

# Booklist Review

Books For Youth - Nonfiction - Science - Animals



## **Daisy to the Rescue: True Stories of Daring Dogs, Paramedic Parrots, and Other Animal Heroes.**

Campbell, Jeff (author).

Illustrated by Ramsey Beyer.

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Whether they are domestic companions, trained to serve, inspired to heal, or are found in the wild, animals have the ability to enhance our lives and even save us, and this compendium pays homage. Daisy, the title dog, detected breast cancer in her human companion. Molly, the pony with a prosthetic leg, inspired hope in the disabled. A gray seal kept a woman from drowning in the freezing North Sea. Indeed, pigs, rabbits, horses, parrots, monkeys, dolphins, and more are just some of the more than 50 creatures lauded in these stories and related facts regarding what each did to achieve hero status. Inherent animal abilities are discussed alongside the accounts, as are animal traits and scientific theories in layman's terms. Individual stories of animal derring-do, illustrated with pencil portraits, make for quick, compelling reads that prompt the reader to wonder what really goes on in an animal's head and heart. Give this to anyone from middle school to adult who shares that curiosity.— *Jeanne Fredriksen*

## Booklist Editors Recommend

Titles similar to *Daisy to the Rescue*

- *Animal Heroes* by Sandra Markle (author)