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Check Out These Edgar Allan Poe Award Winners for Young Adults ...

Since 1945, the Mystery Writers of America have annually awarded ceramic statuettes of Edgar Allan Poe, known as "Edgars," for outstanding contributions to mystery, crime, and suspense writing. Here are the young adult "Edgars" from 1997-2006.



The Edgar Award, mystery writing's equivalent of an Oscar or Grammy

2009 - Paper Towns by John Green

One month before graduating from his Central Florida high school, Quentin "Q" Jacobsen basks in the predictable boringness of his life until the beautiful and exciting Margo Roth Spiegelman takes him on a midnight adventure and then mysteriously disappears.



2009

2008 - Rat Life by Tedd Arnold

After developing an unusual friendship with a young Vietnam War veteran in 1972, fourteen-year-old Todd discovers his writing talent and solves a murder mystery.

2007 - Buried by Robin Merrow McCready

When her alcoholic mother goes missing, seventeen-year-old Claudine begins to spin out of control, despite her attempts to impose order on every aspect of her life.

2006 - Last Shot by John Feinstein

After winning a basketball reporting contest, eighth graders Stevie and Susan Carol are sent to cover the Final Four tournament, where they discover that a talented player is being blackmailed into throwing the final game.

2005 - In Darkness, Death by Dorothy & Thomas Hoobler

In eighteenth-century Japan, young Seikei becomes involved with a ninja as he helps Judge Ooka, his foster father, investigate the murder of a samurai.

2004 - Acceleration by Graham McNamee

Stuck working in the Lost and Found of the Toronto Transit Authority for the summer, seventeen-year-old Duncan finds the diary of a serial killer and sets out to stop him.

2003 - The Wessex Papers, Vols. 1-3 by Daniel Parker

Includes the titles Fallout, Outsmart, and Trust Falls. Alumni brat Sunday Winthrop and new student Fred Bushmill's pranks lead to their uncovering a sinister blackmail ring — one that will stop at nothing to incriminate one of their friends.

2002 - The Boy in the Burning House by Tim Wynne-Jones

Trying to solve the mystery of his father's disappearance from their rural Canadian community, fourteen-year-old Jim gets help from the disturbed Ruth Rose, who suspects her stepfather, a local pastor.

Who Dunnit?

