

# The 2012 Skipping Stones Honor Awards



Each year we recognize outstanding books and teaching resources with our annual **Skipping Stones Honor Awards**. The honored books promote an understanding of cultures, cultivate cooperation and encourage a deeper understanding of the world's diversity, ecological richness, respect for multiple viewpoints and close relationships within human societies. Bound to provide a great reading adventure, our selection offers a variety of learning experiences for readers of all ages.

The winners are listed in three categories—**Multicultural & International Books**, **Nature & Ecology Books**, and **Teaching Resources**. Our special thanks to the many reviewers who helped us select these 25 books and a DVD. We believe good books offer an affordable and exciting way to explore and understand cultures, places, societies and their histories. Welcome to the wonderful world of books!

## Multicultural and International Books

**A Stranger at Home** by Christy Jordan-Fenton & Margaret Pokiak-Fenton, illustr. Liz Amini-Holmes (*Annick*). Grades 3-7. ISBN: 978-1-55451-361-1

**Black and White** by Larry Dane Brimmer (*Boyd's Mills Press*). Grades 6-12. ISBN: 978-1-59078-766-3

**Marisol McDonald Doesn't Match / Marisol McDonald no combina** by Monica Brown, illustr. Sara Palacios (*Children's Books Press*). Bilingual picture book. Grades 1-4. ISBN: 978-0-89239-235-3

**Never Forgotten** by Patricia C. McKissack, illustr. Leo and Diane Dillon (*Random House*). A picture book for grades 4-8. ISBN: 978-0-375-84384-6

**Off to Class: Incredible and Unusual Schools Around the World** by Susan Hughes (*Owlkids Books*). Grades 3-8. ISBN: 978-1-926818-86-3

**Sylvia and Aki** by Winifred Conkling (*Random House*). Grades 4-8. ISBN: 978-1-58246-337-7

**The Blood Lie** by Shirley Reva Vernick (*Cinco Puntos Press*). Grades 4-9. ISBN: 978-1-933693-84-2



**The Queen of Water** by Laura Resau and María Virginia Farinango (*Random House*). Novel. Grades 7-11. ISBN: 978-0-385-73897-2

**Walking Home to Rosie Lee** by A. LaFaye, illustr. Keith D. Shepherd (*Cinco Puntos Press*). Picture book. Grades 2-5. ISBN: 978-1-933693-97-2

**Which Side Are You On? The Story of a Song** by George Ella Lyon, illustr. Christopher Cardinale (*Cinco Puntos Press*). Grades 3-5. ISBN: 978-1-933693-96-5

**The Chalk Circle: Intercultural Prizewinning Essays** edited by Tara L. Masih (*Wyatt-MacKenzie Publishing*). Ages 15-adult. ISBN: 978-1-936214-71-6





**The Wise Fool:** *Fables from the Islamic World* by Shahrukh Husain, illustr. Micha Archer (*Barefoot Books*). Picture book. All ages. ISBN: 978-1-84686-226-7

### Nature and Ecology Books

**Curious Critters** by David FitzSimmons (*Wild Iris Publishing*). Elem. grades. ISBN: 978-193660769-3

**For the Birds:** *The Life of Roger Tory Peterson* by Peggy Thomas, illustr. Laura Jacques (*Boyd's Mills Press*). Elem. grades. ISBN: 978-1-59078-764-9

**Garbage:** *Investigate What Happens When You Throw It Out* by Donna Latham (*Nomad Press*). Elem. grades. ISBN: 978-1-936313-46-4

**Hummingbirds:** *Facts and Folklore from the Americas* by Jeanette Larson and Adrienne Yorinks, illustr. A. Yorinks. (*Charlesbridge*). All ages. ISBN: 978-1-58089-332-9

**Molly's Organic Farm** by Carol L. Malnor and Trina L. Hunner, illustr. Trina L. Hunner (*Dawn Publications*). Grades 1-4. ISBN: 978-1-58469-166-2

**Riparia's River** by Michael J. Caduto, illustr. Olga Pastuchiv (*Tilbury House*). ISBN: 978-0-88448-327-4

**Seabird in the Forest:** *The Mystery of the Marbled Murrelet* by Joan Dunning (*Boyd's Mills Press*). Picture book. Ages 5-9. ISBN: 978-1-59078-715-1

**Sheila Says We're Weird** by Ruth Ann Smalley, illustr. J. Emery (*Tilbury*). Gr. 1-4. ISBN: 978-0-88448-326-7

**The Sundown Rule** by Wendy Townsend (*Namesos*). Novel. Grades 5-9. ISBN: 978-1-60898-100-7

**When Anju Loved Being an Elephant** by Wendy Henrichs, illustr. John Butler (*Sleeping Bear*). Grades 1-4. ISBN: 978-1-58536-533-3

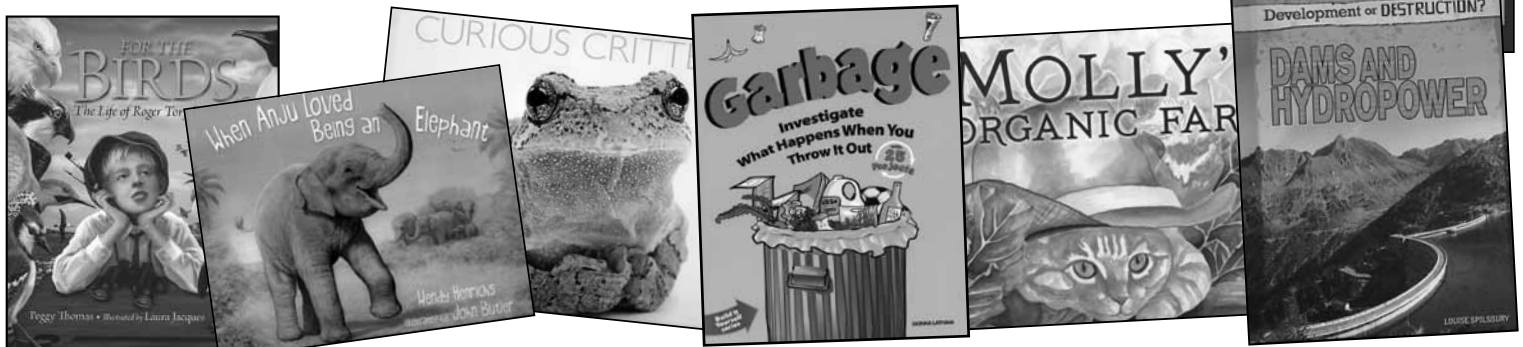
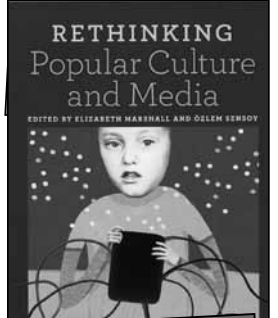
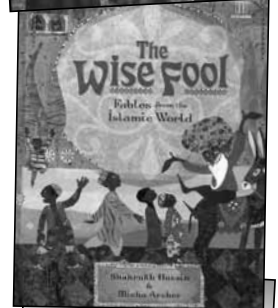
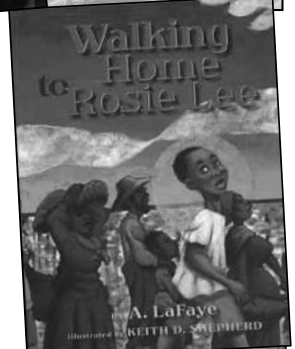
### Teaching and Parenting Resources

**Development or Destruction,** a series of four books (*Deforestation, The Oil Industry, Travel and Tourism, and Dams and Hydropower*) by Louise Spilsbury (*Rosen Publishing*). Grades 5-8.

**Families of Philippines,** a 30 min. DVD (*Master Communications*). Grades 3-6. ISBN: 978-1-60480-112-5

**Rethinking Popular Culture and Media** edited by Elizabeth Marshall and Özlem Sensoy (*Rethinking Schools*). Teachers. ISBN: 978-0-942961-48-5

**The Conscious Parent:** *Transforming Ourselves, Empowering Our Children* by Shefali Tsabary (*Namaste Publishing*). All adults. ISBN: 978-1-897238-45-5



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