VIBRANT VOICES: New Books from Authors of Color

PICTURE BOOKS
- America, My Love, America, My Heart
  Daria Peoples-Riley
- A Boy Named Isamu
  James Yang
- The Cot in the Living Room
  Hilda Eunice Burgos, illustrated by Gaby D’Alessandro
- A Day for Rememberin’: Inspired by the True Events of the First Memorial Day
  Leah Henderson, illustrated by Floyd Cooper
- Dream Street
  Tricia Elam Walker, illustrated by Ekua Holmes
- Dumplings for Lili
  Melissa Iwai
- Eyes That Kiss in the Corners
  Joanna Ho, illustrated by Dung Ho
- I Dream of Popo
  Livia Blackburne, illustrated by Julie Kuo
- Josie Dances
  Denise Lajimodiere, illustrated by Angela Erdrich
- Laxmi’s Mooch
  Shelly Anand, illustrated by Nabi H. Ali
- Milo Imagines the World
  Matt de la Peña, illustrated by Christian Robinson
- My Day with the Panye
  Tami Charles, illustrated by Sara Palacios
- My Two Border Towns
  David Bowles, illustrated by Erika Meza
- Off to See the Sea
  Nikki Grimes, illustrated by Elizabeth Zunon
- On the Trampoline
  David A. Robertson, illustrated by Julia Flett
- Thao
  Thao Lam
- Watercress
  Andrea Wang, illustrated by Jason Chin
- When Langston Dances
  Kaija Langley, illustrated by Keith Mallett
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- Young Readers
- J.D. and the Great Barber Battle
  J. Dillard, illustrated by Akeem S. Roberts
- Maybe Maybe
  Marisol Rainey
  Erin Entrada Kelly
- Simon B. Rhymin’
  Dwayne Reed
- Stuntboy, in the Meantime
  Jason Reynolds, illustrated by Raúl the Third
- Too Small Tola
  Atinuke, illustrated by Onyinye Iwu
- Ahmed Aziz’s Epic Year
  Nina Hamza
- Amari and the Night Brothers
  B.B. Alston
- Ancestor Approved: Intertribal Stories for Kids
  Cynthia Leitich Smith (editor)

Selected by our expert staff, these titles published in 2021 are books educators can incorporate in their classrooms to celebrate and amplify diverse voices, promote discussion, and expand understanding.

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Barefoot Dreams of Petra Luna
Alda P. Dobbs

Black Boy Joy: 17 Stories Celebrating Black Boyhood
Kwame Mbalia (editor)

Cece Rios and the Desert of Souls
Kaela Rivera

The Many Meanings of Meilan
Andrea Wang

The One Thing You’d Save
Linda Sue Park, illustrated by Robert Sae-Heng

Ophie’s Ghosts
Justina Ireland

The Sea in Winter
Christine Day

The Shape of Thunder
Jasmine Warga

Sisters of the Neversea
Cynthia Leitich Smith

Take Back the Block
Chrstal D. Giles

GRAPHIC NOVELS

Chunky
Yehudi Mercado

The Legend of Auntie Po
Shing Yin Khor

POETRY

Legacy: Women Poets of the Harlem Renaissance
Nikki Grimes

Niños: Poems for the Lost Children of Chile
María José Ferrada, illustrated by María Elena Valdez

NONFICTION

From the Tops of the Trees
Kao Kalia Yang, illustrated by Rachel Wada

Jump at the Sun: The True Life Tale of Unstoppable Storycatcher Zora Neale Hurston
Alicia D. Williams, illustrated by Jacqueline Alcántara

Maryam’s Magic: The Story of Mathematician Maryam Mirzakhani
Megan Reid, illustrated by Aaliya Jaleel

The 1619 Project: Born on the Water
Nikole Hannah Jones & Renée Watson, illustrated by Nikkolas Smith

Unspeakable: The Tulsa Race Massacre
Carole Boston Weatherford, illustrated by Floyd Cooper

We Are Still Here!: Native American Truths Everyone Should Know
Traci Sorell, illustrated by Frané Lessac