

# 2019 RIMSBA\*

## Nominees

***Armstrong & Charlie***  
by Steven Frank  
Historical fiction

***Beautiful Blue World***  
by Suzanne LaFleur  
Adventure

***Click Here to Start***  
by Denis Markell  
Mystery.

***The Evil Wizard Smallbone***  
by Delia Sherman  
Fantasy

***Family Game Night and Other Catastrophes***  
by Mary Lambert  
Realistic Fiction

***Fuzzy***  
by Tom Angleberger  
Science Fiction

***Garvey's Choice***  
by Nikki Grimes  
Novel in Verse, Realistic fiction

***Maya Lin: Thinking with Her Hands***  
by Susan Goldman Rubin  
Biography

***The Nameless City***  
by Faith Eric Hicks  
Graphic Novel

***Once Was a Time***  
by Leila Sales  
Historical fiction, Science fiction

***One Half from the East***  
by Nadia Hasham  
Realistic fiction

***The Pants Project***  
by Cat Clarke  
Realistic fiction

***Refugee***  
by Alan Gratz  
Historical fiction

***Restart***  
by Gordon Korman  
Realistic fiction

***Scar Island***  
by Dan Gemeinhart  
Adventure

***The Skeletal Tree***  
by Iain Lawrence  
Adventure

***Spirit Hunters***  
by Ellen Oh  
Horror, Mystery

***Top Prospect***  
by Paul Volponi  
Realistic Fiction, Sports

***Train I Ride***  
by Paul Mosier  
Realistic fiction

***We Will Not Be Silent: The White Rose  
Student Resistance Movement That Defied  
Adolf Hitler***  
by Russell Freedman  
Nonfiction

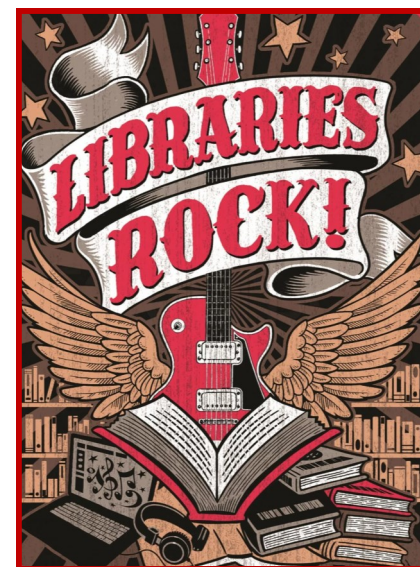
\*RIMSBA=RI Middle School Book Award

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# Summer

# Reading

# List



## Grades 5-8

# Summer Reading List Suggestions

**Grades 5-8**

## ***Al Capone Does My Shirts***

**by Jennifer Choldenko**

A twelve-year-old boy named Moose moves to Alcatraz Island in 1935 when guards' families were housed there, and has to contend with his extraordinary new environment in addition to life with his autistic sister. Historical fiction. Series

## ***All's Faire in Middle School***

**written and illustrated by Victoria Jamieson**

Homeschooled by Renaissance Fair enthusiasts, eleven-year-old Imogene has a hard time fitting in when her wish to enroll in public school is granted. Graphic Novel

## ***Beyond the Bright Sea***

**by Lauren Wolk**

Orphaned and determined to uncover her past, Crow sets sail on a journey of self-discovery. Historical fiction

## ***The Brotherband Chronicles: Outcast***

**by John Flanagan**

Skandian outcasts Hal, Stig, and others do battle at sea against the Wolves and the Sharks, in the ultimate race across icy waters where not everyone thinks of the competition as play. Adventure, Fantasy. Series

## ***The First Rule of Punk***

**by Celia C. Perez**

Malu struggles to pull together all the different threads of her life (her love of punk rock, her Mexican heritage, her dislike of cilantro) into an identity all her own. Realistic fiction

## ***The Girl Who Drank the Moon***

**by Kelly Barnhill**

An epic fantasy about a young girl raised by a witch, a swamp monster, and a Perfectly Tiny Dragon, who must unlock the powerful magic buried deep inside her. Fantasy

## ***The Greenglass House***

**by Kate Milford**

At Greenglass House, a smuggler's inn, twelve-year-old Milo plans to spend his winter holidays relaxing but soon guests are arriving with strange stories about the house sending Milo and Meddy, the cook's daughter, on an adventure. Mystery. Series

## ***Hello, Universe***

**by Erin Entrada Kelly**

Lives of four misfits are intertwined when a bully's prank lands shy Virgil at the bottom of a well and Valencia, Kaori, and Gen band together in an epic quest to find and rescue him. Realistic fiction

## ***The Inquisitor's Tale***

**by Adam Gidwitz**

13th-century travelers impart the tales of a monastery oblate, a Jewish refugee, and a psychic peasant girl (with a loyal greyhound recently brought back from the dead). Fairy tales

## ***Orphan Island***

**by Laurel Snyder**

On an island where one child is delivered each year while the eldest is taken away, one girl wonders what will happen when her own departure occurs. Fantasy

## ***Poison: Deadly Deeds, Perilous Professions, and Murderous Medicines***

**by Sarah Albee**

*Poison* traces the role poisons have played in history and shines a ghoulish light on the deadly intersection of human nature . . . and Mother Nature. Nonfiction

## ***The War That Saved My Life***

**by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley**

A young disabled girl and her brother are evacuated from London to the English countryside during World War II, where they find life to be much sweeter away from their abusive mother. Historical fiction. Series