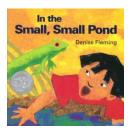
2013 Phoenix Picture Book Honor Book

Denise Fleming for In the Small, Small Pond (Henry Holt and Co., 1993)



In the Small Small Pond, also a Caldecott Honor Book, celebrates, from a preschool child's perspective, the experience of exploring physically and verbally the richness of life in a pond. The lively words suggest the speech of a young child, and the innovative artwork, made of colored paper pulp, entices with its rich colors and shifts from light to dark. The passage of time and seasons is hinted at, as tadpoles become frogs, and goslings geese. This is a book that, for all its simplicity, is infinitely discussable.