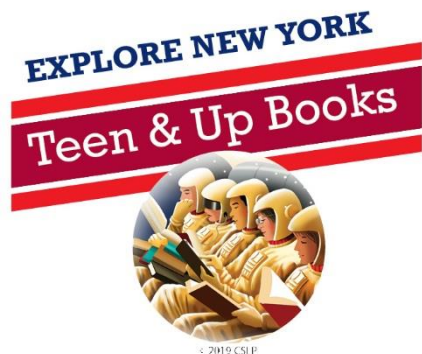


# Explore New York: A Universe of Stories

## Teen and Up



Acevedo, Elizabeth. *The Poet X*. New York: HarperTeen, 2018.

Harlem high school sophomore, Xiomara, finds a creative outlet in her school poetry club and at the Nuyorican Poets Café. Becoming the Poet X she struggles to reconcile her own voice with her Dominican immigrant family and culture.

*National Book Award for Young People's Literature*

FICTION

Audible audiobook by HarperAudio (2018)

Downloadable Format: DB092221

Braille Format: BR022420

Anbinder, Tyler. *City of Dreams: The 400-Year Epic History of Immigrant New York*. New York: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2016

The story of how those waves of millions cascaded upon American shores is told brilliantly, even unforgettably...while this is a New York story, it really is an American story, one that belongs to all of us.

NON-FICTION

Audio by Audible

Anderson, Laurie Halse. *The Impossible Knife of Memory*. Viking Juvenile, 2014.

After five years on the road, Hayley and her father, an ex-soldier suffering from PTSD, try to make a new life in an upstate New York town. But will the past get in the way of their future?

*2014 SLJ Best Books: Young Adults*

FICTION

Braille Format: BR 020689

Audio available from Brilliance Audio.

Asbury, Herbert. *The Gangs of New York: An Informal History of the Underworld*. New York: Vintage Books, 2008.

True to the title, the book is a history of crime that permeated the underbelly of New York City and its boroughs in the 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries. Some of these gangs were so vicious they would post signs warning police to stay out of their neighborhoods -- or else!

NON-FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB 055088

Bartoletti, Susan. Terrible Typhoid Mary: A True Story of the Deadliest Cook in America. Boston: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2015.

In a riveting biography that reads like a crime novel, Sibert Medalist and Newbery-Honor winner Susan Campbell Bartoletti uncovers the true story of Mary Mallon, a.k.a. Typhoid Mary, one of the most notorious and misunderstood women in American history.

NON-FICTION

Audio available from Dreamscape Media

Baskin, Nora Raleigh. Nine, Ten: A September 11 Story. New York: Atheneum, 2016.

Four kids from different parts of the country are dealing with life, as they know it, before it all changes. And then it changes...and we travel with these characters as they deal with the attacks.

FICTION

Bat-Ami, Miriam. Two Suns in the Sky. New York: Puffin Books, 2001.

In 1944, an Upstate New York teenager (setting is Oswego and the Fort Ontario Emergency Refugee Shelter) named Christine meets and falls in love with Adam, a Yugoslavian Jew living in a refugee camp, despite their parents' conviction that they do not belong together.

*2000 Scott O'Dell Award for Historical Fiction*

*2000 YALSA Best Books for Young Adults*

FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB 050366

Bauer, Joan. Peeled. New York: Putnam, 2008.

In an upstate New York farming community, high school reporter Hildy Biddle investigates a series of strange occurrences at a house rumored to be haunted.

FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB 067296

Audiobook by Listening Library (2008)

Bausum, Ann. Stonewall: Breaking Out in the Fight for Gay Rights. New York: Viking Books for Young Readers, 2015.

In 1969, a police raid on a gay bar in a New York City neighborhood becomes a riot that ushers in a national gay rights movement in America.

NON-FICTION

Audio available from Listening Library

Braille Format: BR020927

Downloadable Format: DB081767

Benoit, Charles. Snow Job. New York: Clarion, 2016.

It's the end of 1977, and high school senior Nick is trying to reinvent himself. In his effort to become a better person, he makes a list consisting of four phrases to live by: Stand Up, Stand Out, Stand By, Stand Fast. Adhering to the list proves to be difficult when Zod, a lowlife from Nick's past, reappears and persuades Nick to deal drugs. Nick is able to convince himself that delivering cocaine is just a means to an end- a way to get enough money so he and his new crush, Dawn, can escape snowy upstate New York

and move to Florida. Despite the danger and illegal nature of his activities, Nick comes to believe that he has achieved his metamorphosis into a better self though his drug deals.

FICTION

Benway, Robin. Going Rogue. New York: Walker Books, 2014.

When Maggie Silver's parents are falsely accused of stealing priceless gold coins, she must use her safecracking skills to try to clear their names, with help from the "team" she has formed as an undercover operative in a New York City high school.

FICTION

Audio CD by Brilliance Audio (2014)

Bock, Caroline. LIE. New York: St. Martin's Griffin, 2011.

Told in several voices, a group of Long Island high school seniors conspire to protect eighteen-year-old Jimmy after he brutally assaults two Salvadoran immigrants, until they begin to see the moral implications of Jimmy's actions and the consequences of being loyal to a violent bully.

FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB074436

Brashares, Ann. The Here and Now. New York: Delacort Press, 2014.

Prenna arrives in New York from 80 years in the future, where a mosquito-borne illness has left the world in ruins. She and her fellow time travelers must follow strict rules to survive in the present day.

FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB 078901

Audio CD by Listening Library (2014)

Bray, Libba. The Diviners. New York: Little Brown, 2012.

Evie O'Neill is sent from her small town in Ohio to live with her uncle in New York City. But there, the 17-year-old and her uncle get thrust into the investigation of numerous murders.

FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB 075439

Audio book by Random House, Inc. (2012)

Bruchac, Joseph. Bowman's Store: A Journey to Myself. New York: Lee & Low Books, 2001.

Bruchac, now a well-known children's author and storyteller, relates his childhood and high school years spent living with his grandparents near Saratoga, NY, and his discovery of his Abenaki heritage, which he learns to honor.

NON-FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB 047175

Brunt, Carol Rifka. Tell the wolves I'm home. New York: Dial, 2012

It is 1987, and only one person has ever truly understood fourteen-year-old June Elbus -- her uncle, the renowned painter Finn Weiss. Shy at school and distant from her older sister, June can only be herself in Finn's company; he is her godfather, confidant, and best friend. So when he dies, far too young, of a mysterious illness her mother can barely speak about, June's world is turned upside down. But Finn's death brings a surprise acquaintance into June's life -- someone who will help her to heal, and to question what she thinks she knows about Finn, her family, and even her own heart.

FICTION

Audio CD by Blackstone Audio, (2012)

Downloadable Format: DBC00242

Budhos, Marina Tamar. Ask Me No Questions. New York: Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2006. Fourteen-year-old Nadira, her sister, and their parents leave Bangladesh for New York City, but the expiration of their visas and the events of September 11, 2001, bring frustration, sorrow, and terror for the whole family.

*2007 YALSA Best Books for Young Adults*

FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB 062372

Carey, Anna. Deadfall. New York: HarperTeen, 2015.

The story of a girl, told in a second-person voice, desperate to escape her mysterious assailants and with no memory of her past, is forced to put her life in the hands of others in New York City. Sequel to Blackbird by Anna Carey.

FICTION

Audio available from Blackstone Audio

Carter, Graydon and David Friend (Eds). Bohemians, Bootleggers, Flappers and Swells: The Best of Early Vanity Fair. Penguin Press: 2014.

*Vanity Fair* editor Graydon Carter introduces these fabulous pieces written between 1913 and 1936, when the magazine published a murderers' row of the world's leading literary lights. *Bohemians, Bootleggers, Flappers, and Swells* features great writers on great topics, including F. Scott Fitzgerald on what a magazine should be, Clarence Darrow on equality, D. H. Lawrence on women, e.e. cummings on Calvin Coolidge, John Maynard Keynes on the collapse in money value, Thomas Mann on how films move the human heart, Alexander Woollcott on Harpo Marx, Carl Sandburg on Charlie Chaplin, Djuna Barnes on James Joyce, Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., on Joan Crawford, and Dorothy Parker on a host of topics ranging from why she hates actresses to why she hasn't married.

NON-FICTION

Castle, Jennifer. You Look Different in Real Life. New York: HarperTeen, 2013.

Five kids in upstate New York have been the subject of documentaries recording their lives every five years. Now as teens, they spend a weekend together to try and figure out their lives.

FICTION

Clare, Cassandra. The Bane Chronicles. New York: Margaret K. McElderry Books, 2014.

A collection of 11 short stories that illuminate the life of the enigmatic, flashy, and flamboyant High Warlock of Brooklyn, Magnus Bane, a character in *The Mortal Instruments* series.

FICTION

Audio available from Simon & Schuster Childrens

Colasanti, Susane. City Love. New York: Katherine Tegen Books, 2015.

Told from alternating points of view, this is the story of three very different girls living together in New York City as they struggle to find the balance between their dreams, their pasts, and their complicated hearts.

FICTION

Audio available from Blackstone

Audio Downloadable Format:

DB082491

Cook, Kevin. Kitty Genovese: the murder, the bystanders, the crime that changed America. New York: W.W. Norton & Company, 2014.

Kevin Cook examines the truths and myths surrounding the life and death of Kitty Genovese, a native Brooklynite who was murdered in Kew Gardens in 1964.

NON-FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB 078440

Downloadable Audio by Audible Inc. (2014)

Cooney, Caroline B. Code Orange. New York: Delacorte Books for Young Readers, 2005.

While conducting research for a school paper on smallpox, Mitty finds an envelope containing 100-year-old smallpox scabs. Has he infected himself and all of New York City?

FICTION

Braille Format: BR 017938

Downloadable Format: DB 066309

Cooper, James Fenimore. The Last of the Mohicans. New York: Signet Classics, 2005.

This exciting adventure story is set during the Seven Year's War fought between France and England in North America. Hawkeye and his American Indian companions become involved in the bloody war.

FICTION

Braille Format: BR 004092

Downloadable Format:

DB 019920 Audio CD by

Brilliance (2005)

Cooper, James Fenimore. The Spy. 1821.

Written in 1821, this historical novel is Cooper's paean to the Revolutionary War Protagonist Harry Birch finds himself wrongly accused of selling vital information to the British.

FICTION

Downloadable Format:

DB 016416 Audio by

Audible, Inc.

Crane, Stephen. Maggie, a Girl of the Streets, and Other Tales of New York. New York: Penguin Books, 2000.

This is a compilation of 13 stories set in New York in the late 1800s, including the story of Maggie, a girl of the tenements, whose life turns downward when she becomes involved with a boy named Pete.

FICTION

Braille Format: BR

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Format: DB 009418

Audio by Audible, Inc.

Cremer, Andrea. Invisibility. New York: Philomel Books, 2013.

To break his curse of invisibility, a New York City boy is helped by a girl, newly arrived from the Midwest, who is the only one who can see him.

FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB 076806

Dearstyne, Bruce W. The Spirit of New York: Defining Events in the Empire State's History. Albany, NY: State University of New York Press, 2014.

Presents a history of New York in sixteen momentous events, from the launch of the state's government in April 1777 to the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

*2016 Award for Merit, presented by the American Association for State and Local History*

NON-FICTION

Donnelly, Jennifer. These Shallow Graves. New York: Delacorte Press, 2015.

A young woman in nineteenth-century New York City must struggle against gender and class boundaries when her father is found dead of a supposed suicide. To uncover the truth, she will have to decide how much she is willing to risk and lose.

FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB082687

Egan, Jennifer. Manhattan Beach. New York: Scribner, 2017.

With the atmosphere of a noir thriller, Egan's first historical novel follows Anna and Styles into a world populated by gangsters, sailors, divers, bankers, and union men. *Manhattan Beach* is a deft, dazzling, propulsive exploration of a transformative moment in the lives and identities of women and men, of America and the world. It is a magnificent novel by the author of *A Visit from the Goon Squad*, one of the great writers of our time.

FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB089445

Engel, Helen Butterfield and Marilyn J. Smiley. Remarkable Women in New York State History. Charleston, SC: History Press, 2013.

Members of the American Association of University Women in New York State have meticulously researched the lives and actions of some of New York's finest women.

NON-FICTION

Farnsworth, Cheri. Haunted Hudson Valley: Ghosts and Strange Phenomena of New York's Sleepy Hollow Country. Mechanicsburg, PA: Stackpole Books, 2010.

Contains accounts of paranormal activity in and around New York's Hudson River Valley, including hauntings, ghosts, and UFOs.

NON-FICTION

Gansworth, Eric. If I Ever Get Out of Here. Arthur A. Levine Books, 2013.

Set in 1975, this coming of age story explores the cross-cultural friendship of Lewis Blake, a Native American teen living on the Tuscarora Reservation in Western New York, and George Haddonfield, a military kid from a nearby Air Force base.

FICTION

Braille Format: BR 020296

Downloadable Format: DB 077429

Audio available from Listening Library.

Gillies, Isabel. Starry Night. New York: Farrar Straus Giroux, 2014.

Fifteen-year-old Wren and her three lifelong best friends are celebrating the opening of a major exhibit curated by her father at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, when Wren finds first love with her brother's new friend, Nolan. The relationship transforms her and her life.

FICTION

Grimes, Nikki. Bronx Masquerade. New York: Dial Books, 2002.

While studying the Harlem Renaissance, students at a Bronx high school read aloud poems they've written, revealing their innermost thoughts and fears to their formerly clueless classmates.

*2003 Coretta Scott King Author Award*

*2003 YALSA Best Books for Young Adults*

*2017 Laura Ingalls Wilder Award*

POETRY

Braille Format: BR 014623

Downloadable Format: DB 055776

Grimes, Nikki. One Last Word: Wisdom from the Harlem Renaissance. New York: Bloomsbury, 2017

Grimes combines her own poetry with that of the poets of the Harlem Renaissance. The book includes artwork by African-American illustrators, as well as an introduction to the history of the Harlem Renaissance, author's note, and poet biographies.

*2017 Laura Ingalls Wilder Award*

POETRY

Downloadable Format: DB087912

Hallenbeck, Bruce. Monsters of New York: Mysterious Creatures in the Empire State. Pennsylvania: Stackpole Books, 2013.

From the Adirondacks and the Catskills to the depths of Lake Champlain and the shores of Montauk, Monsters of New York takes the reader on a journey covering bizarre beasts of the Empire State.

NON-FICTION

Haring Fabend, Firth. New Netherland in a Nutshell. United States: New Netherland Institute, 2012.

The story of New Netherland is told in a highly readable fashion; from the exploration of Henry Hudson in 1609 to the final transfer of the Dutch colony to the English in 1674. The work introduces the multicultural makeup of the population and the influence of distinctive Dutch traits such as tolerance, free trade, and social mobility, all of which persisted long after New Netherland became New York, New Jersey, Delaware, and parts of Connecticut and Pennsylvania.

NON-FICTION

Hauser, Brook. The New Kids: Big Dreams and Brave Journeys at a High School for Immigrant Teens. New York: Free Press, 2012

Freelance writer Hauser tracks the staff and students at the International High School at Prospect Heights in Brooklyn, N.Y., providing their personal histories as well as their day-to-day experiences.

*2012 Alex Award*

FICTION

Audio CD by Dreamscape Media (2011)

Hughes, Langston. Vintage Hughes. New York: Vintage Books, 2004.

This compilation includes excerpts and poems from the work of Langston Hughes.

POETRY

Jarrow, Gail. Fatal Fever: Tracking Down Typhoid Mary. Honesdale, PA: Calkins Creek, 2015.  
Chronicles the story of the early 1900s typhoid fever epidemic in New York, providing details as to how its infamous carrier was ultimately tracked down and stopped.

NON-FICTION

Braille Format: BR020803

Downloadable Format: BR020803

Klass, David. Grandmaster. New York: Frances Foster Books, 2014.

Freshman Daniel is a pretty average rookie on a high-school chess team made up of mostly attractive overachievers. So, he's surprised to be invited to a father-son tournament, until he discovers that his father was a teenage grandmaster.

FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB 078852

Kolker, Robert Lost Girls: An Unsolved American Mystery. New York: Harper Collins, 2013.

In a remote community, out of sight of beaches along the South Shore of Long Island, the stories of five young missing women come together. It is a story of unsolved murders in an idyllic community and of the dark side of the Internet.

NON-FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB077197

Kwok, Jean. Girl in Translation. New York: Riverhead Books, 2010.

Kim Chang and her mother move to Brooklyn from Hong Kong after Kim's father dies. Kim goes to school during the day, and then joins her mother working in a sweatshop owned by her bitter older sister. Kim excels, winning a scholarship to a private school, and falls in love with a boy who also helps his mother fill the sweatshop quotas.

FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB073069

LaCour, Nina. We Are Okay. New York: Dutton Books, 2017.

Marin hasn't spoken to anyone from her old life since the day she left everything behind. No one knows the truth about those final weeks. Not even her best friend Mabel. But even thousands of miles away from the California coast, at college in New York, Marin still feels the pull of the life and tragedy she's tried to outrun. Now, months later, alone in an emptied dorm for winter break, Marin waits. Mabel is coming to visit, and Marin will be forced to face everything that's been left unsaid and finally confront the loneliness that has made a home in her heart.

*2017 Michael L. Printz Award*

FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB087287

Lewis, Stewart. You Have Seven Messages. New York: Delacourte Press, 2011.

Luna's mother died a year ago when she was hit by a car on the busy streets of New York City's East Village. Devastated by the sudden death of her mother, it takes Luna a full year to finally begin to clean out her mother's office. When she does, she finds seven voicemails on her mother's cell phone that reveal her mother's death was not what it originally seemed.

FICTION

Audio available from Audible, Inc.



Manzano, Sonia. The Revolution of Evelyn Serrano. New York: Scholastic, 2012.

In New York City's Spanish Harlem in 1969, 14-year-old Evelyn is trying to spread her wings and break free from her conservative family. When her activist grandmother comes to stay, she finds life getting more complicated and dangerous.

*2013 Pura Belpré Award*

FICTION

McCreight, Kimberly. Reconstructing Amelia. New York: Harper Perennial, 2013.

In this mystery/thriller, Kate tries to prove that her 15-year-old daughter, Amelia, didn't jump from the roof of her prestigious Brooklyn private school. The story is told in alternating voices, Kate's and Amelia's, as well as through text messages, Facebook updates, and blog posts revealing that the teen was involved with a secret club.

*2013 SLJ Best Books Adult Books for Teens*

FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB 078077

McCulloch, Derek. Gone to Amerikay. New York: Vertigo, 2012

In this graphic novel, Ciara O'Dwyer is a young woman raising a daughter alone in the Five Points slums of 1870; Johnny McCormack is a struggling actor drawn to the nascent folk music movement in 1960 Greenwich Village; and Lewis Healy is a successful Irishman who's come to present-day Manhattan on his wife's anniversary-present promise to reveal a secret.

GRAPHIC FICTION

Medina, Meg. Yaqui Delgado Wants to Kick Your Ass. Candlewick Press, 2014.

Piddy Sanchez's life is turned upside down when she finds out that Yaqui Delgado wants to kick her ass. While struggling to deal with the threat on her own, Piddy explores her identity, her culture, and the role of others in her life. A powerful story about bullying and resilience, set in a Queens school.

*2014 Pura Belpré Author Award Winner*

FICTION

Braille Format: BR 020400

Downloadable Format: DB 078106

Miranda, Lin-Manuel and Jeremy McCarter. Hamilton: The Revolution. New York:

Hachette, 2016. The complete libretto of the hit Broadway musical, with fascinating author's notes and remarks. NON-FICTION

Audio CD

Mlynowski, Sarah. Don't Even Think About It. New York: Delacorte Press, 2014.

A group of Tribeca high school kids go in for flu shots... and end up being able to read each other's minds.

FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB079140

Audio available from Listening Library

Montalvan, Luis Carlos with Bret Witter. Until Tuesday: A Wounded Warrior and the Golden Retriever Who Saved Him. New York: Hachette Books, 2011.

The story of how two wounded warriors, one soldier and one golden retriever, who had given so much and suffered the consequences, found salvation in each other. It is a story about war and peace, injury and recovery, psychological wounds and spiritual restoration. It is a story about the love between a man and a dog and how they healed each other's souls.

NON-FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB 074020

Myers, Walter Dean. Darius & Twig. Kansas: Amistad Publishing, 2013.

Darius and Twig are an unlikely pair: Darius is a writer whose only escape is his alter ego, a peregrine falcon named Fury, and Twig is a middle-distance runner striving for athletic success. But they are drawn together in the struggle to overcome the obstacles that Harlem life throws at them.

*2014 Coretta Scott King Honor Book 2014 Notable Children's Book* FICTION

Braille Format: BR 020371

Downloadable Format: DB 077864

Myers, Walter Dean. Game. New York: Harper Teen, 2008.

If Harlem high school senior Drew Lawson is going to realize his dream of playing college, then professional, basketball, he will have to improve at being coached and being a team player, especially after a new--white--student threatens to take the scouts' attention away from him.

FICTION

Braille Format: BR 018088

Downloadable Format: DB 067450

Myers, Walter Dean. Juba! New York: HarperTeen, 2015

In Five Points, New York, in the 1840s, African-American teenager William Henry "Juba" Lane works hard to achieve his dream of becoming a professional dancer, but his real break comes when he is invited to perform in England. Based on the life of Master Juba; includes historical note.

FICTION

Audio available from Blackstone Audio

Myers, Walter Dean. Lockdown. HarperCollins, 2010.

Reese needs to stay on track to get early release from the Progress juvenile detention facility in the Bronx.

*2011 Coretta Scott King Author Honor*

*2015 YALSA Popular Paperbacks for Young Adults Top*

*Ten* Downloadable Format: DB071823

Myers, Walter Dean. 145<sup>th</sup> Street: Short Stories. New York: Delacorte Books for Young Readers, 2000.

Myers uses 10 short stories to create snapshots of a pulsing, vibrant community with diverse ethnic threads.

*2001 YALSA Best Books for Young Adults*

FICTION

Braille Format: BR 013133

Downloadable Format: DB 065859

Nelson, VaundaMicheaux. No Crystal Stair: A Documentary Novel of the Life and Work of Lewis Michaux, Harlem Bookseller. Minneapolis, MN: Carolrhoda Lab, 2012.

The owner of Harlem's National Memorial African Bookstore, Lewis Michaux, was passionate about knowledge. His bookstore became a legendary influence on people worldwide.

2013 Coretta Scott King Honor

FICTION

Downloadable Format:

DB 076556 Braille

Format: BR 019995

Noyes, Deborah. Ten Days a Madwoman: The Daring Life and Turbulent Times of the Original "Girl" Reporter, Nellie Bly. New York: Viking/Penguin: 2016

Young Nellie Bly had ambitious goals, especially for a woman at the end of the nineteenth century, when the few female journalists were relegated to writing columns about cleaning or fashion. But fresh off a train from Pittsburgh, Nellie knew she was destined for more and pulled a major journalistic stunt that skyrocketed her to fame: feigning insanity, being committed to the notorious asylum on Blackwell's Island, and writing a shocking exposé of the clinic's horrific treatment of its patients.

NON-FICTION

Older, Daniel Jose. Shadowhouse Fall. New York: Scholastic, 2017.

In addition to the ordinary problems of a Puerto Rican teenager in Brooklyn, Sierra Santiago is working on developing her shadowshaping skills, and she is beginning to think she may need all the skill she can summon because it seems that when she channeled hundreds of spirits through herself in order to defeat Wick she woke up something very powerful and very unfriendly and put her family and friends at risk.

FICTION

Audio CD by Scholastic Audio Books, (2017)

Downloadable Format: DB089349

Braille Format: BR022105

Older, Daniel Jose. Shadowshaper. New York: Scholastic, 2016.

When the murals painted on the walls of her Brooklyn neighborhood start to change and fade in front of her, Sierra Santiago realizes that something strange is going on--then she discovers her Puerto Rican family are shadowshapers and finds herself in a battle with an evil anthropologist for the lives of her family and friends.

FICTION

Audio CD by Scholastic Audio Books, (2015)

Downloadable Format: DB083151

Braille Format: BR021320

Oliver, Lauren. Panic. New York: Harper, 2014.

In the poor town of Carp, New York, a group of teens enters a high-stakes game that involves a series of secretive, possibly deadly challenges throughout the summer, with the winner receiving more than \$50,000--enough money to start a new life.

FICTION

Audio available from Harper

Audio Downloadable Format:

DB078376

Pfeffer, Susan Beth. The Dead and the Gone. New York: Graphia, 2010.

After a meteor hits the moon and sets off a series of horrific climate changes, seventeen-year-old Alex Morales must take care of his sisters alone in the chaos of New York City.

FICTION

Braille Format: BR018229  
Downloadable Format: DB 068838  
Audio CD by Listening Library (2010)

Polisner, Gae. The Memory of Things. New York; St. Martin's Press, 2016.

Kyle's high school is evacuated on the morning of September 11, 2001. On his way home, he rescues a girl ready to jump from the Brooklyn Bridge wearing giant wings and covered in ash. Suffering from temporary amnesia, the girl develops an intimate relationship with Kyle in the chaotic week following the terrorist attack.

FICTION

Preston, Caroline. The Scrapbook of Frankie Pratt: A Novel in Pictures. New York: Ecco, 2011.

For her graduation from high school in 1920, Frankie Pratt receives a scrapbook and her father's old Corona typewriter. Through a kaleidoscopic array of vintage postcards, letters, magazine ads, ticket stubs, catalog pages, fabric swatches, candy wrappers, fashion spreads, menus, and more, we meet and follow Frankie on her journey in search of success and love.

*2012 Alex Award*

FICTION

Audio CD by Random House Audio (2011)

Reynolds, Jason. The Boy in the Black Suit. New York: Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2015.

Soon after his mother's death, Matt takes a job at a funeral home in his tough Brooklyn neighborhood and, while attending and assisting with funerals, begins to accept her death and his responsibilities as a man.

*2016 Coretta Scott King Author Honor*

FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB081907

Reynolds, Jason. When I Was the Greatest. New York: Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2014.

Ali lives in Bed-Stuy, a Brooklyn neighborhood known for guns and drugs, but he and his sister, Jazz, and their neighbors, Needles and Noodles, stay out of trouble until they go to the wrong party, where one gets badly hurt and another leaves with a target on his back.

*2015 Coretta Scott King/John Steptoe New Talent Winner*

FICTION

Audio CD by Listening Library (2014)

Rudetsky, Seth. Seth's Broadway Diary, Volume 1. New York: Dress Circle Publishing: 2014.

Seth Rudetsky has worked as the music director and/or pianist for some of Broadway's biggest stars. He spent years as a pianist on Broadway playing such shows as *Les Miz*, *The Producers* and *Ragtime* and currently divides his time between being the afternoon deejay on the SiriusXM Broadway channel/host of "Seth Speaks" and touring North America doing his show *Deconstructing Broadway*.

NON-FICTION

Sedgwick, Marcus. She Is Not Invisible. New York: Roaring Brook Press, 2014.

A blind London teenager and her younger brother travel to New York to find their missing father, using clues from his notebook.

FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB 079575

Seery, Matt. Caste American. New York: Austin Macauley Publishers, 2019

*Caste American* is a novel set in the near future in which America's judicial system has been replaced with social media platforms and people's statuses in society are based on a point system. Guilt or innocence is judged in real-time message boards and defendants are notified through notifications called Medusas—these freeze the screens of not only the defendants but every one of their contacts, too. The story is set in a small Long Island town and follows a collection of characters as they adapt to the new systems.

FICTION

Shorto, Russell. Island at the Center of the World. United Kingdom: Vintage, 2005.

This fascinating and very readable history of Manhattan draws on 17th-century Dutch records that were recently translated by scholar Charles Gehring. Shorto brings to exuberant life the human drama behind the story of the colony's founding in 1623.

NON-FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB 058272

Slouka, Mark. Brewster. New York: W. W. Norton & Company, 2013.

Teenagers Jon and Ray dream of escaping from their dysfunctional and even dangerous parents in their rural New York town in this novel set in 1969. Themes of friendship and violence reflect the tensions of the Vietnam War.

*2014 Alex Award*

*2013 SLJ Best Books Adult Books for Teens*

FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB 077306

Sotomayor, Sonia. The Beloved World of Sonia Sotomayor. New York: Delacorte Books for Young Readers, 2018.

Sonia Sotomayor was just a girl when she dared to dream big. Her dream? To become a lawyer and a judge even though she'd never met one of either, and none lived in her neighborhood.

*2019 Excellence in Nonfiction for Young Adults*

NON-FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB093289

Stanton, Brandon. Humans of New York. New York: St. Martin's Press, 2013.

Brandon Stanton set out on an ambitious project: to single-handedly create a photographic census of New York City. Armed with his camera, he began crisscrossing the city, covering thousands of miles on foot, all in his attempt to capture ordinary New Yorkers in the most extraordinary of moments.

*2016 Alex Award Winner*

NON-FICTION

Sugg, Zoe. Girl Online. New York: Keywords Press, 2014.

Under the alias GirlOnline, Penny blogs about school dramas, boys, her mad, whirlwind family--and the panic attacks she's suffered from lately. When things go from bad to worse, her family whisks her away to New York, where she meets the gorgeous, guitar-strumming Noah. Suddenly Penny is falling in love--and capturing every moment of it on her blog.

FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB081046

Trigiani, Adriana. The Shoemaker's Wife. New York: Harper Paperbacks, 2012.

Enza and Ciro meet at the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> century as teens in the Italian Alps. Through unfortunate circumstances, both are forced to immigrate to America, and they find each other again in New York City. A wonderful depiction of the immigrant experience and of New York City during the early 20<sup>th</sup> Century.

FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB 074522

Audio available through Harper Audio/Audible.

Uwiringiyimana, Sandra. How Dare the Sun Rise. New York, New York: Katherine Tegen Books, 2017.

After living through a massacre in Democratic Republic of Congo, Sandra and her family immigrate to Rochester, New York, where she must adapt to American culture and middle school.

NON-FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB089906

Audio by Harper Audio (2017)

Vlahos, Len. The Scar Boys. New York: Egmont, 2014.

Harry Jones was horribly disfigured in a childhood accident and despite years of therapy, he has never been able to move beyond his scarred appearance until he plays with The Scar Boys, a punk rock band.  
*2015 William C Morris Award finalist*

FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB 078957

Audio CD by Listening Library (2014)

Westerfeld, Scott. Afterworlds. New York: Simon Pulse, 2014.

In alternating chapters, 18-year-old Darcy Patel navigates the New York City publishing world and Lizzie, the heroine of Darcy's novel, slips into the "Afterworld" to survive a terrorist attack and becomes a spirit guide, as both face many challenges, and both fall in love.

FICTION

Audio available from Simon & Schuster Audio

Braille Format: BR020538

Downloadable Format: DB079849

Winn, Christopher. I Never Knew That About New York. New York: Plume, 2014.

A collection of interesting facts and trivia about New York City, with walking tours.

NON-FICTION

Audio by Audible

Woodson, Jacqueline. After Tupac & D Foster. New York: Speak, 2010.

In 1996 in Queens, two girls become friends through the music of Tupac Shakur; the music continues to touch their lives as they deal with their families and their futures.

*2009 Newbery Honor*

FICTION

Braille Format: BR 018562

Downloadable Format:  
DB 066700 Audio CD by  
Brilliance (2009)

Yoon, Nicola. The Sun is Also A Star. New York: Delacorte Press, 2016.

Over the course of a single day in New York City, two teenagers meet and fall in love. Natasha is a practical young woman trying to keep her family from being deported in a matter of hours, and Daniel is on his way to a college interview. Told in alternating chapters, with additional characters adding their voices.

*2017 Coretta Scott King/John Steptoe New Talent Author  
Award*

*2017 Michael L. Printz Honor Book*

FICTION

Audio by Listening Library

Zoboi, Ibi. Pride. Harper Collins/ Balzar + Bray, 2018

Set in the Bushwick neighborhood of Brooklyn, this timely update of Jane Austen's *Pride and Prejudice* balances cultural identity, class and gentrification with the magic of first love.

FICTION

Downloadable Format: DB093056

Audio book by HarperAudio