



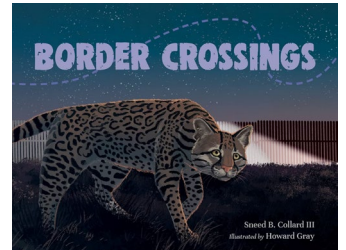
# NCTE ORBIS PICTUS AWARD®

## OUTSTANDING NONFICTION FOR CHILDREN

### WINNER LIST

The award was established in 1989 to promote and recognize excellence in the writing of nonfiction for children. The name *Orbis Pictus* commemorates the work of Johannes Amos Comenius, *Orbis Pictus—The World in Pictures* (1658), considered to be the first book actually planned for children.

**2024 Winner:** *Border Crossings* by Sneed B. Collard III, illustrated by Howard Gray (Charlesbridge)



#### Honor Books:

- *The Fire of Stars: The Life and Brilliance of the Woman Who Discovered What Stars are Made Of* by Kirsten W. Larsen, illustrated by Katherine Roy (Chronicle Books)
- *Indigenous Ingenuity: A Celebration of Traditional North American Knowledge* by Deidre Havrelock & Edward Kay, illustrated by Kalila Fuller (Christy Ottaviano Books)
- *Hidden Systems: Water, Electricity, the Internet, and the Secrets behind the Systems We Use Every Day* by Dan Nott (Random House Graphic)
- *Ketanji Brown Jackson: A Justice for All* by Tami Charles, illustrated by Jemma Skidmore (Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers)
- *Game of Freedom: Mestre Bimba and the Art of Capoeira* by Duncan Tonatiuh (Abrams Books for Young Readers)

#### Recommended Books:

- *Cool Green: Amazing Remarkable Trees* by Lulu Delacre (Candlewick Press)
- *Stars of the Night: The Courageous Children of the Czech Kindertransport* by Caren Stelson, illustrated by Selina Alko (Carolrhoda Books)
- *Polar! Wildlife at the Ends of the Earth* by L.E. Carmichael, illustrated by Byron Eggenschwiler (Kids Can Press)
- *Breaking the Mold: Changing the Face of Climate Science* by Dana Alison Levy (Holiday House)
- *The Bees of Notre Dame* by Meghan P. Browne, illustrated by E.B. Goodale (Random House Studio)
- *Benito Juárez Fights for Justice* by Beatriz Gutierrez Hernandez (Godwin Books)
- *On the Tip of a Wave: How Ai Weiwei's Art is Changing the Tide* by Joanna Ho, illustrated by Cátia Chien (Orchard Books)
- *This is Tap: Savion Glover Finds His Funk* by Selene Castrovilla, illustrated by Laura Freeman (Holiday House)

#### **2023 Winner:**

*Blue: A History of the Color as Deep as the Sea and as Wide as the Sky* by Nana Ekua Brew-Hammond, illustrated by Daniel Minter (Alfred A. Knopf Books for Young Readers)



#### Honor Books:

- *Choosing Brave: How Mamie Till-Mobley and Emmett Till Sparked the Civil Rights Movement* by

- Angela Joy, illustrated by Janelle Washington (Roaring Brook Press)
- *Fighting for Yes! The Story of Disability Rights Activist Judith Heumann* by Maryann Cocca-Leffler, illustrated by Vivien Mildenerger (Abrams Books for Young Readers)
- *Hardcourt: Stories from 75 Years of the National Basketball Association* by Fred Bowen, illustrated by James E. Ransome (Margaret K. McElderry Books)
- *Seen and Unseen: What Dorothea Lange, Toyo Miyatake, and Ansel Adams's Photographs Reveal about the Japanese American Incarceration* by Elizabeth Partridge, illustrated by Lauren Tamaki (Chronicle)
- *The Science of Light: Things That Shine, Flash, and Glow* by Margaret Peot (Holiday House)

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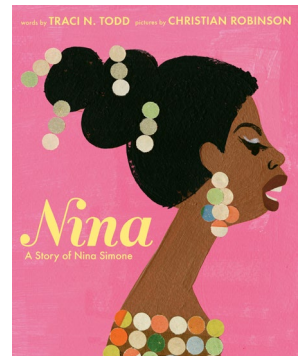
- *A River's Gifts: The Mighty Elwha River Reborn* by Patricia Newman, illustrated by Natasha Donovan (Millbrook Press)
- *The Adventures of Dr. Sloth: Rebecca Cliffe and Her Quest to Protect Sloths* by Suzi Eszterhas (Millbrook Press)
- *Caves* by Nell Cross Beckerman, illustrated by Kalen Chock (Orchard Books)
- *Crash from Outer Space: Unraveling the Mystery of Flying Saucers, Alien Beings, and Roswell* by Candace Fleming (Scholastic Focus)
- *One Wish: Fatima al Fihri and the World's Largest University* by M. O. Yuksel, illustrated by Mariam Quraishi (HarperCollins)
- *The Mother of a Movement: Jeanne Manford—Ally, Activist, and Co-Founder of PFLAG* by Rob Sanders, illustrated by Sam Kalda (Magination Press)
- *The Mystery of the Monarchs: How Kids, Teachers, and Butterfly Fans Helped Fred and Norah Urquhart Track the Great Monarch Migration* by Barb Rosenstock, illustrated by Erika Meza (Knopf Books for Young Readers)
- *The Waiting Place: When Home Is Lost and a New One Not Yet Found* by Dina Nayeri, illustrated by Anna Bosch Miralpeix (Candlewick)

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## 2022

### Winner:

*Nina: A Story of Nina Simone* by Traci N. Todd, illustrated by Christian Robinson (G. P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young readers)



### Honor Books:

- *Fallout: Spies, Superbombs, and The Ultimate Cold War Showdown* by Steve Sheinkin (Roaring Brook Press)
- *Latinitas: Celebrating 40 Big Dreamers* by Juliet Menéndez (Henry Holt and Company)
- *Classified: The Secret Career of Mary Golda Ross, Cherokee Aerospace Engineer* by Traci Sorell, illustrated by Natasha Donovan (Millbrook Press)
- *Call and Response: The Story of Black Lives Matter* by Veronica Chambers (Versify)
- *Unbound: The Life & Art of Judith Scott* by Joyce Scott, with Brie Spangler and Melissa Sweet, illustrated by Melissa Sweet (Knopf Books for Young Readers)

### Recommended Books:

- *Butterfly for a King: Saving Hawai'i's Kamehameha Butterflies* by Susan L. Roth and Cindy Trumbore (Lee & Low Books)
- *Pura's Cuentos: How Pura Belpré Reshaped Libraries with Her Stories* by Annette Bay Pimentel, illustrated by Magaly Morales (Harry N. Abrams)
- *Monumental: Oscar Dunn and His Radical Fight in Reconstruction Louisiana* by Brian K. Mitchell, Barrington S. Edwards, and Nick Weldon (Historic New Orleans Collection)
- *What's In Your Pocket? Collecting Nature's Treasures* by Heather L. Montgomery, illustrated by Maribel Lechuga (Charlesbridge)

- *Sakamoto's Swim Club: How a Teacher Led an Unlikely Team to Victory* by Julie Abery, illustrated by Chris Sasaki (Kids Can Press)
- *We Must Not Forget: Holocaust Stories of Survival and Resistance* by Deborah Hopkinson (Scholastic Focus)
- *Planet Ocean: Why We All Need a Healthy Ocean* by Patricia Newman, photographs by Annie Crawley (Millbrook Press)
- *Make Meatballs Sing: The Life & Art of Corita Kent* by Matthew Burgess, illustrated by Kara Kramer (Enchanted Lion Books)



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