

每月作家  
Author of the Month



**Laura Amy Schlitz** was born on 1st January 1956, in Baltimore, Maryland. She is an American author. She graduated from Goucher College in Towson, Md., in 1977 with a bachelor's degree in aesthetics. Before becoming a librarian and professional storyteller, Schlitz worked as an actress, a playwright, and a costumer ("Laura Amy Schlitz" [Britannica Kids]).

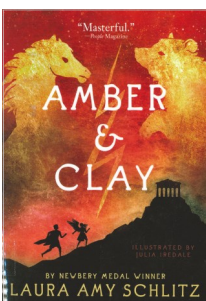
Laura Amy Schlitz lives in Baltimore, where she is currently the lower-school librarian at Park School ("Laura Amy Schlitz" [InkWell Management]).

She has spent most of her life working as a librarian and professional storyteller and is the author of numerous award-winning books for children, including *The Hired Girl*, winner the Scott O'Dell Award for Historical Fiction and the National Jewish Book Award; *Good Masters! Sweet Ladies! Voices from a Medieval Village*, illustrated by Robert Byrd, winner of the Newbery Medal; *Splendors and Glooms*, a Newbery Honor book and New York Times bestseller; *A Drowned Maiden's Hair: A Melodrama*, the recipient of the Cybils Award for Middle Grade Fiction and *The Hero Schliemann: The Dreamer Who Dug for Troy*, illustrated by Robert Byrd ("Laura Amy Schlitz" [InkWell Management]).

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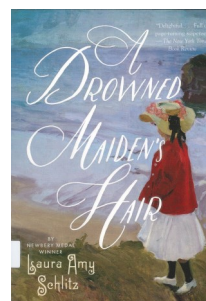
Library Collection (Secondary Section)



**Amber & Clay**

Call number: JF SCH

Told in multiple voices, after a binding curse is put on the ghost of a young, privileged girl killed by lightning, she comes to the aid of an enslaved boy in Ancient Greece as she leads him to freedom.

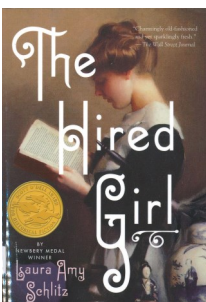


**A Drowned Maiden's Hair: a Melodrama**

2006 Cybils Award for Middle Grade Fiction

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In the early twentieth century, young orphan Maud Flynn hopes to finally be loved when she is adopted by the elderly Hawthorne sisters, but she is instead roped into the family's crooked seance business.



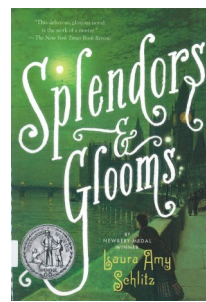
**The Hired Girl**

2016 Scott O'Dell Award for Historical Fiction

2015 National Jewish Book Award

Call number: JF SCH

Fourteen-year-old Joan Skraggs, just like the heroines in her beloved novels, yearns for real life and true love. Over the summer of 1911, Joan pours her heart out into her diary as she seeks a new, better life for herself--because maybe, just maybe, a hired girl cleaning and cooking for six dollars a week can become what a farm girl could only dream of--a woman with a future.



**Splendors and Glooms**

2013 Newbery Honor

Call number: JF SCH

Clara Wintermute, the only child of a wealthy doctor, invites master puppeteer Grisini to entertain at her birthday party. When Clara vanishes that night, suspicion falls upon the puppeteer and his orphaned assistants.