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Grades K-2

- The Yellow Handkerchief** by Donna Barba Higuera
- Pepita Meets Bebita** by Ruth Behar
- River of Mariposas** by Mirelle Ortega
- A Crown for Corina** by Laekan Zea Kemp
- Plátanos Are Love** by Alyssa Reynoso-Morris
- ¡Vamos! Let's Go Read** by Raul The Third
- Miguel Must Fight!** by Jamie Ofelia

Grades 3-5

- Barely Floating** by Lilliam Rivera
- Turtles of the Midnight Moon** by María José Fitzgerald
- Four Eyes** by Rex Ogle and Dave Veleza
- The Enchanted Life of Valentina Mejia** by Alexandra Alessandri
- Esme's Birthday Conga Line** by Lourdes Heuer

Grades 6-8

- Twin Cities** by Jose Pimienta
- Mexikid** by Pedro Martín
- Something Like Home** by Andrea Beatriz Arango
- Miss Quinces** by Kat Fajardo
- The Shape of Time** by Ryan Calejo

High School

- Breath and Count Back from Ten** by Natalia Sylvester
- Wings in the Wild** by Margarita Engle
- Undercover Latina** by Aya De León
- The Hills of Estrella Roja** by Ashley Robin Franklin
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