You Should See Me in a Crown
by Leah Johnson
Romance/Realistic Fiction
Liz Lighty has always done her best to avoid the spotlight in her small, wealthy, and prom-obsessed Midwestern high school. Instead she has concentrated on her grades and her musical ability in the hopes that it will win her a scholarship to elite Pennington College and their famous orchestra where she plans to study medicine. When that scholarship falls through she is forced to turn to her school's scholarship for prom king and queen, which plunges her into the gauntlet of social media which she hates and leads her to discoveries about her own identity and the value of true friendships.

BONUS
Flume & Isinglass Dual Award Nominee:
Stamped
by Jason Reynolds & Ibram X Kendi
Nonfiction
A history of racist and antiracist ideas in America, from their roots in Europe until today, adapted from the National Book Award winner Stamped from the Beginning. NOTE: The Committee particularly recommends the audiobook version, read by Jason Reynolds.

Past Winners:
2021 With the Fire on High
2020 Far From the Tree
2019 The Hate U Give
2018 Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens Agenda
2016 Carry On
2015 We Were Liars
2015 Eleanor and Park
2014 The Fault in Our Stars
2013 Divergent
2012 Clockwork Angel
2011 Paper Towns
2010 The Hunger Games
2009 Nineteen Minutes
2008 New Moon
2007 Twilight
2006 The Da Vinci Code

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All These Monsters
by Amy Tintera
Dystopian
Clara is ready to fight back against her abusive father, against the only life she's ever known, and most of all, against scrabs, the earth-dwelling monsters that are currently ravaging the world. Scrabs are unpredictable, violent, and terrifying. When an opportunity arises for Clara to join an international monster-fighting squad, she jumps at the chance. Scrabs are unpredictable, violent, and terrifying. As Clara gains confidence in her battle skills, she starts to realize scrabs might not be the biggest evil. The true monsters are the ones you least expect.

Cemetery Boys
by Aiden Thomas
Fantasy
Yadriel, a trans boy, summons the angry spirit of his high school's bad boy, and agrees to help him learn how he died, thereby proving himself a brujo, not a bruja, to his conservative family.

Be Not Far From Me
by Mindy McGinnis
Realistic Fiction
Lost in the Great Smoky Mountains, rising high school senior Ashley Hawkins must fight for survival without any tools, growing in awareness that the world is not tame, and neither are people.

Body Talk: 37 Voices Explore Our Radical Anatomy
edited by Kelly Jensen
Story Collection
We all experience the world in a body, but we don't usually take the time to explore what it really means to have and live in one. In this collection of essays, lists, comics and art, readers will explore how every body is unique, and tells its own story.

Foul is Fair
by Hannah Capin
Thriller
Elle and her friends Mads, Jenny, and Summer rule their glittering LA circle; they are a 'coven' and have the kind of power other girls only dream of. Every party is theirs and the world is at their feet... until the night of Elle's sweet sixteen, when they crash a St. Andrew's Prep party. The night the boys choose Elle as their next target. They picked the wrong girl. Sworn to vengeance, Elizabeth Jade becomes "Jade" and transfers to St. Andrew's. And she and her coven have the perfect way in: a boy named Mack, whose ambition could turn deadly.

A Good Girl’s Guide to Murder
by Holly Jackson
Mystery
As her senior capstone project, Pippa Fitz-Amobi is determined to find the real killer in a closed, local murder case, but not everyone wants her meddling in the past.

This Light Between Us
by Andrew Fukuda
Historical Fiction
In 1935, ten-year-old Alex Maki of Bainbridge Island, Washington, is horrified to discover that his new pen pal, Charlie Lévy of Paris, France, is a girl, but in spite of his initial reluctance, their letters continue over the years and they fight for their friendship even as Charlie endures the Nazi occupation and Alex leaves his family in an internment camp and joins the Army.

Thoughts and Prayers
by Bryan Bliss
Realistic Fiction
Three high school students attempt to repair their lives after a school shooting.

We Are Not From Here
by Jenny Torez Sanchez
Realistic Fiction
Pulga has his dreams. Chico has his grief. Pequeña has her pride. And these three teens have one another. But, none of them have illusions about the town they've grown up in and the dangers that surround them. Even with the love of family, threats lurk around every corner. And when those threats become all too real, the trio knows they have no choice but to run: from their country, from their families, from their beloved home. Crossing from Guatemala through Mexico, they follow the route of La Bestia, the perilous train system that might deliver them to a better life -- if they are lucky enough to survive the journey.