

2009 Monarch Award Registration Form

The official brochure will be printed soon and posted to this website as well as mailed.

Contact Name _____ Position _____

School or Public Library _____

Street Address _____

City _____ Illinois Zip _____

Contact Phone Number _____

Contact Email Address _____

_____ I would like to register for the 2009 Monarch Award. Enclosed please find \$10 for the packet and other expenses associated with the award. *Checks made payable to ISLMA.*

Mail to: Monarch Award, %ISLMA, Box 598, Canton IL 61520

The Monarch Award

The Monarch Award is given annually to an author and/or illustrator of a book voted as their favorite by participating K-3 children in Illinois. The award is sponsored by the Illinois School Library Media Association (ISLMA) and is designed to encourage Illinois students to read critically and to become familiar with children's books, authors and illustrators. The award is named in honor of the Monarch Butterfly, Illinois' state insect. The butterfly symbolizes growth, freedom and change—qualities that also characterize the emergent reader.

Master List 2009

The Monarch Steering Committee appoints a Reading Committee, which is responsible for reading the nominees and selecting the 20 titles for the Master List.

Butterworth, Chris	Sea Horse: The Shyest Fish in the Sea	Candlewick Press	2006
Crimi, Carolyn	Henry and the Buccaneer Bunnies	Candlewick Press	2005
Davies, Nicola	Surprising Sharks	Candlewick Press	2003
Harrington, Janice	The Chicken-Chasing Queen of Lamar County	Farrar, Strauss & Giroux	2007
Jurmain, Suzanne	George Did It	Dutton Children's	2006
Kinsey-Warnock, Natalie	Nora's Ark	HarperCollins	2005
Knudsen, Michelle	Library Lion	Candlewick Press	2006
McDonald, Megan	Stink: The Incredible Shrinking Kid	Candlewick Press	2005
McLeod, Bob	Superhero ABC	HarperCollins	2006
McKissack, Patricia	Precious and the Boo Hag	Atheneum	2005
O'Malley, Kevin	Once Upon a Cool Motorcycle Dude	Walker & Co.	2005
Pennypacker, Sara	Clementine	Hyperion	2006
Rosenthal, Amy Krouse	Cookies: Bite-size Life Lessons	HarperCollins	2006
Rylant, Cynthia	Henry and Mudge and the Great Grandpas	Simon & Schuster	2005
Schachner, Judith	Skippyjon Jones	Dutton Children's	2003
Sierra, Judy	The Secret Science Project That Almost Ate the School	Simon & Schuster	2006
Stevens, Janet and Susan Stevens Crummel	The Great Fuzz Frenzy	Harcourt	2005
Walker, Alice	There is a Flower at the Tip of My Nose Smelling Me	HarperCollins	2006
Willems, Mo	Today I Will Fly!	Hyperion Books	2007
Wright, Betty Ren	The Blizzard	Holiday House	2003

Find resources for the nominees at the Monarch website www.islma.org/monarch.htm

Nominations 2010

Students, librarians, and educators may nominate books for the 2010 Monarch Award. To be eligible for the award, books must meet the following criteria.

- Published within the past five years (2004-2008)
- Currently in print
- Author and or illustrator living at the time of Master List selection
- Fiction or nonfiction in the following genre: picture books, early readers, and early chapter books

The online nomination form is available at the ISLMA website. The deadline for nominating books for the 2010 Award is September 15, 2008.

Registration/Participation

Any school which serves students in kindergarten through third grade may register and participate in the Monarch Award program. Public libraries are also encouraged to register if local schools do not participate and to provide access to home-schooled children. To register, complete the form and send it along with a \$10.00 annual fee to the ISLMA address provided. Funds will be used for mailings, announcements, and costs associated with the award presentation to the winning author/illustrator. Additional copies of this registration form may be printed from the ISLMA website.

Voting

Voting may be conducted in the schools by the school library media specialist, or by a teacher or library paraprofessional or parent if the school has no media specialist. In public libraries, a librarian may collect votes from eligible readers not voting in another school or library. To be eligible to vote children must have read or heard at least five (5) of the books on the Master List. Any appropriate day in February may be selected as voting day. Each reader may vote for his or her favorite book from among the nominees. The official Vote Tally sheet may be used to record all student votes which must be submitted online by February 28th. After the statewide tabulations are complete, the Monarch winner will be announced in mid-March at reading conferences as well as posted on the ISLMA website and the ISLMA listserv.

Packet

The official tally sheet, winner sticker and Monarch number will be mailed to schools and libraries that register for the Monarch Award. Other materials will be available online to registered schools and libraries. Materials include: Master List of titles with annotations, an information sheet, a student ballot template, a bookmark template, a nomination form/criteria, a winner sticker and a 2008 winner certificate. Additional resources are available at the website.

Calendar

May 15, 2008	Monarch registration deadline to apply for an LBSS Endowment Grant
September 15, 2008	Nomination deadline for 2010 Award
November 6-8, 2008	2008 winner recognized at ISLMA Conference
January 15, 2009	2009 Registration deadline
February, 2009	2010 Master List announced
February 28, 2009	Online submission deadline for 2009 Monarch Award votes
March, 2009	Announce 2009 winner
April, 2009	2010 Registration brochures mailed

Administration

Steering Committee Chair: Pam Storm

Committee Members: Ann Brownson, Peggy Burton, Alice Joseph, Kay Maynard, Sally Schoenberg

Volunteers may complete the form at the website.

Questions?? Contact pstorm@charleston.k12.il.us