

# SOCIETY OF CHILDREN'S BOOK WRITERS AND ILLUSTRATORS

## OFFICIAL READING LIST — 2018

### NEW ENGLAND

(Maine / Vermont / New Hampshire / Connecticut / Massachusetts / Rhode Island)

#### PRE-K-K

#### BOARD BOOK

##### ***I Love You for Miles and Miles***

by Alison Goldberg, illustrated by Mike Yamada

Book Description: Love can be stronger than the strongest excavator, longer than the longest train, and taller than the tallest crane.

Author's Residence: Cambridge, Massachusetts

Publisher: Farrar, Straus and Giroux

Publication Date: December 31, 2018

Author's Website: [alisongoldberg.com](http://alisongoldberg.com)

#### NONFICTION BOARD BOOK

##### ***101 Dinosaurs and Other Prehistoric Reptiles***

by April Jones Prince, illustrated by Bob Kolar

Book Description: Meet the long necks, flyers, sharp teeth, and other creatures of prehistoric times in this oversized board book with 101 reptiles to name and sound out!

Author's Residence: Shrewsbury, Massachusetts

Publisher: Cartwheel Books

Publication Date: January 30, 2018

Author's Website: [apriljonesprince.com](http://apriljonesprince.com)

##### ***Whose Boat?***

by Toni Buzzeo, illustrated by Tom Froese

Book Description: This lyrical nonfiction ode to boats features six kinds of workers and their boats—a patrol boat, tugboat, car ferry, lobster boat, lifeboat, and fireboat.

Author's Residence: Arlington, Massachusetts

Publisher: Abrams Books for Young Readers

Publication Date: May 22, 2018

Author's Website: [tonibuzzeo.com](http://tonibuzzeo.com)

#### PICTURE BOOK

##### ***An Extraordinary Ordinary Moth***

by Karlin Gray, illustrated by Steliyana Doneva

Book Description: "Beautiful . . . a perfect reminder that everyone and everything, no matter how seemingly ordinary, is extraordinary to the right person."—*San Francisco Book Review*

Author's Residence: Westport, Connecticut

Publisher: Sleeping Bear Press

Publication Date: March 2018

Author's Website: [karlingray.com](http://karlingray.com)

##### ***Before You Sleep: A Bedtime Book of Gratitude***

by Annie Cronin Romano, illustrated by Ioana Hobai

Book Description: This story encourages children to reflect on all aspects of their day using their five senses, fostering a sense of gentle gratitude.

Author's Residence: Hopedale, Massachusetts

Publisher: Page Street Kids

Publication Date: October 9, 2018

##### ***Grow***

by Cynthia Platt, illustrated by Olivia Holden

Book Description: A girl inspires her city neighborhood to nurture a garden together—proving that one person can make big changes in the world.

Author's Residence: Marblehead, Massachusetts

Publisher: Amicus Ink

Publication Date: March 13, 2018

Author's Website: [cynthiaplattbooks.com](http://cynthiaplattbooks.com)

##### ***My Pet Wants a Pet***

by Elise Broach, illustrated by Eric Barclay

Book Description: A boy longs for a pet, and his mother finally says yes. But then the pet wants a pet, and so on, as mayhem ensues!

Author's Residence: Easton, Connecticut

Publisher: Christy Ottaviano Books

Publication Date: March 2018

Author's Website: [elisebroach.com](http://elisebroach.com)

##### ***Someone New***

by Anne Sibley O'Brien

Book Description: A companion to *I'm New Here*, *Someone New* tells the story of three immigrant children from the perspective of the classmates who welcome them.

Author's Residence: Peaks Island, Maine

Publisher: Charlesbridge Publishing

Publication Date: July 10, 2018

Author's Website: [AnneSibleyOBrien.com](http://AnneSibleyOBrien.com)

##### ***Too Much! Not Enough!***

by Gina Perry

Book Description: Exuberant Peanut and steadfast Moe are roommates and best friends . . . most of the time. Can these two learn to appreciate their differences?

Author's Residence: North Hampton, New Hampshire

Publisher: Tundra

Publication Date: August 18, 2018

Author's Website: [ginaperry.com](http://ginaperry.com)

##### ***What If . . .***

by Samantha Berger, illustrated by Mike Curato

Book Description: This girl is determined to express herself! No matter what is taken away from her, she'll use her creativity to triumph over any obstacle.

Illustrator's Residence: Massachusetts

Publisher: Little, Brown Books for Young Readers

Publication Date: April 10, 2018

Illustrator's Website: [mikecurato.com](http://mikecurato.com)

## GRADES 1-2

### EARLY CHAPTER BOOK

#### ***Jasmine Toguchi, Drummer Girl***

by **Debbi Michiko Florence**, illustrated by **Elizabet Vukovic**

Book Description: Eight-year-old Jasmine Toguchi is excited to play the Japanese taiko drum for the school talent show, but worries she won't be good enough in time.

Author's Residence: Mystic, Connecticut

Publisher: Farrar, Straus and Giroux

Publication Date: April 3, 2018

Author's Website: [debbimichikoflorence.com](http://debbimichikoflorence.com)

#### ***Molly Mac: Top Secret Author Visit***

by **Marty Kelley**

Book Description: Molly Mac wants to learn the secret of how to be a rich, famous author so she never has to get out of her pajamas.

Author's Residence: New Boston, New Hampshire

Publisher: Capstone Press

Publication Date: August 1, 2018

Author's Website: [martykelley.com](http://martykelley.com)

#### ***Princess Posey and the Flower Girl Fiasco***

by **Stephanie Greene**, illustrated by **Stephanie Roth Sisson**

Book Description: Posey is excited about being the flower girl in her Gramps' wedding, until she finds out it's going to change her world. Can her pink tutu help her find the courage to accept it?

Author's Residence: Northampton, Massachusetts

Publisher: G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers

Publication Date: February 13, 2018

Author's Website: [Stephaniegreenebooks.com](http://Stephaniegreenebooks.com)

### EARLY READER

#### ***The Bossy Pirate***

by **John Steven Gurney**

Book Description: Jack's bedroom becomes a pirate ship sailing on the high seas. But the fantasy stops being fun when Jack gets too bossy.

Author's Residence: Brattleboro, Vermont

Publisher: Schiffer

Publication Date: October 28, 2018

Author's Website: [johnstevengurney.com](http://johnstevengurney.com)

### FOLKTALE

#### ***How the Finch Got His Colors***

by **Annemarie Riley Guertin**, illustrated by **Helena Perez Garcia**

Book Description: Based on a Belgian folktale, this beautifully told creation myth has underlying messages of patience and kindness.

Author's Residence: Haverhill, Massachusetts

Publisher: Familius

Publication Date: March 6, 2018

Author's Website: [annemarierileyguertin.com](http://annemarierileyguertin.com)

## FRIENDSHIP

#### ***I'm Mixed!***

by **Maggy Williams**, illustrated by **Elizabeth Hasegawa Agresta**

Book Description: Growing up as a biracial child, Maggy Williams had three options: she could identify as black, white, or mixed. She chose to embrace her multiracial heritage.

Illustrator's Residence: Cos Cob, Connecticut

Publisher: Loving Healing Press

Publication Date: February 14, 2018

Illustrator's Website: [agresta.us](http://agresta.us)

### NONFICTION PICTURE BOOK

#### ***All Kinds of Friends***

by **Shelley Rotner & Sheila Kelly**, photo illustrations by **Shelley Rotner**

Book Description: This book celebrates all the different kinds of friends in your life.

Illustrator's Residence: Northampton, Massachusetts

Publisher: Millbrook Press

Publication Date: March 2018

Illustrator's Website: [shelleyrotner.com](http://shelleyrotner.com)

#### ***Fossil by Fossil: Comparing Dinosaur Bones***

by **Sara Levine**, illustrated by **TS Spookytooth**

Book Description: This picture book will keep you guessing as you find out how human skeletons are like—and unlike—those of dinosaurs.

Author's Residence: Cambridge, Massachusetts

Publisher: Millbrook Press

Publication Date: January 2018

Author's Website: [saralevinebooks.com](http://saralevinebooks.com)

#### ***Running on Sunshine (How Does Solar Energy Work?)***

by **Carolyn Cinami DeCristofano**, illustrated by **Giovana Medeiros**

Book Description: Ping! Zing! Sunshine's energy strikes solar panels and powers freezers, toasters, gadgets, and more. Discover the what, how, and why of running on sunshine!

Author's Residence: Plympton, Massachusetts

Publisher: HarperCollins

Publication Date: May 1, 2018

Author's Website: [carolyndecristofano.com](http://carolyndecristofano.com)

#### ***A Seed is the Start***

by **Melissa Stewart**

Book Description: Meet seeds that pop, hop, creep, and explode in this introduction to plant growth and seed dispersal. Stunning photographs and fact-packed text will delight children.

Author's Residence: Acton, Massachusetts

Publisher: National Geographic, Kids

Publication Date: February 13, 2018

Author's Website: [melissa-stewart.com](http://melissa-stewart.com)

### PICTURE BOOK

#### ***Do Doodlebugs Doodle? Amazing Insect Facts***

by **Corinne Demas** and **Artemis Roehrig**, illustrated by **Ellen Shi**

Book Description: This interactive read-aloud asks humorous questions about insects, followed by informative answers. Photos and further information.

Author's Residence: Amherst, Massachusetts  
 Publisher: Persnickety Press  
 Publication Date: March 2018  
 Author's Website: [corinnedemas.com](http://corinnedemas.com)

### ***Don't Ask a Dinosaur***

by Matt Forrest Esenwine & Deborah Bruss, illustrated by Louie Chin

Book Description: A party goes wildly awry when a pack of dinosaurs attempt hilariously impossible tasks, like setting the table and blowing up balloons.  
 Author's Residence: Warner, New Hampshire  
 Publisher: POW!  
 Publication Date: April 17, 2018  
 Author's Website: [MattForrest.com](http://MattForrest.com)

### ***Ella & Monkey at Sea***

by Emilie Boon

Book Description: Ella and monkey navigate their stormy emotions when they leave behind home in Holland and set sail with Mama for a new home in America.  
 Residence: Boston, Massachusetts  
 Publisher: Candlewick Press  
 Publication Date: August 7, 2018  
 Author's Website: [emilieboon.com](http://emilieboon.com)

### ***Fright School***

by Janet Lawler, illustrated by Chiara Galletti

Book Description: Where do monsters go to learn how to scare trick-or-treaters? Fright School, of course! This not-too-scary picture book overflows with funny monsters and rollicking rhyme.  
 Author's Residence: Farmington, Connecticut  
 Publisher: Albert Whitman & Company  
 Publication Date: September 1, 2018  
 Author's Website: [janetlawler.com](http://janetlawler.com)

### ***Harriet's Horrible Hair Day***

by Dawn Lesley Stewart, illustrated by Michael P. White

Book Description: An unruly curl pops out of Harriet's braid. When Harriet's sister offers to fix her rebellious curl, more and more curls break loose.  
 Author's Residence: Holliston, Massachusetts  
 Publisher: Peachtree Publishers  
 Publication Date: February 1, 2018  
 Author's Website: [dlstewart.com](http://dlstewart.com)

### ***Hey, Hey, Hay! (A Tale of Bales and the Machines that Make Them)***

by Christy Mihaly, illustrated by Joe Cepeda

Book Description: This rhyming story of haymaking follows a farm girl and her mother as they "store summer in a bale," celebrating family, the seasons, and farm work.  
 Author's Residence: East Calais, Vermont  
 Publisher: Holiday House  
 Publication Date: August 14, 2018  
 Author's Website: [christymihaly.com](http://christymihaly.com)

### ***How to Code a Sandcastle***

by Josh Funk, illustrated by Sara Palacios

Book Description: Pearl and her robot Pascal use fundamental computer coding concepts like sequences and loops to construct the best beach day ever!

Author's Residence: Boston, Massachusetts  
 Publisher: Viking Books for Young Readers  
 Publication Date: May 15, 2018  
 Author's Website: [joshfunkbooks.com](http://joshfunkbooks.com)

### ***Lights, Camera, Carmen!***

by Anika Denise, illustrated by Lorena Alvarez Gómez

Book Description: In the vein of Eloise, Olivia, and Fancy Nancy, Carmen is a little girl with a big personality. Can she learn to share the spotlight?  
 Author's Residence: Barrington, Rhode Island  
 Publisher: Abrams Books for Young Readers  
 Publication Date: September 11, 2018  
 Author's Website: [anikadenise.com](http://anikadenise.com)

### ***My Awesome Summer by P. Mantis***

by Paul Meisel

Book Description: Told in dated entries, P. Mantis describes the entirety of her life, sharing the fun and beauty of her world as well as its little ups and downs.  
 Author's Residence: Newtown, Connecticut  
 Publisher: Holiday House  
 Publication Date: May 8, 2018  
 Author's Website: [paulmeisel.com](http://paulmeisel.com)

### ***The Princess and the Cafe on the Moat***

by Margie Markarian, illustrated by Chloe Douglass

Book Description: How does a princess end up running a cafe by the moat? Find out in this sweet fairy tale with an entrepreneurial twist and a message about kindness.  
 Author's Residence: Franklin, Massachusetts  
 Publisher: Sleeping Bear Press  
 Publication Date: March 15, 2018  
 Author's Website: [margiemarkarian.com](http://margiemarkarian.com)

### ***The Rough Patch***

by Brian Lies

Book Description: Grief and anger cause a gardener fox named Evan to destroy something valuable to him, and a surprise visitor leads him back to hope.  
 Author's Residence: Duxbury, Massachusetts  
 Publisher: Greenwillow  
 Publication Date: August 14, 2018  
 Author's Website: [brianlies.com](http://brianlies.com)

### ***Sweet Pea & Friends: Alpaca Lunch***

by John & Jennifer Churchman, illustrated by John Churchman

Book Description: By the authors of the instant New York Times best seller *The Sheepover*, featuring an adventurous young alpaca who discovers new foods growing around the farm.  
 Illustrator's Residence: Essex, Vermont  
 Publisher: Little, Brown Books for Young Readers  
 Publication Date: July 10, 2018

### ***Wild Orca: The Oldest, Wisest Whale in the World***

by Brenda Peterson, illustrated by Wendell Minor

Book Description: A moving homage to Granny, the world's oldest known orca who lived to be 105 years old, this intimate story celebrates the importance of respecting and protecting wildlife.  
 Illustrator's Residence: Washington, Connecticut  
 Publisher: Christy Ottaviano Books

Publication Date: September 2018  
Illustrator's Website: [minorart.com](http://minorart.com)

### ***The Yin-Yang Sisters and the Dragon Frightful***

by Nancy Tupper Ling, illustrated by Andrea Offermann

Book Description: Twin sisters Mei and Wei have opposing views, but with creativity and gumption this dynamic duo just might solve the problem of Frightful the Dragon.

Author's Residence: Walpole, Massachusetts

Publisher: G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers

Publication Date: September 2018

Author's Website: [nancytupperling.com](http://nancytupperling.com)

## **PICTURE BOOK BIOGRAPHY**

### ***Anybody's Game: Kathryn Johnston, the First Girl to Play Little League Baseball***

by Heather Lang, illustrated by Cecilia Puglesi

Book Description: In 1950, when girls were not welcome on Little League fields, Kathryn Johnston stepped up to the plate and showed the world that girls can play baseball!

Author's Residence: Lexington, Massachusetts

Publisher: Albert Whitman & Company

Publication Date: March 1, 2018

Author's Website: [heatherlangbooks.com](http://heatherlangbooks.com)

### ***Grandma Gatewood Hikes the Appalachian Trail***

by Jennifer Thermes

Book Description: Emma Gatewood was the first woman to solo thru-hike the entire Appalachian Trail at the age of 67, proving that no peak is insurmountable.

Author's Residence: Newtown, Connecticut

Publisher: Abrams Books for Young Readers

Publication Date: May 8, 2018

Author's Website: [jenniferthermes.com](http://jenniferthermes.com)

## **GRADES 3-5**

### **ADVENTURE**

#### ***The Adventures of a Girl Called Bicycle***

by Christina Uss, illustrated by Jonathan Bean

Book Description: The quirky story of a twelve-year-old girl who rides her bike across the United States in search of her first true friend.

Author's Residence: East Longmeadow, Massachusetts

Publisher: Margaret Ferguson Books

Publication Date: June 5, 2018

Author's Website: [christinauss.com](http://christinauss.com)

### **CHAPTER BOOK**

#### ***Miranda and Maude: The Princess and the Absolutely Not a Princess***

by Emma Wunsch, illustrated by Jessika von Innerebner

Book Description: A princess and a revolutionary form an unexpected friendship in this charming illustrated chapter book series, perfect for fans of Judy Moody and Clementine!

Author's Residence: Lebanon, New Hampshire

Publisher: Abrams Books for Young Readers

Publication Date: August 7, 2018  
Author's Website: [emmawunsch.com](http://emmawunsch.com)

## **CONTEMPORARY FICTION**

### ***Smart Cookie***

by Elly Swartz

Book Description: Meet the spunky and big-hearted Frankie, who is all about family and secrets with a dash of mischief and mystery!

Author's Residence: Brookline, Massachusetts

Publisher: Scholastic

Publication Date: January 30, 2018

Author's Website: [ellyswartz.com](http://ellyswartz.com)

## **HISTORICAL FICTION**

### ***Lifeboat 12***

by Susan Hood

Book Description: This poignant novel-in-verse tells the true story of a boy's harrowing experience on a lifeboat after surviving a torpedo attack during World War II.

Author's Residence: Southport, Connecticut

Publisher: Simon & Schuster

Publication Date: September 4, 2018

Author's Website: [susanhoodbooks.com](http://susanhoodbooks.com)

## **MAGICAL REALISM**

### ***What the Wind can Tell You***

by Sarah Marie A. Jette

Description: Isabelle Perez knows that her brother is capable of more than anyone realizes. Can she make her family believe in the possibilities that exist?

Author's Residence: Belmont, Massachusetts

Publisher: Islandport Press

Publication Date: May 15, 2018

Author's Website: [sarahmariejette.wordpress.com](http://sarahmariejette.wordpress.com)

## **MIDDLE GRADE FICTION**

### ***Lucy Castor Finds Her Sparkle***

by Natasha Lowe

Book Description: Nine-year-old Lucy Castor hates change, but she must find a way to cope when her whole world is turned upside down.

Author's Residence: Deerfield, Massachusetts

Publisher: Simon & Schuster

Publication Date: February 20, 2018

## **NONFICTION**

### ***Dog Days of History***

by Sarah Albee

Book Description: A history of the human/dog relationship, from ancient times to the present.

Author's Residence: Watertown, Connecticut

Publisher: National Geographic Kids

Publication Date: March 2018

Author's Website: [sarahalbeebooks.com](http://sarahalbeebooks.com)

### ***Moth and Wasp, Soil and Ocean: Remembering Chinese Scientist Pu Zhelong's Work for Sustainable Farming***

by Sigrid Schmalzer, illustrated by Melanie Linden Chan  
Book Description: This story, told through the memories of a farm boy, will immerse young readers in Chinese culture, the natural history of insects, and sustainable agriculture.  
Illustrator's Residence: North Kingstown, Rhode Island  
Author's Residence: Amherst, Massachusetts  
Publisher: Tilbury House  
Publication Date: February 6, 2018  
Illustrator's Website: [melanielindenchan.com](http://melanielindenchan.com)  
Author's Website: [sigridschmalzer.org](http://sigridschmalzer.org)

## **REALISTIC FICTION**

### ***Lizzy and the Good Luck Girl***

by Susan Lubner  
Book Description: Told with humor and heart, this is a middle grade story about family, friendship, and the awesome power of hope—plus cats in sweaters!  
Author's Residence: Southborough, Massachusetts  
Publisher: Running Press Kids  
Publication Date: November 6, 2018  
Author's Website: [susanlubner.com](http://susanlubner.com)

## **SCIENCE FICTION**

### ***Sven Carter & the Android Army***

by Rob Vlock  
Book Description: Sven Carter—part boy, part robot—is back, and now it's up to him to stop the android army from destroying the human race.  
Author's Residence: Sudbury, Massachusetts  
Publisher: Aladdin  
Publication Date: October 16, 2018  
Author's Website: [robvlock.com](http://robvlock.com)

## **SCIENCE POETRY**

### ***Leaf Litter Critters***

by Leslie Bulion, illustrated by Robert Meganck  
Book Description: A humorous tour through the leaf litter layer's decomposer ecosystem. Nineteen science-packed poems with accompanying narrative notes, glossary, and hands-on activities for nature explorers.  
Author's Residence: Durham, Connecticut  
Publisher: Peachtree Publishers  
Publication Date: March 1, 2018  
Author's Website: [lesliebulion.com](http://lesliebulion.com)

## **GRADES 6-8**

## **ADVENTURE**

### ***The Treasure of Mad Doc Magee***

by Elinor Teele  
Book Description: From the author of *The Mechanical Mind of John Coggin* comes a funny, heartfelt, rip-roaring puzzle box of an adventure about grit, guts, and gold.  
Author's Residence: Gloucester, Massachusetts  
Publisher: Walden Pond Press

Publication Date: August 21, 2018  
Author's Website: [elinorteele.com](http://elinorteele.com)

## **CONTEMPORARY FICTION**

### ***EZ and the Intangibles***

by Bob Katz  
Book Description: The intangibles that don't show up in the stats are Ethan "EZ" Zanay's only hope at basketball glory. But he'll need someone to notice.  
Author's Residence: Lexington, Massachusetts  
Publisher: Fitzroy Books  
Publication Date: November 2, 2018  
Author's Website: [bobkatz.info](http://bobkatz.info)

### ***How We Roll***

by Natasha Friend  
Book Description: For Quinn McAvoy, going bald in eighth grade was a nightmare. But when her family moves, no one knows she has alopecia—or that the wig she's wearing isn't her real hair.  
Author's Residence: Madison, Connecticut  
Publisher: Farrar, Straus and Giroux  
Publication Date: June 5, 2018  
Author's Website: [natashafriend.com](http://natashafriend.com)

### ***It Wasn't Me***

by Dana Alison Levy  
Book Description: *The Breakfast Club* meets middle school mystery in this story of six very different seventh graders forced together in the aftermath of a vandalism incident.  
Author's Residence: Massachusetts  
Publisher: Delacorte Press  
Publication Date: November 2018  
Author's Website: [danaalisonlevy.com](http://danaalisonlevy.com)

### ***Lights, Camera, Disaster***

by Erin Dionne  
Book Description: Twelve-year-old Hess Greene wants to make a movie for the school talent show, but her Executive Function Disorder and her teacher get in the way.  
Author's Residence: Framingham, Massachusetts  
Publisher: Scholastic  
Publication Date: March 27, 2018  
Author's Website: [erindionne.com](http://erindionne.com)

### ***P.S. I Miss You***

by Jen Petro-Roy  
Book Description: When Evie's sister leaves home after getting pregnant, Evie writes Cilla letters about her seventh-grade year and her crush on the new girl in school.  
Author's Residence: Chelmsford, Massachusetts  
Publisher: Feiwel & Friends  
Publication Date: March 6, 2018  
Author's Website: [jenpetroroy.com](http://jenpetroroy.com)

### ***Someone Else's Shoes***

by Ellen Wittlinger  
Book Description: Izzy finds the family and acceptance she craves after her mourning uncle and cousin, and then her mother's boyfriend's rebellious son, move in with her.  
Author's Residence: Haydenville, Massachusetts  
Publisher: Charlesbridge

Publication Date: September 11, 2018  
Author's Website: [ellenwittlinger.com](http://ellenwittlinger.com)

## NONFICTION

### ***The Capture of Black Bart: Gentleman Bandit of the Old West***

by Norman H. Finkelstein

Book Description: The exciting story of Black Bart, the most famous stagecoach robber of the Old West, and his capture by a relentless detective.

Author's Residence: Framingham, Massachusetts

Publisher: Chicago Review Press

Publication Date: November 8, 2018

Author's Website: [normfinkelstein.com](http://normfinkelstein.com)

## REALISTIC FICTION

### ***The Benefits of Being an Octopus***

by Ann Braden

Book Description: Trapped in generational rural poverty, twelve-year-old Zoey is convinced by a teacher to join the debate club and discovers she's stronger than she thinks.

Author's Residence: Brattleboro, Vermont

Publisher: Sky Pony Press

Publication Date: September 2018

Author's Website: [annbradenbooks.com](http://annbradenbooks.com)

### ***Roller Boy***

by Marcia Strykowski

Book Description: After his baseball dreams fall through, thirteen-year-old Mateo tries his luck at the roller-skating rink while dodging bullies, avoiding gluten, and gaining Hayley's friendship.

Author's Residence: Bradford, Massachusetts

Publisher: Fitzroy Books

Publication Date: September 14, 2018

Author's Website: [marciastrykowski.com](http://marciastrykowski.com)

## GRADES 9-12

## BIOGRAPHY

### ***Mary's Monster: Love, Madness, and How Mary Shelley Created Frankenstein***

by Lita Judge

Book Description: Pairing free verse with black-and-white illustrations, *Mary's Monster* is a unique biography of Mary Shelley, the pregnant teenage runaway who wrote *Frankenstein*.

Author's Residence: Peterborough, New Hampshire

Publisher: Roaring Brook Press

Publication Date: January 30, 2018

Author's Website: [litajudge.net](http://litajudge.net)

## CONTEMPORARY FANTASY

### ***Uncharted***

by Erin Cashman

Book Description: An atmospheric fantasy twisting legends and reality, featuring danger, magic, romance, and a secret that some would die to protect and others would kill to expose.

Author's Residence: Boxborough, Massachusetts

Publisher: Page Street Publishing

Publication Date: September 4, 2018

Author's Website: [erincashman.com](http://erincashman.com)

## HISTORICAL FICTION

### ***What the Night Sings***

by Vesper Stamper

Book Description: After losing her family and everything she knew in the Nazi concentration camps, Gerta is finally liberated and meets Lev, a fellow teen survivor who she just might be falling for.

Author's Residence: New Milford, Connecticut

Publisher: Knopf Books for Young Readers

Publication Date: February 20, 2018

Author's Website: [vesperillustration.com](http://vesperillustration.com)

## THRILLER

### ***Ten After Closing***

by Jessica Bayliss

Book Description: Alternates between events before and during a hold-up. Two teens with unique challenges explore their relationship while trying to survive. STEM. Diversity.

Author's Residence: Beacon Falls, Connecticut

Publisher: Sky Pony Press

Publication Date: September 4, 2018

Author's Website: [jessicabaylisswrites.com](http://jessicabaylisswrites.com)

## YOUNG ADULT FICTION

### ***The Predious Dreadful***

by Steven Parlato

Book Description: Combining romance, humor, and hints of the paranormal, this profound novel follows one teenager's struggle to redefine herself in the wake of childhood trauma.

Author's Residence: Waterbury, Connecticut

Publisher: Simon Pulse

Publication Date: February 13, 2018

Author's Website: [stevenparlato.com](http://stevenparlato.com)