

2005 Popular Paperbacks for Young Adults

The Popular Paperbacks for Young Adults Committee, sponsored by the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA) of the American Library Association (ALA), announced its 2005 selections finalized at the ALA Midwinter Meeting, held January 14-18 in Boston. This year's committee produced four lists of selected titles. This year's lists are:

- **Read 'em and Weep** : Get out your hankies! Here are stories of teens struggling to overcome loss, love, and life's disappointments. Committee Chair Walter Mayes offers this list "for when teens want something heart-wrenching."
- **Own Your Own Freak** : Feel like life has shut you out? You're not the only one, Committee Chair, self-proclaimed freak, and freak advocate Michele Gorman says. "If you've got it, flaunt it!"
- **Gateway to Faerie** : This list has retellings and original tales that capture the essence of the fantastical, magical world of faerie. Eunice Anderson, Committee Chair, recommends teens to "leave reality behind and cross over into the place called Faerie."
- **All Kinds of Creepy** : Lots of things scare us...ghosts, vampires, serial killers, and more. The books collected on this list share one common theme: they are tales guaranteed to make your spine tingle! Chair, Sarajo Wentling wanted to comment but was too busy cowering under the table in fear.

Committee Chair Sally Leahey, commented, "I expect that this year's titles will be grabbed up by teens and librarians. The topics have wide appeal, and titles were chosen for their popularity to promote reading for enjoyment among teens. Committee members did a terrific job of carrying on the tradition of the Popular Paperbacks Committee, which marks its tenth anniversary this year."

The members of the 2004-2005 Popular Paperbacks for Young Adults Committee are: Sally Leahey, Chair, McArthur Library, Biddeford, Maine; Robin Doughty, Administrative Assistant and committee member, Roseville Public Library, Roseville, CA; Eunice Anderson, Enoch Pratt Free Library, Pennsylvania Avenue Branch, Baltimore, MD; Kristin Brand, Pasco County Library System, New River Branch, Zephyrhills, FL; Paula Brehm-Heeger, Public Library of Cincinnati & Hamilton County, Cincinnati, Ohio; Robin Brenner, Cary Memorial Library, Lexington, MA; Janet Buttenwieser, King County Library System, Burien, WA; Allan Cuseo, Bishop Kearney High School Library, Rochester, NY; Diane Emge, Alachua County Library District, Gainesville, FL; Michele Gorman, Austin Public Library, Austin, TX; Alison Hendon, Brooklyn Public Library, Brooklyn, NY; Walter Mayes, Girls' Middle School, Mountain View, CA; Kevin Scanlon, Canton Public Library, Canton, MI; Caryn Sipos, Three Creeks Community Library, Vancouver, WA; and Sarajo Wentling, Hennepin County Library, Minnetonka, MN.

Read 'Em & Weep

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Bechard, Margaret. *Hanging on to Max*. 2003. Simon Pulse, paper, \$6.99 (0-689-86268-7).

Brooks, Bruce. *What Hearts*. 1995. HarperCollins/HarperTrophy, paper, \$5.99 (0-06-447127-6).

Carvell, Marlene. *Who will tell my brother?*. 2004. Hyperion, paper, \$5.99 (0-7868-1657-0).

The Color of Absence: 12 Stories About Loss and Hope . Ed. by James Howe. 2003. Simon Pulse, paper, \$6.99 (0-689-85667-9).

Dean, Carolee. *Comfort*. 2004. Houghton Mifflin/Graphia, paper, \$6.99 (0-618-43912-9).

Frank, E.R. *America*. 2003. Simon Pulse, paper, \$7.99 (0-689-85772-1).

Gilbert, Barbara. *Stone Water*. 2003. Front Street, paper \$7.95 (1-886910-12-X).

Hopkins, Ellen. *Crank*. 2004. Simon Pulse, paper, \$6.99 (0-689-86519-8).

Hrdlitschka, Shelley. *Dancing Naked*. 2002. Orca, paper, \$6.95 (1-55143-210-2).

Hurwin, Davida. *A Time for Dancing*. 1997. Puffin, paper, \$5.99 (0-14-038618-1).

Klass, David. *You Don't Know Me*. 2002. HarperTempest, paper, \$6.99 (0-06-447378-3).

Lee, Marie G. *Necessary Roughness*. 1998. HarperTrophy, paper, \$5.99 (0-06-447169-1).

McDaniel, Lurlene. *Baby Alicia is Dying*. 1993. Bantam Doubleday Dell, paper, \$4.99 (0-553-29605-1).

Moore, Terry. *Strangers in Paradise: High School!* 1999. illus. Abstract Studio, paper, \$8.95 (1-892597-07-1).

Porter, Connie. *Imani All Mine*. 2000. Houghton Mifflin, paper, \$12.00 (0-618-05678-5).

Ryan, Sara. *Empress of the World*. 2003. Penguin USA, \$7.99 paper, (0-14-250059-3).

Stratton, Allan. *Chanda's Secrets*. 2004. Annick Press, paper, \$8.95 (1-55037-834-1).

Swanson, Julie A. *Going for the Record*. 2004. Eerdmans, paper, \$8.00 (0-8028-5273-4).

Thompson, Craig. *Blankets: An Illustrated Novel*. 2003. illus. Top Shelf Productions, paper, \$29.95 (1-891830-43-0).

Voigt, Cynthia. *A Solitary Blue*. 2003. Aladdin, paper, \$5.99 (0-689-86360-8).

White, Ruth. *Weeping Willow*. 1994. Farrar, Straus & Giroux, paper, \$5.95 (0-374-48280-2).

Williams, Lori Aurelia. *When Kambia Elaine Flew in From Neptune*. 2001. Simon & Schuster, paper, \$10.00 (0-689-84593-6).

Yamanaka, Lois-Ann. *Name Me Nobody*. 2000. Hyperion, paper, \$5.99 (0-7868-1466-7).

Gateway to Faerie

Leave reality behind and cross over into the place called Faerie. Discover familiar tales with unique twists and new magical stories to entice you. Committee Chair Eunice Anderson feels these retellings and original tales capture the magic of faerie.

Black, Holly. *Tithe: A Modern Fairy Tale*. 2004. Simon Pulse, paper, \$6.99 (0-689-86704-2).

Card, Orson Scott. *Enchantment*. 2000. Ballantine, paper, \$7.99 (0-345-41688-0).

Dokey, Cameron. *Beauty Sleep*. 2002. illus. Simon Pulse, paper, \$5.99 (0-7434-2221-X).

Dokey, Cameron. *The Storyteller's Daughter*. 2002. Simon Pulse, paper, \$5.99 (0-7434-2220-1).

The Essential Bordertown . Ed. by Terri Windling and Delia Sherman. 1999. Tor, paper, \$14.95 (0-312-86703-4).

Faerie Tales. Ed. by Martin Greenberg and Russell Davis. 2004. DAW,paper, \$6.99 (0-7564-0182-8).

Ferris, Jean. *Once Upon a Marigold*. 2004. Harcourt Brace, paper, \$5.95 (0-15-205084-1).

Haddix, Margaret Peterson. *Just Ella*. 2001. Aladdin,paper, \$5.99 (0-689-83128-5).

Irwin, Jan. *Vogelein: Clockwork Faerie*. 2003. Fiery Studios, paper, \$12.95 (0-9743110-0-6).

Jones, Diana Wynne. *Fire and Hemlock*. 2002. HarperTrophy,paper, \$7.99 (0-06-447352-X).

Kindl, Patrice. *Goose Chase*. 2002. Puffin, paper, \$5.99 (0-14-230208-2).

Lynn, Tracy. *Snow*. 2003. Simon Pulse,paper, \$5.99 (0-689-85556-7).

McCaffrey, Anne. *An Exchange of Gifts*. illus. 1995. Wildside, paper, \$7.99 (1-880448-44-0).

McKinley, Robin. *Deerskin*. 1994. Ace, paper, \$6.99 (0-441-00069-X).

McKinley, Robin. *Spindle's End*. 2001. Ace,paper, \$6.50 (0-441-00865-8).

Napoli, Donna Jo. *Beast*. 2004. Simon Pulse,paper, \$5.99 (0-689-87005-1).

Napoli, Donna Jo. *Zel*. 1998. Puffin,paper, \$5.99 (0-14-130116-3).

Stewart, Sean. *Nobody's Son*. 2000. Harcourt/Magic Carpet,paper, \$6.00 (0-15-202259-7).

Vande Velde, Vivian. *The Rumpelstiltskin Problem*. 2002. Scholastic,paper, \$4.99 (0-439-30529-2).

Viguie, Debbie. *Midnight Pearls*. 2003. Simon Pulse,paper, \$5.99 (0-689-85557-5).

Willingham, Bill. *Fables: Legends in Exile*. illus. 2002. DC Comics, paper, \$9.95 (1-56389-942-6).

Own Your Freak

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Atkins, Catherine. *Alt Ed*. 2004. Puffin,paper, \$5.99 (0-14-240235-4).

Cohn, Rachel. *Gingerbread*. 2003. Simon Pulse,paper, \$6.99 (0-689-86020-X).

Crutcher, Chris. *Whale Talk*. 2002. Laurel Leaf,paper, \$5.50 (0-440-22938-3).

Davis, Amanda. *Wonder When You'll Miss Me*. 2004. Perennial,paper, \$12.95 (0-060-53426-5).

Giles, Gail. *Shattering Glass*. 2003. Simon Pulse,paper, \$6.99 (0-689-85800-0).

Going, K.L. *Fat Kid Rules the World*. 2004. Puffin,paper, \$6.99 (0-14-240208-7).

Hartinger, Brent. *The Geography Club*. 2004. HarperTempest,paper, \$6.99 (0-06-001223-4).

Howe, James. *The Misfits*. 2003. Aladdin,paper, \$5.99 (0-689-83956-1).

Koertge, Ron. *Stoner & Spaz*. 2004. Candlewick,paper, \$6.99 (0-7636-2150-1).

Korman, Gordon. *Son of the Mob*. 2004. Hyperion,paper , \$5.99 (0-7868-1593-0).

Lubar, David. *Hidden Talents*. 1999. Tom Doherty/Starscape,paper, \$5.99 (0-7653-4265-0).

Muharrar, Aisha. *More Than a Label: Why What You Wear and Who You're with Doesn't Define Who You Are*. 2002. Free Spirit, paper, \$13.95 (1-57542-110-0).

Naifeh, Ted. *Courtney Crumrin and the Night Things*. illus. 2003. Oni,paper, \$11.95 (1-929998-60-0).

Oates, Joyce Carol. *Big Mouth & Ugly Girl*. 2003. HarperCollins,paper, \$7.99 (0-06-447347-3).

On the Fringe . Ed. by Don R. Gallo. 2003. Puffin,paper, \$6.99 (0-14-250026-7).

Peters, Julie Anne. *Define "Normal"*. 2003. Little Brown,paper, \$5.99 (0-316-73489-6).

Plum-Ucci, Carol. *What Happened to Lani Garver?*2002. Harcourt,paper, \$6.95 (0-15-205088-4).

Salinger, J. D. *The Catcher in the Rye*. 1991. Little Brown & Co.,paper, \$5.99 (0-316-76948-7).

Shetterly, Will. *Elsewhere*. 2004. Harcourt/Magic Carpet,paper, \$6.95 (0-15-205209-7).

Smith, Sherri L. *Lucy the Giant*. 2003. Laurel Leaf,paper, \$5.50 (0-440-22927-8).

Spinelli, Jerry. *Stargirl*. 2004. Random House,paper, \$6.99 (0-440-41677-9).

Tashjian, Janet. *The Gospel According to Larry*. 2003. Laurel Leaf, paper, \$5.99 (0-440-23792-0).

Tolan, Stephanie S. *Surviving the Applewhites*. 2004. HarperTrophy, paper, \$5.99 (0-06-441044-7).

Werlin, Nancy. *Black Mirror*. 2003. Puffin, paper, \$6.99 (0-14-250028-3).

Wittlinger, Ellen. *Razzle*. 2003. Simon Pulse, paper, \$7.99 (0-689-85600-8).

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Atwater-Rhodes, Amelia. *Shattered Mirror*. 2003. Laurel Leaf, paper, \$5.50 (0-440-22940-5).

Barker, Clive. *Abarat*. 2004. HarperCollins, paper, \$6.99 (0-06-059637-6).

Brunvand, Jan Harold. *Be Afraid, Be Very Afraid: The Book of Scary Urban Legends*. 2004. W.W. Norton, paper, \$13.95 (0-393-32613-6).

Cormier, Robert. *Tenderness*. 2004. Delacorte, paper, \$7.95 (0-385-73133-7).

Duncan, Lois. *I Know What You Did Last Summer*. 1999. Dell, paper, \$5.50 (0-440-22844-1).

Gaiman, Neil. *Coraline* . 2004. illus. HarperTrophy, paper, \$5.99 (0-06-057591-3) .

Halam, Ann. *Dr. Franklin's Island*. 2002. Dell, paper, \$5.50 (0-440-23781-5).

Harris, Thomas. *The Silence of the Lambs*, 1991. St. Martin's, paper, \$7.99 (0-312-92458-5).

Huntington, Geoffrey. *Sorcerers of the Nightwing: Ravenscliff Series, Book 1*. 2003. Regan, paper, \$7.99, (0-06-001426-1).

King, Stephen. *It*. 1987. Signet, paper, \$7.99 (0-451-16951-4).

Koontz, Dean. 1986. *Watchers*. Berkley, paper, \$7.99 (0-425-18880-9).

Niles, Steve. *30 Days of Night*. 2003. illus. IDW, paper, \$17.99 (0-9719775-5-0).

Rees, Celia. *Soul Taker*. 2003. Hodder, paper, \$7.95 (0-340-87817-7).

Reiss, Kathryn. *Dreadful Sorry*. 2004. Harcourt, paper, \$6.95 (0-15-205087-6).

Sebold, Alice. *Lovely Bones*. 2004. Back Bay, paper, \$13.95 (0-316-16881-5).

Shan, Darren. *Cirque du Freak: The Saga of Darren Shan, Book 1*. 2001. Little Brown, paper, \$5.99 (0-316-90571-2).

Shusterman, Neal. *Full Tilt*. 2004. Simon Pulse, paper, \$4.99 (0-689-87325-5).

Stine, R. L. *Dangerous Girls*. 2003. Avon Books, (0-06-053082-0).

Thirteen: 13 Tales of Horror. Ed. by T. Pines. 1991. Scholastic, paper, \$5.99 (0-590-45256-8).

Vande Velde, Vivian. *Being Dead*. 2003. Harcourt, paper, \$6.95 (0-15-204912-6).