

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

NEW YORK

PREK-K

Activity

Shalom Coloring III: Animals of the Bible

by Judy Dick, illustrated by Judy Dick and Freddie Levin

Book Description: From Rebekah drawing water for camels to Jonah being given refuge inside a whale, this original collection of coloring pages showcases a range of animals mentioned in the Bible.

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Behrman House

Board Book

My First Farm Friends

by Betsy Wallin

Book Description: A set of four books, one for each farmyard favorite—goat, cow, pig, and chicken—shows daily life on a happy family farm.

Author's Residence: Kinderhook, New York

Publisher: Storey Publishing/Workman

Nonfiction Picture Book

My Little Golden Book About Abraham Lincoln

by Bonnie Bader, illustrated by Viviana Garofoli

Book Description: Little ones will enjoy key anecdotes about Lincoln, beginning with the young Abe who loved to read.

Author's Residence: Brooklyn, New York

Publisher: Little Golden Books

Picture Book

Americanly

by Lynn Parrish Sutton, illustrated by Melanie Hope Greenberg

Book Description: This loving exploration of the United States, from coast to coast, sea to shining sea, will have you shouting, "I love you shinningly, freely, Americanly!"

Illustrator's Residence: Brooklyn, New York

Publisher: Kane Miller

Bird & Diz

by Gary Golio, illustrated by Ed Young

Book Description: Musical playmates Dizzy Gillespie and Charlie Parker create bebop jazz in a visually stunning fold-out book with artwork by Caldecott winner Ed Young.

Author's Residence: Ossining, New York

Publisher: Candlewick Press

Bossy Flossy

by Paulette Bogan

Book Description: Flossy's the bossiest girl around. She bosses everyone: her friends, her cat, and even her teacher! Why won't anyone listen to her? Then she meets Edward!

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Henry Holt & Company

Cat on the Bus

by Aram Kim

Book Description: This nearly wordless book uses onomatopoeia and striking bold illustrations to tell the story of a homeless cat who meets an Asian grandfather on a bus and finally finds a home.

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Holiday House

The Christmas Cat

by Maryann Macdonald, illustrated by June Bates

Book Description: A curious kitten soothes the baby Jesus on the night he was born. Story and illustrations based on da Vinci drawing.

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Dial Books for Young Readers

Counting Colorful Shapes

by Isabel Hill

Book Description: Eye-catching photographs of architectural details in Miami Beach teach children colors, shapes, and numbers while giving them an appreciation of the world around them.

Author's Residence: Brooklyn, New York

Publisher: Star Bright Books

Author's Website: www.isabelhill.com

Cozy Classics: The Nutcracker

by Jack and Holman Wang

Book Description: Travel to the Land of Sweets with Cozy Classics: The Nutcracker, which abridges this timeless holiday classic into just twelve words and twelve needle-felted illustrations!

Author's Residence: Ithaca, New York

Publisher: Chronicle Books

Dee and Deb Off They Go: Kindergarten First Day Jitters

by Donna M. McDine, illustrated by Jack Foster

Book Description: The first day of kindergarten angst of being placed in a different class than fraternal twin sister, Deb, worries Dee.

Author's Residence: Tappan, New York

Publisher: Guardian Angel Publishing

Dinner at the Panda Palace

by Stephanie Calmenson, illustrated by Nadine Bernard Westcott

Book Description: This rollicking, rhyming PBS StoryTime favorite is a counting book, an animal identification book, a book with food,

and a warm message of inclusion.

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: HarperCollins

Author's Website: www.stephaniecalmenson.com

Georgie's Best Bad Day

by Ruth Chan

Book Description: Georgie and Friends are all having a bad day, so they do their favorite things to try to turn their day around.

Author's Residence: Brooklyn, New York

Publisher: Roaring Brook Press

Author's Website: www.ohtruth.com

Goodnight, Little Bot

by Karen Kaufman Orloff, illustrated by Kim Smith

Book Description: Even little robots need to be tucked in at night. Just like children, they love bedtime stories, hugs, a cuddly toy, and lullabies.

Author's Residence: Hopewell Junction, New York

Publisher: Sterling Children's Books

Author's Website: www.karenkaufmanorloff.com

The Green Umbrella

by Jackie Azúa Kramer, illustrated by Maral Saouni

Book Description: When Elephant takes a walk with his green umbrella, he's interrupted by a hedgehog, a cat, a bear, and a rabbit claiming they've had exciting adventures with his umbrella.

Author's Residence: Huntington, New York

Publisher: NorthSouth Books

Author's Website: www.jackieazuakramer.com

I Will Love You

by Alyssa Satin Capucilli, illustrated by Lisa Anchin

Book Description: A poetic and magical journey celebrating parental love.

Author's Residence: Hastings-on-Hudson, New York

Publisher: Orchard Books

Website: www.alyssacapucilli.com

Little Red Ruthie: A Hanukkah Tale

by Gloria Koster, illustrated by Sue Eastland

Book Description: Clever Ruthie outwits the wolf by feeding him so many potato latkes that he can't possibly have room to eat her or her Bubbe Basha.

Author's Residence: Pound Ridge, New York

Publisher: Albert Whitman & Company

Author's Website: www.sites.google.com/site/meetgloriakoster

No Kimchi for Me!

by Aram Kim

Book Description: Story about family, food, and "coming-of-age" universal themes, and at the same time celebrates Korean culture. A Junior Library Guild Selection.

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Holiday House

Website: www.AramKim.com

Not Quite Narwhal

by Jessie Sima

Book Description: Kelp doesn't mind being different from other narwhals, until he encounters some creatures who leave him won-

dering if maybe he isn't a narwhal at all.

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers

Author's Website: www.jessiesima.com

Octopus Escapes Again!

by Laurie Ellen Angus

Book Description: Join Octopus on an exciting and colorful underwater adventure as she uses her amazing defenses to outwit and escape dangerous sea creatures!

Author's Residence: East Quogue, New York

Publisher: Dawn Publications

Old MacDonald Had a . . . Zoo?

Author: Iza Trapani

Book Description: A wild time on the farm when zoo animals come to visit. E-I-E-I—UH-OH!

Author's Residence: Ulster Park, New York

Publisher: Charlesbridge

Author's Website: www.izatrapani.com

The Only Way I Can

by Bonnie Grubman, illustrated by Carolien Westermanb

Book Description: Rabbit wants to fly like a bird. But no matter what Rabbit does, his feet won't leave the ground. Or is there another way?

Author's Residence: Syosset, New York

Publisher: Clavis Books

Pax and Blue

by Lori Richmond

Book Description: A young boy makes an unlikely friend on his way to school in this charming picture book. "A sprightly debut." —The New York Times

Author's Residence: Brooklyn, New York

Publisher: Paula Wiseman Books

Author's Website: www.LoriDraws.com

Pizza Day

by Melissa Iwai

Book Description: A boy and his dad make a homemade pizza from scratch using the ingredients they have grown in their garden.

Author's Residence: Brooklyn, New York

Publisher: Christy Ottaviano Books

Author's Website: www.melissaiwai.com

There's a Dog on the Dining Room Table

by Elizabeth Maginnis, illustrated by Annie Dwyer Internicola

Book Description: A rhyming story about a little girl who discovers a dog on her dining room table. She imagines funny scenarios explaining his appearance.

Author's Residence: Rochester, New York

Publisher: Xist Publishing

The Thing About Yetis

by Vin Vogel

Book Description: Yetis love snow and all things winter, but sometimes they need a dose of summer as well.

Author's Residence: Brooklyn, New York

Publisher: Dial Books for Young Readers

A Week at Grandma's

by Mary Ashwood, illustrated by Richard Saba

Book Description: Learn about colors, days of the week, birds, and the positive joys of compromising from a loving granddaughter-grandmother duet in this teachers' favorite book.

Author's Residence: Cherry Valley, New York

Publisher: Operation Outreach

Picture Book/Bilingual**How Do You Say?/¿Cómo Se Dice?**

by Angela Dominguez

Book Description: Follow two young giraffes as they meet, celebrate, and become friends. This bilingual tale will have readers eager to meet new friends and amigos.

Author's Residence: Brooklyn, New York

Publisher: Henry Holt & Company

Author's Website: www.angeldominguezstudio.com**GRADES 1-2****Chapter Books****Ick and Crud: Ick's Bleh Day**

by Wiley Blevins, illustrated by Jim Pailot

Book Description: Ick is feeling down, under-the-weather, BLEH! But lucky for him, his pal Crud is there to cheer him up.

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Lerner

Noodlehead Nightmares

by Tedd Arnold, Martha Hamilton, and Mitch Weiss, illustrated by Tedd Arnold

Book Description: Kids moving on from early readers, especially Fly Guy fans, may want to check out Noodlehead Nightmares, Tedd Arnold's new collaboration with Hamilton and Weiss.

Authors' Residence (Hamilton & Weiss): Ithaca, New York

Publisher: Holiday House

A Puddle for Poo

by Mary Vigilante Szydlowski, illustrated by KC Snider

Book Description: Poo used to be a good dog, but not anymore. Her behavior is upsetting her owners, annoying the neighbors, and disrupting the whole neighborhood.

Author's Residence: Albany, New York

Publisher: Guardian Angel Publishing

Early Reader**The Viper**

by Lisa Thiesing

Book Description: Peggy the Pig is scared by phone calls from "zee Viper!" Who—or what—is the viper? Delightfully funny and scary.

Author's Residence: Rosendale, New York

Publisher: Dutton Books for Young Readers

Fractured Folk Tale**Bear and the 3 Goldilocks**

by Kevin McNamee, illustrated by Robert Lee Beers

Book Description: Two favorite fairy tales become one new fun-filled adventure. The Goldilocks Girls have a snoozing bear upstairs and a windy wolf looking for three pigs downstairs.

Author's Residence: Yonkers, New York

Publisher: Guardian Angel Publishing

Mystery**The Case of the Missing Carrot Cake: A Wilcox & Griswold Mystery**

by Robin Newman, illustrated by Deborah Zemke

Book Description: Two hard-boiled mouse detectives are on the hunt for a missing carrot cake. (Note: The animals' names have been changed to protect the good guys.)

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Creston Books

Author's Website: www.robinnewmanbooks.com**Nate the Great Talks Turkey**

by Marjorie Weinman and Mitchell Sharmat, illustrated by Jody Wheeler

Book Description: A giant turkey is on the loose! Everyone is on the case. From talking turkey to stalking turkey, will every detective come out a winner?

Illustrator's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Delacorte Books for Young Readers

Nonfiction Picture Book**Fancy Party Gowns: The Story of Fashion Designer Ann Cole Lowe**

by Deborah Blumenthal, illustrated by Laura Freeman

Book Description: The story of Ann Cole Lowe, the first African American couture designer, best known for designing Jackie Kennedy's wedding gown.

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Little Bee Books

Author's Website: www.deborahblumenthal.com**Masterpiece Mix**

by Roxie Munro

Book Description: An artist studies famous masterpieces (still lifes, portraits, landscapes, etc.) to be inspired. She comes up with a personal approach, shown in a grand finale.

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Holiday House

Author's Website: www.roxiemunro.com**Weird and Wild Animal Facts**

by Jessica Loy

Book Description: There are lots of fascinating animals in the world with unusual characteristics, but you may be surprised to learn that so do many common animals!

Author's Residence: Delmar, New York

Publisher: Henry Holt & Company

Picture Book

All About Grandmas

by Roni Schotter, illustrated by Julia Kuo

Book Description: A celebration of the mutual love between grandmas of today, who work at home and out in the world, and the grandchildren who adore them.

Author's Residence: Hastings-on-Hudson, New York

Publisher: Dial Books for Young Readers

Cody and Grandpa's Christmas Tradition

by Gary Metivier, illustrated by Traci Van Wagoner

Book Description: Grandpa shares memories with Cody of a time in Vietnam and the Christmas Eve when a bright star appeared through the clouds, giving the soldiers hope.

Illustrator's Residence: New York

Publisher: Pelican Publishing Company

First Come the Zebra

by Lynne Barasch

Book Description: Set in Kenya, two boys of conflicting tribes find common ground, framed by the great migration of the animals.

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Lee & Low Books

Frida Kahlo and Her Animalitos

by Monica Brown, illustrated by John Parra

Book Description: Frida Kahlo and Her Animalitos is based on the life of one of the world's most influential painters, Frida Kahlo, and the animals that inspired her art and life.

Illustrator's Residence: Queens, New York

Publisher: NorthSouth Books

Illustrator's Website: www.johnparraart.com

Kenya's Art

by Linda Trice, illustrated by Hazel Mitchell

Book Description: Kenya and her daddy show Mrs. Garcia's culturally diverse class how to recycle, reuse, and make art in this third book of the KENYA series.

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Charlesbridge

Author's Website: www.LindaTrice.com

Leaping Lemmings!

by John Briggs, illustrated by Nicola Slater

Book Description: One independent lemming refuses to jump off cliffs with his friends. Instead, he saves the day (and everyone else) by showing them how to think for themselves.

Author's Residence: Scotia, New York

Publisher: Sterling Children's Books

May I Have a Word?

by Caron Levis, illustrated by Andy Rash

Book Description: A battle of magnet letters ensues across the refrigerator door when C and K get into a fight about starting the cooler (kooler?) words.

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Farrar, Straus & Giroux Books for Young Readers

Author's Website: www.caronlevis.com

Ned the Knitting Pirate

by Diana Murray, illustrated by Leslie Lammler

Book Description: Ned is a pirate whose fondness for knitting annoys his captain—until his special skill saves the ship from a sea monster.

Author's Residence: New City, New York

Publisher: Roaring Brook Press

The Nutcracker's Night Before Christmas

by Keith Brockett, illustrated by Joseph Cowman

Book Description: On opening night, The Nutcracker cast faces many problems: misprinted programs, sick stagehands, destroyed costumes, and a nasty theater cat. Can anyone save this show?

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Sleeping Bear Press

Passover Scavenger Hunt

by Shanna Silva, illustrated by Miki Sakamoto

Book Description: Rachel's uncle is terrible at hiding the afikomen, so Rachel is taking over. She creates a scavenger hunt leading to the perfect hiding spot.

Author's Residence: Bellmore, New York

Publisher: Kar-Ben Publishing

Author's Website: www.shannasilva.com

The Peddler's Bed

by Lauri Fortino, illustrated by Bong Redila

Book Description: The peddler fails to sell a handcrafted bed to a penniless man. He offers a wager: "Make the bed squeak by sunset and it's yours."

Author's Residence: Syracuse, New York

Publisher: Ripple Grove Press

Pete With No Pants

by Rowboat Watkins

Book Description: This is the story of a little elephant who is trying to figure out who he is.

Author's Residence: New York

Publisher: Chronicle Books

Saving Kate's Flowers

by Cindy Sommer, illustrated by Laurie Allen Klein

Book Description: Fall is here, and Kate is determined to save her flowers from the winter cold. But Dad has allergies. Where will the flowers end up?

Author's Residence: Stony Brook, New York

Publisher: Arbordale Publishing

Author's Website: www.cindysommer.com

Three Balls of Wool (Can Change the World)

by Henriqueta Cristina, illustrated by Yara Kono

translated by Lyn Miller-Lachmann

Book Description: A Portuguese family fleeing dictatorship discovers that freedom comes from taking action to change one's small corner of the world. Based on a true story.

Translator's Residence: New York, New York, and Lisbon, Portugal

Publisher: Enchanted Lion

Translator's Website: www.lynmillerlachmann.com

Poetry

Feel the Beat!: Dance Poems That Zing from Salsa to Swing

by Marilyn Singer, illustrated by Kristi Valiant

Book Description: Poetry in the rhythms of social dances from cha-cha to polka. Included is a CD of the author reading the poems accompanied by original music.

Author's Residence: Brooklyn, New York

Publisher: Dial Books for Young Readers

Author's Website: www.marilynsinger.net

Science Fiction

The Kid from Planet Z: Crash!

by Nancy Krulik, illustrated by Louis Thomas

Book Description: When Zeke Zander's spaceship crash-lands on Earth, he and his family (including their commander, a talking cat) must learn to adapt to life on a strange new planet.

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Grosset & Dunlap

Author's Website: www.realnancykrulik.com

Grades 3-5

Adventure

Key Hunters

by Eric Luper, illustrated by Lika K. Weber

Book Description: Evan and Cleo discover a secret magical library that sweeps them into any book they open.

Author's Residence: Albany, New York

Publisher: Scholastic

Max Tilt: Fire the Depths

by Peter Lerangis

Book Description: Thirteen-year-old Max Tilt and cousin Alexandra discover a lost manuscript by their ancestor Jules Verne, leading to an adventure that will save his mother's life.

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: HarperCollins

Author's Website: www.peterlerangis.com

Biography

On a Beam of Light: A Story of Albert Einstein

by Jennifer Berne, illustrated by Vladimir Radunsky

Book Description: The true story of a curious little boy who—by wondering, imagining, and figuring—grew up to discover the amazing secrets of our universe.

Author's Residence: Anram, New York

Publisher: Chronicle Books

Chapter Book

The Enchanted Snow Globe Collection: Return to Coney Island

by Melissa Stoller, illustrated by Callie Metler-Smith, translated by Paul Goldsman

Book Description: When nine-year-old twins Emma and Simon shake a snow globe and travel to 1928, they must help their great-grandparents meet on the Coney Island trolley.

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Clear Fork Publishing

Contemporary Fiction

My Year of Epic Rock

by Andrea Pyros

Book Description: Nina's BFF dumps her on the first day of seventh grade, but with the help of her rocking new friends, she may have her best year ever!

Author's Residence: Rhinebeck, New York

Publisher: Sourcebooks

The Unlikely Story of a Pig in the City

by Jodi Kendall, illustrated by Pascal Campion

Book Description: In this modern-day homage to Charlotte's Web, a little pig in a big city leads to lots of trouble.

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: HarperCollins

Author's Website: www.jodikendall.com

Fantasy

The Lost Kingdom of Bamarre

by Gail Carson Levine

Book Description: In this prequel to *The Two Princesses of Bamarre*, a Rapunzel adaptation, Perry is charged by a fairy with rescuing her people from tyranny.

Author's Residence: Brewster, New York

Publisher: HarperCollins

Author's Website: www.gailcarsonlevine.com

Stone Faces

by Anne Rothman-Hicks and Kenneth Hicks

Book Description: When her parents announce they are separating, Alice's life is thrown out of kilter until she meets some friendly stones on a Cape Cod beach.

Authors' Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: MuseltUp Publishing

Historical Fiction

Martha and the Slave Catchers

by Harriet Hyman Alonso

Book Description: Thirteen-year-old Martha insists on being a part of the Underground Railroad rescue to bring her brother Jake home to their abolitionist community in 1854 Connecticut.

Author's Residence: Brooklyn, New York

Publisher: Seven Stories Press/Triangle Square Books for Young Readers

Author's Website: www.harrietalonso.com

Mystery

Madhattan Mystery

by John J. Bonk

Book Description: Small-town siblings Lexi and Kevin McGill get sucked into solving the crime of the century while summering in New York City.

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Walker Books

Nonfiction

Cat Tales

by Aline Alexander Newman

Book Description: Readers of all ages will be inspired by these twenty-three heartwarming true tales of fantastic felines with extraordinary skills.

Author's Residence: Turin, New York

Publisher: National Geographic Children's Books

Author's Website: www.alinealexandernewman.com

Made by Hand Series: Bicycles

by Patricia Lakin

Book Description: Provides a history of bicycles, introduces the maker and his step-by-step process. Includes photos, glossary, timeline, bibliography including bicycle organizations doing community outreach.

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Aladdin

Author's Website: www.patricialakin.com

Odd Ball: Hilarious, Unusual, & Bizarre Baseball Moments

by Timothy Tocher, illustrated by Stacy Curtis

Book Description: Step up to the plate to meet some of the oddest players, fans, managers, and mascots in baseball history—all told through comic strips!

Author's Residence: Suffern, New York

Publisher: Two Lions

Nonfiction Picture Book

Martí's Song for Freedom/Martí y sus versos por la libertad

by Emma Otheguy, illustrated by Beatriz Vidal

Book Description: A bilingual biography of Cuban poet and national hero José Martí, written in verse with excerpts from Martí's seminal Versos sencillos.

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Lee & Low Books

Author's Website: www.emmaotheguy.com

Stand Up and Sing! Pete Seeger, Folk Music, and the Path to Justice

by Susanna Reich, illustrated by Adam Gustavson

Book Description: For Pete Seeger, music and social activism were intertwined. This biography demonstrates that no obstacle is too large if, together, you stand up and sing!

Author's Residence: Briarcliff Manor, New York

Publisher: Bloomsbury Books for Young Readers

Author's Website: www.susannareich.com

Novel in Verse

Izzy Kline Has Butterflies

by Beth Ain

Book Description: So many moments—big and small—make up a school year, and Izzy chronicles them all in this heartwarming novel in verse.

Author's Residence: Port Washington, New York

Publisher: Random House Books for Young Readers

Picture Book

Rainbow Weaver

by Linda Elovitz Marshall, illustrated by Elisa Chavarri

Book Description: A young Mayan girl, wanting to weave like her ancestors but lacking valuable threads, solves her problem—and cleans the environment—using plastic bags.

Author's Residence: Selkirk, New York

Publisher: Lee & Low Books

Shimmer, Songs of Night

by Raven Howell, illustrated by Carina Povarchik

Book Description: A book of poems for ages six to twelve celebrating dusk to dawn as a world of possibility where nature and flights of fancy coexist.

Author's Residence: Cold Spring, New York

Publisher: Spork/Clear Fork Publishing

Author's Website: www.ravenhowell.com

Picture Book Biography

Karl, Get Out of the Garden!: Carolus Linnaeus and the Naming of Everything

by Anita Sanchez, illustrated by Catherine Stock

Book Description: The great naturalist Carolus Linnaeus started out as a curious kid who loved the bugs and plants in his father's garden.

Author's Residence: Amsterdam, New York

Publisher: Charlesbridge

Author's Website: www.anitasanchez.com

Fantasy

The Princess Imposter

by Vivian Vande Velde

Book Description: When a perfect princess and a naughty fairy exchange places, can the kingdom survive?

Author's Residence: Rochester, New York

Publisher: Scholastic

Author's Website: www.VivianVandeVelde.com

Realistic Fiction

The BFF Bucket List

by Dee Romito

Book Description: Two best friends. Twelve challenges. Can the BFF Bucket List save their friendship or will that get crossed off, too?

Author's Residence: Buffalo, New York

Publisher: Aladdin

Doing Time Online

by Jan Siebold

Book Description: After a prank-gone-bad, Mitchell is "sentenced" to an online chat with a feisty senior citizen. Their unlikely friendship helps both of them grow.

Author's Residence: East Aurora, New York

Publisher: Albert Whitman & Company

Hamstersaurus Rex

by Tom O'Donnel, illustrated by Tim Miller

Book Description: Hamstersaurus Rex is about a quirky class pet

that undergoes a transformation and helps defend a loyal sixth grader from a werewolf-obsessed bully.

Illustrator's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: HarperCollins

Hope Girl

by Wendy Dunham

Book Description: *Hope Girl*, sequel to *My Name Is River*, is the story of twelve-year-old River and her "extra-out-of-the-ordinary" life.

Revealed secrets from her past bring unexpected challenges.

Author's Residence: Rochester, New York

Publisher: Harvest House

Kat Green Comes Clean

by Melissa Roske

Book Description: Kat Greene, eleven, has her hands full with her divorced mom's obsession with cleaning, friendship troubles, and a crummy role in the school play.

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Charlesbridge

Author's Website: www.melissaroske.com

Restart

by Gordon Korman

Book Description: When an alpha bully suffers total amnesia, he has a rare chance to reinvent himself.

Author's Residence: Great Neck, New York

Publisher: Scholastic

Author's Website: www.gordonkorman.com

Sidetracked

by Diana Harmon Asher

Book Description: Seventh grade Resource Room kid Joseph Friedman joins the track team, where he encounters runner's cramps, muddy trails, and a surprising new sense of belonging.

Author's Residence: Scarsdale, New York

Publisher: Amulet Books

Author's Website: www.dianaHarmonAsher.com

The Way to Bea

by Kat Yeh

Book Description: Lonely twelve-year-old Beatrix Lee begins writing haiku in invisible ink and hiding them in a secret spot. Until one day, someone writes back.

Author's Residence: Lloyd Harbor, New York

Publisher: Little, Brown Books for Young Readers

Author's Website: www.katyeh.com

Series Fiction

Class Election (Secrets to Ruling School #2)

by Neil Swaab

Book Description: Middle school expert Max Corrigan is back—and ready to help you run for class president! Book #2 in the Secrets to Ruling School series.

Author's Residence: Astoria, New York

Publisher: Amulet Books

GRADES 6-8

Contemporary Fiction

The Trouble with Half Moon

by Danette Vigilante

Book Description: Struggling with survivor's guilt after the death of her brother and determined to save a neglected five-year-old neighbor, Dellie strikes up a dangerous friendship.

Author's Residence: Staten Island, New York

Publisher: Puffin Books

Historical Fiction

A Time for Change

by Alicia Klepeis, illustrated by Laura Tolton

Book Description: The year is 1960. Ninth grader Amari Johnson's world is turned upside down when her dad gets a new job in the South.

Author's Residence: Hamilton, New York

Publisher: Rourke Educational Media

When Audrey Met Alice

by Rebecca Behrens

Book Description: When First Daughter Audrey finds Alice Roosevelt's diary, she's inspired to create her own White House hijinks—leading to a lot of fun . . . and trouble.

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Sourcebooks Jabberwocky

Author's Website: www.rebeccabehrens.com

The Wolf's Boy

by Susan Williams Beckhorn, illustrated by Levente Szano

Book Description: An outcast boy and a young wolf against an Ice Age winter . . . Together, Kai and the wolf, Uff, form a bond that will change history.

Author's Residence: Rexville, New York

Publisher: Disney-Hyperion

Author's Website: www.susanwilliamsbeckhorn.com

Magical Realism

Switched at Birthday

by Natalie Standiford

Book Description: Two eighth graders with nothing in common wake up on the morning after their thirteenth birthdays to find they have switched bodies with each other.

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Scholastic Press

Author's Website: www.nataliestandiford.com

Memoir

Krysia: A Polish Girl's Stolen Childhood During World War II

by Krystyna Mihulka with Krystyna Poray Goddu

Book Description: Tells the story of the author's childhood years as a Soviet political prisoner beginning with the deportation of her family from their home in Lwow.

Author's Residence (Goddu): New York, New York

Publisher: Chicago Review Press

Mystery

Devin Rhodes is Dead

by Jennifer Wolf Kam

Book Description: A mystery written in alternating before-and-after chapters, *Devin Rhodes is Dead* is a chilling, coming-of-age novel about the friendships we keep.

Author's Residence: Syosset, New York

Publisher: Charlesbridge

Riding the Flume

by Patricia Curtis Pfitsch

Book Description: In *Riding the Flume*, set in 1894 in California's sequoia groves, Francie risks her life to solve her sister's mystery and heal her family's grief.

Author's Residence: New York

Publisher: Aladdin

Nonfiction

Beastly Brains: Exploring How Animals Think, Talk, and Feel

by Nancy Castaldo

Book Description: In *Beastly Brains*, Nancy Castaldo delves into the minds of animals and explores animal empathy, communication, tool use, and social societies through interviews and historical anecdotes.

Author's Residence: Upstate New York

Publisher: HMH Books for Young Readers

Author's Website: www.nancycastaldo.com

Bubonic Panic: When Plague Invaded America

by Gail Jarro

Book Description: The story of San Francisco's 1900 plague epidemic, the public health doctors who fought it, and the political leaders who tried to keep it hidden.

Author's Residence: Ithaca, New York

Publisher: Calkins Creek

Author's Website: www.gailjarro.com

Round and Round Together: Taking a Merry-Go-Round Ride into the Civil Rights Movement

by Amy Nathan

Book Description: Civil Rights history of Washington's Carousel on the National Mall, formerly in a Baltimore park that de-segregated August 23, 1963—the same day as the March on Washington.

Author's Residence: Larchmont, New York

Publisher: Paul Dry Books

Voyager's Greatest Hits: The Epic Trek to Interstellar Space

by Alexandra Siy

Book Description: Critically acclaimed science writer Alexandra Siy chronicles the ongoing saga of the Voyager in a lively story full of nail-biting moments, inspiring scientists, and incredible NASA images.

Author's Residence: Albany, New York

Publisher: Charlesbridge

Author's Website: www.alexandrasiy.com

Realistic Fiction

Whose Eyes Are These?

by Marcia Byalick

Book Description: An unknown sperm donor first arouses curiosity, jealousy, and anger . . . ultimately leading to a better understanding of forgiveness, loyalty, and the unbreakable bonds of love.

Author's Residence: New York

Publisher: Black Rose Writing

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Contemporary Fiction

The Fix

by Natasha Sinel

Book Description: Seventeen-year-old Macy Lyons falls for Sebastian Ruiz, a recovering addict, who helps her confront the childhood trauma she's kept secret for years.

Author's Residence: Bedford, New York

Publisher: Sky Pony Press

How it Feels to Fly

by Kathryn Holmes

Book Description: A struggle with body dysmorphia forces one girl to decide if letting go of her insecurity also means turning her back on her dance dreams.

Author's Residence: Brooklyn, New York

Publisher: HarperTeen

Now is Everything

by Amy Giles

Book Description: How far will one girl go to protect her sister? Only Hadley knows why the plane crashed that day, and she's not talking.

City/State: Huntington Station, New York

Publisher: HarperTeen

Author's Website: www.amygiles.net

Dystopian

Dawn of the Vie (Immortal Aliens Book One)

by Laura Diamond, illustrated by Eugene Teplitsky

Book Description: A seventeen-year-old boy with a blood disorder tries to save his kidnapped sister from an immortal alien who wants to use his blood as a drug.

Author's Residence: Troy, New York

Publisher: Curiosity Quills Press

Historical Fiction

Soldier Boy

by Keely Hutton

Book Description: A novel based on the life of Ricky Richard Anywar, who at age fourteen was forced to fight in Ugandan warlord Joseph Kony's guerrilla army.

Author's Residence: Fairport, New York

Publisher: Farrar, Straus & Giroux Books for Young Readers

Author's Website: www.keelyhutton.com

Nonfiction

Reproductive Rights: Who Decides?

by Vicki Oransky Wittenstein

Book Description: Examine reproductive rights through a historical lens, from early history's methods for contraception to the Pill, Roe v. Wade, and contemporary legal and societal battlegrounds.

Author's Residence: Brooklyn, New York

Publisher: Twenty-First Century Books

Vincent and Theo: The Van Gogh Brothers

by Deborah Heiligman

Book Description: We would not have Vincent van Gogh's art without his brother, Theo. Their friendship was stormy, passionate, enduring, essential—a work of art in itself.

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Henry Holt & Company

Author's Website: www.DeborahHeiligman.com

Paranormal Fiction

Touching the Surface

by Kimberly Sabatini

Book Description: Elliot's dead for the third time and she knows she messed up. Back in the afterlife again, this is her last chance to get things right.

Author's Residence: New York

Publisher: Simon Pulse

Realistic Fiction

Draw the Line

by Laurent Linn

Book Description: In this groundbreaking illustrated YA, a gay teen fights brutality through his art. A gripping journey of self-discovery, romance, art making, and justice.

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Margaret K. McElderry Books

I'll Meet You There

by Heather Demetrios

Book Description: A haunted young Marine returns from Afghanistan, rekindling a friendship with artist Skyler. Their shared isolation soon turns to something more.

Author's Residence: Brooklyn, New York

Publisher: Henry Holt & Company

Snowbirds

by Crissa-Jean Chappell

Book Description: An Amish girl goes missing during Rumspringa in Florida.

Author's Residence: Brooklyn, New York

Publisher: Merit Press

True Believer

by Virginia Euwer Wolff

Book Description: LaVaughn's path is daunting and she does her best to rise to the occasion each time the occasion changes. Winner of the National Book Award.

Author's Residence: Rhinebeck, New York

Publisher: Simon Pulse

Truth or Dare

by Barbara Dee

Book Description: A late-blooming seventh grader lies about her maturity during a game of Truth or Dare. Can an unpredictable aunt set things right with her friends?

Author's Residence: Chappaqua, New York

Publisher: Aladdin

Water in May

by Ismée Williams

Book Description: Fifteen-year-old Dominican American Mari, who yearns for a baby—for someone who will love her and won't leave—discovers her baby has half a heart.

Author's Residence: New York, New York

Publisher: Amulet Books

Author's Website: www.ismeewilliams.com