

2024 CBCA Book of the Year Shortlist

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	9781760526948	A & U Children
Karen Comer	Grace Notes	9780734421722	Lothian Children's Books
Suzy Zail	Inkflower	9781760653736	Walker Books Australia
Megan Williams	Let's Never Speak of This Again	9781922790392	Text Publishing
Helena Fox	The Quiet and the Loud	9781760983024	Pan Macmillan Australia
Leanne Yong	Two Can Play That Game	9781761063374	A & U Children

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
Fiona Lloyd		Being Jimmy Baxter	9781760148515	Penguin Random House Australia
H. Hayek		Huda Was Here	9781761068430	A & U Children
Andrew McDonald	Ben Wood	Real Pigeons Flap Out	9781761211546	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Tristan Banks		Scar Town	9780143791812	Penguin Random House Australia
Dianne Wolfer	Tony Flowers	Scout and the Rescue Dogs	9781760655860	Walker Books Australia
Samera Kamaledine		The Sideways Orbit of Evie Hart	9781460762653	HarperCollins Publishers

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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
Sue deGennaro		Bear & Duck are Friends	9781761210327	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Jane Godwin	Terry Denton	Can You Teach a Fish to Climb a Tree?	9781760508661	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Caz Goodwin	Pip Kruger	Grace and Mr Milligan	9789815009811	Marshall Cavendish International
Briony Stewart		Gymnastica Fantastica!	9780734421852	Lothian Children's Books
Katrina Germein	Danny Snell	One Little Duck	9781460761649	HarperCollins Publishers
Bob Graham		The Concrete Garden	9781529512649	Walker Books Australia

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. (NB. Some of these books may be for mature readers).

Illustrator	Author	Title	ISBN	Publisher
Aura Parker		Bowerbird Blues	9781760269609	Scholastic Australia
Peter Cheong		Every Night at Midnight	9781922992383	Affirm Press
Sophie Blackall		If I Was a Horse	9780734422712	Lothian Children's Books
Mateja Jager	Margrete Lamond	Paper-flower Girl	9780645352399	Dirt Lane Press
Ronojoy Ghosh & Niharika Hukku	Kate Temple & Jol Temple	That Bird Has Arms	9781761210310	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Kelly Canby		Timeless	9781760992323	Fremantle Press

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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.

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Author	Illustrator	Title	ISBN	Publisher
Jess Racklyeft		Australia: Country of Colour	97819222863881	Affirm Press
Isolde Martyn & Robyn Ridgeway	Louise Hogan	Country Town	97819222696342	Ford Street Publishing
Dan Marshall		Eww Gross: Foul Facts and Putrid Pictures	9780645624564	Pantera Press
Mark Greenwood	Frané Lessac	Our Country: Where History Happened	9781760653576	Walker Books Australia
Violet Wadrill, Topsy Dodd Ngarnjal, Leah Leaman, Cecelia Edwards, Cassandra Algy, Felicity Meakins, Briony Barr, Gregory Crocetti		Tamarra	9781741178302	Hardie Grant Explore
Corey Tutt	Molly Hunt	This Book Thinks Ya Deadly!	9781741178159	Hardie Grant Explore

CBCA Award for New Illustrator

This Award aims to recognise and encourage new talent in the field of Australian children's book illustration. Ages 0-18 years.

Illustrator	Author	Title	ISBN	Publisher
Jeremy Worrall	Jared Field	Etta and the Shadow Taboo	9781760509798	Hardie Grant Children's Publishing
Pip Kruger	Caz Goodwin	Grace and Mr Milligan	9789815009811	Marshall Cavendish International
Erica Wagner	Johanna Bell	Hope is the Thing	9781761180026	A & U Children
Kim Drane	Kathy Weeden	Phonobet	9781922507471	NLA Publishing
Michelle Conn	Charlie Archbold	Raised by Moths	97819222858184	MidnightSun Publishing
Blake Nuto		When You're a Boy	97819222863652	Affirm Press

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