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Spirit of Texas Reading Program

Middle School



Bacon, Lee

Featured Title – *Joshua Dread*. Delacorte Press, 2012. Hardcover: 978-0-385-74185-9, Paperback: 978-0-307-92998-3, Audiobook: 978-0-8041-2183-5, eBook: 978-0-375-98721-2.

Catmull, Katherine

Featured Title – *Summer and Bird*. Dutton Children's Books, 2012. Hardcover: 978-0-525-95346-3.

Halls, Kelly Milner

Featured Title – *Alien Investigation : Searching for the Truth about UFOs and Aliens*. Millbrook Press, 2012. Hardcover: 978-0-7613-6204-3, eBook: 978-0-7613-8844-9.

Honeyman, Kay

Featured Title – *The Fire Horse Girl*. Arthur A. Levine Books, 2013. Hardcover: 978-0-545-40310-8, eBook: 978-0-545-53224-2.

Levinson, Cynthia

Featured Title – *We've Got a Job: The 1963 Birmingham Children's March*. Peachtree, 2012. Hardcover: 978-1-56145-627-7, Audiobook: 978-0-449-01518-6.

Nichols, Travis

Featured Title – *Matthew Meets The Man*. Roaring Brook Press, 2012, c2011. Hardcover: 978-1-59643-545-2, eBook: 978-1-42995-042-8.

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