

2021 CBCA Book of the Year Notables

Book of the Year: Older Readers

Entries in this category may be fiction, drama or poetry and should be appropriate in style and content for readers in their secondary years of schooling. Ages 13-18 years.

Note: Books in this category are for mature readers and some may deal with particularly challenging themes including violence and suicide. Parental guidance is recommended.

Author	Title	ISBN	Publisher
Rawah Arja	The F Team	9781925818543	Giramondo Publishing
Asphyxia	Future Girl	9781760294373	Allen & Unwin
Davina Bell	The End of the World is Bigger than Love	9781922268822	Text Publishing
Alex Dyson	When It Drops	9781760505042	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Sarah Epstein	Deep Water	9781760877286	Allen & Unwin
Zana Fraillon	The Lost Soul Atlas	9780734419934	Hachette Australia
Jane Godwin	When Rain Turns to Snow	9780734420053	Hachette Australia
Barry Jonsberg	Catch Me If I Fall	9781760877613	Allen & Unwin
Kay Kerr	Please Don't Hug Me	9781922268051	Text Publishing
Cath Moore	Metal Fish, Falling Snow	9781922330079	Text Publishing
Anna Morgan	Before the Beginning	9780734419651	Hachette Australia
Christie Nieman	Where We Begin	9781743535660	Pan Macmillan Australia
Garth Nix	The Left-Handed Booksellers of London	9781760631246	Allen & Unwin
Anna Whateley	Peta Lyre's Rating Normal	9781760525309	Allen & Unwin
Georgina Young	Loner	9781922330130	Text Publishing

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Book of the Year: Younger Readers

Entries in this category may be fiction, drama or poetry and should be appropriate in style and content for readers from the middle to upper primary years. 7-12 years.

Note: Some of the titles in this category may only be suitable for readers who are in the upper primary years as they contain mature themes, including violence. Parental guidance is recommended.

Author	Illustrator	Title	ISBN	Publisher
Danielle Binks		The Year the Maps Changed	9780734419712	Hachette Australia
Kate Constable		The January Stars	9781760525026	Allen & Unwin
Kate Gordon		Aster's Good, Right Things	9780648492573	Riveted Press
Kate Gordon		The Heartsong of Wonder Quinn	9780702262821	University of Queensland Press
Steven Herrick		Zoe, Max and the Bicycle Bus	9780702263002	University of Queensland Press
Bren MacDibble		Across the Risen Sea	9781760526054	Allen & Unwin
Amelia Mellor		The Grandest Bookshop in the World	9781925972955	Affirm Press
Jessica Miller		The Republic of Birds	9781922268044	Text Publishing
Jaclyn Moriarty	Kelly Canby	The Stolen Prince of Cloudburst	9781760875060	Allen & Unwin
Sally Murphy	Sarah Davis	Worse Things	9781760651657	Walker Books Australia
Katrina Nannestad		We Are Wolves	9780733340888	HarperCollins Publishers
Julianne Negri		The Secret Library of Hummingbird House	9781925870497	Affirm Press
Allison Rushby		When This Bell Rings	9781760651947	Walker Books Australia
Pamela Rushby		The Mummy Smugglers of Crumblin Castle	9781760651930	Walker Books Australia
Kirli Saunders	Dub Leffler	Bindi	9781925936667	Magabala Books
Claire Saxby		Haywire	9781742769196	Scholastic Australia
A.L. Tait		The Fire Star	9781760897079	Penguin Random House Australia
Dee White		Beyond Belief	9781760662516	Scholastic Australia
Sue Whiting		The Book of Chance	9781760651367	Walker Books Australia
Sean Williams		Her Perilous Mansion	9781760877361	Allen & Unwin

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Book of the Year: Early Childhood

Entries in this category may be fiction, drama or poetry and should be appropriate in style and content for children who are at pre-reading or early stages of reading. Ages 0-6 years.

Author	Illustrator	Title	ISBN	Publisher
Deborah Abela	Marjorie Crosby-Fairall	Bear in Space	9781760651510	Walker Books Australia
Sarah Allen		Busy Beaks	9781925972948	Affirm Press
Bronwyn Bancroft		Coming Home to Country	9781760501921	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Ashleigh Barton	Martina Heiduczek	What Do You Call Your Grandpa?	9780733340864	HarperCollins Publishers
John Canty		Shapes and Colours	9780648529187	Berbay Publishing
Libby Gleeson	Jedda Robaard	Soon	9781760501235	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Jane Godwin	Sara Acton	I'll Always Be Older Than You	9781760129781	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Bernadette Green	Anna Zobel	Who's Your Real Mum?	9781925849493	Scribble Kids' Books
Penny Harrison	Evie Barrow	Me and My Boots	9781760502331	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Libby Hathorn & Lisa Hathorn-Jarman	Mel Pearce	No! Never!	9780734418906	Hachette Australia
Kate Knapp		Ruby Red Shoes: My Wonderful Grandmother	9781460758885	HarperCollins Publishers
Frané Lessac		Australia Under the Sea 1, 2, 3	9781760652272	Walker Books Australia
Anna McGregor		Anemone is not the Enemy	9781922310118	Scribble Kids' Books
Heidi McKinnon		There's No Such Thing	9781760877279	Allen & Unwin
Aunty Fay Muir & Sue Lawson	Lisa Kennedy	Respect	9781925936315	Magabala Books
Briony Stewart		We Love You, Magoo	9781760896904	Penguin Random House Australia
Zeno Sworder		This Small Blue Dot	9781760761110	Thames & Hudson Australia
Kate & Jol Temple	Ronojoy Ghosh	Bin Chicken	9781743830048	Scholastic Australia
Margaret Wild	Judith Rossell	Pink!	9781460757499	HarperCollins Publishers
Rhián Williams	Nathaniel Eckstrom	Ten Little Figs	9781921977312	Walker Books Australia

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Picture Book of the Year

Entries in this category should be outstanding books of the Picture Book genre in which the author and illustrator achieve artistic and literary unity or, in wordless picture books, where the story, theme or concept is unified through illustrations. Ages 0-18 years. (NB. Some of these books may be for mature readers).

Illustrator	Author	Title	ISBN	Publisher
Tamsin Ainslie	Edwina Wyatt	Sometimes Cake	9781760650421	Walker Books Australia
Liz Anelli	Sue Lawson	The Biscuit Maker	9781760650438	Walker Books Australia
Evie Barrow	Maggie Hutchings	I Saw Pete and Pete Saw Me	9781925972825	Affirm Press
Freya Blackwood		The Unwilling Twin	9781460757536	HarperCollins Publishers
Nick Bland		Wolfred	9781760505660	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Philip Bunting		Give Me Some Space	9781760972356	Scholastic Australia
Philip Bunting		Not Cute.	9781760972387	Scholastic Australia
Philip Bunting		Who Am I?	9781743835043	Scholastic Australia
Philip Bunting		Wombat	9781760972370	Scholastic Australia
Kelly Canby		Littlelight	9781925815764	Fremantle Press
Gabriel Evans		Norton and the Bear	9780648785132	Berbay Publishing
Bob Graham		Ellie's Dragon	9781406387629	Walker Books Australia
Armin Greder		Diamonds	9781760877040	Allen & Unwin
Alison Lester	Jane Godwin	Sing Me the Summer	9781925972924	Affirm Press
Chris McKimmie		Colin Cockroach Goes to Caloundra	9781925804546	Ford Street Publishing
Christopher Nielsen	Nicole Godwin	Jelly-Boy	9781760651237	Walker Books Australia
Matt Ottley	Meg McKinlay	How to Make a Bird	9781925381894	Walker Books Australia
Felicita Sala	Maggie Hutchings	Your Birthday Was the Best!	9781925972535	Affirm Press
Danny Snell	Jackie French	The Fire Wombat	9781460759332	HarperCollins Publishers
Hannah Sommerville	Mike Dumbleton	Anisa's Alphabet	9781925227574	MidnightSun Publishing
Scott Stuart		My Shadow is Pink	9780648728757	Larrikin House
Jane Tanner	Margaret Wild	Girl from the Sea	9781760524302	Allen & Unwin
Anna Walker		Hello Jimmy!	9781760893422	Penguin Random House Australia
Annie White	Sue Whiting	Good Question: A Tale Told Backwards	9781760650841	Walker Books Australia
Anna Zobel	Bernadette Green	Who's Your Real Mum?	9781925849493	Scribble Kids' Books

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Eve Pownall Award

Entries in this category should be books which have the prime intention of documenting factual material with consideration given to imaginative presentation, interpretation and variation of style. Ages 0-18 years.

Author	Illustrator	Title	ISBN	Publisher
Sami Bayly		The Illustrated Encyclopaedia of Dangerous Animals	9780734420015	Hachette Australia
Maree Coote		Azaria: A True History	9780648568407	Melbournestyle Books
Jennifer Cossins		The Daddy Animal Book	9780734419873	Hachette Australia
Jennifer Cossins		The Mummy Animal Book	9780734419897	Hachette Australia
Pamela Freeman	Liz Anelli	Dry to Dry: The Seasons of Kakadu	9781760650285	Walker Books Australia
David Hartley & Kirsty Murray	Dub Leffler	Strangers on Country	9780642279552	National Library of Australia
Felice Jacka	Rob Crow	There's a Zoo in my Poo	9781760783044	Pan Macmillan Australia
Andrew Kelly	Mark Jackson & Heather Potter	Little Lon	9781742035970	Wild Dog Books
Sandra Kendell		Saltie Mumma	9781922081889	Windy Hollow Books
Gina M Newton	Rachel Tribout	Hold On! Saving the Spotted Handfish	9781486311842	CSIRO Publishing
Stephanie Owen Reeder	Tania McCartney	Australia's Wild Weird Wonderful Weather	9780642279637	National Library of Australia
Stephanie Owen Reeder		Will the Wonderkid: Treasure Hunter of the Australian Outback	9780642279521	National Library of Australia
Shirley Purdie		Shirley Purdie: My Story, Ngaginybe Jarragbe	9781925936131	Magabala Books
Claire Saxby	Tannya Harricks	Kookaburra	9781760651060	Walker Books Australia
Carole Wilkinson	Prue Pittock	Matthew Flinders - Adventures on Leaky Ships	9781742034935	Wild Dog Books

**The CBCA Book of the Year Awards Shortlist will be announced at
Noon AEDT on Tuesday March 30**