

The 2009 Skipping Stones Honor Awards

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Thanks to our reviewers, ages 8 to 80, from many backgrounds and life experiences, for helping us select the winners. The reviews appear in our Summer 2009 issue, available now.

Multicultural & International Awareness:

52 Days by Camel by Lawrie Raskin with Debora Pearson. Annick Press; www.annickpress.com. Ages 9-13. ISBN: 978-1-55451-136-5

A Boy Named Beckoning by Gina Capaldi. Carolrhoda Books; www.lernerbooks.com. Ages 8-12. ISBN: 978-0-8225-7644-0

As Good as Anybody by Richard Michelson, illustr. Raul Colón. Alfred Knopf; www.randomhouse.com/kids. Ages 6-10. ISBN: 978-0-375-83335-9

A is for Abraham by Richard Michelson, illustr. Ron Mazellan. Sleeping Bear Press; www.sleepingbearpress.com. Elem. grades. ISBN: 978-1-58536-322-3

Baila, Nana, Baila/Dance, Nana, Dance retold by Joe Hayes, illustr. Mauricio T. Sayago. www.cincopuntos.com. Middle grades. ISBN: 978-1-933693-17-0

Ethiopian Voices: Tsion's Life by Stacy Bellward, photographs by Erlend Berge. Amharickids.com. Ages 6-11. ISBN: 978-0-9797481-1-0

Extraordinary Women from the Muslim World by Natalie Maydell and Sep Riahi, illustr. Heba Amin. Global Content Ventures; www.extraordinarywomen.tv. Ages 9-13. ISBN: 978-0-9799901-0-6

I Am Barack Obama by Charisse Carney-Nunes, illustr. Ann Marie Williams. www.BrandNuWords.com. Ages 6-10. ISBN: 978-097481424-7

Pitch Black, a graphic novel by Youme Landowne and Anthony Horton. Cinco Puntos; www.cincopuntos.com. Ages 13-17. ISBN: 978-1-933693-06-4

Lana's Lakota Moons by Virginia Driving Hawk Sneve. Univ. of Nebraska Press; www.bisonbooks.com. Ages 12 and up. ISBN: 978-0-8032-6028-3

The Latehomecomer by Kao Kalia Yang. Coffee House Press; www.coffeehousepress.org. Ages 14-99. ISBN: 978-1-56689-208-7

Secret Keeper by Mitali Perkins. Delacorte Press; www.randomhouse.com/teens. Ages 12 and up. ISBN: 978-0-385-73340-3

The Storyteller's Candle by Lucia Gonzalez, illustr. Lulu Delacre. Children's Book Press; www.childrensbookpress.org. Ages 6 and up. ISBN: 978-0-89239-222-3

Grandfather's Story Cloth by Linda Gerdner and Sarah Langford, illustr. Stuart Loughridge. Shen's; www.shens.com. Ages 4-9. ISBN: 978-1-885008-34-3

Nature and Ecology Books:

10 Things I Can Do to Help My World by Melanie Walsh. Candlewick Press; www.candlewick.com. Picture Book for ages 3-7. ISBN: 978-0-7636-4144-3

Breakfast in the Rainforest: A Visit with Mountain Gorillas by Richard Sobol. Candlewick Press; www.candlewick.com. Grades 1-6. ISBN: 978-0-7636-2281-7

How We Know What We Know About Our Changing Climate by Lynne Cherry and Gary Braasch. www.dawnpub.com. Ages 10-14. ISBN: 978-1-58469-103-7

Living Sunlight: How Plants Bring the Earth to Life by Molly Bang and Penny Chisholm, illustr. Molly Bang. Blue Sky; www.scholastic.com. Grades K-3. ISBN: 978-0-545-04422-6

Scat by Carl Hiaasen. Alfred A. Knopf; www.randomhouse.com/kids. Ages 10-15. ISBN: 978-0-375-83486-8

Science Q&A: Ecosystems by Gillian Richardson. Weigl Publishers; www.weigl.com. Upper elem. and middle grades. ISBN: 978-1-59036-954-8

Under New England by Charles Ferguson Barker. University Press of New England; www.upne.com. Ages 7-13. ISBN: 978-1-58465-696-8

Teaching and Parenting Resources:

10 Languages You'll Need Most in the Classroom by Garth Sundem, Jan Krieger and Kristi Pikiewicz. Corwin Press; www.corwinpress.com. Elem. grades. ISBN: 978-1-4129-3782-5

Green Teacher Magazine: *Education for Planet Earth*, Ed. Tim Grant and Gail Littlejohn. www.greenteacher.com. Grades 3-9. ISSN: 1192-1285

Rethinking Early Childhood Education, Ed. Ann Pelo. Rethinking Schools; www.rethinkingschools.org. Elem. grades. ISBN: 978-0-942961-41-6

Sarah's Waterfall by Ellery Akers, illustr. Angelique Benicio. Safer Society Press; www.saferociety.org. Elem. grades. ISBN: 978-1-884444-79-1

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