

Poetry for Children: The Signal Award 1979-2001

The Signal Poetry Award essays appeared in each May issue of the journal *Signal Approaches to Children's Books*. The award recipient received a small prize at the time, but the main reward was being accorded first place in a substantial written overview of a year's publishing of poetry for children.

The present collection of these essays is produced to honour the poets again and to provide an accumulated record of what was being written for *Signal* at the time their collections and anthologies were published. Over more than two decades, this record covers hundreds of books.

The value of the collection as a resource is augmented by its 25-page index, the main-title entries of which include the books' original details: author, illustrator, number of pages and publisher.

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