



***I See the Rhythm* by Toyomi Igu, illustrated by Michele Wood**

An inspiring celebration of African American music and the far-reaching impact it has had on the world.

***Poems in the Attic* by Nikki Grimes, illustrated by Elizabeth Zunon**

A young girl grows closer to her mother after discovering a box of poems her mother wrote about her experiences living around the world and growing up as a child of an Air Force serviceman. Told in alternating free verse and tanka (similar to haiku) poems.

***Surfer of the Century: The Life of Duke Kahanamoku* by Ellie Crowe, illustrated by Richard Waldrep**

The true story of Hawaiian Duke Kahanamoku, six-time Olympic swimming champion and legendary surfer who popularized surfing around the world.

***Su Dongpo: Chinese Genius* by Demi**

A tribute to the spirited life of one of China's greatest literary and historical heroes-poet, scholar, and statesman Su Dongpo.

***Galaxy Games: The Challengers* by Greg Fishbone**

Ty Sato and several other Earth children who are recruited by aliens to play in the Galaxy Games earn Earth spot in the galactic community and save planet Mrendaria from galactic shunning.

***Summer of the Mariposas* by Guadalupe Garcia McCall**

Fifteen-year-old Odilia and her younger sisters embark on a journey to return a dead man to his family in Mexico, and must outwit monsters and witches to make it back home again.

***Twenty-Two Cents:
The Story of
Muhammad Yunus*** by
Paula Yoo, illustrated by
Jamel Akib

A biography of 2006 Nobel Peace Prize winner Muhammad Yunus, who revolutionized global antipoverty efforts by developing the innovative economic concept of micro-lending.

***Game, Set, Match
Champion Arthur
Ashe*** by Crystal
Hubbard, illustrated by
Kevin Belford

A picture book biography of tennis player Arthur Ashe, who began his career playing tennis as a child on the segregated courts in Virginia and went on to become the top tennis player in the world.

How We Are Smart by
W. Nikola-Lisa,
illustrated by Sean
Qualls

Musician Tito Puente.
Ballerina Maria Tallchief.
Explorer Matthew Henson.
Congresswoman Patsy Mink.
Biographies of twelve talented people introduce readers to the eight ways people can be smart and the realization that intelligence is "not about how smart you are, but how you are smart."

Chess Rumble by G.
Neri, illustrated by
Joshua Watson

A story in free verse about a troubled boy who learns to use his mind instead of his fists through the guidance of an unconventional mentor and the game of chess.

Gorilla Walk written
& illustrated by Ted
and Betsy Lewin

In this delightful nonfiction travelogue, the Lewins trek through southern Uganda to visit mountain gorillas in their natural habitat.

Tofu Quilt by Ching
Yeung Russell

A collection of poems telling the story of Yeung Ying, a young girl in Hong Kong in the 1960's who, against the conventions of society and family members, aspires to become a writer.

