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2010

## Nominee List

***The Christopher Killer: A Forensic Mystery* by Alane Ferguson**

Seventeen-year-old Cameryn Mahoney wants to be a forensic pathologist. Her father, a coroner, hires her as an assistant. The first investigation she encounters is the death of her friend Rachel Geller. Does Cameryn find Rachel's killer? Does she endanger herself by working independently?

***The Dangerous Days of Daniel X* by James Patterson**

Fifteen-year-old Daniel X is an alien hunter out to find the top alien outlaws, including those who killed his parents.

***Deadline* by Chris Crutcher**

Ben Wolf, a high-school senior, is diagnosed with leukemia and has only one year to live. He tries to keep it a secret so that he can have a normal and fun year. Does he succeed?

***Graceling* by Kristen Cashore**

Katsa lives in a world of Gracelings, people of special talents. Katsa's talent is killing. It's a talent she despises because her uncle, the tyrannical King Randa, uses her powers against those whom disobey him. Will Katsa be able to change her life for the better? Can she overcome the tight-fisted grip of King Randa?

***The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins**

In this futuristic story, America is controlled by rulers who demand that each territory must send two children as a tribute. The children are to fight for the death in a televised gladiator event. Kathiss is one tribute who takes the place of her sister. Will she survive this challenge?

***I Heart You, You Haunt Me* by Lisa Schroeder**

This story, written in verse, deals with the grief fifteen-year-old Ava encounters after her boyfriend's death, which occurred due to a dare made by her. She strongly feels that he is haunting her. Will Ava be able to overcome, not only her grief, but the feeling that her boyfriend is still with her?

***The Last Lecture* by Randy Pausch**

Randy Pausch, a computer science professor, was diagnosed with terminal cancer. He then gave his last lecture titled "Really Achieving Your Childhood Dreams," which urges others to seize the moment while living, instead of dying.

***Little Brother* by Cory Doctorow**

After being detained for four days by the Department of Homeland Security without any regard for his rights, seventeen-year-old Marcus decides to use his hacking skills to fight the police state created in San Francisco after a terrorist attack.

***The Pride of Baghdad* by Brian Vaughn**

This graphic novel is based on a true event in which the lions of the Baghdad Zoo escape captivity during the 2003 American bombing raid. The story is told from the lions' point of view. Do they find their liberation from the zoo provides them with total freedom?

***Sold* by Patricia McCormick**

Thirteen-year-old Lakshmi is sold to an Indian brothel by her stepfather. How does she endure the horrors of forced prostitution? Does Lakshmi have any hope of freedom?

### ***Testimony* by Anita Shreve**

This book, told from the perspective of various characters, recounts a sex scandal at a Vermont private school.

### ***Thirteen Reasons Why* by Jay Asher**

Clay Jenkins receives 13 cassettes in the mail. Why are they from his classmate who recently committed suicide?

### ***Waves* by Sharon Dogar**

Hal, a British teen, is able to read his comatose sister's thoughts. Will this supernatural ability allow Hal to find out who is responsible for putting his sister in a coma?

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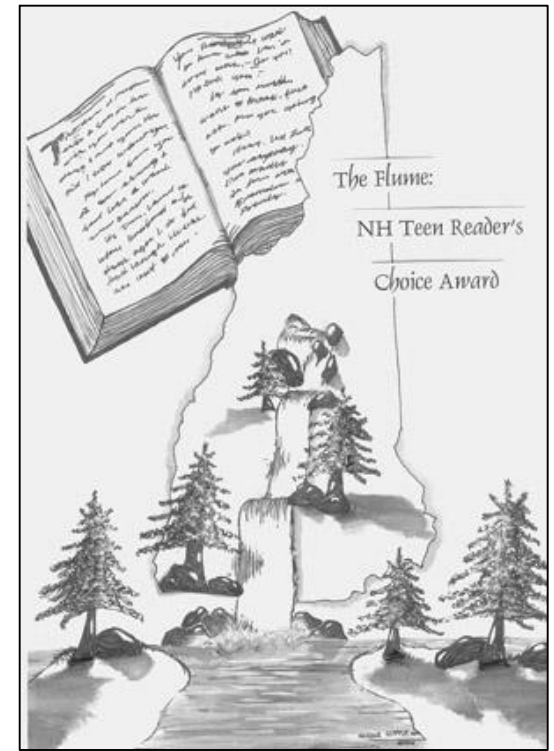
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### ***Nomination Criteria***

Titles must be nominated by teens in grades 9-12, can be fiction or nonfiction books, with appeal to this age group. They must have a publication date within the last two years. If the book is part of a series, it must be able to stand alone, meaning a reader doesn't have to read the other books in the series to understand what's going on.

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