**Best Picture Books of 2013**

**ALA Awards**

<http://www.ala.org/alsc/awardsgrants/notalists/ncb>

And Then It’s Spring. By Julie Fogliano. Illus. by Erin E. Stead.

Bear Has a Story to Tell. By Philip C. Stead. Illus. by Erin E. Stead.

**Black Dog**. By Levi Pinfold. Illus. by the author.

**Charley's First Night**. By Amy Hest. Illus. by Helen Oxenbury.

**Creepy Carrots!** By Aaron Reynolds. Illus. by Peter Brown.

**Demolition**. By Sally Sutton. Illus. by Brian  Lovelock.

Dogs on Duty. By Dorothy Hinshaw Patent.

**Dreaming Up: A Celebration of Building**. By Christy Hale. Illus. by the author.

**Extra Yarn**. By Mac Barnett . Illus. by Jon Klassen.

**Golden Domes and Silver Lanterns: A Muslim Book of Colors**. By Hena Khan. Illus. by Mehrdokht Amini.

**Goldilocks and the Three Dinosaurs**. By Mo Willems. Illus. by the author.

**Green**. By Laura Vaccaro Seeger. Illus. by the author.

**Hippopposites**. By Janik Coat.

**Infinity and Me**. By Kate Hosford. Illus. by Gabi Swiatkowska.

**Just Ducks**. By Nicola Davies. Illus. by Salvatore  Rubbino.

**Let's Go for a Drive!**  By Mo Willems. Illus. by the author.

**Machines Go to Work in the City**. By William Low. Illus. by the author.

**Magritte’s Marvelous Hat : A Picture Book**. By D. B. (Donald B.) Johnson. Illus. by the author.

**Martin de Porres: The Rose in the Desert**.  By Gary D. Schmidt, Illus. by David Diaz.

**More**. By I. C. Springman. Illus. by Brian Lies.

**Nighttime Ninja**. By Barbara DaCosta. Illus. by Ed Young.

**Oh, No!** By Candace Fleming. Illus. by Eric Rohmann.

**One Cool Friend**. By Toni Buzzeo. Illus. by David Small.

One Special Day: A Story for Big Brothers and Sisters. By Lola M. Schaefer. Illus. by Jessica Meserve.

**Penny and Her Doll**. By Kevin Henkes. Illus. by the author.

**Pete the Cat and His Four Groovy Buttons**. By Eric Litwin. Illus. by James Dean.

**Rabbit and Robot: The Sleepover.** By Cece Bell. Illus. by the author.

**Sleep Like a Tiger**. By Mary Logue. Illus. by Pamela Zagarenski.

**This Is Not My Hat**. By Jon Klassen. Illus. by the author.

This Moose Belongs to Me. By Oliver Jeffers. Illus. by the author.

Up, Tall, and High! By Ethan Long. Illus. by the author.

Z Is for Moose. By Kelly Bingham. Illus. by Paul O. Zelinsky.

**Goodreads Choice Awards**

[**https://www.goodreads.com/choiceawards/best-picture-books-2013**](https://www.goodreads.com/choiceawards/best-picture-books-2013)

The Day the Crayons Quit by Oliver Jeffers

The Dark by Lemony Snicket

Chu’s Day by Neil Gaiman

The Little Book of Sloth by Lucy Cooke

Journey by Aaron Becker

Unicorn Thinks He’s Pretty Great by Bob Shea

My Brother’s Book by Maurice Sendak

Count the Monkeys by Mac Barnett

Flora and the Flamingo by Molly Idle

That Is Not a Good Idea! By Mo Willems

The Matchbox Diary by Paul Fleischman

Mr. Tiger Goes Wild by Peter Brown

Exclamation Mark by Amy Krouse Rosenthal

Open This Little Book by Jesse Klausmeier

On a Beam of Light by Jennifer Berne

Mr. Wuffles by David Wiesner

Mustache Baby by Bridget Heos

Deck the Walls (A Wacky Christmas Carol) by Erin Dealy

If You Want to See a Whale by Julie Fogliano

Sophie’s Squash by Pat Zietlow Miller

**Huffington Post**

<http://www.huffingtonpost.com/minhle/best-picture-books-of-201_b_4378532.html>

No Fits, Nilson! by Zachariah OHora

Journey by Aaron Becker

Niño Wrestles the World by Yuyi Morales

Knock Knock: My Father's Dream for Me by Daniel Beaty, illustrated by Bryan Collier

Wait! Wait! by Hatsue Nakawaki, illustrated by Sakai Komako

Herman and Rosie by Gus Gordon

Battle Bunny by Jon Scieszka and Mac Barnett, illustrated by Matthew Meyers

Locomotive by Brian Floca

Rock-a-bye Room by Susan Meyers, illustrated by Amy Bates

Jumping Penguins by Marije Tolman, text by Jesse Goosens

Alphablock by Christopher Franceschelli

Animal Opposites by Petr Horacek

Hello, Mr. Hulot by David Merveille

Crabtree by Tucker and Jon Nichols

Stardines by Jack Prelutsky, illustrated by Carin Berger

**NPR’s Book Concierge**

<http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/tag/kids-books>

[Aces Wild by Erica S. Perl](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/" \l "/book/aces-wild)

[Advice To Little Girls by Mark Twain, Vladimir Radunsky](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/advice-to-little-girls)

[Animal Opposites by Petr Horacek](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/animal-opposites)

[Battle Bunny by Jon Scieszka, Mac Barnett, Matthew Myers](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/battle-bunny)

[Count The Monkeys by Mac Barnett, Kevin Cornell](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/count-the-monkeys)

[Counting By 7s by Holly Goldberg Sloan](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/counting-by-7s)

[Flora And The Flamingo by Molly Idle](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/flora-and-the-flamingo)

[Flora And Ulysses: The Illuminated Adventures by Kate DiCamillo, K.G. Campbell](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/flora-and-ulysses-the-illuminated-adventures)

[Frog Song by Brenda Z. Guiberson, Gennady Spirin](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/frog-song)

[Have You Seen My New Blue Socks? by Eve Bunting, Sergio Ruzzier](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/have-you-seen-my-new-blue-socks)

[Hiding Out At The Pancake Palace by Nan Marino](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/hiding-out-at-the-pancake-palace)

[How Big Were Dinosaurs? by Lita Judge](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/how-big-were-dinosaurs)

[Journey by Aaron Becker](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/journey)

[Mo's Mustache by Ben Clanton](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/mos-mustache)

[Mr. Wuffles! by David Wiesner](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/mr-wuffles)

[On A Beam Of Light: A Story Of Albert Einstein by Jennifer Berne, Vladimir Radunsky](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/on-a-beam-of-light-a-story-of-albert-einstein)

[One Came Home by Amy Timberlake](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/one-came-home)

[Take Me Out To The Yakyu by Aaron Meshon](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/take-me-out-to-the-yakyu)

[Tap The Magic Tree by Christie Matheson](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/tap-the-magic-tree)

[The Animal Book: A Collection Of The Fastest, Fiercest, Toughest, Cleverest, Shyest -- And Most Surprising -- Animals On Eart by Steve Jenkins](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/the-animal-book-a-collection-of-the-fastest-fiercest-toughest-cleverest-shyest-and-most-surprising-animals-on-earth)

[The Apprentices by Maile Meloy, Ian Schoenherr](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/the-apprentices)

[The Boy On The Porch by Sharon Creech](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/the-boy-on-the-porch)

[The Screaming Staircase by Jonathan Stroud](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/the-screaming-staircase)

[The World Is Waiting For You by Barbara Kerley](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/the-world-is-waiting-for-you)

[The Year Of Billy Miller by Kevin Henkes](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/the-year-of-billy-miller)

[This Little Piggy by Tim Harrington](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/this-little-piggy)

[Unicorn Thinks He's Pretty Great by Bob Shea](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/unicorn-thinks-hes-pretty-great)

[Who Says Women Can't Be Doctors?: The Story Of Elizabeth Blackwell by Tanya Lee](http://apps.npr.org/best-books-2013/#/book/who-says-women-cant-be-doctors-the-story-of-elizabeth-blackwell)

**School Library Journal**

<http://www.slj.com/2013/11/reviews/best-of/slj-best-books-2013-picturebooks/>

Journey . By Aaron Becker illus. by author.

Mr. Tiger Goes Wild. By Peter Brown illus. by author.

The Day the Crayons Quit. By Drew Daywalt illus. by Oliver Jeffers.

The Highway Rat. By Julia Donaldson illus. by Axel Scheffler.

Henry’s Map. By David Elliot illus. by author.

Papa’s Mechanical Fish. By Candance Fleming illus. by Boris Kulikov.

If You Want to See a Whale. By Julie Fogliano illus. by Erin E. Stead.

Penny and Her Marble. By Kevin Henkes illus. by author.

Little Red Writing. By Joan Holub illus. by Melissa Sweet.

Flora and the Flamingo. By Molly Idle illus. by author.

The Invisible Boy . by Trudy Ludwig illus. by Patrice Barton.

Sophie’s Squash.  By Pat Zietlow Miller illus by Anne Wilsdorf.

The Mighty Lalouche. By Mathew Olshan illus. by Sophie Blackall.

Xander’s Panda Party. By Linda Sue Park illus. by Matt Phelan.

The Tortoise & the Hare. By Jerry Pinkney illus. by author

Steam Train, Dream Train. By Sherri Dusky Rinker illus. by Tom Lichtenheld.

Exclamation Mark. By Amy Krouse Rosenthal illus. by Tom Lichtenheld.

The Dark. By Lemony Snicket illus. by Jon Klassen.

Mr. Wuffles! By David Wiesner

That Is Not a Good Idea! By Mo Willems illus. by author.

**New York Times Best Illustrated Books of 2013**

<http://www.cbcbooks.org/the-new-york-times-book-review-unveils-10-best-illustrated-childrens-books-for-2013/#.UqSTcmTk80M>

My Brother’s Book, written and illustrated by Maurice Sendak

Ballad, written and illustrated by Blexbolex, translated by Claudia Z.

Jemmy Button, written and illustrated by Jennifer Uman and Valerio Vidali

The Dark, written by Lemony Snicket, illustrated by Jon Klassen

Holland, written and illustrated by Charlotte Dematons

Journey, written and illustrated by Aaron Becker

Fog Island, written and illustrated by Tomi Ungerer

Jane, The Fox and Me, written by Fanny Britt, illustrated by Isabelle Arsenault, translated by Christelle Morelli and Susan Ouriou

Locomotive, written and illustrated by Brian Floca

Nelson Mandela, written and illustrated by Kadir Nelson

**New York Times Notable Picture Books**

<http://www.nytimes.com/2013/12/08/books/review/notable-childrens-books-of-2013.html?_r=0>

[AFRICA IS MY HOME: A Child of the Amistad](http://www.nytimes.com/2013/11/10/books/review/atinukes-splash-anna-hibiscus-and-more.html)**.** By Monica Edinger. Illustrated by Robert Byrd.

**THE BEAR’S SONG.** Written and illustrated by Benjamin Chaud.

[BLUEBIRD](http://www.nytimes.com/2013/04/14/books/review/bluebird-by-bob-staake-and-more.html)**.** Written and illustrated by Bob Staake.

[THE BOY WHO LOVED MATH: The Improbable Life of Paul Erdos](http://www.nytimes.com/2013/07/14/books/review/the-boy-who-loved-math-and-on-a-beam-of-light.html)**.** By Deborah Heiligman. Illustrated by LeUyen Pham.

[BUILDING OUR HOUSE](http://www.nytimes.com/2013/01/13/books/review/america-the-beautiful-by-katharine-lee-bates-and-more.html)**.** Written and illustrated by Jonathan Bean.

[THE DARK](http://www.nytimes.com/2013/04/14/books/review/brief-thief-by-michael-escoffier-and-more.html)**.** By Lemony Snicket. Illustrated by Jon Klassen.

[FOG ISLAND](http://www.nytimes.com/2013/06/16/books/review/julie-foglianos-if-you-want-to-see-a-whale-and-more.html)**.** Written and illustrated by Tomi Ungerer.

[HILDA AND THE BIRD PARADE](http://www.nytimes.com/2013/04/10/books/hilda-and-the-bird-parade-by-luke-pearson.html)**.** Written and illustrated by Luke Pearson.

[JOURNEY](http://www.nytimes.com/2013/07/14/books/review/journey-by-aaron-becker-and-more.html)**.** Written and illustrated by ­Aaron Becker.

[**MR. WUFFLES!**](http://www.nytimes.com/2013/10/13/books/review/david-wiesners-mr-wuffles-and-more.html)Written and illustrated by David Wiesner.

[SOMETHING BIG](http://www.nytimes.com/2013/10/02/books/something-big-by-sylvie-neeman.html)**.** By Sylvie Neeman. ­Illustrated by Ingrid Godon

[THIS IS THE ROPE: A Story From the Great Migration](http://www.nytimes.com/2013/08/25/books/review/this-is-the-rope-by-jacqueline-woodson-and-more.html)**.** By Jacqueline Woodson. Illustrated by James Ransome.

**Publishers Weekly**

[**http://best-books.publishersweekly.com/pw/best-books/2013/childrens-picture**](http://best-books.publishersweekly.com/pw/best-books/2013/childrens-picture)

Mr. Tiger Goes Wild by Peter Brown

The Year of the Jungle: Memories of the Home Front by Suzanne Collins

If You Want to See a Whale by Julie Fogliano

Rosie’s Magic Horse by Russell Hoban

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This is the Rope: A Story from the Great Migration by Jacqueline Woodson

**Amazon’s Best Children’s Books of 2013**

<http://www.amazon.com/b/ref=s9_al_bw_brwse?_encoding=UTF8&node=7756011011&pf_rd_m=ATVPDKIKX0DER&pf_rd_s=merchandised-search-6&pf_rd_r=1BJ7QFB34J4YYYC3HY7T&pf_rd_t=101&pf_rd_p=1649115602&pf_rd_i=7783650011>

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Mr. Wuffles by David Wiesner

If you want to see a whale by Julie Fogliano

Dare Devil: The Daring Life of Betty Skelton

The Matchbox Diary by Paul Fleischman

Ol’ Mama Squirrel by David Ezra Stein

Dream Animals: A Bedtime Journey by Emily Winfield Martin

Llama Llama and the Bully Goat by Anna Dewdney

Hello, My Name is Ruby by Phillip Christian Stead

The Bear’s Song by Benjamin Chaud

Count the Monkeys by Mac Barnett

Toys in Space by Mini Grey

Tap the Magic Tree by Christie Matheson

Cowpoke Clyde and Dirty Dawg by Lori Mortensen

I’d Know You Anywhere, My Love by Nancy Tillman

Twenty Big Trucks in the Middle of the Street by Mark Lee