

What's New in Children's Literature - 2017

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Booklist

New board books – for babies and toddlers, ages 0 - 2

Kalluk, Celina. *Sweetest Kulu*. Illus. by Alexandria Neonakis. Inhabit Media, Oct. 2016.

McNeil, Kelli. *Sleepy Toes*. Scholastic/Cartwheel, Feb. 2017.

New interactive book for toddlers

Matheson, Christie. *Plant the Tiny Seed*. HarperCollins/Greenwillow, Jan. 2017.

New picture books – to read aloud to children ages 2 – 5 – preschoolers

Bottner, Barbara. *Priscilla Gorilla*. Illus. by Michael Emberley. Atheneum, March 2017.

Choldenko, Gennifer. *Dad and the Dinosaur*. Illus. by Dan Santat. Putnam, March 2017.

Cooper, Elisha. *Big Cat, Little Cat*. Roaring Brook, March 2017.

Martin, Bill Jr. and Michael Sampson. *Spunky Little Monkey*. Illus. by Brian Won. Scholastic. Jan. 2017.

Pinkney, Jerry. *Three Billy Goats Gruff*. Little Brown, May 2017.

New easy readers – for children ages 5 - 6, or Kindergarten to first grade

Keller, Laurie. *We Are Growing!* Hyperion/Disney, Sept. 2016. “Elephant and Piggie like reading!” series.

Flowers, Luke. *Moby Shinobi: Ninja on the Farm*. Scholastic, Jan. 2017.

Shea, Bob. *What's Your Favorite Favorite?* Disney-Hyperion, Feb. 2017.

Yoon, Salina. *My Kite Is Stuck! And Other Stories*. Bloomsbury, Jan. 2017.

New easy transitional fiction

MacLachlan, Patricia. *Barkus*. Illus. by Marc Boutavant. Chronicle, June 2016.

Meisel, Peter. *Stinky Spike and the Royal Rescue*. Illus. by Paul Meisel. Bloomsbury, March 2017.

Schlitz, Laura Amy. *Princess Cora and the Crocodile*. Illus. by Brian Floca. Candlewick, March 2017.

New transitional fiction – for ages 7 - 8, or 2nd and 3rd grades

Blabey, Aaron. *The Bad Guys*. Scholastic, Jan. 2017.

Blabey, Aaron. *The Bad Guys in Mission Unpluckable*. Scholastic, March 2017.

Cooper, Jay. *Mutant Rat Attack! (The Spy Next Door, Bk. 1)*. Scholastic, March 2017.

Gravel, Elise. *Olga and the Smelly Thing from Nowhere*. HarperCollins, March 2017.

Lee, Honest, and Matthew J. Gilbert. *The Unlucky Lottery Winners of Classroom 13*. Little Brown, June 2017.

New poetry for children

Nesbitt, Kenn. *One Minute Till Bedtime: 60-Second Poems to Send You Off to Sleep*. Illus. by Christoph

Niemann. Little Brown, Nov. 2016.

Singer, Marilyn. *Feel the Beat: Dance Poems that Zing from Salsa to Swing*. Illus. by Kristi Valiant. Dial, March 2017.

New graphic novels for under age 12

Clanton, Ben. *Narwhal: Unicorn of the Sea (A Narwhal and Jelly Book, Bk. 1)*. Tundra, Oct. 2016.

Hale, Nathan. *One Trick Pony*. Abrams/Amulet, March 2017.

Hale, Shannon. *Real Friends*. Illus. by LeUyen Pham. First Second, May 2017.

Xu, Ru. *NewsPrints*. Graphix/Scholastic, Jan. 2017.

New nonfiction

Chin, Jason. *Grand Canyon*. Roaring Brook, Feb. 2017.

Jenson-Elliott, Cynthia. *Antsy Ansel: Ansel Adams, a Life in Nature*. Illus. by Christy Hale. Holt, Sept. 2016.

Mccarney, Rosemary. *Where Will I Live?* Second Story, April 2017.

Newman, Patricia. *Sea Otter Heroes: The Predators that Saved an Ecosystem*. Millbrook, April 2017.

Rapoport, Rebecca, and J.A. Yoder. *Math Lab for Kids: Fun, Hands-on Activities for Learning with Shapes, Puzzles, and Games*. Quarto/Quarry, Jan. 2017.

Common Core

Losure, Mary. *Isaac the Alchemist: Secrets of Isaac Newton, Reveal'd*. Candlewick, Feb. 2017.

Sheinkin, Steve. *Undeclared: Jim Thorpe and the Carlisle Indian School Football Team*. Roaring Brook, Jan. 2017.

New children's novels by genre:

Fantasy

Carroll, Emma. *In Darkling Wood*. Delacorte, March 2017.

Langer, Dana. *Siren Sisters*. Aladdin/S&S, Jan. 2017.

Historical Fiction

Avi. *The Unexpected Life of Oliver Cromwell Pitts*. Algonquin, May 2017.

Rose, Caroline Starr. *Jasper and the Riddle of Riley's Mine*. Putnam, Feb. 2017.

Spinelli, Jerry. *The Warden's Daughter*. Knopf, Jan. 2017.

Humor

Moore, Steve. *No Fear! (King of the Bench, Bk. 1)*. HarperCollins, March 2017.

Parisi, Mark. *Marty Pants: Do Not Open!* HarperCollins, April 2017.

Adventure

King, Amy Sarig. *Me and Marvin Gardens*. Arthur A. Levine/Scholastic, Jan. 2017.

Smith, Dan. *Boy X*. Chicken House/Scholastic, March 2017.

Mystery/Horror

Cohen, Marina. *The Doll's Eye*. Illus. by Nicoletta Ceccoli. Roaring Brook, Feb. 2017.
Freeman, Martha. *Effie Starr Zook Has One More Question*. S&S, March 2017.

Realistic/Contemporary

Arnold, Elana K. *A Boy Called Bat*. Illus. by Charles Santoso. Walden Pond/HarperCollins, March 2017.
Donoghue, Emma. *Lotterys Plus One*. Arthur A. Levine/Scholastic, March 2017.

Science Fiction

Emerson, Kevin. *Last Day on Mars. (Chronicle of the Dark Star, Bk. 1)*. Walden Pond/HarperCollins, Feb. 2017.

Sports

Bowen, Fred. *Outside Shot*. Peachtree, March 2017.

New Entries in Popular Series

Pastis, Stephan. *The Book You're Not Supposed to Have. (Timmy Failure, Bk. 5)*. Candlewick, Sept. 2016.
Pilkay, Dav. *Dog Man Unleashed. (Dog Man: Bk. 2)*. Scholastic/Graphix, Jan. 2017.
Sanderson, Brandon. *The Dark Talent: Alcatraz vs. the Evil Librarians, Book Five*. Illus. by Layley Lazo. Starscape, Sept. 2016.
Segal, Jason, and Kirsten Miller. *The Lost Lullaby. (Nightmares! Bk. 3)*. Illus. by Karl Kwasny. Delacorte, Sept. 2016.
Stine, R.L. *Slappy Birthday to You! (Goosebumps SlappyWorld, Bk. 1)*. Scholastic, Feb. 2017.
Warner, Penny. *The Secret of the Puzzle Box. (Code Busters Club, Bk. 6)*. Darby Creek, Sept. 2016.

Multicultural Books for Younger Children

Deedy, Carmen Agra. *The Rooster Who Would Not Be Quiet!* Illus. by Eugene Yelchin. Scholastic, Jan. 2017.
Jiang, Ji-Li. *Lotus and Feather*. Illus. by Julie Downing. Disney-Hyperion, Dec. 2016.
Lo, Rich. *New Year*. Sky Pony, Nov. 2016.

Multicultural Books for Older Children

Behar, Ruth. *Lucky Broken Girl*. Nancy Paulsen/Penguin, April 2017.
Dooley, Sarah. *Ashes to Asheville*. Putnam, April 2017.
Khan, Hena. *Amina's Voice*. S&S/Salaam Reads, March 2017.
Oh, Ellen, editor. *Flying Lessons and Other Stories*. Crown, Jan. 2017.
Tarpley, Natasha. *The Harlem Charade*. Scholastic, Jan. 2017.

Multicultural Nonfiction

Bolden, Tonya. *Pathfinders: The Journeys of 16 Extraordinary Black Souls*. Abrams, 2017.
McKissack, Patricia. *Let's Clap, Jump, Sing & Shout; Dance, Spin, & Turn It Out!* Illus. by Brian Pinkney. Schwarz & Wade/Random, Jan. 2017.

Myers, Walter Dean. *Frederick Douglass: The Lion Who Wrote History*. Illus. by Floyd Cooper. HarperCollins, Jan. 2017.

Nonfiction and Fiction Pairings

Bang, Molly, and Penny Chisholm. *Rivers of Sunlight: How the Sun Moves Water Around the Earth*. Blue Sky/Scholastic, Jan. 2017.

Smith, Michael. *It Starts With a Raindrop/Comienza con una gota de lluvia*. East/West Discovery, Jan. 2017.

Pair with picture books on the water cycle, such as: Usher, Sam. *Rain*. Templar/Candlewick, March 2017.

Citro, Asia. *A Little Bit of Dirt: 55+ Science and Art Activities to Reconnect Children with Nature*. Innovation Press, March 2016.

Pair with a STEM themed read-aloud chapter book such as: Citro, Asia. *Dragons and Marshmallows. (Zoey and Sassafras, Bk. 1)*. Illus. by Marion Lindsay. Innovation, March 2017.

Arnold, Caroline. *Hatching Chicks in Room 6*. Charlesbridge, Jan. 2017.

Pair with: Henkes, Kevin. *Egg*. Greenwillow, Jan. 2017.

Markle, Sandra. *The Search for Olinguito: Discovering a New Species*. Millbrook, March 2017.

Pair with: Delacre, Lulu. *Olinguito, de la A a la Z! Olinguito, from A to Z!* Children's Book Press, 2016.

Pringle, Laurence. *The Secret Life of the Red Fox*. Boyds Mills, March 2017.

Pair with *Pax* by Sara Pennypacker. Illus. by Jon Klassen. Balzer + Bray/HarperCollins, 2016.

New books that fit the 2017 Summer Reading program themes “Build a Better World” and “Reading by Design”

Fleming, Meg. *Ready, Set, Build!* Illus. by Jarvis. Little bee, April 2017.

Flintham, Thomas. *Game Over, Super Rabbit Boy! (Press Start, Bk. 1)*. Scholastic, Jan. 2017.

Landry, Leo. *What's Up, Chuck?* Charlesbridge, Sept. 2016.

Messier, Mireille. *The Branch*. Illus. by Pierre Pratt. Kids Can, Sept. 2016.

Raczka, Bob. *Niko Draws a Feeling*. Illus. by Simone Shin. Carolrhoda, April 2017.

Bishop-Stephens, Will. *How to Create Animation in 10 Easy Lessons: Create 2-D, 3-D, and Digital Animation Without a Hollywood Budget*. Walter Foster, Oct. 2016.

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