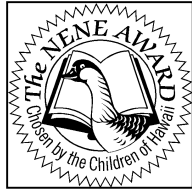


Nominees for the 2012 Nēnē Award



The Nēnē Award is an annual award given by Hawai'i's children for the best children's fiction book. Students in grades 4, 5 and 6 may vote at schools or public libraries participating in the program. For more information about the Nēnē Award and the books listed, visit the website: <http://nene.k12.hi.us>.

To be nominated for the Nēnē Award, a book must meet all of the following criteria.

- The book must be a work of fiction (a complete story) suitable for grades 4-6.
- The book must have been written by a living author who has not won the Nēnē Award in the last six years (since 2006).
- The book must have been published in the last six years (2006 or later).
- The book must not have been on a previous nomination list, with the exception of the top vote-getting titles carried over from the previous year.

Any book meeting these criteria is eligible to be nominated for the Nēnē Award. Students are encouraged to recommend titles for next year's list of *Nominees for Nēnē Award*. Please ask your librarian to forward recommendations to the Nēnē Award Committee.

- Barrett, Tracy. *The 100-Year Old Secret*. 2008. Mystery, siblings
- Bosch, Pseudonymous. *The Name of This Book is Secret*. 2007. Mystery, adventure
- Bruchac, Joseph. *Night Wings*. 2009. Spooky, adventure, Native American legend
- Clements, Andrew. *We the Children*. 2010. School, mystery
- Cottrell Boyce, Frank. *Cosmic*. 2010. Science fiction, family
- Coulombis, Audrey. *War Games*. 2009. Historical, World War II
- Crum, Shutta. *Thomas and the Dragon Queen*. 2010. Fantasy
- Davies, Jacqueline. *The Lemonade War*. 2007. Realistic, sibling rivalry, entrepreneurship
- Epstein, Adam. *The Familiars*. 2010. Fantasy, animal story
- Erskine, Kathryn. *Mockingbird: (Mok'ing-bûrd)*. 2010. Family, realistic, Asperger's Syndrome
- Gaiman, Neil. *The Graveyard Book*. 2008. Spooky, humor
- Hahn, Mary Downing. *All the Lovely Bad Ones*. 2008. Ghost story
- Hennesy, Carolyn. *Pandora Gets Jealous*. 2008. Humor, school, Greek mythology
- Holmes, Sara. *Operation Yes*. 2009. School, family, realistic, military family
- Kadohata, Cynthia. *Cracker! The Best Dog in Vietnam*. 2007. Historical fiction, war, animals
- Korman, Gordon. *Swindle*. 2008. Adventure, crime, friendship
- La Fevers, R. L. *Flight of the Phoenix*. 2009. Fantasy, mythical animals
- Lawrence, Iain. *The Giant-Slayer*. 2009. Historical, family, polio, fantasy
- Lin, Grace. *Where the Mountain Meets the Moon*. 2009. Dragons, Chinese folklore
- McGowan, Keith. *The Witch's Guide to Cooking with Children*. 2009. Suspense, siblings, humor
- Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds. *Emily's Fortune*. 2010. Historical, humor, adventure, Western
- Nicholls, Sally. *Ways to Live Forever*. 2008. Family, realistic, death, leukemia
- O'Connor, Barbara. *How to Steal a Dog*. 2007. Realistic, family, homelessness, animals
- Poblocki, Dan. *Stone Child*. 2009. Spooky, adventure
- Ryan, Pam Muñoz. *The Dreamer*. 2010. Biographical fiction, magic realism
- Salisbury, Graham. *Calvin Coconut, Trouble Magnet*. 2009. Hawaii, humor, school
- Sanderson, Brandon. *Alcatraz versus the Evil Librarians*. 2007. Science fiction, adventure
- Selznick, Brian. *The Invention of Hugo Cabret*. 2007. Historical, mystery, automatons
- Smith, Roland. *Storm Runners*. 2011. Adventure, realistic, family
- Tashjian, Janet. *My Life as a Book*. 2010. School, family, humor