

2011 Charlie May Simon and Diamond Book Award Winners

The Arkansas Department of Education, the Arkansas State Library, and the Arkansas Reading Association are pleased to announce the results of the voting for the 2011 Charlie May Simon Children's Book Award and the 2011 Arkansas Diamond Primary Book Award. Almost 56,000 ballots have been cast and the results have been tabulated. The choice of the voting students is as follows:

CHARLIE MAY SIMON CHILDREN'S BOOK AWARD

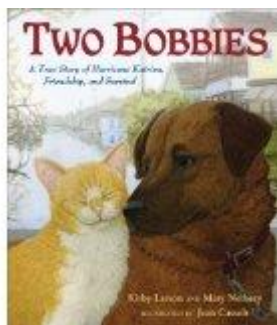


SWINDLE by Gordon Korman is the winner of the 2010-2011 Charlie May Simon Children's Book Award. It was published by Scholastic in 2008.

LOST AND FOUND by Andrew Clements is the Honor Book for 2010-2011. It was published by Athenuem, a division of Simon & Schuster, in 2008.



ARKANSAS DIAMOND PRIMARY BOOK AWARD



TWO BOBBIES: A TRUE STORY OF HURRICANE KATRINA, FRIENDSHIP, AND SURVIVAL by Kirby Larson and Mary Nethery and illustrated by Jean Cassels is the winner of the 2010-2011 Arkansas Diamond Primary Book Award. It was published by Walker & Company in 2008.

HELP ME, MR. MUTT!: EXPERT ANSWERS FOR DOGS WITH PEOPLE PROBLEMS written by Janet Stevens and Susan Stevens Crummel and illustrated by Janet Stevens is the Honor Book for 2010-2011. It was published by Houghton Mifflin Books for Children in 2008.



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