So, you have just read “Day of Diversity: Extending the Dialogue, Encouraging the Action” (page 23) and you are eager to buy and promote diverse books, and read and support award-winning books given by diverse groups. But, where do you start? Right here! Below we’ve listed a sampling of book awards and recommended reading lists that highlight high-quality literature for young people about diverse peoples and triumphs of the human spirit.

The focus, given below for each award, was taken directly from descriptions at the award websites. Please visit individual sites for more information about the awards.

**Jane Addams Children’s Book Awards**
Jane Addams Peace Association
*First awarded:* 1953
*Focus:* books that effectively promote the cause of peace, social justice, world community, and equality.

**American Indian Youth Literature Awards**
American Indian Library Association
*First awarded:* 2006
*Focus:* writing and illustrations by and about American Indians.

**Américas Award**
Consortium of Latin American Studies Programs
*First awarded:* 1993
*Focus:* books that authentically and engagingly portray Latin America, the Caribbean, or Latinos in the U.S.

**Arab American Book Award**
Arab American National Museum
*First awarded:* 2007
*Focus:* books written by and about Arab Americans.

**Asian/Pacific American Award for Literature**
Asian/Pacific American Librarians Association
*First awarded:* 2003
*Focus:* books about Asian/Pacific Americans and their heritage.

**Mildred L. Batchelder Award**
ALSC
*First awarded:* 1968
*Focus:* books originally published in a language other than English in a country other than the U.S., and subsequently translated into English for publication in the U.S.

**Pura Belpré Awards**
ALSC
*First awarded:* 1996
*Focus:* books that best portray, affirm, and celebrate the Latino cultural experience.

**Amelia Bloomer Book List**
ALA
*First released:* 2002
*Focus:* books with significant feminist content.

**The Christopher Awards**
The Christophers
*First awarded:* 1949
*Focus:* media that affirm the highest values of the human spirit.
Dolly Gray Children’s Literature Award
Council for Exceptional Children
First awarded: 2000
Focus: books that appropriately portray individuals with developmental disabilities.

Ezra Jack Keats Book Award
Ezra Jack Keats Foundation
First awarded: 1985
Focus: books that portray universal qualities of childhood, strong and supportive family, and multiculturalism.

Coretta Scott King Book Awards
ALA
First awarded: 1970
Focus: books that demonstrate an appreciation of African American culture and universal human values.

Walter Dean Myers Award
We Need Diverse Books
First awarded: February 2016
Focus: books that best exemplify Myers’s commitment to providing children with powerful mirrors and windows.

National Jewish Book Award
Jewish Book Council
Focus: books of Jewish interest.

Notable Books for a Global Society
International Reading Association
First awarded: 1996
Focus: books that enhance understanding of individuals and cultures throughout the world.

Once Upon a World Children’s Book Award
Museum of Tolerance
First awarded: 1996
Focus: books that deal with issues of tolerance, diversity, and social justice.

Rainbow Book List
ALA
First released: 2008
Focus: books with significant and authentic GLBTQ content.

Tomas Rivera Mexican American Children’s Book Award
Texas State University
First awarded: 1996
Focus: literature that depicts the Mexican American experience.

Schneider Family Book Award
ALA
First awarded: 2004
Focus: books that embody an artistic expression of the disability experience.

Skipping Stones Honor Awards
Skipping Stones Magazine
First released: 1994
Focus: multicultural and nature books.

Stonewall Book Awards
ALA
First awarded: 1971
Focus: books relating to the GLBT experience.

Sydney Taylor Book Award
Association of Jewish Libraries
First awarded: 1968
Focus: books that authentically portray the Jewish experience.

Carter G. Woodson Book Awards
National Council for the Social Studies
First awarded: 1974
Focus: social studies-related books that depict ethnicity and race relations sensitively and accurately.