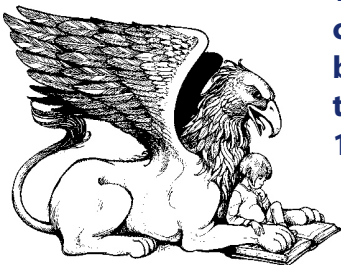


The Center for Children's Books

September 2009 Newsletter



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What's New on the CCB Website

Every month, the CCB creates an annotated bibliography of good books on a specific subject. In order to be eligible for the list, the books must be recent (within the last five years) and Recommended (R or R*) by the Bulletin. To suggest a subject for a future bibliography, email ccb@uiuc.edu. All requests will be considered.

Bibliography: Faeries

Created by Natalie Sapkarov

http://ccb.lis.uiuc.edu/bibliographies/faeries_Sept2009.html

Bibliography: Sun, Moon, and Stars

Created by Kate Quealy-Gainer

http://ccb.lis.uiuc.edu/bibliographies/sunmoonstars_Sept2009.html

News

School has once again begun and with it the CCB has seen some new faces! In mid-August the Center welcomed Ayanna Coleman as the new CCB GA. The Bulletin staff has also gained a new employee. Kate Quealy-Gainer, former CCB GA, is now the new Assistant Editor for the Bulletin. Please stop by to introduce yourself!

Open House

Please mark your calendars for Monday, September 14th! We will be having our annual Room 24 Open House which will be your chance to learn all about the CCB and the resources we offer. Meet the staff and faculty of The Center for Children's Books, and The Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books and hear all about the programs and projects going on at the CCB. Don't forget to pick up some free pre-publication copies of children's and young adult books! Apple donuts and cider will also be provided.

Galley Giveaway

Free books! Get your free books here! We'll be giving away pre-publication copies of children's and young adult books during our Open House and throughout the week of September 15-18. See Calendar for times.

September Calendar

Thursday, Sept 3, 5pm– Story Coach
GSLIS students, staff, faculty, and alumni meet to share stories. Bring a story to share, or come to listen.

Monday, Sept 7 – CCB Closed
CCB Closed in observance of Labor Day.

Thursday, Sept 10, 5pm- Youth Lit Book Club

This student led discussion group will be talking about *A Curse Dark As Gold* by Elizabeth C. Bunce. The book is available to read at the CCB.

Monday, Sept 14, 5-7pm – CCB Open House

Come meet Room 24 personnel, learn about the units included in the CCB, and enjoy cider, doughnuts, and free books!

September 14-18 Galley Giveaway

- Monday: 5 PM – 7 PM
- Tuesday: 10 AM – 7 PM
- Wednesday: 3 PM - 7 PM
- Thursday: 10 AM – 7 PM
- Friday: 10 AM – 4 PM

Free parking is available after 5:00 PM and on weekends in the parking garage across the street from the GSLIS building.

To see a complete calendar of events, visit our website (<http://ccb.lis.uiuc.edu>).

Message from the Director, Dr. Christine Jenkins

The semester is underway and our annual Open House is fast approaching!

Monday, September 14
5:00 - 7:00pm
Room 24 - GSLIS

*Get free prepublication books

*Savor cider and donuts

*Meet the people of Room 24 and find out what they do all day

*Chat with old and new friends and colleagues



The Center for Children's Books would like to invite you to the Room 24 Open House on Monday, September 14th from 5:00 to 7:00 pm in GSLIS Room 24. Come for our Galley Giveaway of prepublication books and free cider and donuts from Curtis Orchards! Yes, *free* cider and donuts! You will also have an opportunity to hear from the Center for Children's Books and the Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books, plus learn more about the various youth services events we've planned for Fall 2009.

The Open House is a time to chat with old and new friends, look at books, peruse a large collection of free galley, and learn more about the Center for Children's Books and GSLIS youth services events at a [brief] presentation at 5:30 PM. Please plan to attend and meet your youth services colleagues. And bring your friends!

What more could you ask for? Gimme that galley and pass the donuts!

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New Books We Just Had to Read

Every month, the CCB Graduate Assistants highlight books reviewed in the most recent issue of the Bulletin that we were very excited to read. These decisions are based on personal preference, but all books listed are Recommended by the Bulletin. The goal is to introduce you to brand-new books. For complete reviews, visit the Bulletin website (<http://bccb.lis.uiuc.edu/>) to learn how to subscribe.

Kelley Anne's Choice:

Knowles, Jo. *Jumping Off Swings*.
Candlewick, 2009 240p R Gr. 7-10
ISBN 978-0-7636-3949-5 \$16.99

Ellie has developed a reputation among the boys at school that is not likely to change anytime soon now that she is pregnant. Intermittently told from the perspectives of Ellie, the father, and their two best friends, readers are able to experience one girl's pregnancy from multiple points of view. Touchingly honest, Knowles' well-balanced character development is sure to win over readers and create a space for diverse discussion.

Ayanna's Choice:

Kephart, Beth. *Nothing but Ghosts*. Harper-Teen, 2009 278p R* Gr. 9 up
ISBN 978-0-061-66796-1 \$17.99

After her mother's death, Katie throws herself into her work. On the surface, the story seems to focus on the mystery of the famous recluse, Miss Martine, who inhabits the estate where Katie labors all day. However, while researching her employer's life, Katie also begins to unearth feelings of her own. This multi-layered tale confronts love and loss, regret and acceptance. With interesting and real characters along with a fast moving plot, Kephart delivers a touching tale.

Corrie's Choice:

Stead, Rebecca. *When You Reach Me*. Random House, 2009 208p R Gr. 4-7
ISBN 978-0-385-73742-5 (trade) \$15.99

Between her mother's upcoming game show appearance, friendship drama, and a first job, 12 year old Miranda has a lot on her mind. Add a mysterious time-traveling pen pal and things really start to get interesting. The book's quick 3-6 page chapters, well-developed characters and intriguing plot are captivating, making it an ideal choice for reluctant readers.

General CCB Information

CCB Sept. 2009

The Center for Children's Books (CCB) houses a non-circulating research collection of over 16,000 trade books for youth, birth through high school, and over 1,000 professional and reference books on the history and criticism of literature for youth, literature-based library and classroom programming, and storytelling. The collection includes prominent displays of Blue Ribbon Books (titles chosen by Bulletin reviewers as the best of the previous year's children's books), current award winners, books reviewed in the current issue of the Bulletin, and monthly thematic displays. The CCB also houses a growing collection of storytelling audio and video recordings.

We ensure all materials are available to patrons whenever the CCB is open - this means no materials leave the collection. Although the collection is non-circulating, it is available for examination by students, scholars, teachers, librarians, and other educators.

Our research collection emphasizes contemporary works, especially books from the last five to seven years, as well as titles of historical and critical significance.

The Center for Children's Books is located in Room 24 on the ground floor of the Graduate School of Library and Information Science (GSLIS) at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. GSLIS is located at 501 E. Daniel Street in Champaign.

Enter GSLIS through the building's main north entrance. Go up the stairs to your left (through an arched wooden doorway) and turn left. You will see another set of stairs. Go down to the lower level. Turn right to enter the Center.

How can the CCB assist you?

Meeting Location

Looking for a place for your group to meet? If your purpose is related to children's literature or libraries, contact us to reserve space.

Research Collection

Do you want to see a book before you purchase it? The CCB has a copy of every book reviewed by the Bulletin in the past 5-7 years!

Reference Services

Are you really stumped? The CCB will guide you to reference solutions. Call (217) 244-9331 or email ccb@illinois.edu.

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Hours
Monday: 10 am - 5 pm
Tuesday: 10 am - 7 pm
Wednesday: 3 - 7 pm
Thursday: 10 am - 7pm
Friday: 10 am - 5 pm

Highlighted Book from Our Wish List

Lynn, Ruth Nadelman. *Fantasy Literature for Children and Young Adults: A Comprehensive Guide Fifth Edition (Children's and Young Adult Literature Reference . Libraries Unlimited; 5 edition, 2005. ISBN 978-1591580508*

This updated resource gives insight into the varied and ever expanding world of fantasy literature for both children and young adults. Included are annotated lists of outstanding titles divided by sub-genre and lists of award-winning titles.

For more information about the CCB Wish List or how to donate books to the CCB, please visit <http://ccb.lis.illinois.edu/wishlist.html>.



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