

2022 Great Reads Youth List

Alabama

African Town by Charles Waters and Irene Latham

Alaska

Recess at 20 Below by Cindy Lou Aillaud

American Samoa

Tasi of American Samoa by Marilyn Down

Arizona

Across the Desert by Dusti Bowling

Arkansas

Beasts of Prey by Ayana Gray

California

Frankie & Bug by Gayle Forman

Colorado

cow boy is not a cowboy by Gregory Barrington

Connecticut

The All-Together Quilt by Lizzy Rockwell

Delaware

Those Kids from Fawn Creek by Erin Entrada Kelly

District of Columbia

ABLAZE WITH COLOR : A STORY OF PAINTER ALMA THOMAS by Jeanne Walker-Harvey

Florida

Strange Birds: A Field Guide to Ruffling Feathers by Celia C Perez

Georgia

Impossible Moon by Breanna McDaniel

Guam

Goodnight Guam by Evelyn Flores

Hawaii

Leilani: Blessed and Grateful by Greg Bowman, Alan Suemori

Idaho

The Stories Behind the Stories: The Remarkable True Tales Behind Your Favorite Children's Books by Danielle Higley

Illinois

Verify by Joelle Charbonneau

Indiana

YOU SHOULD SEE ME IN A CROWN by Leah Johnson

Iowa

SUNNY SONG WILL NEVER BE FAMOUS by Suzanne Park

Kansas

A Vote for Susanna: The First Woman Mayor by Karen M. Greenwald

Kentucky

Fly by Brittany J. Thurman

Louisiana

When I Was an Alligator by Gayle Webre

Maine

BLUE: A History of the Color as Deep as the Sea and as Wide as the Sky by Nana Ekua Brew-Hammond

Maryland

I, Matthew Henson: Polar Explorer by Carole Boston Weatherford

Massachusetts

Wherever I Go by Mary Wagley Copp

Michigan

RESPECT: Aretha Franklin, the Queen of Soul by Carol Boston Weatherford

Minnesota

How to Apologize by David LaRochelle

Mississippi

Loretta Little Looks Back: Three Voices Tell It by Andrea Davis Pinkney

Missouri

Growing Up with the River: Nine Generations on the Missouri by Dan & Connie Burkhardt

Montana

Thunderous by M.L.Smoker & Natalie Peeterse

Nebraska

Letters from Space by Clayton Anderson

Nevada

The Girl Who Fell Beneath the Sea by Axie Oh

New Hampshire

The Civil War Diary of Freeman Colby by Marek Bennett

New Jersey

The Singer and the Scientist by Lisa Rose

New Mexico

Shaped by Her Hands: Potter Maria Martinez by Anna Harber Freeman, Barbara Gonzales

New York

Children of the Longhouse by Joseph Bruchac

North Carolina

How to Steal A Dog by Barbara O'Connor

North Dakota

The Rise of Greg (An Epic Series of Failures) by Chris Rylander

Northern Mariana Islands

I Duendis: The Duendis by Cielo Citlalli Gutierrez Long

Ohio

Jenny Mei Is Sad by Tracy Subisak

Oklahoma

Run Little Chaski! An Inka Trail Adventure by Mariana Llanos

Oregon

A Game of Fox & Squirrels by Jenn Reese

Pennsylvania

Night Creatures: Animals that Swoop, Crawl, and Creep While You Sleep by Rebecca E. Hirsch

Puerto Rico

Planting Stories: The Life of Librarian and Storyteller Pura Belpré | Plantando historias: Sembrando historias: Pura Belpré: bibliotecaria y narradora de cuentos by Anika Denise

Rhode Island

Wherever I Go by Mary Wagley Copp

South Carolina

The Islanders by Mary Alice Monroe

South Dakota

A Dinosaur Named Ruth: How Ruth Mason Discovered Fossils in Her Own Backyard by Julia Lyon

Tennessee

Needlework by Julia Watts

Texas

INDELIBLE ANN: THE LARGER-THAN-LIFE STORY OF GOVERNOR ANN RICHARDS by Meghan P. Brown

Vermont

The Most Costly Journey (El Viaje Mas Caro) Editors: Marek Bennett, Andy Kolovos, Teresa Mares, Julia Grand Doucet

Virgin Islands

James and the Fireburn: An Anti-bullying and Human Rights Story Inspired by Caribbean History by Angela Golden Bryan

Virginia

Manatee's Best Friend by Sylvia Liu

Washington

The Last Cuentista by Donna Barba Higuera

West Virginia

Frankenslime by Joy Keller

Wisconsin

Peace by Baptiste Paul & Miranda Paul

Wyoming

The Marvelous Invention of Orion McBride by Tyler Rogers

2022 Great Reads Adult List

Alaska

A Thousand Trails Home: Living with Caribou by Seth Kantner

Arkansas

Remote Access: Small Public Libraries in Arkansas by Sabine Schmidt and Don House

Colorado

Woman of Light: A Novel by Kali Fajardo-Anstine

Connecticut

Sea Wife by Amity Gaige

Delaware

A Little Hope by Ethan Joella

Georgia

Gathering Blossoms Under Fire: The Journals of Alice Walker, 1965–2000 by Valerie Boyd

Hawaii

Inclusion: How Hawaii Protected Japanese Americans from Mass Internment, Transformed Itself, and Changed America by Tom Coffman

Idaho

Cloud Cuckoo Land by Anthony Doerr

Illinois

Noor by Nnedi Okorafor

Indiana

Zorrie by Laird Hunt

Kansas

The Chicken Sisters by KJ Dell'Antonia

Kentucky

The Book Woman's Daughter by Kim Michele Richardson

Louisiana

Economy Hall: The Hidden History of a Free Black Brotherhood by Fatima Shaik

Maine

Sigh, Gone (A Misfit's Memoir of Great Books, Punk Rock, and the Fight to Fit In) by Phuc Tran

Maryland

Mary Jane by Jessica Anya Blau

Massachusetts

Mercy Street by Jennifer Haigh

Minnesota

The Seed Keeper by Diane Wilson

Mississippi

The Age of Discovery and Other Stories by Becky Hagenston

Nebraska

The Bones of Paradise: A Novel by Jonis Agee

Nevada

On the Trail of the Jackalope: How a Legend Captured the World's Imagination and Helped Us Cure Cancer by Michael P Branch

New Hampshire

Some Returned: The Stories of Henniker Men Who Fought for the Union by Susan J. Fetzer

New Jersey

Tell No One by Harlan Coben

New Mexico

The Five Wounds by Kirstin Valdez Quade

New York

Harlem Shuffle by Colson Whitehead

North Carolina

The Tobacco Wives by Adele Myers

North Dakota

The Farmer's Lawyer: The North Dakota Nine and the Fight to Save the Family Farm by Sarah Vogel

Northern Marianas

The Fundamental Issues Affecting the Northern Mariana Islands by Jose S. Dela Cruz

Ohio

Kent State: Four Dead in Ohio by John "Derf" Backderf

Oregon

What Strange Paradise by Omar El Akkad

Pennsylvania

In the Dream House: A Memoir by Carmen Maria Machado

Puerto Rico

Deuda natal /Natal Debt by Mara Pastor

Rhode Island

Zorrie by Laird Hunt

South Dakota

Our History Is the Future: Standing Rock Versus the Dakota Access Pipeline, and the Long History of Indigenous Resistance by Nick Estes

Tennessee

Graceland at Last: NOTES ON HOPE AND HEARTACHE FROM THE AMERICAN SOUTH by Margaret Renkl

Texas

Lonesome Dove by Larry McMurtry

Utah

When I was Read Clay / The Cure for the Common Universe by Jonathan T. Bailey, Christian Heidicker

Virgin Islands

Fireburn The Screenplay: A story of passion ignited, based on the history of St. Croix by Angela Golden Bryan

Washington

Red Paint: The Ancestral Autobiography of a Coast Salish Punk by Sasha LaPointe

West Virginia

Flight Behavior by Barbara Kingsolver

Wisconsin

Modern Jungles: A Hmong Refugee's Childhood Story of Survival by Pao Lor

Wyoming

My Ranch, Too: A Wyoming Memoir by Mary Budd Flitner