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Wisconsin Library Association Announces 2024 Children’s Book Award Recipients

(Madison, Wisconsin) The Children’s Book Awards Committee of the Wisconsin Library Association (WLA) has announced its Children’s Book Awards for 2024. The awards recognize outstanding books for youth by Wisconsin-connected authors and illustrators. This year’s recipients are:

- The Elizabeth Burr/Sheridan Worzalla Award to *What Happened to Rachel Riley* by Claire Swinarski. Named for notable Wisconsin librarian Elizabeth Burr (1908-1996) and made possible by Sheridan Worzalla, this annual award is bestowed upon the most distinguished work in children’s and young adult literature written and/or illustrated by a Wisconsin book creator.
- The Wisconsin Notable Children’s Author/Illustrator Award to author Miranda Paul. This annual award honors Wisconsin authors, past and present, for their literary contributions.

In addition, ten noteworthy honor titles written and/or illustrated by Wisconsin book creators were selected for Outstanding Achievement Award in children’s literature:

- *How to Catch a Polar Bear* - Stacy DeKeyser
- *The Wishing Machine* - Jonathan Hillman
- *Dogs: A History of Our Best Friends* - Lita Judge
- *How Mr. Silver Stole the Show* - Kate Klise & M. Sarah Klise
- *Starlings* - Amanda Linsmeier
- *Team Meena* - Karla Manternach
- *Full Moon Pups* - Liz Garton Scanlon
- *Always the Almost* - Edward Underhill
- *What Rosa Brought* – Eliza Wheeler (illustrator)
- *The Cartographers* - Amy Zhang

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