

Alex Awards

The Alex Awards are given to ten books written for adults that have special appeal to young adults, ages 12 through 18.

Alex Award Winners 2022

- DB 103815 *The One Hundred Years of Lenni and Margot* by Marianne Cronnin
- DB 102745 *Crossing the Line: a Fearless Team of Brothers and the Sport That Changed Their Lives* by Kareem Rosser
- DB 103872 *The Library of the Dead* by T.L. Huchu
- DB 105930 *Light from Uncommon Stars* by Ryka Aoki
- DB 102559 *The Rose Code* by Kate Quinn
- DB 102298 *Winter's Orbit* by Everina Maxwell
- DB 102781 *The Witch's Heart* by Genevieve Gornichec

Alex Award Winners 2021

- DB 101429 *Black Sun: Between Earth and Sky, Book 1* by Rebecca Roanhorse
- DB 98951 *The House in the Cerulean Sea* by T.J. Klune
- DB 98789 *The Impossible First: From Fire to Ice – Crossing Antarctica Alone* by Colin O'Brady
- DB 100116 *The Only Good Indians* by Stephen Graham Jones
- DB 101142 *Plain Bad Heroines* by Emily M. Danforth
- DB 98546 *Riot Baby* by Tochi Onyebuchi
- DB 99244 *We Ride Upon Sticks* by Quan Barry

Alex Award Winners 2020

- DB 94882 *A Boy and His Dog at the End of the World* by Charlie "C.A." Fletcher
- DB 97762 *Do You Dream of Terra-Two?* by Temi Oh
- DB 103848 *Dominicana* by Angie Cruz
- DB 97119 *High School* by Sara Quin and Tegan Quin
- DB 95164 *Middlegame: Middlegame, Book 1* by Seanan McGuire
- DB 95925 *The Nickel Boys* by Colson Whitehead
- DB 95171 *Red, White and Royal Blue* by Casey McQuiston
- DB 96606 *The Swallows* by Lisa Lutz

Alex Award Winners 2019

- DB 91421 *The Book of Essie* by Meghan MacLean Weir
- DB 90711 *Circe* by Madeline Miller
- DB 90188 *Educated: a Memoir* by Tara Westover
- DB 90878 *Girl Who Smiled Beads: a Story of War and What Comes After* by Clemantine Wamariya and Elizabeth Weil
- DB 90237 *Green* by Sam Graham-Felsen
- DB 93236 *How Long 'Til Black Future Month? Stories* by N.K. Jemisin
- DB 91320 *Lawn Boy* by Jonathan Evison
- DB 91647 *Spinning Silver* by Naomi Novik

Alex Award Winners 2018

- DB 92425 *All Systems Red: The Murderbot Diaries, Book 1* by Martha Wells
- DB 88693 *The Clockwork Dynasty* by Daniel H. Wilson
- DB 88210 *Down Among the Sticks and Bones: Wayward Children, Book 2* by Seanan McGuire

DB 87867 A Hope More Powerful Than the Sea: One Refugee's Incredible Story of Love, Loss and Survival
by Melissa Fleming
DB 88638 She Rides Shotgun by Jordan Harper
DB 90250 Things We Have in Common by Tasha Kavanagh
DB 88964 An Unkindness of Magicians by Kat Howard

Alex Award Winners 2017

DB 86809 The Queen of Blood: Queens of Renithia, Book 1 by Sarah Beth Durst
DB 84352 The Regional Office is Under Attack! By Manuel Gonzales
DB 89748 Arena: Arena, Book 1 by Holly Jennings
DB 84054 Every Heart a Doorway: Wayward Children, Book 1 by Seanan McGuire
DBG 10998 Die Young with Me: a Memoir by Rob Rufus
DB 85268 The Invisible Life of Ivan Isaenko by Scott Stambach

Alex Award Winners 2016

DB 93010 All Involved by Ryan Gattis
DB 82201 Between the World and Me by Ta-Nehisi Coates
DB 83124 Futuristic Violence and Fancy Suits by David Wong
DB 82100 Undocumented: a Dominican Boy's Odyssey from a Homeless Shelter to the Ivy League by
Dan-El Padilla Peralta
DBC 02755 The Unraveling of Mercy Louis by Keija Parssinen

Alex Award Winners 2015

DB 79182 All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr
DB 92337 Bellweather Rhapsody by Kate Racculia
DB 80393 Everything I Never Told You by Celeste Ng
DB 79538 Lock In: Lock In, Book 1 by John Scalzi
DB 78389 The Martian by Andy Weir
DB 78661 Those Who Wish Me Dead by Michael Koryta
DB 79853 Wolf in White Van by John Darnielle

Alex Award Winners 2014

DB 77306 Brewster by Mark Slouka – *Historical Fiction*
DB 78303 The Death of Bees by Lisa O'Donnell – *Contemporary Fiction/Coming of Age*
DB 78383 Golden Boy by Abigail Tarttelin – *Contemporary Fiction/Coming of Age/GLBT Fiction*
DB 78110 Help for the Haunted by John Searles – *Mystery/Gothic*
DB 78482 Lexicon by Max Barry – *Science Fiction*
DB 78240 The Lives of Tao by Wesley Chu – *Science Fiction*
DB 77649 Mother, Mother by Koren Zailckas – *Psychological Thriller*
DB 78141 The Universe Versus Alex Woods by Gavin Extence – *Contemporary Fiction/Coming of Age*
Other Nominees 2014

DB 78077 Reconstructing Amelia by Kimberly McCreight – *Mystery/Suspense*
DB 76294 Shadow on the Crown by Patricia Bracewell – *Historical Fiction/Medieval Britain*
DB 76732 Maya's Notebook by Isabel Allende – *Contemporary Fiction*
DB 77198 The Ocean at the End of the Lane by Neil Gaiman – *Low Fantasy/Horror*
DB 76696 A Tale for the Time Being by Ruth Ozeki – *Literary Fiction/Japan*
DB 76799 Joyland by Stephen King – *Horror*
DB 76947 We Are All Completely Beside Ourselves by Karen Joy Fowler – *Literary Fiction*

DB 77077 Frozen in Time: an Epic Story of Survival and a Modern Quest for Lost Heroes of World War II
by Mitchell Zuckoff – *WWII History/Greenland History*
DB 78283 Men We Reaped: A Memoir by Jesmyn Ward – *Black Biography/Women Biography*
DB 78070 A House in the Sky: A Memoir By Amanda Lindhout and Sara Corbett – *Captive
Biography/Women Biography/Travel*

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DB 75599 Mr. Penumbra's Twenty-Four-Hour Bookstore by Robin Sloan – *Literary Fiction/Low Fantasy*
DB 75641 The Round House by Louise Erdrich – *Literary Fiction/Crime Fiction*
DB 75351 Where'd You Go, Bernadette? by Maria Semple – *Contemporary Fiction/Humor Fiction*
Other Nominees 2013
DB 75630 The Elementals by Francesca Lia Block – *Fantasy/Occult Fiction*
DB 76074 Brain on Fire: My Month of Madness by Susannah Cahalan – *Biography/Medical Memoir*
DB 74857 The Song of Achilles by Madeline Miller – *Historical Fiction*
DB 75443 The Yellow Birds by Kevin Powers – *Iraq War Fiction*
DB 74866 Redshirts by John Scalzi – *Science Fiction*
DB 74890 The Age of Miracles by Karen Thompson Walker – *Literary Fiction/Science Fiction*
DB 74885 Amped by Daniel H. Wilson – *Science Fiction*
DB 74853 Alif the Unseen by G. Willow Wilson – *Low Fantasy*

Alex Award Winners 2012

DB 73783 The Night Circus by Erin Morgenstern – *Low Fantasy/Romance*
DB 73772 Ready Player One by Ernest Cline – *Science Fiction/Bestseller*
DB 74340 Robopocalypse by Daniel H. Wilson – *Science Fiction*
DB 74033 Salvage the Bones by Jesmyn Ward – *Literary Fiction/Natural Disaster Survival Fiction*
DB 75175 The Talk-Funny Girl by Roland Merullo – *Realistic Fiction*
Other Nominees 2012
DB 74897 Among Others by Jo Walton – *Low Fantasy*
DB 73944 The Central Park Five: A Chronicle of a City Wilding by Sarah Burns – *True Crime*
DB 75285 The End of Everything by Megan Abbott – *Mystery*
DB 74148 The Language of Flowers by Vanessa Diffenbaugh – *Literary Fiction*

Alex Award Winners 2011

DB 73069 Girl in Translation by Jean Kwok – *Literary Fiction*
DB 70587 The Lock Artist by Steve Hamilton – *Suspense Story*
DB 71699 The Particular Sadness of Lemon Cake by Aimee Bender – *Literary Fiction/Bestseller*
DB 71989 Room by Emma Donoghue – *Suspense Story/Bestseller*
Other Nominees 2011
DB 73838 Ape House: A Novel by Sara Gruen – *Literary Fiction*
DB 72728 Autobiography of a Recovering Skinhead: The Frank Meeink Story by Frank Meeink – *Crime
Autobiography*
DB 73112 The Girl Who Fell from the Sky by Heidi W. Durrow – *Contemporary Fiction*
DB 70661 The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot – *Medical History/Science/Biography*
DB 73026 Insatiable: Insatiable, Book 1 by Meg Cabot – *Low Fantasy/Paranormal Fiction*
DB 71647 The Other Wes Moore: One Name, Two Fates by Wes Moore – *Autobiography/Crime
Biography*
DB 71733 Star Island by Carl Hiaasen – *Adventure Fiction/Crime Fiction/Humor Fiction*
DB 71730 Sh*t My Dad Says by Justin Halpern – *Humor/Bestseller/Book to TV*

DB 72359 Skippy Dies by Paul Murray – *Literary Fiction/Ireland Fiction*
DB 73054 Stuff: Compulsive Hoarding and the Meaning of Things by Randy O. Frost and Gail Steketee -
Psychology
DB 70899 Tattoos on the Heart: The Power of Boundless Compassion by Gregory Boyle – *True
Crime/Religious Autobiography*

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DB 72673 The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind: Creating Currents of Electricity and Hope by William
Kamkwamba and Bryan Mealer – *Biography/Inspirational Nonfiction*

DB 70623 The Good Soldiers by David Finkel – *War Biography/Global War on Terror*

DB 69579 The Magicians: The Magicians, Book 1 by Lev Grossman – *Urban Fantasy/Low Fantasy*

Other Nominees 2010

DB 68281 Beat the Reaper by Josh Bazell – *Medical Suspense Story*

DB 70410 The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie: A Flavia de Luce Mystery, Book 1 by Alan Bradley –
Mystery/Historical Fiction

DB 70050 Swimming with Piranhas at Feeding Time: My Life Doing Dumb Stuff with Animals by Richard
Conniff – *Wild Animals/Travelogue*

DB 68856 Columbine by Dave Cullen – *True Crime/Journalism*

DB 68590 No Angel: My Harrowing Undercover Journey in the Inner Circle of Hell's Angels by Jay Dobyns
and Nils Johnson-Shelton – *True Crime/Autobiography*

DB 69795 Zeitoun by Dave Eggers – *Biography/Natural Disaster Survival Story/Bestseller*

DB 70563 Never Tell a Lie by Hallie Ephron – *Suspense Story*

DB 71358 Fantasy Freaks and Gaming Geeks: An Epic Quest for Reality Among Role Players, Online
Gamers, and Other Dwellers of Imaginary Realms by Ethan Gilsdorf – *Sociology*

DB 69804 Under the Dome by Stephen King – *Horror Story*

DB 69235 The Walls of the Universe by Paul Melko – *Science Fiction*

DB 69509 Crazy for the Storm: A Memoir of Survival by Norman Ollestad – *Disaster Survival Memoir*

DB 68453 Dog on It: A Chet and Bernie Mystery, Book 1 by Spencer Quinn – *Mystery*

DB 68889 The Help by Kathryn Stockett – *Literary Fiction/Historical Fiction*

DB 69831 The Pluto Files: The Rise and Fall of America's Favorite Planet by Neil DeGrasse Tyson –
Science/Astrophysics

DB 69198 Into the Beautiful North by Luis Alberto Urrea – *Adventure Fiction*