CHILDREN'S BOOK AWARDS
2011 Awards Announcements

The Children's Book Award Committee of the Wisconsin Library Association's Youth Services Section annually selects outstanding books for youth by Wisconsin-connected authors and awards the Elizabeth Burr/Worzalla Award, Outstanding Books of the Year, and Notable Wisconsin Authors/Illustrators.

Elizabeth Burr/Worzalla Award

Awarded to the most distinguished work in children’s and young adult literature written and/or illustrated by a Wisconsin book creator. The Elizabeth Burr/Worzalla Award is made possible by the Worzalla Publishing Company, Stevens Point, through a grant to the WLA Foundation.

Cork and Fuzz: The Babysitters

by Dori Chaconas  Illustrated by Lisa McCue
Dori Chaconas

The 2011 Elizabeth Burr/Worzalla Award winner is the sixth book from the popular and lovable easy reader series, Cork and Fuzz: The Babysitters, written by Wisconsin native Dori Chaconas and published by the Viking Group. In Cork and Fuzz: The Babysitters, Dori Chaconas tells another chapter in the lives of her characters Cork and Fuzz, the muskrat and possum duo. Dori tells a charming and amusing story, weaving in lots of humor and fun, with a good lesson to be learned as Cork and Fuzz learn the responsibilities of babysitting and the importance of helping others.

Notable Wisconsin Author

The Children’s Book Award Committee also named Barbara Joosse the 2011 Notable Wisconsin Author/Illustrator for her contribution to the world of children’s literature.

Outstanding Books of the Year

Noteworthy honor titles are selected for Outstanding Achievement in children’s literature, written and/or illustrated by Wisconsin book creators.

My Garden, by Kevin Henkes
Shark vs. Train, illustrated by Tom Lichtenheld
Art and Max, by David Wiesner

The Boys,
by Jeff Newman

The Reinvention of Edison Thomas,
by Jacqueline Houtman