



2025 Master List Rebecca Caudill Young Readers' Book Award Illinois Children's Choice Award

Author	Title	Publisher	Pub Date	Interest Levels
Barnes, Jennifer Lynn	The Inheritance Games	Little, Brown	2020	7-8
Cisneros, Ernesto	Falling Short	Quill Tree Books	2022	4-6
Fipps, Lisa	Starfish	Nancy Paulsen Books	2021	5-8
Gibbs, Stuart	Charlie Thorne and the Last Equation	Simon & Schuster	2019	6-8
Glaser, Karina Yan	A Duet for Home	Clarion	2022	4-7
Hood, Susan & Dawson, Greg	Alias Anna : Zhanna Arshanskaya: A Biography in Verse : A true Story of Outwitting the Nazis	HarperCollins	2022	6-8
Korman, Gordon	The Fort	Scholastic	2022	5-7
Lloyd, Natalie	Hummingbird	Scholastic	2022	4-6
Marsh, Katherine	The Lost Year	Roaring Brook Press	2023	5-8
McNicoll, Elle	A Kind of Spark	Crown	2021	5-7
Melleby, Nicole	How to Become a Planet	Algonquin	2021	6-8
Najem, Muhammad; Neus, Nora, & Robine, Julie	Muhammad Najem, War Reporter	Little, Brown	2022	5-8
O'Shaughnessy, Kate	Lasagna Means I Love You	Knopf	2023	4-6
Ortega, Claribel A. & Bousamra, Rose	Frizzy	First Second	2022	4-8
Partridge, Elizabeth & Tamaki, Lauren	Seen and Unseen: What Dorothea Lange, Toyo Miyatake, and Ansel Adams's Photographs Reveal About the Japanese American Incarceration	Chronicle	2022	6-8
Santat, Dan	A First Time for Everything	First Second	2023	6-8
Smith, Niki	The Golden Hour	Little, Brown	2021	6-8
Smith, Tommie; Barnes, Derrick, & Anyabwile, Dawud	Victory. Stand! Raising My Fist for Justice	Norton	2022	7-8
Soontornvat, Christina & Cacao, Joanna	The Tryout	Graphix	2022	4-8
Warga, Jasmine	A Rover's Story	Balzer + Bray	2022	4-6

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Books Available in Chinese and Spanish

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Barnes, Jennifer Lynn	Una herencia en juego	Molino, Penguin Random House Grupo Editorial	2022	7-8
Fipps, Lisa	Estrella de mar	Vintage, Español	2023	5-8
McNicoll, Elle	A Kind of Spark - Traditional Chinese	San Min/Tsai Fong Books	2022	5-7
Ortega, Claribel A. & Bousamra, Rose	Rizos	First, Second	2023	4-8

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