CHILDREN’S FICTION ABOUT ART

1. Art, imagination, and school

Armando and the Blue Tarp School, Edith Fine. Ill. Hernan Sosa
Art & Max, David Wiesner.
Artist Ted. Andrea, Beaty and Pascal Lemaitre.
Ashkii and his Grandfather, Margaret Kahn Garaway
Augustin, Melanie Watt.
Ben Draws Trouble, Matt Davies
Captain Flinn and the Pirate Dinosaurs, Giles Andreae. Ill. Russell Ayto.
Carnegie’s Excuse, Peter O’Donnell
Danny’s Duck, June Crebbin. Ill.Clar a Vulliamy.
David’s Drawings, Cathryn Falwell
Emily’s Art, Peter Catalanotto.
Frosted Glass, Denys Cazet
Incredible Ned, Bill Maynard. Ill. Frank Remkiewez
John Patrick Norman McHennessy-The boy who was always late, John Burningham
Mirror, Alexandra Day and Christina Darling
No Good in Art, Miriam Cohen. Ill.Lillian Hoban.
Regina’s Big Mistake, Marissa Moss.
Snow Day, Moira Fain
Spike, Katherine Potter
The Art of Miso Chew, Patricia Polacco.
The Art Lesson, Tomie de Paola
The Class Artist, Brain Karas
The Eraserheads, Kate Banks. Ill. Boris Kulikov
The Wonder, Faye Hanson.

2. Children’s Desire to be Artists

A Nickel, a Trolley, a Treasure House, Sharon Reiss Baker. Ill. Beth Peek.
Andrew Drew and Drew, Barney Saltzberg
Draw! Raúl Colón.
Drawing Lessons from a Bear, David McPhail
Elena’s Serenade, Geesha Campbell, Ill. Ana Juan.
Emily’s Blue Period. Cathleen Daly. Ill. Lisa Brown.
Forbidden Talent, Redwing Nez
Lily Brown’s Paintings, Angela Johnson. Ill. E.B.Lewis.
Louie!, Will Hillenbrand
Mandelia, Jan Spivey Gilchrist
Matthew’s Dream, Leo Lionni
Metal Man, Aaron Reynolds. Illus, Paul Hoppa
Morris the Artist, Lore Segal. Ill. Boris Kulikov.
Neil’s Castle, Alissa Imre Geis
Pearl Paints, Abigail Thomas. Ill. Margaret Hewitt
Peter’s Picture, Valeri Gorbachev
Polka Dot Penguin Pottery, Lenore Look & Yumi Heo
The Fantastic Drawings of Danielle, Barbara McClintock
The Legend of the Indian Paintbrush, Tomie de Paola
The Painter, Peter Catalanotto. Ill.
Under the Table, Marisabina Russo.
Whale Shines, Fiona Robinson.
Young Frank, Architect. Frank Viva.

3. Art that Comes Alive

Bursh of The Gods, Lenore Look & Meilo So.
Cabbage Rose, M.C. Helldorfer. Ill. Julie Downing
Dog Loves Drawing, Louise Yates
Draw Me a Star, Eric Carle
Drawer in a Drawer, David Christiani
Edward’s Magic Paintbox, Sue Robinson & Helen Leach.
Eyes of the Dragon, Margaret Leaf. Ill. ED Young.
Flora’s Tree House, Gabriel Alborozo
Harold and the Purple Crayon, Crockett Johnson
Jeremy Draws a Monster, Peter McCarty
Journey, Aaron Becker (See also Quest, Return)
Liang and the Magic Paintbrush, Demi
Lily and the Bear, Lisa Stubbs
Merl and Jasper’s Supper Caper, Laura Rankin.
Mice Makes Trouble, Becky Bloom
Monsters, Russell Hoban. Ill. Quentin Blake.
My Bunny and Me, Lindsay Barrett George
Paws McDraw, the Fastest Doodler in the West, Connah Brecon
Simon’s Book, Henrick Drescher.
Something to Do, David Lucas
Stick Kid, Peter Holwitz.
The Boy Who Drew Cats, Margaret Hodges. Ill. Aki Sogabe
The Dragon Kite, Nancy Luenn. Ill. Michael Hague.
The Incredible Painting of Felix Clousseau, Jon Agee
The Magic Horse of Han Gan, Chen Jiang Hong.
The Magic Paintbrush, Robin Muller
The Night the Scary Beasties Popped Out of My Head, Daniel and David Kamish
The Pencil, Allan Ahlberg
Tye May and the Magic Paintbrush, Molly Bang

4. Painting Portraits/Solving Problems

A Baker’s Portrait, Michelle Edwards
All Your Own Teeth, Adrienne Geoghegan. Ill. Cathy Gale.  
Andrew Draws, David McPhail
Bridget’s Beret, Tom Lichtenreld.  
Crocodile’s Masterpiece, Max Velthuijs
Dawn and the Round To-It, Irene Smalls. Ill. Tyrone Geter.
Dazzle Ships: WWI and the Art of Confusion, Chris Barton, Illus. Victo Mga
Eddie’s Kingdom, D.B. Johnson.
Elsina’s Clouds, Jeanette Winter
Ghost Train, Paul Yee. Ill. Harvey Chan
Henry and Pawl and the Round Yellow Ball, Tom Casmer and Mary GrandPre.
Hugo & Miles in I’ve Painted Everything, Scott Magoon.
Little Mouse’s Painting, Diane Wolkstein. Ill. Maryjane Begin.
Mama’s Perfect Present, Diane Goode
Marie in Fourth Position, Amy Littlesugar. Ill. Ian Shoenherr.
Miranda’s Smile, Thomas Locker
Morgan the Artist, Donald Carrick
Nora’s Roses, Satomi Ichikawa
Pablo the Artist, Satoshi Kitamura.
Paper John, David Small
Sam and Eva, Debbie Reynolds Ohi
Sea-Breeze Hotel, Marcia Vaughan & Patricia Mullins
The Art Collector, Jon Wahl. Illus. Rosalinda Bonnet
The Artist, John Bianchi
The Painter Who Loved Chickens, Oliver Dunrea
The Tiny Tale of Little Pea, David Cali, Illus. Sebastien Mourrain
The Young Artist, Thomas Locker

5. Making the World More Beautiful

A Crack in the Wall, Mary Elizabeth Haggerty. Ill. Ruben De Anda.
Alejandro’s Gift, Richard Albert & Sylvia Long
Beautiful Buehla and the Zany Zoo Makeover, Gary Hogg. Ill. Victoria Chess.
Cool Ali, Nancy Poydar
Cool Cat, Nonny Hogrogian
Dream Something Big, Dianna Hutts Aston. Ill. Susan L. Roth
Gizmo, Barry Varela. Ill. Ed Briant.
Hattie and the Wild Waves, Barbara Cooney
Island Boy, Barbara Cooney
Jamaica Louise James, Amy Hest. Ill. Sheila White Samton.
Jordi’s Star, Alma Flor Ada. Ill. Susan Graber
Little Dog, Lisa Jahn-Clough
Miss Rumphius, Barbara Cooney
Secret Place, Eve Bunting. Ill. Ted Rand
The Lion and the Little Red Bird, Elisa Kleven
The Pink Refrigerator, Tim Egan.
The Spectacular Adventures of Sophie and Sebastian, Ruth Jeyaveeran.
The Tin Forest, Helen Ward. Ill. Wayne Anderson
The Tower to the Sun, Colin Thompson
The Wonderful Tower of Watts, Patricia Zelver. Ill. Frane Lessac.
Uncle Andy’s, James Warhola.

6. Seeing with Your Heart and Eyes

All I See, Cynthia Rylant. Ill. Peter Catalanotto.
Bear’s Picture, Daniel Pinkwater. Ill. D. B. Johnson
Dear Juno, Soyung Pak. Ill. Susan Kathleen Hartung.
Dinner at Magritte’s, Michael Garland
Lucy’s Picture, Nicola Moon. Ill. Alex Ayliffe.
Monkey See, Monkey Draw, Alex Beard.
Mr. Flux, Kyo Maclear & Matte Stephens.
Nico Draws a Feeling, Bob Rascha, Ill. Simone Shin
Not Now, Sara, Hannelore Voigt. Ill. Olivier Corthesy and Nicolas Fossati.
Painting the Wind, Michelle Dionetti. Ill. Kevin Hawkes
Painting the Wind, Particia and Emily MacLachlan. Ill. Katy Schneider
Pictures for Miss Josie, Sandra Belton. Ill. Benny Andrews
Sato and the Elephants, Juanita Havill. Ill. Jean and Mou-Sien Tseng.
See the Ocean, Estelle Condra. Ill. Crockett-Blassingame.
Seymour Bleu, Catherine Deeter
The Clay Ladies, Michael Bedard. Ill. Les Tart
The Jade Stone, C. Yacowitz

The Paint Box, Maxine Trottier. Ill. Stella East
The Painter and the Wild Swan, Claude Clement. Ill. Frederic Clement.
The Painter’s Cat, Sharon Wooding
The Perfect Spot, Robert J. Blake
The Raft, Jim LaMarche
The Sailor who captured the Sea, Deborah Nourse Lattimore
The Seeing Stick, Jane Yolen. Ill. Remy Charlip and Demetra Maraslis.
To Climb a Waterfall, Jean C. George. Ill. Thomas Locker.