

2004 Popular Paperbacks

The Popular Paperbacks for Young Adults Committee, sponsored by the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA) of the American Library Association (ALA), announced its 2004 selections finalized at the ALA Midwinter Meeting, held January 9-12 in San Diego. This year's committee produced four lists of selected titles. This year's lists are: ; ; ; and .

- **If It Weren't For Them: Heroes.** Heroes are everywhere. They are real and imaginary, historic and contemporary. Chair Andrea Milano remarked, "We hope these books will inspire teens to find heroes in their world."
- **On That Note...Music and Musicians.** The list, which features fiction and non-fiction, encompasses a wide range of musical styles including classical, country, blues, rock, rap, and hip-hop. There are few titles for mature teens; however, most will appeal to teens of all ages. "In the age of Britney and Christina, we wanted to offer alternatives to tabloid-style tell-all biographies," said chair Tricia Suellentrop.
- **Guess Again: Mystery and Suspense.** Traditional whodunits, fast-paced non-fiction, and nail biters make this a sure-fire mix that teens will love. "Whether you want them turning pages or developing their power of deduction, there's nothing better than a good mystery," said interim chair Walter M. Mayes.
- **Simply Science Fiction** is a list that begs us to ask "what if." This exciting group of books explores the fascinating possibilities of our future. Chair Lynn Rutan wanted to comment but was late for her spaceship leaving for Mars.

Committee chair, Michael G. Pawuk, had this to say about this year's lists: "If you're a teen looking for a time-tested favorite or for an exciting new read to a library looking for fun and wide-ranging genre lists, I feel confident that these lists have much to offer."

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If It Weren't For Them: Heroes

Beals, Melba Pattillo. *Warriors Don't Cry: A Searing Memoir of the Battle to Integrate Little Rock's Central High.* Washington Square Press, 1994. 0-671-86639-7, \$14.00.

Bendis, Brian-Michael and Mark Bagley. *Ultimate Spider-Man: Double Trouble.* Marvel Comics, 2002. 0-7851-0879-3, \$17.95.

Bradley and Ron Powers, James. *Flags of Our Fathers: Heroes of Iwo Jima.* Bantam, 2001. 0-553-38029-X, \$13.00.

Cormier, Robert. *Heroes.* Random House - Laurel Leaf, 1998. 0-440-22769-0, \$5.50.

Crisp, Terri. *Out of Harm's Way: The Extraordinary True Story of One Woman's Lifelong Devotion to Animals.* Simon & Schuster, 1997. 0-671-52278-7, \$21.95.

Defede, Jim. *The Day the World Came to Town: 9/11 in Gander, Newfoundland.* HarperTrade, 2003. 0-06-055971-3, \$12.95.

Feiffer, Jules. *The Great Comic Book Heroes.* Fantagraphics Books, 2003. 1-56097-501-6, \$8.95.

Garden, Nancy. *Dove and Sword: A Novel of Joan of Arc.* Scholastic, 1997. 0-590-92949-6, \$4.99.

Holdsclaw, Chamique with Jennifer Fry. *Chamique Holdsclaw: My Story.* Simon & Schuster - Aladdin. 0-689-83592-2, \$4.99.

Holeman, Linda . *Search of the Moon King's Daughter.* Tundra Books , 2003. 0-88776-609-9, \$9.95.

Kunkel, Mike. *Herobear and the Kid: The Inheritance.* Astonish Comics, 2003. 0-9721259-1-4, \$19.95.

McKinley, Robin. *Hero and the Crown.* **Penguin Putnam, 2000. 0-14-130981-4, \$6.99.**

Moore, Christopher. *Lamb, The Gospel According to Biff, Christ's Childhood Pal.* HarperPerennial, 2003. 0-380-81381-5, \$13.95.

Millar, Mark and Brian Hitch. *The Ultimates: Super-Human.* Marvel Comics, 2002. 0-7851-0960-9, \$12.99.

Moon, Elizabeth. *Once a Hero.* Simon & Schuster - Baen Books. 0-671-87871-9, \$7.99.

Robinson, James and Tony Harris. *Starman: Sins of the Father.* DC Comics, 1996. 1-56389-248-0, \$12.95.

Rottman, S. L. . *Hero.* Puffin, 200. 0-14-130701-3, \$6.99.

Sakai, Stan. *Usagi Yojimbo: Duel at Kitanoji.* Dark Horse Comics, 2003. 1-56971-973-X, \$16.95.

Smith, Danny. *Lost Hero: Raoul Wallenberg's Dramatic Quest to Save the Jews of Hungary.* HarperCollins , 2001. 0-00-711117-7, \$12.00.

Sutcliff, Rosemary. *Tristan and Iseult.* Sunburst Paperbacks/Farrar Straus Giroux, 1971. 0-374-47982-8, \$5.95.

Tingle, Rebecca. *Edge on the Sword.* Penguin Putnam, 2003. 0-14-250058-5, \$6.99.

Ullman, James Ramsey. *Banner in the Sky.* HarperCollins - HarperTrophy, 1995. 0-06-447048-2, \$5.99.

Van Essen, Editor, Thomas. *In the Line of Duty: A Tribute to New York's Finest and Bravest.* HarperCollins, 2001. 0-06-009363-3, \$16.00.

On that Note: Music and Musicians

Block, Francesca Lia. *Cherokee Bat and the Goat Guys.* HarperCollins, 1993. 0-06-447095-4, \$5.99.

Brooks, Bruce. *Midnight Hour Encores.* HarperCollins, 2000. 0-06-447021-0, \$6.99.

Eminem. *Angry Blonde: The Official Book.* HarperCollins, 2002. 0-06-093451-4, \$14.95.

Farley, Christopher John. *Aaliyah: More Than a Woman.* Simon & Schuster Pocket Books, 2002. 0-7434-5566-5, \$6.99.

Gilbert, Barbara Snow. *Broken Chords.* Random House - Laureleaf, 2001. 0-440-22887-5, \$5.50.

Keillor, Garrison. *Sandy Bottom Orchestra.* Hyperion - Disney Press, 1998. 0-7868-1250-8, \$5.95.

Kennedy, Pagan. *The Exes.* Simon & Schuster, 1999. 0-684-85442-2, \$14.00.

Newton, Suzanne. *I Will Call It Georgie's Blues.* Puffin, 1990. 0-440-94090-7, \$5.99.

Nolan, Han. *Born Blue.* Harcourt, 2003. 0-15-204697-6, \$6.95.

Novas, Himilce & Rosemary Silva. *Remembering Selena: A Tribute in Pictures and Words.* St. Martin's Press, 1995. 0-312-14160-2, \$9.95.

O'Connor, Barbara. *Beethoven in Paradise.* Sunburst Paperbacks/Farrar Straus Giroux, 1997. 0-374-40588-3, \$4.95.

Paterson, Katherine. *Come Sing Jimmy Jo.* Penguin Putnam - Puffin, 1995. 0-14-037397-7, \$5.99.

Powell, Randy. *Tribute to Another Dead Rock Star.* Sunburst Paperbacks/Farrar Straus Giroux, 2003. 0-374-47968-2, \$5.95.

Thigpen, David E. *Jam Master Jay: The Heart of Hip-Hop.* Pocket Star Books, 2003. 0-7434-7694-8, \$6.99.

Thompson, Dave. *Never Fade Away: The Kurt Cobain Story.* St. Martin's Press, 1994. 0-312-95463-8, \$5.99.

Torres, J. and Scott Chantler. *Days Like This.* Oni Press 2003. 1-929998-48-1, \$8.95.

Tucker, Lisa. *The Song Reader.* Simon & Schuster - Pocket Books, 2003. 0-7434-6445-1, \$12.00.

Tyler, Anne. *A Slipping-Down Life.* Ballantine Ivy Books, 1992. 0-8041-0886-2, \$6.99.

Van Meter, Jen, Christine Norrie and Chynna Clugston-Major. *Hopeless Savages.* Oni Press, 2002. 1-929998-24-4, \$13.95.

Westbrook, Alonzo. *Hip Hoptionary: The Dictionary of Hip Hop Terminology.* Broadway Books - Harlem Moon. 0-7679-0924-0, \$12.95.

Wieler, Diana. *Drive.* Groundwood, 2001. 0-88899-348-X, \$5.95.

Wolff, Virginia Euwer. *The Mozart Season.* Scholastic, 1991. 0-439-16309-9, \$4.99.

Yolen, Jane. *Boots and the Seven Leaguers.* Harcourt Children's Books - Magic Carpet Books, 2003. 0-15-202563-4, \$5.95.

GuessAgain: Mystery and Suspense!

Avi. *Wolf Rider: A Tale of Terror.* Random House - Bantam, 1993. 0-553-57839-1, \$5.00.

Braun, Lillian Jackson. *The Cat Who Sniffed Glue.* Penguin Putnam - Jove, 1989. 0-51-509954-6, \$8.00.

Christie, Agatha. *Death on the Nile.* Penguin Putnam - Berkley Publishing Group, 1997. 0-42-517373-9, \$6.00.

Cooney, Caroline B.. *Wanted!.* Scholastic, 1997. 0-590-98849-2, \$8.00.

Doyle, Arthur Conan. *The Great Adventures of Sherlock Holmes.* Penguin Putnam, 1991. 0-14-036689-X, \$5.00.

Duncan, Lois. *Who Killed My Daughter.* Random House - Dell, 1994. 0-440-21342-8, \$7.50.

Emert, Phyllis Raybin. *Mysteries of People and Places: Strange Unsolved Mysteries.* TOR Books, 2000. 0-606-11927-2, \$7.00.

Giberga, Jane S. *Friends to Die For.* Penguin Putnam - Puffin Books, 1999. 0-14-038599-1, \$4.99.

Guy, Rosa. *The Disappearance.* Laurel-Leaf Books, 1979. 0-440-92064-7, \$4.99.

Haddix, Margaret Peterson. *Running Out of Time.* Simon and Schuster - Aladdin, 1997. 0-689-81236-1, \$4.99.

Hamilton, Virginia. *The House of Dies Drear.* Simon and Schuster - Aladdin, 1984. 0-02-043520-7, \$4.99.

Holmes, Barbara Ware. *Following Fake Man.* Dell Yearling, 2001. 0-440-41855-0, \$4.99.

Hoobler, Dorothy and Thomas. *The Ghost in the Tokaido Inn.* Penguin Putnam - Puffin Books, 1999. 0-698-11879-0, \$5.99.

Master's Choice, Volume II. Penguin Putnam - Berkeley Publishing Group Prime Crime, 2001. 0-42-518225-8, \$7.50.

Nickerson, Sara. *How to Disappear Completely & Never Be Found.* HarperTrophy, 2003. 0-06-441027-7, \$5.99.

Nixon, Joan Lowery. *Name of the Game was Murder.* Random House - Laurel-Leaf Books, 1994. 0-440-21916-7, \$5.00.

Nixon, Joan Lowery. *Whispers from the Dead.* Random House - Laurel Leaf, 1991. 0-440-20809-2, \$4.99.

Peretti, Frank. *Hangman's Curse: Verita's Project #1.* Tommy Nelson, 2002. 0-8499-7785-1, \$8.99.

Plum-Ucci, Carol. *Body of Christopher Creed.* Hyperion Books for Children, 2001. 0-7868-1641-4, \$6.99.

Qualey, Marsha. *Close to a Killer.* Random House - Laurel Leaf, 2000. 0-440-22763-1, \$4.99.

Raskin, Ellen. *The Westing Game.* Penguin Putnam - Puffin, 1992. 0-14-038664-5, \$12.00.

Reiss, Kathryn. *Paperquake: A Puzzle.* Harcourt, 1998. 0-15-216782-X, \$6.00.

Roberts, Willo Davis. *Twisted Summer.* Simon & Schuster - Aladdin, 1998. 0-689-80600-0, \$4.99.

Van Draanen, Wendelin. *Sammy Keyes and the Hotel Thief.* Random House, 1998. 0-679-89264-8, \$5.00.

Wynne-Jones, Tim. *The Boy in the Burning House.* Sunburst Paperbacks/Farrar Straus Giroux, 2000. 0-374-40887-4, \$5.95.

Simply Science Fiction

- Armstrong, Jennifer and Nancy Butcher.** *Fire-us #1: The Kindling*. HarperCollins. 0-06-447273-6, \$5.99.
- Bell, Hilari.** *A Matter of Profit*. HarperCollins, 2003. 0-06-447300-7, \$6.99.
- Bujold, Lois McMaster.** *Warrior's Apprentice*. Simon & Schuster - Baen Books, 1997. 0-671-72066-X, \$4.50.
- Bradbury, Ray.** *Fahrenheit 451*. Random House - Ballantine, 1987. 0-345-34296-8, \$6.99.
- Brin, David.** *Startide Rising*. Bantam, 1983. 0-553-27418-X, \$6.99.
- Burgess, Melvin.** *Bloodtide*. TOR Forge Books, 2002. 0-7653-4014-3, \$6.99.
- Card, Orson Scott.** *Ender's Shadow*. TOR Starscape, 1998. 0-7653-4240-5, \$5.99.
- Christopher, John.** *The White Mountains*. Simon & Schuster, 1968. 0-02-042711-5, \$4.99.
- Clarke, Arthur.** *Childhood's End*. Random House - Ballantine, 2001. 0-345-44405-1, \$12.95.
- Engdahl, Sylvia Louis.** *Enchantress from the Stars*. Penguin Putnam - Firebird, 1970 ?. 0-14-250037-2, \$6.99.
- Gerrold, David.** *Jumping off the Planet*. TOR Books, 2002. 0-7653-4360-6, \$5.99.
- Gould, Steven.** *Wildside*. TOR Books, 1996. 0-765-34246-4, \$6.99.
- Heinlein, Robert.** *Starship Troopers*. Penguin Putnam - Ace Books, 1987. 0-441-78358-9, \$6.99.
- Hoover, H. M..** *Winds of Mars*. Penguin Putnam - Viking, 1999. 0-14-038039-6, \$4.99.
- Kishiro, Yukito.** *Battle Angel Alita, Volume 1*. VIZ, LLC, 1994. 1-56931-003-3, 2nd edition: ISBN: 1-56931-945-6, \$16.95.
- Lasky, Kathryn.** *Star Split*. Hyperion, 2001. 0-7868-1568-X, \$5.99.
- Lassiter, Rhiannon.** *Hex*. Simon & Schuster - Archway Paperback, 2001. 0-7434-2211-2, \$4.99.
- Lowachee, Karin.** *Warchild*. Warner Books - Aspect, 2002. 0-446-61077-1, \$6.99.
- Nix, Garth.** *Shade's Children*. HarperCollins - HarperTrophy, 1997. 0-06-447196-9, \$6.99.
- Price, Susan.** *The Sterkarm Handshake*. HarperCollins - Eos, 2000. 0-06-447236-1, \$6.99.
- Sheffield, Charles.** *Higher Education: A Jupiter Novel*. TOR, 1997. 0-8125-3890-0, \$5.99.
- Skurzynski, Gloria.** *Virtual War*. Simon & Schuster - Aladdin paperbacks, 1999. 0-689-82425-4, \$4.50.
- Tenapel, Douglas.** *Creature Tech*. Top Shelf Productions, 2002. 1-891830-34-1, \$14.95.
- Willis, Connie.** *The Doomsday Book*. Random House - Bantam, 1993. 0-553-56273-8, \$7.50.
- Yukimura, Makoto.** *Planetes, Vol. 1*. Tokyopop, 2003. 1-59182-262-9, \$9.99.