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Frederick Melcher (1879-1963) donated the first medal in 1922 and annually thereafter. His son Daniel Melcher continues the tradition.

2016 Medal Winner

LAST STOP ON MARKET STREET

Written by Matt de la Peña

2016 Honor Books

The War that Saved my Life

Written by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

Roller Girl

Written and illustrated by Victoria Jamieson

Echo

Written by Pam Muñoz Ryan

- 2015 THE CROSSOVER Kwame Alexander
- 2014 FLORA AND ULYSSES: THE ILLUMINATED ADVENTURES Kate DiCamillo
- 2013 THE ONE AND ONLY IVAN Katherine Applegate
- 2012 DEAD END IN NORVELT Jack Gantos
- 2011 MOON OVER MANIFEST Clare Vanderpool
- 2010 WHEN YOU REACH ME Rebecca Stead
- 2009 THE GRAVEYARD BOOK Neil Gaiman
- 2008 GOOD MASTERS! SWEET LADIES! VOICES FROM A MEDIEVAL VILLAGE Laura Amy Schlitz
- 2007 THE HIGHER POWER OF LUCKY Susan Patron
- 2006 CRIS CROSS Lynne Rae Perkins
- 2005 KIRA-KIRA Cynthia Kadohata
- 2004 THE TALE OF DESPEREAUX: BEING THE STORY OF A MOUSE, A PRINCESS, SOME SOUP AND A SPOOL OF THREAD Kate DiCamillo
- 2003 THE CROSS OF LEAD Avi
- 2002 A SINGLE SHARD Linda Sue Park
- 2001 A YEAR DOWN YONDER Richard Peck
- 2000 BUD, NOT BUDDY Christopher Paul Curtis
- 1999 HOLES Louis Sachar
- 1998 OUT OF THE DUST Karen Hesse
- 1997 THE VIEW FROM SATURDAY E. L. Konigsburg
- 1996 THE MIDWIFE'S APPRENTICE Karen Cushman
- 1995 WALK TWO MOONS Sharon Creech
- 1994 THE GIVER Lois Lowry
- 1993 MISSING MAY Cynthia Rylant
- 1992 SHILOH Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
- 1991 MANIAC MAGEE Jerry Spinelli
- 1990 NUMBER THE STARS Lois Lowry
- 1989 JOYFUL NOISE: POEMS FOR TWO VOICES Paul Fleischman
- 1988 LINCOLN: A PHOTOBIOGRAPHY Russell Freedman
- 1987 THE WHIPPING BOY Sid Fleischman
- 1986 SARAH, PLAIN AND TALL Patricia MacLachlan

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- 1985 THE HERO AND THE CROWN Robin McKinley
 1984 DEAR MR. HENSHAW Beverly Cleary
 1983 DICEY'S SONG Cynthia Voigt
 1982 A VISIT TO WILLIAM BLAKES'S INN: POEMS FOR INNOCENT
 AND EXPERIENCED TRAVELERS Nancy Willard
 1981 JACOB HAVE I LOVED Katherine Paterson
 1980 A GATHERING OF DAYS Joan Bios
 1979 THE WESTING GAME Ellen Raskin
 1978 BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA Katherine Paterson
 1977 ROLL OF THUNDER, HEAR MY CRY Mildred Taylor
 1976 THE GREY KING Susan Cooper
 1975 M. C. HIGGINS, THE GREAT Virginia Hamilton
 1974 THE SLAVE DANCER Paula Fox
 1973 JULIE OF THE WOLVES Jean Craighead George
 1972 MRS. FRISBY AND THE RATS OF NIMH Robert O'Brien
 1971 SUMMER OF THE SWANS Betsy Byars
 1970 SOUNDER William Armstrong
 1969 THE HIGH KING Lloyd Alexander
 1968 FROM THE MIXED UP FILES OF MRS. BASIL E. FRANKWEILER
 E. L. Konigsburg
 1967 UP A ROAD SLOWLY Irene Hunt
 1966 I, JUAN DE PAREJA Elizabeth Trevino
 1965 SHADOW OF A BULL Maia Wojciechowska
 1964 IT'S LIKE THIS, CAT Emily Neville
 1963 A WRINKLE IN TIME Madeleine L'Engle
 1962 THE BRONZE BOW Elizabeth Speare
 1961 ISLAND OF THE BLUE DOLPHINS Scott O'Dell
 1960 ONION JOHN Joseph Krumgold
 1959 THE WITCH OF BLACKBIRD POND Elizabeth Speare
 1958 RIFLES FOR WATIE Harold Keith
 1957 MIRACLES ON MAPLE HILL Virginia Sorensen
 1956 CARRY ON, MR. BOWDITCH Jean Latham
 1955 THE WHEEL ON THE SCHOOL Meindert DeJong
 1954 AND NOW, MIGUEL Joseph Krumgold
 1953 SECRET OF THE ANDES Ann Nolan Clark
 1952 GINGER PYE Eleanor Estes
 1951 AMOS FORTUNE, FREE MAN Elizabeth Yates
 1950 THE DOOR IN THE WALL Marguerite DeAngeli
 1949 KING OF THE WIND Marguerite Henry
 1948 THE TWENTY-ONE BALLOONS William Pene du Bois
 1947 MISS HICKORY Carolyn Bailey
 1946 STRAWBERRY GIRL Lois Lenski
 1945 RABBIT HILL Robert Lawson
 1944 JOHNNY TREMAIN Esther Forbes
 1943 ADAM OF THE ROAD Elizabeth Janet Gray
 1942 THE MATCHLOCK GUN Walter Edmonds
 1941 CALL IT COURAGE Armstrong Sperry
 1940 DANIEL BOONE James Daugherty
 1939 THIMBLE SUMMER Elizabeth Enright
 1938 THE WHITE STAG Kate Seredy
 1937 ROLLER SKATES Ruth Sawyer
 1936 CADDIE WOODLAWN Carol Ryrie Brink
 1935 DOBRY Monica Shannon
 1934 INVINCIBLE LOUISA Cornelia Meigs
 1933 YOUNG FU OF THE UPPER YANGTZE Elizabeth Lewis
 1932 WATERLESS MOUNTAIN Laura Armer
 1931 THE CAT WHO WENT TO HEAVEN Elizabeth Coatsworth
 1930 HITTY, HER FIRST HUNDRED YEARS Rachel Field
 1929 THE TRUMPETER OF KRAKOW Eric Kelly
 1928 GAY-NECK Dhan Mukerji
 1927 SMOKEY, THE COWHORSE Will James
 1926 SHEN OF THE SEA Arthur Chrisman
 1925 TALES FROM SILVER LANDS Charles Finger
 1924 THE DARK FRIGATE Charles Hawes
 1923 THE VOYAGES OF DOCTOR DOOLITTLE Hugh Lofting
 1922 THE STORY OF MANKIND Hendrik van Loon



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