

About the Book Awards

ILA Children's and Young Adults' Book Awards is intended for newly published authors who show unusual promise in the children's and young adults' book field. Awards are given for fiction and nonfiction in each of three categories: primary, intermediate, and young adult. Books from all countries and published in English for the first time during the 2019 calendar year will be considered.

The annual *Children's and Young Adults' Book Awards* will be presented and publicized at the ILA 2020 Conference in Columbus, OH, October 15–18, 2020.

Submission guidelines

Children's and Young Adults' Book Awards books shall be the author's/authors' first or second book.

To submit your titles, please [click here](#) to complete the online application form. If you have trouble with the application, please contact wlogan@reading.org.

Submissions must be received by March 15, 2020.

Eligibility

- Submitted during the year of first copyright (2019) in English. A book will be considered only one time.
- A book may be submitted by either its publisher or author.
- Both fiction and nonfiction books are eligible.

- Provide believable and intriguing characters, truthful and authentic in its presentation of information and attitudes as they existed at the time and place which the story reflects.
- If a picture book (primary category) is selected as an award winner, the author and illustrator share the award. In all other cases, the author will receive the full award.

Shipping your books

The list of shipping addresses with additional instructions for participating publishers will be sent to each publisher; publishers should begin to ship submitted titles ***as soon as they receive the addresses***. Please provide one copy of each book submitted to all committee members.

For a more detailed list of eligibility requirements please visit our website at literacyworldwide.org or contact Wendy Logan at ILAAwards@reading.org with any questions regarding the bibliography.

We look forward to your submissions!