



2012 Coretta Scott King AWARD BOOKS

Designed to commemorate the life and works of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and to honor Mrs. Coretta Scott King for her courage and determination to continue the work for peace, the Coretta Scott King Book Awards annually recognize outstanding books for young adults and children by African American authors and illustrators that reflect the African American experience. Further, the Award encourages the artistic expression of the black experience via literature and the graphic arts in biographical, social, and historical treatments by African American authors and illustrators.

2012 Author Award Winner

Heart and Soul:

The Story of America and African Americans

Written and illustrated by Kadir Nelson

2012 Author Honor Books

The Great Migration: Journey to the North

Written by Eloise Greenfield

Illustrated by Jan Spivey Gilchrist

Never Forgotten

Written by Patricia C. McKissack

Illustrated by Leo and Diane Dillon

2012 Illustrator Award Winner

Underground: Finding the Light to Freedom

Illustrated by Shane W. Evans

2012 Illustrator Honor Book

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- 2011** Author: Rita Williams-Garcia, **One Crazy Summer**
Illustrator: Bryan Collier, Jr., **Dave the Potter: Artist, Poet, Slave**, Text by Laban Carrick Hill
- 2010** Author: Vaunda Micheaux Nelson, **Bad News for Outlaws: The Remarkable Life of Bass Reeves, Deputy U.S. Marshall**
Illustrator: Charles R. Smith, Jr., **My People**
- 2009** Author: Kadir Nelson, **We are the Ship**
Illustrator: Floyd Cooper, **The Blacker the Berry**, Text by Joyce Carol Thomas
- 2008** Author: Christopher Paul Curtis, **Elijah of Buxton**
Illustrator: Ashley Bryant, **Let it Shine**
- 2007** Author: Sharon Draper, **Copper Sun**
Illustrator: Kadir Nelson, **Moses: When Harriet Tubman Led Her People to Freedom**
- 2006** Author: Julius Lester: **Day of Tears: A Novel in Dialogue**
Illustrator: Bryan Collier, **Rosa**, Text by Nikki Giovanni
- 2005** Author: Toni Morrison, **Remember: The Journey to School Integration**
Illustrator: Kadir A. Nelson, **Ellington Was Not a Street**, Text by Ntuzake Shangher
- 2004** Author: Angela Grimes, **The First Part Last**; Illustrator: Ashley Bryant, **Beautiful Blackbird**
- 2003** Author: Nikki Grimes, **Bronx Masquerade**
Illustrator: E.B. Lewis, **Talkin' About Bessie The Story of Aviator Elizabeth Coleman**
- 2002** Author: Mildred D. Taylor, **The Land**
Illustrator: Jerry Pinkney, **Goin' Someplace Special**, Text by Patricia C. McKissack

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- 2001** Author: Jacqueline Woodson, **Miracle's Boys**; Illustrator: Bryan Collier, **Uptown**, Text by Henry Holt
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Illustrator: Brian Pinkney, **In the Time of the Drums**, Text by Kim L. Siegelson
- 1999** Author: Angela Johnson, **Heaven**
Illustrator: Michele Wood, **i see the rhythm**, Text by Toyomi Igus,
- 1998** Author: Sharon M. Draper, **Forged by Fire**
Illustrator: Javaka Steptoe, **In Daddy's Arms I am Tall: African Americans Celebrating Fathers**, Text by Alan Schroeder
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Illustrator: Tom Feelings, **The Middle Passage: White Ships/Black Cargo**
- 1995** Author: Patricia C. & Frederick L. McKissack, **Christmas in the Big House, Christmas in the Quarters**
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- 1990** Author: Patricia C. & Frederick L. McKissack, **A Long Hard Journey: the Story of the Pullman Porter**
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Illustrator: Jerry Pinkney, **Half a Moon and One Whole Star**, Text by Crescent Dragonwagon
- 1986** Author: Virginia Hamilton, **The People Could Fly: American Black Folktales**
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- 1985** Author: Walter Dean Myers, **Motown and Didi**; Illustrator: *No award given.*
- 1984** Author: Lucille Clifton, **Everett Anderson's Good-bye**
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- 1982** Author: Mildred D. Taylor, **Let the Circle Be Unbroken**
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Text by Rosa Guy
- 1981** Author: Sidney Poitier, **This Life**
Illustrator: Ashley Bryan, **Beat the Story-Drum, Pum-Pum**
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Illustrator: Carole Bayard, **Cornrows**, Text by Camille Yarbrough
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- 1978** Author: Eloise Greenfield, **Africa Dream**; Illustrator: Carole Bayard, **Africa Dream**
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