CEA 2016 Book Buzz: Picture Book Edition

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2015 books you don't want to miss...

Title	Author	Use/Theme
Mother Bruce	Ryan T. Higgins	Humor, migration
McToad Mows Tiny Island	Tom Angleberger	humor, sequence

Books that are the bee's knees, the cat's pajamas, and the ant's pants...

Title	Author	Use/Theme
Tell Me a Tattoo Story	Alison McGhee	Telling stories, ideas for
		writing
Always Remember	Cece Meng	Story of loss and
		remembering
lda, Always	Caron Levis	Based on a true story,
		loss and remembering
Creation	Cynthia Rylant	Story of creation adapted
		from King James version
Miracle Man: The Story of	John Hendrix	Jesus' life and miracles
Jesus		
Douglas, You Need	Ged Adamson	Some people wear
Glasses!		glasses and that's okay \odot
School's First Day of	Adam Rex	Good first day book,
School		perspective
Dance! Dance!	Bob Shea	Don't worry so much
Underpants!		about what others are
		thinking
Hippopotamister	John Patrick Green	Everyone has different
		gifts
Maxwell the Monkey	Cale Atkinson	Humor, predictions
Barber		
They All Saw a Cat	Brendan Wenzel	Perspective, standing in
		someone else's shoes,
		how do we see others and
		ourselves?

The Night Gardener	The Fan Brothers	Making a difference, lots
		of great picture clues
It Came in the Mail	Ben Clanton	Letter writing, sharing
		what you have
Janine and the Field Day	Maryann Cocca-Leffler	Kindness, helping others,
Finish		what does winning really
		mean?
Shy	Deborah Freedman	Setting aside fears
A Bike Like Sergio's	Maribeth Boelts	Doing the right thing, even
		when it's hard
Poor Little Guy	Elanna Allen	Humor, great ending
Groovy Joe: Ice Cream	Eric Litwin	It's awesome to share!
and Dinosaurs		Download the song, too!

Books about friendship ...

Title	Author	Use/Theme
Be a Friend	Salina Yoon	Accepting differences,
		Emily Arrow song on
		youtube.com
Best Frints in the Whole	Antoinette Portis	Friends forgive
Universe		
My Friend Maggie	Hannah E. Harrison	Accepting differences,
		standing up for someone
Horrible Bear!	Ame Dyckman	Standing in someone
(SWAG from the author!)		else's shoes, forgiveness
Explorers of the Wild	Cale Atkinson	Accepting differences,
		what makes a friend?
Sophie's Squash Goto	Pat Zietlow Miller	How (not) to make a
School		friend
The Bear and the Piano	David Litchfield	Friends support each
		other
Noni Speaks Up	Heather Hartt-Sussman	Standing up to a bully
We Found a Hat	Jon Klassen	Friends make sacrifices

Books about books ...

Title	Author	Use/Theme
The Highest Mountain of	Rocio Bonilla	Love of reading,
Books in the World		imagination
Let Me Finish!	Minh Le	Love of reading
This Is My Book!	Mark Pett	Roles of
		author/illustrator, working
		together
How This Book Was Made	Mac Barnett	Creation of a picture book

Books for	reading	and	writing	lessons

Title	Author	Use/Theme
Ideas Are All Around	Philip C. Stead	Generating ideas for
		writing from daily life
How to Dress a Dragon	Thelma Lynne Godin	Mentor text for how-to
		writing
You Must Be This Tall	Steven Weinberg	Mentor text for problem-
		solution writing
Who What Where?	Oliver Tallec	Making inferences
Monsters Go Night-Night	Aaron Zenz	Making predictions
Snappsy the Alligator (Did	Julie Falatko	Understanding narrator,
Not Ask to Be in This		character
Book)		
A Hungry Lion or a	Lucy Ruth Cummins	Readers change
Dwindling Assortment of		predictions as new
Animals		information is received

Informational text...well, mostly...

Title	Author	Use/Theme
Little People, Big Dreams	Various	Biographies of Earhart,
Series		Angelou, Chanel, Kahlo, etc.
Whose Eye Am I?	Shelley Rotner	Information about animal
		eyes, predictions
Flying Frogs and Walking	Steve Jenkins	Information on how a
Fish		variety of animals move
The Airport Book	Lisa Brown	Transportation,
		sequence
Pink is for Blobfish	Jess Keating	Information on a variety of
		PINK creatures, mentor
		for nonfiction writing
On the Farm, at the	G. Brian Karas	Inside look into farms and
Market		markets
The Darkest Dark	Chris Hadfield	First moon landing, follow
		your dreams, youtube
		videos (search Chris
		Hadfield International
		Space Station)

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What Do You Do with a	Kobi Yamada	Seeing problems as	
Problem?		opportunities	
Whoosh! Lonnie	Chris Barton	Biography of Lonnie	
Johnson's Super Soaking		Johnson, perseverance	
Stream of Inventions			
Follow the Moon Home	Philippe Cousteau	Classroom community working together to solve	
		a problem	
What to Do with a Box	Jane Yolen	Imagination	
Ada Twist, Scientist	Andrea Beaty	Curiosity, asking	
		questions, perseverance	

Books for S.T.E.M. and problem solving ...

Poetry...

Title	Author	Use/Theme	
When Green Becomes	Julie Fogliano	Poetry throughout the	
Tomatoes: Poems for All		year	
Seasons			
Guess Who, Haiku	Deanna Caswell	Mentor text for poetry	
Wet Cement: A Mix of	Bob Raczka	Mentor text for poetry	
Concrete Poems			
Daniel Finds a Poem	Micha Archer	Mentor text for poetry	

Books with a little bit of Spanish mixed in...

Title	Author	Use/Theme
Marta! Big and Small	Jen Arena	Basic Spanish words,
		opposites
La Madre Goose: Nursery	Susan Middleton Elya	Familiar nursery rhymes
Rhymes for Los Ninos		with bits of Spanish mixed
		in

Illustrated chapter books ...

Title	Author	Use/Theme
The Data Set	Ada Hopper	Science fiction
Inspector Flytrap	Tom Angleberger	Humor, fantasy
Pedro: First Grade Hero	Fran Manushkin	Full-color illustrations

Title	Author	Use/Theme
Oops, Pounce, Quick,	Mike Twohy	ABC book, mentor text
Run: An Alphabet Caper		
I'm Sunny! / I'm Grumpy	Jennifer Holm	Early graphic novel
Snail and Worm: Three	Tina Kugler	Very early chapter book
Stories about Two	(2 nd book out in March,	
Friends	2017!)	
Pig in a Wig series	Emma J. Virjan	Pictures support text,
		rhyming, 3 books in series
Duck, Duck, Porcupine	Salina Yoon	Very early chapter book
The Mixed-Up Truck	Stephen Savage	Easy text, cute story
The Thank You Book	Mo Willems	Last Elephant & Piggie
		book
We Are Growing	Mo Willems & Laurie	Humor, point of view
	Keller	
The Cookie Fiasco	Mo Willems & Dan Santat	Equal shares/fractions

Books for emergent/early readers...

Bonus Book mentioned at the beginning:

Reading Picture Books with Children by Megan Dowd Lambert

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