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Radiant Child - Javaka Steptoe 2016-11-08
Winner of the Randolph Caldecott Medal and the

Coretta Scott King Illustrator Award Jean-Michel
Basquiat and his unique, collage-style paintings

rocketed to fame in the 1980s as a cultural phenomenon unlike anything the art world had ever seen. But before that, he was a little boy who saw art everywhere: in poetry books and museums, in games and in the words that we speak, and in the pulsing energy of New York City. Now, award-winning illustrator Javaka Steptoe's vivid text and bold artwork echoing Basquiat's own introduce young readers to the powerful message that art doesn't always have to be neat or clean--and definitely not inside the lines--to be beautiful.

The Legend of Gravity - Charly Palmer

2022-01-04

In his author-illustrator debut, Coretta Scott King-John Steptoe--and Africana Book Award-winning illustrator Charly Palmer spins a tall tale about a neighborhood basketball hero. Have you ever heard of Gravity? No, not gravity, the centrifugal force pulling us to the Earth. I'm talking about Gravity--the greatest ball player to ever lace up a pair of sneakers. Gravity is the

new kid on the Hillside Projects basketball team, the Eagles. He once jumped so high that his teammates went out for ice cream before he came back down. With Gravity on their side, the Eagles feel unstoppable. They're ready to win "The Best of the Best," Milwaukee's biggest and baddest pick-up basketball tournament. But when they face-off with the Flyers in the final round, the winningest team in the whole city, they realize that it may take a little more than Gravity to bring them to victory. Here is a clever, energetic story about the unsung superstars walking among us, complete with vivid art and heartfelt themes of teamwork, loyalty, friendship, and fun.

Plantzilla Goes to Camp - Jerdine Nolen

2006-04

Through a series of letters a boy, his parents, and others discuss Camp Wannaleavee, the camp bully, and Plantzilla, who has been forbidden to come but misses his caretaker and arrives in time to become the camp hero.

Please, Puppy, Please - Spike Lee 2005

Two toddlers have fun with their puppy.

Eliza's Freedom Road - Jerdine Nolen
2011-01-04

It is 1852 in Alexandria, Virginia. An orphaned slave, twelve-year-old Eliza has only the quilt her mother left her and the memory of the stories she told. Stories become Eliza's lifeline to freedom after she takes to the night upon learning she will soon be traded. "Go East. Your back to the set of the sun until you come to the safe house where the candlelight lights the window." With the words of Old Joe, the farmhand, in her ears, Eliza travels by night and sleeps by day, keeping her diary along the way. Thoroughly researched by award-winning author Jerdine Nolin, Eliza's Freedom Road brings to life a historical period of pain and triumph. Vivid details and the emotional nature of Eliza's journal make her journey along the Underground Railroad powerful, accessible, and poignant.

Please, Baby, Please - Spike Lee 2007-09-18

A toddler's antics keep her mother busy as she tries to feed her, watch her on the playground, give her a bath, and put her to bed.

Freedom Bird - Jerdine Nolen 2020-01-14

"Powerful storytelling and immersive art."

—Kirkus Reviews (starred review) "Vibrant writing and magical realism lift this story to one of triumph." —Publishers Weekly In this inspiring story in the tradition of American black folktales, an enslaved brother and sister are inspired by a majestic and mysterious bird to escape to freedom in this dramatic and unforgettable picture book. There was nothing civil about that war. They should have called it what it was: a big, bad war. Brother and sister Millicent and John are slaves on Simon Plenty's plantation and have suffered one hurt and heartbreak after another. Their parents had told them old tales of how their ancestors had flown away to freedom just as free and easy as a bird. Millicent and John hold these stories in their

hearts long after their parents are gone. "Maybe such a time will come for you," their parents said. Then one day a mysterious bird appears in their lives. The bird transforms them and gives them the courage to set their plan into motion and escape to freedom.

Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books - 2003

Hewitt Anderson's Great Big Life - Jerdine Nolen 2005-01-01

When tiny Hewitt is born into a family of giants, everyone learns that sometimes small is best of all.

[Change Has Come](#) - Kadir Nelson 2009-01-13
Drawings of American voters, patriotic scenes, and presidential candidate and president-elect Barack Obama illustrate inspirational quotations from the senator.

[Irene's Wish](#) - Jerdine Nolen 2014-10-28
"From award-winning author Jerdine Nolen comes a tale of a little girl who wishes for her

father to be home more, but she never expects her wish to come true the way it does"--

Layla, the Last Black Unicorn - Tiffany Haddish 2022-05-10

From beloved comedian, actress, and New York Times bestselling author Tiffany Haddish comes Layla, the Last Black Unicorn, a hilarious, original picture book tale about a lovable but awkward unicorn who learns why her uniqueness is her biggest strength. It's not easy to fit in when you stand out. When Layla arrives for her first day of school at Unicornia, the school for unicorns, she realizes that she's not like the other kids there. They're all pastel colors and know the rules to Horn Ball and none of them come from the Woods like Layla does. Try as she might to make friends, Layla's just . . . different. But when her class gets lost during a field trip to the Fiddle Dee Deep Forest, it's up to Layla to step up and save the day. Layla, the Last Black Unicorn is a hilariously heartwarming picture book about self-acceptance, self-esteem,

and standing up for standing out by New York Times bestselling author, Grammy Award-winning comedian, and actress Tiffany Haddish and Jerdine Nolen, author of the Coretta Scott King Honor Book *Thunder Rose*.

We Are the Ship - Kadir Nelson 2008-01-08

Using an "Everyman" player as his narrator, Kadir Nelson tells the story of Negro League baseball from its beginnings in the 1920s through the decline after Jackie Robinson crossed over to the majors in 1947. Illustrations from oil paintings by artist Kadir Nelson.

Recognize! - Wade Hudson 2022-10-04

In the stunning follow-up to *The Talk: Conversations About Race, Love & Truth*, award-winning Black authors and artists come together to create a moving anthology collection celebrating Black love, Black creativity, Black resistance, and Black life. "A multifaceted, sometimes disheartening, yet consistently enriching primer on the unyielding necessity of those three words: Black Lives Matter." -Kirkus

Reviews, Starred Review **BLACK LIVES HAVE ALWAYS MATTERED**. Prominent Black creators lend their voice, their insight, and their talent to an inspiring anthology that celebrates Black culture and Black life. Essays, poems, short stories, and historical excerpts blend with a full-color eight-page insert of spellbinding art to capture the pride, prestige, and jubilation that is being Black in America. In these pages, find the stories of the past, the journeys of the present, and the light guiding the future. **BLACK LIVES WILL ALWAYS MATTER**.

Kadir Nelson - Lisa M. Bolt Simons 2017-01-01

Explore the life and career of Caldecott Honor and Coretta Scott King-awarded author and illustrator Kadir Nelson.

Big Jabe - Jerdine Nolen 2003-12-23

When a young slave named Addy goes fishing one spring day, she doesn't catch any fish. Instead, she finds a little boy in a basket floating in the river. Jabe is no ordinary boy: in a few short months, he grows to be a big, strong man

with the strength of fifty. He can pick an entire field of cotton by himself in just one night and day. Why, he even has the power to turn a tired old workhorse into a young filly ready to race! When slaves begin to miraculously disappear from the Plenty Plantation, Addy knows in her heart that Jabe is the reason why.

Mama Miti - Donna Jo Napoli 2012-05-08
“Nelson’s pictures, a jaw-dropping union of African textiles collaged with oil paintings, brilliantly capture the villagers’ clothing and the greening landscape...This is, in a word, stunning.” —Kirkus Reviews (starred review)
“Nelson’s (We Are the Ship) breathtaking portraits of Maathai often have a beatific quality; bright African textiles represent fields, mountains, and Maathai’s beloved trees...Napoli (The Earth Shook) creates a vivid portrait of the community from which Maathai’s tree-planting mission grows.” —Publishers Weekly (starred review)
“A beautiful introduction for children just learning about the Greenbelt Movement.”

—School Library Journal Anne Izard Storytellers’ Choice Award CBC/NCSS Notable Social Studies Trade Book CCBC Choices (Cooperative Children’s Book Council) California Collections NAACP Image Award Nominee Through artful prose and beautiful illustrations, Donna Jo Napoli and Kadir Nelson tell the true story of Wangari Muta Maathai, known as “Mama Miti,” who in 1977 founded the Green Belt Movement, an African grassroots organization that has empowered many people to mobilize and combat deforestation, soil erosion, and environmental degradation. Today more than 30 million trees have been planted throughout Mama Miti’s native Kenya, and in 2004 she became the first African woman to win the Nobel Peace Prize. Wangari Muta Maathai has changed Kenya tree by tree—and with each page turned, children will realize their own ability to positively impact the future.

Black Authors and Illustrators of Books for Children and Young Adults - Barbara Thrash

Murphy 2006-12-21

Black Authors and Illustrators of Books for Children and Young Adults is a biographical dictionary that provides comprehensive coverage of all major authors and illustrators – past and present. As the only reference volume of its kind available, this book is a valuable research tool that provides quick access for anyone studying black children’s literature – whether one is a student, a librarian charged with maintaining a children’s literature collection, or a scholar of children’s literature. The Fourth Edition of this renowned reference work illuminates African American contributions to children’s literature and books for young adults. The new edition contains updated and new information for existing author/illustrator entries, the addition of approximately 50 new profiles, and a new section listing online resources of interest to the authors and readers of black children’s literature.

The Coretta Scott King Awards, 1970-2004 -

Henrietta M. Smith 2004-06-07

Celebrates thirty-four years of African-American contributions to children's literature with annotated listings of works by winners of the Coretta Scott King Award.

Jet - 2008-01-28

The weekly source of African American political and entertainment news.

Where Do We Go from Here? - Kimberly L. Watkins 1955

As the characters go through their daily journeys, each one finds themselves often pondering the question: Where do we go from here? Some will realize the answer to that question, while others will be left to figure out which way to turn next. Interwoven in this novel are issues and lessons related to friendship, love, death, family secrets, betrayal, heartbreak and pure bliss. Set in the suburbs of Maryland and the Washington Metropolitan area, you’ll take a ride through the characters’ lives that will touch your heart and leave you wanting more.

The Coretta Scott King Awards, 1970-2009 -

Henrietta M. Smith 2009-01-01

Gathers together the best African American children's literature.

Jet - 2008

School Library Journal - 2004

Eliza's Freedom Road - Jerdine Nolen

2017-02-14

Christopher Award-winning author Jerdine Nolen imagines a young woman's journey from slavery to freedom in this intimate and powerful novel that was named an ALA/YALSA Best Fiction for Young Adults nominee. It is 1854 in Alexandria, Virginia. Eliza's mother has been sold away and Eliza is left as a slave on a Virginia farm. It is Abbey, the cook, who looks after Eliza, when she isn't taking care of the Mistress. Eliza has only the quilt her mother left her and the stories her mother told to keep her mother's memory close. When the Mistress's

health begins to fail and Eliza overhears the Master talk of the Slave sale auction and of Eliza being traded, she takes to the night. She follows the path and the words of the farmhand Old Joe: "Travel the night. Sleep the day...Go east. Keep your back to the setting of the sun. Come to the safe house with a candlelight in the window...That gal, Harriet, she'll take you." All the while, Eliza recites the stories her mother taught her as she travels along her freedom road from Mary's Land to Pennsylvania to Freedom's Gate in St. Catharines, Canada, where she finds not only her freedom but also more than she could have hoped for. In praise of the book, Alma Powell said, "A story of hope, determination, and the triumph of the human spirit."

Something about the Author - Lisa Kumar

2007-11-05

Series covers individuals ranging from established award winners to authors and illustrators who are just beginning their careers. Entries cover: personal life, career, writings and

works in progress, adaptations, additional sources, and photographs.

John Henry - Julius Lester 1994-10-01

Nothing can stop John Henry--no boulder, no mountain, and definitely no steam drill. Newbery Honor winner Julius Lester writes with such power that this African-American folk hero becomes as awesome as a natural phenomenon. Jerry Pinkney received a Caldecott Honor for his exuberant, glowing watercolor paintings of the hero. The book, celebrating its tenth year in print, was also a Boston Globe-Horn Book Award winner, a Parents magazine Best Book, and an ALA Notable Book, among other honors.

Harvey Potter's Balloon Farm - Jerdine Nolen 1994-04-29

Harvey Potter was a very strange fellow indeed. He was a farmer, but he didn't farm like my daddy did. He farmed a genuine, U.S. Government Inspected Balloon Farm. So begins this enchanting original tall tale. Set in the rural south and populated with a truly unforgettable

cast of characters--including, if you look very carefully, a rabbit, a Tyrannosaurus rex, a cat, a chicken, a cow, and a pig hidden in each remarkable illustration--this is a book that is filled with wonderful impossibilities and magical imagination. Told in the great tradition of summer nights and front porch yarns, Harvey Potter's Balloon Farm will lift your spirit right off the ground, just as it does Harvey Potter. Harvey Potter was a very strange fellow indeed. He was a farmer but not like any farmer you've ever met. He didn't grow corn, okra, or tomatoes. Harvey Potter grew balloons. No one knew exactly how he did it, but with the help of the light of a full moon, one friendly child catches a peek of just how Harvey Potter does it. And keeps some magic for herself. "This is the best sort of fantasy imaginative, inventive, and believable. Harvey Potter is a wonder he's the owner of a genuine U.S. Government Inspected Balloon farm. And Nolen's tale about this man, narrated by the African-American girl who

learns balloon-farming magic from him, is equally wondrous.... This title should sail onto every library shelf. May Nolen grow a bumper crop of books." School Library Journal. "Downright glorious." Publishers Weekly(starred review).

Lies and Other Tall Tales - Christopher Myers
2015-03-20

While traveling in the Gulf States in the 1930s, Hurston collected and recorded some real whoppers. Young readers can enjoy these far-fetched fibs enhanced with bold, expressive collages.

Itzhak - Tracy Newman 2020-05-12

This picture-book biography of violin virtuoso Itzhak Perlman will inspire young readers to follow the melody within themselves A 2021 Schneider Family Book Award Young Children Honor Book Before becoming one of the greatest violinists of all time, Itzhak Perlman was simply a boy who loved music. Raised by a poor immigrant family in a tiny Tel Aviv apartment,

baby Itzhak was transformed by the sounds from his family's kitchen radio—graceful classical symphonies, lively klezmer tunes, and soulful cantorial chants. The rich melodies and vibrant rhythms spoke to him like magic, filling his mind with vivid rainbows of color. After begging his parents for an instrument, Itzhak threw his heart and soul into playing the violin. Despite enormous obstacles—including a near-fatal bout of polio that left him crippled for life—Itzhak persevered, honing his extraordinary gift. When he performed on the Ed Sullivan Show sat only 13, audiences around the world were mesmerized by the warmth, joy, and passion in every note. Gorgeously illustrated with extensive back matter, this picture-book biography recounts Itzhak's childhood journey—from a boy with a dream to an internationally acclaimed violin virtuoso.

Jet - 2008-01-28

The weekly source of African American political and entertainment news.

Thunder Rose - Jerdine Nolen 2007

Thunder Rose vows to grow up to be more than just big and strong, thank you very kindly--and boy, does she ever. But when a whirling storm on a riotous rampage threatens, has Rose finally met her match?

Hewitt Anderson's Great Big Life - Jerdine Nolen
2013-01-01

Young Hewitt Anderson is sweet, smart, polite—and very, very small. This warmly humorous tale with audio is “proof that, when it comes to heart, physical size isn’t the whole story” (Kirkus Reviews). Young Hewitt Anderson is his parents' pride and joy, and they love him so. Hewitt is sweet, smart, polite -- everything a boy could be -- except Hewitt is small...very small...teeny-weeny, in fact. Descended from a long line of giants, the J. Carver Worthington Andersons take their height very seriously indeed. You see, without exception all of the many J. Carver Worthington Andersons have been giants until now. And poor Hewitt -- hidden

in the floorboards, trapped in the flour vat, lost in the bedsheets -- has his struggles being tiny. Oh, his parents worry: How will their son manage to live in a world of big things? Leave it to Hewitt to prove the power of being small. Inspired by the tale of "Jack and the Beanstalk," the inimitable Jerdine Nolen tells an original story of bravery and the power of the individual. Kadir Nelson's imaginative and loving illustrations create a world where smallness rules -- a world that children will want to return to again and again.

[Black History in the Pages of Children's Literature](#) - Rose Casement 2008

Presents an introduction to historical periods, an annotated bibliography of children's literature, and an explanation of the concepts relating to the history of African Americans.

Hope's Path to Glory - Jerdine Nolen
2023-02-07

From the author of Eliza's Freedom Road and Calico Girl comes a historical middle grade

adventure about an enslaved girl's journey on the Overland Trail to California during the Gold Rush, and how she took the chance to fight for freedom. In Alexandria, Virginia, in the mid-19th century, a slave-owning family is facing financial trouble. The eldest son, Jason, thinks going to California to mine for gold might be the best way to protect his father's legacy. He'll need a cook, a laundress, and a hostler for the journey, and one of them is twelve-year-old Clementine, whose mother calls her Hope. From Independence, Missouri—the "Gateway to the West"—she and the others join a wagon train on the Emigrant Overland Trail. But what Jason didn't consider is taking the three enslaved people west will give them an opportunity to free themselves—manifesting their destiny.

On Her Wings - Jerdine Nolen 2022-09-27

"Born Chloe Ardelia Wofford, she grew up listening to stories and loved reading. As a teenager she worked at the Lorain town library and later attended Howard University. As an

editor at a New York publisher, she found time early in the morning and late at night after her children were asleep to write. When she looked about over her life and all what she had seen and learned, she knew she wanted to write about her people, Black people. Today and always her work and legacy will live on"--

Night Boat to Freedom - Margot Theis Raven
2009-02-02

At the request of his fellow slave Granny Judith, Christmas John risks his life to take runaways across a river from Kentucky to Ohio, based on actual slave narratives recorded in the 1930s. Reprint.

Newsletter of the Black Caucus of the American Library Association - 2003

Calico Girl - Jerdine Nolen 2017-02-14

Callie struggles to understand slavery when her stepbrother is sold away at the start of the Civil War, but is determined her whole family will be free one day. Includes historical notes.

Salt in His Shoes - Deloris Jordan 2003-11
Young Michael Jordan, who is smaller than the

other players, learns that determination and hard work are more important than size when playing the game of basketball.