

THE NEWBERY MEDAL

The Newbery Medal is named in honor of John Newbery (1713-1767), a British publisher and bookseller in the 1700s. Newbery is known as the father of children's literature because he was the first to propose publishing books specifically for children. The award is presented each year by the American Library Association to the "author of the most distinguished contribution to American literature for children" published during the preceding year. The award was first given in 1922 and is awarded annually. The winning book receives the Newbery Medal and one or more runners-up are also recognized as honor books.

YEAR	TITLE	AUTHOR
1997	<i>The View From Saturday</i>	Elaine L. Konigsburg
1996	<i>The Midwife's Apprentice</i>	Karen Cushman
1995	<i>Walk Two Moons</i>	Sharon Creech
1994	<i>The Giver</i>	Lois Lowry
1993	<i>Missing May</i>	Cynthia Rylant
1992	<i>Shiloh</i>	Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
1991	<i>Maniac Magee</i>	Jerry Spinelli
1990	<i>Number the Stars</i>	Lois Lowry
1989	<i>Joyful Noise: Poems for Two Voices</i>	Paul Fleischman
1988	<i>Lincoln: A Photobiography</i>	Russell Freeman
1987	<i>The Whipping Boy</i>	Sid Fleischman
1986	<i>Sarah, Plain and Tall</i>	Patricia MacLachlan
1985	<i>The Hero and the Crown</i>	Robin McKinley
1984	<i>Dear Mr. Henshaw</i>	Beverly Cleary
1983	<i>Dacey's Song</i>	Cynthia Voigt
1982	<i>A Visit To William Blake's Inn</i>	Nancy Willard
1981	<i>Jacob Have I Loved</i>	Katherine Ann Patterson
1980	<i>A Gathering of Days</i>	Joan W. Blos
1970	<i>Souder</i>	William H. Armstrong
1960	<i>Onion John</i>	Joseph Krumgold
1950	<i>The Door in the Wall</i>	Marguerite di Angeli
1940	<i>Daniel Boone</i>	James Daugherty
1930	<i>Hitty, Her First Hundred Years</i>	Rachel Field
1922	<i>The Story of Mankind</i>	Hendrik Willhem