

Announcing
The Magnolia Award
A Children's Choice Book Award for the State of Mississippi



To introduce the children of Mississippi to current children's literature and to instill a love of reading.

Children in grades three, four, and five, in public, private, or homeschooled settings are eligible to participate. They will read the books and turn their votes into their librarians. The librarians will cast the votes electronically. More information on the process is forthcoming.

Voting will be held in April, 2010, with winners announced in May.

The winner will be honored at the
2011 Fay B. Kaigler Children's Book Festival.

The Magnolia Award is a partnership of:
The Mississippi Department of Education,
The Mississippi Library Commission,
The Mississippi Reading Association,
and the following divisions of the University of Southern Mississippi:
The School of Library and Information Science Fay B. Kaigler Children's Book
Festival
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The DeGrummond Children's Literature Collection.

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