

# Art and Children's Illustrators

## Language Arts Activity

Our Own Award. Celebrate students' favorite children's illustrators by creating your own illustrator's award. See the instructions and the nomination form on [www.librarysparks.com](http://www.librarysparks.com).

- Work with the class to choose a well-known children's book illustrator from the past whom you will honor by naming your award after. Make a list of 6–8 names (your own favorites!). Share books showing the work of each and let students vote.
- Prepare a bulletin board showing the name of your award and a medal or certificate to be presented to the winner. Set a table near the display to hold books by nominated illustrators.
- Have students nominate illustrators to receive the award and choose books that demonstrate their work. Use the form from the following page. Add the nominations and books to the display.
- Give students time to look through all nominations and books.
- Have students vote for one of the nominees. Since there may be many nominees and votes may be widely scattered you might run several rounds of voting, each time narrowing the field to the top few vote-getters until you have a clear winner.
- If the winning illustrator is still living, look for his or her mailing address and send a letter along with a medal or certificate!

# Children's Illustrator Award Nomination Form

## CHILDREN'S ILLUSTRATOR AWARD

My Nomination:

His/her Illustrated Books (2-3 titles):

Why I think he/she should win the award:



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