

The Second Mrs. Giaconda Konigsburg  
(art)

Leonardo da Vinci's servant, Salai, explains how the famous painter came to paint the Mona Lisa.

Shakespeare Stealer Blackwood  
(acting/theatre)

A young orphan is ordered by his master to infiltrate Shakespeare's acting troupe and steal the script to "Hamlet", but instead he learns the meaning of friendship and loyalty.

Shakespeare's Scribe Blackwood  
(acting/theatre)

In plague ridden 1602 England, an orphan joins a Shakespearean acting troupe and discovers more information about his parents.

Silk Umbrellas Marsden  
(art/painting)

Nine year old Noi worries that she will have to quit painting silk umbrellas to join her sister in a factory job.

Single Shard Park  
(pottery)

Tree-Ear, a medieval-age orphan in Korea, dreams of learning how to throw the delicate celadon ceramics himself.

Stonewalkers Alcock  
(sculpture)

A statue of Belladonna is brought to life by lightning and gathers stone arms from gardens and churches as Poppy and Emma watch.

Surviving the Applewhites Tolan  
(music)

Jake, a juvenile delinquent, is sent for homeschooling to the Applewhite family's Creative Academy.

Sylvia Game Alcock  
(art)

On a trip with her father, Emily meets a gypsy's son, who notices her resemblance to a girl in a Renoir painting.

Theater Shoes Streatfield  
(theatre)

When their father is captured during the war, three children join their cousins in school/explains how the famous painter came to paint the Mona Lisa.

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# Stories of the Arts



<u>Adam of the Road</u> (music) In 1294 England, Adam must search for his father and his stolen dog.	Gray	<u>The Face In The Mirror</u> (acting/theatre) Joining his estranged father in the Shakespearean play, "Richard III", Jared tries to cope with acting insecurities, his obnoxious half brother, and a theater ghost.	Tolan	<u>Mieko and the Fifth Treasure</u> (art) Staying with her grandparents after the atomic bombing of Nagasaki, ten year old Mieko feels the happiness in her heart is gone forever and she won't be able to create a beautiful drawing for her school contest.	Coerr
<u>Art of Keeping Cool</u> (art) Robert and his cousin Elliot uncover family secrets and become involved with a German artist, suspected of being a spy.	Lisle	<u>Harriet the Spy</u> (writing) Eleven year old Harriet keeps a secret notebook filled with her observations about her classmates. Some of the entries are not complimentary and the class finds her notebook.	Fitzhugh	<u>The Mozart Season</u> (music) Twelve year old Allegra spends her summer practicing a Mozart concerto for a competition and discovers much more.	Wolff
<u>Ballet Shoes</u> (ballet) Three children are sent off to become dancers.	Streatfie	<u>King of Shadows</u> (acting/theatre) Nat finds himself transported back in time to 1599 where he is to perform in the Globe Theatre, under Shakespeare.	Cooper	<u>No More Dead Dogs</u> (acting/theatre) A football hero is sent to detention attending school play rehearsals and becomes involved in the production.	Korman
<u>The Bat-Poet</u> (writing; poet) A bat who can't sleep in the day makes up poems about the woodland creatures that he now sees.	Jarrell	<u>Lizard Music</u> (music) When left to care for himself, a boy gets involved with intelligent lizards.	Pinkwater	<u>Outcasts of 19 Schuyler Place</u> (art/sculpture) Margaret Rose begins a campaign to save three towers her grand uncles have been building in their backyard for over forty years.	Konigsburg
<u>Bud, Not Buddy</u> (music) Ten year old Bud escapes from a bad foster home and searches for the man he believes to be his father.	Curtis	<u>Love That Dog</u> (writing) A young student comes to love poetry and surprises himself by writing his own inspired poem.	Creech	<u>Pictures of Hollis Woods</u> (photography) A twelve year old orphan staying with an elderly aunt who needs her, remembers the only other time she was happy in a foster home.	Giff
<u>Callendar Papers</u> (art) An orphan girl is hired to sort out the papers of a reclusive artist and she begins to think a murder had been committed.	Voigt	<u>Man in the Ceiling</u> (art) Jimmy loves to draw and wants to be a cartoonist some day.	Feiffer	<u>Sadako and the Thousand Cranes</u> (origami) At age 11, Sadako develops leukemia, the after effect of the Hiroshima bombing. Legend says that she will get well if she makes 1000 paper cranes. She lives long enough to make 644. After she dies, her classmates make the rest of the cranes.	Coerr
<u>The Cat Who Went To Heaven</u> (art) A starving artist paints his cat into his picture of the death of Buddha in the temple, going against familiar legend. The priest is furious and promises to burn the painting, but a miracle saves the painting and makes him famous.	Coatswort	<u>Master Puppeteer</u> (theatre/puppets) A thirteen year old boy describes the poverty and discontent of 18 <sup>th</sup> Century Osaka and his world of puppeteers.	Paterson		