

Diversity in Children's Literature Resources

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Diversity in Children's Books 2015

Percentages of books depicting characters from diverse backgrounds.
Based on the 2015 publishing statistics compiled by the Cooperative Children's
Book Center, School of Education, University of Wisconsin-Madison.
ccbc.education.wisc.edu/books/pcstats.asp



0.9%
American
Indians/
First Nations

2.4%
Latinx

3.3%
Asian Pacifics/
Asian Pacific
Americans

7.6%
African/
African
Americans

12.5%*
Animals, Trucks, etc.

73.3%**
White

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* About a quarter of the total children's books published in 2015 were picture books, and about half of those depict non-human characters, like animals & trucks.
** The remainder depict white characters.

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Blogs/Websites:

- We Need Diverse Books: <https://diversebooks.org/>
- Our Story Suggestion App: <http://ourstory.diversebooks.org/kids/1.05/>
- Debbie Reese: <https://americanindiansinchildrensliterature.blogspot.com/>
- Reading While White: <http://readingwhilewhite.blogspot.com/>
- Edi Campbell: <https://campbele.wordpress.com/>
- De colores: Raza Experience in Children's Literature: <http://decoloresreviews.blogspot.com/>
- <https://readingspark.wordpress.com/>
- Latinos in Kid Lit: <https://latinosinkidlit.com/>
- Teaching for Change: <https://socialjusticebooks.org/>
- Betsy Bird: <http://blogs.slj.com/afuse8production/>
- Rudine Sims Bishop (Windows, Mirrors, & Sliding Glass Doors): <http://www.readingrockets.org/teaching/experts/rudine-sims-bishop>
- CCBC Diversity Statistics: <https://ccbc.education.wisc.edu/books/pcstats.asp>
- EmbraceRace: <http://www.embracerace.org/>

American Library Association – Recommended Reading: Celebrating Diversity

<http://libguides.ala.org/c.php?g=488238&p=3530814>

Belpré Medal Winners: A list of all winner and honor books from 1996 to present. Established in 1996, this award is presented to a Latino/Latina writer and illustrator whose work best portrays, affirms, and celebrates the Latino cultural experience in an outstanding work of literature for children and youth.

Coretta Scott King Awards list: A complete list of the Author, Illustrator, John Steptoe, and Virginia Hamilton winners (and honor books where appropriate). Given to African American authors and illustrator for outstanding inspirational and educational contributions, the Coretta Scott King Book Award titles promote understanding and appreciation of the culture of all peoples and their contribution to the realization of the American dream.

Over the Rainbow List: The bibliography features quality fiction and nonfiction books for adults that are recognized by Over the Rainbow Project, an ad hoc committee for GLBTRT, for their authentic expression of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender experiences. Each year, the Over the rainbow Project releases its annotated bibliography to aid librarians and patrons in selecting quality books released over the past 18 months.

The Rainbow Book List: Created by the Rainbow Book List Committee of the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Round Table of the American Library Association. It presents an annual bibliography of quality books with significant and authentic GLBTQ content, which are recommended for people from birth through eighteen years of age.

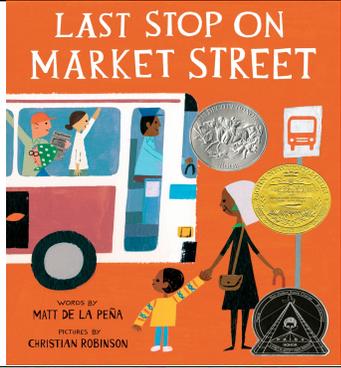
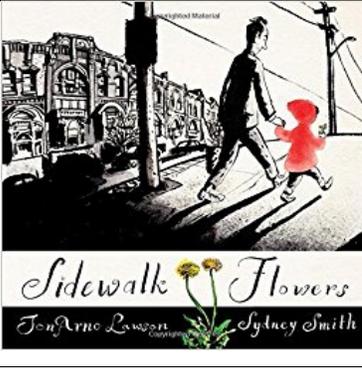
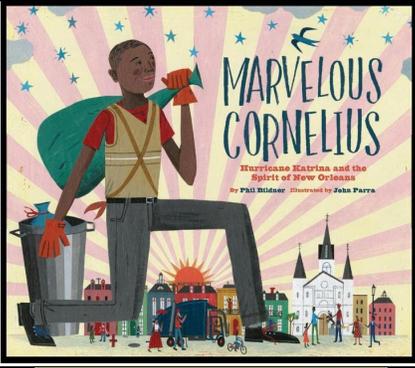
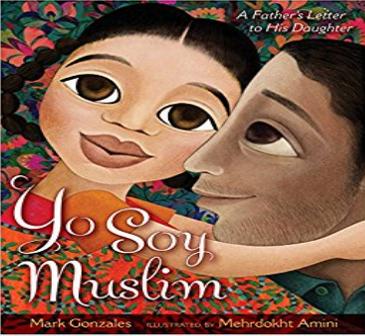
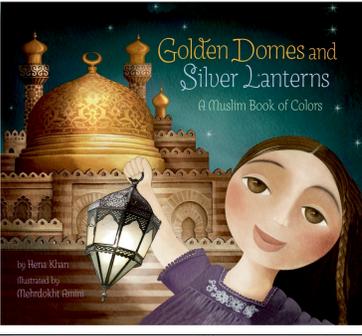
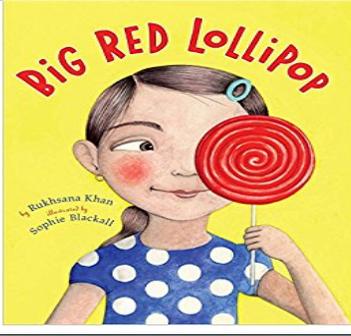
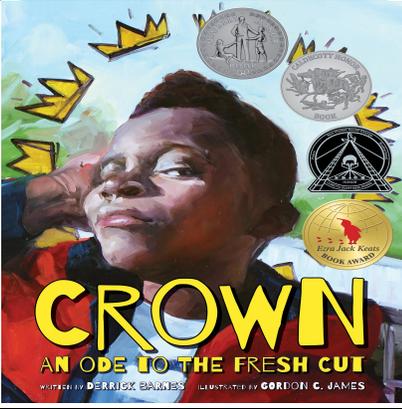
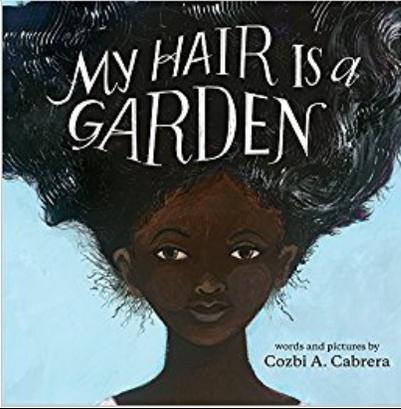
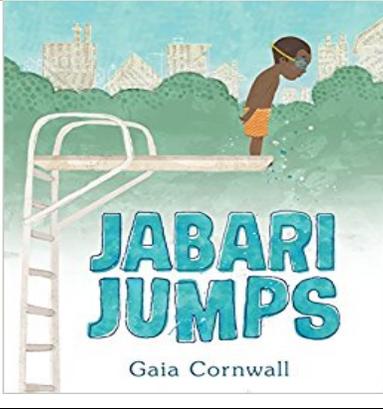
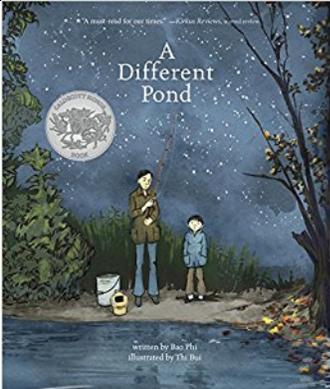
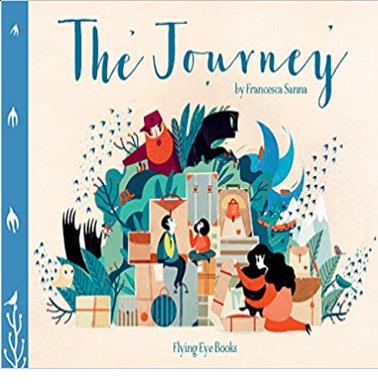
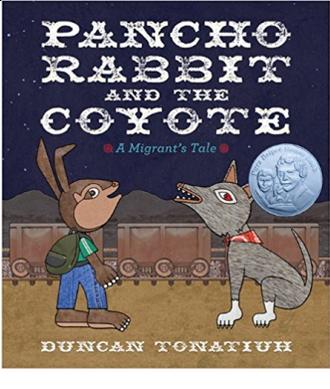
Schneider Winner list: The list of all winners from 2004 to present. The Schneider Family Book Award honors an author or illustrator for a book that embodies an artistic expression of the disability experience for child and adolescent audiences.

Stonewall Book Awards list: The Stonewall Book Awards of the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Round Table of ALA are given annually to English-language works of exceptional merit relating to the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender experience, This is the complete list of all Stonewall Book Awards winner and honors, for fiction, nonfiction, children's and young adult literature from 1971-present.

We Need Diverse Books - booklists: We Need Diverse Books™ is a grassroots organization of children's book lovers that advocates essential changes in the publishing industry to produce and promote literature that reflects and honors the lives of all young people. These lists cover YA, middle grade, and picture books.

Picture Book Suggestions

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If you liked:	Try....	
 <p>LAST STOP ON MARKET STREET WORDS BY MATT DE LA PEÑA PICTURES BY CHRISTIAN ROBINSON</p>	 <p>Sidewalk Flowers Jon Arno Lawson Sydney Smith</p>	 <p>MARVELOUS CORNELIUS Hurricane Katrina and the Spirit of New Orleans by Paul Buzsáki Illustrated by John Parra</p>
 <p>Go Soy Muslim A Father's Letter to His Daughter Mark Gonzales Illustrated by Mehrdokht Amini</p>	 <p>Golden Domes and Silver Lanterns A Muslim Book of Colors by Hena Khan Illustrated by Mehrdokht Amini</p>	 <p>BIG RED Lollipop Hudaib Khan Illustrated by Sophie Blackall</p>
 <p>CROWN AN ODE TO THE FRESH CUT WRITTEN BY DERRICK BARNES ILLUSTRATED BY GORDON C. JAMES</p>	 <p>MY HAIR IS A GARDEN words and pictures by Cozbi A. Cabrera</p>	 <p>JABARI JUMPS Gaia Cornwall</p>
 <p>A Different Pond written by Bao Phi illustrated by The Bai</p>	 <p>The Journey by Francesca Sanna Flying Eye Books</p>	 <p>PANCYO RABBIT AND THE COYOTE A Migrant's Tale DUNCAN TONATIUH</p>

