

Summer Reading: The Forest

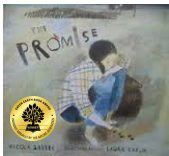


Enjoy these Green Earth Book Award winners, bestowed by The Nature Generation to literature that teaches youth how to respect nature. This list contains books that explore all types of forests and the important role they play in maintaining the health of our planet.

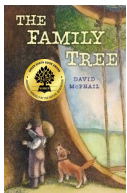
Picture Book Winners (for readers ages 3-8)



2020—*The Boy Who Grew a Forest*
by Sophia Gholz, Ill., Kayla Harren
The inspiring true story of a boy in India who began a small thicket of bamboo that grew into a 1,300 acre forest.



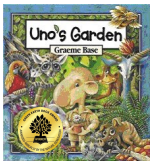
2015—*The Promise*
by Nicola Davies, Laura Carlin (ill.)
A thief gets a chance to change the world.



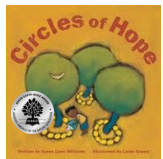
2013—*The Family Tree*
By David McPhail
A boy and his animal friends that gave them so much.



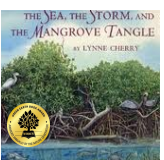
2009—*Planting the Trees of Kenya*
by Claire Nivola
Villagers learn to plant trees.



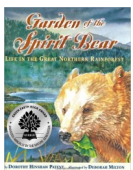
2007—*Uno's Garden*
by Graeme Base
As people move in, plants and animals disappear.



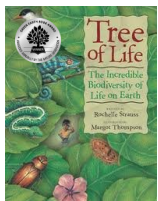
2006—*Circles of Hope*
by Karen Lynn Williams, Linda Sport (ill.)
It was the only tree on the whole dusty mountaintop in Haiti.



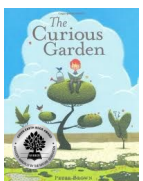
2005—*The Sea, the Storm and the Mangrove Tangle*
by Lynne Cherry
Children learn to protect endangered mangroves.



2005—*Garden of the Spirit Bear*
by Dorothy Hinshaw Patent, Deborah Milton (ill.)
The story of elusive spirit bear and its home in the rainforest, which is in danger of being destroyed.



2005—*Tree of Life*
by Rochelle Strauss, Margot Thompson (ill.)
A dazzlingly illustrated introduction to biodiversity and classifications.

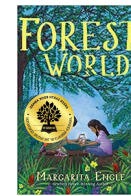


2010- *The Curious Garden*
by Peter Brown
One boy's quest for a greener world... one garden at a time.

Children's Fiction Winners (for readers up to age 12)



2021—*Hello from Renn Lake*
by Michele Weber Hurwitz
A community, conservation, and standing up for the things you love.



2018—*Forest World*
by Margarita Engle
Boy visiting his family's Cuban village learns the importance of biodiversity.



2016— *The Order of Trees*
by Katy Farber
Found as a baby, on a bed of moss under an old growth tree, Cedar's beginning was a mystery.



2014—*The True Blue Scouts of Sugar Man Swamp*
by Kathi Appelt
Chap loves the swamp and he'll do anything to help protect it.



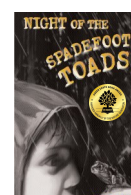
2014—*Ellie's Log*
By Judith L. Li, M.L. Herring (ill.)
Children explore the forest and they learn how trees provide habitat for plants and animals.



2010—*Operation Redwood*
by S. Terrell French
A group of kids work together to stop plans to cut down a redwood tree forest.



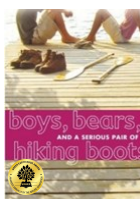
2010—*Redwoods*
Jason Chin
A subway trip is transformed when a young boy happens upon a book about redwood forests.



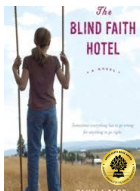
2009—*The Night of the Spadefoot Frogs*
by Bill Harley
A courageous act to protect endangered spadefoot toads' habitats.

Young Adult Fiction Winners

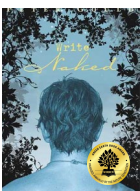
(for readers ages 13 -21)



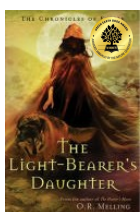
2011—Boys, Bears, and a Serious Pair of Hiking Boots
by Abby McDonald
Teens save the planet by finding balance between



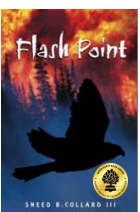
2009—Blind Faith Hotel
by Pamela Todd
A teen and elderly man work together to save the prairies and plants.



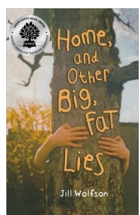
2009—Write Naked
by Peter Gould
Teens write an ecological fantasy featuring a tiny heroic newt.



2008—The Light-Bearer's Daughter
by O.R. Melling
A tale calling for environmental protection and world peace.



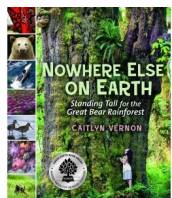
2007—Flash Point
by Sneed B. Collard III
High school football player from a logging town learns about ecology.



Home and Other Big Fat Lies
by Jill Wolfson
Foster Home #12 (which is all the way at the top of the map of California, where there looks to be nothing *but* trees) has Whitney feeling a little nervous.

Young Adult Non-Fiction Winner

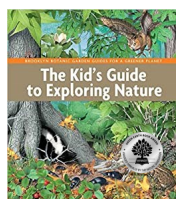
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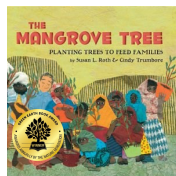
Nowhere Else on Earth: Standing Tall for the Great Bear Rainforest
by Caitlyn Vernon
The author guides readers through a forest of information, sharing stories, knowledge and concern for the unique Great Bear rainforest.

Children's Nonfiction Winners

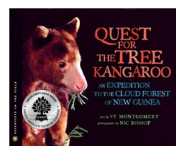
(for readers from infancy through age 12)



2015- - The Kid's Guide to Exploring Nature
By Education Staff of Brooklyn Botanical Garden
This gorgeously illustrated guide will inspire kids to look closely at the world around them!



2012—The Mangrove Tree
by Cindy Trumbore and Susan L. Roth
How the lives of African villagers improved with a mangrove tree-planting project.



2007—Quest for the Tree Kangaroo
By Sy Montgomery
Meet the amazing Matschie's tree kangaroo, who makes its home in the ancient trees of Papua New Guinea's cloud forest.

These nonfiction picture books by *Melissa Stewart and Higgins Bond* (ill.) inform readers about a wide range of environmental issues and present ways to help protect animals and their natural habitats.



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