

SOCIETY OF CHILDREN'S BOOK WRITERS AND ILLUSTRATORS OFFICIAL READING LIST — WINTER 2016/2017

WEST

(Washington / Oregon / Alaska / Idaho / Montana / North Dakota / South Dakota)

GRADES PREK-K

Board Book

1 2 3 Moose

by **Andrea Helman**, illustrated by **Art Wolfe**

Book Description: 1 wolf, 2 moose, 3 cougars, and more! Young children are introduced to wildlife while learning counting and numbers.

Author's Residence: Seattle, Washington

Publisher: Little Bigfoot

Folk Tale

The Boy from the Dragon Palace: A Folktale from Japan

by **Margaret Read MacDonald**, illustrated by **Sachiko Yoshikawa**

Book Description: When Snot Nose Little Boy blows his nose magic happens! The old man wishes for more and more until... Gorgeous illustrations show the Japanese settings.

Author's Residence: Seattle, Washington

Publisher: Albert Whitman & Company

Picture Book

Alphabet Trucks

by **Samantha R. Vamos**, illustrated by **Ryan O'Rourke**

Book Description: In Alphabet Trucks – the companion book to Alphabet Trains – there are 26 different trucks from A to Z – a rhyming, alphabetical treat for truck lovers.

Author's Residence: Bellevue, Washington

Publisher: Charlesbridge

Can One Balloon Make an Elephant Fly?

by **Dan Richards**, illustrated by **Jeff Newman**

Book Description: When Evan asks his mother, "Can one balloon make an elephant fly?" she is too busy to answer. But when she takes the time to play the game with her son...magic happens.

Author's Residence: Bothell, Washington

Publisher: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers

The Fall of General Custard or The Overthrow of a Leftover

by **Matt Damon**, illustrated by **Gideon Kendall**

Book Description: When greedy General Custard starts a food fight in the Fridge, a diverse group of wholesome foods use kindness and cooperation to make "peas", not war.

Author's Residence: Ashland, Oregon

Publisher: White Cloud Press

A Fishing Surprise

by **Rae McDonald**, illustrated by **Kathleen Kemly**

Book Description: When the fish don't bite, two little fishers fill their net with a delicious surprise on a hot summer day in this toe-tapping tale.

Author's Residence: Puyallup, Washington

Publisher: Cooper Square Publishing

Fox and the Jumping Contest

by **Corey R. Tabor**

Book Description: A hilarious modern-day trickster tale starring Fox, his jetpack, and his animal friends.

Author's Residence: Seattle, Washington

Publisher: Balzer + Bray

Grandmother Fish: A child's first book of Evolution

by **Jonathan Tweet**, illustrated by **Karen Lewis**

Book Description: The first book to teach evolution to preschoolers! Can you wiggle like Grandmother Fish and hoot like Grandmother Ape? An acclaimed and engaging read-aloud.

Illustrator's Residence: Seattle, Washington

Publisher: Feiwel and Friends

Hannah and Sugar

by **Kate Berube**

Book Description: Hannah is afraid of Sugar. But one day, Sugar goes missing. Will Hannah be able to overcome her fears and make a new friend?

Author's Residence: Portland, Oregon

Publisher: Abrams Books for Young Readers

Hello, My Name Is Octicorn

by **Kevin Diller**, illustrated by **Justin Lowe**

Book Description: Half octopus, half unicorn, half confused . . . this is the story of an Octicorn trying to find his place in the world.

Author's Residence: Portland, Oregon

Publisher: HarperCollins

Peddles

by **Elizabeth Rose Stanton**

Book Description: Peddles is just a pig, doing the usual pig things, until he makes a discovery and gets a really big idea!

Author's Residence: Seattle, Washington

Publisher: Paula Wiseman Books

Quackers

by **Liz Wong**

Book Description: A cat who thinks he's a duck? He must be Quackers! A book about standing out, fitting in, and building a life with room for all.

Author's Residence: Edmonds, Washington

Publisher: Knopf Books for Young Readers

Sleep Baby Sleep

by **Calee M. Lee**, illustrated by **Elizabeth Miyu Blake**

Book Description: Sleep, Baby, Sleep is a classic lullaby paired with enchanting images of families from around the world.

Author's Residence: Port Townsend, Washington

Publisher: Xist Publishing

Snow Day for Mouse

by Judy Cox, illustrated by Jeffrey Ebbeler

Book Description: Mouse has a wild winter wonderland romp, aided by three cold birds. Now it's Mouse's turn to do something nice for his new friends.

Author's Residence: Grants Pass, Oregon

Publisher: Holiday House

Snowboy 1,2,3

by Joe Wahman, illustrated by Wendy Wahman

Book Description: Join this cheerful snowman for a wintertime counting romp, complete with a whole host of animal friends. Playful rhythms and exuberant illustrations celebrate the wonder of winter.

Illustrator's Residence: Tacoma, Washington

Publisher: Henry Holt

The Summer Nick Taught His Cats to Read

by Curtis Manley, illustrated by Kate Berube

Book Description: When Nick tries teaching his cats to read, there's trouble—until they all learn that finding just the right book can make all the difference.

Author's Residence: Bellevue, Washington

Publisher: Paula Wiseman Books

Too Many Questions!

by Kathryn Dennis

Book Description: How many questions is too many? 20...100...1000, a million, a billion, trillion, gazillion? A book about endless questions and finding the answers.

Author's Residence: Seattle, Washington

Publisher: Kane Miller

GRADES 1-2

Biography

Charlie Russell: Tale-Telling Cowboy Artist

by Lois V. Harris, illustrated by Charlie Russell

Book Description: Charlie Russell was a working cowboy, painter, sculptor, illustrator, writer, and storyteller of the old American West. Illustrated with Charlie's artwork.

Author's Residence: Washington

Publisher: Pelican Publishing

Early Reader

Digger and Daisy Plant a Garden

by Judy Young, illustrated by Dana J. Sullivan

Book Description: Digger digs the holes and Daisy plants seeds for carrots, tomatoes, and other vegetables. But Digger has a surprise in store for Daisy.

Illustrator's Residence: Newcastle, Washington

Publisher: Sleeping Bear Press

Nonfiction Picture Book

Brave Like Me

by Barbara Kerley

Book Description: When someone is serving our country, far from home, their kids have to be brave. This book offers support, reassurance, and resources for families.

Author's Residence: Portland, Oregon

Publisher: National Geographic Children's Books

C is for China

by Robyn Chance

Book Description: Through the use of ABCs, and culturally relevant images, readers can learn something new about the unique contributions Chinese culture has made to our world.

Author's Residence: Olympia, Washington

Publisher: Rhemalda Publishing

Mahalia Jackson: Walking with Kings and Queens

by Nina Nolan, illustrated by John Holyfield

Book Description: The life of Mahalia Jackson, "The Queen of Gospel," who walked with kings and queens, including her friend, Dr. King, at the March on Washington.

Author's Residence: Portland, Oregon

Publisher: HarperCollins

Picture Book

At the Marsh in the Meadow

by Jeanie Mebane, illustrated by Gerald Guerlais

Book Description: Richly illustrated story of wetlands food chain, from the mud and creatures in the marsh to the birds in the sky.

Author's Residence: Sammamish, Washington

Publisher: Sleeping Bear Press

Bartholomew Quill, A Crow's Quest to Know Who's Who

by Thor Hanson illustrated by Dana Arnim

Book Description: Bartholomew Quill is clever and curious, but he doesn't know who or what he is. Bartholomew won't stop asking questions until he discovers his identity.

Illustrator's Residence: King County, Washington

Publisher: Little Bigfoot

Big-Enough Anna: The Little Sled Dog Who Braved the Arctic

by Ann Dixon and Pam Flowers, illustrated by Bill Farnsworth

Book Description: A true adventure story about Anna, the smallest dog on the team, who overcomes adversity and guides her team to safety when traversing the Arctic.

Author's Residence (Dixon): Alaska

Publisher: Alaska Northwest Books/Graphic Arts

Bobbie the Wonder Dog: A True Story

by Tricia Brown, illustrated by Cary Porter

Book Description: In 1923-24, a collie named Bobbie soared to fame nationally for walking nearly 3,000 miles (from Indiana back home to Silverton, Oregon) after becoming lost.

Author's Residence: Anchorage, Alaska

Publisher: WestWinds Press/Graphic Arts Books

Four Seasons! Five Senses! Sign Language for the Seasons and the Senses

by Dawn Babb Prochovnic, illustrated by Stephanie Bauer

Book Description: A poem for each season, beautiful artwork, activity ideas, and an opportunity to learn the American Sign Language (ASL) signs for the seasons and senses.

Author's Residence: Portland, Oregon

Publisher: Magic Wagon/ABDO Publishing Group

Hey, That's My Monster!

by Amanda Noll, illustrated by Howard McWilliam

Book Description: An irresistible monster-under-the-bed story. The perfect balance of giggles and shivers will keep you under your covers; soon you'll be sleeping soundly.

Author's Residence: Spanaway, Washington

Publisher: Flashlight Press

Laloo the Red Panda

by Lauren C. Freeman, illustrated by Laloo LLC

Book Description: Follow Laloo the Red Panda on a journey through India, as finds his way home with the help of some street smart dogs he meets along the way.

Author's Residence: Seattle, Washington

Publisher: Xist Publishing

Little Bug

by Karin Larson, illustrated by Eugene Ruble

Book Description: Persistence pays in the end as Little Bug looks high and low for food and a place to rest. Teaches about concepts and prepositions.

Author's Residence: Mitchell, South Dakota

Publisher: Guardian Angel Publishing

The Magic Word

by Mac Barnett, illustrated by Elise Parsley

Book Description: You can have anything you want in the whole world. But only if you say The Magic Word...Alakazoomba!

Illustrator's Residence: Beresford, South Dakota

Publisher: Balzer & Bray

Sylvia's Spinach

by Katherine Pryor, illustrated by Anna Raff

Book Description: When Sylvia's teacher gives her spinach seeds to plant in the school garden, a picky eater must overcome her fear and try something new.

Author's Residence: Seattle, Washington

Publisher: Readers to Eaters

A Ticket to the Pennant

by Mark Holtzen, illustrated by John Skewes

Book Description: Huey frantically searches for his ticket to the big game at Seattle's Sicks' Stadium, but he can't find it anywhere. Will he miss the game?

Author's Residence: Seattle, Washington

Publisher: Sasquatch Books

Picture Book Biography

Emmanuel's Dream: The True Story of Emmanuel Ofose Yeboah

by Laurie Ann Thompson, illustrated by Sean Qualls

Book Description: Born in Ghana with a deformed leg, Emmanuel never gave up. He rode a bicycle nearly 400 miles to show that disability is not inability.

Author's Residence: Washington

Publisher: Schwartz & Wade

Picture Book/Fairy Tale

The Ugly Dumpling

by Stephanie Campisi, illustrated by Shahar Kober

Book Description: A multi-cultural, whimsical retelling of The Ugly Duckling set in a Chinese restaurant.

Author's Residence: Oregon

Publisher: Mighty Media Kids

GRADES 3-5

Adventure

In the Shadow of the Mammoth

by Patricia Nikolina Clark, illustrated by Anthony Alex LeTourneau

Book Description: At eleven summers, Zol battles his fears of joining the nomadic hunters of his Ice-age clan to go on his first mammoth hunt.

Author's Residence: Leavenworth, Washington

Publisher: Blue Marlin Publications

Chapter Books

Crossroads in Galilee

by Elizabeth Raum, illustrated by Zach Franzen

Book Description: This novel, set in 1st century Galilee, introduces readers to various Bible characters and situations. Readers make choices as they read that determine story outcomes.

Author's Residence: Fargo, North Dakota

Publisher: JourneyForth

Lost! A Dog Called Bear

by Wendy Orr, illustrated by Susan Boase

Book Description: When Logan moves home, his dog Bear goes missing. Hannah finds him, and longs to keep him. Can the Rainbow Street Shelter find a solution?

Illustrator's Residence: Portland, Oregon

Publisher: Square Fish

Contemporary Fiction

Cleo Edison Oliver: Playground Millionaire

by Sundee T. Frazier

Book Description: Fifth-grade Cleo dreams of building a business empire (and possibly finding her birth family). Will students go for her quick and (nearly) painless tooth-pulling service?

Author's Residence: Seattle, Washington

Publisher: Arthur A. Levine Books

The Last Great Adventure of the PB&J Society

by Janet Sumner Johnson

Book Description: When selling her appendix on e-bay doesn't pan out, young Annie Jenkins plots other ways to save her best friend's house from foreclosure.

Author's Residence: Klamath Falls, Oregon

Publisher: Capstone Press

A Million Ways Home

by Dianna Winget

Book Description: Twelve-year-old Poppy finds her whole life upended when she witnesses a serious crime and is placed under police protection in this compelling, heartfelt story.

Author's Residence: Sagle, Idaho

Publisher: Scholastic Press

Fantasy

Dead Boy

by Laurel Gale, illustrated by Yoko Tanaka

Book Description: Other than the maggots and rot, Crow Darlington is a normal boy. With his new friend, he investigates the monster responsible for his undead state.

Author's Residence: Vancouver, Washington

Publisher: Crown Books for Young Readers

Sophie Topfeather, Superstar!

by Sonja Anderson, illustrated by Maggie Kneen

Book Description: Thorns and thistles! When owl Sophie Topfeather stands up for her new friend, Timley Mouse, her world turns upside down.

Author's Residence: Seattle, Washington

Publisher: Sunbury Press

This is Not a Werewolf Story

by Sandra Evans

Book Description: A fresh, heartwarming, and fascinating debut that two-time Newbery Honor winner Gary Schmidt calls "a journey that every reader needs to go on."

Author's Residence: Tacoma, Washington

Publisher: Atheneum Books for Young Readers

Historical Fiction

Liberty

by Kirby Larson

Book Description: New Orleans, WWII: With the help of a pesky neighbor and a stray dog, Fish Elliott builds his best invention ever — his own self confidence.

Author's Residence: Kenmore, Washington

Publisher: Scholastic

Saving Ellie

by Marilee Crow, illustrated by K.C. Snider

Book Description: A touching story about eight-year-old Ellie and her separation from her family in the midst of World War II when Jews were not safe.

Author's Residence: Meridian, Idaho

Publisher: Guardian Angel Publishing

Sweet Home Alaska

by Carole Estby Dagg

Book Description: Terpsichore gets her chance to become a pioneer like Laura Ingalls Wilder when one of FDR's New Deal programs ships her family to Alaska.

Author's Residence: Everett, Washington

Publisher: Nancy Paulsen Books

The Wolf and the Shield: An Adventure with Saint Patrick

by Sherry Weaver Smith, illustrated by Nicholas McNally

Book Description: Guided by St. Patrick, a boy cares for a wolf pup while searching for a shield strong enough to protect everything—and everyone—he loves.

Author's Residence: West Linn, Oregon

Publisher: Pauline Books and Media

Humorous Fiction

The King of Average

by Gary Schwartz, illustrated by Nicole Armitage

Book Description: This delightful, pun-filled allegory tells the story of a neglected boy who is convinced that he has no worth. ...the book is fast-moving and funny, with a touch of sadness.

Author's Residence: North Bend, Washington

Publisher: Booktrope Publishing

Lost in Ghostville

by John Bladek

Book Description: Someone has kidnapped every ghost in town, including Trey's grandma! Trey must race to save her before she's forever Lost in Ghostville.

Author's Residence: Spokane Valley, Washington

Publisher: Capstone

Unusual Chickens for the Exceptional Poultry Farmer

by Kelly Jones, illustrated by Katie Kath

Book Description: When Sophie moved to a farm, she thought she might have chickens. But she never dreamed they'd be chickens with superpowers. Written in letters.

Author's Residence: Shoreline, Washington

Publisher: Knopf Books for Young Readers

Nonfiction

Amazing Tips to Make You Smarter

by Sandy Silverthorne

Book Description: This fun, interactive cartoon illustrated book is loaded with tons of offbeat trivia and helpful hints guaranteed to make you smarter.

Author's Residence: Eugene, Oregon

Publisher: Harvest House

The Deadliest Creature in the World

by Brenda Z Guiberson, illustrated by Gennady Spirin

Book Description: A heart-stopping touch, a powerful punch, a killer kick, a poisonous bite. . . Which creature is the deadliest? You decide!

Author's Residence: Shoreline, Washington

Publisher: Henry Holt Books for Young Readers

Gifts from the Enemyby **Trudy Ludwig, illustrated by Craig Orback**

Book Description: A powerful and moving picture book on Polish Holocaust teen survivor Alter Wiener, recalling his story of survival and hope during World War II.

Illustrator's Residence: Everett, Washington

Publisher: White Cloud Press

How Sensors Workby **Victoria G. Christensen**

Book Description: Discover how electronic sensors can be programmed to work like human senses. Also discover *Super Senses*, like *Radar* and *Sonar*.

Author's Residence: Fargo, North Dakota

Publisher: Lerner Publishing

Recess at 20 Belowby **Cindy Lou Aillaud**

Book Description: See what it's like to live in one of America's coldest places, where it's recess as usual at 20 below!

Author's Residence: Delta Junction, Alaska

Publisher: Alaska Northwest Books/Graphic Arts Books

Rhino Rescue! and More True Stories of Saving Animalsby **Clare Hodgson Meeker**

Book Description: Three endangered animal rescues with engaging photos and happy endings: airlifting rhinos, saving a Hawaiian monk seal, and Siberian tiger cubs fighting for survival.

Author's Residence: Mercer Island, Washington

Publisher: National Geographic Books for Kids

Ultimate Oceanpedia: The Most Complete Ocean Reference Everby **Christina Wilsdon**

Book Description: overflowing with amazing facts, photos, illustrations, diagrams, and information about the creatures, science, and ecology of our oceans. Includes a mini ocean atlas.

Author's Residence: Woodinville, Washington

Publisher: National Geographic Children's Books

Picture Book***Arctic Aesop's Fables: Twelve Retold Tales***by **Susi Gregg Fowler, illustrated by Jim Fowler**

Book Description: Here are some of Aesop's fables re-envisioned with Arctic animals and settings, perhaps to pair with traditional versions and use to encourage students' own retellings.

Author & Illustrator's Residence: Juneau, Alaska

Publisher: Sasquatch Books

Sewing Stories: Harriet Powers' Journey from Slave to Artistby **Barbara Herkert, illustrated by Vanessa Brantley-Newton**

Book Description: Harriet Powers learned to sew and quilt as a young slave girl. Later, she began making pictorial quilts, which today are priceless treasures.

Author's Residence: Newport, Oregon

Publisher: Knopf Books for Young Readers

The Storybook Princeby **Doug Keith**

Book Description: A young prince reads storybooks to friends that visit the castle. The dragon and others have favorites but what story does the prince like best?

Author's Residence: Seattle, Washington

Publisher: Simply Read Books

Realistic Fiction***The Mighty Quinn***by **Robyn Parnell**

Book Description: A charismatic bully. A militant playground supervisor. A false accusation. A free-spirited new kid. An accomplished . . . alphabet-belcher? Humor trumps heartache in *The Mighty Quinn*.

Author's Residence: Hillsboro, Oregon

Publisher: Mighty Media Press

The Wild World of Buck Bray: The Missing Grizzly Cubsby **Judy Young**

Book Description: Eleven-year-old Buck is determined to solve the mystery of two missing cubs but soon realizes it's not the animal world he needs to worry about.

Author's Residence: Preston, Idaho

Publisher: Sleeping Bear Press

GRADES 6-8**Fantasy*****The Gardenia Curse***by **C. M. Savage**

Book Description: Dreams become real when Eva mysteriously wakes in Dreamland and discovers she's wanted dead. Can Eva save herself and her dreams before it's too late?

Author's Residence: Bend, Oregon

Publisher: Saguaro Books

Seriously Shiftedby **Tina Connolly**

Book Description: When a trio of wicked witches decide to wreak havoc in her high school, reluctant teen witch Cam must try to stop them.

Author's Residence: Portland, Oregon

Publisher: Tor Teen

Historical Fantasy***The Charmed Children of Rookskill Castle***by **Janet Fox**

Book Description: The Charmed Children of Rookskill Castle is an eerie gothic fairytale with a World War II setting and magic at its heart.

Author's Residence: Bozeman, Montana

Publisher: Viking Books for Young Readers

Historical Fiction

Incommunicado

by Randall Platt

Book Description: The town's most bullied girl and her pacifist brother fight to keep their best friend, a wealthy Japanese-American, from being interned during WWII.

Author's Residence: Port Orchard, Washington

Publisher: Sky Pony Press

Secondhand Summer

by Dan L Walker

Book Description: Fourteen-year-old year Sam must leave his Alaskan homestead when his father dies. In the city, new friends urge him into reckless adventures.

Author's Residence: Seward, Alaska

Publisher: Alaska Northwest Books/Graphic Arts Books

Some Kind of Courage

by Dan Gemeinhart

Book Description: An orphan pioneer boy faces danger and hardship as he adventures across the wild pacific northwest frontier to be reunited with his beloved horse.

Author's Residence: Cashmere, Washington

Publisher: Scholastic Press

Nonfiction

Mission: Shark Rescue: All About Sharks and How to Save Them

by Ruth A. Musgrave

Book Description: Incredible sharks, gorgeous photos, amazing scientists, fascinating information – a perfect book for kids who love sharks. Plus, readers discover how they can save endangered sharks!

Author's Residence: Portland, Oregon

Publisher: National Geographic Children's Books

Misunderstood: Why the Humble Rat May Be Your Best Pet Ever

by Rachel Toor

Book Description: A book for those who already know what great pets rats make, or for those who need to be convinced.

Author's Residence: Spokane, Washington

Publisher: Farrar, Straus, and Giroux Books for Young Readers

Mysterious Bones: The Story of Kennewick Man

by Katherine Kirkpatrick, illustrated by Emma Stevenson

Book Description: Explores the discovery of the 9000-year-old Paleoindian whose nearly complete skeletal remains caused an uproar in both scientific and Native American circles.

Author's Residence: Seattle, Washington

Publisher: Holiday House

The Rift Valley and the Archaeological Evidence of the First Humans

by Kristina Lyn Heitkamp

Book Description: Readers learn how archaeologists' discoveries of bones, tools, early art, and other has furthered our understanding of the origins of modern humans.

Author's Residence: Missoula, Montana

Publisher: Rosen

Realistic Fiction

Just Claire

by Jean Ann Williams

Book Description: ClaireLee finds comfort in the lies she tells herself and others in order to hide the truth about her erratic mother.

Author's Residence: Oregon

Publisher: Astraea Press

GRADES 9-12

Contemporary Fiction

Dig Too Deep

by Amy Allgeyer

Book Description: Erin Brockivich meets Nancy Drew meets Veronica Mars set in Appalachian Coal Country.

Author's Residence: Boise, Idaho

Publisher: Albert Whitman & Company

Life Before

by Michele Bacon

Book Description: Xander Fife's mother is murdered on graduation day, propelling his life into chaos. Skipping town with a fake ID is his only chance at survival.

Author's Residence: Seattle, Washington

Publisher: Sky Pony Press

Love and Leftovers

by Sarah Tregay

Book Description: Stuck on summer vacation in September, Marcie attends a new school without her friends, the Leftovers, and falls for a boy who brings her breakfast. Told in verse.

Author's Residence: Eagle, Idaho

Publisher: Katherine Tegen Books

Nice Girls Endure

by Chris Struik-Bonn

Book Description: Sophomore Chelsea Duvay struggles with social anxiety, bullying, and self-esteem issues. Yet she discovers that with the help of family and friends, she can overcome so much.

Author's Residence: Portland, Oregon

Publisher: Switch Press/Capstone

Up to This Pointe

by Jennifer Longo

Book Description: A ballet dancer's dream of a professional career ends, so she searches for a new path by Wintering-Over at McMurdo Station in Antarctica.

Author's Residence: Washington

Publisher: Random House Books for Young Readers

Fantasy

Atlantis Quest

by Gloria Crow

Book Description: An exciting Young Adult fantasy in a contemporary setting with a bit of romance running throughout. The second novel in the Atlantis Rising Series.

Author's Residence: Lake Tapps, Washington

Publisher: Entangled Teen

Historical Fiction

Gold Nuggets

by Lynn Lovegreen

Book Description: In the shadow of Denali, she has a home, and he finds adventure. Together, they help create McKinley National Park.

Author's Residence: Anchorage, Alaska

Publisher: Prism Book Group

Nonfiction

A Mighty Case Against War: What America Missed in US History Class and What We (All) Can Do Now

by Kathy Beckwith

Book Description: Unlike any US History book you've ever read – guaranteed! Here's the other side of the story about America's habit of violence. Shocking! Worthy of you.

Author's Residence: Dayton, Oregon

Publisher: Dignity Press

The V-Word: True Stories About First-Time Sex

Contributor/Editor Amber J. Keyser

Book Description: Virginity—it's a loaded word. In this anthology, seventeen women write about first-time sex—queer and straight, relished and regretted, funny and awkward.

Contributor/Editor's Residence: Bend, Oregon

Publisher: Beyond Words/Simon Pulse

Paranormal Romance

Eerie

by CM McCoy

Book Description: An 18-year-old Pittsburgher enrolls in a supernatural university in Alaska. If her classes don't kill her, the guy she fell in love with might.

Author's Residence: Wasilla, Alaska

Publisher: Omnific

Realistic Fiction

Breakfast with Neruda

by Laura Moe

Book Description: His mother's a hoarder and he lives in his car.

Enter the girl who may just be Michael Flynn's lifeline.

Author's Residence: Lynnwood, Washington

Publisher: Merit Press

Chasing at the Surface

by Sharon Mentyka

Book Description: After her mother unexpectedly leaves home, twelve-year-old Marisa struggles with her feelings of loss just as a pod of nineteen orca whales become trapped near her home.

Author's Residence: Seattle, Washington

Publisher: WestWinds Press/Graphic Arts Books

Flyaway

by Helen Landalf

Book Description: Rescuing injured and abandoned birds helps fifteen-year-old Stevie cope with mom's meth addiction.

Author's Residence: Seattle, Washington

Publisher: HMH Books for Young Readers

A Series of Small Maneuvers

by Eliot Treichel

Book Description: After Emma inadvertently causes an accident that claims her father's life on a wilderness canoe trip, she struggles to reconcile her sense of identity.

Author's Residence: Eugene, Oregon

Publisher: Ooligan Press

Science Fiction

The Lying Planet

by Carol Riggs

Book Description: Two weeks before Jay Lawton's Testing on the planet Liberty, he learns a deadly secret and must race to save his friends and young sisters.

Author's Residence: Sutherlin, Oregon

Publisher: Entangled Teen

Membrane

by Michele Corriel

Book Description: Sophie's worlds are tearing apart. It's up to her to mend the fabric of both.

Author's Residence: Belgrade, Montana

Publisher: Leap Books

Zeroboxer

by Fonda Lee

Book Description: A young prizefighter battles to make it to the top in the world of zero-gravity combat amid brewing interplanetary conflict between Earth and Mars.

Author's Residence: Portland, Oregon

Publisher: Flux