

2018 YOUNG READERS FESTIVAL OF BOOKS

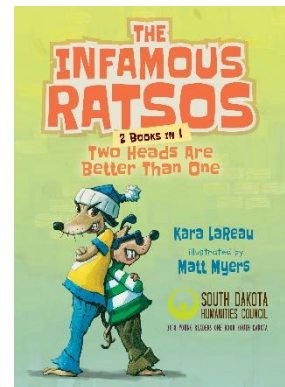
Sept. 20: Sioux Falls / Sept. 21-22: Brookings

The South Dakota Humanities Council celebrates five years of building enthusiasm for reading and writing among youth with school visits and public presentations by authors and illustrators of books for children and young adults.

2018 YOUNG READERS ONE BOOK SOUTH DAKOTA

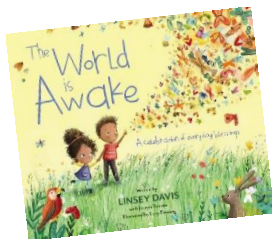
This year, SDHC will give away almost 7,000 copies of the 2018 Young Readers One Book, *The Infamous Ratsos: Two Heads Are Better Than One* to students in more than 25 communities across South Dakota. At the Young Readers Festival, author Kara LaReau will talk in person with at least 2,500 of the third-graders who receive the book and by livestream with several hundred more.

At the Young Readers Festival, LaReau will be joined by 11 other children's and YA authors who will speak to readers of all ages at schools and cultural venues. Our collaborators – First Bank & Trust, Black Hills Reads: Campaign for Grade-Level Reading, Northern Hills Federal Credit Union, John T. Vucurevich Foundation, and United Way of the Black Hills – are helping us provide books, author presentations, and supplemental resources for students, teachers, and families.



Other authors participating in the Young Readers Festival include

Aimee Bissonette, *Aim for the Skies: Jerrie Mock and Joan Merriam Smith's Race to Complete Amelia Earhart's Quest*



Angelica Shirley Carpenter, *Born Criminal: Matilda Joslyn Gage, Rebel Suffragist*

Linsey Davis & Joseph Bottum, *The World Is Awake: A Celebration of Everyday Blessings*

Laura Geringer Bass, *The Girl with More than One Heart*

Michael Hall, *Red: A Crayon's Story*

Joseph M. Marshall III, *In the Footsteps of Crazy Horse* (South Dakota's selection for the "Discover Great Places through Reading: 52 Great Reads" list at the National Book Festival)



Donald F. Montileaux, *Muskrat & Skunk / Sinkpe na Maka*

Jessie Taken Alive Rencountre, *Pet'a Shows Misun the Light*

Kevin Charles Smith, Bilge Rat, *Pirate Adventurer: Demon Pirate*

