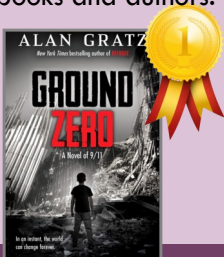


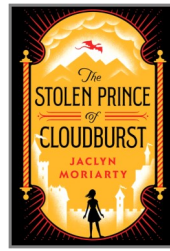


## ABOUT THE AWARD

The **Great Stone Face Book Award** is sponsored by the Children's Librarians of New Hampshire (CLNH), and is given each year to an author whose book receives the **most votes from 4th-6th Grade students** throughout the state. Each year, a committee chooses 20 recently published titles as nominees, which children then use as a guide for voting. The vote takes place every April during National Library Week, and the winner is announced in May. The purpose of the award is to promote reading enjoyment, to increase awareness of contemporary writing, and to allow children to honor their favorite books and authors.



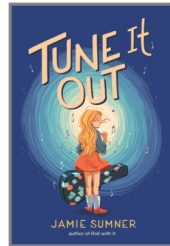
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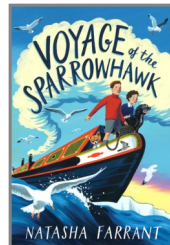
**The Stolen Prince of Cloudburst** by Jaclyn Moriarty. In a kingdom where faeries and mages are fairly commonplace, ordinary Esther attends boarding school with her talented sisters. But when danger threatens, Esther is the one who's called upon to save the school. *Fantasy Gr. 6*



**Trouble in the Stars** by Sarah Prineas. Trouble, a shape-shifting alien, remembers nothing except that they are being hunted. Sneaking onto a beat-up cargo ship as a puppy, they embark on a high-speed chase across the galaxy. *Science Fiction Gr. 5+*



**Tune It Out** by Jamie Sumner. Lou loves to sing, but because of a sensory processing disorder, she hates performing. But her mother is always looking for Lou's next gig--until a crisis changes everything. *Realistic Gr. 5+*



**Voyage of the Sparrowhawk** by Natasha Farrant. Two orphans forge a friendship over a stolen dog at the end of WWI and set out from England on a perilous journey to find relatives in France. With a constable and others closing in on them, they find help along the way. *Historical/Adventure Gr. 6+*



**What Comes Next** by Rob Buyea. Thea has stopped speaking since she witnessed her best friend's death in a terrible accident. Can Jack-Jack, her family's new rescue dog, help Thea to heal? *Realistic Gr. 5+*

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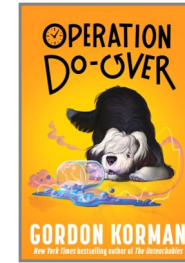
## THIS YEAR'S NOMINEES



**Allergic by Megan Wagner Lloyd**  
On Maggie's 10th birthday, her hopes of getting a new puppy are dashed when she learns that she is allergic! While dealing with changes at home and at school, Maggie embarks on a quest for a perfect pet. Will she find one? *Realistic/Graphic Gr. 4+*



**The Elephant in the Room by Holly Goldberg Sloan**  
Sila endures a long separation from her mother, who has gone back to Turkey to work out immigration problems. But a meeting with elderly Gio and the rescue of a circus elephant give Sila's life new meaning. *Realistic Gr. 5+*



**Operation Do-Over by Gordon Korman**  
When he wakes from an accident, 17-year-old Mason finds himself back in 7th grade—before bad things happened, including his major fallout with his best friend Ty over a girl. Can he change the future and make things right? *Realistic Gr. 5+*



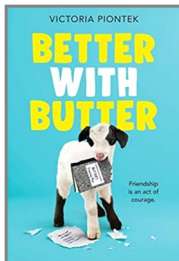
**Alone in the Woods by Rebecca Behrens**  
Jocelyn and Alex's friendship is unraveling, much to Jocelyn's dismay. On their annual family wilderness trip, when a tubing trip goes terribly wrong, the girls become lost in the woods together and must work things out to survive. *Adventure Gr. 5+*



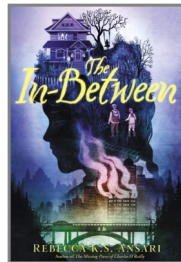
**The Haunted Mustache by Joe McGee**  
A town legend of a haunted mustache has everyone in Wolver Hollow wearing fake mustaches and locking their doors every October 19th. Three fifth-grade classmates try to get to the bottom of it all in this spooky mystery. *Mystery/Scary Gr. 4*



**A Place at the Table by Saadia Faruqi and Laura Shovan**  
Sara, a Pakistani American, and Elizabeth, daughter of an English immigrant, meet in a South Asian cooking class taught by Sara's mom. Their new friendship is full of ups and downs—and lots of good food! *Realistic Gr. 5+*



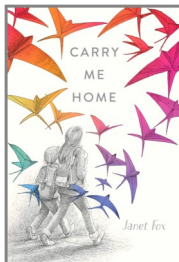
**Better with Butter by Victoria Piontek**  
Sixth-grader Marvel has an anxiety disorder and worries about everything. When she comes across a nervous goat being teased by older kids, she steps in to rescue the animal. Can Butter help Marvel overcome her anxieties? *Realistic Gr. 4+*



**The In-Between by Rebecca Ansari**  
Cooper and his little sister try to figure out the connection between a 100-year-old train disaster and the new creepy girl who moves in next door. As the tension builds, they must act fast because they are in terrible danger. *Mystery/Scary Gr. 5+*



**A Place to Hang the Moon by Kate Ribus**  
When William's guardian dies, William and his younger siblings are evacuated from WWII London, hoping to stay together and find a forever family. Will their plan succeed? *Historical Gr. 5+*



**Carry Me Home by Janet Fox**  
Twelve-year-old Lulu and her younger sister are keeping a big secret—their father is gone and they are homeless. Although Lulu is desperate to keep her family together, there comes a time when it's important to ask for help. *Realistic Gr. 5+*



**The Last Bear by Hannah Gold**  
April journeys with her scientist father to an uninhabited island in the Arctic, where he conducts research. Lonely and bored, April forges a friendship with a lone polar bear and embarks on a dramatic rescue to save him. *Realistic Gr. 4+*



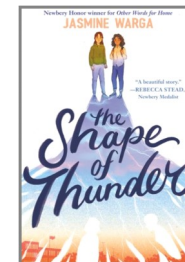
**Secondhand Dogs by Carolyn Crimi**  
Gus is happy as the gentle leader of the pets that have been rescued by Miss Lottie. But all this changes when Miss Lottie brings home a new dog. Can Gus gather his courage and save his pack? *Realistic/Animal Gr. 4+*



**Chunky by Yehudi Mercado**  
When Hudi's parents, concerned about his weight, urge him to try out for sports, jokester Hudi finds a mascot in an imaginary friend and cheerleader named Chunky. *Graphic/Memoir Gr. 4+*



**Long Lost by Jacqueline West**  
Resenting her family's move to a small town, Fiona heads to the library. There she discovers a mysterious book and begins to see similarities between the story and her own town. The deeper she investigates, the more danger she finds herself in. *Mystery/Scary Gr. 6+*



**The Shape of Thunder by Jasmine Warga**  
Cora and Quinn haven't spoken to each other since Quinn's brother brought a gun to school, killing Cora's older sister. Grief and guilt have torn the girls apart, until Quinn believes she has found a way to fix it all—but she needs Cora's help. *Realistic/Verse Gr. 5+*