



*Introduced by Robert Bittner, University of British Columbia (School),  
Vancouver, BC*

10:30-10:40

**Break**

10:40-11:00

**In Conversation: YA and Gun Violence**

Ellen Hopkins (Simon & Schuster)

Kody Keplinger (Scholastic)

*Introduced by Steven T. Bickmore, University of Nevada Las Vegas, Las Vegas, NV*

11:00-11:25

**Mythology's Influence on Contemporary YA**

David Bowles (Cinco Puntos Press)

J.C. Cervantes (Disney-Hyperion)

Yoon Ha Lee (Disney-Hyperion)

*Chaired by Lisa Scherff, South Fort Myers High School,  
Fort Myers, FL*

11:25-11:30

**Presentation of the Nilsen-Donelson Award**

*Presented by Alan Teasley, Duke University, Durham, NC*

11:30-12:25

**Breakout Sessions**

**Session 1**

**Room 332E**

**Teaching YA Literature About the Arts *Through* the Arts to Encourage Acting Up and Speaking Out**

Lois Stover Marymount University, Arlington, VA

Connie S. Zitlow Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, OH

Sarah Ressler Wright RB Hayes High School, Delaware, OH

Jeff Kaplan University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL

**Session 2**

**Room 332F**

**Discovering What Is, Rather Than What Is Not: Challenging Homophobia Through YA Literature**

Paula Greathouse Tennessee Tech University, Cookeville, TN

Brooke Eisenbach Lesley University, Cambridge, MA

**Session 3**

**Room 342C**

**So Many New Books! What's Next?: Teaching Diverse Texts in a Homogeneous Classroom**

Lindsay Schneider West Forsyth High School, Winston-Salem, NC

Elizabeth Kennard Davie County High School, Winston-Salem, NC

**Session 4**

**Room 342F**

**Dreaming Together: Using YA Literature to Ally with Latinx Youth**

Bryan Gillis Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw, GA

**Session 5**

**Drawing Courage from Speech Balloons and Full Page Panels: Using**

**Room 350A      Graphic Novels to Introduce Inequity, Respond to Racial Injustice, and Resist Repression**

Bill Boerman-Cornell	Trinity Christian College, Palos Heights, IL
Jung Kim	Lewis University, Romeoville, IL
Marissa Moss	Creston Books, Berkeley, CA

**Session 6  
Room 350B      #FilterTheClassics: Using Voices from YA Literature to Spark Student Agency Toward Contemporary Conversations with the Canon**

Sue Ringler Pet	Sacred Heart University, Fairfield, CT
Alexandra Hogan	Sacred Heart University, Fairfield, CT
Laurel Holubecki	Sacred Heart University, Fairfield, CT
Cristina Zangaglia	Sacred Heart University, Fairfield, CT
Catherine Martin	Sacred Heart University, Fairfield, CT

**Session 7  
Room 350C      Confronting Privilege and Oppression Through Young Adult Fiction: Creating Curriculum for Resistance and Action**

Meredith N. Sinclair	Southern Connecticut State University, New Haven, CT
Christina Esposito	Southern Connecticut State University, New Haven, CT

**Session 8  
Room 350D      The Future Use of LGBTQ YA Literature in the Classroom**

Jacqueline Bach	Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA
Anita Dubroc	Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA

**Session 9  
Room 350E      From Beyoncé to Erica Garner to Starr Carter: Using The Hate U Give to Address Emotional Labor in Black Women's Lives**

Lily Ringler	SUNY Albany, Albany, NY
Sue Ringler Pet	Sacred Heart University, Fairfield, CT

**Session 10  
Room 350F      The Missing Student Voice: YA Authors Co-writing with Teens, Showing Others Across the Country They Can Write! Unveiling the TOP SECRET YA StoryBox Project**

Kevin Cordi	Ohio Northern University, Ada, OH
Mindy McGinnis	Author (HarperCollins Children's Books)
Mike Mullin	Author (Tanglewood Publishing)
Kayla Cagan	Author (Chronicle Books)
Katherine Higgs-Coulthard	Author, Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, IN
Jessica Klinker	Franklin Heights High School, Columbus, OH
Terri Suico	Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, IN
Ann Tiefenthaler	Central Crossing High School, Grove City, OH
Susan Murphy	Oneonta High School, Oneonta, NY

**Session 11  
Room 352A**

**Dishing Out Diverse Reads at Book Clubs: An Open Table for Empowering Conversation**

Shaina Ray

Chesnee High School, Chesnee, SC

**Session 12  
Room 352B**

**Broadening World Views and Becoming Agents of Change: Examining the -isms through YA Literature**

Wendy Farkas  
Cara Anderson

Northern Michigan University, Marquette, MI  
Aspen Ridge Middle School, Ishpeming, MI

12:25-1:05 **Lunch (On Your Own)**

1:05-1:25 **In Conversation**

Laurie Halse Anderson (Penguin Young Readers)  
Gayle Forman (Penguin Young Readers)  
*Introduced by Susan Groenke, University of Tennessee,  
Knoxville, TN*

1:25-1:50 **Dealing with Tragedy and Grief**

Deb Caletti (Simon & Schuster)  
Marie Miranda Cruz (Tor/Starscape)  
Mindy McGinnis (HarperCollins Children's Books)  
*Chaired by Wendy Stephens, Jacksonville State University,  
Jacksonville, AL*

1:50-1:55 **Booktalks**

1:55-2:25 **Keeping Us on the Edge of Our Seats: Suspense and Thrillers in YA**

April Henry (Macmillan Children's Publishing Group)  
Mike Mullin (Tanglewood Publishing)  
Parker Peevyhouse (Tor Teen)  
A.K. Small (Algonquin Young Readers)  
*Chaired by Kristin McIlhagga, Oakland University, Rochester, MI*

2:25-2:50 **Remixing Classic Tales**

Kiersten White (Random House Children's Books)  
Ibi Zoboi (HarperCollins Children's Books)  
Elana K. Arnold (HarperCollins Children's Books)  
*Chaired by Edith Campbell, Indiana State University, Terre Haute, IN*

2:50-3:00 **Break**

3:00-3:30 **Courting Love Against the Odds**

Lenore Appelhans (Carolrhoda Lab/Lerner Publishing)

Maurene Goo (Macmillan Children's Publishing Group)  
Sabina Khan (Scholastic)  
Candace Montgomery (Page Street Press)  
*Chaired by Beth Shaum, St. Frances Cabrini Catholic School, Allen Park, MI*

3:30-3:50 **In Conversation: Adolescence Through the Voice of the Artist**

Kayla Cagan (Chronicle Books)  
Sandhya Menon (Simon & Schuster)  
*Introduced by Gretchen Rumohr-Voskuil, Aquinas College, Grand Rapids, MI*

3:50-4:10 **In Conversation: Twists and Thrills in Science Fiction**

Naomi Hughes (Page Street Press)  
Scott Reintgen (Random House Children's Books)  
*Introduced by Courtney F. Johnson, Columbus City Schools, Columbus, OH*

4:10-4:25 **Individual Speaker**

Neal Shusterman (Simon & Schuster)  
*Introduced by Kellee Moye, Hunter's Creek Middle School, Orange County Public Schools, Orlando, FL*

4:25-4:45 **In Conversation: Crafting Others' Words**

Kelly Jensen (Algonquin Young Readers)  
Amy Reed (Simon & Schuster)  
*Introduced by Shanetia P. Clark, Salisbury University, Salisbury, MD*

4:45-5:00 **Individual Speaker**

Tomi Adeyemi (Macmillan Children's Publishing Group)  
*Introduced by Ebony Elizabeth Thomas, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA*

**Tuesday November 20, 2018**

- 8:00-8:05 **ALAN Membership**  
Suzanne Metcalfe, ALAN Membership Secretary
- 8:05-8:15 **ALAN Review**  
Wendy Glenn, Coeditor, *The ALAN Review*  
Ricki Ginsberg, Coeditor, *The ALAN Review*  
Dani King-Watkins, Coeditor, *The ALAN Review*
- 8:15-8:35 **In Conversation**  
David Levithan (Random House Children's Books)  
Andrew Smith (Simon & Schuster)  
*Introduced by Walter Mayes, The Girls' School, Palo Alto, CA*
- 8:35-9:00 **Courting Fear, Hate, Forgiveness**  
Mark Oshiro (Tor Teen)  
Sara Farizan (Algonquin Young Readers)  
*Chaired by Laura Nicosia, Montclair State University, Montclair, NJ*
- 9:00-9:20 **In Conversation: Love Beyond Planet Earth**  
Jennifer L. Armentrout (Tor Teen)  
Tillie Walden (Macmillan Children's Publishing Group)  
*Introduced by Bill Boerman-Cornell, Trinity Christian College, Palos Heights, IL*
- 9:20-9:35 **Individual Speaker**  
Jarrett Krosoczka (Scholastic)  
*Introduced by Jung Kim, Lewis University, Romeoville, IL*
- 9:35-10:00 **Crossing Borders: Tales of Refugees, Immigration and Deportation**  
Don Brown (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt)  
Shannon Gibney (Penguin Young Readers)  
Guadalupe Garcia McCall (Lee & Low Books)  
*Chaired by Nancy Johnson, Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA*
- 10:00-10:30 **New Takes on World War II**  
Monica Hesse (Little, Brown Books for Young Readers)  
Deborah Hopkinson (Scholastic)  
Don Mitchell (Scholastic)  
Jennifer A. Nielsen (Scholastic)  
*Chaired by Terri Suico, Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, IN*

