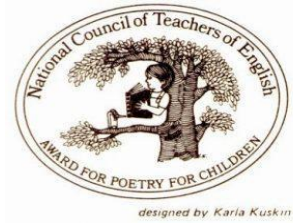


2018 Notable Poetry Books Selected by the NCTE Award for Excellence in Children's Poetry Committee



Animal Ark. Kwame Alexander. Photographs by Joel Sartore. 2017. National Geographic.

Before She Was Harriet. Lesa Cline-Ransome. Illus. by James E. Ransome. 2017. Holiday House.

Blue Sky White Star. Sarvinder Naberhaus. Illus. by Kadir Nelson. 2017. Dial Books for Young Readers.

Cricket in the Thicket: Poems about Bugs. Carol Murray. Illus. by Melissa Sweet. 2017. Christy Ottaviano Books / Henry Holt and Company.

Family Poems for Every Day of the Week. Francisco Alarcón. Illus. by Maya Christina Gonzalez. 2017. Children's Book Press / Lee & Low Books.

Here We Go: A Poetry Friday Power Book. Sylvia Vardell and Janet Wong. Illus. by Franzi Paetzold. 2017. Pomelo Books.

I Carry Your Heart with Me. E. E. Cummings. Illus. by Mati McDonough. 2017. Cameron Kids / Cameron + Company.

I'm Just No Good at Rhyming. Chris Harris. Illus. by Lane Smith. 2017. Little, Brown and Company.

Mrs. Nelson's Class. Edited by Marilyn Nelson. 2017. World Enough Writers.

My Daddy Rules the World: Poems about Dads. Hope Anita Smith. 2017. Christy Ottaviano Books / Henry Holt & Company.

Nothing Rhymes with Orange. Adam Rex. 2017. Chronicle Books.

One Last Word: Wisdom from the Harlem Renaissance. Nikki Grimes. Illus. by Cozbi A. Cabrera, R. Gregory Christie, Pat Cummings, Jan Spivey Gilchrist, Ebony Glenn, Nikki Grimes, E. B. Lewis, Frank Morrison, Christopher Myers, Brian Pinkney, Sean Qualls, James Ransome, Javaka Steptoe, Shadra Strickland, and Elizabeth Zunon. 2017. Bloomsbury.

Out of Wonder: Poems Celebrating Poets. Kwame Alexander. Illus. by Ekuia Holmes. 2017. Candlewick Press.

Poetry for Kids: Carl Sandburg. Edited by Kathryn Benzel. Illus. by Robert Crawford. 2017. MoonDance Press.

Poetry for Kids: Robert Frost. Edited by Jay Parini. Illus. by Michael Paraskevas. 2017. MoonDance Press.

Poetry for Kids: Walt Whitman. Edited by Karen Karbiener. Illus. by Kate Evans. 2017. MoonDance Press.

Read! Read! Read. Amy Ludwig VanDerwater. Illus. by Ryan O'Rourke. 2017. WordSong / Highlights.

Runny Babbit Returns. Shel Silverstein. 2017. Harper / HarperCollins.

Song of the Wild: A First Book of Animals. Nicola Davies. Illus. by Petr Horáček. 2017. Candlewick Press.

That is My Dream!. Langston Hughes. Ill. By Daniel Miyares. 2017. Schwartz & Wade Books.
Tony. Ed Galing. Illus. by Erin Stead. 2017. Neal Porter / Roaring Brook Press.

Traveling the Blue Road: Poems of the Sea. Lee Bennett Hopkins. Illus. by Bob Hansman & Jovan Hansman. 2017. Seagrass Press.

Wake Up. Helen Frost. Photographs by Rick Lieder. 2017. Candlewick Press.

Watersong. Tim McCanna. Illus. by Richard Smythe. 2017. Paula Wiseman / Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers.

The Watcher: Inspired by Psalm 121. Nikki Grimes. Illus. by Bryan Collier. 2017. Eerdmans Books for Young Readers.

2018 Notable Verse Novels

Gone Camping: A Novel in Verse. Tamera Will Wissinger. Illus. by Matthew Cordell. 2017. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt.

When My Sister Started Kissing. Helen Frost. 2017. Margaret Ferguson Books / Farrar Straus Giroux.

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