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Horn Book Adds Coretta Scott King Acceptance Speeches to Annual Awards Issue.

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The acceptance speeches from the winners of this year's Coretta Scott King Awards are being published alongside those of the Newbery, Caldecott, and Wilder medalists for the first time in the award's forty year history.

The Boston-based *Horn Book Magazine*, best known for its reviews of children's and young adult books, has added acceptance speeches from Kadir Nelson, winning author of *We Are The Ship* and Floyd Cooper, who is honored for his work illustrating Joyce Carol Thomas's *The Blacker the Berry*, to its annual awards issue.

The Coretta Scott King Award, first granted in 1970 and currently sponsored by the American Library Association's Ethnic and Multicultural Information Exchange Round Table (EMIERT), honors African American authors and illustrators who create outstanding books for children and young adults.

Copies of the July/August issue of the Horn Book Magazine are now on sale and can be ordered directly from the publisher. The Coretta Scott King speeches are also posted on the Horn Book web site:
<http://hbook.com/magazine/current.asp>

About the Horn Book

The Boston-based *Horn Book* was founded in 1924 to herald the best in children's literature. The publisher, a subsidiary of Media Source, Inc of Dublin, OH, produces *The Horn Book Magazine*, *The Horn Book Guide*, and *The Horn Book Guide Online*. Since 1967, the company

has recognized excellence in children's literature by awarding the prestigious Boston Globe Horn Book Awards.

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