## National Building Museum Building Stories Exhibition Book List

### **Gallery 1: Building Readers**

**Gallery Theme:** Beginnings

**Threshold: Audio experience / CLT tunnel** 

**Sections:** 

- a. Building Blocks
- b. Alphabets
- c. Book Architecture (Books as Constructed Objects)

#### a. Block Play Books

Brown, Margaret Wise; ill. Leonard Weisgard, *The Noisy Book* (Scott, 1939)

D'aam, Jeane. The Dutch Look at a House (Corraini, 2021)

Fuller, Buckminster. Tetrascroll: Goldilocks and the Three Bears, A Cosmic Fairy Tale (St.

Martin's Press, 1975)

Hutchins, Pat. Changes, Changes (Macmillan, 1971) + Weston Woods video

Martin, Mary Steichen; ill. Edward Steichen. The First Picture Book (Harcourt, 1930)

Marzolo, Jean; ill. by Walter Wick. I Spy Fantasy (Scholastic, 1992)

Illustration from *Peter's Chair* by Ezra Jack Keats (Viking, 1967)

#### b. ABC Books

<u>Special graphics/visual elements:</u> Květa Pacovská stacked blocks; non-Western alphabets wallpaper

### (26 books for 26 letters from A to Z)

- A. Anno, Mitsumasa. Anno's Alphabet (Crowell, 1975) Japan
- B. Van Allsburg, Chris. The Z Was Zapped (Houghton Mifflin, 1987) **US**
- C. Pacovska, Kveta. *Alphabet* (Tate, 2013) Czech Republic
- D. Falls, C.B. ABC Book (Doubleday, 1923) US/historical
- E. Johnson, Stephen T. Alphabet City (Viking, 1995) US
- F. Hellsing, Lennart; ill. by Poul Stroyer. ABC (Rabén & Sjögren, 1995) Sweden
- G. Hockney, David. Hockney's Alphabet (Random House, 1992) UK
- H. Bataille, Marion. ABC3D (Roaring Brook, 2008) France
- I. Maddex, Diane; ill by Munro, Roxie. Architects Make ZigZags (Wiley, 1986) US
- J. Feelings, Muriel; ill. by Tom Feelings. Jamba Means Hello: Swahili Alphabet Book (Dial,

#### 1974) **US/African American**

K. Flett, Julie. Owl Sees Clearly at Night/Lii Yiiboo Nayaapiwak Lii Swer (Simply Read Books,

### 2010) Canadian/First Nations

- L. Zakanitch, Robert R. A Garden of Ordinary Miracles: An Alphabet Book (Universe, 2021) US
- M. Baumann, Barbara and Gerd. Ein Sechsundzwanzigbuchstabenbuch (Neugebauer Press,

#### **1987) Germany**

- N. Isadora, Rachel. City Seen from A to Z (Greenwillow, 1983) US
- O. Gross, Benedikt/Joseph Lee. Alphabet from the Sky (Price Stern Sloan, 2016) US
- P. Munari, Bruno. ABC (World, 1960) Italy/historical
- Q. Greenaway, Kate. A Apple Pie UK/historical
- R. Piatti, Celestino. Celestino Piatti's Animals ABC (North South, 2015) Swiss
- S. Chwast, Seymour. The Alphabet Parade (Harcourt, 1991) US
- T. Impala. Abecedario Escondido (Hidden Letters) (Editorial Juventud, S.A., 2017) Spain

- U. Thurlby, Paul. Paul Thurlby's Alphabet (Templar, 2011) UK
- V. Emberley, Ed. Ed Emberley's ABC (Little, Brown, 1978) US
- W. Falls, C.B. The Modern ABC Book (John Day, 1930) US/historical
- X. Hudson, Clarke. A Country ABC (Oxford, 1940) UK/historical
- Y. Farjeon, Eleanor / Jones, David. The Townchild's Alphabet (Poetry Bookshop, 1924) UK
- Z. Radunsky, Vladimir. An Edward Lear Alphabet (HarperCollins, 1999) Russia/US

Fisher, Leonard Everett. *Alphabet Art: Thirteen ABCS from around the world* (Four Winds Press, 1978)

#### c. Book Architecture

## The Size and Shape of It

Brown, Margaret Wise/Garth Williams. Little Fur Family (Harper, 1946)

de Brunhoff, Jean. L'Histoire de Babar (Modes, 1931)

Lionni, Leo. *Inch by Inch* (McDowell, Obolensky, 1960)

Newell, Peter. The Slant Book (Harper, 1910/Tuttle, 2001)

Potter, Beatrix. The Tale of Peter Rabbit (Warner, 1902)

Sendak, Maurice. *The Nutshell Library* (Harper, 1962)

# **Metaphorical Spaces**

Agee, Jon. The Wall in the Middle of the Book (Dial, 2018)

Jeffers, Oliver/Sam Winston. A Child of Books (Candlewick, 2016)

Letria, Jose; ill. by Andre Letria. *If I Were a Book* (Chronicle, 2014)

Munari, Bruno. The Circus in the Mist (World, 1969) + video

Torseter, Oyvind. *The Hole* (Enchanted Lion, 2013)

### **Books Unbound: Into the Third Dimension and Beyond**

Carle, Eric. Papa, Please Get the Moon for Me (Simon and Schuster, 1986)

Carter, David A. 600 Black Dots: A Pop-Up Book for Children of All Ages (Little Simon, 2007)

Komagata, Katsumi. Little Tree (One Stroke, 2008)

Munari, Bruno. Who's There? Open the Door (World, 1957)

Sabuda, Robert. The Wonderful Wizard of Oz: A Commemorative Pop-Up (Simon and Schuster,

2001)

Joseph, Wendy Evans. *Pop Up Architecture* (Melcher Media, 2009)

### Gallery 2: Your Home, My Home

#### Gallery Theme: Being There, or what it means to "feel at home in the world."

#### **Sections:**

- a. Maps
- b. Rooms of Their Own
- c. Many Homes, One World

## a. Threshold: Book Maps

Jansson, Tove. Finn Family Moomintroll (1948)

Juster, Norton / Jules Feiffer. *Phantom Tollbooth* (Random House, 1961)

Milne, A. A./Ernest Shepard, Winnie-the-Pooh (Dutton, 1926)

Munro, Roxie. ABCity: Maze & Seek-n-Find. (Schiffer Kids, 2022)

Rowling, J.K. Bloomsbury 20th-anniversary editions of Harry Potter series (Bloomsbury, 2017)

Sís, Peter. Madlenka (Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2000)

Thompson, Kay/Hilary Knight. *Eloise* (Simon and Schuster, 1955)

Tolkien, J.R.R. *The Hobbit* (Houghton Mifflin, 1937) (the Hobbit map of Bilbo's journey)

Spiegelman, Nadja; ill. Sergio Garcia Sanchez. Lost in NYC: A Subway Adventure (Toon, 2020)

Interboro Partners. The Arsenal of Exclusion & Inclusion (Actar, 2017)

#### b. Rooms of Their Own

- 1. Brown, Margaret Wise/Clement Hurd. *Goodnight Moon* (Harper, 1947)
  - a. This book is not in the theater, but a first edition is discussed/displayed nearby
- 2. Keats, Ezra Jack. *The Snowy Day* (Viking, 1962)
- 3. Lee, Suzy. *Shadow* (Chronicle, 2010)
- 4. Ringgold, Faith. *Tar Beach* (Crown, 1991)

#### c. Many Homes, One World Display Books

#### 1 Variety of Homes

Laroche, Guy. If You Lived Here: Houses of the World (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2011)

#### 2 A House Like No Other

Angelou, Maya/Margaret Courtney-Clarke. My Painted House, My Friendly Chicken and Me

(Potter, 1994) South Africa

Pinkwater, Daniel. *The Big Orange Splot* (Hastings House, 1977)

Rudstrom, Lennart/Carl Larsson. A Home (Putnam, 1974)

#### 3 People on the Move

Davies, Nicola; ill. by Rebecca Cobb. *The Day War Came* (Candlewick, 2018)

Lippert, Tanya; ill. by Andrea Stegmaier. *Home* (Magination Press, 2022)

Mateo, Jose Manuel/Javier Martinez Pedro. Migrant (Abrams, 2014)

Ruurs, Margaret; ill. by Nizar Ali Badr. *Stepping Stones: A Refugee Family's Journey* (Orca, 2016)

### 4 Children on Their Own

Alger, Jr., Horatio. *Ragged Dick; or, Street Life in New York with the Boot Blacks* (A.K. Loring, 1868)

Mello, Roger. Meninos do Mangue (Mangrove Boys). (Companhia das Letrinas, 2001)

Lindgren, Astrid. *Pippi Longstocking* (Viking, 1950)

Youme [Landowne]. Sélavi: A Haitian Story of Hope (Cinto Puntos 2005)

### **5 One House Through Time**

Litvina, Alexandra; ill. by Anna Desnitskaya. *The Apartment: A Century of Russian History* (Abrams, 2019)

Blackall, Sophie. Hello Lighthouse (Little, Brown, 2018)

## **6 American Frontier**

Erdrich, Louise. *The Birchbark House* (Hyperion, 2002)

Wilder, Laura Ingalls/Garth Williams. The Little House books (Harper, 1953)

# 7 Neighborhood as Home

Garza, Carmen Lomas. Family Pictures/Cuadros de Familia (Children's Book Press, 1990)

Robinson, Aminah Brenda Lynn. A Street Called Home (Harcourt Brace, 1997)

## **8 Tradition and Change**

Snyder, Dianne; ill. by Allen Say. *The Boy of the Three-Year Nap* (Houghton Mifflin, 1988)

Takabayashi, Mari. *I Live in Tokyo* (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2001)

Epanya, Christian. *Le Taxi-brousse de Papa Diop* (Syros, 2005)

# 9 China: An Old Culture Discovers Books for Young Readers

Young, Ed. The House Baba Built: An Artist's Childhood in China (Little, Brown, 2011)

Zhang, Lipeng. Wanderings of Sanmao (1948)

Li-Qiong, Yu; ill. by Zhu Chengliang. A New Year's Reunion (Candlewick, 2011)

#### **10** Conclusion

Gidden, Rhiannon; ill. Monica Mikai. *Build a House* (Candlewick, 2022)

# **Gallery 3: Scale Play**

# Gallery Theme: Home, Human Scale, and the Role of Perception

#### **Sections:**

- a. Magic Portals
- b. Small Worlds
- c. The World Writ Large

## a. Threshold: Magic Portals

## **Special graphics/visual elements:**

## Chris Van Allsburg's The Garden of Abdul Gasazi (Houghton Mifflin, 1979)

Banyai, Istvan. Zoom (Puffin Books, 1995) + video

Becker, Aaron. *Journey* (Candlewick, 2013)

Carrer, Chiara. Pensar El Espacio: Reflecjos, Superficies y Colores (Petra Ediciones, 2018)

Carroll, Lewis / ill. John Tenniel. Alice's Adventures in Wonderland (Macmillan, 1865)

Robinson, Christian. *Another* (Atheneum, 2019)

Van Allsburg, Chris. *Jumanji* (Houghton Mifflin, 1981)

### b. Small Worlds

### 1. Magic in Our Midst

Andersen, Hans Christian/Fred Marcellino. *The Steadfast Tin Soldier* (HarperCollins, 1992)

Beskow, Elsa. *Children of the Forest* (Georg W. Dietrich, 1910)

Norton, Mary/Beth and Joe Krush. The Borrowers (Harcourt, 1953)

Sendak, Maurice. In the Night Kitchen (Harper and Row, 1970)

## 2. Not Too Big and Not Too Small

Curato, Mike. Little Elliot Big City (Henry Holt and Co., 2014)

Freeman, Don. Pet of the Met (Viking, 1953)

Heide, Florence Parry; ill. by Edward Gorey. *The Shrinking of Treehorn* (Holiday House, 1971)

Joyce, William. *George Shrinks* (Harper & Row, 1985)

McCay, Winsor. *Dreams of the Rarebit Fiend* (syndicated American comic strip, 1904-1925)

Swift, Jonathan. *Gulliver's Travels* (Benj. Motte, 1726)

White, E.B./Garth Williams. Stuart Little (Harper, 1945)

#### 3. Brave New Worlds

Burton, Virginia Lee. Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel (Houghton Mifflin, 1939)

Gramatky, Hardie. *Little Toot* (Putnam, 1939)

Piper, Watty. The Little Engine That Could (Platt and Munk, 1930)

Swift, Hildegarde Hoyt/Lynd Ward. *The Little Red Lighthouse and the Great Gray Bridge* (Harcourt, 1942)

# c. The World Writ Large

## 1. High Rise, Close Quarters

Dillon, Patrick/Stephen Biesty. *The Story of Building: From the Pyramids to the Sydney Opera House* and *Beyond* (Candlewick, 2014)

Denisevich, Kasya. *Neighbors* (Chronicle Books, 2020)

Harris, Isobel/Andre Francois. *Little Boy Brown* (Enchanted Lion, 2013)

Hine, Lewis W. *Men at Work* (Dover Publications, 1977)

Hopkinson, Deborah/James E. Ransome. Sky Boys: How They Built the Empire State Building

(Schwartz & Wade/Random House 2006)

Macaulay, David. Building Big (Houghton Mifflin, 2000)

Scarry, Richard. What Do People Do All Day? (Random House, 1968)

Scher, Paula; ill. by Stan Mack. *The Brownstone* (Pantheon, 1973)

Wynter, Anne; ill. by Oge Mora. Everybody in the Red Brick Building (Balzer and Bray, 2021)

Zullo, Germano; ill. by Albertine. Sky High (Chronicle, 2012)

### 2. Monumental Structures: Where Our Dreams Come to Dwell

Aston, Dianna Hutts. Dream Something Big: The Story of the Watts Towers (Dial, 2011)

Eggers, Dave/Shawn Harris. Her Right Foot (Chronicle, 2017)

Gerstein, Mordicai. The Man Who Walked between the Towers (Roaring Brook, 2003)

Tan, Shaun. *The Arrival* (Scholastic, 2006)

#### 3. The White House

Carbone, Elisa; ill. by Jen Hill. Diana's White House Garden (Viking, 2016)

Smith, Charles R.; ill. by Floyd Cooper. *Brick by Brick* (Amistad, 2012)

#### **Gallery 4: Wider World**

**Galley Theme:** Building a better future, together

**Sections:** 

a. Which Way? Which Way?

b. Because the Earth Is Our Home

Special graphics/visual elements: Oliver Jeffers collaboration

Here We Are: Notes for Living on Planet Earth (Philomel, 2017)

What We'll Build: Plans for our Together Future (Philomel, 2020)

Begin Again: How We Got here and Where We Might Go – Our Human Story. So Far. (Philomel,

2023)

### a. Which Way? Which Way?

Burton, Virginia Lee. *The Little House* (Houghton Mifflin, 1942)

McCloskey, Robert. *Make Way for Ducklings* (Viking, 1941)

Goodman, Susan E.; ill. by Lee Christiansen. On This Spot: An Expedition Back Through Time

(Greenwillow, 2004)

Kooser, Ted; ill. by Jon Klassen. *House held Up by Trees* (Candlewick, 2012)

#### b. Because the Earth Is Our Home

## 1. Change Makers: Reaching for Big Ideas

de la Piña, Matt; ill. by Christian Robinson. Last Stop on Market Street (Putnam, 2015)

Ferri, Guiliano. *Brick by Brick* (Minedition, 2016)

Jeffers, Oliver. Here We Are: Notes for Living on Planet Earth (Philomel, 2017)

Johnson, Crockett. *Harold and the Purple Crayon* (Harper, 1955)

McLerran, Alice/Barbara Cooney. Roxaboxen (Lothrop, Lee & Shepard, 1991)

Portis, Antoinette. *Not a Box* (Harper, 2006)

Sheffield, Heidi Woodward. *Brick by Brick* (Nancy Paulsen/Penguin, 2020)

Yoon, Kang-mi, *The Building Where Trees Grow* (Changbi, 2019)

#### 2. Change Makers: Writing a New Chapter

Cooney, Barbara. Miss Rumphius (Viking, 1982)

Fleischman, Paul. Seedfolks (Harper, 1997)

Hillery, Tony/Jessie Hartland. *Harlem Grown: How One Big Idea Transformed a Neighborhood*(Paula Wiseman/Simon and Schuster, 2020)

Hughes, Monica; ill. by Luis Garay. *Un Puñado de Semillas* ("A Handful of Seeds") (Ekaré, 1993)

Kurusa; ill. by Monika Doppert. *La Calle es Libre* (Ekaré, 1981)

Mendoza, George/Doris Susan Smith. Need a House? Call Ms. Mouse (Grosset & Dunlap, 1981)

Stewart, Sara/David Small. *The Gardener* (Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 1997)