

# **Lincoln Award**

# **2022-2023 Illinois Teen Readers' Choice Nominees**

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Ace of Spades Àbíké-Íyímídé, Faridah

> When Devon Richards and Chiamaka Adebayo, are selected to be part of an elite school's senior class prefects, it looks like their year is off to an amazing start. Shortly after the announcement is made, though, someone who goes by Aces begins using anonymous text messages to reveal secrets about the two of them that threaten every aspect of their carefully planned futures.



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How It All Blew Up Ahmadi, Arvin

YA AHMADI

Fleeing to Rome in the wake of coming out to his Muslim family, a failed relationship and blackmail, 18-year-old Amir Azadi embarks on a more authentic life with new friends and dates in the Sistine Chapel before an encounter with a U.S. Customs officer places his hard-won freedom at risk.



Firekeeper's Daughter Boulley, Angeline

YA BOULLEY

YA DEONN

Daunis, who is part Ojibwe, defers attending the University of Michigan to care for her mother and reluctantly becomes involved in the investigation of a series of drug-related deaths.

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Legendborn Deonn, Tracy

Wanting to escape her previous life after the accidental death of her mother, 16-year-old Bree enrolls in a program for high school students at the local university before her witness to a magical attack reveals her undiscovered powers as well as sinister truths about her mother's death.



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Grown

YA JACKSON Jackson, Tiffany D.

When legendary R&B artist Korey Fields spots Enchanted Jones at an audition, her dreams of being a famous singer take flight. Until Enchanted wakes up with blood on her hands and zero memory of the previous night. Who killed Korey Fields?

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Elatsoe

Little Badger, Darcie



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Elatsoe lives in this slightly stranger America. She can raise the ghosts of dead animals, a skill passed down through generations of her Lipan Apache family. Her beloved cousin has just been murdered, in a town that wants no prying eyes. But she is going to do more than pry. The picture-perfect facade of Willowbee masks gruesome secrets, and she will rely on her wits, skills, and friends to tear off the mask and protect her family.



Love From A to Z Ali, S. K.

Eighteen-year-old Muslims Adam and Zayneb meet in Doha, Qatar, during spring break and fall in love as both struggle to find a way to live their own truths.

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YA CHEE

**YA GILES** 



We Are Not Free

Chee, Traci

Growing up together in the community of Japantown, San Francisco, fourteen secondgeneration Japanese American teens find their bond tested by widespread discrimination and the mass incarcerations of people of Japanese ancestry during World War II.

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Not So Pure and Simple Giles, L. R

High school junior Del Rainey unwittingly joins a Purity Pledge class at church, hoping to get

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closer to his long-term crush, Kiera.



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Tokyo Ever After YA JEAN Jean, Emiko

After learning that her father is the Crown Prince of Japan, Izumi travels to Tokyo, where she discovers that Japanese imperial life-complete with designer clothes, court intrigue, paparazzi scandals, and a forbidden romance with her handsome but stoic bodyguard--is a tough fit for the outspoken and irreverant Overdrive audiobook eighteen-year-old from northern California.



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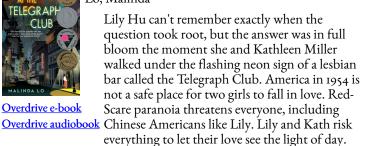


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#### You Should See Me In a Crown YA JOHNSON Johnson, Leah

Liz Lighty has always done her best to avoid the spotlight in her small, wealthy, prom-obsessed midwestern high school. Her family is black and rather poor, especially since her mother died. She has concentrated on her grades and her musical ability in hopes that it will win her a scholarship to elite Pennington College and their famous orchestra where she plans to study medicine--but when that scholarship falls through she is forced to turn to her school's scholarship for prom king and queen, which plunges her into the gauntlet of social media and leads her to discoveries about her own identity and the value of friendships.

### Last Night At the Telegraph Club Lo, Malinda



NEAL SHUSTERMAN

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Game Changer Shusterman, Neal

**YA SHUSTERM** 

Transported into other dimensions by a seemingly random hit, a young football player visits alternate worlds that evolved differently in accordance with respective belief systems.

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YA THOMAS

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Cemetery Boys

Thomas, Aiden Yadriel, a trans boy, summons the angry spirit of his high school's bad boy, and agrees to help him learn how he died, thereby proving himself a brujo, not a bruja, to his conservative family.

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Furia Méndez, Yamile Saied

> Seventeen-year-old Camila Hassan, a rising soccer star in Rosario, Argentina, dreams of playing professionally, in defiance of her fathers' wishes and at the risk of her budding romance with Diego.

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Oliver, Ben

**YA OLIVER** 

YA MENDEZ

Enduring a tortuous existence on a futuristic death row for teens where inmates can delay their execution date in exchange for becoming laboratory subjects, Luka uncovers rumors about chaos spreading throughout the outside world before he becomes targeted by his crazed fellow

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YA SOLOMON Today Tonight Tomorrow Solomon, Rachel Lynn

A bitter rivalry between two overachieving high school seniors erupts after one of them is named valedictorian on a day that finds them unexpectedly teaming up and falling for each other while competing against their fellow graduates during a farewell tour of Seattle.

# Graphic Novel



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YA GN CHECK Check, Please! Book 1, #Hockey! Ukazu, Ngozi,

A former junior figure skating champion and dedicated vlogger lands on his co-ed college hockey team, where he is challenged to overcome his fear of getting hit at the same time he falls desperately in love with his captain.

## Nonfiction



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Gender Queer: A Memoir YA GN 306.766 KOB Kobabe, Maia

Started as a way to explain to eir family what it means to be nonbinary and asexual, Maia (who uses e/em/eir pronouns) Kobabe's autobiography is more than a personal story: it is a useful and touching guide on gender identity--what it means and how to think about it--for advocates, friends, and humans everywhere.



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Almost American Girl Ha, Robin

> When a vacation to visit friends in Huntsville, Alabama, unexpectedly becomes a permanent relocation--following her mother's engagement announcement--Robin is devastated. Then one day Robin's mother enrolls her in a local comic drawing class, which opens the window to a future Robin could never have imagined.

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