

2022 Thumbs Up! Award

The Thumbs Up! Award recognizes outstanding contribution to teen literature with both literary quality and teen appeal, with characters, setting, subject and themes that appeal to teens age 13 to 18 years old.



Winner

In the Wild Light Author: Jeff Zenter Publisher: Crown Books for Young Reader, part of Penguin Random House

Honor Books

Firekeeper's Daughter

Author: Angeline Boulley Publisher: Henry Holt and Co., an Imprint of Macmillan

Concrete Rose

Author: Angie Thomas Publisher: Balzer + Bray, an Imprint of HarperCollins Publishers

Top Ten Titles

(Listed in random order)

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The Girls I've Been

Author: Tess Sharpe Publisher: G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers, an Imprint of Penguin Random House

All of Us Villains

Author: Amanda Foody and Christine Lynn Herman Publisher: Tor Teen, an Imprint of Macmillan Publishers

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You'd Be Home Now

Author: Kathleen Glasgow Publisher: Delacorte Press, an Imprint of Penguin Random House

Excuse Me While I Ugly Cry

Author: Joya Goffney Publisher: HarperTeen, an Imprint of HarperCollins Publishers

Muted

Author: Tami Charles Publisher: Scholastic Press

Last Night at the Telegraph Club

Author: Malinda Lo Publisher: Dutton Books for Young Reads, an Imprint of Penguin Random House

Instructions for Dancing

Author: Nicola Yoon Publisher: Delacorte Press, an Imprint of Penguin Random House

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