ALEX AWARD WINNERS, 1998-2015
Books Written for Adults with Special Appeal to Teens

2015  All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr
Bellyweather Rhapsody by Kate Racculia
Bingo’s Run by James A. Levine
Confessions by Kanae Minato
Everything I Never Told You by Celeste Ng
Lock In by John Scalzi
The Martian by Andy Weir
The Terrorist’s Son: a Story of Choice by Zak Ebrahim
Those Who Wish Me Dead by Michael Koryta
Wolf in White Van by John Darnielle

2014 Brewster by Mark Slouka
The Death of Bees by Lisa O’Donnell
Golden Boy by Abigail Tarttelin
Help for the Haunted by John Searles
Lexicon by Max Barry
Lives of Tao by Wesley Chu
Mother, Mother by Koren Zailckas
Relish by Lucy Knisley
The Sea of Tranquility by Katja Millay
The Universe Versus Alex Woods by Gavin Extence

2013 Caring is Creepy by David Zimmerman
Girlchild by Tupelo Hassman
Juvenile in Justice by Richard Ross
Mr. Penumbra’s 24-Hour Bookstore by Robin Sloan
My Friend Dahmer by Derf Backderf
One Shot at Forever by Chris Ballard
Pure by Juliana Baggott
The Round House by Louise Erdrich
Tell the Wolves I’m Home by Carol Rifka Brunt
Where’d You Go, Bernadette? by Maria Semple

2012 Big Girl Small by Rachel DeWoskin
In Zanesville by Jo Ann Beard
The Lover’s Dictionary by David Levithan
The New Kids: Big Dreams and Brave Journeys at a High School for Immigrant Teens by Brooke Hauser
The Night Circus by Erin Morgenstern
Ready Player One by Ernest Cline
Robopocalypse by Daniel H. Wilson
Salvage the Bones by Jesmyn Ward
The Scrapbook of Frankie Pratt: A Novel in Pictures by Caroline Preston
The Talk-Funny Girl by Roland Merullo
The Boy Who Couldn’t Sleep and Never Had To by DC Pierson
            Girl in Translation by Jean Kwok  
            The House of Tomorrow by Peter Bognanni  
            The Lock Artist by Steve Hamilton  
            The Particular Sadness of Lemon Cake by Aimee Bender  
            The Radleys by Matt Haig  
            The Reapers Are the Angels by Alden Bell  
            Room by Emma Donoghue  
            The Vanishing of Katharina Linden by Helen Grant  

2010  The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind: Creating Currents of Electricity and Hope by William Kamkwamba and Bryan Mealer  
            The Bride’s Farewell by Meg Rosoff  
            Everything Matters! by Ron Currie Jr.  
            The Good Soldiers by David Finkel  
            The Kids Are All Right: A Memoir by Diana Welch and Liz Welch  
            The Magicians by Lev Grossman  
            My Abandonment by Peter Rock  
            Soulless: An Alexia Tarabotti Novel by Gail Carriger  
            Stitches: A Memoir by David Small  
            Tunneling to the Center of the Earth by Kevin Wilson  

2009  City of Thieves by David Benioff  
            The Dragons of Babel by Michael Swanwick  
            Finding Nouf by Zoë Ferraris  
            The Good Thief by Hannah Tinti  
            Just After Sunset: Stories by Stephen King  
            Mudbound by Hillary Jordan  
            Over and Under by Todd Tucker  
            The Oxford Project by Stephen G. Bloom  
            Sharp Teeth by Toby Barlow  
            Three Girls and Their Brother by Theresa Rebeck  

            Bad Monkeys by Matt Ruff  
            Essex County Volume 1: Tales from the Farm by Jeff Lemire  
            Genghis: Birth of an Empire by Conn Iggulden  
            The God of Animals by Aryn Kyle  
            A Long Way Gone: Memoirs of a Boy Soldier by Ishmael Beah  
            Mister Pip by Lloyd Jones  
            The Name of the Wind by Patrick Rothfuss  
            The Night Birds by Thomas Maltman  
            The Spellman Files by Lisa Lutz
2007  The Book of Lost Things by John Connolly
       The Whistling Season by Ivan Doig
       Eagle Blue: A Team, A Tribe, and A High School Basketball Season in Arctic Alaska by Michael D'Orso
       Water for Elephants by Sara Gruen
       Floor of the Sky by Pamela Carter Joern
       Color of the Sea by John Hamamura
       The Blind Side: Evolution of a Game by Michael Lewis
       Black Swan Green by David Mitchell
       The World Made Straight by Ron Rash
       The Thirteenth Tale by Diane Setterfield

2006  Midnight at the Dragon Café by Judy Fong Bates
       Upstate by Kalisha Buckhanon
       Anansi Boys by Neil Gaiman
       As Simple As Snow by Gregory Galloway
       Never Let Me Go by Kazuo Ishiguro
       Gil’s All Fright Diner by A. Lee Martinez
       The Necessary Beggar by Susan Palwick
       My Jim by Nancy Rawles
       Jesus Land: A Memoir by Julia Scheeres
       The Glass Castle: A Memoir by Jeannette Walls

2005  Candyfreak: A Journey through the Chocolate Underbelly of America by Steve Almond
       Swimming to Antarctica: Tales of a Long-Distance Swimmer by Lynne Cox
       Donorboy by Brendan Halpin
       Shadow Divers by Robert Kurson
       Work of Wolves by Kent Meyers
       Truth & Beauty: A Friendship by Ann Patchett
       My Sister’s Keeper by Jodi Picoult
       Thinner Than Thou by Kit Reed
       Project X by Jim Shepard
       Rats: Observations on the History and Habitat of the City’s Most Unwanted Inhabitants by Robert Sullivan

2004  Wonder When You’ll Miss Me by Amanda Davis
       The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time by Mark Haddon
       The Kite Runner by Khaled Hosseini
       The Time Traveler's Wife by Audrey Niffenegger
       Drinking Coffee Elsewhere by Z. Z. Packer
       Stiff by Mary Roach
       True Notebooks by Mark Salzman
       Persepolis by Marjane Satrapi
       Maisie Dobbs by Jacqueline Winspear
       Leave Myself Behind by Bart Yates
2003  One Hundred Demons by Lynda Barry  
    My Losing Season by Pat Conroy  
    Seeing in the Dark: How Backyard Stargazers Are Probing Deep Space and Guarding Earth from Interplanetary Peril by Timothy Ferris  
    The Eye Affair by Jasper Fforde  
    Crow Lake by Mary Lawson  
    The Year of Ice by Brian Malloy  
    When the Emperor was Divine by Julie Otsuka  
    The Dive from Clausen's Pier by Ann Packer  
    The Fall of Rome by Martha Southgate  
    10th Grade by Joseph Weisberg  

2002  Year of Wonders: A Novel of the Plague by Geraldine Brooks  
    An American Insurrection: The Battle of Oxford, Mississippi by William Doyle  
    Gabriel's Story by David Anthony Durham  
    Nickel and Dimed: On (Not) Getting by in Boom-Time America by Barbara Ehrenreich  
    Peace Like a River by Leif Enger  
    The Wilderness Family: At Home with Africa's Wildlife by Kobie Kruger  
    Kit's Law by Donna Morrissey  
    The Rover by Mel Odom  
    Motherland by Vineeta Vijayaraghavan  
    Black, White, and Jewish: Autobiography of a Shifting Self by Rebecca Walker  

2001  Chang and Eng: A Novel by Darin Strauss  
    Counting Coup by Larry Colton  
    Daughter of the Forest by Juliet Marillier  
    Diamond Dogs by Alan Watt  
    Flags of Our Fathers by James Bradley and Ron Powers  
    Girl with a Pearl Earring by Tracy Chevalier  
    In the Heart of the Sea: The Tragedy of the Whaleship Essex by Nathaniel Philbrick  
    The Man Who Ate the 747 by Ben Sherwood  
    The Sand Reckoner by Gillian Bradshaw  
    Soldier: A Poet's Childhood by June Jordan  

2000  High Exposure: An Enduring Passion for Everest and Unforgiving Places by David Breashears  
    Ender's Shadow by Orson Scott Card  
    River, Cross My Heart by Breena Clarke  
    Educating Esmé: Diary of a Teacher's First Year by Esme Raji Codell  
    The Reappearance of Sam Webber by Jonathon Scott Fuqua  
    Stardust by Neil Gaiman  
    The Hungry Ocean: A Swordboat Captain's Journey by Linda Greenlaw  
    Barefoot Heart: Stories of a Migrant Child by Elva Trevino Hart  
    Plainsong by Kent Haruf  
    Imani All Mine by Connie Porter
1999  *The Endurance: Shackleton's Legendary Antarctic Expedition* by Caroline Alexander
*Getting In* by James Finney Boylan
*Needles* by Andie Dominick
*At All Costs* by John Gilstrap
*Space* by Jesse Lee Kercheval
*Last Days of Summer* by Steve Kluger
*Legends: Stories by the Masters of Modern Fantasy* by Robert Silverberg
*Antarctica* by Kim Stanley Robinson
*Almost a Woman* by Esmeralda Santiago
*Caucasia* by Danzy Senna

1998  *The Secret Family: Twenty-four Hours inside the Mysterious Worlds of Our Minds and Bodies* by David Bodanis
*All Over but the Shoutin'* by Rick Bragg
*Sugar in the Raw: Voices of Young Black Girls in America* by Rebecca Carroll
*What Girls Learn* by Karin Cook
*Snow in August* by Pete Hamill
*The Perfect Storm: A True Story of Men against the Sea* by Sebastian Junger
*Into Thin Air: A Personal Account of the Mt. Everest Disaster* by Jon Krakauer
*Lest We Forget: The Passage from Africa to Slavery and Emancipation* by Velma Maia Thomas
*Only Twice I've Wished for Heaven* by Dawn Turner Trice
*To Say Nothing of the Dog; or, How We Found the Bishop's Bird Stump at Last* by Connie Willis