

## 2023 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	Illustrator	Title	ISBN	Publisher
Eva Collins		Ask No Questions	9781922571342	Puncher & Wattmann
Biffy James		Completely Normal (and Other Lies)	9781760508746	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Sarah Winifred Searle		Greatest Thing, The	9781761067655	Allen & Unwin
Pamela Rushby		Interned	9781760653019	Walker Books Australia
Avery McDougall		Invisibly Grace	9780645292886	Forty South Publishing
Ellie Marney		Killing Code, The	9781760526535	Allen & Unwin
Jodi McAlister		Libby Lawrence is Good at Pretending	9781743059043	Wakefield Press
Barry Jonsberg		Little Spark, A	9781760526924	Allen & Unwin
Lauren Draper		Museum of Broken Things, The	9781922458537	Text Publishing
Tom Taylor	Jon Sommariva	Neverlanders	9781761049071	Penguin Random House Australia
Kate Emery		Not So Chosen One, The	9781922458605	Text Publishing
Hayley Lawrence		Other Side of Tomorrow, The	9781760976453	Scholastic Australia
Martin Chatterton		Scorpion Falls	9781922696090	Ford Street Publishing Pty Ltd
Meg Caddy		Slipping the Noose	9781922458544	Text Publishing
Allison Rushby		Stand In, The	9781761290558	Scholastic Australia
Katy Warner		Triple Threat	9781760509101	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Nina Kenwood		Unnecessary Drama	9781922458896	Text Publishing
Claire Saxby		Wearing of the Green, The	9781760653583	Walker Books Australia
Kate Murray		We Who Hunt the Hollow	9781760508920	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Mike Lucas		What We All Saw	9781761045936	Penguin Random House Australia
Rhiannon Wilde		Where You Left Us	9780702265600	University of Queensland Press

## 2023 CBCA Book of the Year Notables

### 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
Shirley Marr		All Four Quarters of the Moon	9781760899554	Penguin Random House Australia
Pip Harry		August & Jones	9780734420350	Hachette Australia
Sarah Armstrong		Big Magic	9781760508432	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Deborah Abela		Book of Wondrous Possibilities, The	9781761044021	Penguin Random House Australia
Kate Foster		Bravest Word, The	9781760654719	Walker Books Australia
Rhiannon Williams		Dusty in the Outwolds	9781760509507	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Neridah McMullin	Astred Hicks	Evie and Rhino	9781760654207	Walker Books Australia
Skye McKenna		Hedgewitch	9781801300087	Welbeck Publishing
Nova Weetman		Jammer, The	9780702265426	University of Queensland Press
Dianne Wolfer	Brian Simmonds	Last Light Horse, The	9781760991302	Fremantle Press
Marion Roberts		Mikki and Me and the Out-of-Tune Tree	9781760526795	Allen & Unwin
Jackie French		Ming and Flo Fight for the Future	9781460760208	HarperCollins Publishers
Maryam Master		No Words	9781760983529	Pan Macmillan Australia
Zana Fraillon and Bren MacDibble		Raven's Song, The	9781761065798	Allen & Unwin
Craig Silvey		Runt	9781761067846	Allen & Unwin
Charlie Archbold		Sugarcane Kids and the Red-bottomed Boat, The	9781922458520	Text Publishing
Katrina Nannestad	Cheryl Orsini	Travelling Bookshop, The: Mim and the Woeful Wedding	9780733341663	HarperCollins Publishers
Katrina Nannestad		Waiting for the Storks	9780733342271	HarperCollins Publishers
Zana Fraillon	Sean Buckingham	Way of Dog, The	9780702265563	University of Queensland Press
Nat Amore	Mike Barry	We Run Tomorrow	9781760897697	Penguin Random House Australia
Oliver Phommavanh		What About Thao?	9781760897161	Penguin Random House Australia
Kathryn Apel		What Snail Knows	9780702265464	University of Queensland Press
Melanie La'Brooy		Wintrish Girl, The	9780702265631	University of Queensland Press
Kate Gordon		Xavier in the Meantime	9780645218091	Riveted Press
Gabrielle Wang		Zadie Ma and the Dog Who Chased the Moon	9781761046513	Penguin Random House Australia

## 2023 CBCA Book of the Year Notables

### 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
Emily Bruce	Leanne Mulgo Watson	Australian Animals Indigenous Discovery Big Book	9781922377432	Learning Media
Helen Milroy		Backyard Beasties	9781760991203	Fremantle Press
Kerri Day	Jess Racklyeft	Beside the Sea	9780645323580	Windy Hollow Books
Katrina Germein	Mandy Foot	Bev and Kev	9780645027051	Little Book Press
Annie White		Clementine's Treasure	9781922326577	New Frontier Publishing
Eliza Hull and Sally Rippin	Daniel Gray-Barnett	Come Over to My House	9781761210082	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Sue Whiting	Cate James	Echidna Near My Place, The	9781760652401	Walker Books Australia
Meg McKinlay	Karen Blair	Ella and the Useless Day	9781760653095	Walker Books Australia
Rhiân Williams	Tom Jellet	Emergency! Emergency! Vehicles to the Rescue	9781742036106	Wild Dog Books
Phil Cummings	Danny Snell	Garden on Red Gum Road, The	9780645027075	Little Book Press
Ashleigh Barton	Martina Heiduczek	How Do You Say I Love You?	9780733342172	HarperCollins Publishers
Sara Acton		Jack's Jumper	9781760654054	Walker Books Australia
Bob Graham		Jigsaw: A Puzzle in the Post	9781529503319	Walker Books Australia
Corinne Fenton	Tracie Grimwood	Lionel and Me	9781922326607	New Frontier Publishing
Carrie Gallasch	Hannah Sommerville	Market Day	9781760504076	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Scott Stuart		My Shadow is Purple	9781922503817	Larrikin House
Coral Vass	Tull Suwannakit	Please Handle With Care	9781922326652	New Frontier Publishing
Jane Godwin	Evie Barrow	Polly's Grand Party Plan	9781922400857	Affirm Press
Margaret Hamilton	Anna Pignataro	Rainbow Days	9781761210242	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Mal Webster		Ship Ahoy! Box Boy	9780645323597	Windy Hollow Books
Anna Walker		Snap!	9781922585387	Scribble Kids' Books
Sally Morgan	Johnny Warrkatja Malibirr	Thank you rain!	9781922613646	Magabala Books
Renee Trembl		This Little Joey	9781761046537	Penguin Random House Australia
Vikki Conley	Max Hamilton	Where the Lyrebird Lives	9780645323566	Windy Hollow Books

## 2023 CBCA Book of the Year Notables

### 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
Maxine Beneba Clarke	Randa Abdel-Fattah	11 Words for Love	9780734421203	Hachette Australia
Briony Stewart		Accidentally Kelly Street	9781922848055	Affirm Press
Gabriel Evans		A Job for Kingsley	9781761210211	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Michelle Pereira	Sandhya Parappukkaran	Amma's Sari	9781760509910	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Sher Rill Ng	Alice Pung	Be Careful, Xiao Xin!	9781922033932	HarperCollins Publishers
Shane DeVries	Phil Cummings	Crumbs	9781760970086	Scholastic Australia
Tom Jellett	Michael Wagner	Dirt by Sea	9781760894061	Penguin Random House Australia
Harrison Vial	Clare Atkins	Egg	9780702265594	University of Queensland Press
Sophie Blackall		Farmhouse	9780734421654	Hachette Australia
Sean E Avery		Frank's Red Hat	9781760654283	Walker Books Australia
Bob Graham		Jigsaw: A Puzzle in the Post	9781529503319	Walker Books Australia
Nicky Johnston	Coral Vass	Jørn's Magnificent Imagination	9781922539144	EK Books
Stephen Michael King		Koala Ark	9781761128257	Scholastic Australia
Zeno Swoorder		My Strange Shrinking Parents	9781760761233	Thames & Hudson Australia
Jasmine Seymour		Open Your Heart to Country	9781922613769	Magabala Books
Dub Leffler	Kirli Saunders	Our Dreaming	9781742995113	Scholastic Australia
Levi Pinfold		Paradise Sands: A Story of Enchantment	9781406383942	Walker Books Australia
Caroline Magerl		Piano Fingers	9781760652616	Walker Books Australia
Marjorie Crosby-Fairall	Trudie Trewin	Summer Blue	9781743837405	Scholastic Australia
Sally Soweol Han		Tiny Wonders	9780702263477	University of Queensland Press
Matt Ottley		Tree of Ecstasy and Unbearable Sadness, The	9780648023852	WestWords
Hilary Jean Tapper	Davina Bell	What to Say When You Don't Know What to Say	9780734421142	Hachette Australia
Judy Watson	Sofie Laguna	When You're Older	9781760291341	Allen & Unwin
Phil Lesnie	Jordan Collins	Where?	9781760526382	Allen & Unwin
Jess Racklyeft	Claire Saxby	Whisper on the Wind	9781760526887	Allen & Unwin

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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.

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Author	Illustrator	Title	ISBN	Publisher
Frané Lessac		A Is for Australian Reefs	9781760652258	Walker Books Australia
Jennifer Cossins		Amazing Animal Journeys	9780734421432	Hachette Australia
Edith Wright	Charmaine Ledden-Lewis	Charlie's Swim	9781922613103	Magabala Books
Isaiah Firebrace	Jaelyn Biumaiwai	Come Together: Things Every Aussie Kid Should Know about the First Peoples	9781741178166	Hardie Grant Explore
Jess McGeachin		DEEP: Delve into Hidden Worlds	9781913519483	Welbeck Publishing
Sue Whiting	Cate James	Echidna Near My Place, The	9781760652401	Walker Books Australia
Sandra Severgnini		Grub	9781922539267	EK Books
Eddie Jaku	Nathaniel Eckstrom	Happiest Boy on Earth, The	9781760985608	Pan Macmillan Australia
Samantha Curcio		Hello Every Body!	9781760509903	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Claire Orrell		In An Artist's Garden	9781760761479	Thames & Hudson Australia
Jess McGeachin		Kind	9781761066047	Allen & Unwin
Philip Bunting		Marvellous Manner of Water, The	9781760975180	Scholastic Australia
Deborah Frenkel	Ingrid Bartkowiak	Naturopolis	9780645191530	Storytorch Press
Tracey Gray		Oceans of Plastic: Understanding and Solving a Pollution Problem	9781486312573	CSIRO Publishing
Alice Oehr		Off to the Market	9781925849790	Scribble Kids' Books
Rohan Cleave	Julian Teh	On the Trail of the Plains-wanderer: A Precious Australian Bird	9781486314478	CSIRO Publishing
Vianne Brain	Clare Bradley	Opal and Dart	9780645510119	Forty South Publishing
Andrew Kelly and Sue Lawson	Dean A. Jones	Peregrines in the City	9781742036519	Wild Dog Books
Jackie Kerin	Milly Formby	Shorebird Flying Adventure, A	9781486314492	CSIRO Publishing
Mark Wilson		Votes for Women! The story of Nellie, Rose and Mary	9780734420138	Hachette Australia
Vanessa Pirotta	Samantha Metcalfe	Voyage of Whale and Calf, The	9781486315109	CSIRO Publishing
Heath McKenzie		Where Do Babies Come From?	9780655226680	Lake Press Pty Ltd
Leonard Cronin	Chris Nixon	Wild Australian Life	9781760637224	Allen & Unwin
Tai Snaith		Wonders Under the Sun	9781760762438	Thames & Hudson Australia
Philip Bunting		World's Most Ridiculous Animals, The	9781761210594	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing