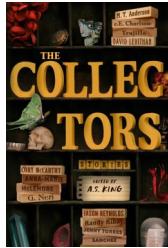


# 2024 Printz Award

The Michael L. Printz Award is an award for a book that exemplifies literary excellence in young adult literature. It is named for a Topeka, Kansas school librarian who was a long-time active member of the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA), a division of the American Library Association. Some titles may be available in e-formats. Check the catalog or ask a librarian for assistance.

## 2024 Printz Award Winner:



King, A. S. (editor) et al.

### **The Collectors: Stories**

YA Collectors or YA 813.0108 Co Gr. 9 and up

A.S. King challenged nine of her favorite YA writers to produce stories about collections and collectors, tossing out conventions. King's directive to "collect all the little pieces of you and make your story" produces a distinctly unique and exemplary anthology of short stories that are "defiantly creative" and beautifully weird. In addition to King herself, contributors to the anthology included M.T. Anderson, e.E. Charlton-Trujillo, David Levithan, Cory McCarthy, Anna-Marie McLemore, G. Neri, Jason Reynolds, Randy Ribay and Jenny Torres Sanchez.

## 2024 Printz Honor Books:

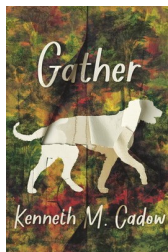


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### **Fire from the Sky**

YA Astot, Gr. 9 and up

A member of the Sámi people in Sweden, Ánte wants to preserve his birthright of traditional reindeer herding. However, he worries his emerging romantic feelings for his best friend, Erik, put him at irreconcilable odds with his community and culture. Stark, atmospheric prose invokes an introspective look into individuality within community.



Cadow, Kenneth M.

### **Gather**

YA Cadow, Gr. 8 and up

After an enormous dog arrives on his family's land in rural Vermont, a devastating series of events forces Ian to learn to survive not only on his own but with the help of his community. Told in a distinctive voice with a nod to oral storytelling, "Gather" captures the spirit of independence, resilience and hope.

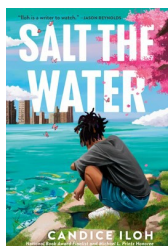


Gibney, Shannon

### **The Girl I Am, Was, and Never Will Be: A Speculative Memoir of Transracial Adoption**

YA Gibney, Gr. 10 and up

In a speculative memoir, Gibney explores her past as a transracial adoptee and imagines a life where her birth mother raised her. Playing with genre and style, Gibney deftly captures the uncertainty and questioning nature of childhood as well as all the pathways life might take.



Iloh, Candice

### **Salt the Water**

YA Iloh, Gr. 9 and up

After a confrontation with a teacher and a devastating family emergency, Cerulean's life veers out of their control, forcing them to make a difficult choice. Told in powerful, stream-of-consciousness verse, Cerulean explores a future that's theirs alone, where they don't have to play by anyone else's rules.

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