Nominees for the 2010 Nēnē Award

The Nēnē Award is an annual award given by Hawai‘i’s children for the best children’s fiction book. Students in grades 4, 5 and 6 may vote at schools or public libraries participating in the program. For more information about the Nēnē Award and the books listed, visit the website: http://nene.k12.hi.us.

To be nominated for the Nēnē Award, a book must meet all of the following criteria.
• The book must be a work of fiction (a complete story) suitable for grades 4-6.
• The book must have been written by a living author who has not won the Nēnē Award in the last six years (since 2004).
• The book must have been published in the last six years (2004 or later).
• The book must not have been on a previous nomination list, with the exception of the top vote-getting titles carried over from the previous year.

Any book meeting these criteria is eligible to be nominated for the Nēnē Award. Students are encouraged to recommend titles for next year’s list of Nominees for Nēnē Award. Please ask your librarian to forward recommendations to the Nēnē Award Committee.

Davies, Jacqueline. The Lemonade War. 2007. Sibling rivalry, entrepreneurship
Frederick, Heather. The Black Paw. (Spy Mice #1) 2005. Spy story, adventure, humor
Gutman, Dan. The Homework Machine. 2006. School, friendship, values, cheating
Haddix, Margaret. Found. 2008. Science fiction, suspense
Hahn, Mary Downing. All the Lovely Bad Ones. 2008. Ghost story, historical fiction
Kadohata, Cynthia. Weedflower. 2006. Historical fiction, relocation camps
Lubar, David. Punished! 2006. Humor, school, word games
Mull, Brandon. Fablehaven. 2006. Fantasy
O’Connor, Barbara. How to Steal a Dog. 2007. Realistic, family, homelessness, animals
Parry, Rosanne. Heart of a Shepherd. 2009. Realistic, family
Paulsen, Gary. Molly McGinty has a Really Good Day. 2004. Realistic, humor, school
Selznick, Brian. The Invention of Hugo Cabret. 2007. Historical, mystery, orphans, automatons
Spinelli, Jerry. Eggs. 2007. Family, death, friendship, coming of age
Stewart, Trenton Lee. The Mysterious Benedict Society. 2007. Mystery, science fiction, adventure
Stone, Jeff. Tiger. 2005. Martial arts, adventure
Wilkinson, Carole. Dragon Keeper. 2005. Fantasy, China