

NCCBA 2012 PICTURE BOOK NOMINATIONS

Barton, Chris. *Shark vs. Train*. NY: Little, Brown. 2010.

A shark and a train compete in a series of contests on a seesaw, in hot air balloons, bowling, shooting baskets, playing hide-and-peek, and more, as two boys play.

Brennan-Nelson, Denise. *Willow*. Chelsea, MI: Sleeping Bear Press. 2008.

In art class, neatness, conformity, and imitation are encouraged, but when Willow brings imagination and creativity to her projects, even straight-laced Miss Hawthorn is influenced.

Donaldson, Julia. *What the Ladybug Heard*. NY: Henry Holt & Company. 2009

Although much quieter than the farm animals that moo, cluck, or oink, a gentle ladybug is instrumental in foiling a plan to steal the farm's prize-winning cow.

Hill, Laban Carrick. *Dave the Potter: Artist, Poet, Slave*. New York: Little, Brown. 2010.

Chronicles the life of Dave, a nineteenth-century slave who went on to become an influential poet, artist, and potter.

MacLachlan, Patricia. *I Didn't Do It*. New York : Katherine Tegen Books. 2010.

In a series of poems, excited puppies relate such new discoveries as the mailman comes every day and food tastes better eaten off a human's plate.

Perry, John. *The Book that Eats People*. Berkeley: Tricycle Press. 2009

The reader is warned to be careful around this book, which has already eaten several people and is always hungry.

Ramsey, Calvin. *Ruth and the Green Book*. Minneapolis, MN: Carolrhoda Books. 2010.

When Ruth and her parents take a motor trip from Chicago to Alabama to visit her grandma, they rely on a pamphlet called "The Negro Motorist Green Book" to find places that will serve them. Includes facts about "The Green Book."

Rosenthal, Amy Krouse. *Spoon*. New York: Disney/Hyperion Books. 2009.

Spoon's always been a happy little utensil. But lately, he feels like life as a spoon just isn't cutting it. He thinks Fork, Knife, and The Chopsticks all have it so much better than him. But do they? And what do they think about Spoon?

Sattler, Jennifer Gordon. *Sylvie*. New York: Random House Children's Books

When Sylvie the pink flamingo learns her color comes from the little pink shrimp she eats, she decides to expand her choices, trying everything under the sun and, unfortunately, overdoing it.

Sauer, Tammi. *Mr. Duck Means Business*. NY: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers. 2011.

Mr. Duck enjoys a quiet morning routine on his private pond every day until other animals mistakenly think he has invited them to join him.

Stein, David Ezra. *Interrupting Chicken*. Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press. 2010.

Little Red Chicken wants Papa to read her a bedtime story, but interrupts him almost as soon as he begins each tale.

Willems, Mo. *City Dog, Country Frog*. New York: Hyperion Books for Children. 2010.

Through the seasons, whenever City Dog visits the country he runs straight for Country Frog's rock to play games with him, but during the winter things change for them both.