1999 Top 10 Quick Picks for Young Adults

The Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA), a division of the American Library Association (ALA) has announced its 1999 list of Quick Picks for Reluctant Young Adult Readers. The list was released during the ALA Midwinter Meeting in Philadelphia. A finished version of the list will appear in the 1999 edition of ALA’s Guide to Best Reading.

Compiled by an 11 member committee, the 74 titles on the list were published during the preceding 18 months and represent 32 different publisher imprints. Fiction was represented by 46 titles on the list and there were 28 non-fiction titles included. The committee annually chooses a list of outstanding titles, which will stimulate the interest of reluctant teen readers. The list is intended for the teenager who, for whatever reason, does not like to read.

Members of the YALSA Quick Picks for Reluctant Young Adult Readers committee were: Diana Tixier Herald, chair, Grand Junction, CO; Lynn Cockett, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey; Lynn Evarts, Sauk Prairie High School, Prairie du Sak, WI; Mary Long, Wilson Middle School, Plano, TX; Judy Nelson, Bellevue Regional Library, Bellevue, Washington; Mary Purucker, Santa Monica High School, Santa Monica, CA; Susan Rosenkoetter, South Worth Library, Dryden, NY; Amelia Schwartz, Epiphany Branch Library, New York, NY; Tricia Segal, Eastman Branch Library, Cleveland, OH; John Sexton, Ashland Branch Library, Ashland, OR; and Drue Wagner-Mees, Brentwood Branch Library, Los Angeles, CA. Diane Monnier, Bethesda Regional Library, Bethesda, MD was administrative assistant for the committee, and
Stephanie Zvirin, Books for Youth, Booklist, Chicago, IL was consultant to the committee.

See the entire Quick Picks list

The titles receiving the most votes were:


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