

CCYAL's Best of the Best 2012 Workshop
Friday July 20, 2012
Afternoon Session: Books for High Schoolers

Emily Davenport's List

Amir and Khalil
Zahra's Paradise

Follows the efforts of Zahra and her oldest son, an Internet blogger, to locate another son, Mehdi, after the young man vanishes during the protests in the aftermath of Iran's fraudulent elections of 2009.

Jessica Anthony
Chopsticks

Glory, having been raised by her father as a piano prodigy after the death of her mother, is drawn to her new neighbor Frank and begins a downward spiral into madness before disappearing.

Paolo Bacigalupi
The Drowned Cities

Companion to *Ship Breaker*. In a dark future America that has devolved into unending civil wars, orphans Mahlia and Mouse barely escape the war-torn lands of the Drowned Cities, but their fragile safety is soon threatened and Mahlia will have to risk everything if she is to save Mouse, as he once saved her.

Leigh Bardugo
Shadow and Bone

Orphaned by the Border Wars, Alina Starkov is taken from obscurity and her only friend, Mal, to become the protege of the mysterious Darkling, who trains her to join the magical elite in the belief that she is the Sun Summoner, who can destroy the monsters of the Fold.

Rae Carson
The Girl of Fire and Thorns

A fearful sixteen-year-old princess discovers her heroic destiny after being married off to the king of a neighboring country in turmoil and pursued by enemies seething with dark magic. Sequel will be published September 18, 2012.

Kristin Cashore
Bitterblue

Companion book to *Graceling* and *Fire*. Eighteen-year-old Bitterblue, queen of Monsea, realizes her heavy responsibility and the futility of relying on advisors who surround her with lies as she tries to help her people to heal from the thirty-five-year spell cast by her father, a violent psychopath with mind-altering abilities.

Cath Crowley
Graffiti Moon

Told in alternating voices, an all-night adventure featuring Lucy, who is determined to find an elusive graffiti artist named Shadow, and Ed, the last person Lucy wants to spend time with, except for the fact that he may know how to find Shadow.

emily m. danforth

The Miseducation of Cameron Post

In the early 1990s, when gay teenager Cameron Post rebels against her conservative Montana ranch town and her family decides she needs to change her ways, she is sent to a gay conversion therapy center.

Huntley Fitzpatrick

My Life Next Door

When Samantha, the seventeen-year-old daughter of a wealthy, perfectionistic, Republican state senator, falls in love with the boy next door, whose family is large, boisterous, and just making ends meet, she discovers a different way to live, but when her mother is involved in a hit-and-run accident Sam must make some difficult choices.

Madeleine George

The Difference Between You and Me

School outsider Jesse, a lesbian, is having secret trysts with Emily, the popular student council vice president, but when they find themselves on opposite sides of a major issue and Jesse becomes more involved with a student activist, they are forced to make a difficult decision.

Holly Sloan Goldberg

I'll Be There

Raised by an unstable father who keeps constantly on the move, Sam Border has long been the voice of his silent younger brother, Riddle, but everything changes when Sam meets Emily Bell and, welcomed by her family, the brothers encounter normalcy for the first time.

John Green

The Fault in Our Stars

Sixteen year old Hazel, who has cancer, meets Augustus at a kids-with-cancer support group and as they fall in love they both wonder how they will be remembered.

Paul Griffin

Stay With Me

Fifteen-year-olds Mack, a high school drop-out but a genius with dogs, and Cece, who hopes to use her intelligence to avoid a life like her mother's, meet and fall in love at the restaurant where they both work, but when Mack lands in prison, he pushes Cece away and only a one-eared pit-bull can keep them together.

Shannon Hale

Palace of Stone

Sequel to *Princess Academy*. Miri goes to the capital city to help Britta prepare for her marriage to the prince and to begin her education at the Queen's academy. The students she meets there are preparing for something else--revolution.

Rachel Hartman

Seraphina

In a world where dragons and humans coexist in an uneasy truce and dragons can assume human form, Seraphina, whose mother died giving birth to her, grapples with her own identity amid magical secrets and royal scandals, while she struggles to accept and develop her extraordinary musical talents.

Geoff Herback

Stupid Fast

Just before his sixteenth birthday, Felton Reinstein has a sudden growth spurt that turns him from a small, jumpy, picked-on boy with the nickname of "Squirrel Nut" to a powerful athlete, leading to new friends, his first love, and the courage to confront his family's past and current problems.

Faith Erin Hicks

Friends With Boys

After an idyllic childhood of homeschooling with her mother and three older brothers, Maggie enrolls in public high school, where interacting with her peers is complicated by the melancholy ghost that has followed her throughout her entire life.

Patrice Kindl

Keeping the Castle

In order to support her family and maintain their ancient castle in Lesser Hoo, seventeen-year-old Althea bears the burden of finding a wealthy suitor who can remedy their financial problems.

Nina LaCour

The Disenchantments

Colby is dismayed when his best friend, Beth, announces her post-high school plans, sharing her intentions to start college after her band's tour instead of spending a year in Europe with Colby, and as Colby struggles to understand why she changed her mind, he begins to question what losing Beth would mean for his future.

R. L. LaFevers

Grave Mercy

Seventeen-year-old Ismae avoids an arranged marriage by making a place for herself at the convent of St. Martin, where she learns of her unique gifts and must determine whether she will be trained as an assassin and serve as a handmaiden to Death.

David Levithan

Every Day

A wakes up everyday inside the mind and body of a different person. One day he meets and falls in love with Rihannon, and despite the obstacles, tries to return to her every day.

Mark Long

Silence of Our Friends

A black family and a white family in 1960s Texas find common ground during the Civil Rights Movement.

Marie Lu

Legend

In a dark future, when North America has split into two warring nations, fifteen-year-olds Day, a famous criminal, and prodigy June, the brilliant soldier hired to capture him, discover that they have a common enemy. The sequel *Prodigy* will be released January 29, 2013.

Barry Lyga

I Hunt Killers

Seventeen-year-old Jazz learned all about being a serial killer from his notorious "Dear Old Dad." Believing he can fight his own urges and right some of his father's wrongs, Jazz helps the police catch the town's newest murderer, "The Impressionist," but, in doing so, he discovers he may have more in common with his father than he thought.

Morgan Matson

Second Chance Summer

After Taylor Edwards' family gets devastating news, they decide to spend one last summer all together at their lake house in the Pocono Mountains, they get to know each other again and bond, and Taylor remembers her past friends and crush.

Patricia McCormick

Never Fall Down

When soldiers arrive in his hometown in Cambodia, Arn Chorn Pond is separated from his family and sent to a labor camp, where he works in the rice paddies until he volunteers to learn to play an instrument--a decision that both saves his life and lands him in battle. Fictionalized account of a true story.

Marissa Meyer

Cinder

Cinder, a gifted mechanic and a cyborg with a mysterious past, is blamed by her stepmother for her stepsister's illness while a deadly plague decimates the population of New Beijing, but when Cinder's life gets intertwined with Prince Kai's, she finds herself at the center of an intergalactic struggle.

Jennifer Nielsen

The False Prince

In the country of Carthya, a devious nobleman engages four orphans in a brutal competition to be selected to impersonate the king's long-missing son in an effort to avoid a civil war.

Sarah Ockler

Bittersweet

Hudson Avery gave up a promising competitive ice skating career after her parents divorced when she was fourteen years old and now spends her time baking cupcakes and helping out in her mother's upstate New York diner, but when she gets a chance at a scholarship and starts coaching the boys' hockey team, she realizes that she is not through with ice skating after all.

Kenneth Oppel

This Dark Endeavor

Victor and Konrad Frankenstein are inseparable twin brothers who stumble upon The Dark Library, where secret books of alchemy and ancient remedies are housed, but after their father forbids them to ever return to the library Konrad falls gravely ill and Victor seeks out a cure for his brother beyond traditional medicine. The sequel, *Such Wicked Intent*, will be released on August 21, 2012.

Matthew Quick

Boy 21

Finley, an unnaturally quiet boy who is the only white player on his high school's varsity basketball team, lives in a dismal Pennsylvania town that is ruled by the Irish mob, and when his coach asks him to mentor a troubled African American student who has transferred there from an elite private school in California, he finds that they have a lot in common in spite of their apparent differences.

Veronica Roth

Insurgent

Sequel to *Divergent*. Tris Prior survives the Erudite simulation attacks that occur during the time she expected to be celebrating her achievement of being ranked first among the initiate class of her chosen faction, Dauntless. Even though the Dauntless have been freed from Erudite mind control, a war develops and secrets emerge.

Benjamin Alire Saenz

Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe

Fifteen-year-old Ari Mendoza is an angry loner with a brother in prison, but when he meets Dante and they become friends, Ari starts to ask questions about himself, his parents, and his family that he has never asked before.

Laini Taylor

Daughter of Smoke and Bone

Seventeen-year-old Karou, a lovely, enigmatic art student in a Prague boarding school, carries a sketchbook of hideous, frightening monsters--the chimaerae who form the only family she has ever known. The sequel *Days of Blood and Starlight* will be released November 6, 2012.

Siobhan Vivian

The List

Emily and seven other high school girls struggle with the way they see themselves and the way others see them after a list ranking the prettiest and ugliest girls is posted.

Robin Wasserman

The Book of Blood and Shadow

While working on a project translating letters from sixteenth-century Prague, high school senior Nora Kane discovers her best friend murdered with her boyfriend the apparent killer and is caught up in a dangerous web of secret societies and shadowy conspirators, all searching for a mysterious ancient device purported to allow direct communication with God.

Elizabeth Wein

Code Name Verity

In 1943, a British fighter plane crashes in Nazi-occupied France and the survivor tells a tale of friendship, war, espionage, and great courage as she relates what she must do to survive while keeping secret all that she can.

Jacqueline Woodson

Beneath a Meth Moon: An Elegy

Laurel Daneau, having lost her mother, grandmother, and home in Hurricane Katrina, thinks things are going well with her new life as a cheerleader and the girlfriend of basketball star T-Boom, but after T-Boom introduces her to meth and she finds the drug helps her deal with her past, she must rely on the help of an artist named Moses and her friend Kaylee to overcome the addiction.

High-Demand Sequels

Pandemonium by Lauren Oliver

Crossed by Ally Condie

The City of Lost Souls by Cassandra Clare

The Sorceress by Michael Scott

Fever by Lauren DeStefano

Rapture by Lauren Kate

Coming Soon (Release dates subject to change)

Nevermore: The Final Maximum Ride Adventure by James Patterson August 6, 2012

UnWholly by Neal Shusterman (Unwind, #2) August 28, 2012

The Rise of Nine (Lorien Legacies Trilogy #3) by Pittacus Lore August 21, 2012

Tilt by Ellen Hopkins September 11, 2012

Mark of Athena by Rick Riordan (Heroes of Olympus, #3) October 2, 2012

Ask the Passengers by A. S. King October 23, 2012

Beautiful Redemption by Kami Garcia (Beautiful Creatures #4) October 23, 2012

The Crimson Crown by Cinda Williams-Chima (Seven Realms Trilogy #4) October 23, 2012

Finale (Hush, Hush #4) by Becca Fitzpatrick October 23, 2012

Rebel Heart by Moira Young (Dust Lands #2) October 30, 2012

Reached by Allie Condie (Matched, #3) November 13, 2012

Shades of Earth (Across the Universe, #3) by Beth Revis January 15, 2013

Requiem (Delirium #3) by Lauren Oliver March 5, 2013

The Clockwork Princess by Cassandra Clare (The Infernal Devices, #3) March 19, 2013