

Submissions Are Open for the Anna Dewdney Read Together Award in Memory of the Late Author and Illustrator

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NEW YORK, NY, UNITED STATES, January 4, 2017 / EINPresswire.com/ -- Penguin Young Readers, the Children's Book Council, and Every Child a Reader have partnered to launch a picture book prize in honor of the late Anna Dewdney (1965-2016), author and illustrator of the beloved Llama Llama series. The Anna Dewdney Read Together Award will be given annually to a picture book published within the last five years that is both a superb read aloud and also sparks compassion and connection. The winning book will be announced during the 98th annual Children's Book Week, May 1-7, 2017 — the celebration of books for young people and the joy of reading.



All librarians, teachers, booksellers, parents/caregivers, and children's book bloggers are encouraged to nominate up to five read-together picture book favorites through <u>this nomination form</u>. The deadline to submit a title for consideration is February 5, 2017. The author and illustrator of the winning book will share a prize of \$1,000 from the Children's Book Council, and Penguin will purchase and donate \$5,000 in copies of the winning book to a school, library, or literacy organization chosen by the award winner(s).

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