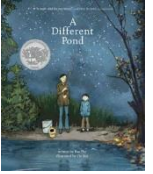


## Charlotte Zolotow Medal

The Charlotte Zolotow Award is given annually for outstanding writing in a picture book published in the United States in the preceding year. The following titles are shelved in the picture book section by the first three letters of the author's last name unless otherwise noted. Need help? Ask a librarian!

Phi, Bao. [A Different Pond](#). (E PHI) **2018 Charlotte Zolotow Medal Winner**

As a young boy, Bao Phi awoke early, hours before his father's long workday began, to fish on the shores of a small pond in Minneapolis. Unlike many other anglers, Bao and his father fished for food, not recreation.



Atinuke. [Baby Goes to Market](#). (available through the MORE system) **2018 Charlotte Zolotow Medal Honor Book**

Join Baby and his doting mama at a bustling southwest Nigerian marketplace for a bright, bouncy read-aloud offering a gentle introduction to numbers.

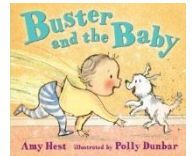


Cornwall, Gaia. [Jabari Jumps](#). (E COR) **2018 Charlotte Zolotow Medal Honor Book**

Jabari is definitely ready to jump off the diving board. He's finished his swimming lessons and passed his swim test, and he's a great jumper, so he's not scared at all.

Hest, Amy. [Buster and the Baby](#). (E HES) **2018 Charlotte Zolotow Medal Honor Book**

Buster the dog and a baby engage in a playful game of chase all day. When nighttime comes, they're still bonding.



Raczka, Bob. [Niko Draws a Feeling](#). (available through the MORE system) **2018 Charlotte Zolotow Medal Honor Book**

No one understands the abstract pictures that Niko draws until a new friend sees the thought and feeling within his shapes and forms.

Rylant, Cynthia. [Herbert's First Halloween](#). (available through the MORE system)

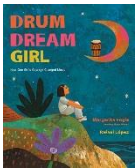
**2018 Charlotte Zolotow Medal Honor Book**

Herbert and his father prepare for his first Halloween by making a tiger costume and practicing a big roar.

Weatherford, Carole Boston. [Freedom in Congo Square](#). (available through the MORE system)

**2017 Charlotte Zolotow Medal Winner**

Six days a week, slaves labor from sunup to sundown and beyond, but on Sunday afternoons, they gather with free blacks at Congo Square outside New Orleans, free from oppression.



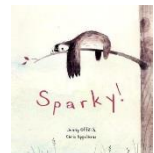
Engle, Margarita. [Drum Dream Girl: How One Girl's Courage Changed Music](#). (E ENG)

**2016 Charlotte Zolotow Medal Winner**

A young Cuban girl in the 1930s strives to become a drummer, despite being continually reminded that only boys play the drums, and that there's never been a female drummer in Cuba.

Offill, Jenny. [Sparky!](#) (E OFF) **2015 Charlotte Zolotow Medal Winner**

A child takes a sloth named Sparky as a pet.



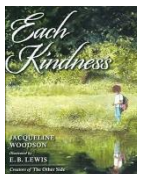
Snicket, Lemony. [The Dark](#). (E SNI) **2014 Charlotte Zolotow Medal Winner**

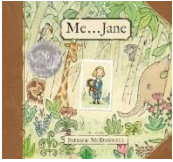
Laszlo is afraid of the dark which lives in the same big, creaky house as him, until one night the dark pays him a visit.



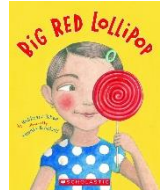
Woodson, Jacqueline. [Each Kindness](#). (E WOO) **2013 Charlotte Zolotow Medal Winner**

When Ms. Albert teaches a lesson on kindness, Chloe realizes that she and her friends have been wrong in making fun of new student Maya's shabby clothes and refusing to play with her.



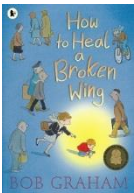


McDonnell, Patrick. [Me--Jane](#). (E MCD) **2012 Charlotte Zolotow Medal Winner**  
 Holding her stuffed toy chimpanzee, young Jane Goodall observes nature, reads Tarzan books, and dreams of living in Africa and helping animals. Includes biographical information on the prominent zoologist.



Khan, Rukhsana. [Big Red Lollipop](#). (E KHA) **2011 Charlotte Zolotow Medal Winner**  
 Having to take her younger sister along the first time she is invited to a birthday party spoils Rubina's fun, and later when that sister is asked to a party and baby sister wants to come, Rubina must decide whether to help.

Tafolla, Carmen. [What Can You Do With a Paleta?](#) (available through MORE) **2010 Charlotte Zolotow Medal Winner**  
 A young Mexican American girl celebrates the paleta, an icy fruit popsicle, and the many roles it plays in her lively barrio.



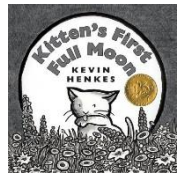
Graham, Bob. [How to Heal a Broken Wing](#). (E GRA) **2009 Charlotte Zolotow Medal Winner**  
 Illustrations and easy-to-read text explore the light that makes a house in the night a home filled with light.

Foley, Greg. [Thank You Bear](#). (available through MORE) **2008 Charlotte Zolotow Medal Winner**  
 Despite the criticism of others, a bear finds the perfect gift for his mouse friend.

McCarty, Peter. [Moon Plane](#). (available through MORE) **2007 Charlotte Zolotow Medal Winner**  
 A young boy looks at a plane in the sky and imagines flying one all the way to the moon.

Rodman, Mary Ann. [My Best Friend](#). (available through MORE) **2006 Charlotte Zolotow Medal Winner**  
 Six-year-old Lily has a best friend all picked out for play group day, but unfortunately the differences between first-graders and second-graders are sometimes very large.

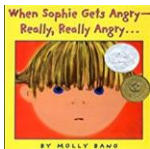
Henkes, Keven. [Kitten's First Full Moon](#). (E HEN) **2005 Charlotte Zolotow Medal Winner**  
 When Kitten mistakes the full moon for a bowl of milk, she ends up tired, wet, and hungry trying to reach it.



Schwartz, Amy. [What James Likes Best](#). (available through MORE) **2004 Charlotte Zolotow Medal Winner**  
 A little boy goes with his parents on an express bus to visit twins, in a taxi to visit Grandma, and in a car to see the county fair, then walks next door with his mother for a play date.

Keller, Holly. [Farfallina & Marcel](#). (available through MORE) **2003 Charlotte Zolotow decott Medal Winner**  
 A caterpillar and a young goose become great friends, but as they grow up they undergo changes which separate them for awhile.

Banks, Kate. [The Night Worker](#). (available through MORE) **2001 Charlotte Zolotow Medal Winner**  
 Alex wants to be a "night worker" like his father who goes to work at a construction site after Alex goes to bed.



Bang, Molly. [When Sophie Gets Angry – Really, Really Angry](#). (E BAN) **2000 Charlotte Zolotow Medal Winner**  
 A young girl is upset and doesn't know how to manage her anger but takes the time to cool off and regain her composure.