

The AIM Children's Book Awards (AIM Toothpaste, New Zealand)

The Children's Book of the Year Awards were introduced in 1982 to recognize New Zealand children's books and their writers and illustrators. The AIM Toothpaste took over sponsorship from 1990 to 1997. After then, the New Zealand Post became the sponsor of the Awards and the awards were renamed as New Zealand Post Children's Book Awards.

URL: <http://www.nzbooks.com/nzbooks/static/aim.asp>

The AIM Children's Book Awards, 1993-1996

1996

AIM Book of the Year

Winner ***Crossroads*** by Janice Marriott. Auckland, N.Z. : Reed Children's Books, 1995. ISBN: 1869489284

AIM Junior Fiction

Winner ***The Waterfall*** by Jack Lasenby. Dunedin, N.Z. : Longacre Press, 1995. ISBN: 0958340579

Honour Award ***Take It Easy*** by David Hill. Wellington, NZ.; Mallinson Rendel, 1995. ISBN: 0908783043

AIM Senior Fiction:

Winner ***Crossroads*** by Janice Marriott. Auckland, N.Z. : Reed Children's Books, 1995. ISBN: 1869489284

AIM Non-Fiction

Winner ***My Sea is the Pacific-Aya's Story*** by Trish Gribben, photographs by Jenny Scown. Auckland, N.Z. : Ashton Scholastic, 1995. ISBN: 1869432681

Honour Award ***Joe's Ruby*** by Elsie Locke, illustrated by Gary Hebley. Cape Catley, 1995. ISBN: 0908561407

AIM Picture Book

Winner ***The Cheese Trap*** by Joy Cowley, illustrated by Linda McClelland.
Auckland, N.Z. : Ashton Scholastic, 1995.
ISBN: 1869433181

Honour ***Tom's Story*** by Mandy Hagar, illustrated by Ruth Paul. Wellington, NZ.;
Award Mallinson Rendel, 1995. ISBN: 0908606990

Best First Book

Winner ***Laura's Poems*** by Laura Ranger. Auckland, N.Z. : Godwit Publishing,
1995. ISBN: 0908877633

1995

AIM Book of the Year

Winner ***The Fat Man*** by Maurice Gee. Auckland, N.Z. : Viking, 1994.
ISBN: 0141310170

AIM Junior Fiction

Winner ***The Fat Man*** by Maurice Gee. Auckland, N.Z. : Viking, 1994.
ISBN: 0141310170

AIM Senior Fiction:

Winner ***The Blue Lawn*** by William Taylor. Auckland, N.Z. : HarperCollins, 1994.
ISBN: 1869501403

AIM Non-Fiction

Winner ***Which Native Forest Plant?*** by Andrew Crowe. Auckland, N.Z. : Viking,
1994. ISBN: 0670855782

AIM Picture Book

Winner ***The Best-Loved Bear*** by Diana Noonan, illustrated by Elizabeth Fuller.
Auckland, N.Z. : Ashton Scholastic, 1994.
ISBN: 1869431782

Best First Book

Winner [No award given]

1994

AIM Junior Fiction

Winner ***A Dolphin in the Bay*** by Diana Noonan. Norwood, S. Aust. : Omnibus Books, 1993. ISBN: 1862911967

AIM Senior Fiction:

Winner ***The Value of X*** by Pat Quinn. Auckland, N.Z. : Heinemann Education, 1993. ISBN: 0868636649

Honour Award ***The Ace of Diamonds Gang*** by Owen Marshall. McIndoe Publishers, 1993.

AIM Non-Fiction

Winner ***Old Blue: the Rarest Bird in the World*** by Mary Taylor. Auckland, N.Z. : Ashton Scholastic, 1993. ISBN: 1869431081

Honour Award ***Stretch, Bend and Boggle*** by Brian Stokes, illustrated by Carolyn Smith. Hamilton, N.Z. : Waikato Education Centre, University of Waikato, 1993. ISBN: 0908914105

AIM Picture Book

Winner ***Hinepau*** illustrated by Gavin Bishop. Auckland, N.Z. : Ashton Scholastic, 1993. ISBN: 1869432150

Best First Book

Winner [No award given]

1993

AIM Junior Fiction

Winner ***The Underrunners*** by Margaret Mahy . London : Hamish Hamilton, 1992. ISBN: 0241131707

Honour Award ***The Optimist*** by Bob Kerr. Puffin, 1994. ISBN: 0140374183

AIM Senior Fiction:

Winner ***Songs for Alex*** by Tessa Duder . Auckland, N.Z. : Oxford University Press, 1992. ISBN: 0195582454

Honour ***The Conjuror*** by Jack Lasenby. Oxford University Press, 1993.

Award ASIN: 0195582594

AIM Non-Fiction

Winner ***Picture Magic: Illustrating a Picture Book*** by Chris Gaskin. Auckland, N.Z. : Ashton Scholastic, 1992. ISBN: 1869430638

AIM Picture Book of the Year

Winner ***Lily and the Present*** illustrated by Christine Ross. London : Methuen Children's Books, 1992. ISBN: 0416178820

Honour ***Grandma McGarvey Paints the Shed*** by Jenny Hessell, illustrated by

Award Trevor Pye. New Zealand: Scholastic, 1994.
ISBN: 1869432134

Best First Book

Winner ***The Optimist*** by Bob Kerr. Puffin, 1994. ISBN: 0140374183

*Please refer to the AIM official website for the list of winners before 1993.

Please refer to New Zealand Post Children's Book Awards for information after 1996.

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