Attendees can interact with representatives from their home states and learn about each state’s literary heritage from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. in the Parade of the States. The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), with additional funding from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), makes it possible for an affiliate of the Library’s Center for the Book in each of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, the U.S. Territories (Virgin Islands) and Puerto Rico to participate in the festival. State-library representatives are also participating. This “Discover Great Places Through Reading” brochure offers a list of 53 great reads and a map for kids that encourages them to visit all 53 tables to get a unique sticker or stamp. These books are for sale in the festival bookstore. There are also tables with representatives from IMLS and NEH. Be sure to get those stamps too.

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Kids who collect all 55 stickers from the Parade of the States can pick up special prizes at the Institute of Museum and Library Services table and also at the Junior League of Washington (JLW) table. The JLW returns this year as the Library’s primary partner for volunteer support, a role the organization has played since 2003.

GREAT READS ABOUT GREAT PLACES

**Alaska** - Ernestine’s Milky Way by Kenny Madden-Lunsford
**Arizona** - The Night Flower: The Blooming of the Saguarro Cactus by Lara Hawthorne
**Arkansas** - Buried Lives: The Enslaved People of George Washington’s Mount Vernon by Carla Kilough McClafferty
**California** - The Way You Make Me Feel by Maurene Goo
**Colorado** - Mela and the Elephant by Dow Phumiruk
**Connecticut** - Whale Quest: Working Together to Save Endangered Species by Karen Romano Young
**Delaware** - Lost Soul, Be at Peace by Maggie Thrash
**District of Columbia** - A Place to Land by Barry Wittenstein
**Florida** - Swampandalidai by Karen Russell
**Georgia** - Going Down Home with Daddy by Kelly Starling Lyons
**Hawaii** - Daughter of Molokai by Alan Brenner
**Idaho** - Beauty and the Beak by Deborah Lee Rose and Jane Velikamp
**Illinois** - Otsi and Will Discover the Deep by Barb Rosenstock
**Indiana** - ATTUCKS! Oscar Robertson and the Basketball Team that Awakened a City by Phillip Hoose
**Iowa** - Blue Sky White Stars by Barry Wittenstein
**Kansas** - One Small Potatoes: Junius G. Groves and His Kingdom in Kansas by Tonya Bolden
**Kentucky** - Rock and Roll Woods by Sherry Howard
**Louisiana** - The Glaizeless Fishing Tale on the Bayou by Gary Alipio
**Maine** - Little Bird’s Flock by The Telling Museum & Family Education Center and Dandelion Press
**Maryland** - Riverbound by Melinda Beatty
**Massachusetts** - Windows by Julia Denos
**Michigan** - Nature’s Friend: The Gwen Frostic Story by Linda McDill
**Minnesota** - The Rabbit Listened by Cori Doerrfeld
**Mississippi** - The Rambling by Jimmy Cajlendar
**Missouri** - What Is Given From the Heart by Patricia McKissack
**Montana** - Montana for Kids by Allen Morris Jones
**Nebraska** - Simpson’s Sheep: Just Want to Sleep! by Bruce Arant
** Nevada** - The Deceivers by Kristen Simmons
**New Hampshire** - The Enormous Egg by Oliver Butterworth
**New Jersey** - I Dissent: Ruth Bader Ginsburg Makes Her Mark by Debbie Levy
**New Mexico** - The Storm Runner by J.C. Cervantes
**New York** - harriet the Spy by Louise Fitzhugh
**North Carolina** - Grenade by Alan Gratz
**North Dakota** - The Legend of Greg: An Epic Series of Failures by Chris Rylance
**Ohio** - Miss Mary Reporting by Sue Macy
**Oklahoma** - Friends Stick Together by Hannah E. Harrison
**Oregon** - Roller Girl by Victoria Jamieson
**Pennsylvania** - A Splash of Red: The Life and Art of Horace Pippin by Jen Bryant
**Puerto Rico** - Mi isla bella, mi isla hermosa by Jissetta M. Pastrana-Andino
**Rhode Island** - Thank You, Omul by Oge Mora
**South Carolina** - How High the Moon by Karyn Parsons
**South Dakota** - Muskrat and Skunk / Sinkpe na Maka: A Lakota Drum Story by Donal F. Monteilhauer (Lakota translation by Agnes Gay)
**Tennessee** - This Promise of Change: One Girl’s Story in the Fight for School Equality by Jo Ann Allen Boyce
**Texas** - What Do You Do with a Voice Like That?: The Story of Extraordinary Congresswoman Barbara Jordan by Chris Barton
**U.S. Territories** - I Am the Virgin Islands by Tiphanie Yanique
**Utah** - Desert Solitaire: A Season in the Wilderness by Edward Abbey
**Vermont** - Bob by Tracey Campbell Pearson
**Virginia** - Merci Suárez Changes Gears by Meg Medina
**Washington** - All Are Welcome by Alexandra Penfold
**West Virginia** - The Princess and the Pickup Truck by Bil Lepp
**Wisconsin** - The Rhino in Right Field by Stacy Dekeyser
**Wyoming** - Rusty and the River: A Rusty the Ranch Horse Tale by Mary Pichtner
Don't forget to check out the reading list on the back. It offers suggested books for each of the 50 states, the District of Columbia and the U.S. territories and Puerto Rico. Read your home state’s book, and then discover other places by reading those states’ books.

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