



2017 Purple Dragonfly Book Award Winners

Grand Prize Winner: *The Crystal Chronicles* by Alessia Dickson

\$100 Drawing Winner: *Edison's Tackle Box* by Meghan Colvin

Activity Books

1st Place: *The Adventures of Hope & Trusty: Sky Cloud City, Activity Book* by Maria Kamoulakou-Marangoudakis, illustrated by Mary Blaxland

2nd Place: *Chick Heather's New Neighborhood: Read, Imagine, Draw* by Sandy Hill

Animals/Pets

1st Place (tie): *A Very Greedy Tale* by Jennifer Somervell, illustrated by Margery Fern

1st Place (tie): *Treasure's Gift* by Laurie Hanson, illustrated by Darcy Bell-Myers

2nd Place: *Toad and the Boy* by Jo Miles Schuman

Honorable Mention:

Sashi and the Puppy Mill Girl by Linda Greiner, illustrated by Morgan Spicer

The Lonely Little Pony by Maria C. Hillegas, illustrated by Ros Webb

Baby on Board: How Animals Carry Their Young by Marianne Berkes, illustrated by Cathy Morrison

Rescued by Janice Howden, illustrated by Erika Folvovic

Jilly's Terrible Temper Tantrums: And How She Outgrew Them by Martha Heineman Pieper, PhD, illustrated by Jo Gershman

Annie Aardvark, Mathematician by Suzie Olsen, illustrated by Davina Kinney

Pixie's Adventure by Jenna Grodzicki, illustrated by Kerri Lockwood-Doody

Oscar and Emmy Get Rescued by Terri Sabol, illustrated by Anna Edwards

Whack, Whack, Whack, Goes the Tail! by Mark Rouillard, illustrated by David Burk

Bobbi Finds a Forever Home by Diana L. Likely, illustrated by Kate Cook

Pilgrim Pups by Nancy K. Arnold, illustrated by Ellen L. Berger

Super Speed Sam: Hide and Panic Stations by Monty J. McClaine

That Curious Sign on Aisle Nine by Kyle Morey and Laren Bright, illustrated by Dwayne Bruce

Arts/Music

Honorable Mention: *Musically Grown: Our First Years* by Jakova Pen

Best Cover Design

1st Place (tie): *The Amazing Journey of Solomon the Sockeye Salmon* by Pamela Cannalte, illustrated by Steven Beutler, Graphics by Jody Mattics

1st Place (tie): *The Horses of Lost Valley* by Aileen Kilgore Henderson

2nd Place: *Jilly's Terrible Temper Tantrums: And How She Outgrew Them* by Martha Heineman Pieper, PhD, illustrated by Jo Gershman

Honorable Mention:

Growing Up with the River by Dan and Connie Burkhardt, illustrated by Bryan Haynes

The Adventures of Henry the Squirrel: In Search of the Golden Heart by Eric S. Roth, illustrated by Matthew Czuprynski

The Strange Tale of Oddzilla by Lori R. Lopez

Voiceless Whispers by Jane Frances Ruby

A Very Greedy Tale by Jennifer Somervell, illustrated by Margery Fern

The Forgotten Princess by F.H. Mickel, illustrated by Nicole Guido

The Fabulous Glitter Girl by Morgan Lee Scheel, illustrated by Angela Sbandelli

Best Illustrations

1st Place (tie): *Grammy Likes Me Best* by Bonnie Apperson Jacobs and Terri Mainwaring, illustrated by Adam Turner

1st Place (tie): *The Amazing Journey of Solomon the Sockeye Salmon* by Pamela Cannalte, illustrated by Steven Beutler, graphics by Jody Mattics

1st Place (tie): *The Family Tree: The Night of the Storm* by Laurie Copmann, illustrated by Laurie Copmann and Shirley Kraus

2nd Place (tie): *Jilly's Terrible Temper Tantrums: And How She Outgrew Them* by Martha Heineman Pieper, PhD, illustrated by Jo Gershman

2nd Place (tie): *The Defense of Kenilworth Avenue* by Kathleen Cook, illustrated by Lauren Wozny and Peter Bex

Honorable Mention:

Bedtime for Buzzy by T.J. Hackworth, illustrated by Sean Baptist

Fizzle & Giggle's Amazing Monster Maze Adventure! by Chris Hyde

The Land of Walloo/La Tierra de Walloo by Georgia L. Lininger, illustrated by Jo Gershman

The Strange Tale of Oddzilla by Lori R. Lopez

Getting Home by J.R. Poulter, illustrated by Muza Ulasowski

That Curious Sign on Aisle Nine by Kyle Morey and Laren Bright, illustrated by Dwayne Bruce

Toad and the Boy by Jo Miles Schuman

A Thousand No's by DJ Corchin, illustrated by Dan Dougherty

10 Secrets of Being a Lady by Sheba Matheu, illustrated by Meredith Rushing

A Very Greedy Tale by Jennifer Somervell, illustrated by Margery Fern

The Adventures of Henry the Squirrel: In Search of the Golden Heart by Eric S. Roth, illustrated by Matthew Czuprynski

Bailey and the Magic Cupcake Truck by Pamela Cannalte, illustrated by Steven Beutler, designed by Jody Mattics

Josie the Great by Pam Saxelby, illustrated by Anne Saxelby

When a Child Cries by Cassie Lee, illustrated by Regina Byers

Best Interior Design

1st Place: *Growing Up with the River* by Dan and Connie Burkhardt, illustrated by Bryan Haynes

2nd Place: *A Very Greedy Tale* by Jennifer Somervell, illustrated by Margery Fern

Honorable Mention: *The Amazing Journey of Solomon the Sockeye Salmon* by Pamela Cannalte, illustrated by Steven Beutler, designed by Jody Mattics

Biography

1st Place: *Ruth Law: The Queen of the Air* by Billie Holladay Skelley, illustrated by Rachel Bowman

Book Series

1st Place: *Glitter the Unicorn* by Callie Chapman

2nd Place: *Don't Play with Your Food: Oliver's Pub* by Giddy Gragert, illustrated by Christina Mattison Ebert

Honorable Mention: *The Adventures of Piratess Tilly: Easter Island* by Elizabeth Lorayne, illustrated by Karen Watson

Book Trailer

1st Place: *Don't Play with Your Food: Oliver's Pub* by Giddy Gragert, illustrated by Christina Mattison Ebert

Chapter Books

1st Place: *The Pathway to Dragons: The Portal to Pyranis* by Hannah Hoffman, illustrated by Tiffany Tutti

2nd Place: *The Defense of Kenilworth Avenue* by Kathleen Cook, illustrated by Lauren Wozny and Peter Bex

Honorable Mention:

The Expectant Chair by Caroline Leland

The Railroad Adventures of Chen Sing by George Chiang

Gloppy by Pat Hall, illustrated by Emmeline Hall Forrestal

Nickerbacher by Terry John Barto, illustrated by Kim Sponaugle
The Cantankerous Bed and The Blue Heron by Caroline Leland
Rory Aqua Adventure Man by Michelle Path
Magic Moon: Two Worlds by Shirley Moulton
Saving Chocolate Thunder by Erin Slavik, illustrated by Drew Rose
Magic Moon: A Sister's Turn by Shirley Moulton, illustrated by Marilyn Whitchurch

Charity/Making a Difference

1st Place: *Magic Moon: A Young Boy's Journey* by Shirley Moulton, illustrated by Marilyn Whitchurch
2nd Place: *My Elephant-Sized Dream* by Bena Hartman, illustrated by Shelly Lipscomb

Children's Nonfiction

1st Place (tie): *Being Me: A Kid's Guide to Boosting Confidence and Self-Esteem* by Wendy L. Moss, PhD
1st Place (tie): *Eagle, Eagle, What Do You Need?* by David Jacob
1st Place (tie): *Ice Queen: Exploring Icebergs and Glaciers* by Anna Prokos, illustrated by Jamie Meckel Tablason
1st Place (tie): *The Amazing Journey of Solomon the Sockeye Salmon* by Pamela Cannalte, illustrated by Steven Beutler, designed by Jody Mattics
2nd Place: *Bobbi Finds a Forever Home* by Diana L. Likely, illustrated by Kate Cook
Honorable Mention: *Mapping My Day* by Julie Dillemoth, illustrated by Laura Wood

Comic Books

1st Place: *Comics for Change - Sundarvan Adventures: Waste of Taste* by Diksha Shenoy Kini, illustrated by Abhijeet Kini Studios
2nd Place: *Comics for Change - Sundarvan Adventures: The Big Blackout* by Diksha Shenoy Kini, illustrated by Abhijeet Kini Studios
Honorable Mention: *Comics for Change - Sundarvan Adventures: Mystery of the Missing Water* by Diksha Shenoy Kini, illustrated by Abhijeet Kini Studios

Cultural Diversity

1st Place: *Megumi's First Trip to Kyoto* by Alexandra Parsons, illustrated by Beatrice Favereau
2nd Place: *¡Todos A Comer! A Mexican Food Alphabet Book* by Dr. Ma. Alma Gonzalez Perez, illustrated by Maricia Rodriguez
Honorable Mention:

The Adventures of Hope & Trusty: Sky Cloud City by Maria Kamoulakou-Marangoudakis, illustrated by Aspasia Arvanitis
The Legend of Roberto Cofresí: A Puerto Rican Hero by Janet Balletta, illustrated by Estella Mejia
I am Hapa by Crystal Smith, photography by Michael Satoshi Garcia
The Railroad Adventures of Chen Sing by George Chiang
The Forgotten Princess by F.H. Mickel, illustrated by Nicole Guido
Journey to Appleville by Veronica Appleton, illustrated by Lisa Pangborn
The Art of Memory / El arte de recorder by Ten Various Artists
10 Secrets of Being a Lady by Sheba Matheu, illustrated by Meredith Rushing

Educational

1st Place: *Queen Vernita Journeys on an Old-Fashioned Paddleboat* by Dr. Dawn Menge, illustrated by Pamela Snyder
2nd Place: *A Rocky Start* by Anthony Tucker, illustrated by Breanne "Cari" Carlson
Honorable Mention:
Annie Aardvark, Mathematician by Suzie Olsen, illustrated by Davina Kinney
¡Hola! Let's Learn Spanish by Judy Martialay

Family Matters

1st Place (tie): *Josie the Great* by Pam Saxelby, illustrated by Anne Saxelby
1st Place (tie): *The Reading Promise* by Troy Kent, illustrated by Elisa Moriconi
2nd Place: *When a Child Cries* by Cassie Lee, illustrated by Regina Byers
Honorable Mention:
Jilly's Terrible Temper Tantrums: And How She Outgrew Them by Martha Heineman Pieper, PhD, illustrated by Jo Gershman
Waiting Patiently by Karen Brough
Denis and His American Trunk by Theresa Maloney Schoen, illustrated by Addie Hirschten
Chick Heather's New Neighborhood: New Friends by Sandy Hill
The Family Tree: The Night of the Storm by Laurie Copmann, illustrated by Laurie Copmann and Shirley Kraus

Food Related

1st Place: *Hamilton Troll Cookbook: Easy to Make Recipes for Children* by Kathleen J. Shields and Carol W. Bryant, illustrated by Leigh A. Klug

General

1st Place: *Glitter the Unicorn* by Callie Chapman

2nd Place: *The Adventures of Henry the Squirrel: In Search of the Golden Heart* by Eric S. Roth, illustrated by Matthew Czaprynski

Honorable Mention:

Emily Goes to Philadelphia by Patricia Guth, illustrated by Dayna Barley-Cohrs
Ol' Cephus and Betsy the Milk Cow by J. Alan, illustrated by Albert Sorrentino Jr.
Eagle, Eagle, What Do You Need? by David Jacob
Super Speed Sam: Santa's Rescue Dog by Monty J. McClaine

Green Books/Environmental

1st Place (tie): *Ace, King of My Heart: An Assateague Pony's Tale of Strength and Survival* by Lea Herrick

1st Place (tie): *Growing Up with the River* by Dan and Connie Burkhardt, illustrated by Bryan Haynes

2nd Place: *It Starts with a Raindrop* by Michael Smith, illustrated by Angela Alvarenga and Jonathon E. Goley

Honorable Mention:

Comics for Change - Sundarvan Adventures: Mystery of the Missing Water by Diksha Shenoy Kini, illustrated by Abhijeet Kini Studios

Comics for Change - Sundarvan Adventures: The Big Blackout by Diksha Shenoy Kini, illustrated by Abhijeet Kini Studios

Comics for Change - Sundarvan Adventures: Waste of Taste by Diksha Shenoy Kini, illustrated by Abhijeet Kini Studios

Growing Pains

1st Place: *Jilly's Terrible Temper Tantrums: And How She Outgrew Them* by Martha Heineman Pieper, PhD, illustrated by Jo Gershman

2nd Place: *Please Don't Call Me Chubby Roni!* by Roni Roth Beshears, EdD, RDN, illustrated by Rob Peters

Health

1st Place: *Itchy Pig* by Nicole Bruno Cox, illustrated by Jessie Judge

2nd Place: *Sloth the Lazy Dragon* by Regan W.H. Macaulay, illustrated by Alex Zgud

Historical Fiction

1st Place: *A Buss from Lafayette* by Dorothea Jensen

2nd Place: *The Railroad Adventures of Chen Sing* by George Chiang

Honorable Mention:

The Adventures of Hope & Trusty: Sky Cloud City by Maria Kamoulakou-Marangoudakis, illustrated by Aspasia Arvanitis
Growing Up with the River by Dan and Connie Burkhardt, illustrated by Bryan Haynes

Historical Nonfiction

1st Place: *Ruth Law: The Queen of the Air* by Billie Holladay Skelley, illustrated by Rachel Bowman

Humor

1st Place: *That Curious Sign on Aisle Nine* by Kyle Morey and Laren Bright, illustrated by Dwayne Bruce

2nd Place: *Stinky Blinky* by Troy Kent, illustrated by Elisa Moriconi

Honorable Mention: *The Strange Tale of Oddzilla* by Lori R. Lopez

LGBT

1st Place: *The Adventures of Mrs. Patropolis* by Diana C. Silverman, PhD, illustrated by Ellie Shapiro

Middle Grade Fiction

1st Place (tie): *A Raccoon's Tale: Seven Saves the Notch* by Fran Hodgkins

1st Place (tie): *Anni's Attic: A Story of the Civil War* by Anne Loader McGee

1st Place (tie): *Barley Soup and Slug Spit* by Susan Manzke

1st Place (tie): *The Seasons of a Giant* by Pamela Hartley

1st Place (tie): *Hope Girl* by Wendy Dunham

1st Place (tie): *My Name is River* by Wendy Dunham

2nd Place: *The Horses of Lost Valley* by Aileen Kilgore Henderson

Honorable Mention:

The Defense of Kenilworth Avenue by Kathleen Cook, illustrated by Lauren Wozny and Peter Bex

Esme Dooley and the Kirkkomaki Circus by Jane Donovan, illustrated by Holly Trechter

The Forgotten Princess by F.H. Mickel, illustrated by Nicole Guido

The Railroad Adventures of Chen Sing by George Chiang

The Mystery Beneath Midville Museum by Anne Loader McGee

Growing Up with the River by Dan and Connie Burkhardt, illustrated by Bryan Haynes

Vampire Boy by Aric Cushing, illustrated by Max Lawson

Outdoor Recreation

1st Place: *Edison's Tackle Box* by Meghan Colvin

Picture Books 5 & Younger

1st Place: *Zoe the Zebra* by Roxy Morgan, illustrated by Laura Winslow

2nd Place (tie): *Bailey and the Magic Cupcake Truck* by Pamela Cannalte, illustrated by Steven Beutler, designed by Jody Mattics

2nd Place (tie): *Praxx and the Ringing Robot* by Paul Ian Cross, illustrated by Andy Green

Honorable Mention:

Andi's Perfect Toy by Rae Abshire, illustrated by Kelsey Wilson

Josie the Great by Pam Saxelby, illustrated by Anne Saxelby

My Super Cool Friends by Lectura Books Preschool Team

Whack, Whack, Whack, Goes the Tail! by Mark Rouillard, illustrated by David Burk

Gracie Lou by Larissa Juliano, illustrated by Stephen Adams

Sir Walter Farluba by Donna LeBlanc, illustrated by Anton Servetnik

Annie Aardvark, Mathematician by Suzie Olsen, illustrated by Davina Kinney

Whistling Whales: Beyond the Sounds of ABC by Denise Eide, illustrated by Ingrid Hess

Knitting Knights: Beyond the Sounds of ABC by Denise Eide, illustrated by Ingrid Hess

The Land of Walloo/La Tierra de Walloo by Georgia L. Lininger, illustrated by Jo Gershman

Bedtime for Buzzy by T.J. Hackworth, illustrated by Sean Baptist

It's Just So ... Little! by Brenda Faatz, illustrated by Peter Trimarco

Toby: Adventures of a Curious Whynoceros by Christina Minutoli and Alexandria Regilio

Jilly's Terrible Temper Tantrums: And How She Outgrew Them by Martha Heineman Pieper, PhD, illustrated by Jo Gershman

Getting Home by J.R. Poulter, illustrated by Muza Ulasowski

The Gift of Gift by Sanjay Nambiar, illustrated by Sedi Pak

Picture Books 6 & Older

1st Place (tie): *Cub's Wish* by Angie Flores, illustrated by Yidan Yuan

1st Place (tie): *Delivering Dreams* by Lori Preusch

1st Place (tie): *Grammy Likes Me Best* by Bonnie Apperson Jacobs and Terri Mainwaring, illustrated by Adam Turner

1st Place (tie): *Jilly's Terrible Temper Tantrums: And How She Outgrew Them* by Martha Heineman Pieper, PhD, illustrated by Jo Gershman

1st Place (tie): *Sashi and the Puppy Mill Girl* by Linda Greiner, illustrated by Morgan Spicer

1st Place (tie): *That Curious Sign on Aisle Nine* by Kyle Morey and Laren Bright, illustrated by Dwayne Bruce

1st Place (tie): *The Fabulous Glitter Girl* by Morgan Lee Scheel, illustrated by Angela Sbandelli

1st Place (tie): *Sir Walter Farluba* by Donna LeBlanc, illustrated by Anton Servetnik

1st Place (tie): *The Reading Promise* by Troy Kent, illustrated by Elisa Moriconi

2nd Place (tie): *The Adventure Story* by Russel Wolter

2nd Place (tie): *The Amazing Journey of Solomon the Sockeye Salmon* by Pamela Cannalthe, illustrated by Steven Beutler, designed by Jody Mattics

Honorable Mention:

A Thousand No's by DJ Corchin, illustrated by Dan Dougherty

The Greatest Wish by Amanda Yoshida

Pixie's Adventure by Jenna Grodzicki, illustrated by Kerri Lockwood-Doody

Xalien the Purple Alien: Xalien Goes to School by Michelle Path, illustrated by Charlotte Roberts

Filly & Trilly: Where Does all the Money Go? by Nickie Hough, illustrated by Emily Zieroth

Gracie Lou by Larissa Juliano, illustrated by Stephen Adams

King Calm: Mindful Gorilla in the City by Susan D. Sweet and Brenda S. Miles, illustrated by Bryan Langdo

Whack, Whack, Whack, Goes the Tail! by Mark Rouillard, illustrated by David Burk

A Very Greedy Tale by Jennifer Somervell, illustrated by Margery Fern

It's Just So by Brenda Faatz, illustrated by Peter Trimarco

Kohana: A Native American Creation Myth by J.E. Rogers, illustrated by Guy Atherfold

Midnight and Moonlight by Peggy Sullivan

Jar of Hugs by Catherine E. Bennett, illustrated by Christine M. Bennett

Stinky Blinky by Troy Kent, illustrated by Elisa Moriconi

The Art of Memory / El arte de recorder by Ten Various Artists

Jim Rat by Ann Marie Gilligan, illustrated by Keziat

Luminaries: A Children's Book Anthology by Tracy Simpson

Quincy the Quail Leads His Family on an Adventure by Barbara Renner, illustrated by Amanda M. Wells

Aunt Melissa's Honeybee Farm by Scot Barnett, illustrated by Kimberly Bulcken Root

Poetry

1st Place: *Growing Young Spirits* by Christy Olson, illustrated by Melissa Marroquin

2nd Place: *Where Love Begins / Donde comienza el amor* by Helen Nieto Phillips

Honorable Mention:

Put On Your Silly Pants by Daniel Klawitter

The Junk Drawer by Ryan Karten, illustrated by Sabrina Symington

School Issues

1st Place (tie): *Courageous Gilbert the Groundhog* by Regina E. McCarthy, illustrated by Sue Dettman

1st Place (tie): *Each Step I Take* by Lila Dooley

2nd Place: *Tyler the Fish and the Lake Erie Bully* by Meaghan Fisher, illustrated by Tim Rowe

Honorable Mention:

Sarafina and the Not-So-Wonderful Day by Carol A. Bacon, illustrated by Marvin Alonso

The Forgotten Princess by F.H. Mickel, illustrated by Nicole Guido

Clarence: The Story of an Italian Boy with Big Ears and Big Problems by Stephanie Baruffi, illustrated by Michela Cardelli

No Mask, No Home! by The Sisters Spurlock

Boomer Be Nice! by Stacy Roberts, illustrated by Kaviya Rathinamala

Bug Off Big Bully by Shawnie Clark, illustrated by Amy Koch Johnson

The Secret to Life by Estefana Johnson, LMSW

Science Fiction/Fantasy

1st Place: *The Seasons of a Giant* by Pamela Hartley

2nd Place: *The Adventures of Biker Frog and Lady White Bear: Revenge of the Widow* by C. Kindler

Honorable Mention: *Sleep of Fools* by Lori R. Lopez

Special Needs/Disability Awareness

1st Place: *Mary's Song: Dream Horse Adventures* by Susan Count, illustrated by Ruth Sanderson

2nd Place: *Hope Girl* by Wendy Dunham

Honorable Mention:

My Belly Has Two Buttons by Meikele Lee, illustrated by Rebecca Robertson

Miles to the Moon by Jennifer Kuhns, illustrated by Edward Luena

No One Needed to Know by D.G. Driver

Spiritual/Religious

1st Place (tie): *Growing Young Spirits* by Christy Olson, illustrated by Melissa Marroquin

1st Place (tie): *My Name is River* by Wendy Dunham

2nd Place: *Mary's Song: Dream Horse Adventures* by Susan Count, illustrated by Ruth Sanderson

Young Adult Fiction

1st Place: *Lizardville: The Ghost Story* by Steve Altier

2nd Place: *Voiceless Whispers* by Jane Frances Ruby

Honorable Mention:

Mistasiniy: Buffalo Rubbing Stone by Mary Harelkin Bishop, illustrated by Heaven Starr

The Secret of Berry Brae Circle by EM McIntyre

Molly Greyson's Ghost by Roberta Hoffer

An Evening in Wonderland: A Brief Story About Maths, Physics & The Universe by Jacqueline Koay, illustrated by Kerry Robinson

Youth Author Fiction

1st Place: *The Crystal Chronicles* by Alessia Dickson

2nd Place: *The Pathway to Dragons: The Portal to Pyranis* by Hannah Hoffman, illustrated by Tiffany Tutti

Honorable Mention: *Kate the Cat's Christmas Mystery* by Nicole Nageli

* E-Book Award Winners *

Animals/Pets

1st Place: *Fun at the Aves Convention* by Dawn Cardin, illustrated by Dodot Asmoro

2nd Place: *The Tale of Prince* by Bianca Claudia Staines, illustrated by Marco Andrew Staines

Best Illustrations

1st Place: *Herakles* by Simon Spence, illustrated by Colm Lawton

Middle Grade Fiction

1st Place: *Lost in Time* by L.G. McFerren

2nd Place: *Quizzical* by Leanne Davidson

Honorable Mention: *Motley Education* by S.A. Larsen

Picture Books 6 & Older

1st Place: *Herakles* by Simon Spence, illustrated by Colm Lawton

2nd Place: *The Land Behind the Moon* by Thelma Fanstone Haffner

Honorable Mention: *Fun at the Aves Convention* by Dawn Cardin, illustrated by Dodot Asmoro

School Issues

Honorable Mention: *The Buddy Bench* by Angela Peterson, illustrated by Fatima Stamato

Special Needs/Disability Awareness

Honorable Mention: *Alby the Cat* by Leanne Davidson, illustrated by Rae Dale

Young Adult Fiction

Honorable Mention: *Maya's Magical Adventures* by Malcolm McCoard