

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.

2020 Award Winner

Genesis Begins Again

Written by: Alicia D. Williams

What Is Given from the Heart

Illustrated by: April Harrison

2019 *Monday's Not Coming*,
Tiffany D. Jackson

Thank You, Omu!, 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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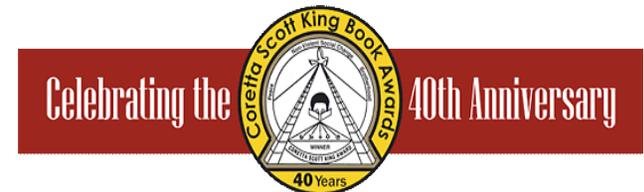
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Coretta Scott King & John Steptoe New Talent Awards



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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2020 Winners

Author Award Winner

New Kid

Written by Jerry Craft

Illustrator Award Winner

The Undefeated

Illustrator—Kadir Nelson

Author Honor Book

Look Both Ways

By Jason Reynolds

The Stars and the Blackness Between Them

By Junauda Petrus

Tristan Strong Punches a Hole in the Sky

By Kwame Mbalia

Illustrator Honor Book

The Bell Rang

Illus. James E. Ransome

Infinite Hope

Illus. Ashley Bryan

Sulwe

Illus. Vashti Harrison

- 2019 *A Few Red Drops*, Claire Hartfield
The Stuff of Stars, illus. Ekua Holmes
- 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*, 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*, 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 Igus
- 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