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## **Listening Library receives 2012 Odyssey Award for ROTTERS by Daniel Kraus, narrated by Kirby Heyborne**

NEW YORK, NY (January 23, 2011)—The **American Library Association** has named **ROTTERS** by Daniel Kraus, read by Kirby Heyborne, as the 2012 **Odyssey Award** winner, honoring excellence in children's and young adult audiobooks.

Additionally, two other Listening Library/Books on Tape titles have been named Odyssey Honor Books: **OKAY FOR NOW** by Gary D. Schmidt, read by Lincoln Hoppe, and **YOUNG FREDLE** by Cynthia Voigt, read by Wendy Carter.

The awards were announced this morning in a ceremony at the American Library Association's Midwinter Meeting in Dallas, TX.

The ALA's Odyssey Award is given to the producer of the best audiobook produced for children or young adults, available in English in the United States. The award's name is taken from the Greek *Odyssey* epic, which was originally told and passed down in the oral tradition. The ALA also awards the prestigious Caldecott, Carnegie and Newbery Medals and Printz Award for excellence in children's literature.

ROTTERS is currently available on CD and as a digital download at libraries and as a digital download wherever digital audiobooks are sold. A retail CD edition will be on sale 3/27/2011 (ISBN:).

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