

**THE DISREPUTABLE HISTORY OF FRANKIE**

**LANDAU-BANKS** by Lockhart

(YA Lockhart) Grades 7 & up  
Sophomore Frankie starts dating senior Matthew Livingston, but when he refuses to talk about the all-male secret society that he and his friends belong to, Frankie infiltrates the society in order to enliven their mediocre pranks.

**NATION** by Pratchett

(YA Pratchett) Grades 7-10

After a devastating tsunami destroys all that they have ever known, Mau and Daphne, together with a small band of refugees, set about rebuilding their community and all the things that are important in their lives.

**TENDER MORSELS** by Lanagan

(YA Lanagan) Grades 9 & up

A young woman who has endured unspeakable cruelties is magically granted a safe haven apart from the real world until the barrier between her world and the real one begins to break down.

**2008**

**WINNER:**

**THE WHITE DARKNESS** by McCaughrean

(YA McCaughrean) Grades 9 & up

Taken to Antarctica by the man she thinks of as her uncle for what she believes to be a vacation, Symone discovers that he is dangerously obsessed with seeking an opening that supposedly leads into the center of a hollow Earth.

**HONOR BOOKS:**

**DREAMQUAKE: BOOK TWO OF THE DREAM**

**HUNTER DUET** by Knox Grades 9 & up

Aided by her family and her creation Laura investigates the powerful Regulatory Body's involvement in mysterious disappearances and activities and learns, in the process, the true nature of the Place in which dreams are found.

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**ONE WHOLE AND PERFECT DAY** by Clarke

(YA Clarke) Grades 8 & up

As her irritating family prepares to celebrate her grandfather's eightieth birthday, old Lily yearns for just one whole perfect day together.

**REPOSSESSED** by Jenkins

(YA Jenkins) Grades 9 & up

A fallen angel, tired of being unappreciated while doing his pointless, demeaning job, leaves Hell, enters the body of a boy, and tries to experience the full range of human feelings before being caught and punished.

**YOUR OWN, SYLVIA: A VERSE PORTRAIT OF**

**SYLVIA PLATH** by Hemphill

(YA 811.6 HEM) Grades 8 & up

The author interprets the people, events, influences and art that made up the brief life of Sylvia Plath.

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## **2012**

### **WINNER:**

**WHERE THINGS COME BACK** by Whaley  
(YA Whaley) Grades 8 & up  
Cullen Witter agonizes over the disappearance of his beloved brother while everyone else in his Arkansas town thrills to the apparent return of a long - extinct woodpecker.

### **HONOR BOOKS:**

**WHY WE BROKE UP** by Handler  
(YA Handler) Grades 9 & up  
Heartbroken Min Green dumps a box of relationship ephemera on ex-love Ed's porch, each item attached to a letter explaining how each memento contributed to their breakup.

**THE RETURNING** by Hinwood  
(YA Hinwood) Grades 9 & up  
A large cast of characters from two fictional kingdoms recover from a drawn-out, brutal war in a portrait both sweeping and specific as it explores the ramifications of the conflict on Cam, the only one who lives to return to his village.

**JASPER JONES** by Silvey  
(YA Silvey) Grades 9 & up  
Spurred by the mysterious death of a schoolmate, Charlie confronts racism and his fears as he learns about family, friendship and love in the oppressive heat of small-town 1960s Australia.

**THE SCORPIO RACES** by Stiefvater  
(YA Stiefvater) Grades 8 & up  
A bloody, intoxicating horse race on the Island of Thisby is the backdrop for this atmospheric novel. The heart-pounding story pits two teens against death - to win is to survive.

## **2011**

### **WINNER:**

**SHIP BREAKER** by Bacigalupi  
(YA Bacigalupi) Grades 7 & up  
Near a drowned New Orleans ravaged by hurricanes and global warming, Nailor and his

young crew eke out a meager existence by scavenging materials on the ship-littered coast.

### **HONOR BOOKS:**

**STOLEN** by Christopher  
(YA Christopher) Grades 9 & up  
The rugged Australian outback becomes Gemma's prison after she is drugged and abducted by a handsome, obsessed stranger in a first novel filled with searing imagery and archetypal characters.

**PLEASE IGNORE VERA DIETZ** by King  
(YA King) Grades 9 & up  
Vera Dietz wants to be ignored, but the ghost of her ex-best friend won't leave her alone in this dark comedy that examines relationships, identity, grief and flowcharts.

**REVOLVER** by Sedgwick  
(YA Sedgwick) Grades 7 & up  
In Sedgwick's chilling story set in the Arctic Circle, Sig finds his father's frozen corpse as human predator Wolff arrives seeking retribution and a hidden Gold Rush treasure.

**NOTHING** by Teller  
(YA Teller) Grades 7 & up  
Pierre Anthon's nihilism causes his classmates to begin a search for life's meaning in this bold, unsettling parable translated from Danish.

## **2010**

### **WINNER:**

**GOING BOVINE** by Bray  
(YA Bray) Grades 9 & up  
In an attempt to find a cure after being diagnosed with Creutzfeldt-Jakob's (aka mad cow) disease, Cameron sets off on a road trip with a death-obsessed video gaming dwarf he meets in the hospital.

### **Honor Books:**

**CHARLES & EMMA: THE DARWIN'S LEAP OF FAITH** by Heiligman  
(YA B Darwin) Grades 8 & up  
To marry or not to marry? This biography

starts with Charles Darwin making a list of domestic pros and cons. He married Emma Wedgwood, not knowing that her religious nature would call his science into question.

**THE MONSTRUMOLOGIST** by Yancey  
(YA Yancey) Grades 8-10  
In 1888, twelve-year-old Will Henry chronicles his apprenticeship with Dr. Warthrop, a scientist who hunts and studies real-life monsters, as they discover and attempt to destroy a pod of Anthropophagi.

**PUNKZILLA** by Rapp  
(YA Rapp) Grades 9 & up  
Jamie ("Punkzilla") is coming down from his latest hit of meth and traveling across country by bus to see his brother P.

**TALES OF THE MADMAN UNDERGROUND: A HISTORICAL ROMANCE, 1973** by Barnes  
(YA Barnes) Grades 9 & up  
For years, Karl has been part of the Madman Underground - kids forced to attend group therapy during school hours. Karl decides that for his senior year, he is going to get out of the group for good.

## **2009**

### **WINNER:**

**JELlicoe ROAD** by Marchetta  
(YA Marchetta) Grades 8 & up  
Abandoned by her drug-addicted mother at the age of eleven, high school student Taylor Markham struggles with her identity and family history at a boarding school in Australia.

### **HONOR BOOKS:**

**THE ASTONISHING LIFE OF OCTAVIAN NOTHING: THE KINGDOM OF WAVES** by Anderson  
(YA Anderson) Grades 9 & up  
After escaping a death sentence in 1775, Octavian and his tutor find shelter but no safe harbor in British-occupied Boston and Octavian and his friends soon find themselves engaged in naval raids on the Virginia coastline as the Revolutionary War breaks out in full force.