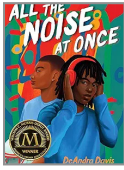




# 2027 Nominees

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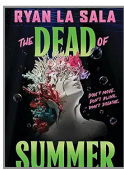
### **All the Noise at Once by DeAndra Davis**

Aiden, a Black, autistic teenager must navigate racism, ableism, and a high-stakes investigation to clear his brother's name after a wrongful arrest.



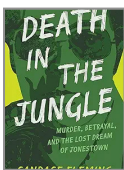
### **Brownstone by Samuel Teer; illus. Julia Mar**

Almost-fifteen-year-old Almudena is sent to spend the summer in New York City with the Guatemalan father she's never met.



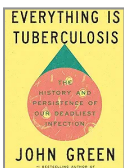
### **The Dead of Summer by Ryan LaSala**

Teenager Ollie Veltman returns to his quaint Maine island home only to face an unknown condition, forcing him and his friends to navigate a terrifying eco-horror mystery while fighting for survival.



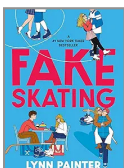
### **Death in the Jungle: Murder, Betrayal, and the Lost Dream of Jonestown by Candace Fleming**

Non-fiction account detailing how Jim Jones transformed from a charismatic preacher into a cult leader, ultimately orchestrating the 1978 mass murder-suicide of over 900 followers in Guyana.



### **Everything is Tuberculosis by John Green**

Non-fiction exploration that weaves the personal story of a young patient in Sierra Leone with the global history of the world's deadliest infectious disease.



### **Fake Skating by Lynn Painter**

Two former childhood friends enter a fake-dating arrangement in high school to help each other achieve personal goals, only to find real feelings resurfacing.



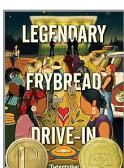
### **Falling Like Leaves by Misty Wilson**

New Yorker Ellis Mitchell is forced to spend her senior year in Bramble Falls, where she rekindles a complicated relationship with her childhood best friend and first kiss, Cooper Barnett.



### **I Am the Swarm by Haley Chewins**

15-year-old Nell Strand navigates her family's inherited "cursed" magic, which manifests her suppressed emotions as physical swarms of insects.



### **Legendary Frybread Drive-In: Intertribal Stories by Cynthia Leitich Smith and others**

Seventeen interconnected stories that center on a magical, time-traveling drive-in serving as a sanctuary where Native teens find healing, connection, and cultural pride.



### **Made Glorious by Lindsay Eagar**

Rory, a ruthless and manipulative scholarship student will stop at nothing to secure the lead role in her high school's senior musical.



### **One of the Boys by Victoria Zeller**

Grace, a talented football kicker, returns to her team as a trans girl after transitioning and navigates the challenges of identity and teammate solidarity.



### **Pretty Girl County by Lakita Wilson**

Two estranged best friends from different socioeconomic backgrounds reunite in high school to help each other achieve their college dreams while navigating family and class tensions.



### **The Rebel Girls of Rome by Jordyn Taylor**

Interwoven dual-timeline story of Lilah's search to uncover her Italian grandfather's history as a Holocaust survivor and the secrets of his family.



### **Skipshock by Caroline O'Donoghue**

Irish teen Margo slips into an alternate dimension where time is a deadly currency and must team up with a mysterious salesman named Moon to join a revolution and find her way home.



### **Solis by Paola Mendoza and Abby Sher**

In a near-future America, four teens lead a revolution against a corrupt government that enslaves undocumented immigrants to mine climate-control minerals.



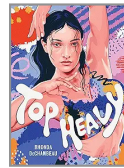
### **The Story of My Anger by Jasminne Mendez**

Yulietta, a Dominican teen in Texas, uses guerrilla theater to fight racism and book bans in her school district.



### **The Thrashers by Julie Soto**

Members of an elite high school clique face a deadly investigation and apparent haunting after a classmate's tragic suicide.



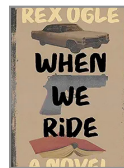
### **Top Heavy by Rhonda DeChambeau**

15-year-old Esme, a talented dancer, works to reclaim her body and confidence after a traumatic experience leaves her struggling with body image.



### **Under the Same Stars by Libba Bray**

Multi-timeline mystery linking teen resistance fighters across 1940s Nazi Germany, 1980s Berlin, and 2020 New York through the secrets of a legendary oak tree.



### **When We Ride by Rex Ogle**

Studios teen, Diego "Benny" Benevides, loyalty is pushed to the limit as he gets dangerously entangled in his best friend's spiraling drug deals.