



Gateway Readers Award

2020 Nominees

The Poet X by Elizabeth Acevedo YA ACE

Xiomara Batista feels unheard and unable to hide in her Harlem neighborhood. She pours all her frustration and passion onto the pages of a leather notebook.

Little White Lies by Jennifer Lynn Barnes YA BAR

Eighteen-year-old Sawyer accepts her estranged grandmother's bribe to live with her for a year, participate in the debutante season and ball and maybe meet her father.

The Cruel Prince by Holly Black YA BLA

When Jude's parents were murdered, she and her two sisters were stolen away to live in the treacherous High Court of Faerie. Ten years later, Jude wants to belong there, despite her mortality.

Someone I Used to Know by Patty Blount YA BLO

It's been two years since the night that changed Ashley's life. Two years since she was raped by her brother's teammate. It's been hell for her brother Derek, too.

A Heart in a Body in the World

by Deb Caletti YA CAL

Annabelle runs from Seattle to D.C., becoming a reluctant activist as people connect her journey to her recent trauma.

Dread Nation by Justina Ireland YA IRE

When families go missing in Baltimore County, Jane McKeene finds herself in the middle of a conspiracy that has her fighting for her life against powerful enemies.

Monday's Not Coming by Tiffany D. Jackson YA JAC

Monday Charles is missing, and Claudia seems to be the one person who notices. How can a teenage girl just vanish?

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Hey, Kiddo by Jarrett Krosoczka YA 362.2913 KRO

Jarrett's mom is an addict. His father is a mystery. Jarrett lives with his grandparents — two people who had thought they were through with raising children until Jarrett came along.

The Unfortunates by Kim Liggett YA LIG

After Grant Tavish is involved in a fatal accident, he wants to face the consequences of his actions. Before he can act, a cave system collapse traps him and four other teenagers miles below the surface, where they soon discover they aren't alone.

Camp Valor by Scott McEwen and Hof Williams YA MACE

When enemies come for camp secrets, Wyatt and his friends have to put their training into practice to protect their country.

Flight Season by Marie Marquardt YA MAR

College student Vivi, nursing student TJ and heart patient Angel find their lives intersecting one summer at the hospital. It could change their lives forever.

Neanderthal Opens the Door to the Universe

by Preston Norton YA NOR

Cliff 'Neanderthal' Hubbard has nobody at school, and life at home has gone from bad to worse. Then quarterback Aaron Zimmerman returns after a near-death experience: he saw God, who gave him a list of things to do and there's only one person who can help.

After the Shot Drops by Randy Ribay YA RIB

Bunny takes a basketball scholarship to an elite private school to help his family, leaving behind his best friend in their tough Philadelphia neighborhood.

Dry by Neal Shusterman & Jarrod Shusterman YA SHU

A California drought escalates to catastrophic proportions, turning Alyssa's quiet street into a warzone, and she is forced to make impossible choices if she and her brother are to survive.

The Book of Essie by Meghan MacLean Weir F WEI

Essie is the 17-year-old daughter of an evangelical preacher, star of the family's hit reality show, and has a secret pregnancy that threatens to blow their entire world apart.



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