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April 2024 Friends of the CCBC Newsletter

Flowers are blooming, birds are singing, and there's lots of news from the Friends of the CCBC!

Thank you for supporting the Cooperative Children's Book Center through your membership in the Friends of the CCBC!

Please add us to your contacts

Some of our newsletters and emails have been ending up in Friends members' spam or junk email folders. To assure that you receive all our news and invitations, please add the following addresses to your contacts. Thank you!

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2024 Charlotte Zolotow Award Celebration RSVP

Registration is open for the 2024 Charlotte Zolotow Award Celebration. This in-person event will be held at the CCBC, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm on Saturday, May 4.

Please join us as author Kim Rogers (*Just Like Grandma*, 2024 Zolotow winner) accepts her award. Author Laura Purdie Salas (*Finding Family: The Duckling Raised by Loons*, 2024 Zolotow Honor Book) will also be in attendance. As well as hearing from these two authors, all 2024 Honor Books and Highly Commended titles will be recognized. A reception and book signing will follow the award presentation.

Online registration is required, and space is limited, so don't delay! This event will be in person only; remote access is not available.

Upcoming at the CCBC

Great New Books for Older Children and Teens (Grades 6-12)

April 17, 2024 @ 9:00 am - 10:00 am online

Join the CCBC Librarians for an hour-long session highlighting selected books from CCBC Choices 2024 for older children and teens in this webinar sponsored by the South Central Library System.

CCBC Choices is the CCBC's annual best-of-the-year list, recommending over 200 books for children and teens from birth through grade 12.

Check back later for a link to register to watch this session live. You can also watch the archived video after the webinar is over.

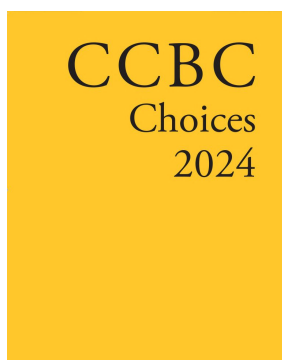
[Check the CCBC website for an upcoming link to register to attend this session live.](#)

CCBC Shorts: New Books of Note

May 8, 2024 @ 9:00 am - 9:30 am online

CCBC Shorts are brief, timely tours through some of the newest books for children and teens. Each 30-40 minute online presentation features CCBC librarians highlighting new and recently published books. CCBC Shorts is sponsored by the South Central Library System.

[Check the CCBC website for an upcoming link to register to attend this session live.](#)



Annual Meeting and Choices Day

The Friends held our 47th Annual Meeting on Saturday, March 9, 2024, followed by the introduction of the 2024 *CCBC Choices* booklist. The Friends of the CCBC, Inc remains financially sound with memberships rebounding after a decrease during the pandemic. We continue to provide funds to publish *CCBC Choices*, sponsor events and programs such as the Charlotte Zolotow Lecture, and provide funds for many additional projects of the CCBC.

We elected the following slate of officers:

Beth Wright Redford, President

Carlie Wiseley, VP/President Elect

Rachel Berkowitz, Membership Secretary

Ellen Bunn, Recording Secretary

Keri Schlecht, Incoming Treasurer

Maria Parrott-Ryan, Member at Large

Jennifer Pavlik continues to serve as Treasurer, Abby Kolosovskiy continues as Communications Coordinator, and Teresa Voss and Regina Ruocco will serve as Book Sale Co-chairs.

The CCBC Librarians introduced *CCBC Choices* 2024, recommending 238 books published in 2023 for children and teens from birth through high school age. The fully annotated digital edition of *CCBC Choices 2024* can be found on the CCBC website.



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