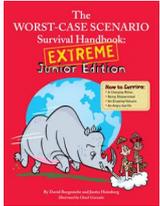


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Interrupting Chicken



Knock knock.

Who's there?

Interrupting Cow!

Interrupting Cow wh-

MOOOO!

David Ezra Stein knows another version of one of my favorite knock-knock jokes. His is about an interrupting chicken instead of a cow! That joke inspired this delightful, funny picture book about a little red chicken being read to by her Papa. Will she ever let him finish a story the way it's written? The action takes place in a house and bedroom every bit as cozy as those in Goodnight Moon. Stein both wrote and illustrated Interrupting Chicken, a 2011 Caldecott Honor Book,

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Tomie dePaola Wins ALA Award!



So many wonderful books received awards from the American Library Association earlier this week. You can view the complete list of [ALA's Youth Media Awards](#) online. But I wanted to give a big HURRAH! to one of my favorite author/illustrators who received special recognition from ALA for his body of work: [Tomie dePaola](#). DePaola received the Laura Ingalls Wilder Award, "honoring an author or illustrator, published in the United States, whose books have made a substantial and lasting contribution to literature for children."

There are so many reasons to love Tomie: his sense of humor, his appreciation of a child's perspective, his beautiful artwork, his versatility. He writes, he illustrates. He works with both fiction and nonfiction, folktales and nursery rhymes, bible stories and poetry. I think I became particularly fond of Tomie when I discovered he shares my Irish/Italian heritage - which he describes in his autobiography [26 Fairmount Avenue](#), a 2000 Newbery Honor winner.

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A Splendid Friend, Indeed



Well, it doesn't generate quite the excitement that Oscar night might bring. And we won't be wearing our sleeveless ball gowns to the library on Monday (at least I won't be!)... Nevertheless, we are eagerly anticipating the announcement on Monday, January 10, of the American Library Association's Youth Media Awards for 2011.

These awards include the esteemed [Newbery Medal](#), awarded for the most distinguished contribution to American literature for children in the past year, and the [Caldecott Medal](#) which recognizes the most distinguished American picture book for children. See the [ALA's Youth Media Awards](#) for a complete listing of the different types of literature honored annually.

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