



2022 YouPer (Young Person) Award

The YouPer (Young Person) Award recognizes and promotes quality literature for youth in chapter book format.



Winner

Ophie's Ghosts

Author: Justina Ireland

Publisher: Balzer + Bray (Imprint of Harper Collins)

Honor Books

Cece Rios and the Desert of Lost Souls

Author: Kaela Rivera

Publisher: Harper an Imprint of Harper Collins

Ancestor Approved: Intertribal Stories for Kids

Author: Edited by Cynthia Leitich Smith

Publisher: Heartdrum an Imprint of Harper Collins

Top Ten Titles

(Listed in random order)

Starfish

Author: Lisa Fipps

Publisher: Nancy Paulsen Books an Imprint of Penguin Random House

Maya and the Robot

Author: Eve L. Ewing

Illustrator: Christine Almeda

Publisher: Kokila an Imprint of Penguin Random House

Barefoot Dreams of Petra Luna

Author: Alda P. Dobbs

Publisher: Sourcebooks Young Readers

The Swag is in the Socks

Author: Kelly J. Baptist

Publisher: Crown Books for Young Readers an Imprint of Penguin Random House

Playing the Cards You're Dealt

Author: Varian Johnson

Publisher: Scholastic Press

Ophie's Ghosts

Author: Justina Ireland

Publisher: Balzer + Bray an Imprint of Harper Collins

World In Between

Author: Kenan Trebincevic and Susan Shapiro
Illustrator: Susan Shapiro
Publisher: Clarion Books an Imprint of Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Books for Young Readers

The Comeback

Author: E. L. Shen
Publisher: Farrar Straus Giroux Books for Young People an Imprint of Macmillan Publishing Group

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