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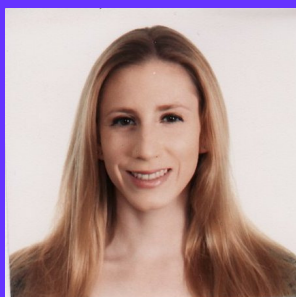
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Meet Our New School Liaison



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Rachel Reinwald grew up on the North Shore and graduated from the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign. She worked at Mount Prospect Public Library and Northbrook Public Library while she obtained her Masters of Library Information Science and School Library Media from Dominican University. She has a K-12 teaching certificate and has been a school librarian for preschool through 5th grade. Ms. Reinwald loves helping busy teachers find great resources that are age appropriate and supplement their lessons.



Annual BookArt Contest

Each year, the Youth Services Department sponsors an art contest that celebrates books and creativity—for 2013, we're returning to the medium of photography. We're challenging kids ages 5-12 to photograph their pets (stuffed animals, too!) "enjoying" a book.

Guidelines and entry forms for the contest will be available at the Youth Services Desk starting September 3; we'll begin taking submissions October 1. Questions? Contact the Youth Services Department at 847-356-7711 or visit www.lvdl.org.

Spotlight on Illinois Children's Choice Book Awards

Established in 2005, the Monarch Award is designed for Illinois students in Kindergarten through third grade. The program encourages children to read critically and to become aware of a wide range of authors and genres. Students need to read or listen to five of the 20 nominated titles in order to vote in February.

[2014 Monarch Master List of Nominees](#)



The Bluestem Award is intended for third through fifth grade students. It is nestled right between the Caudill and the Monarch awards, allowing students to enjoy a wide range of titles that are age appropriate. Students need to read four of the 20 nominated titles.

[2014 Bluestem Master List of Nominees](#)



The oldest of the Illinois student choice reading awards, the Caudill Award has been active since 1988. Planned for students in fourth through eighth grades, the Caudill Award offers a wide range of genres and authors every year. Students need to read three of the 20 nominated titles.

[2014 Caudill Master List of Nominees](#)



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Exploring Bullying with the Illinois Children's Choice Book Awards



One - Kathryn Otoshi

(MONARCH)

The color blue tries to overcome being bullied by the color red. Blue compares himself to the other colors and wants to be like them.

The other colors want to help blue fit in, but they are afraid of popular red. Then the number 1 steps in to stand up to the bullying and teaches the others. This picture book is a clever play on colors, numbers, and wording.

This year's nominees include several books on the issues of bullying and fitting in. Here are more books and resources on this tough issue. If you're looking for the IL Award Nominees, we have ten copies of each book on display right by the Youth Services Desk. Happy reading!

Early Elementary Supplements

- Chrysanthemum* - Kevin Henkes
- The Ugly Duckling* - Rachel Isadora
- The Berenstain Bears and the Bully* - Jan and Stan Berenstain
- Ballerinas Don't Wear Glasses* - Ainslie Manson
- Arthur's April Fool* - Marc Brown
- The Meanest Thing To Say* - Bill Cosby
- Bully* - Judith Caseley
- Pinky and Rex and the Bully* - James Howe

Third Grade

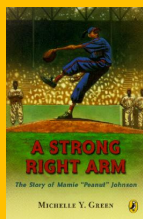
- The Hundred Dresses* - Eleanor Estes
- Marvin Redpost: Why Pick On Me?* - Louis Sachar
- The Ant Bully* - John Nickle
- Thank You Mr. Falker* - Patricia Polacco
- Jake Drake, Bully Buster* - Andrew Clements

Fourth Grade

- There's a Boy in the Girl's Bathroom* - Louis Sachar
- The Secret Language of Girls* - Francis O'Roarke Dowell
- Blubber* - Judy Blume
- Dexter the Tough* - Margaret Peterson Haddix

A Strong Right Arm - Michelle Green
(BLUESTEM)

Mamie Johnson was born to play baseball. She even slept with one under her pillow sometimes. She couldn't stand softball, because it was "too slow and sissy." After being told "you're just a dumb girl and you're colored besides" she responded with "a ball's a ball all the same. It don't know nothing about the person who's throwing it except if they're good or not." And good she was. She worked her way onto a police sponsored all white, all male, baseball team and then onto a sandlot team where a scout found her. This 5'2" peanut with determination and skill was one of only three women to ever play in the Negro Leagues. She overcame prejudice just by chasing her dream and letting her strong right arm do all the talking.



I Emma Freke - Elizabeth Atkinson
(CAUDILL)

I. Am. A. Freak. What was Emma's mother thinking when she named her? Emma is twelve but people don't bat an eye when she tells them she's 16 so they'll stop poking fun at how tall she is. Emma hates socializing with people and going to school because everyone will make fun of her name and she just never knows how to act. Then her mother, Donatella, tells her she doesn't have to go to school anymore, she's elated... until she finds out, of course, that her mom never told the school. And now she has to run the bead shop while her mom dates every guy on Earth.



Fifth/Sixth Grade

- Crash* - Jerry Spinelli
- Lizzie at Last* - Claudia Mills
- Frog Burgers* - Lee Mandel

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