



## Staff Favorite Children's Books

Voracious, insatiable readers inhabit all departments at the Athenæum and when asked for their favorites, few staff members could confine themselves to one. In this case, we deviate from our usual rule that the recommended book must be in the Athenæum's collection, although many of these are. Most of these books, among which you will see repeated authors and titles, were beloved as childhood reads, but they also reflect favorites read as an adult to children.

Under each staff member, listed alphabetically, the titles appear in alphabetical order by author.

### **Elizabeth Barker**

Aliki, *A Medieval Feast*  
Robert Bright, *Me and the Bears*  
Irene Hass, *The Maggie B.*  
Russell and Lillian Hoban, *Bread and Jam for Frances*  
Howard Knotts, *The Winter Cat*  
Jane, Langton and Erik Blegvad, *The Swing in the Summerhouse*  
E. Nesbit, *The Five Children and It*  
Margery Sharp and Garth Williams, *Miss Bianca in the Salt Mines*  
Kay Thompson and Hilary Knight, *Eloise*  
Rosemary Wells, *Noisy Nora*

### **Pat Boulos**

Dr. Seuss, *Are You My Mother?*

### **Kristin Cook**

Neil Gaiman, *The Sleeper and the Spindle*

### **Will Evans**

Dr. Seuss, *Go Dog Go*

### **James P. Feeney**

Diane Muldrow, *The Little Red Hen* (Golden Book)

### **Adriene Galindo**

Roald Dahl, *The BFG*  
Roald Dahl, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*  
Don Freeman, *Corduroy*  
Patricia Reilly Giff, *Lily's Crossing*  
Babara Park, *Junie B. Jones*  
Katherine Paterson, *Bridge to Terabithia*  
Beatrix Potter, *The Complete Tales of Peter Rabbit*  
Barbara Robinson, *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*  
Louis Sachar, *Holes*  
Shel Silverstein, *Where the Sidewalk Ends*  
Margery Williams, *The Velveteen Rabbit*

### **Robert Kruse**

Eleanor Cameron, *The Wonderful Flight to the Mushroom Planet*  
Elizabeth Upham, *Little Brown Bear*

### **Andria Lauria**

Madeleine L'Engle, *A Wrinkle in Time*

### **Catherine McGrath**

Thornton W. Burgess, *The Adventures of Happy Jack*  
Ruth Stiles Gannett, *My Father's Dragon*  
Kenneth Grahame, *The Wind in the Willows*

**Carolle Morini**

Judy Blume, *Superfudge*  
Judy Blume, *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing*  
Drew Daywalt and Oliver Jeffers, *The Day the Crayons Quit*  
Munro Leaf and Robert Lawson, *The Story of Ferdinand*  
Bill Martin, Jr., and John Archambault, *Chicka Chicka Boom Boom*  
Jack Prelutsky and James Stevenson, *The New Kid on the Block*  
*Richard Scarry's Cars and Trucks and Things That Go*  
*Richard Scarry's Lowly Worm Word Book*  
Jon Scieszka and Lane Smith, *The Stinky Cheese Man: And Other Fairly Stupid Tales*  
Dr. Seuss, *My Many Colored Days*

**Arnold Serapilio**

Louis Sachar, all titles in his Wayside School series  
Louis Sachar, *There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom*  
Louis Sachar, *The Boy Who Lost His Face*

**Jen Shaw**

Natalie Babbitt, *Tuck Everlasting*  
Judy Blume, *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing*  
Janell Cannon, *Stellaluna*  
Roald Dahl, *The BFG*  
Tommie De Paola, *Nana Upstairs & Nana Downstairs*  
S.E. Hinton, *The Outsiders*  
Russell and Lillian Hoban, *Bread and Jam for Frances*  
Harper Lee, *To Kill a Mockingbird*  
Madeleine L'Engle, *A Wrinkle in Time*  
Maurice Sendak, *In the Night Kitchen*  
Jon Stone, *The Monster at the End of this Book*  
David Wiesner, *Tuesday*  
E.B. White, *Charlotte's Web*

**Dawn Walus**

Kate and Jules Feiffer, *Henry the Dog with No Tail*  
E. L. Konigsburg, *From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankenweiler*  
Dr. Seuss, *The Cat in the Hat*  
Mo Willems, *Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!*  
Mo Willems, *Knuffle Bunny*  
Mo Willems, *The Pigeon Needs a Bath!*

**Mary Warnement**

Natalie Babbitt, *The Search for Delicious*  
Beverly Cleary, *Runaway Ralph*  
S.E. Hinton, *That was Then, This is Now*  
Robert Kraus, *How Spider Saved Christmas*  
L.M. Montgomery, *Anne of Green Gables*  
Wilson Rawls, *Where the Red Fern Grows*  
Margery Williams, *The Velveteen Rabbit*  
Miriam Young and Arnold Lobel, *Miss Suzy*

**Hannah Weisman**

E. L. Konigsburg, *From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankenweiler*  
Madeleine L'Engle, *A Wrinkle in Time*  
Matthew Needler and Phil Southam, *Minecraft: Construction Handbook (Updated Edition)*  
Maurice Sendak, *Nutshell Library: Alligators All Around/Chicken Soup with Rice/One Was Johnny/Pierre*