

## Louisiana Young Readers' Choice

# Ballot 2009 Grades 3-5

- ☐ Brothers. Yin.
- ☐ The Diary of a Killer Cat. Anne Fine.
- ☐ Last Brother: A Civil War Tale. Trinka Hakes Noble.
- ☐ Maggie's Amerikay. Barbara Timberlake Russell.
- ☐ My Name is Sally Little Song. Brenda Woods.
- ☐ Night Boat to Freedom. Margot Theis Raven.
- ☐ The Prophecy. Hilary Bell.
- ☐ Room One: A Mystery or Two. Andrew Clements.
- ☐ Rotten Richie and the Ultimate Dare. Patricia Polacco.
- ☐ Roxie and the Hooligans. Phyllis Reynolds Naylor.
- ☐ Safe at Home. Sharon Robinson.
- ☐ What Athletes are Made Of. Hanoch Piven.
- ☐ Why Do Dogs Have Wet Noses? Stanley Coren.
- ☐ The Winner's Walk. Nancy Ruth Patterson.
- ☐ The World's Greatest Elephant. Ralph Helfer.





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## VOTING PROCEDURES

-  Votes must be submitted by February 1, 2009.
-  Each student may vote only once and vote for only one book.
-  To be qualified to vote each student:
  - Must read 3 or more titles on the ballot.
  - Must live in Louisiana.
  - Must be in grades 3-5 or in grades 6-8 (or equivalent).
-  Tallies
  - Each student may vote in his/her participating school or public library.
  - Teachers and librarians must total the votes of their class or group and submit the tally. Individual ballots from students in groups will not be accepted. Submit the tally form directly from the State Library web site by clicking "submit." Go to [www.state.lib.la.us](http://www.state.lib.la.us). Click on Center for the Book, then Louisiana Young Readers' Choice.
  - The tally form may be printed and faxed to (225) 342-3547.
  - Children who do not have access to a participating school or library may submit the tally form directly from the web site or they may mail or fax the ballot.
  - Blind and physically handicapped students may submit their votes directly to the Services for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. Call 1-800-543-4702.
  - The tally form must be filled out completely with name and complete address. Incomplete forms will not be counted.

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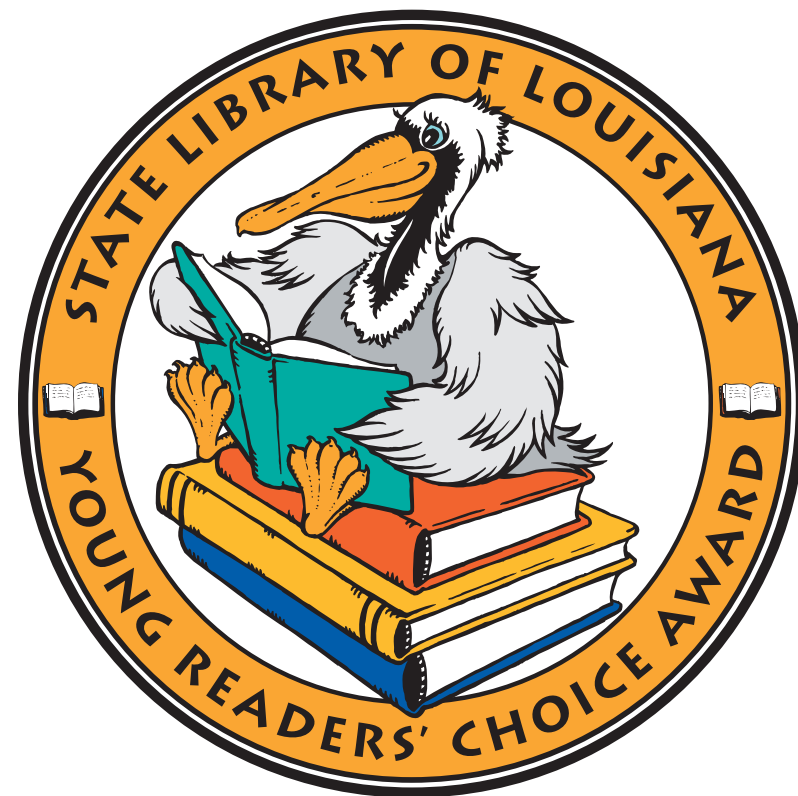
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# LOUISIANA YOUNG READERS' CHOICE AWARD

The Louisiana Young Readers' Choice Award is a reading enrichment program of the Louisiana Center for the Book in the State Library of Louisiana, underwritten by Capital One Bank. The purpose of the program is to foster a love of reading in the children of Louisiana by motivating them to participate in the selection and recognition of outstanding books.

A committee of Louisiana librarians compiles two lists of fifteen books: one for students in grades 3-5 and one for students in grades 6-8. Suggestions for titles to be considered may be submitted to the chair of the committee. The lists are well-balanced selections of high-quality fiction, non-fiction and poetry. Students may read or listen to the books and vote for their favorite one. This is a great way to involve students in literature and get them excited about reading for pleasure.

The books that receive the most votes from the students are the Award Winners. The books with the second most votes are the Honor Books. The award or honor book authors or illustrators are invited to Louisiana to accept the awards at the Louisiana Book Festival.

### TIMELINE

**September 2008:** Students read books on 2009 Ballots. Promotional materials for 2009 are available from the State Library. Announcement of Ballots for 2010.

**October 4, 2008:** Award ceremony at the Louisiana Book Festival in Baton Rouge.

**February 1, 2009:** Deadline for submitting votes to the State Library for the 2009 ballot. Announcement for the 2009 award winners.

### WEB PAGE

Details about the program, ballots and study guides for the titles, are available at [www.state.lib.la.us](http://www.state.lib.la.us). Click on Center for the Book, then LA Young Readers' Choice.

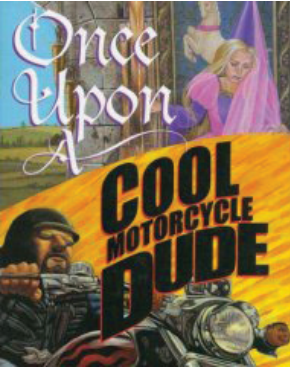
### PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS

Promotional materials, including posters, brochures, ballots and seals for award books, are available free of charge from Library Development, State Library, PO Box 131, Baton Rouge, LA 70821. (225) 342-4931. Request a Voting Machine from the Secretary of State [dfields@sos.louisiana.gov](mailto:dfields@sos.louisiana.gov) and designate a Book Election Day in your school.

### BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

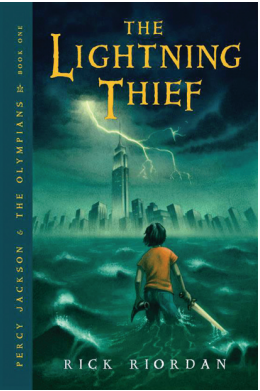
Titles on the ballot are available for the blind and physically handicapped through the State Library of Louisiana. Contact Services for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. 1-800-543-4702.  
Email: [sbphkids@slol.lib.la.us](mailto:sbphkids@slol.lib.la.us)

# LOUISIANA YOUNG READERS' CHOICE AWARD WINNERS 2008



### WINNER GRADES 3-5

**Once Upon A Cool Motorcycle Dude**  
by Kevin O'Malley



### WINNER GRADES 6-8

**The Lightning Thief**  
by Rick Riordan

## PREVIOUS WINNERS

### 2007

Grades 3-5

**Gator Gumbo: A Spicy-Hot Tale** by Candace Fleming.  
Illustrated by Sally Anne Lambert.

Grades 6-8

**So B. It: A Novel** by Sarah Weeks.

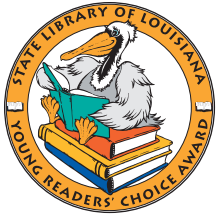
### 2006

Grades 3-5

**Alligator Sue** by Sharon Arms Doucet.  
Illustrated by Anne Wilsdorf.

Grades 6-8

**Skeleton Key** by Anthony Horwitz.



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Grades 6-8

- ☐ **Black Duck** by Janet Taylor Lisle.
- ☐ **Crossing the Wire** by Will Hobbs.
- ☐ **Dark Water Rising** by Marian Hale.
- ☐ **Escaping into the Night** by D. Dina Friedman.
- ☐ **Fairest** by Gail Carson Levine.
- ☐ **Grooves: A Kind of Mystery** by Kevin Brockmeier.
- ☐ **Heat** by Mike Lupica.
- ☐ **Kiki Strike: Inside the Shadow City** by Kirsten Miller.
- ☐ **The Legend of Bass Reeves: Being the True and Fictional Account of the Most Valiant Marshal in the West** by Gary Paulsen.
- ☐ **Runaway** by Wendelin Van Draanen.
- ☐ **The Runaway Princess** by Kate Coombs.
- ☐ **Secrets of My Hollywood Life** by Jen Calonita.
- ☐ **Shug** by Jenny Han.
- ☐ **Sparrow** by Sherri Smith.
- ☐ **Storm Thief** by Chris Wooding.

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