Author Honor Award Winners

2018 Derrick Barnes – Crown: An Ode to the Fresh Cut  ON ORDER
Jason Reynolds – Long Way Down F R335/
Angie Thomas – The Hate U Give

2017 Jason Reynolds -- As brave as you F R335as
Ashley Bryan -- Freedom over me: eleven slaves, their lives and dreams brought to life F B841f

2016 Jason Reynolds and Brendan Kiely -- All American boys
Jason Reynolds -- The boy in the black suit
Ilyasah Shabazz -- X: a novel F Sh11x

2015 Kwame Alexander -- The crossover F A/1273c
Marilyn Nelson -- How I discovered poetry 808.1 N335h
Kekla Magoon -- How it went down F M275h

2014 John Lewis and Andrew Aydin -- March: Book One 323.1 L587mo
Walter Dean Myers -- Darius & Twig
Nikki Grimes -- Words with wings

2013 Jacqueline Woodson -- Each Kindness E W868e
Vaunda Micheaux Nelson -- No crystal stair: A documentary novel of the life and work of Lewis Micheaux, Harlem bookseller

2012 Eloise Greenfield -- The great migration: journey to the north 808.1 G837g
Patricia C. McKissack -- Never forgotten 808.1 M2177n

2011 Walter Dean Myers -- Lockdown F M992/
Jewell Parker Rhodes -- Ninth ward
G. Neri -- Yummy: The last days of a southside shorty
2010 Tanita S. Davis -- Mare's war F D298m
2009 Hope Anita Smith Keeping the night watch F Sm58k
Joyce Carol Thomas -- The blacker the berry 811.54 T364b
Carole Boston Weatherford -- Becoming Billie Holiday
2008 Sharon M. Draper -- November blues F D792n
Charles R. Smith, Jr. -- Twelve rounds to glory: The story of Muhammad Ali
2007 Nikki Grimes -- The road to Paris F G883r
2006 Tonya Bolden -- Maritcha: A nineteenth century American girl
Nikki Grimes -- Dark sons
Marilyn Nelson -- A wreath for Emmett Till 808.1 N335w
2005 Shelia P. Moses -- The legend of Buddy Bush
Sharon G. Flake -- Who am I without him?: Short stories about girls and the boys in their lives
Marilyn Nelson -- Fortune's bones
2004 Jacqueline Woodson -- Locomotion 808.1 W868/
2003 Brenda Woods -- The red rose box F W863r
Nikki Grimes -- Talkin' about Bessie: the story of aviator Elizabeth Coleman B C675g
2002 Sharon G. Flake -- Money-hungry F F599m
Marilyn Nelson -- Carver: a life of poems 808.1 N335c
2001 Andrea Davis Pinkney -- Let it shine! Stories of Black women freedom fighters 782.25 L567
2000 Karen English -- Francie F En36f
Patricia C. McKissack -- Black hands, white sails: the story of African-American whalers 639.2 M217b
Walter Dean Myers -- Monster F M992mon

1999 Nikki Grimes -- Jazmin's notebook F G882j

Joyce Hansen -- Breaking ground, breaking silence: the story of New York's African burial ground 973.04 H198b

Brian Pinkney -- Duke Ellington: the piano prince and his orchestra B E156P

1998 James Haskins -- Bayard Rustin: behind the scenes of the civil rights movement B R928H

Joyce Hansen -- I thought my soul would rise and fly: the diary of Patsy, a freed girl F H198i

1997 Patricia C. & Patrick L. McKissack -- Rebels against slavery: American slave revolts 326 M217r

1996 Christopher Paul Curtis -- The Watsons go to Birmingham F C941w

Rita Williams-Garcia -- Like sisters on the homefront

Jacqueline Woodson -- From the notebooks of Melanin Sun

1995 Joyce Hansen -- The captive

Jacqueline Woodson -- I hadn't meant to tell you

Patricia C. & Frederick L. McKissack -- Black diamond: Story of the Negro Baseball League

1994 Joyce Carol Thomas -- Brown, honey in broom wheat tea 808.1 T364b

Walter Dean Meyers -- Malcolm X: By any means necessary

1993 Mildred Pitts Walter -- Mississippi challenge

Patricia C. & Frederick L. McKissack -- Sojourner Truth: Ain't I a woman

Walter Dean Myers -- Somewhere in the darkness F M992so

1992 Eloise Greenfield -- Night on Neighborhood Street 808.1 G837n

1991 James Haskins -- Black dance in America
Angela Johnson -- When I am old with you E J629w

1990 Eloise Greenfield -- Nathaniel talking

Virginia Hamilton -- The bells of Christmas F H18b

Lillie Patterson -- Martin Luther King, Jr. and the freedom movement

1989 James Berry -- A thief in the village and other stories

Virginia Hamilton -- Anthony Burns: the defeat and triumph of a fugitive slave B B938H

1988 Alexis De Veaux -- An enchanted hair tale E D492e

Julius Lester -- The tales of Uncle Remus: the adventures of Brer Rabbit 398.73 L567a

1987 Ashley Bryan -- Lion and the Ostrich chicks and other African folk tales 398.6 B84/

Joyce Hansen -- Which way freedom

1986 Virginina Hamilton -- Junius over far F H18ju

Mildred Pitts Walter -- Trouble's child F W171t

1985 Candy Dawson Boyd -- Circle of Gold

Virginia Hamilton -- A little love F H18/

1984 Virginia Hamilton -- The magical adventures of pretty pearl F H18ma

James Haskins -- Lena Horne

Joyce Carol Thomas -- Bright shadow

Mildred Pitts Walter -- Because we are F W171b

1983 Julius Lester -- This strange new feeling F L567th

1982 Alice Childress -- Rainbow Jordan

Kristin Hunter -- Lou in the limelight
Mary E. Mebane -- Mary: An autobiography

1981 Alexis De Veaux -- Don't explain: a song of Billie Holiday B H717D

1980 Berry Gordy -- Movin' up B G66m

Eloise Greenfield & Leslie Jones Little -- Childtimes: A three-generation memoir 326 G837c

James Haskins -- Andrew Young: Young man with a mission

James Haskins -- James Van Der Zee: The picture takin' man

Ellease Southerland -- Let the lion eat straw

1979 Lillie Patterson -- Benjamin Banneker

Jeanne W. Peterson -- I have a sister, my sister is deaf

Virginia Hamilton -- Justice and her brothers F H19j

Carol Fenner -- Skates of Uncle Richard

1978 William J. Faulkner -- The days when the animals talked: Black folk tales and how they came to be

Frankcina Glass -- Marvin and Tige

Eloise Greenfield -- Mary McCleod B B465G

James Haskins -- Barbara Jordan

Lillie Patterson -- Coretta Scott King

Ruth Ann Stewart -- Portia: The life of Portia Washington Pittman, the daughter of Booker T. Washington

1977 Lucille Clifton -- Everett Anderson's friend

Mildred D. Taylor -- Roll of Thunder, hear my cry F T2165r

Clarence N. Blake & Donald F. Martin -- Quick book on Black America

1976 Shirley Graham -- Julius K. Nyerere: Teacher of Africa
Eloise Greenfield -- Paul Robeson
Walter Dean Myers -- Fast Sam, cool Clyde and stuff F M992fas
Mildred D. Taylor -- Song of the trees F T2165s

1975 No award presented

1974 Alice Childress -- A hero ain't nothin' but a sandwich
Lucille Clifton -- Do you remember? E C613d
Louise Crane -- Ms. Africa: Profiles of modern African women
Kristin Hunter -- Guest in the Promised Land
John Nagenda -- Mukasa

1973 No award presented

1972 No award presented

1971 Maya Angelou -- I know why the caged bird sings F An43i
Shirley Chisolm -- Unbought and Unbossed
Mari Evans -- I am a Black woman
Lorenz Graham -- Every man heart lay down
June Jordan & Terri Bush -- The voice of the children
Gladys Groom & Bonnie Grossman -- Black means
Margaret W. Peters -- Ebony book of Black achievement
Janice May Udry -- Mary Jo's grandmother
Lorenz Graham -- Every man heart lay down 232.9 G76e

1970 No award presented