberg, Barry	<i>Titanic Sinks!</i>	Viking	5 up
Fleming, Candace	<i>Amelia Lost</i>	Schwartz & Wade	6 up
Frost, Helen	<i>Hidden</i>	FSG	5 up
Giff, Patricia Reilly	<i>R My Name is Rachel</i>	Wendy Lamb	5 up
Howe, James	<i>Addie on the Inside</i>	Atheneum	6 up
Jacobson, Jennifer Richard	<i>Small as an Elephant</i>	Candlewick	5 up
Lai, Thanhha	<i>Inside Out and Back Again</i>	HarperCollins	5 up
MacLachlan, Patricia	<i>Waiting for the Magic</i>	Atheneum	4 up
Meloy, Maile	<i>The Apothecary</i>	Putnam	6 up
Nelson, Kadir	<i>Heart and Soul</i>	Balzer & Bray	5 up
Paterson, Katherine & John	<i>The Flint Heart</i>	Candlewick	4 up
Perl, Erica S.	<i>When Life Gives You O.J.</i>	Knopf	4 up
Pyron, Bobbie	<i>A Dog's Way Home</i>	Katherine Tegen	5 up
Say, Allen	<i>Drawing from Memory</i>	Scholastic Press	4 up
Schmatz, Pat	<i>Bluefish</i>	Candlewick	7 up
Schmidt, Gary D.	<i>Okay For Now</i>	Clarion	7 up
Selznick, Brian	<i>Wonderstruck</i>	Scholastic Press	4 up
Shang, Wendy Wan-Long	<i>The Great Wall of Lucy Wu</i>	Scholastic Press	5 up
Smith, Roland	<i>Storm Runners</i>	Scholastic Press	4 up
Stanley, Diane	<i>The Silver Bowl</i>	HarperCollins	6 up
Van Draanen, Wendelin	<i>The Running Dream</i>	Knopf	7 up
Vernick, Audrey	<i>Water Balloon</i>	Clarion	6 up
Wolitzer, Meg	<i>The Fingertips of Duncan Dorfman</i>	Dutton	5 up
Yee, Lisa	<i>Warp Speed</i>	Arthur A. Levine	6 up

These books, to be read during the 2012-2013 school year, comprise the master list for the award to be made in 2013. 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

- Avi. *City of Orphans*. Atheneum. \$17.99. ISBN 978-1-4169-7102-3. In 1893 New York, thirteen-year-old Maks, a newsboy, teams up with Willa, a homeless girl, to clear his older sister, Emma, from charges that she stole from the brand new Waldorf Hotel, where she works. Includes historical notes.
- Bauer, Joan. *Close to Famous*. Viking. \$16.99. ISBN 978-0-6700-1282-4 (Tr.); \$6.99. ISBN 978-0-1424-2017-1 (pap.). Twelve-year-old Foster McFee and her mother escape from her mother's abusive boyfriend and end up in the small town of Culpepper, West Virginia, where they use their strengths and challenge themselves to build a new life, with the help of the friends they make there.
- Brooks, Martha. *Queen of Hearts*. FSG. \$17.99. ISBN 978-0-3743-4229-6. Shortly after her first kiss but before her sixteenth birthday in December, 1941, Marie Claire and her younger brother and sister are sent to a tuberculosis sanatorium near their Manitoba farm.
- Clements, Andrew. *Troublemaker*. Atheneum. \$16.99. ISBN 978-1-4169-4930-5. When his older brother gets in serious trouble, sixth-grader Clay decides to change his own mischief-making ways, but he cannot seem to shake his reputation as a troublemaker.
- Davies, Jacqueline. *The Lemonade Crime*. Houghton Mifflin. \$15.99. ISBN 978-0-5472-7967-1. When money disappears from fourth-grader Evan's pocket and everyone thinks that his annoying classmate Scott stole it, Evan's younger sister stages a trial involving the entire class, trying to prove what happened.
- Deedy, Carmen Agra & Randall Wright. *The Cheshire Cheese Cat: A Dickens of a Tale*. Peachtree. \$16.95. ISBN 978-1-5614-5595-9. A community of mice and a cheese-loving cat form an unlikely alliance at London's Cheshire Cheese, an inn where Charles Dickens finds inspiration and Queen Victoria makes an unexpected appearance.
- Denenberg, Barry. *Titanic Sinks!* Viking. \$19.99. ISBN 978-0-6700-1243-5. In a unique combination of fiction and nonfiction Denenberg presents the true story of the building, launching and sinking of the *Titanic*.
- Fleming, Candace. *Amelia Lost: The Life and Disappearance of Amelia Earhart*. Schwartz & Wade. \$18.99. ISBN 978-0-3758-4198-9. In alternating chapters, Fleming moves back and forth between Amelia's life and the exhaustive search for her and her missing plane.
- Frost, Helen. *Hidden*. FSG. \$16.99. ISBN 978-0-3743-8221-6. When fourteen-year-olds Wren and Darra meet at a Michigan summer camp, both are overwhelmed by memories from six years earlier when Darra's father stole a car, unaware that Wren was hiding in the back.

- Giff, Patricia Reilly. *R My Name is Rachel*. Wendy Lamb. \$15.99. ISBN 978-0-3758-3889-7. Three city siblings, now living on a farm during the Great Depression, must survive on their own when their father takes a construction job miles away
- Howe, James. *Addie on the Inside*. Atheneum. \$16.99. ISBN 978-1-4169-1384-9. Outspoken thirteen-year-old Addie Carle learns about love, loss, and staying true to herself as she navigates seventh grade, enjoys a visit from her grandmother, fights with her boyfriend, and endures gossip and meanness from her former best friend.
- Jacobson, Jennifer Richard. *Small as an Elephant*. Candlewick. \$15.99. ISBN 978-0-7636-4155-9. Abandoned by his mother in an Acadia National Park campground, Jack tries to make his way back to Boston before anyone figures out what is going on, with only a small toy elephant for company.
- Lai, Thanhha. *Inside Out and Back Again*. Harper. \$15.99. ISBN 978-0-0619-6278-3. Through a series of poems, a young girl chronicles the life-changing year of 1975, when she, her mother, and her brothers leave Vietnam and resettle in Alabama.
- MacLachlan, Patricia. *Waiting for the Magic*. Atheneum. \$15.99. ISBN 978-1-4169-2745-7. When Papa goes away for a little while, his family tries to cope with the separation by adopting four dogs and a cat.
- Meloy, Maile. *The Apothecary*. \$16.99. ISBN 978-0-3992-5627-1. Follows a fourteen-year-old American girl whose life unexpectedly transforms when she moves to London in 1952 and gets swept up in a race to save the world from nuclear war.
- Nelson, Kadir. *Heart and Soul: The Story of America and African Americans*. Balzer & Bray. \$19.99. ISBN 978-0-0617-3074-0. A simple introduction to African-American history, from Revolutionary-era slavery up to the election of President Obama.
- Paterson, Katherine & John. *The Flint Heart*. Candlewick. \$19.99. ISBN 978-0-7636-4712-4. A magical amulet brings power and despair to those who touch it.
- Perl, Erica S. *When Life Gives You O.J.* Knopf. \$16.99. ISBN 978-0-3758-5924-3. Zelly Fried wants a dog more than anything, so at the urging of her grandfather, during the summer before sixth grade she takes care of a "practice dog" made out of an orange juice jug to show her parents that she is ready for the responsibility, even though she is sometimes not entirely sure about the idea.
- Pyron, Bobbie. *A Dog's Way Home*. Katherine Tegen. \$16.99. ISBN 978-0-0619-8674-1. After a car accident strands them at opposite ends of the Blue Ridge Parkway, eleven-year-old Abby and her beloved sheltie Tam overcome months filled with physical and emotional challenges to find their way back to each other.

- Say, Allen. *Drawing From Memory*. Scholastic Press. \$17.99. ISBN 978-0-5451-7686-6. Part memoir, part graphic novel, part narrative history, this presents a complex look at the real-life relationship between a mentor and his student. Contains watercolor paintings, original cartoons, photographs, and maps.
- Schmatz, Pat. *Bluefish*. Candlewick. \$15.99. ISBN 978-0-79636-5334-7. Everything changes for thirteen-year-old Travis, a new student who is trying to hide a learning disability, when he meets a remarkable teacher and a sassy classmate with her own secrets.
- Schmidt, Gary D. *Okay for Now*. Clarion. \$16.99. ISBN 978-0-5471-5260-8. As a fourteen-year-old who just moved to a new town, with no friends, an abusive father, and a louse for an older brother, Doug Swieteck has everything stacked against him until he finds an ally in Lil Spicer--a fiery young lady. Together, they find a safe haven in the local library, inspiration in learning about the plates of John James Audubon's birds, and a hilarious adventure on a Broadway stage.
- Selznick, Brian. *Wonderstruck*. Scholastic Press. \$29.99. ISBN 978-0-5450-2789-2. Spanning the fifty years from 1927 to 1977, the stories of Rose and Ben, told respectively through images and words, come together in New York.
- Shang, Wendy Wan-Long. *The Great Wall of Lucy Wu*. Scholastic Press. \$17.99. ISBN 978-0-5451-6215-9. Eleven-year-old aspiring basketball star and interior designer Lucy Wu is excited about finally having her own bedroom, until she learns that her great-aunt is coming to visit and Lucy will have to share a room with her for several months, shattering her plans for a perfect sixth-grade year.
- Smith, Roland. *Storm Runners*. Scholastic Press. \$16.99. ISBN 978-0-5450-8175-0 (Tr.); \$5.99. ISBN 978-0-5450-8177-1 (pap.). Twelve-year-old Chase Masters travels the country with his father, a "storm runner," but he is tested in ways he never could have imagined when he and a new friend are caught in a hurricane near St. Petersburg, Florida.
- Stanley, Diane. *The Silver Bowl*. Harper. \$16.99. ISBN 978-0-0615-7543-3. From the age of seven when she became scullery maid in a castle, Molly has seen visions of the future which, years later, lead her and friend Tobias on an adventure to keep Alaric, the heir to the throne, safe from a curse.
- Van Draanen, Wendelin. *The Running Dream*. Knopf. \$16.99. ISBN 978-0-3758-6667-8 (Tr.); \$9.99. ISBN 978-0-3758-6628-9 (pap.). When a school bus accident leaves sixteen-year-old Jessica an amputee, she returns to school with a prosthetic limb and her track team finds a wonderful way to help rekindle her dream of running again.
- Vernick, Audrey. *Water Balloon*. Clarion. \$16.99. ISBN 978-0-5475-9554-2. With her best friends pulling away from her, her newly-separated parents deciding she should spend the summer at her father's new home, and a babysitting job she does not want, Marley's life is already as precarious as an overfull water balloon when a cute boy enters the picture.

Wolitzer, Meg. *The Fingertips of Duncan Dorfman*. Dutton. \$16.99. ISBN 978-0-5254-2304-1. Twelve-year-olds Duncan Dorfman, April Blunt, and Nate Saviano meet at the Youth Scrabble Tournament where, although each has a different reason for attending and for needing to win, they realize that something more important is at stake than the grand prize.

Yee, Lisa. *Warp Speed*. Arthur A. Levine. \$16.99. ISBN 978-0-5451-2276-4. Marley Sandelski has always felt invisible at school when he is not facing bullies, but a series of unexpected events gives him a taste of popularity and insights into some classmates, well-liked or greatly-feared.

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