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DAN SANTAT

Thai American

Author and Illustrator

CALDECOTT MEDAL (2015)

APAAL (2019)

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Dan's parents immigrated from Thailand in 1968. They wanted him to be a doctor, but after graduating with a degree in microbiology, he proceeded to earn a Bachelor of Fine Arts in illustration. Dan is the creator of Disney Channel's hit animated series, *The Replacements* (2006). Dan received a Caldecott Medal for *The Adventures of Beekle: The Unimaginary Friend* (2014). Five years later, he won the APAAL in the Picture Book category for illustrating *Drawn Together* (2018) by Minh Lê.