

Book of the Year: Older Readers

Entries in this category may be fiction, drama or poetry and should be appropriate in style and content for readers in their secondary years of schooling. Ages 13-18 years.

Note: Books in this category are for mature readers and some may deal with particularly challenging themes including violence and suicide. Parental guidance is recommended.

Author	Title	ISBN	Publisher
Lili Wilkinson	A Hunger of Thorns	978176052694	A & U Children an imprint of Allen & Unwin
Robyn Dennison	Blind Spot	978192279034	Text Publishing
Graham Akhurst	Borderland	978176080264	UWA Publishing
Amy Doak	Eleanor Jones is Not a Murderer	978176134241	Penguin Random House Australia
Brendan Ritchie	Eta Draconis	978176080261	UWA Publishing
Karen Comer	Grace Notes	978073442172	Lothian Children's Books an imprint of Hachette Australia
Chemutai Glasheen	I Am the Mau and other stories	978176099257	Fremantle Press
Jack Heath	lf You Tell Anyone, You're Next	978176129201	Scholastic Australia
Suzy Zail	Inkflower	978176065373	Walker Books Australia
Megan Williams	Let's Never Speak of This Again	978192279039	Text Publishing
Kate J. Armstrong	Nightbirds	978176052690	A & U Children an imprint of Allen & Unwin
A.J. Betts	One Song	978176126490	Pan Macmillan Australia
Anna Fienberg	Picasso and the Greatest Show on Earth	978176029698	A & U Children an imprint of Allen & Unwin
Angourie Rice & Kate Rice	Stuck Up & Stupid	978176065828	Walker Books Australia
Amie Kaufman	The Isles of the Gods	978176118006	A & U Children an imprint of Allen & Unwin
Helena Fox	The Quiet and the Loud	978176098302	Pan Macmillan Australia
Garth Nix	The Sinister Booksellers of Bath	978176118000	A & U Children an imprint of Allen & Unwin
Ann Liang	This Time It's Real	978176104980	Penguin Random House Australia
Leanne Yong	Two Can Play That Game	978176106337	A & U Children an imprint of Allen & Unwin
Will Kostakis	We Could Be Something	978176118017	A & U Children an imprint of Allen & Unwin
Gary Lonesborough	We Didn't Think It Through	978176052693	A & U Children an imprint of Allen & Unwin



Book of the Year: Younger Readers

Entries in this category may be fiction, drama or poetry and should be appropriate in style and content for readers from the middle to upper primary years. 7-12 years.

Note: Some of the titles in this category may only be suitable for readers who are in the upper primary years as they contain mature themes, including violence. Parental guidance is recommended.

Author	Illustrator	Title	ISBN	Publisher
Tania Ingram	Anne Yi	Aggie Flea is Not a Liar	9781760972547	Scholastic Australia
Fiona Lloyd		Being Jimmy Baxter	9781760148515	Puffin AU an imprint of Penguin Random House Australia
Matt Stanton		Bored: Evie Dreams Big	9780733342066	ABC Books AU an imprint of HarperCollins Publishers
Carl Merrison & Hakea Hustler	Dub Leffler	Dirrarn	9781922777027	Magabala Books
Kate Foster	Sophie Beer	Harriet Hound	9781760654702	Walker Books Australia
H. Hayek		Huda Was Here	9781761068430	A & U Children an imprint of Allen & Unwin
Shivaun Plozza		Meet Me at the Moon Tree	9780702266171	University of Queensland Press
Jackie French		Ming and Hilde Lead a Revolution	9781460763445	HarperCollins Publishers
Sue Whiting	Rebecca Crane	Pearly and Pig and the Lost City of Mu Savan	9781760655457	Walker Books Australia
Andrew McDonald	Ben Wood	Real Pigeons Flap Out	9781761211546	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Suzanne Leal		Running With Ivan	9781460761335	HarperCollins Publishers
Di Walker		Saving Charli	9781761297311	Scholastic Australia
Tristan Bancks		Scar Town	9780143791812	Puffin AU an imprint of Penguin Random House Australia
Dianne Wolfer	Tony Flowers	Scout and the Rescue Dogs	9781760655860	Walker Books Australia
Tami Sussman		So That Happened But Maybe You Already Knew That	9781760656010	Walker Books Australia
Karen Comer		Sunshine on Vinegar Street	9781761180132	A & U Children an imprint of Allen & Unwin
Jackie French		The Great Gallipoli Escape	9781460764176	HarperCollins Publishers
Pamela Rushby		The Mud Puddlers	9781760655808	Walker Books Australia



Author	Illustrator	Title	ISBN	Publisher
Matt Stanton		The Odds: The Power of Being Odd	9780733340659	ABC Books AU an imprint of HarperCollins Publishers
Samera Kamaleddine		The Sideways Orbit of Evie Hart	9781460762653	HarperCollins Publishers
Kate Foster		The Unlikely Heroes Club	9781760655969	Walker Books Australia
Jared Thomas		Uncle Xbox	9781922613363	Magabala Books



Book of the Year: Early Childhood

Entries in this category may be fiction, drama or poetry and should be appropriate in style and content for children who are at pre-reading or early stages of reading. Ages 0-6 years.

Author	Illustrator	Title	ISBN	Publisher
Debra Tidball	Arielle Li	Anchored	9781922539496	EK Books an imprint of Exisle Publishing
Sue deGennaro		Bear and Duck are Friends	9781761210327	Little Hare an imprint of Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Sally Rippin	Lucinda Gifford	Big Dog is a Big Help	9781761210839	Little Hare an imprint of Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Jane Godwin	Terry Denton	Can You Teach a Fish to Climb a Tree?	9781760508661	Bright Light an imprint of Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Margaret Wild	Vivienne To	Duckling Runs Away	9781761065804	A & U Children an imprint of Allen & Unwin
Caz Goodwin	Pip Kruger	Grace and Mr Milligan	9789815009811	Marshall Cavendish International
Trevor Fourmile	Jingalu	Gurril, Storm Bird	9781922613455	Magabala Books
Briony Stewart		Gymnastica Fantastica!	9780734421852	Lothian Children's Books an imprint of Hachette Australia
Mike Dumbleton	Lucinda Gifford	Hair!	9780645401325	Little Book Press
Andrea Rowe	Hannah Sommerville	In the Rockpool	9781761213014	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Ali Rutstein	Niña Nill	Ladybirds Do Not Go to Day Care	9781761213113	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Isobel Bevis	Leanne Zilm	Nedingar: Ancestors	9781760992712	Fremantle Press
Katrina Germein	Danny Snell	One Little Duck	9781460761649	HarperCollins Publishers
Jacinta Daniher & Taylor Hampton	Seantelle Walsh	Our Mob	9781922696236	Ford Street Publishing
Michelle Worthington	Zoe Bennett	Ruby's Repair Cafe	9781922326805	New Frontier Publishing
Kerri Day	Nicky Johnston	Run Pups Run	9781921136092	Windy Hollow Books
Kirsty Murray	Karen Blair	Shadow Catchers	9781760526955	A & U Children an imprint of Allen & Unwin
Bob Graham		The Concrete Garden	9781529512649	Walker Books Australia

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Author	Illustrator	Title	ISBN	Publisher
Penny Harrison	Hannah Sommerville	The Little Things	9781761211263	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Victor Steffensen	Sandra Steffensen	The Trees	9781741178876	Hardie Grant Explore
Sue Whiting	Cate James	The Wheelbarrow Express	9781760654627	Walker Books Australia
Hayley Rawsthorne	Briony Stewart	These Little Feet	9781761069017	Albert Street Books an imprint of Allen & Unwin
Niña Nill		We're Moving Away	9781761212321	Bright Light an imprint of Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Karen Blair		When I'm Big	9781761045813	Puffin AU An imprint of Penguin Random House Australia
David Metzenthen	Jonathan Bentley	Where Will the Sleepy Sheep Sleep?	9781 76106 6160	A & U Children an imprint of Allen & Unwin



Picture Book of the Year

Entries in this category should be outstanding books of the Picture Book genre in which the author and illustrator achieve artistic and literary unity or, in wordless picture books, where the story, theme or concept is unified through illustrations. Ages 0-18 years.

Note: some of these books may be for mature readers.

Illustrator	Author	Title	ISBN	Publisher
Arielle Li	Debra Tidball	Anchored	9781922539496	EK Books an imprint of Exisle Publishing
Aura Parker		Bowerbird Blues	9781761205637	Scholastic Australia
Mark & Heather Jackson	Julia Lawrinson	City of Light	9781742036304	Wild Dog Books
Jeannie Baker		Desert Jungle	9781406387872	Walker Books Australia
Tania McCartney		Dorrie	9781460760109	HarperCollins Publishers
Peter Cheong		Every Night at Midnight	9781922992383	Affirm Press
Sophie Beer	Mel Amon	Good Morning, My Deer!	9781761380358	Scribble Kid's Books an imprint of Scribe Publications
Sophie Blackall		If I Was a Horse	9780734422712	Lothian Children's Books an imprint of Hachette Australia
Niña Nill	Ali Rutstein	Ladybirds Do Not Go to Day Care	9781761213113	Bright Light an imprint of Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Trace Balla		Leaf-light	9781760526207	A & U Children an imprint of Allen & Unwin
Jennifer Goldsmith	Chanelle Gosper	Little Treasure	9780734421494	Lothian Children's Books an imprint of Hachette Australia
Luisa Gioffre-Suzuki	Kaye Baillie	Mizuto and the Wind	9781922858023	MidnightSun Publishing
Mateja Jager	Margrete Lamond	Paper-flower Girl	9780645352399	Dirt Lane Press
Bruce Whatley	Jackie French	Plague	9781743834824	Scholastic Australia
Michelle Conn	Charlie Archbold	Raised by Moths	9781922858184	MidnightSun Publishing
Lorena Carrington	Sophie Masson	Satin	9781922858016	MidnightSun Publishing
Michelle Pereira	Sandhya Parappukkaran	Stay for Dinner	9781761211966	Bright Light an imprint of Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Ronojoy Ghosh & Niharika Hukku	Kate Temple & Jol Temple	That Bird Has Arms	9781761210310	Little Hare an imprint of Hardie Grant Children's Publishing



Illustrator	Author	Title	ISBN	Publisher
Eloise Short	Jodie McLeod	The Black Cockatoo With One Feather Blue	9780646874708	Wollemi Press
Bob Graham		The Concrete Garden	9781529512649	Walker Books Australia
Briony Stewart	Cassy Polimeni	The Garden at the End of the World	9780702265693	University of Queensland Press
Jennifer Falkner	Apsara Baldovino	The Lucky Shack	9781922033154	Working Title Press an imprint of HarperCollins Publishers
Kelly Canby		Timeless	9781760992323	Fremantle Press
Anna Read	Martine Murray	World	9780645039528	Parachute Press
Stephen Michael King	Josh Pyke	Your Head's Not the Place to Store Problems	9781761293023	Scholastic Australia



Eve Pownall Award

Entries in this category should be books which have the prime intention of documenting factual material with consideration given to imaginative presentation, interpretation and variation of style. Ages 0-18 years. *Note: Some books in this category are for mature readers and may deal with particularly challenging themes including violence and suicide. Parental guidance is recommended.*

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Author	Illustrator	Title	ISBN	Publisher
Remi Kowalski	Tonia Composto	All About the HEART	9781922610591	Berbay Publishing
Jess Racklyeft		Australia: Country of Colour	9781922863881	Affirm Press
Brentos		Australian Animals: From Beach to Bush	9781922930408	Affirm Press
Myke Mollard		Australian Backyard Birds	9781922800237	Woodslane Press
Anita Heiss	Samantha Campbell	Bidhi Galing	9781761105258	Simon & Schuster Australia
Mark Wilson		Caroline	9781922081018	Windy Hollow Books
Tsheena Cooper, M Pigram-Ross, Shere Ngan-ga Language	e Ford, Yawuru	Country Tells Us When	9781922592460	Indigenous Literacy Foundation
Isolde Martyn & Robyn Ridgeway	Louise Hogan	Country Town	9781922696342	Ford Street Publishing
Philip Bunting		Democracy!	9781761211478	Little Hare an imprint of Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Neridah McMullin	Lucia Masciullo	Eat My Dust!	9781760654191	Walker Books Australia
Dan Marshall		Eww Gross: Foul Facts and Putrid Pictures	9780645624564	Lost the Plot an imprint of Pantera Press
Jess McGeachin		High	9781803380278	Welbeck Publishing
Sami Bayly		How We Came to Be: Creatures of Camouflage and Mimicry	9780734421371	Lothian Children's Books an imprint of Hachette Australia
Louise Park		Last Man Out	9781742036427	Wild Dog Books
Mark Greenwood	Frané Lessac	Our Country: Where History Happened	9781760653576	Walker Books Australia
Carole Wilkinson	Prue Pittock	River to Bay - Victoria's Maritime History	9781742036168	Wild Dog Books
Margo Neale & Lynne Kelly	Blak Douglas	Songlines: First Knowledges for Younger Readers	9781760763480	Thames & Hudson Australia

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Author	Illustrator	Title	ISBN	Publisher
Violet Wadrill, Topsy Dodd Ngarnjal, Leah Leaman, Cecelia Edwards, Cassandra Algy, Felicity Meakins, Briony Barr, Gregory Crocetti		Tamarra	9781741178302	Hardie Grant Explore
Coral Vass	Jess Racklyeft	The Forgotten Song: Saving the Regent Honeyeater	9781486316403	CSIRO Publishing
Philip Bunting		The World's Most Atrocious Animals	9781761212604	Little Hare an imprint of Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Corey Tutt	Molly Hunt	This Book Thinks Ya Deadly!	9781741178159	Hardie Grant Explore
Lisa Harvey-Smith	Sophie Beer	Universal Guide to the Night Sky	9781760763121	Thames & Hudson Australia
Tania McCartney		Wildlife Compendium of the World	9781741177473	Hardie Grant Explore
Myke Mollard		Wildlife of Australia's Great Barrier Reef	9781922800367	Woodslane Press
Samantha Tidy	Rachel Gyan	Wollemi: Saving a Dinosaur Tree	9781486316083	CSIRO Publishing



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