

John Steptoe New Talent Award

The first John Steptoe Award was presented in 1995. The annual Award was established by the Coretta Scott King Task Force to affirm new talent and to offer visibility to excellence in writing and/or illustration.

2019 Award Winner

Monday's Not Coming

Written by: Tiffany D. Jackson

Thank You, Omu!

Illustrated by: Oge Mora

- 2018 *The Stars Beneath Our Feet*, David Barclay Moore
Mama Africa!, Charly Palmer
- 2017 *The Sun Is Also a Star*, Nicola Yoon
- 2016 *Voice of Freedom: Fannie Lou Hamer*, Ekua Holmes
Hoodoo, Ronald L. Smith
- 2015 *When I Was The Greatest*, Jason Reynolds
- 2014 *When The Beat Was Born*, Theodore Taylor III
- 2012 & 2013 No award presented.
- 2011 *Zora and Me*, Victoria Bond & T.R. Simon
- 2010 *The Rock and The River*, Kekla Magoon
- 2009 *Bird*, Shadra Strickland

- 2008 *Brendan Buckley's Universe and Everything in It*, Sundee T. Frazier
- 2005 *Missy Violet and Me*, Barbara Hathaway
Jazzy Miz Mozetta, Brenda C. Roberts
- 1999 *The Piano Man*, Debbie Chocolate
The Skin I'm In, Sharon Flake
- 1998 No award presented.
- 1997 *Another Way to Dance*, Martha Southgate
- 1996 No award presented.
- 1995 *Tears of a Tiger*, Sharon Draper



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Friday	10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday	10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Coretta Scott King & John Steptoe New Talent Awards



The Coretta Scott King Award was first given in 1970, and is awarded annually to African American authors and illustrators for outstanding inspirational and educational contributions. These titles promote understanding and appreciation of the culture of all peoples and their contribution to the realization of the American dream of a pluralistic society.

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2019 Winners

Author Award Winner

A Few Red Drops

Written by Claire Hartfield

Illustrator Award Winner

The Stuff of Stars

Illustrator—Ekua Holmes

Author Honor Book

Finding Langston

By Lesa Cline-Ransome

The Parker Inheritance

By Varian Johnson

The Season of Styx Malone

By Kekla Magoon

Illustrator Honor Book

Hidden Figures

Illus. Laura Freeman

Let the Children March

Illus. Frank Morrison

Memphis, Martin, and the Mountaintop

Illus. R. Gregory Christie

2018 *Piecing Me Together*, Renee Watson

Out of Wonder, illus. Ekua Holmes

2017 *March Book: Three*, John Lewis

Radiant Child, illus. Javaka Steptoe

2016 *Gone Crazy in Alabama*, Rita Williams-Garcia

Trombone Shorty, illus. Bryan Collier

2015 *Brown Girl Dreaming*, Jacqueline Woodson

Firebird, illus. Christopher Myers

2014 *P.S. Be Eleven*, Rita Williams-Garcia

Knock Knock: my dad's dream for me, illus. Bryan Collier

2013 *Hand in Hand: Ten Black Men who changed America*, Andrea D. Pinkney
I, Too, Am America, illus. Bryan Collier

2012 *Heart and Soul: The Story of America and African-Americans*, Kadir Nelson

Underground: Finding the Light to Freedom, illus. Shane W. Evans

2011 *One Crazy Summer*, Rita Williams-Garcia

Dave the Potter: Artist, Poet Slave, illus. Bryan Collier

2010 *Bad News for Outlaws: The Remarkable Life of Bass Reeves, Deputy U.S. Marshall*, Vaunda Micheaux Nelson

My People, illus. Charles R. Smith

2009 *We Are the Ship: The Story of Negro League Baseball*, Kadir Nelson

The Blacker the Berry, illus. Floyd Cooper

2008 *Elijah of Buxton*, Christopher Paul Curtis

Let it Shine, illus. Ashley Bryan

2007 *Copper Sun*, Sharon Draper

Moses: When Harriet Tubman Led Her People to Freedom, Carole Boston Weatherford

2006 *Day of Tears: A Novel*, Julius Lester

Rosa, Nikki Giovanni

2005 *Remember: The Journey to School Integration*, Toni Morrison

Ellington Was Not a Street, Ntozake Shange

2004 *The First Part Last*, Angela Johnson

2003 *Bronx Masquerade*, Nikki Grimes

2002 *The Land*, Mildred Taylor

Goin' Someplace Special, Patricia McKissack

2001 *Miracle's Boys*, Jacqueline Woodson

2000 *Bud, Not Buddy*, Christopher Paul Curtis

1999 *Heaven*, Angela Johnson

I see the Rhythm, Toyomi Igusa

1998 *In Daddy's Arms I am Tall: African Americans Celebrating Fathers*, Alan Schroeder

1994 *Soul Looks Back in Wonder*, Phyllis Fogelman

1993 *Dark Thirty: Southern Tales of the Supernatural*, Patricia A. McKissack

The Origin of Life on Earth: An African Creation Myth, David A. Anderson

1992 *Tar Beach*, Faith Ringgold

1991 *The Road to Memphis*, Mildred D. Taylor

Aida, Leontyne Price

1990 *Nathaniel Talking*, Eloise Greenfield

1989 *Fallen Angels*, Walter Dean Myers

Mirandy and Brother Wind, Patricia McKissack

1988 *The Friendship*, Mildred L. Taylor

Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters: An African Tale, John Steptoe

1986 *The People Could Fly: American Black Folktales*, Virginia Hamilton

The Patchwork Quilt, Valerie Flournoy

1982 *Let the Circle Be Unbroken*, Mildred D. Taylor

1981 *This Life*, Sidney Poitier

1974 *Ray Charles*, Sharon Bell Mathis

1973 *I Never Had it Made: The Autobiography of Jackie Robinson*, Jackie Robinson