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Children's author to receive honorary degree

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Bryan, emeritus professor of art and design at Dartmouth College, has authored many children's books whose stories, poems, illustrations and interpretive readings have enriched the African-American experience and added new dimensions to American culture. He also was a guest lecturer for Oakland University graduate students in 1999.

Bryan has received many honors, including the Arbuthnot Lectureship from the American Library Association, the Hopkins Poetry Award from the University of Pennsylvania and the Coretta Scott King Award.

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