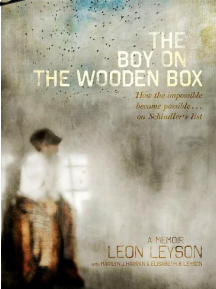


14TH ANNUAL

TROYBERY AWARD NOMINEES

BELOW IS A LIST OF THIS YEAR'S NOMINEES FOR **BEST BOOK OF 2013** AND A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EACH BOOK. IN JANUARY, EACH TROY MIDDLE SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER WILL HAVE COPIES AVAILABLE FOR STUDENT CHECKOUT. STUDENTS MUST REGISTER FOR TROYBERY PRIOR TO CHECKOUT.

AUTOBIOGRAPHY



THE BOY ON THE WOODEN BOX BY LEON LEYSON

Leon Leyson was only ten years old when the Nazis invaded Poland and his family was forced to relocate to the Krakow ghetto. Ultimately, it was the generosity and cunning of Oskar Schindler who saved Leon Leyson's life by adding his name to his list of workers in his factory—a list that became world renowned: Schindler's List.

REALISTIC



ZEBRA FOREST BY ADINA RISCH GEWIRTZ

Eleven-year-old Annie and her younger brother are being raised by their Gran and are surrounded by family secrets, but everything changes when an escaped criminal shows up at their house and takes them all hostage.

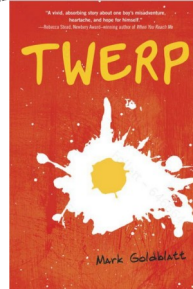
SCI-FI



HAUNTERS BY THOMAS TAYLOR

Three boys, separated by generations, are linked in their ability to time travel using their dreams to appear, ghost-like, wherever and whenever they choose, but when Eddie is targeted by Adam, a dream-terrorist, novice dreamwalker David must stop him.

HISTORICAL



TWERP BY MARK GOLDBLATT

In Queens, New York, in 1969, twelve-year-old Julian Twerski writes a journal for his English teacher as a punishment for something horrible that he has done. Through his writing, he explores his friendships and how they are affected by girls, sports, and bullying.

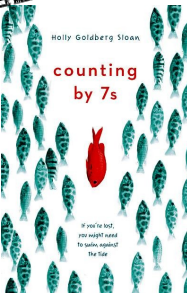
MYSTERY/FANTASY



ESCAPE FROM MR. LEMONCELLO'S LIBRARY BY CHRIS GRABENSTEIN

Twelve-year-old Kyle gets to stay overnight in the new town library, designed by his hero (the famous gamemaker Luigi Lemoncello), with other students but finds that come morning he must work with friends to solve puzzles in order to escape.

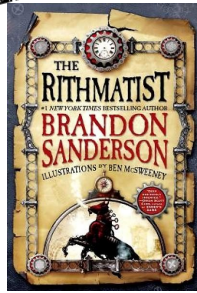
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COUNTING BY 7S BY HOLLY GOLDBERG SLOAN

Twelve-year-old genius and outsider Willow Chance must figure out how to connect with other people and find a surrogate family for herself after her parents are killed in a car accident.

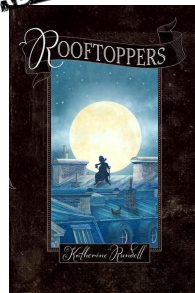
FANTASY



THE RITHMATIST BY BRANDON SANDERSON

As the son of a lowly chalk-maker at Armedius Academy, Joel can only watch as Rithmatist students study the magical art that he would do anything to practice. Then students start disappearing—kidnapped from their rooms at night, leaving trails of blood.

HISTORICAL ADVENTURE



ROOFTOPPERS BY KATHERINE RUNDELL

When authorities threaten to take Sophie, twelve, from Charles who has been her guardian since she was one and both survived a shipwreck, the pair goes to Paris to try to find Sophie's mother, and they are aided by Matteo and his band of "rooftoppers."

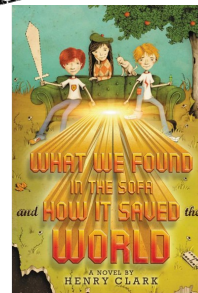
REALISTIC



ONE + ONE = BLUE BY MJ AUCH

Twelve year-old Basil knows he's special—he's been associating numbers with colors since he was a kid. His gift (or curse) has turned him into somewhat of a loner, but his world begins to change when he meets Tenzie, the new girl in school who has similar quirks.

SCI-FI/HUMOR



WHAT WE FOUND IN THE SOFA AND HOW IT SAVED THE WORLD BY HENRY CLARK

When River, Freak, and Fiona discover a mysterious sofa sitting at their bus stop, their search for loose change produces a rare zucchini-colored crayon. Little do they know this peculiar treasure is about to launch them into the middle of a plot to conquer the world!