

## **Ancient and Epic Tales Recognized with Prestigious Anne Izard Storytellers' Choice Award**

*August House Proudly Announces Another Highly Respected Award for Ancient & Epic Tales from Around the World by Heather Forest*

August House is pleased to announce that *Ancient and Epic Tales from Around the World* has received a Anne Izard Storytellers' Choice Award. This unique multicultural anthology presents pivotal episodes from epic tales like Gilgamesh, Beowulf, the Odyssey, and the Ramayana. In addition to the Annie Izard Award, *Ancient and Epic Tales from Around the World* has also received a Parents' Choice Award Recommendation, a Storytelling World Award and is a finalist in the *ForeWord Reviews* Annual Indies Book of the Year Awards for Children's Books that will be announced June 24<sup>th</sup> at the American Library Association Conference in Chicago.

This award-winning anthology of stories from the world's great oral traditions is the third and final installment in her *Tales from Around the World* trilogy. The previous two books in the series, [\*Wonder Tales from Around the World\*](#) and [\*Wisdom Tales from Around the World\*](#) both won the Storytelling World Award and the PLAPLA/ALLS Best New Books award.

[Heather](#) lives on Long Island in Huntington, New York and frequently collaborates with the award-winning illustrator, [Susan Gaber](#). Together, this creative team has published five award-winning LittleFolk picture books with August House.

The Anne Izard Storytellers' Choice Award was established in 1990 by librarians, storytellers and educators in Westchester County, New York, to honor Anne Izard, an extraordinary librarian, storyteller, and Children's Services Consultant in the Westchester County Library System. The award seeks to bring the riches of storytelling to greater public awareness by highlighting and promoting distinguished books on storytelling published for children and adults. Books considered for the award were original material, reprints, or new English translations published in the United States between January 1, 2015, and December 31, 2016.

[\*Ancient and Epic Tales from Around the World\*](#) (hardcover, 978-1-941460-35-1 or paperback, 978-1-939160-87-4) is available through Amazon or from other local booksellers.

[August House](#) is a highly acclaimed and award-winning multimedia publisher of children's picture books, folktale anthologies, scary story collections, and resource books. Located in Atlanta, GA, August House has developed one of the most highly respected collections of folktales from the world's great oral traditions. You can find more information about August House at <http://www.augusthouse.com>, or on Facebook and Twitter at @augusthouseinc.