2020 OLA High School Sequoyah Smorgasbord

A Heart in a Body in the World
By Deb Caletti

Citation:

Annotation:
When Annabelle experiences an extreme trauma, the only time she can cope is when she runs. Accompanied by her Grandpa Ed in a lumbering RV, Annabelle sets out to run across the country. While her younger brother and friends promote her running on social media, all Annabelle wants to do is shut out the world and process what happened to her. The closer she gets to her running goal, the more she realizes she must face her trauma.

Booktalk:
Something terrible happened to Annabelle Agnelli last year, and she has struggled to cope with the aftermath every day since it happened. Before the trauma, Annabelle loved to run. She ran on the school cross country and track teams and always pushed herself to do better. Now she runs because it is the only time she can control her dark thoughts and panic attacks and shut out what happened that terrible day. When Annabelle’s PTSD is triggered at the local burger joint, she runs to quiet her mind and is shocked to find herself two towns over in a hotel parking lot. Annabelle has always been intrigued by the runners who run across the United States for various reasons. Most do it to fundraise or raise awareness for a specific cause or charity, but Annabelle is going to do it because it is the only way she can face the demons of her past. Aided by her self-appointed social media team of her brother and best friends and followed and supported by her Grandpa Ed and his RV, Annabelle begins a journey to healing that she has to do alone. Each step heals and hurts and she reflects on the how and why of her tragedy. She can’t face that terrible day until she is ready, slowly reliving and analyzing each day as she runs her way to peace. As she picks up publicity and media on her run across the country, people believe Annabeth is running for a cause. They just don’t realize that the cause is saving herself.

Reviews:
Booklist starred, 06/01/18
Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books starred, 09/01/18
Horn Book Magazine, 11/01/18
Kirkus Reviews starred, 06/15/18
New York Times, 10/28/18
Publishers Weekly starred, 07/30/18
School Library Journal, 07/01/18
Awards and Honors

Michael L. Printz Honor Book
ALA/YALSA Best Books for Young Adults Top Ten
Chicago Public Library’s Best of the Best
NYPL Best Books for Teens
YALSA Amazing Audiobooks for Teens 2018

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The Nature of Jade
Honey, Baby, Sweetheart
The Story of Us
He’s Gone
The Secret Life of Prince Charming
Six Rules of Maybe
Wild Roses
The Fortunes of Indigo Sky
The Queen of Everything
The Last Forever
Essential Maps for the Lost
The Secrets She Keeps
What’s Become of her

Related Books:
The Hate List by Jennifer Brown
Exit, Pursued by Bear by E.K. Johnston
And We Stay by Jenny Hubbard
Underwater by Marissa Reichardt
Dreamland by Sarah Dessen
The Pain Eater by Beth Goobie


Votes for Women!: American Suffragists and the Battle for the Ballot
By Winifred Conkling

Citation:

Annotation:
To achieve the victory for the right to vote, some of the most astonishing women in our nation’s history marched, protested, and even broke the law for over eight decades. Follow these women’s harrowing, empowering stories from the 1848 Seneca Falls Convention to the signing of the amendment in 1920.

Booktalk:
Get to know the leaders of the suffragist movement. From Elizabeth Cady Stanton, who founded the movement in 1848, to Sojourner Truth with her “Ain’t I a Woman?” speech, to Alice Paul, arrested and horrifically force fed in prison. We delve into the public and private lives that sparked and drove the suffragist movement. Witness the passionate and sometimes troublesome relationships of these women as they battle for votes for all women!

Reviews:
Horn Book (Starred) 3/1/2018
Kirkus (Starred) 11/15/2017
Publisher Weekly (Starred) 12/11/2017
School Library Journal 1/1/2018
VOYA 6/1/2018

Award and Honors:
2018 Kirkus Best YA Nonfiction

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Related Books:
Roses and Radicals: The Epic Story of How American Women Won the Right to Vote by Susan Zimet
The Woman's Hour: The Great Fight to Win the Vote by Elaine Weiss
Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony: A Friendship That Changed the World by Penny Colman
Other Books by Winifred Conkling:
*Passenger on the Pearl: The True Story of Emily Edmonson’s Flight from Slavery* (2015)
*Sylvia & Aki* (2011)
I Have Lost My Way
By Gayle Forman

Citation:

Annotation:
A chance meeting in Central Park links the lives of three teens together and alters their perception of the world around them. All three have lost their way and are struggling to find meaning with their lives. Freya, an up and coming singer, has inextricably lost her voice as she records her breakout album. Harun has lost his boyfriend and his purpose as he struggles to reconcile his sexual identity and his Muslim family. Nathaniel feels he has lost everything. Told over the course of a day with intermittent flashbacks, I Have Lost My Way takes the reader on a journey of self discovery and exploration through the lives of three teens.

Booktalk:
Three culturally complex characters end up in Central Park together for one day, and it changes them forever. Freya was on the verge of being the next singing star when she lost her voice, Harun is a liar, he is lying to himself and those around him about who he is while trying to be a dutiful son, and Nathaniel has lost his person, the one person you can always count on, and he is falling apart. In one day they will experience a lifetime of loss, love, family and identity and end it with friendship, empathy, and acceptance.

Reviews:
Publisher’s Weekly, Starred Review 02/05/2018
Kirkus, Starred Review 03/20/2018
School Library Journal 07/2018
Horn 05/2018
Booklist 3/1/2008
Magpies Magazine 05/2018

Awards and Honors:
Oklahoma Sequoyah Book Award Nominee
ALA Rainbow Booklist 2019

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Pour Your Heart Out
Just One
Leave Me
I Was Here
Just One Night
Just One Year
Just One Day
When She Went
If I Stay
Sisters in Sanity
You Can’t Get There From Here

Related Books:
The Beauty that Remains by Ashley Woodfolk
The Sun is also a Star by Nicola Yoon
Dear Evan Hansen by Val Emmich
How We Roll
by Natasha Friend

Citation:

Annotation:
When Quinn’s family moves to Massachusetts so her autistic brother can attend a special school, she sees it as an opportunity to reinvent herself after losing all of her hair and having a terrible year at her old school. She makes new friends including Nick who is a former football player that lost his legs in a terrible accident and together they learn the value of trust and acceptance.

Booktalk:
Quinn’s family moved across the country so her brother can attend a special school just outside Boston. She is excited to have the opportunity for a fresh start at a new school. Quinn has a form of alopecia and is bald. Her friends were not supportive at her old school and she felt bullied and isolated. Equipped with two new wigs, she is determined things will be different this time and vows to never tell anyone about her disease. She quickly meets a boy, Nick, who has recently lost both of his legs above the knee in a snowmobile accident and is struggling to find his place. A star football player from a family of star players, Nick is angry and alone. Nick and Quinn slowly become friends and begin to trust each other but Quinn is still hesitant to reveal her secret. When she needs Nick’s help in dealing with her brother, she must decide if she will reveal her secret to her new friends.

Reviews:
Booklist 5/15/2018
Kirkus 5/1/2018
Publishers Weekly 4/30/2018
School Library Journal June 2018

Awards and Honors:
2020 Oklahoma Sequoyah Book Award Nominee

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Other Books by Natasha Friend:
The Other F-Word
Where You’ll Find Me
My Life in Black and White
For Keeps
Bounce
Lush
Perfect
Citation:

Annotation:
Jules Ember resides in the country of Sempera, where time is currency and money is forged with blood. The rich can live for ages while the poor bleed out their years to simply exist. Jules must return to Everless, the grand estate of the Gerlings where her father was once a servant, in order to earn time that her father desperately needs. However, Everless holds secrets both new and old, and the longer Jules is there, the more she begins to uncover.

Booktalk:
Imagine a world where time is money. A week of your life to pay rent, an hour for a meal. This is how things are in the country for Sempera, with the poor struggling to survive another day while the rich can live for centuries if they simply have the time.

Jules’ father is running out of time. He’s beginning to become forgetful, and her best option is to go to Everless, the grand estate where her father once worked. There they will pay a year for a month’s work, and she can earn enough time to save her father. Yet Everless holds secrets, some she’s forgotten, and others not yet discovered. While Jules becomes closer to the queen, those secrets draw nearer as well.

Reviews:
Booklist 11/17
Kirkus Reviews 10/17
Publisher’s Weekly 10/17
School Library Journal 11/17
Voice of Youth Advocates 12/17

Awards and Honors:
2020 Oklahoma Sequoyah Book Award Nominee

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Related Books:
*Caraval* by Stephanie Garber
*Sabriel* by Garth Nix

Other Books by Sara Holland
*Evermore* (2019)
Darius the Great is Not Okay
by Adib Khorram

Citation:

Annotation:
Darius Kellner learns to deal with a disappointed father, depression, friendship, and his half-Persian heritage in this hopeful story.

Booktalk:
Darius was named after a great Persian warrior. Darius deals with depression and does not feel like a great warrior at all. His dad seems to disapprove of everything about him. When his grandfather falls ill on the other side of the world, his family takes a trip to meet the man he has only known on the other side of a screen. Along the way Darius finds friendship and just maybe some acceptance.

Reviews:
Booklist, 08/01/18
Horn Book Magazine, 09/01/18
Kirkus Reviews starred, 07/01/18
New York Times, 10/14/18
Publishers Weekly starred, 06/04/18
School Library Connection, 11/01/18
School Library Journal starred, 08/01/18

Awards and Honors:
William C. Morris YA Debut Award, 2019
ALA Rainbow Book List 2019
Publisher’s Weekly Best Books of the Year

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Hey, Kiddo
by Jarrett J. Krosoczka

Citation:

Annotation:
This is the graphic memoir of Lunch Lady graphic novelist Jarrett J. Krosoczka. Jarrett was born to a mother addicted to opioids and an absent father. Raised by his grandparents, he found himself in his artwork.

Booktalk:
Jarrett was born to a mother who loved him but battled a drug addiction, and he never knew his father. His perfectly flawed grandparents adopted him and raised him as their own as they worked to help his mother clean up her life. He found that through art he could express himself and find relief from the identity struggles that come with an absent parent.

Reviews:
Booklist starred, 09/15/18
Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books starred, 11/01/18
Horn Book Magazine starred, 09/01/18
Kirkus Reviews starred, 07/15/18
New York Times, 10/07/18
Publishers Weekly starred, 07/30/18
School Library Connection, 11/01/18
School Library Journal starred, 08/01/18
Voice of Youth Advocates (VOYA) starred, 12/01/18

Awards and Honors:
YALSA Award for Excellence in Nonfiction for Young Adults Finalist

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Other Books by Jarrett J. Krosoczka:

Lunch Lady Comic Series
Platypus Police Squad Series
Star Wars: Jedi Academy Series
Isle of Blood and Stone
By Makiia Lucier

Citation:

Annotation:
When two mysterious maps are discovered to contain secret riddles, teenage explorer Elias realizes he might be the one person who can solve an 18-year-old tragedy that haunts the fantastical isle of del Mar and family of his best friend.

Booktalk:
Nineteen-year-old royal mapmaker and adventurer Elias finds two maps with hidden riddles that start him on a quest for truth. He is compelled to follow the clues and is accompanied in his search by young king Ulises and the dangerous diplomat Lady Mercedes. Elias is driven by the need to find out what happened to his father and the king’s two young brothers, who were kidnapped and murdered 18 years before. For fans who like island kingdoms, mysterious artifacts, court intrigue, weird royal secrets, sea serpents, and slow burning suspense with twist endings, this is an epic fantasy with elements of mystery, drama, romance, and action reminiscent of Tamora Pierce, Harry Potter, and The Princess Bride. For every reader who checks to see if their fantasy epic has a map in the front, this is the book for them.

Reviews:
Booklist starred 3/7/18
The Horn Book 4/18/18
Kirkus 2/14/18
Publisher’s Weekly starred 3/5/18
School Library Journal starred 3/1/18

Awards and Honors:
Amazon Best Young Adult Book of the Month - April
YALSA Best Fiction for Young Adults (BFYA)
Tor.com Reviewers’ Choice Best Book of 2018
Tor.com Best YA Science Fiction & Fantasy
Booklist 2018 Top 10 Crime Fiction for Youth
Publishers Weekly Book of the Week
International Literacy Association 2018 Books Too Good To Miss

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*Ranger’s Apprentice* by John Flanagan
*Terrier* by Tamora Pierce

Other Books by Makiia Lucier:
*Song of the Abyss* (August 2019)
*A Death Struck Year*
A Very Large Expanse of Sea
By Tahereh Mafi

Citation:

Annotation:
A year after 9/11, Shirin is no longer surprised by the hatred she experiences as a Muslim teenager in the United States. Losing herself in the music she listens to, Shirin protects herself by not interacting with her classmates. When she starts a new school and meets Ocean James, a boy who actually wants to get to know her, her walls begin to come down and she starts to believe there is still good in the world.

Booktalk:
Music is how Shirin blocks out the hate in her life. As a Muslim girl in America shortly after 9/11, she has experienced more than her share of hate. Her hijab makes her an easy target at school, but Shirin has learned no one can see her earbuds under her headscarf and she can tune into her music and tune out of the world around her. When Shirin is paired as lab partners with Ocean James in biology, she is wary of his friendliness and curiosity. Shirin and Ocean slowly begin to build a friendship that blossoms into romance even as Shirin warns Ocean of the hatred and bigotry she has experienced in the world. When the backlash is even worse than imagined, Shirin and Ocean must navigate a world where people judge each other by the color of their skin and the religion they practice. Ocean and Shirin may ultimately teach others about looking beyond their bigotry, but will it be at the cost of their relationship? How much should you have to sacrifice for others to learn how to love?

Reviews:
Booklist starred, 09/15/18
Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books, 10/01/18
New York Times, 11/11/18
Publishers Weekly, 08/20/18
School Library Journal starred 09/01/18
Voice of Youth Advocates (VOYA) starred 12/01/18

Awards and Honors:
National Book Award Longlist
Goodreads, Best YA Fiction Nominee
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Related Books
Love, Hate & Other Filters by Samira Ahmed
If You Come Softly by Jacqueline Woodson
Saints & Misfits by S.K. Ali
Very, Very, Very Dreadful: The Influenza Pandemic of 1918
By Albert Marrin

Citation:

Annotation:
The 1918 influenza outbreak killed between 50 and 100 million people in 18 months. This nonfiction title presents a comprehensive analysis using primary sources. It merges science and history in an informative narrative that portrays the scope of the tragedy while assessing the risks of a future pandemic.

Booktalk:
The 1918 influenza outbreak tormented approximately 500 million people worldwide and killed between 50 and 100 million during the three aggressive waves that finally ended in 1920. These staggering numbers make this pandemic the most deadly event in human history. Marrin presents a comprehensive analysis of the circumstances using primary sources complete with notes, bibliography, credits, index, and further reading sections. He merges science and history together in an informative narrative that portrays the scope of this global catastrophe. Chronicling the history of plagues to provide context and moving to the future of super viruses, the author details medical misinformation, breakthroughs, and ethics. He also gives a sobering assessment of future risks.

Reviews:
Kirkus Reviews 10/15/17
School Library Journal (starred) 12/17
Booklist (starred) 10/15/17
The Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books 01/18
The Hornbook 03/18

Awards and Honors:
Oklahoma Sequoyah Book Award Nominee
A Chicago Library Best of the Best Books, 2018
NSTA-CBC – Outstanding Science Trade Book, 2019

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* Flesh and Blood So Cheap: The Triangle Fire and It's Legacy
* Years of Dust: The Story of the Dust Bowl
* FDR and the American Crisis
* Uprooted: The Japanese American Experience During WWII
* Black Gold: The Story of Oil in Our Lives
* A Volcano Beneath the Snow: John Brown’s War Against Slavery

Related Books:
* The Influenza Pandemic of 1918 by Virginia Aronson
* Epidemics and Pandemics: Real Tales of Deadly Diseases by Judy Dodge Cummings
* More Deadly Than the War: the Hidden History of the Spanish Flu and the First World War by Kenneth C. Davis
Citation:

Annotation:
In 1965, President Johnson sent troops to Vietnam. By the end of the war, 57,939 American lives were lost. This book tells the stories of six soldiers, a nurse, and a Vietnamese refugee from their viewpoints. By adding in what is happening at home, a well-rounded view of the war is developed.

Booktalk:
The Vietnam War conflicts started in 1955 and lasted until 1975. It covered the presidencies of Eisenhower, Kennedy, Johnson, Nixon, and Ford. In 1965, President Johnson ordered boots on the ground in Vietnam. This began the period of American highest involvement, where almost 58,000 American soldiers lost their lives during the last decade of fighting. The history of this war was very complex — many feeling America had no place in it, while others felt we had no choice but to go. The war forever changed, polarized, and further divided American citizens. To this day it causes heartache in the people who lived through it.

In this book, you will hear about the stories of those that lived it including a Vietnamese refugee, an American nurse, and six soldiers who served in the war. Each experience reveals a different viewpoint of the war as it was nearing the end. In addition to these stories, there are profiles of the decision-making leaders and reports on the events at home. Showing a well-rounded view of the war, this non-fiction book will make you want to read it again.

Reviews:
Booklist (Starred), 01/01/2018
Horn Book Magazine, April/March 2018
Kirkus (Starred), 02/15/2018
Publishers Weekly, 03/05/2018
School Library Journal (Starred), 04/01/2018

Awards and Honors:
2018 National Book Award Long List for Young People's Literature
2019 Golden Kite Award Winner, Non-Fiction for Older Readers
2019 YALSA Excellence in Nonfiction Award Finalist

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TigerFish: A Memoir of a South Vietnamese Colonel’s Daughter and her coming of age in America by Hoang Chi Truong (2016)
Spooked!: How a Radio Broadcast and the War of the Worlds Sparked the 1938 Invasion of America by Gail Jarrow (2018)

Other Books by Author:
DogTag Summer (2015)
After the Shot Drops
by Randy Ribay

Citation:

Annotation:
Once, Bunny and Nasir were best friends. After Bunny decided to transfer to St. Sebastians, a private school that scouted him for basketball, Nasir refuses to talk to him. Nasir is upset his best friend decided to move on with no warning, and he begins to hang out with his cousin, Wallace, who has his own baggage. This dual perspective novel highlights both Bunny and Nasir as they struggle to find their place and to do what is best.

Booktalk:
For Bunny, moving to a new school should not have changed that much. Now though, guys he grew up with are mad at him for leaving their school’s basketball team, and his best friend Nasir refuses to talk to him. Meanwhile, making friends at St. Sebastian’s is difficult. They only want him there for one thing: basketball, and otherwise he just does not fit in with his wealthy private school classmates.

It’s difficult when your best friend moves on without you. That’s what Nasir is facing. His best friend, Bunny, transferred to St. Sebastians without even talking to him about it. Plus, Bunny started dating a girl he knew Nasir liked. It makes sense not to talk to him, and so Nasir starts hanging out with his cousin, Wallace, instead. Wallace has his own struggles though, he’s living with his grandma that might be evicted soon, and he’s trying to figure out how to make ends meet, by whatever means necessary. But when he needs help, how far is Nasir willing to go?

Reviews:
Booklist 11/17
Bulletin of the Center for Children’s Books 3/18
Horn Book Guide 11/18
Kirkus Reviews starred 1/18
Publisher’s Weekly starred 1/18
School Library Connection starred 5/18
School Library Journal starred 1/18
Voice of Youth Advocates starred 2/18

Awards and Honors:
2020 Oklahoma Sequoyah Book Award Nominee
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Hooper by Geoff Herbach
A Short History of the Girl Next Door by Jared Reck

Other Books by Randy Ribay:
Patron Saints of Nothing (2019)
An Infinite Number of Parallel Universes : In Real Life, You Need Real Friends (2015)

**Annotation:**
Water use restrictions are a way of life in Southern California, but when the taps finally run dry widespread panic begins. When her parents never return from trying to pick up water rations, Alyssa must decide what to do. Joining with their neighbor, Alyssa and her younger brother try to figure out a way to survive the Tap-Out.

**Booktalk:**
With his ultra-realistic style, Shusterman portrays the effects of a severe, prolonged water shortage and the ways that people react to a natural disaster. With her parents missing and no water to be found, Alyssa turns to her geeky next-door neighbor Kelton McCracken and his survivalist family for help. When the neighborhood becomes a war zone, the teens set out on a journey to the McCracken’s well-supplied “bug-out” in hopes of waiting out the crisis. The trip is harrowing and dangers appear in places they expected to be safe. Will they be able to reach the safe house before they run out of water? What if someone else gets their first?

**Reviews:**
- Booklist (starred review) 8/1/18
- Horn Book 11/1/18
- Kirkus Review (starred review) 8/1/18
- New York Times 11/11/18
- Publisher’s Weekly (starred review) 8/27/18
- School Library Connection (starred review) 1/1/19
- School Library Journal (starred review) 10/1/18
- Voices of Youth Advocates (VOYA)(starred review) 12/1/18

**Awards and Honors:**
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Scythe, Arc of a Scythe #1 (2016)
Challenger Deep (2015)
Unwind, Unwind Dystology
Everlost, Skinjacker Trilogy
Bruiser
What the Night Sings
By Vesper Stamper

Citation:

Annotation:
Sixteen year old Greta has survived the Holocaust and the horrors of Bergen-Belsen. She has lost her family and must find her own way in a totally different world than the one before war. She discovers friendship and her inner strength.

Booktalk:
Gerta didn’t know she was Jewish until she and her father are taken by the Gestapo and sent to a camp. She only knew music and beauty and family. Music helped her survive the war but when her camp is liberated, Gerta struggles to reconnect to her dream of a life filled with music and art. Where is home when your family is lost forever and the country you loved turned against you? Connecting with Lev, another survivor, at the Displaced Persons Camp, helps both teens come to terms with the horrors they experienced and the struggle to find their place in the world that was forever changed by the Holocaust.

Reviews:
Publisher’s Weekly (starred) 11/20/2017
Kirkus Review (starred) 11/15/2017
School Library Journal (starred) 02/01/2018
Horn 05/2018
Booklist 11/01/2017
Voices of Youth Advocates (VOYA) 12/1/17

Awards and Honors:
Oklahoma Sequoyah Book Award Nominee
Sydney Taylor Book Awards: Teen Reads
YALSA Best Fiction for Young Adults 2019
Morris Award Finalist
National Book Award Longlist 2018
A Mighty Girls Best Book of the Year 2018
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*The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak
*The Boy in the Striped Pajamas* by John Boyne
*Anna and the Swallow Man* by Gavriel Savit
*Salt to the Sea* by Ruta Sepetys
*The Librarian of Auschwitz* by Antonio Iturbe
The Beauty That Remains
By Ashley Woodfolk

Citation:

Annotation:
Autumn, Logan, and Shay are tied together by the now defunct band Unraveling Lovely and are each coping with the loss of someone close to them. As they work through their grief, they learn that part of healing is seeing all the beauty that remains.

Book Talk:
Logan, Shay, and Autumn are each coping with the loss of someone close.

Logan struggles with anger and self-destructive tendencies after his ex-boyfriend's apparent suicide. He can’t stop watching the videos Bram made before his death to find any clues, and drinking only eases the pain temporarily. Shay is trying to hide the panic attacks that come each time she is reminded of her twin sister, Sasha, who died of Leukemia. She wants to reconnect with her mom who is also grieving and resume the popular music blog she and Sasha started, but she isn’t sure where to begin. Quiet, artistic Autumn isn’t sure how she will live without her outgoing best friend, Tavia, who died in a car accident. Writing to Tavia’s email is helping to keep her connected, but it doesn’t ease the guilt she feels for not being in the car with Tavia that night.

The tenuous thread that connects the teens is their love or involvement with a band called Unravelling Lovely. The band broke up last year but the impact of the musicians and fans still linger in each of their lives. Through intertwined stories of friendship, music, family, and romance, Woodfolk’s debut novel tells a compassionate story about the importance of grief and finding the beauty in life.

Reviews:
Booklist 12/1/2017
Kirkus Reviews 11/27/2017
Publishers Weekly 12/18/2017
School Library Journal (starred) 02/01/2018
Voice of Youth Advocates 02/01/18

Awards and Honors:
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**Related Books:**
*No One Here is Lonely* by Sarah Everett
*I Have Lost My Way* by Gayle Forman
*Love Letters to the Dead* by Ava Dellaira
*Beautiful Mess* by Claire Christian