

Marilyn Baillie Picture Book Award

SUBMISSION & CRITERIA INFORMATION

Criteria:

- The award will be given to outstanding books of the picture book genre in which the author and illustrator achieve artistic and literary unity.
- The book should be aimed at young readers aged **three to eight** years old.
- The book must give equal consideration to the text and visual material.
- There should be a seamless integration of text, illustration and design.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Books must be published between January 1 and December 31, 2012.
- Both the author and illustrator must be Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada (who have lived in Canada for at least two years).
- Only books published in Canada are eligible for submission. Copyright page/CIP data must reflect this.
- New editions or re-issues of previously published books are not eligible for submission.
- First Canadian editions of books previously published or simultaneously published by non-Canadian publishers are eligible for submission provided they are published between January 1 and December 31, 2012. Copyright page/CIP data must reflect this.
- Books must be in English.
- Translations are eligible, provided the translator is a Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada (who has lived in Canada for at least two years).
- Eligible genres are fiction, non-fiction and poetry.
- Stories must be original (i.e., not a retelling of a story already published such as a fairy tale or folk tale.)
- Picture books based on recorded songs are not eligible.
- Books written as part of a series or published in serial form will be judged as separate entries and must be able to 'stand-alone'.
- The award is only for books in the printed format, as distinct from digital (i.e., eBooks) and audio visual formats.
- Books in manuscript form are not eligible.
- All books must have an ISBN.
- Self-published books are eligible for submission provided they are published in Canada, by a Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada (who has lived in Canada for at least two years), and have a valid ISBN.