



Asian/Pacific American Award for Literature 2005-2023

The Asian/Pacific American Award for Literature promotes Asian/Pacific culture and heritage and is awarded based on literary and artistic merit.



2023: **Picture Book Winner: From the Tops of the Trees** written by Kao Kalia Yang and illustrated by Rachel Wada (J 362.7 Yan)

Honor Book

Nana, Nenek & Nina written and illustrated by Liza Ferneyhough

Middle Grade Winner: Maizy Chen's Last Chance written by Lisa Yee (J Yee)

Honor Book

Troublemaker written by John Cho with Sarah Suk (J Cho)

Young Adult Winner: Himawari House written and illustrated by Harmony Becker
(YA GRAPHIC NOVEL Becker)

Honor Book

The Silence that Binds Us written by Joanna Ho

2022: **Picture Book Winner: Watercress** written by Andrea Wang and illustrated by Jason Chin
(JE Wang)

Honor Book

A Boy Named Isamu: A Story of Isamu Noguchi written by James Yang (JE Yang)

Middle Grade Winner: Amina's Song written by Hena Khan

Honor Book

Finding Junie Kim written by Ellen Oh (J Oh)

Young Adult Winner: Last Night at the Telegraph Club written by Malinda Lo (YA FICTION Lo)

Honor Book

We are Not Free written by Traci Chee (YA FICTION Chee)

2021: **Picture Book Winner: Paper Son: The Inspiring Story of Tyrus Wong, Immigrant and Artist** written by Julie Leung and illustrated by Chris Sasaki

Honor Book

Danbi Leads the School Parade written and illustrated by Anna Kim (JE Kim)

Middle Grade Winner: When You Trap a Tiger written by Tae Keller (J Keller)

Honor Book

Prairie Lotus written by Linda Sue Park (J Park)

Young Adult Winner: This Light Between Us written by Andrew Fukuda

Honor Book

Displacement written by Kiku Hughes

2020: **Picture Book Winner: Queen of Physics: How Wu Chien Shiung Helped Unlock the Secrets of the Atom** written by Teresa Robeson and illustrated by Rebecca Huang

Honor Book

Bilal Cooks Daal written by Aisha Saeed and illustrated by Anoosha Syed (JE Saeed)

Middle Grade Winner: Stargazing written by Jen Wang (J Keller)

Honor Book

I'm Ok written by Patti Kim (J Kim)

Young Adult Winner: They Called Us Enemy written by George Takei, Justin Eisinger, Steven Scott and illustrated by Harmony Becker (Graphic Novel Bio Takei)

Honor Book

Frankly in Love written by David Yoon (YA FICTION Yoon)

2019: **Picture Book Winner: Drawn Together** written by Minh Lê and illustrated by Dan Santat (JE Le)

Honor Book

Grandmother's Visit written by Betty Quan and illustrated by Carmen Mok

Middle Grade Winner: Front Desk written by Kelly Yang (J Yang)

Honor Book

The House that Lou Built written by Mae Respicio

Young Adult Winner: Darius the Great is Not Okay written by Adib Khorram (YA FICTION Khorram)

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The Astonishing Color of After written by Emily X.R. Pan

2018: **Picture Book Winner: A Different Pond** written by Bao Phi and illustrated by Thi Bui (JE Phi)

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The Nian Monster written by Andrea Wang and illustrated by Alina Chau (JE Wang)

Middle Grade Winner: Step Up to the Plate, Maria Singh written by Uma Krishnaswami

Honor Book

Cilla Lee-Jenkins: Future Author Extraordinaire written by Susan Tan and illustrated by Dana Wulfekotte

Young Adult Winner: It's Not Like It's a Secret written by Misa Sugiura

Honor Book

Saints & Misfits written by S.K. Ali

2017: **Picture Book Winner: Puddle** written and illustrated by Hyewon Yum (JE Yum)

Middle Grade Winner: The Land of Forgotten Girls written by Erin Entrada Kelly

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Momotaro Xander and the Lost Island of Monsters written by Margaret Dilloway

Young Adult Winner: Outrun the Moon written by Stacey Lee

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Watched written by Marina Budhos

2016: **Picture Book Winner: Juna's Jar** written and illustrated by Jane Bahk

Honor Book

Drum Dream Girl: How One Girl's Courage Changed Music written by Margarita Engle and illustrated by Rafael Lopez

Middle Grade Winner: Full Cicada Moon written by Marilyn Hilton (J Hilton)

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Blackbird Fly written by Erin Entrada Kelly

Young Adult Winner: P.S. I Still Love You written by Jenny Han (YA FICTION Han)

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Ink and Ashes written by Valynne E. Maetani

2015: **Picture Book Winner: Hana Hashimoto, Sixth Violin** written by Chieri Uegaki and Qin Leng (JE Uegaki)

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Father's Chinese Opera written by Betty Quan and illustrated by Rich Lo

Middle Grade Winner: Gaijin: American Prisoner of War written by Matt Faulkner

Honor Book

Ting Ting written by Kristie Hammond

Young Adult Winner: Tiger Girl written by May-lee Chai

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Shadow Hero written by Gene Luen Yang and illustrated by Sonny Liew (YA GRAPHIC NOVEL Yang)

- 2014: **Picture Book Winner: Red Kite, Blue Kite** written and illustrated by Ji-li Jiang
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Barbed Wire Baseball written by Marissa Moss and illustrated by Yuko Shimizu (J 796.357 Mos)
Middle Grade Winner: The Thing About Luck written by Cynthia Kadohata and illustrated by Julia Kuo (J Kadohata)
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The Vine Basket written by Josanne La Valley
Young Adult Winner: Jet Black and the Ninja Wind written by Leza Lowitz and Shogo Oketani
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Gadget Girl: The art of Being Invisible written by Suzanne Kamata
- 2013: **Picture Book Winner: Good Fortune Wrapped in a Cloth** written by Joan Schoettler and illustrated by Jessica Lanan
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A Path of Stars written and illustrated by Anne O'Brien Sibley
Middle Grade Winner: Chengli and the Silk Road Caravan written by Hildi Kang
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Shark King written by R. Kikuo Johnson
Young Adult Winner: Tina's Mouth: An Existential Comic Diary written by Keshni Kashyap
Honor Book
Ichiro written by Ryan Inzana
- 2012: **Picture Book Winner: The House Baba Built: An Artist's Childhood in China** written and illustrated by Ed Young
Honor Book
Hot Hot Roti for Kaka-ji written by F. Zia and illustrated by Ken Min
Middle Grade Winner: The Great Wall of Lucy Wu written by Wendy Wan-Long Shang (J Shang)
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Vanished written by Sheela Chari
Young Adult Winner: Orchards written by Holly Thompson (YA FICTION Thompson)
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Level Up written by Gene Luen Yang
- 2011: **Picture Book Winner: Yasmin's Hammer** written by Ann Malaspina and illustrated by Doug Chayka
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Fly Free written by Roseanne Thong and illustrated by Eujin Kim Neilan (JE Thong)
Middle Grade Winner: Heart of a Samurai written by Margi Preus (J Preus)
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Bamboo People written by Mitali Perkins (J Perkins)
Young Adult Winner: Shooting Kabul written by N.H. Senzai
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A Boy of Heart Mountain written by Barbara Bazaldua
- 2010: **Picture Book Winner: Cora Cooks Pancit** written by Dorina K. Lazo Gilmore and illustrated by Kristi Valiant
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Tan to Tamarind written by Malathi Michelle Iyengar and illustrated by Jamel Akib
Youth Literature Winner: Everything Asian written by Sung Woo (FICTION Woo)
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Tofu Quilt written by Ching Yeung Russell (J Russell)

2009: **Picture Book Winner: Wabi Sabi** written by Mark Reibstein and illustrated by Ed Young (JE Reibstein)

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Monsoon Afternoon written by Kashmira Sheth and illustrated by Yoshiko Jaeggi (JE Sheth)

Youth Literature Winner: Roots and Wings written by Many Ly

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1001 Cranes written by Naomi Hirahara (J Hirahara)

Good Enough written by Paula Yoo

2008: **Picture Book Winner: Surfer of the Century** written by Ellie Crowe and illustrated by Richard Waldrep

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Hiromi's Hands written and illustrated by Lynne Barasch

Youth Literature Winner: Hiroshima Dreams written by Kelly Easton

Honor Book

Keeping Corner written by Kashmira Sheth (YA FICTION Sheth)

2007: **Picture Book Winner: The Legend of Hong Kil Dong: The Robin Hood of Korea** written and illustrated by Anne Sibley O'Brien

Honor Book

Brothers written by Yin and illustrated by Chris Soentpiet

Youth Literature Winner: Nothing But the Truth written by Justina Chen Headley

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Year of the Dog written by Grace Lin (J Lin)

2006: **Picture Book Winner: The Firekeeper's Son** written by Linda Sue Park and illustrated by Julie Downing

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Sixteen Years in Sixteen Seconds: The Sammy Lee Story written by Paula Yoo and illustrated by Dom Lee

Bread Song written by Frederick Lipp and illustrated by Jason Gaillard

Youth Literature Winner: Kira-Kira written by Cynthia Kadohata (YA FICTION Kadohata)

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Shanghai Messenger written by Andrea Cheng

Project Mulberry written by Linda Sue Park (J Park)

2003: **Picture Book Winner: Apple Pie 4 July** written by Janet S. Wong and illustrated by Margaret Chodos-Irvine

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Tanuki's Gift written by Tim Myer and illustrated by Robert Roth

Coolies written by Yin and illustrated by Chris Soentpiet (JE Yin)

Youth Literature Winner: A Step from Heaven written by An Na (YA FICTION Na)

Honor Books

Born Confused written by Tanuja Desai Hidier

Beacon Hill Boys written by Ken Mochizuki

A Single Shard written by Linda Sue Park (J Park)

2001: **Children and Youth Literature Winner: The Trip Back Home** written by Janet S. Wong and illustrated by Bo Jia