



Theodor Seuss Geisel Award

2006-2023



The Theodor Seuss Geisel Award is given annually to the author and illustrator of the most distinguished contribution to the work of American children's literature known as beginning reader books published in the United States during the preceding year.

2023: *I Did It!* written and illustrated by Michael Emberley

Honor Books:

Fish and Wave written and illustrated by Sergio Ruzzier

Gigi and Ojiji written and illustrated by Melissa Iwai (JE Cepeda)

Owl and Penguin written and illustrated by Vikram Madan

A Seed Grows written and illustrated by Antoinette Portis (J 575.68 Por)

2022: *Fox at Night* written and illustrated by Corey R. Tabor (JE Tabor)

Honor Books:

Beak & Ally #1: Unlikely Friends written and illustrated by Norm Feuti

I Hop written and illustrated by Joe Cepeda (JE Cepeda)

Nothing Fits a Dinosaur written and illustrated by Jonathan Fenske

2021: *See the Cat: Three Stories About a Dog* written by David LaRochelle and illustrated by Mike Wohnoutka (JE La Rochelle)

Honor Books:

The Bear in My Family written and illustrated by Maya Tatsukawa

Ty's Travels: Zip, Zoom! written by Kelly Starling Lyons and illustrated by Nina Mata

What About Worms!? written and illustrated by Ryan T. Higgins

Where's Baby? written and illustrated by Anne Hunter

2020: *Stop! Bot!* written and illustrated by James Yang (JE Yang)

Honor Books:

Chick and Brain: Smell My Foot! written and illustrated by Cece Bell (J GN Bell)

Flubby Is Not a Good Pet written and illustrated by J.E. Morris (JE Morris)

The Book Hog written and illustrated by Greg Pizzoli (JE Pizzoli)

2019: *Fox the Tiger* written and illustrated by Corey R. Tabor (JE Tabor)

Honor Books:

The Adventures of Otto: See Pip Flap written and illustrated by David Milgrim

Fox + Chick: The Party and Other Stories written and illustrated by Sergio Ruzzier (JE Ruzzier)

King & Kayla and the Case of the Lost Tooth written by Dori Hillestad Butler and illustrated by Nancy Meyers (J Butler)

Tiger vs. Nightmare written and illustrated by Emily Tetri

2018: *Charlie & Mouse* written by Laurel Snyder and illustrated by Emily Hughes (JE Snyder)

Honor Books:

I See a Cat written and illustrated by Paul Meisel (JE Meisel)

King & Kayla and the Case of the Missing Dog Treats written by Dori Hillestad Butler and illustrated by Nancy Meyers (J Butler)

My Kite Is Stuck! And Other Stories written and illustrated by Salina Yoon (JE Yoon)

Noodleheads See the Future written by Tedd Arnold, Martha Hamilton, & Mitch Weiss and illustrated by Tedd Arnold (J GN Arnold)

Snail & Worm Again written and illustrated by Tina Kügler

2017: *We Are Growing!* written and illustrated by Laurie Keller (JE Willems)

Honor Books:

Good Night Owl written and illustrated by Greg Pizzoli (JE Pizzoli)

Oops, Pounce, Quick, Run! An Alphabet Caper written and illustrated by Mike Twohy (JE Twohy)

Go Otto Go! written and illustrated by David Milgrim (JE Milgrim)

The Infamous Ratsos written by Kara LaReau and illustrated by Matt Myers (J LaReau)

2016: *Don't Throw It to Mo!* written by David A. Adler and illustrated by Sam Ricks

Honor Books:

A Pig, a Fox, and a Box written and illustrated by Jonathan Fenske

Supertruck written and illustrated by Stephen Savage (JE Savage)

Waiting written and illustrated by Kevin Henkes (JE Henkes)

2015: *You Are (Not) Small*, written by Anna Kang and illustrated by Christopher Weyant (JE Kang)

Honor Books:

Mr. Putter & Tabby Turn the Page written by Cynthia Rylant and illustrated by Arthur Howard (JE Rylant)

Waiting Is Not Easy! written and illustrated by Mo Willems (JE Willems)

2014: *The Watermelon Seed*, written and illustrated by Greg Pizzoli (JE Pizzoli)

Honor Books:

Ball written and illustrated by Mary Sullivan (JE Sullivan)

A Big Guy Took My Ball! written and illustrated by Mo Willems (JE Willems)

Penny and Her Marble written and illustrated by Kevin Henkes (JE Henkes)

2013: *Up, Tall and High!* written and illustrated by Ethan Long (JE Long)

Honor Books:

Let's Go for a Drive! written and illustrated by Mo Willems (JE Willems)

Pete the Cat and His Four Groovy Buttons written by Eric Litwin and illustrated by James Dean (JE Litwin)

Rabbit & Robot: The Sleepover written and illustrated by Cece Bell (J Bell)

2012: *Tales for Very Picky Eaters* written and illustrated by Josh Schneider

Honor Books:

I Broke My Trunk written and illustrated by Mo Willems (JE Willems)

I Want My Hat Back written and illustrated by Jon Klassen (JE Klassen)

See Me Run written and illustrated by Paul Meisel (JE Meisel)

2011: *Bink and Gollie* written by Kate DiCamillo and Alison McGhee and illustrated by Tony Fucile (J DiCamillo)

Honor Books:

Ling & Ting: Not Exactly the Same! written and illustrated by Grace Lin (JE Lin)

We Are in a Book! written and illustrated by Mo Willems (JE Willems)

2010: *Benny and Penny in the Big No-No!* written and illustrated by Geoffrey Hayes (J GN Hayes)

Honor Books:

I Spy Fly Guy! written and illustrated by Tedd Arnold (JE Arnold)

Little Mouse Gets Ready written and illustrated by Jeff Smith (JE Smith)

Mouse and Mole: Fine Feathered Friends written and illustrated by Wong Herbert Yee (JE Yee)

Pearl and Wagner: One Funny Day written by Kate McMullan; illustrated by R.W. Alley (JE McMullan)

2009: *Are You Ready to Play Outside?* written and illustrated by Mo Willems (JE Willems)

Honor Books:

Chicken Said, 'Cluck!' written by Judyann Ackerman Grant and illustrated by Sue Truesdell (JE Grant)

One Boy written and illustrated by Laura Vaccaro Seeger (JE Seeger)

Stinky written and illustrated by Eleanor Davis (J GN Davis)

Wolfsnail: A Backyard Predator written by Sarah C. Campbell and photographs by Sarah C. Campbell and Richard P. Campbell

2008: *There Is a Bird on Your Head* written and illustrated by Mo Willems (JE Willems)

Honor Books:

First the Egg written and illustrated by Laura Vaccaro Seeger (JE Seeger)

Hello, Bumblebee Bat written by Darrin Lunde and illustrated by Patricia J. Wynne

Jazz Baby written by Lisa Wheeler and illustrated by R. Gregory Christie (JE Wheeler)

Vulture View written by April Pulley Sayre and illustrated by Steve Jenkins

2007: *Zelda and Ivy: The Runaways* written and illustrated by Laura McGee Kvasnosky (JE Kvasnosky)

Honor Books:

Mercy Watson Goes for a Ride written by Kate DiCamillo and illustrated by Chris Van Dusen (J DiCamillo)

Move Over, Rover! written by Karen Beaumont and illustrated by Jane Dyer (JE Beaumont)

Not a Box written and illustrated by Antoinette Portis (JE Portis)

2006: *Henry and Mudge and the Great Grandpas* written by Cynthia Rylant and illustrated by Suçie Stevenson (JE Rylant)

Honor Books:

Amanda Pig and the Really Hot Day written by Jean Van Leeuwen and illustrated by Ann Schweninger (JE Van Leeuwen)

Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa written by Erica Silverman and illustrated by Betsy Lewin (JE Silverman)

Hi! Fly Guy written and illustrated by Tedd Arnold (JE Arnold)

A Splendid Friend, Indeed written and illustrated by Suzanne Bloom (JE Bloom)