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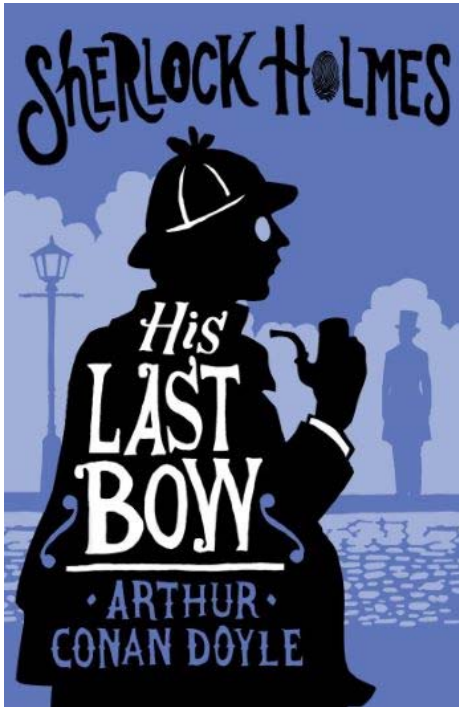
**YOUNG ADULT &  
CHILDREN'S BOOKS**



**Raincoast Books**

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### **His Last Bow**

by Arthur Conan Doyle

A mysterious murder near Esher, a gruesome delivery of two human ears packed in coarse salt, the disappearance of secret submarine plans, the sudden descent into madness of two brothers – these are only some of the apparently unsolvable cases contained in this volume, which the great sleuth, assisted by his trusted friend Doctor Watson, is challenged to clear up with the aid of his sagacity and unrivalled analytical skills.

Published a quarter of a century after the first book of Holmes adventures, and including the famous titular story 'His Last Bow: The War Service of Sherlock Holmes', this collection shows the detective's powers of deduction at their most dazzling, proving that Conan Doyle's ability to entertain and surprise remain undiminished.

### **Author Bio**

**Arthur Conan Doyle** (1859–1930) is the celebrated author of many adventure novels, including *The Lost World* and *The Poison Belt*, and the creator of the hugely popular detective stories of Sherlock Holmes.

Alma Books

On Sale: Jan 24/23

5.08 x 7.79 • 256 pages

9781847498878 • \$13.00 • pb

Fiction / Classics • Ages 12 years and up

Series: Alma Junior Classics

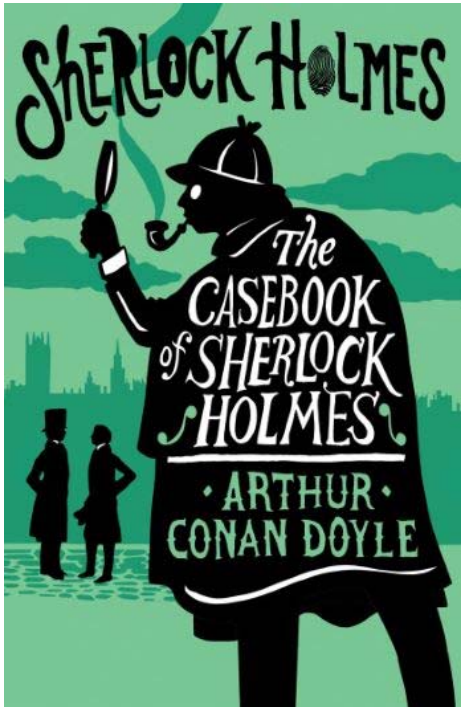
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### **Promotion**



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### The Casebook of Sherlock Holmes

by Arthur Conan Doyle

Once again the eminent detective is presented with a series of seemingly impenetrable cases: an illustrious client begs him to unmask the nefarious past of a roguish aristocrat; a retired art-supply dealer asks him to investigate the suspicious disappearance of his wife with her neighbour and a stash of money; a veteran of the Boer War appeals to him to track down a missing friend; a man has become convinced that his wife has been sucking their baby son's blood – will the most famous of sleuths be persuaded to offer his services and set off in pursuit of the criminals?

The final collection of Holmes adventures, containing twelve brilliant, unpredictable stories, *The Casebook of Sherlock Holmes* is a fitting conclusion to its protagonist's long career and a powerful send-off for Conan Doyle's greatest creation.

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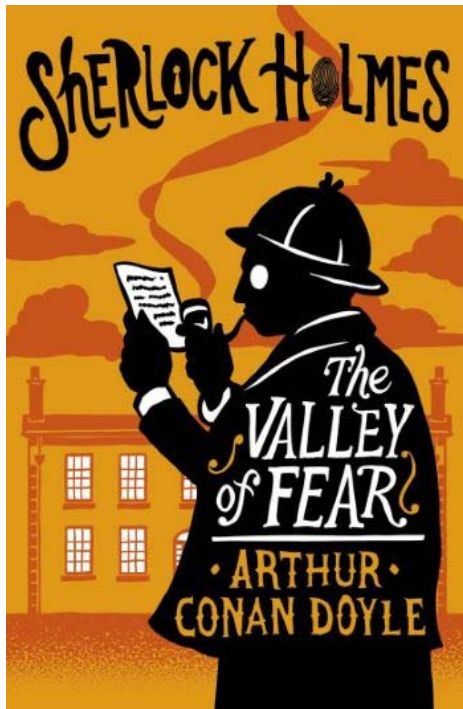
Fiction / Classics • Ages 12 years and up

Series: Alma Junior Classics

### Notes

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### **The Valley of Fear**

by Arthur Conan Doyle

When Sherlock Holmes receives a bungled tip-off from one of the agents of his nemesis, Professor Moriarty, the great detective hopes to avoid a murderous crime and bring the would-be assassin to justice. But on being informed soon afterwards that one John Douglas of Birlstone Manor has been found with his head blown apart by a shotgun, he realizes that he is too late. And so begins an enthralling tale of revenge, vigilantism and secret societies, one that transports the reader from the English countryside to the violent world of the American frontier of the 1860s.

The fourth and final novel in the Sherlock Holmes canon, originally published in the Strand magazine between September 1914 and May 1915, *The Valley of Fear* is a riveting whodunit that showcases all of the classic elements that have ensured the enduring popularity of the stories featuring Conan Doyle's most famous creation.

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Fiction / Classics • Ages 12 years and up

Series: Alma Junior Classics

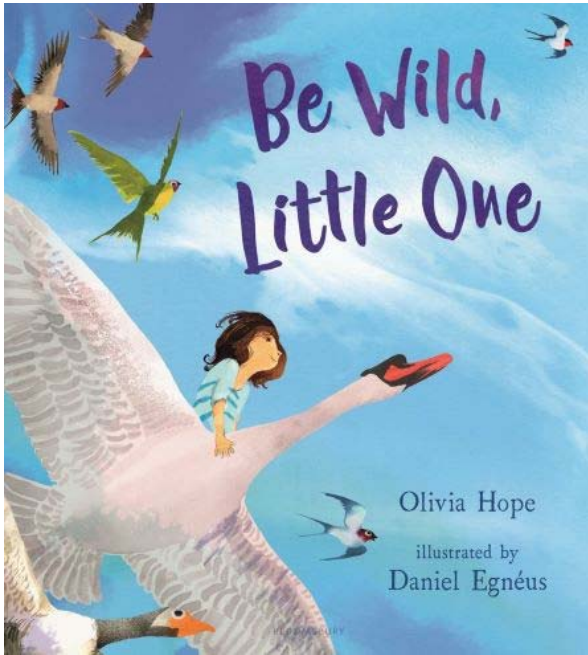
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B L O O M S B U R Y

## **Be Wild, Little One**

by Olivia Hope, illustrated by Daniel Egneus

*Cross the ocean, sail the seas . . .  
Treck in jungles, climb up trees.  
Swing along with chimpanzees!  
Be wild, little one.*

This gorgeous, inspiring picture book celebrates the magic in our world and the wildness in each of us. Prepare for uplifting journey through the wonders of nature: from lush pine forests to awe-inspiring mountains, and from sparkling seas to starry skies, each page is exquisite. Fly across oceans, run with wolves through winter snow, dance with fireflies, and dare to BE WILD!

With a lyrical text from debut author Olivia Hope and immersive illustrations by acclaimed artist Daniel Egneus, this stunning book brims with joy and possibility.

## **Author Bio**

Olivia Hope is an Irish writer with a special love for children's fiction. A former record-breaking athlete, she competed internationally representing Ireland. With twenty years' experience teaching children, she has worked with all ages in the creative arts; as a creative associate with the Irish Arts Council on the Creative Schools programme, and as a creative learning assistant with Siamsa Tire (the National Folk theatre of Ireland). The first of her picture books to be published by Bloomsbury is *Be Wild, Little One* (illustrated by Daniel Egneus). Described as an 'outstanding book to enchant readers of all ages' by Shirley Hughes. She currently lives in the wilds of Southwest Ireland with her family. **Daniel Egneus** is a prolific artist who has illustrated numerous books, including several Neil Gaiman titles. He was voted Best Illustrator by the Association of Illustrators in 2005, and his picture book, *Lubna and Pebble*, (written by Wendy Meddour) was chosen by TIME Magazine as one of the 10 best picture books 2019. He is based in Athens.

Bloomsbury

On Sale: Apr 11/23

9.65 x 10.79 • 32 pages

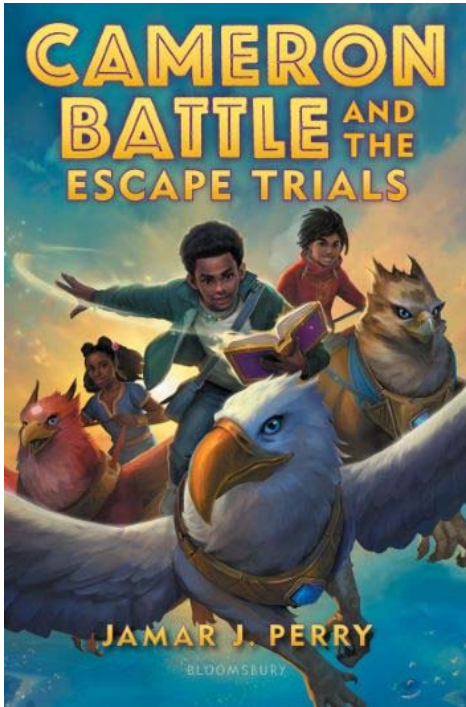
9781547611263 • \$23.99 • CL - With dust jacket

Juvenile Fiction / Animals / General • Ages 3-6 years

## **Notes**

## **Promotion**





Bloomsbury  
On Sale: Jan 31/23  
5.5 x 8.5 • 240 pages  
**9781547607259** • \$22.99 • CL - With dust jacket  
Juvenile Fiction / Science Fiction, Fantasy, Magic •  
Ages 9-11 years  
Series: Cameron Battle

## Notes

## Promotion

B L O O M S B U R Y

## Cameron Battle and the Escape Trials

by Jamar J. Perry

**In this sequel to *Cameron Battle and the Hidden Kingdoms*, Cameron and his friends return to Chidani and continue their quest to save the world.**

**Fans of Rick Riordan will lose themselves in the exciting world of Chidani--where the last descendant must fight to save the world!**

After his first adventure as the Descendant, Cameron can't sit through seventh grade classes. Especially when his parents are still trapped in Chidani. But he encounters a particularly nasty bully in his new school, and it doesn't take long for Cameron and his trusty friends Zion and Aliyah to realize that the troubles of Chidani won't stay away for long.

With the Book to guide them, Cameron and his crew end up transported to Chidani sooner than anticipated--and the gods and goddesses they encounter don't intend to make Cameron's journey easy. Can he finally outwit and outlast the villainous god set on destroying their worlds?

Inspired by West African and Igbo history and mythology, this middle-grade fantasy celebrates the triumphs and challenges of a boy finding his path to greatness.

## Author Bio

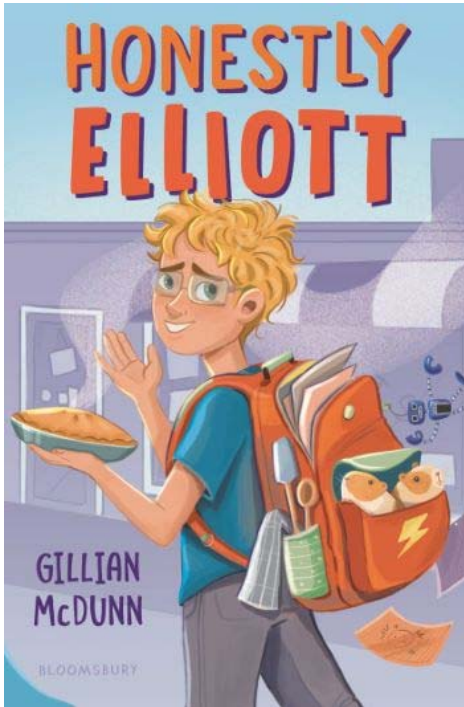
**Jamar J. Perry** is the author of *Cameron Battle and the Hidden Kingdoms*. He received his PhD in Literacy Education, Language, Culture, and Social Inquiry from the University of Maryland, College Park. Before, he taught middle school Language Arts for four years, where the majority of the students were Black boys. Like Cameron, he hopes that one day all Black boys can understand how magical and joyful they really are, no matter how different they may feel.

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B L O O M S B U R Y

## Honestly Elliott

by Gillian McDunn

**Highly-acclaimed author of *Caterpillar Summer*, Gillian McDunn explores boyhood in a funny, big-hearted story about a kid trying to find the best way to be his best self.**

Elliott has been struggling since his closest friend moved away, and he's not too sure where he fits into his own family, especially since his newly remarried dad and stepmom are expecting a baby. His grades aren't too great, he's always forgetting things, and he doesn't really like sports. All together, the result is someone the complete opposite of his dad - a fact they're both very aware of. Elliott's only solace is cooking, where he can control the outcome, testing exciting recipes and watching his favorite cooking shows.

When he's paired with the super smart and popular Maribel for a school-wide project, Elliott worries they won't see eye to eye. But Maribel is also looking for a new way to show others her true self and this project could be the chance they've both been waiting for. Sometimes the least likely friends help you see a new side to things . . . and sometimes you have to make a few mistakes before you figure out what's right.

### Acclaim for *Caterpillar Summer*

An Indies Introduce Pick  
A Texas Bluebonnet Selection  
A *Parents* Best Book of the Year  
A *Kirkus Reviews* Best Book of the Year  
An Amazon Best Book of the Year

Starring a sweet and messy kid tackling problems that will bring laughter and tears, *Honestly Elliott* has all the ingredients for a memorable story." - *Lynne Kelly, author of SONG FOR A WHALE*

"McDunn is a (...)

### Author Bio

**Gillian McDunn** is the author of *These Unlucky Stars*, *The Queen Bee and Me*, and *Caterpillar Summer*, which received two starred reviews, and was selected for the Texas Bluebonnet Award Master List, and Kirkus Reviews and *Parents* magazine Best Books of the Year lists. When she isn't reading or writing, she is probably baking gluten-free treats, traveling, or spending time with her family. She lives near Raleigh, North Carolina, with her husband and children, and a very silly dog named Friday.



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Bloomsbury

On Sale: Mar 7/23

5.51 x 8.25 • 288 pages

9781547611324 • \$10.99 • pb

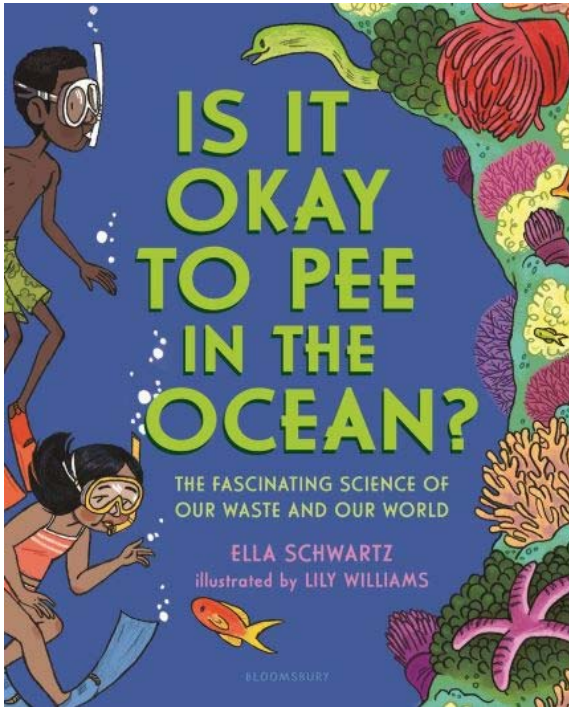
Juvenile Fiction / Social / Adolescence • Ages 8-11 years

### Notes

### Promotion







Bloomsbury  
On Sale: Feb 21/23  
8.07 x 10.04 • 96 pages  
black and white throughout  
9781681195131 • \$28.99 • CL - With dust jacket  
Juvenile Nonfiction / Science & Tech / Earth Sciences •  
Ages 8-12 years

### Notes

### Promotion

B L O O M S B U R Y

### Is It Okay to Pee in the Ocean?

The Fascinating Science of Our Waste and Our World  
by Ella Schwartz, illustrated by Lily Williams

Get the facts you'll *really* want to know when you *really* need to go.

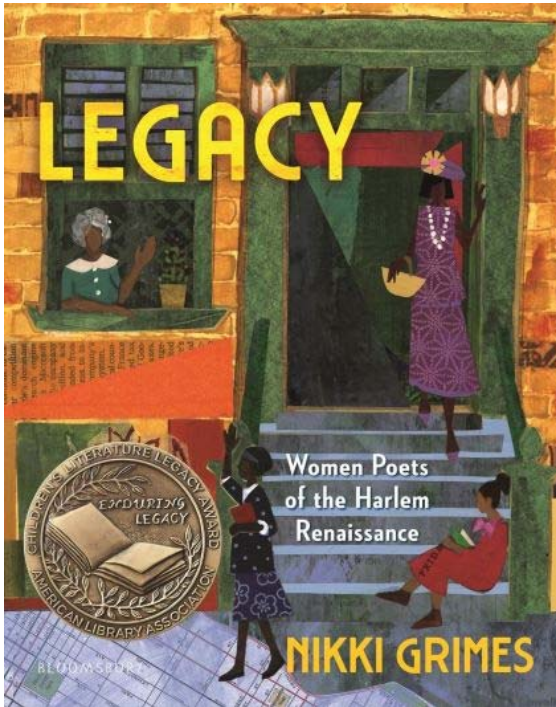
Why do we pee? Is pee just yellow water? Is the ocean a giant toilet bowl (eww!)? If you've ever wondered about your body's waste . . . *urine* luck! This book is all about pee: from why and how we do it, to its effects on our world.

Explore the human systems that make pee happen, tackle environmental questions about the impacts of human waste, discover surprising uses of urine throughout history-like in mouthwash and skin creams-and even try out at-home, hands-on experiments (with no bodily fluids required, of course!). With engaging black-and-white-illustrations and just enough ick-factor, this engrossing (and sometimes a little bit gross) book gets to the bottom of an oft-ignored part of the science of life.

### Author Bio

**Ella Schwartz** is the author of several books for young readers, including *Her Name Was Mary Katharine: The Story of the Only Woman Whose Name Appears on the Declaration of Independence*, *Can You Crack This Code?*, *Stolen Science*, and *Is it Okay to Pee in the Ocean?* In addition to writing books, Ella is a cyber security warrior interfacing with the U.S. federal government on strategic technology initiatives. She has a bachelor's and master's degree in engineering from Columbia University. [ellabooks.com](http://ellabooks.com) **Lily Williams** is the author and illustrator of *If Sharks Disappeared*, *If Polar Bears Disappeared*, *If Elephants Disappeared*, and *If Bees Disappeared*. She grew up in Northern California where she received her BFA from California College of the Arts before moving to Denver, Colorado. Lily seeks to inspire change, engage audiences, and educate people of all ages with her artwork.





B L O O M S B U R Y

## Legacy: Women Poets of the Harlem Renaissance by Nikki Grimes

From Children's Literature Legacy Award-winning author Nikki Grimes comes a feminist-forward new collection of poetry celebrating the little-known women poets of the Harlem Renaissance - paired with full-color, original art from today's most talented female African-American illustrators.

For centuries, accomplished women - of all races - have fallen out of the historical records. The same is true for gifted, prolific, women poets of the Harlem Renaissance who are little known, especially as compared to their male counterparts.

In this poetry collection, bestselling author Nikki Grimes uses The Golden Shovel® poetic method to create wholly original poems based on the works of these groundbreaking women-and to introduce readers to their work.

Each poem is paired with one-of-a-kind art from today's most exciting female African-American illustrators: Vanessa Brantley-Newton, Cozbi A. Cabrera, Nina Crews, Pat Cummings, Laura Freeman, Jan Spivey Gilchrist, Ebony Glenn, April Harrison, Vashti Harrison, Ekua Holmes, Cathy Ann Johnson, Keisha Morris, Daria Peoples-Riley, Andrea Pippins, Erin Robinson, Shadra Strickland, Nicole Tadgell, and Elizabeth Zunon.

*Legacy* also includes a foreword, an introduction to the history of the Harlem Renaissance, author's note, and poet biographies, which make this a wonderful resource and a book to cherish.

### Acclaim for *One Last Word*

A Boston Globe-Horn Book Honor winner

A New York Public Library Best Kids Book of the Year

A *Kirkus Reviews* Best Book of the Year, Middle Grade

A *School Library Journal* (...)

### Author Bio

Nikki Grimes is a *New York Times* bestselling author and the recipient of the Virginia Hamilton Lifetime Achievement Award, the ALAN Award, the Children's Literature Legacy Award, the Virginia Hamilton Literary Award, and the NCTE Award for Excellence in Poetry for Children. Her distinguished works include the Printz Honor and Sibert Honor book *Ordinary Hazards*; NAACP Image Award nominee *Planet Middle School*; Coretta Scott King Award winner *Bronx Masquerade*; Coretta Scott King Honor books *Jazmin's Notebook*, *Talkin' About Bessie*, *Dark Sons*, *The Road to Paris*, and *Words*

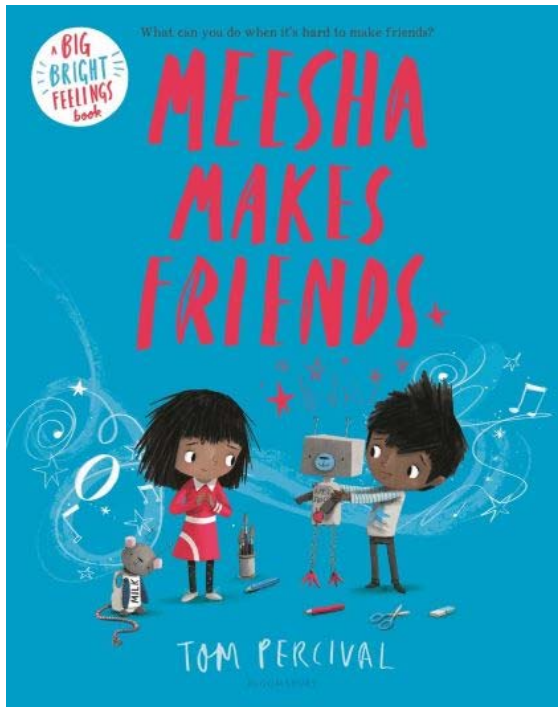


Bloomsbury  
On Sale: Jan 10/23  
6 x 7.75 • 144 pages  
full color artwork throughout  
9781547611676 • \$10.99 • pb  
Juvenile Fiction / People & Places / US / African-American • Ages 10-14 years

### Notes

### Promotion





B L O O M S B U R Y

## Meesha Makes Friends

by Tom Percival, illustrated by Tom Percival

**From the creator of *Ruby Finds a Worry*, the perfect picture book for helping children navigate social situations and connect with peers.**

Meesha loves making things, but she finds it hard to make friends. She doesn't know quite what to do, what to say, or when to say it, and she struggles with responding to social cues. But one day, she discovers that she has a special talent that will help her navigate challenging social situations and make friends.

A warm and affectionate story about the joys and difficulties of building and maintaining friendships and relating to others, *Meesha Makes Friends* helps young readers find their place in the world.

The **Big Bright Feelings** picture book series provides kid-friendly entry points into emotional intelligence topics - from being true to yourself to dealing with worries, managing anger, and making friends. These topics can be difficult to talk about. But these books act as sensitive and reassuring springboards for conversations about mental and emotional health, positive self-image, building self-confidence, and managing feelings.

Read all the books in the Big Bright Feelings series!

*Ruby Finds a Worry*  
*Perfectly Norman*  
*Ravi's Roar*  
*Meesha Makes Friends*  
*Tilda Tries Again*

This story puts words and pictures to feelings and traits that are difficult to articulate and explain, making this book helpful both for children who can relate to Meesha's experience and for those who don't understand such feelings." - *Kirkus Reviews*

"Percival handles his (...)

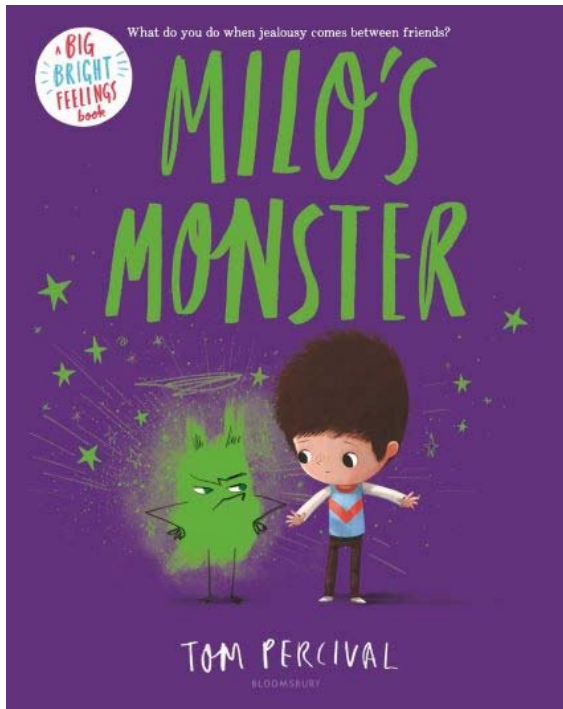
## Author Bio

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B L O O M S B U R Y

## Milo's Monster

by Tom Percival

From the creator of *Ruby Finds a Worry*, a story about **what to do when jealousy comes between friends**.

Milo loves spending time with his best friend, Jay. But when a new girl named Suzi moves in next door, Milo starts to feel left out. The jealous feeling gets stronger and stronger - until suddenly, a GREEN-EYED MONSTER pops up beside him! Soon, the monster is twisting up all of Milo's thoughts and making him sad. It won't leave him alone!

Can Milo find a way to free himself from the monster and repair his friendship?

Warm and uplifting, *Milo's Monster* is an ideal starting point for helping children to build strong friendships and say goodbye to jealous feelings.

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*Meesha Makes Friends*  
*Tilda Tries Again*  
*Milo's Monster*

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Tom is now a writer, artist, video producer and musician. He is the author of many bestselling picture books, including the six titles in his award-winning Big Bright Feelings for Bloomsbury ( *Perfectly Norman*, *Ruby's Worry*, *Ravi's Roar*, *Meesha Makes Friends*, *Tilda Tries Again* and *Milo's Monster* ). He lives in Gloucestershire with his partner, their two children and a dog called Luna.



Bloomsbury  
On Sale: Feb 7/23  
9.33 x 11.81 • 32 pages  
9781547610976 • \$23.99 • CL - With dust jacket  
Juvenile Fiction / Social / Emotions & Feelings • Ages  
3-6 years  
Series: Big Bright Feelings

## Notes

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B L O O M S B U R Y

## Princess of the Wild Sea

by Megan Frazer Blakemore

**In a fresh, feminist retelling of "Sleeping Beauty" Megan Blakemore creates a rich fantasy world where the hero we've been waiting for is a young girl who takes control of her own destiny.**

**A curse will fall . . .**

**A hero will rise . . .**

Princess Harbor Rose is cursed. Since the day of her christening, she's lived her whole life hidden on a remote island with her magical aunts and the eccentric islandfolk. And now it is only one year until thirteenth birthday, when a hero will finally arrive to save her.

But as with any story, there are two sides . . . and the curse told of much more than a single princess's fate. It told of a dangerous foe rooted in powerful magic that would soon approach. It told of a dangerous war that could destroy everything if a young hero didn't arrive in time. It told of a magic imbued with hope that could save everyone, as long as they believe. With her beloved kingdom and island at grave risk, Harbor Rose has a choice: should she wait for the hero, or take matters into her own hands?

### Author Bio

**Megan Frazer Blakemore** is the author of *The Story Web*, *The Daybreak Bond*, *The Firefly Code*, *The Friendship Riddle*, *The Spy Catchers of Maple Hill*, and *The Water Castle*, which was a *Kirkus Reviews* Best Book of the Year, a Bank Street Best Book of the Year, and a New York Public Library Best Book for Reading and Sharing. She is also the author of the young adult novels *Good and Gone* and *Very in Pieces*, as well as the Frankie Sparks, Third-Grade Inventor chapter book series. A former school librarian, Megan lives in Maine with her family. [www.meganfrazerblakemore.com](http://www.meganfrazerblakemore.com)

Bloomsbury

On Sale: Jan 24/23

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**9781547609567** • \$22.99 • CL - With dust jacket

Juvenile Fiction / Science Fiction, Fantasy, Magic •

Ages 8-11 years

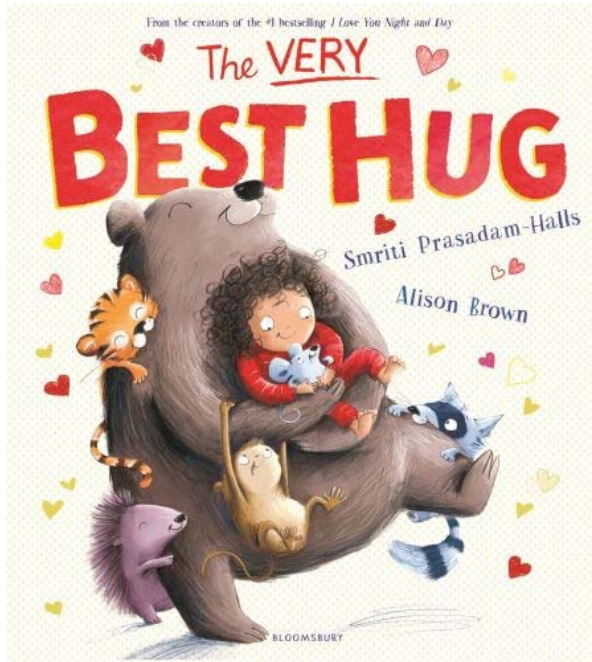
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## The Very Best Hug

by Smriti Prasad-Halls, illustrated by Alison Brown

A delightful picture book about the power of hugs, from the mega-bestselling creators of *You Make Me Happy* and *I'll Never Let You Go*.

*Have you ever wondered who gives the very BEST hug?  
The kind that's warm and cozy and snug?  
Extra squeezezy, but never too tight,  
the kind that fits you COMPLETELY right?*

From bear hugs to koala cuddles, hippo huddles to walrus wiggles, penguin pecks to porcupine prickles, there are a LOT of hugs to choose from.

But the perfect hug may not be far-in fact, it might be right where you are! Who gives the best hugs? Have you guessed? It's the ones at home, who love you the best!

Full of silly and snuggly animal cuddles, this irresistible story from the bestselling creators Smriti Prasad-Halls and Alison Brown is perfect for sharing and reading aloud.

## Author Bio

Smriti Prasad-Halls has been a children's writer and editor for more than ten years and has written several children's books, including the bestselling *Jingle Jangle Jungle*, illustrated by Axel Scheffler. Smriti lives in Richmond-upon-Thames.

Bloomsbury

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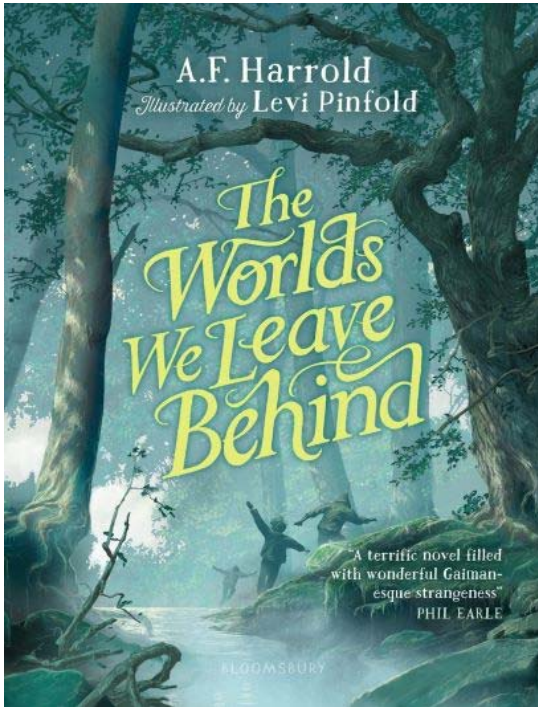
9781547612369 • \$24.99 • CL - With dust jacket

Juvenile Fiction / Animals / General • Ages 0-5 years

## Notes

## Promotion





Bloomsbury  
On Sale: Feb 21/23  
5.08 x 7.79 • 256 pages  
**9781547610952** • \$23.99 • CL - With dust jacket  
Juvenile Fiction / Social / Friendship • Ages 8-12 years

## Notes

## Promotion

BLOOMSBURY

## The Worlds We Leave Behind

by A.F. Harrold, illustrated by Levi Pinfold

**From acclaimed author and illustrator pair A.F. Harrold and Levi Pinfold comes another powerful and poignant story about friendship, betrayal, and redemption.**

Hex doesn't know why he does the things he does-why he sometimes stands up in class to look out the window or ask an unrelated question or do a little dance. He also doesn't know why he threw the rock that day in the woods. He didn't *mean* for the girl to fall and break her arm. But he's blamed anyway.

Enraged at how unfair life is, Hex runs into the woods and finds himself in a strange clearing-a clearing that can't possibly exist-where a strange old woman offers him a deal: she'll rid the world of those who wronged him. All he has to do is accept and they'll be forgotten, forever. But what Hex doesn't know is that someone else has been offered the same deal.

When Hex's best friend Tommo wakes up the next day, something feels wrong. Half-whispered memories tug at his brain, making him think that something-or someone-is missing from his life. Can Tommo put the world back the way it was? Or can he find a way to make a new world that could be better for them all?

This unforgettable story, complete with lush black-and-white illustrations throughout, explores how we can find the strength to face down monsters: in the darkness, in our (...)

## Author Bio

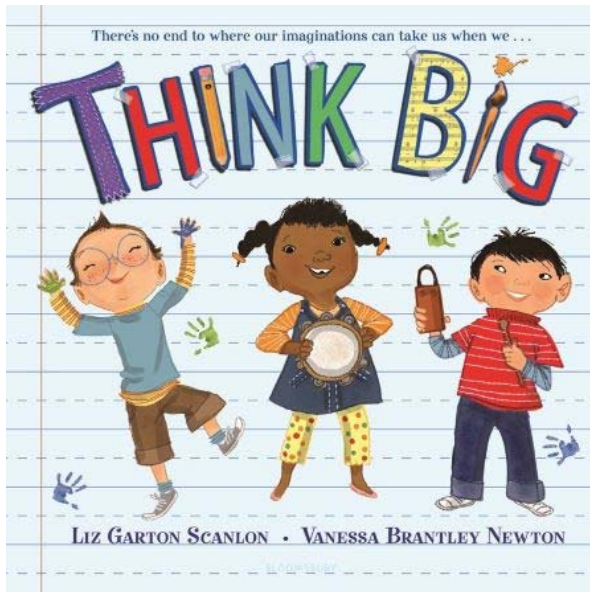
A.F. Harrold is an English poet (1975 - present). He writes and performs for adults and children, in cabaret and in schools, in bars and in basements, in fields and indoors. He was Glastonbury Festival Website's Poet-In-Residence in 2008, and Poet-In-Residence at Cheltenham Literature Festival in 2010. He won the Cheltenham All Stars Slam Championship in 2007 and has had his work on BBC Radio 4, Radio 3 and BBC7. He is active in schools work, running workshops and slams and doing performances at ungodly hours of the morning, and has published several collections of poetry. He is the owner of many books, a handful of hats, a few good ideas and one beard.

Levi Pinfold has been drawing from imagination for as long as he can remember. His published picture books are *The Django*, *Black Dog* and *Greenling*. *Black Dog* won the prestigious CILIP Kate Greenaway Medal in 2013. Born in the Forest of Dean, he has somehow found himself living in northern NSW, Australia. He likes paintings, books, music, and some cats.



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B L O O M S B U R Y

## Think Big

by Liz Garton Scanlon, illustrated by Vanessa Newton

There's no end to where our imagination can take us when we *Think Big!* Now in a new paperback edition, a bold and evocative picture book about the power of art and creativity, in all its forms.

*Big breath, Brave heart.  
Ready, set. . . Make art!*

Each of us has an artistic spirit waiting to be discovered! Young readers will be swept along into fun with this crew of creative kids - drawing, dancing, cooking, singing, spinning, sewing, performing - busy MAKING!

In *Think Big!*, it's clear that art is so much more than easels and paintbrushes. This delightful picture book follows a classroom of exuberant young kids as they explore art and the power of creativity in its most varied forms - there's no end to where their imaginations can take them!

This warm, thoughtful, and - of course - *creative* picture book written by Liz Garton Scanlon (author of *All the World*) features lilting poetic text paired perfectly with the playful art of Vanessa Brantley Newton. Young readers will want to jump right into the pages to find their own art.

## Author Bio

**LIZ GARTON SCANLON** is the author of the highly acclaimed, *New York Times* bestselling picture book *All the World*, illustrated by Marla Frazee, which was awarded a Caldecott Honor and received multiple starred reviews. Her other books include *A Sock is a Pocket for Your Toes*, illustrated by Robin Preiss Glasser, and *Noodle & Lou*, illustrated by Arthur Howard. [lizgartonscanlon.com](http://lizgartonscanlon.com) **VANESSA BRANTLEY NEWTON** is living her dream as an artist, after attending both the Fashion Institute of Technology and the School of Visual Arts. Vanessa wrote and illustrated *Let Freedom Sing* and *Don't Let Auntie Mable Bless the Table*. She is the illustrator of *Magic Trash*, *Presenting. . . Tallulah* by Tori Spelling, and *One Love*, based on the song by Bob Marley. <http://oohlaladesignstudio.blogspot.com/>

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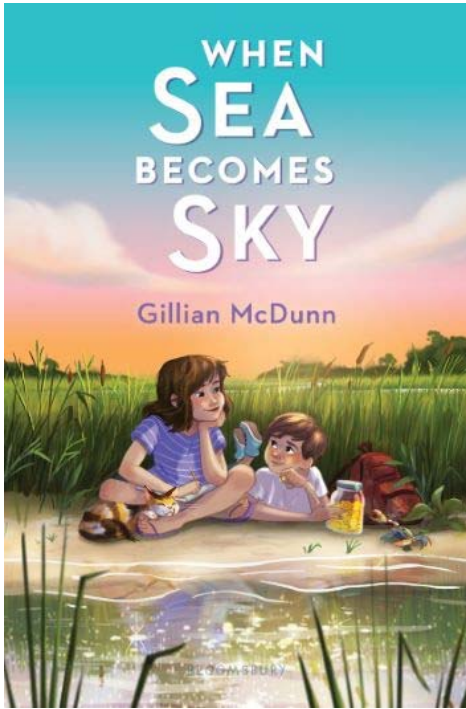
Juvenile Fiction / Imagination & Play • Ages 3-6 years

## Notes

## Promotion







B L O O M S B U R Y

## When Sea Becomes Sky

by Gillian McDunn

**In this heartfelt summer story, acclaimed author Gillian McDunn paints a stunning portrait of the bond of siblings and the love we'll always carry with us.**

Bex and Davey's summer in the saltmarsh is different this year, thanks to the record-breaking drought. Even the fish seem listless - and each day the water level lowers farther. When they discover a mysterious underwater statue, they're thrilled at the chance to solve the puzzle of its origin. This is the summer adventure they've been waiting for.

When they learn of a development plan that will destroy their special spot, they'll need to act quickly. Unfortunately, sometimes progress happens whether you're ready or not. What will it mean if Bex and Davey lose their corner of the marsh where otters frolic and dragonflies buzz - their favorite place to be siblings together?

As Bex and Davey attempt to save the statue and their beloved marsh, they come to see that the truth is not as simple as it seems . . . ultimately discovering so much more about life, permanence, love, and loss than they ever expected.

Award-winning author Gillian McDunn crafts a gorgeous story of love and siblinghood, of secret statues and island life, of holding on and letting go.

### Author Bio

**Gillian McDunn** is the author of *Honestly Elliott*, *These Unlucky Stars*, *The Queen Bee and Me*, and *Caterpillar Summer*, which received two starred reviews, and was selected for the Texas Bluebonnet Award Master List, and *Kirkus* and *Parents* magazine Best Books of the Year lists. When she isn't reading or writing, she is probably baking gluten-free treats, traveling, or spending time with her family. She lives near Raleigh, North Carolina, with her husband and children, and a very silly dog named Friday.

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Bloomsbury

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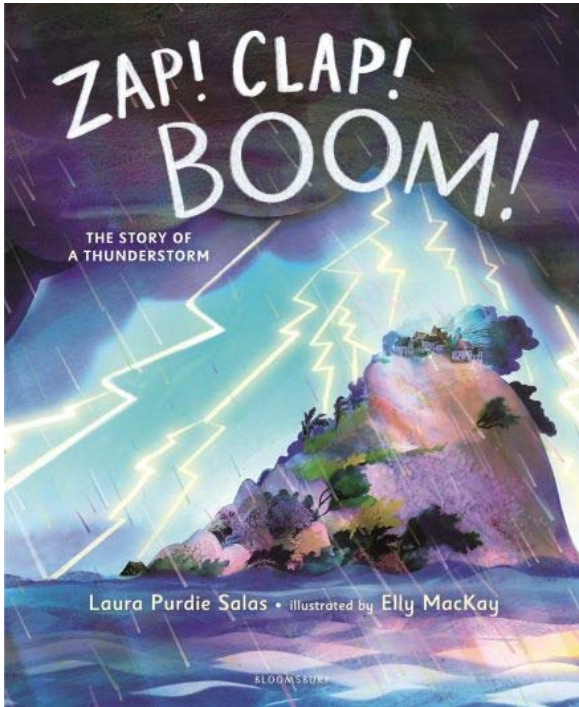
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Juvenile Fiction / Family / Siblings • Ages 8-11 years

### Notes

### Promotion





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On Sale: Mar 28/23

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9781547602254 • \$24.99 • CL - With dust jacket  
Juvenile Nonfiction / Nature / Weather • Ages 3-6  
years

### Notes

### Promotion

B L O O M S B U R Y

### Zap! Clap! Boom!

The Story of a Thunderstorm

by Laura Purdie Salas, illustrated by Elly MacKay

Explore the life cycle of a thunderstorm in this informative and engaging picture book.

*Morning's calm. Outside is still. A blue-forever day until . . .*

The real beginning of a thunderstorm happens long before the first raindrop falls.

*No rain yet. It's just a threat -  
a rising cloud, a towering plume, then . . .*

Follow along as the weather changes, from a blue-sky day to a brewing storm, from a brewing storm to a dazzling downpour, and from a dazzling downpour to the breathtaking moment when the sky emits a -

### ZAP! CLAP! BOOM!

Laura Purdie Salas's dynamic text and Elly MacKay's vibrant art offer the perfect introduction to the science of weather and the forces that work together to create a storm. The next time nature puts on a dramatic thunder and lightning show, readers will be ready to find a cozy spot near a window and watch the storm unfold.

An author's note delves deeper into the science of thunderstorms.

### Author Bio

Former teacher **Laura Purdie Salas** is the author of more than 130 books for kids, including *Lion of the Sky*, *We Belong*, *Water Can Be . . .*, and *BookSpeak!* Laura grew up in Florida, but she has lived in Minnesota all her adult life. She loves thunderstorms, snowstorms, and brainstorming. She's also a big fan of game nights, donuts, and getting up early in the morning.



B L O O M S B U R Y

## Afterglow

by Phil Stamper

After a summer of life-changing, these four friends are finally ready for senior year.

**Gabriel** is thrilled to create his school's first LGBTQ+ advocacy group, but his long-distance relationship is fading from summer love to something else. . .

**Heath** feels secure for the first time in years, but with his future riding on a baseball scholarship each pitch triggers his anxiety. . .

**Reese** is set on pursuing a career in fashion design, but his creativity takes him in an unexpected direction, he isn't yet ready to share. . .

**Sal** wants to be in politics, specifically *local* politics. After a chat with his aunt, he is ready for an unlikely path. . .

As graduation nears and the boys prepare to enter the real world, it's clear their friendship will never be the same. Can they find a way to stay connected *and* pursue their dreams?

## Author Bio

**Phil Stamper** is the author of *Golden Boys*, *The Gravity of Us* and *As Far as You'll Take Me*. He grew up in a rural village near Dayton, Ohio. He has a B.A. in Music and an M.A. in Publishing with Creative Writing. And, unsurprisingly, a lot of student debt. He works for a major book publisher in New York City and lives in New York with his husband and their dog.

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YA Fic / Romance / Lgbt • Ages 13 years and up

Series: Golden Boys

## Notes

## Promotion



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B L O O M S B U R Y

## Brighter Than the Moon

by David Valdes

**From the author of *Spin Me Right Round*, a fresh, modern story about learning how to love - starting with yourself - as three teens who know each other online meet up and find themselves questioning everything.**

Shy foster kid **Jonas** and self-assured vlogger **Shani** met online, and so far, that's where their relationship has stayed, sharing memes and baring their souls from behind their screens. Shani is eager to finally meet up, but Jonas isn't so sure - he's not confident Shani will like the real him . . . if he's even sure who that is.

Jonas knows he's trapped himself in a lie with Shani - and wants to dig himself out. But Shani, who's been burned before, may not give him a chance: she talks her best friend **Ash** into playing spy and finding out the truth. When Ash falls for Jonas, too, he keeps that news from Shani, and soon they're all keeping secrets. Will it matter that their hearts are in the right place? Coming clean will require them to figure out who they really are, which is no easy task when all the pieces of your identity go beyond easy boxes and labels.

Lauded writer David Valdes offers a heartfelt, clever, and thought-provoking story about how we figure out who we want to be - online and IRL - for fans of David Levithan and Adam Silvera.

### Author Bio

**David Valdes** is the author of *Spin Me Right Round*, a New York Public Library Best Book for Teens, and the nonfiction books *Homo Domesticus*, *The Rhinestone Sisterhood*, and *Today Show* pick *A Little Fruitcake*, as well as a dozen produced plays. A former *Boston Globe* columnist and Huffington Post blogger whose posts have received over a million hits, he currently writes an advice column for Medium, and was recently featured in the *New York Times*'s Modern Love column. He also teaches writing at Boston Conservatory and Tufts. David lives in the Boston area with his daughter.

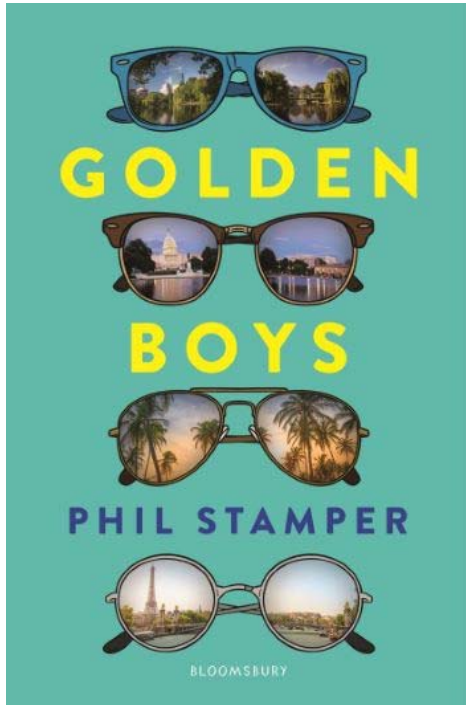
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YA Fic / Romance / Lgbt • Ages 12 years and up

### Notes

### Promotion





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5.51 x 8.25 • 352 pages

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YA Fic / Social Themes / Friendship • Ages 13 years and up

Series: Golden Boys

## Notes

## Promotion

BLOOMSBURY

## Golden Boys

by Phil Stamper

**National bestselling author Phil Stamper crafts the perfect summer friendship story, starring four queer boys with big hearts and even bigger dreams.**

It's the summer before senior year. Gabriel, Reese, Sal, and Heath are best friends, bonded in their small, rural town by their queerness, their good grades, and their big dreams. But they have plans for the summer, each about to embark on a new adventure.

Gabriel is volunteering at an environmental nonprofit in Boston.

Reese is attending design school in Paris.

Sal is interning on Capitol Hill for a senator.

Heath is heading to Florida, to help out at his aunt's boardwalk arcade.

What will this season of world-expanding travel and life-changing experiences mean for each of them - and for their friendship?

Phil Stamper treats readers to an emotionally resonant summer story, full of aspirational experiences, sweet romance, and joyously affirming friendship.

A joyful and hopeful story about first love and those magical summers where you start to find yourself. The four best friends of Phil Stamper's *Golden Boys* form the best kind of found family, and spending time with them is an absolute delight from start to finish." - *Julie Buxbaum, New York Times bestselling author of TELL ME THREE (...)*

## Author Bio

**Phil Stamper** is the bestselling author of *The Gravity of Us* and *As Far As You'll Take Me*. His stories are packed with queer joy, and his characters are often too ambitious for their own good. Born and raised in a rural village near Dayton, Ohio, he now lives outside New York City with his husband and their dog. *Golden Boys* is the first in a duology.

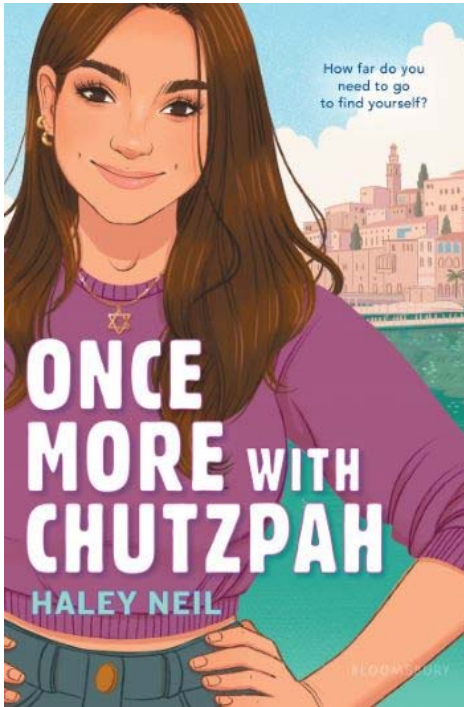
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YA Fic / Family / Siblings • Ages 12 years and up

### Notes

### Promotion

B L O O M S B U R Y

### Once More with Chutzpah by Haley Neil

**A moving YA debut about a girl who grapples with questions of her Jewish identity, mental health struggles, and sexuality while on a temple exchange trip through Israel.**

When high school senior Tally and her twin brother Max head off on an exchange trip to Israel over their winter break, Tally thinks it will be a good distraction for Max; he might be trying to hide it, but she knows he's still struggling in the wake of a car crash that injured him and killed the driver. Maybe this will help him get back on track and apply to college the way he and Tally always planned.

But as the group travels across the country, Tally realizes her plan might not be working, and that her brother might not be the only one with a lot on his mind. When a new relationship gets complicated in the face of her own anxiety-about her future, her sexual and romantic identity, and her place within the Jewish diaspora-Tally must grapple not only with the past, but also with what life will be like when they get back home.

Debut author Haley Neil offers a relatable and deeply felt story about identity on the cusp of adulthood.

### Author Bio

**Haley Neil** is a recent MFA grad from The New School, where she specialized in Writing for Children and Young Adults. She previously obtained her Masters in Education while working full time as a preschool teacher. She loves school, teaching, and going to school to learn about teaching (as well as walking her rescue pup through her Massachusetts town and pretending she's on a home baking show). This is her first book.

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B L O O M S B U R Y

## Planning Perfect

by Haley Neil

**In this charming, heartfelt YA romcom about being on the asexual spectrum, a girl tries to craft the perfect wedding for her mother but discovers that sometimes the best parts of life can't be planned.**

Felicity Becker loves watching an event come together. Whether it's prom, graduation, or just the annual Arbor Day school dance, there's something magical about crafting an experience that people will remember. So when her mom gets engaged, Felicity sees the wedding as the perfect opportunity to show off her skills.

After Felicity's long-distance friend Nancy offers up her family's apple orchard as a venue, wedding planning gets even better. But the more time Felicity and Nancy spend together dress shopping and hunting for just-right mismatched china, the more it starts to seem like there might be something besides friendship between them. Felicity isn't sure how she feels. As someone on the asexuality spectrum, what would dating even *look* like for her? And would Nancy be open to dating when Felicity doesn't even know what she wants from a relationship?

Suddenly the summer is a *lot* more complicated. Especially when Felicity finds out that one of the wedding guests is an event planner with a prestigious internship available. Can Felicity wrangle her irresponsible mom, juggle her judgmental grandmother, figure out her feelings for Nancy, *and* plan the perfect wedding? Or will all of her plans come crashing down around her?

## Author Bio

**Haley Neil** is the author of *Once More With Chutzpah* and *Planning Perfect*, and a recent MFA grad from The New School, where she specialized in Writing for Children and Young Adults. She previously obtained her Masters in Education while working full time as a preschool teacher. She loves school, teaching, and going to school to learn about teaching (as well as walking her rescue pup through her Massachusetts town and working at her local library).  
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YA Fic / Social Themes / Dating & Sex • Ages 12  
years and up

## Notes

## Promotion



B L O O M S B U R Y

## **She Is a Haunting** by Trang Thanh Tran

*This house eats and is eaten . . .*

**A riveting debut from a remarkable new voice! Trang Thanh Tran weaves an impressive gothic mystery in which Jade's father is determined to restore a decrepit home to its former glory and Jade is the only person who feels the soul-crushing devastation of colonialism lingering within its walls." - Angeline Boulley, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Firekeeper's Daughter***

**A House with a terrifying appetite haunts a broken family in this atmospheric horror, perfect for fans of *Mexican Gothic* .**

When Jade Nguyen arrives in Vietnam for a visit with her estranged father, she has one goal: survive five weeks pretending to be a happy family in the French colonial house Ba is restoring. She's always lied to fit in, so if she's straight enough, Vietnamese enough, American enough, she can get out with the college money he promised.

But the house has other plans. Night after night, Jade wakes up paralyzed. The walls exude a thrumming sound while bugs leave their legs and feelers in places they don't belong. She finds curious traces of her ancestors in the gardens they once tended. And at night Jade can't ignore the ghost of the beautiful bride who leaves cryptic warnings: Don't eat.

Neither Ba nor her sweet sister Lily believe that there is anything strange happening. With help from a delinquent girl, Jade will prove this house - the home they have always wanted - will not rest until it destroys them. Maybe, this time, she can keep her family together. As she roots out the house's rot, she must also face the truth of who she is and who she must become to save them all

### **Author Bio**

Trang Thanh Tran grew up in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in a big family of Vietnamese refugees. They enjoy writing speculative stories about food, belonging, and the diaspora. Their favorite snack is iced coffee and a buttermilk biscuit, making the South the perfect home. SHE IS A HAUNTING is their debut novel.

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YA Fic / Horror • Ages 13 years and up

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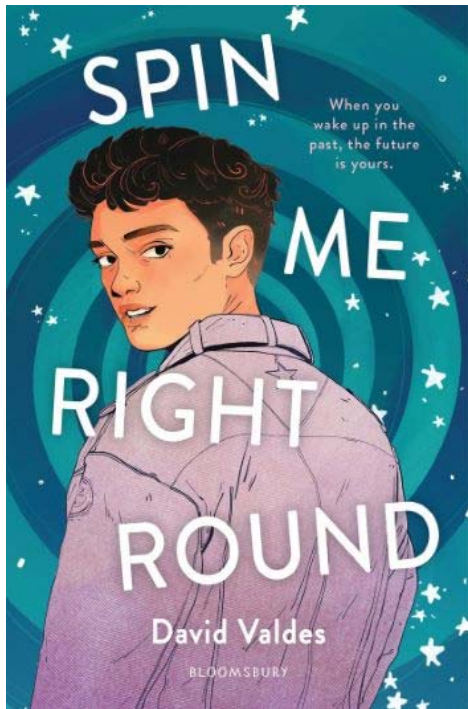
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YA Fic / Lgbt • Ages 12 years and up

## Notes

## Promotion

BLOOMSBURY

## Spin Me Right Round

by David Valdes

**From lauded writer David Valdes, a sharp and funny YA novel that's *Back to the Future* with a twist, as a gay teen travels back to his parents' era to save a closeted classmate's life.**

All Luis Gonzalez wants is to go to prom with his boyfriend, something his "progressive" school still doesn't allow. Not after what happened with Chaz Wilson. But that was ages ago, when Luis's parents were in high school; it would never happen today, right? He's determined to find a way to give his LGBTQ friends the respect they deserve (while also not risking his chance to be prom king, just saying. . . ).

When a hit on the head knocks him back in time to 1985 and he meets the doomed young Chaz himself, Luis concocts a new plan—he's going to give this guy his first real kiss. Though it turns out a conservative school in the '80s isn't the safest place to be a gay kid. Especially with homophobes running the campus, including Gordo (aka Luis's estranged father). Luis is in over his head, trying not to make things worse—and hoping he makes it back to present day at all.

In a story that's fresh, intersectional, and wickedly funny, David Valdes introduces a big-mouthed, big-hearted queer character that readers won't soon forget.

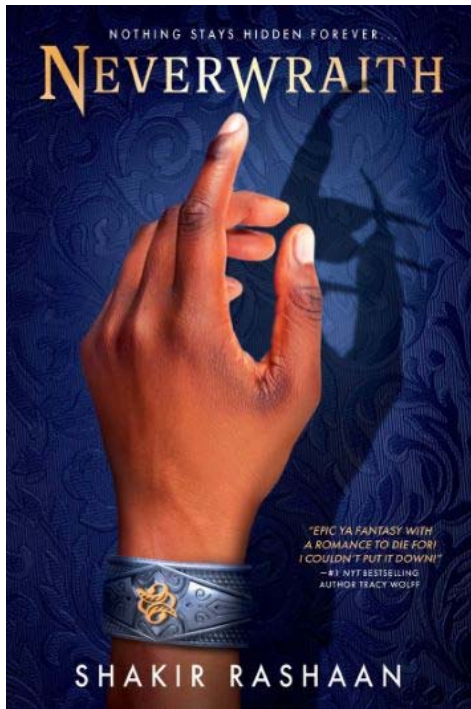
"An absolute blast. I loved it, and I couldn't put it down." - *Bill Konigsberg, award-winning author of The Music (...)*

## Author Bio

**David Valdes** is the author of the nonfiction books *Homo Domesticus*, *The Rhinestone Sisterhood*, and *Today Showpick A Little Fruitcake*, as well as a dozen produced plays. A former *Boston Globe* columnist and Huffington Post blogger whose posts have received over a million hits, he also wrote an advice column for Medium, and was recently featured in the *New York Times*'s Modern Love column. He teaches writing at Boston Conservatory and Tufts. David lives in the Boston area with his teen daughter.

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### Neverwraith

by Shakir Rashaan

Nothing stays hidden for long in this fast-paced, inventive new paranormal series that imagines The Hulk in high school.

### Author Bio

Shakir Rashaan is the national bestselling author of over a dozen novels. He is currently creating The Netherwraith Series, an #ownvoices YA Paranormal Fantasy about a teenage descendant of an ancient metahuman bloodline who searches for the truth about the death of his parents and their connection to a centuries-old blood feud over sacred texts contained inside of his native Kindara, an island nation located near the West African Coast. . . all while navigating high school. ShakirRashaan.com.

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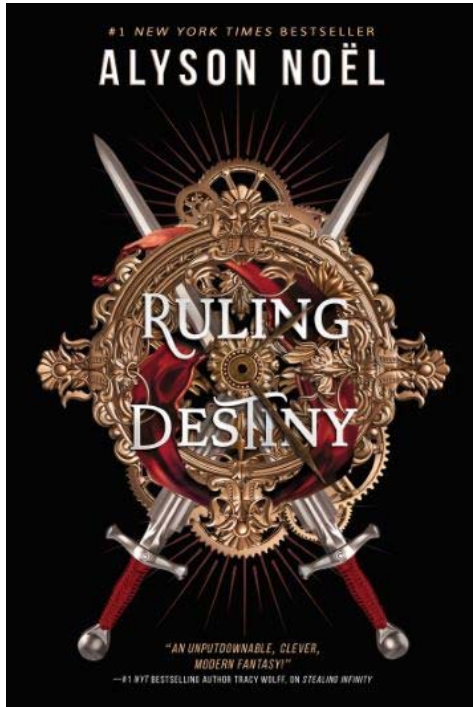
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## Ruling Destiny

by Alyson Noel

*The Da Vinci Code* meets *Riverdale*, set in a unique boarding school in the next installment in the Stealing Infinity series from #1 *New York Times* bestselling author Alyson Noel.

The Stealing Infinity series is best enjoyed in order.

Reading Order:

Book #1 Stealing Infinity

Book #2 Ruling Destiny

## Author Bio

**Alyson Noel** is the #1 New York Times bestselling, award-winning author of *Faking 19*, *Art Geeks and Prom Queens*, *Laguna Cove*, *Fly Me to the Moon*, *Kiss & Blog*, *Saving Zoe*, *Cruel Summer*, and the Immortals series including *Evermore*, *Blue Moon*, *Shadowland*, *Dark Flame*, and *Night Star*, as well as the Immortals spin-off series beginning with *Radiance*. With over 2 million copies in print in the US alone, her books have been published in 35 countries and have won awards including the National Reader's Choice Award, NYLA Book of Winter Award, NYPL Stuff for the Teenage, TeenReads Best Books of 2007, and Reviewer's Choice 2007 Top Ten, and have been chosen for the CBS Early Show's Give the Gift of Reading" segment, and selected for *Seventeen Magazine*'s "Hot List" and Beach Book Club Pick. She lives in Laguna Beach, California.

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5.38 x 8.25 • 496 pages

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YA Fic / Fantasy / General • Ages 14-18 years

Series: Stealing Infinity

## Notes

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## Spirit of the Slayer

by Sharina Harris

*Buffy the Vampire Slayer* meets *The Gilded Ones* in this new paranormal series from author Sharina Harris. She's born to fight monsters - but what about the one inside of her?

### Author Bio

Sharina Harris wrote her first book at twelve years old, and it only took twenty years to get a book published! Sharina writes women's fiction, contemporary romance, and young adult paranormal romance. Her contemporary romance series under the pen name, Rina Gray was named Book Riot's 100 Must-Read Romantic Comedies. When Sharina's not writing, she can be found with her head stuck in a book, rooting for her favorite NBA teams, and binging on K-Dramas and anime.

Sharina resides in Atlanta with her husband and son. You can learn more about Sharina by visiting her website, [sharinaharris.com](http://sharinaharris.com).

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5.38 x 8.25 • 400 pages

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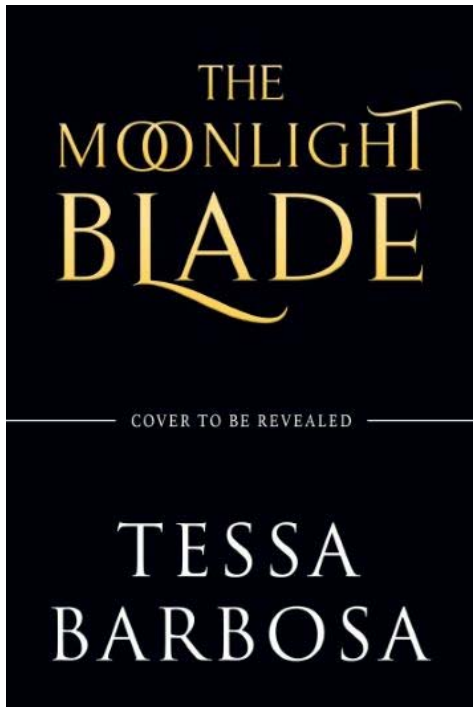
YA Fic / Paranormal, Occult & Supernatural • Ages 14

-18 years

### Notes

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## The Moonlight Blade

by Tessa Barbosa

An atmospheric, edge-of-your-seat fantasy from a debut Filipina-Canadian author that combines the grit of *The Witcher* with the voice of Rin Chupeco.

### Author Bio

Tessa Barbosa is a Filipina-Canadian author who writes fantasy novels by night, and software help by day. She studied computer science and the fine arts in university, but stories were her first love, and she's thrilled she gets to write them now. Tessa currently lives in Vancouver with her family and when she's not at the keyboard, you can find her reading, making messes in the kitchen, or sewing things. Find out more at [tessabarbosa.com](http://tessabarbosa.com)

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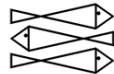
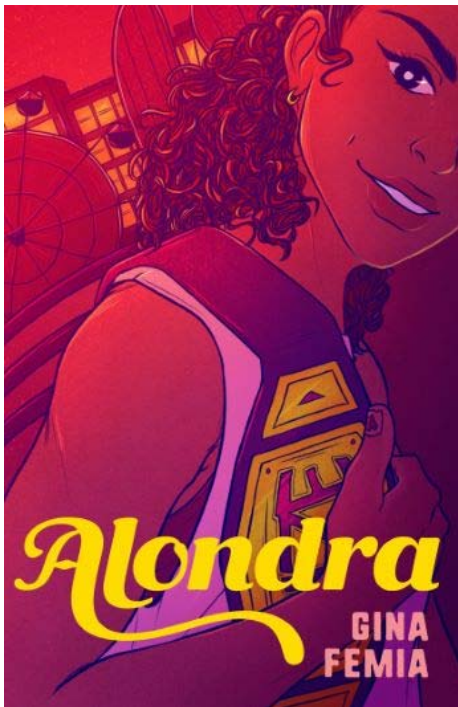
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YA Fic / Fantasy / General • Ages 14-18 years

### Notes

### Promotion





### **Alondra**

by Gina Femia

**A contemporary YA debut from award-winning playwright Gina Femia, *Alondra* is a coming-of-age story of friendship and romance, about a bisexual teen girl and her friends wrestling their way through the summer - sometimes on the playgrounds of Coney Island, sometimes with their feelings and at home.**

Sixteen-year-old Alondra *loves* professional wrestling. So when she meets a group of teens with aspirations of wrestling fame in her Coney Island neighborhood, she couldn't be happier. So as the ragtag team works to put on a show to remember, Alondra sheds her old self behind and becomes **Alondra** - the Fearless One. But with her conflicting feelings for King, the handsome leader of their group, and Lexi, the girl with the beautiful smile, Alondra has to ask herself: can she be as fearless outside of the ring as she is inside it?

### **Author Bio**

**Gina Femia** is a bisexual award-winning playwright and performer. She's written more than thirty plays that have been produced all over the country. She still lives in her hometown of Brooklyn, New York with her husband, Freddy. *Alondra* is her first novel. [femiagina.com](http://femiagina.com), **Twitter** [@HarryTheHoudini](https://twitter.com/HarryTheHoudini)

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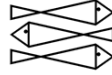
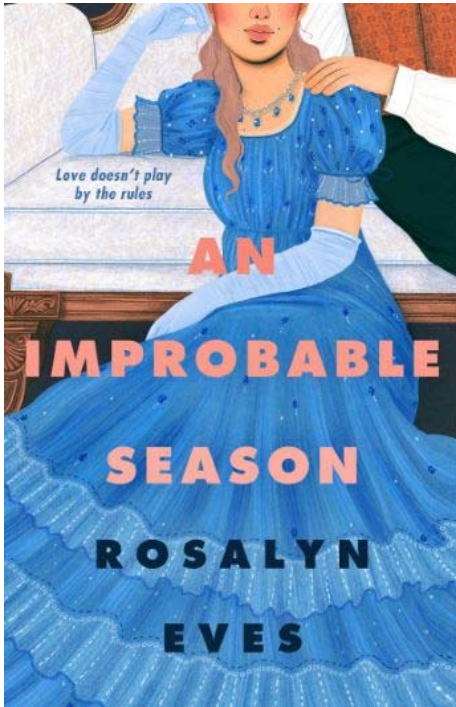
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YA Fic / Romance / Lgbt • Ages 14-18 years

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### **An Improbable Season**

by Rosalyn Eves

When Thalia, Kalliope, and Charis set off to Regency London for their first Season, they each have clear goals - few of which include matrimony. Thalia means to make her mark among the intelligentsia and publish her poetry, Charis hopes to earn her place among the scientific elite, and Kalliope aims to take the fashionable ton by storm. But this Season, it doesn't take long for things to fall apart. Kalli finds herself embroiled in scandal and reliant upon an arranged marriage to redeem her reputation, Thalia's dreams of publication are threatened by her attraction to a charming rake, and Charis finds herself an unexpected social hit - and the source of a family scandal that her heart might not survive. Can this roller-coaster Season find its happily ever after?

This is a voicy, swoony regency drama about falling in love - with another person, with new opportunities, and with yourself.

### **Author Bio**

**Rosalyn Eves** is the author of *Beyond the Mapped Stars* and the historical fantasy trilogy *Blood Rose Rebellion*. When she's not reading, writing, or teaching writing at Southern Utah University, she enjoys spending time with her chemistry-professor husband and their three children, watching British period pieces, and hiking. [rosalyneves.com](http://rosalyneves.com).

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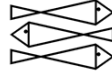
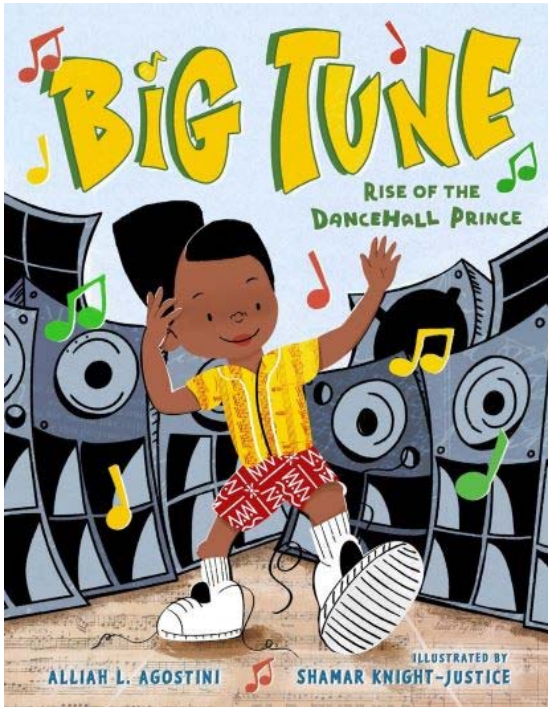
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YA Fic / Romance / Historical • Ages 14-18 years

### **Notes**

### **Promotion**





## Big Tune

Rise of the Dancehall Prince

by Alliah L. Agostini, illustrated by Shamar Knight-Justice

It's the weekend, first in June; speaker's blasting out big tune!  
Cousins, aunties, uncles, friends pack the house, and fun begins.

Shane is shy but loves to dance - and all year long, he's picked up cans to earn some money toward his goal: high-tops with a pump-up sole.

But then the speaker blows - it's done! Will this stop his family's fun?  
Can Shane come through to save the day and bring back Big Tune Saturday?

Set within a vibrant Caribbean American neighborhood and told to a rhythmic beat, *Big Tune* is a story of Black boy joy that touches on determination, confidence to express who you are, selflessness, and community gratitude.

## Author Bio

**Alliah L. Agostini** has an AB and MBA from Harvard and currently resides in New Jersey, where she enjoys impromptu dance parties and making up corny jokes with her husband and two children. *Big Tune* is her first fiction picture book. [alliahagostini.com](http://alliahagostini.com)

**Shamar Knight-Justice** is the principal of an elementary school in southwest Atlanta, where his scholars' stories and personalities inspire him to create illustrations that honor their identities. When not drawing, Shamar loves to spend time hoarding collage materials, going on long walks with his family, and devouring the nearest pancake. [shamarknightjustice.com](http://shamarknightjustice.com)

Farrar, Straus and Giroux

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8.5 x 11 • 40 pages

Full color illustrations

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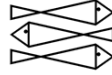
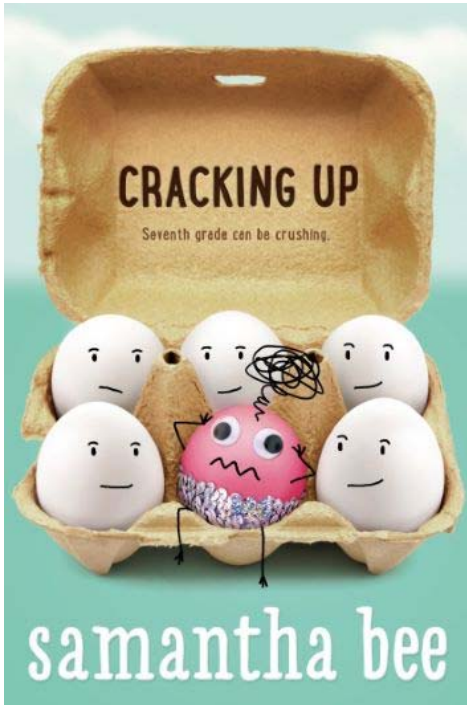
Juvenile Fiction / Performing Arts / Music • Ages 3-6 years

## Notes

## Promotion







## Cracking Up by Samantha Bee

Just as plucky 12-year-old Peanut Beardsley is getting used to her terrible new pixie haircut - which she's told makes her look just like David Bowie, whoever he is - as well as the daily humiliations of seventh grade, she is about to discover something shocking about her childhood in the most painfully public way possible. This launches a wildly personal drama in full view of all her classmates. Luckily, Peanut is equipped with a strong sense of humor to help her find a way to turn her crisis into a triumph.

*I Know I Am, But What Are You?:*

"A laugh-out-loud hilarious and unabashedly frank collection of personal essays." - *The Globe and Mail*

"An uproarious success." - *The Onion*

"Very funny." - *Kirkus Reviews*

"Lighthearted and hysterical." - *Publishers Weekly*

## Author Bio

Location: New York, New York

SAMANTHA BEE left Comedy Central's *The Daily Show* in 2015 after twelve years with the program. In November 2015, she launches *The Detour*, a ten-episode road-trip comedy created with her husband, Jason Jones, for TBS. And in January 2016 she launches *The Samantha Bee Show*, a late night comedy show, also on TBS. She is the author of the adult memoir *I Know I Am But What Are You?* and lives with her family in New York City.

Farrar, Straus and Giroux

On Sale: Jan 1/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 224 pages

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Juvenile Fiction / Humorous Stories • Ages 8-12 years

## Notes

### Promotion

Select Author Appearances

BEA and BookCon Appearances

Major National Media Campaign

National Consumer Advertising Campaign

Signed Bookplate Preorder Campaign

Extensive Digital Marketing & Social Media Campaign

Dedicated Landing Page at [CrackingUpBook.com](http://CrackingUpBook.com)

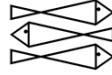
Middle Grade Blog Tour

School & Library Marketing Campaign



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## Dream Big, Laugh Often

And More Great Advice from the Bible

by Hanoch Piven and Shira Hecht-Koller, illustrated by Hanoch Piven

**This clever, informative, and artful picture book from Hanoch Piven and Shira Hecht-Koller imagines what advice 14 Biblical figures would have given.**

*Feel your power. Trust the journey. Change and grow.*

The Bible is full of stories that teach us to dream big, be curious, and be ourselves. And who better to learn these lessons from than Biblical characters themselves?

*Dream Big, Laugh Often: And More Great Advice from the Bible* contains portraits of 14 Biblical figures, brought to life with Hanoch Piven's joyful and clever art made from found objects, including Abraham and Sarah, Moses and Miriam, David and Deborah and more.

Read, learn, play, search, and find! You'll love studying each portrait and imagining what piece of advice each character from the Bible would offer.

## Author Bio

**Hanoch Piven** is an award-winning illustrator, educator and seasoned creative instigator whose work has been published in newspapers and magazines across the world, such as *Time*, *Newsweek*, *Rolling Stone*, *London Times*, *Der Spiegel* and Israel's *Haaretz*. He lives alternatively in Jaffa, Israel and Barcelona, Spain and is usually surrounded by many boxes filled with junk objects. [pivenworld.com](http://pivenworld.com)

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**Shira Hecht-Koller** is an educational entrepreneur, attorney, and writer, whose work has appeared in both scholarly and popular publications. She teaches and lectures widely on topics of creativity, family life, and Jewish texts and ideas. She lives in NYC with her adventurous clan and many books. [shirahechkoller.com](http://shirahechkoller.com)

Farrar, Straus and Giroux

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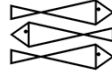
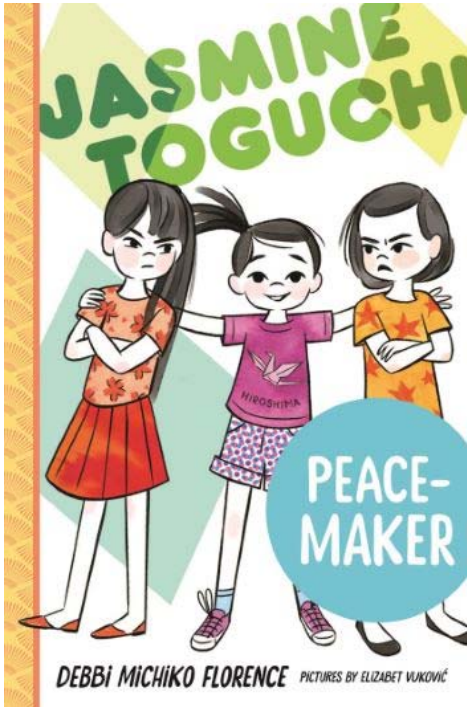
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Juvenile Nonfiction / Religion / Bible Stories / Old Testament • Ages 4-8 years

## Notes

## Promotion





## Jasmine Toguchi, Peace-Maker

by Debbi Michiko Florence, illustrated by Elizabet Vukovic

**With more than 150,000 copies sold, the award-winning Jasmine Toguchi chapter book series starring a spunky Japanese American heroine returns with four new standalone books set on a family vacation in Japan!**

Eight-year-old Jasmine and her family travel to Hiroshima to visit her grandma and cousin Akari. After finally building a good relationship with her older sister, Sophie, Jasmine couldn't be more excited to spend time together in Japan - and make a new friend in Akari. But Akari seems to only want to play with Sophie, and Jasmine's jealousy threatens to upend their visit. Can Jasmine befriend Akari and keep the peace?

With humor and warmth, Debbi Michiko Florence tells a relatable story of new experiences, family drama, and kindness at every corner. Paired with Elizabet Vukovic's playful illustrations, readers can't help but root for Jasmine as you explore Japan alongside her.

## Author Bio

**Debbi Michiko Florence** is a third-generation Japanese American and has many fond memories of sharing in her family's traditions while growing up in California and visiting her relatives in Japan. Debbi is also the author of novels and picture books, including *Niki Nakayama: A Chef's Tale in 13 Bites*. She now lives in Connecticut with her husband and their many animals (but no flamingo). **Elizabet Vukovic** received her BFA from the Academy of Art University in San Francisco, California. She specializes in children's book illustration but enjoys experimenting with character design, concept art, fashion illustration, and decorative art. She currently resides in Rotterdam, the Netherlands.

Farrar, Straus and Giroux

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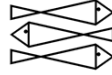
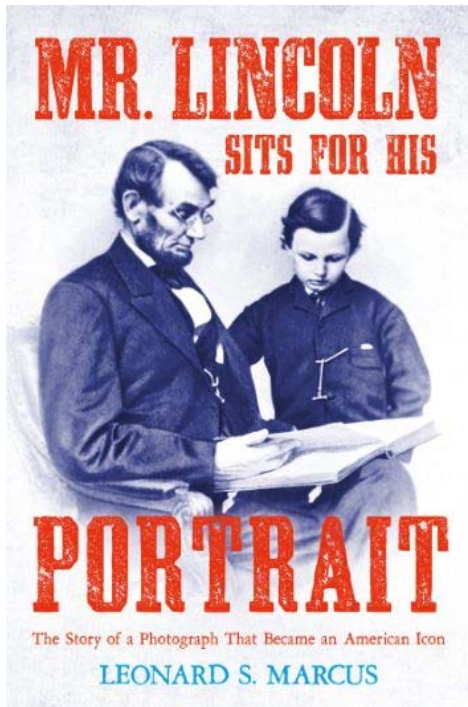
Juvenile Fiction / Readers / Chapter Books • Ages 6-9 years

Series: Jasmine Toguchi

## Notes

## Promotion





### Mr. Lincoln Sits for His Portrait

The Story of a Photograph That Became an American Icon  
by Leonard S. Marcus

**A unique middle-grade biography of America's sixteenth president, through the lens of one famous photograph.**

On February 9, 1864, Abraham Lincoln, accompanied by his ten-year-old son Tad, traveled to Mathew Brady's Washington, DC, studio. With a fractious re-election campaign looming that year, America's first media-savvy president was intent on securing another portrait that cast him in a favorable light, as he prepared to make the case for himself to a nation weary of war. In that studio, two iconic images were made. One was Lincoln in profile, the shot that later found its way onto the penny *and* was adapted for the five-dollar bill. The other was a dual portrait of Lincoln and Tad. The pose, featuring Lincoln reading to his son, was a last-minute improvisation, but the image that came of it was - and remains - incomparably tender and enduringly powerful.

From renowned author-historian Leonard S. Marcus, illustrated with archival photos and related material, *Mr. Lincoln Sits for His Portrait* is a disarmingly intimate record of a care-worn father's feeling for his child, and a timeless comment on books as a binding force between generations.

### Author Bio

**Leonard S. Marcus** is one of the world's leading writers about children's books and the people who create them. His own award-winning books include *Randolph Caldecott: The Man Who Could Not Stop Drawing*; *Listening for Madeleine: A Portrait of Madeleine L'Engle in Many Voices*; *Dear Genius: The Letters of Ursula Nordstrom*; *Minders of Make Believe*; and *The Annotated Phantom Tollbooth*. He lives in Brooklyn, New York.

Farrar, Straus and Giroux

On Sale: Jan 3/23

6 x 9 • 144 pages

b&w photos; 8-page color insert

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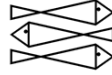
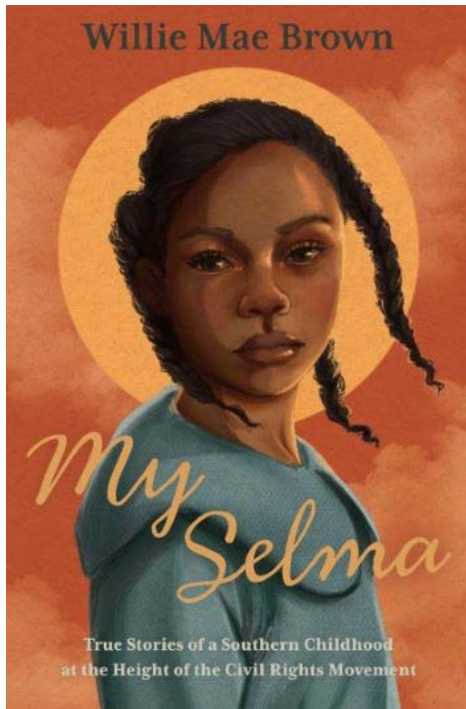
Juvenile Nonfiction / Biography & Autobiography /

Presidents & First Families (U.S.) • Ages 10-12 years

### Notes

### Promotion





### **My Selma**

True Stories of a Southern Childhood at the Height of the Civil Rights Movement

by Willie Mae Brown

***Combining family stories of the everyday and the extraordinary as seen through the eyes of her twelve-year-old self, Willie Mae Brown gives readers an unforgettable portrayal of her coming of age in a town at the crossroads of history.***

As the civil rights movement and the fight for voter rights unfold in Selma, Alabama, many things happen inside and outside the Brown family's home that do not have anything to do with the landmark 1965 march across the Edmund Pettus Bridge. Yet the famous outrages which unfold on that span form an inescapable backdrop in this collection of stories. In one, Willie Mae takes it upon herself to offer summer babysitting services to a glamorous single white mother - a secret she keeps from her parents that unravels with shocking results. In another, Willie Mae reluctantly joins her mother at a church rally, and is forever changed after hearing Martin Luther King Jr. deliver a defiant speech in spite of a court injunction.

Infused with the vernacular of her Southern upbringing, *My Selma* captures the voice and vision of a fascinating young person - perspicacious, impetuous, resourceful, and even mystical in her ways of seeing the world around her - who gifts us with a loving portrayal of her hometown while also delivering a no-holds-barred indictment of the time and place

### **Author Bio**

**Willie Mae Brown** left Alabama at the age of seventeen in 1970 to start a new life in Brooklyn, New York, where she worked for the New York Telephone Company until 2003. She began writing stories of her childhood in 2012. A powerful public speaker, she has read from her stories at numerous events including Martin Luther King Day celebrations at Brooklyn Borough Hall as well as at galleries, schools, and other venues across the city, in her home state, and beyond. *My Selma* is her first book.

Farrar, Straus and Giroux

On Sale: Jan 3/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 224 pages

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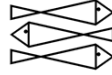
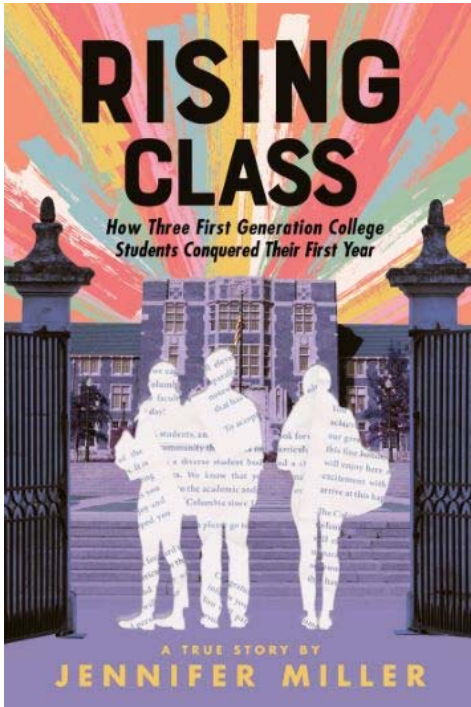
Juvenile Nonfiction / Biography & Autobiography /

Social Activists • Ages 10-14 years

### **Notes**

### **Promotion**





### Rising Class

How Three First-Generation College Students Conquered Their First Year

by Jennifer Miller

**This eye-opening YA narrative nonfiction follows three first-generation college students as they navigate their first year - and ultimately a global pandemic.**

Making it through the first year of college is tough. What makes it even tougher is being the first in your family to do so. Who can you turn to when you need advice?

*Rising Class* follows three first-generation freshmen, Briani, Conner, and Jacklynn, as they not only experience their first semester of college, but the COVID-19 pandemic that turned their Spring semester upside down. From life in the ivy league to classes at a community college, this nonfiction book follows these students' challenges, successes, and dreams as they tackle their first year of college and juggle responsibilities to their families back home.

Eye-opening and poignant, Jennifer Miller writes a narrative nonfiction story that speaks to new beginnings, coming of age, and perseverance.

### Author Bio

**Jennifer Miller** is an author and journalist. Her debut novel, *The Year of the Gadfly*, was called "entirely addictive" (*Glamour*) and a "darkly comic romp" (*The Washington Post*). She writes frequently for *The New York Times* and *The Washington Post Magazine*. She lives with her family in Brooklyn.

Farrar, Straus and Giroux

On Sale: Mar 28/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 352 pages

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YA NonFic / School & Education • Ages 12-18 years

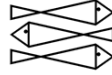
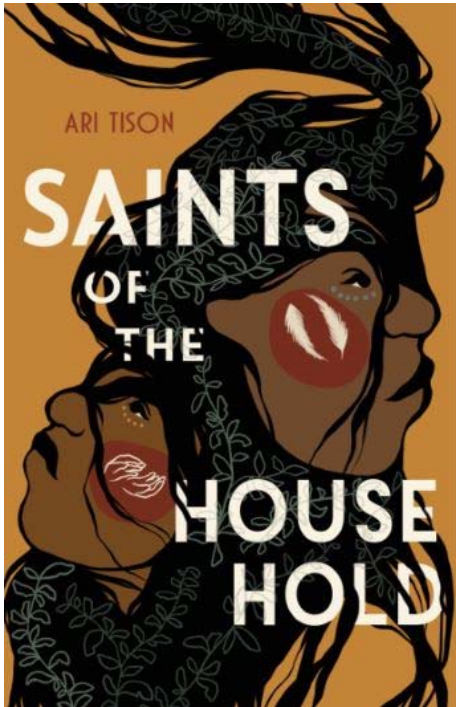
### Notes

### Promotion



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### Saints of the Household

by Ari Tison

***Saints of the Household* is a haunting contemporary YA about an act of violence in a small-town - beautifully told by a debut Indigenous Costa Rican-American writer - will take your breath away.**

Max and Jay have always depended on one another for their survival. Growing up with a physically abusive father, the two Bribri American brothers have learned that the only way to protect themselves and their mother is to stick to a schedule and keep their heads down.

But when they hear a classmate in trouble in the woods, instinct takes over and they intervene, breaking up a fight and beating their high school's star soccer player to a pulp. This act of violence threatens the brothers' dreams for the future and their beliefs about who they are. As the true details of that fateful afternoon unfold over the course of the novel, Max and Jay grapple with the weight of their actions, their shifting relationship as brothers, and the realization that they may be more like their father than they thought. They'll have to reach back to their Bribri roots to find their way forward.

Told in alternating points of view using vignettes and poems, debut author Ari Tison crafts an emotional, slow-burning drama about brotherhood, abuse, recovery, and doing the right thing

### Author Bio

**Ari Tison** is a Bribri (Indigenous Costa Rican) American and African descended poet and storyteller. Her poems and short works have been published in *Yellow Medicine Review*, *The Under Review*, *Rock & Sling*, and *POETRY*'s first ever edition for children. She was the winner of the 2018 Vaunda Micheaux Nelson award for a BIPOC writer with Lerner Publishing. She currently is the annual broadside editor for Minnesota Prison Writing Workshop where she gets to collaborate with the Minnesota Center for the Book Arts to bring incarcerated voices into the world. *Saints of the Household* is her debut novel.

Farrar, Straus and Giroux

On Sale: Jan 17/23

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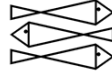
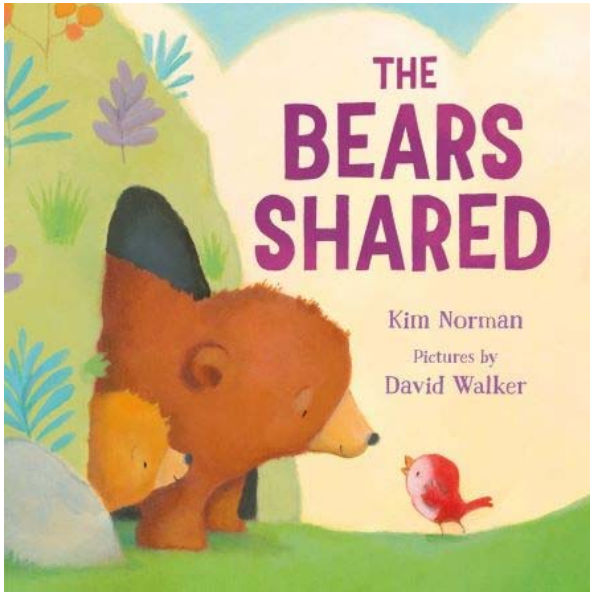
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YA Fic / People & Places / United States / Hispanic & Latino • Ages 14-18 years

### Notes

### Promotion





## The Bears Shared

by Kim Norman, illustrated by David Walker

This is the lair the bears shared.

This is the hair that came from the lair the bears shared.

This is the bird that borrowed the hair to build a nest in a tall, tall tree with branches that thrashed in thunder that crashed . . .

and the story of how animals find home and family among it all!

With rhythmic read-aloud text by Kim Norman and adorable artwork by David Walker, *The Bears Shared* is a great read-aloud for animal lovers, nature enthusiasts, and children and grown-ups with love to share.

## Author Bio

**Kim Norman** is the author of more than a dozen picture books, including *The Ghosts Went Floating*, *Come Next Season*, *Ten on the Sled*, and *The Boat That Scott Built*. Her books have been widely translated and have earned numerous starred reviews. She lives in Virginia. [kimnormanbooks.com](http://kimnormanbooks.com).

**David Walker** is the author and illustrator of *Here with Me* and the illustrator of the *If Animals Kissed Good Night* series, which has sold more than two million copies. He lives in Apex, North Carolina. [@davidwalkerstudios](https://twitter.com/davidwalkerstudios)

Farrar, Straus and Giroux

On Sale: Jan 31/23

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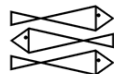
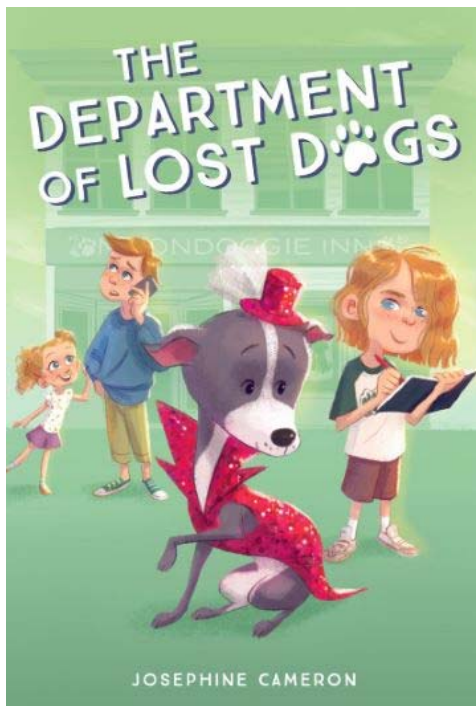
Juvenile Fiction / Concepts / Seasons • Ages 3-6 years

## Notes

## Promotion







### The Department of Lost Dogs

by Josephine Cameron

**When a celebrity dog goes missing, the McDades are the perfect kid detectives for the case.**

Eleven-year-old Rondo McDade is starting to feel left out. His older brother, Epic, is heading into high school, and his younger sister, Elvis, is always mad at him. His parents, who are busy running their dog-friendly bed and breakfast, the Perro del Mar, keep pushing him out of the house and into the company of the new kid in town hoping he'll keep Rondo out of trouble. To top it all off, the Bentley Knows TV show is filming a new episode at the Perro, and the whole town is packed with movie people.

And just when things couldn't get worse, celebrity canines start to go missing, including Carmelito's most beloved celebrity canine, Pico Boone. Rondo will have to make friends with the new kid in town and keep his siblings together in order to crack the case!

Set in the same world as *A Dog-Friendly Town*, Josephine Cameron delivers a standalone, middle-grade mystery chockfull of puppers in peril, Houdini-inspired whodunits, and a rollicking cast of characters.

### Author Bio

**Josephine Cameron** received her MFA in creative writing from the University of Notre Dame. She is the author *Maybe a Mermaid* and *A Dog-Friendly Town*. She lives in Maine, where she writes, sings, and teaches music to kids.

Farrar, Straus and Giroux

On Sale: Apr 11/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 384 pages

FM b+w illustrations

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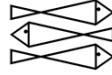
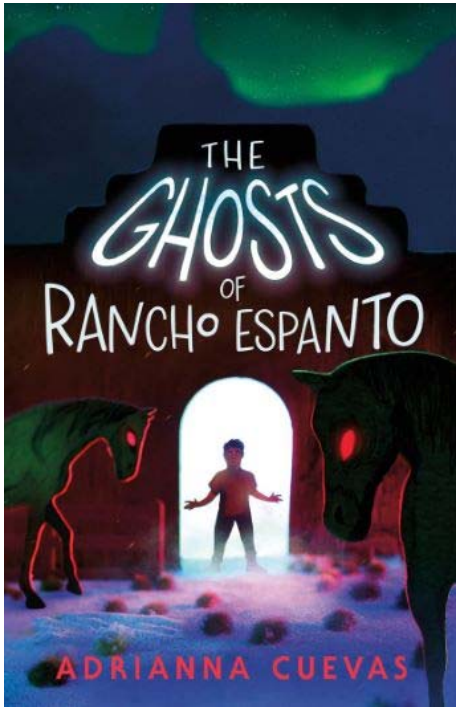
Juvenile Fiction / Mysteries & Detective Stories • Ages

8-12 years

### Notes

### Promotion





### The Ghosts of Rancho Espanto

by Adrianna Cuevas

A new middle grade novel from Adrianna Cuevas - author of the Pura Belpre Honor Book *The Total Eclipse of Nestor Lopez* - about a Cuban American boy who's sent to work on a ranch as punishment for a school prank gone wrong, where he's confronted with a mystery as inexplicable as it is familiar and discovers that uncovering secrets will lead to learning hard truths about himself.

Rafa would rather live in the world of *The Forgotten Age*, his favorite role-playing game, than face his father's increasing restrictions and his mother's fading presence. But when Rafa and his friends decide to take the game out into the real world and steal their school cafeteria's slushie machine, his dad concocts a punishment Rafa never could've imagined - a month working on a ranch in New Mexico, far away from his friends, their game, and his mom's quesitos in Miami.

Life at Rancho Espanto isn't as bad as Rafa initially expected, mostly due to Jennie, a new friend with similarly strong snack opinions, and Marcus, the veteran barn manager who's not as gruff as he appears. But when Rafa's work at the ranch is inexplicably sabotaged by a man who may not be what he seems, Rafa and Jennie explore what's behind the strange events at Rancho Espanto - and discover that the greatest mystery may have been with Rafa all along.

### Author Bio

**Adrianna Cuevas** is the author of 2021 Pura Belpre Honor Book *The Total Eclipse of Nestor Lopez* and *Cuba in My Pocket*. She is a first-generation Cuban American originally from Miami, Florida. After teaching Spanish and ESOL for sixteen years, she decided to pursue her passion for storytelling. Adrianna currently resides with her husband and son outside of Austin, Texas, where they enjoy hiking, traveling, and cooking lots of Cuban food.

[adriannacuevas.com](http://adriannacuevas.com), [@acuevaswrites](https://twitter.com/acuevaswrites)

Farrar, Straus and Giroux

On Sale: Apr 4/23

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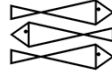
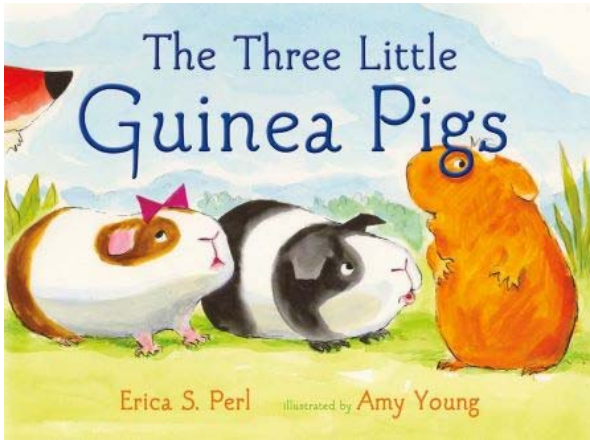
9780374390433 • \$22.99 • CL - With dust jacket

Juvenile Fiction / Paranormal • Ages 8-12 years

### Notes

### Promotion





## The Three Little Guinea Pigs

by Erica S. Perl, illustrated by Amy Young

A laugh-out-loud retelling of *The Three Little Pigs*, *The Three Little Guinea Pigs* is perfect for fans of fairytales and guinea pigs alike. This clever story by prolific children's book author Erica S. Perl and dynamic illustrator Amy Young makes a perfect read-aloud and includes nonfiction backmatter with additional fun facts about guinea pigs.

*Once upon a time there were three little pigs. . . three little guinea pigs!*

Their names were Rosie, Minty, and Pumpkin.  
They lived with their mama in a cozy little house.  
Then they bid her a fond farewell and set off on their own.  
So far, so good. . . .  
But what will they do if a hungry fox comes along?  
Will they go *wheek, wheek, wheek* all the way home?  
Or can they find a way to save their fluffy behinds?

## Author Bio

**Erica S. Perl** is the author of many popular and critically acclaimed books for young readers. Her picture books include *Chicken Butt!*, *Goatlocks and the Three Bears*, and *Ferocious Fluffity*. She is a crowd-pleasing presenter at schools, libraries, and community events. Erica honed her skills working as a trial lawyer in New York City, and, before that, studying theater and driving an ice cream truck. She lives in Washington, D.C. with her family, which includes dogs and guinea pigs. Visit her at [ericaperl.com](http://ericaperl.com). **Amy Young** was born in Boston, Massachusetts, and though she trained and practiced as a lawyer, she has always wanted to be an artist. She is the author and illustrator of several picture books including *A Unicorn Named Sparkle*, *A New Friend for Sparkle*, and *A Unicorn Named Sparkle's First Christmas*. She lives in Spring Lake, Michigan, with her husband.

Farrar, Straus and Giroux

On Sale: Feb 28/23

11 x 8 • 40 pages

Full color illustrations

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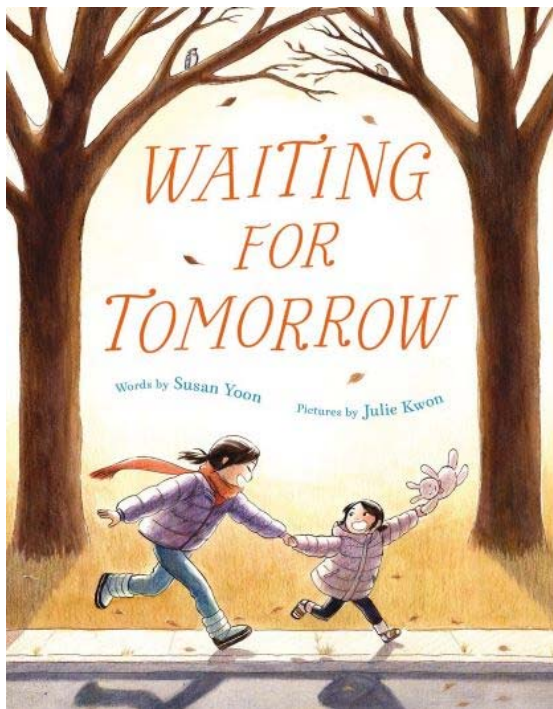
Juvenile Fiction / Animals / Mice, Hamsters, Etc. •

Ages 4-8 years

## Notes

## Promotion





## Waiting for Tomorrow

by Susan Yoon, illustrated by Julie Kwon

Appa is coming home tomorrow after a long time away, and sisters Haejin and Hanna want to make something very special to greet his return. They spend the day preparing their favorite treat - hotteok, a brown-sugar-filled Korean pancake. But when their batter is ruined, how will they make something special for tomorrow?

Julie Kwon's illustrations are full of sweetness with a dash of eye-winking mischief, perfectly illuminating Haejin and Hanna's everyday adventure. From warm hugs to sticky fingers, *Waiting for Tomorrow*'s debut author Susan Yoon's ode to the ordinary days that nourish the most special thing of all - family

## Author Bio

**Susan Yoon** writes picture books and novels from her home in Toronto, Canada. She draws inspiration from her Korean heritage, family, and friends. *Waiting for Tomorrow* is her first book.

**Julie Kwon** is an artist and illustrator based in Philadelphia. A graduate of the Brown/RISD Dual-Degree program, her work is heavily inspired by the many books and comics she read growing up, as well as her childhood memories of wandering in the woods of her hometown. Aside from illustrating several books, she has also worked in television animation.

Farrar, Straus and Giroux

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8.5 x 11 • 40 pages

Full color illustrations

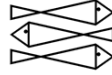
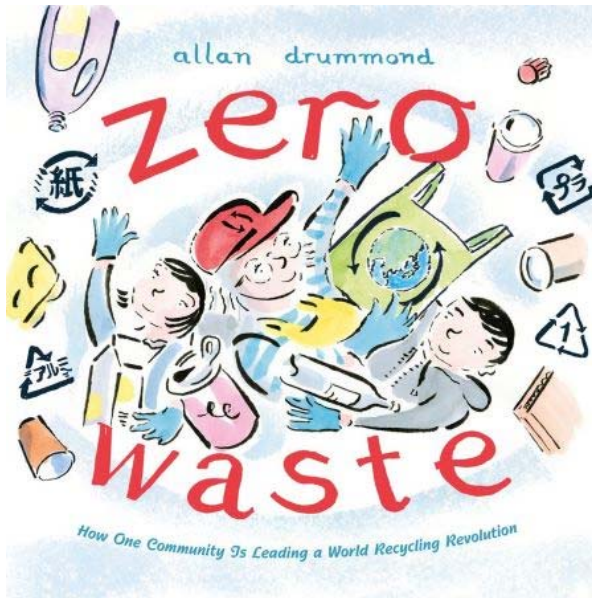
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Juvenile Fiction / Family / Siblings • Ages 4-8 years

## Notes

## Promotion





## Zero Waste

How One Community Is Leading a World Recycling Revolution  
by Allan Drummond

**In this fifth installment in Allan Drummond's picture book series about green living, a town in Japan takes a stand against its throwaway past and shows that it really does take a village to make sustainable change.**

Kamikatsu, Japan is known worldwide for its sanitation innovations. This small community of 1700 people is leading the way in recycling and up-cycling, and as of 2022, had nearly achieved its goal of zero waste. Told in Allan's hallmark narrative style, *Zero Waste* is the story of a group of citizens who dared to break out of their comfort zone and make radical change for the good of their town and the planet. Through the eyes of two children visiting their grandmother, this inspiring addition to the author's acclaimed Green Power series about everyday communities inventing exciting new approaches to green living shows that working together for a common cause has an impact that is lasting, meaningful - and fun!

## Author Bio

**Allan Drummond** is a former Chair of Illustration at the Savannah College of Art and Design. He is the creator of many picture books, including the widely acclaimed Green Power series. He studied at the Royal College of Art in London and currently lives in Suffolk, England.

Farrar, Straus and Giroux

On Sale: Mar 21/23

10 x 10 • 40 pages

Full color illustrations throughout

9780374388409 • \$26.99 • cl

Juvenile Nonfiction / Recycling & Green Living • Ages

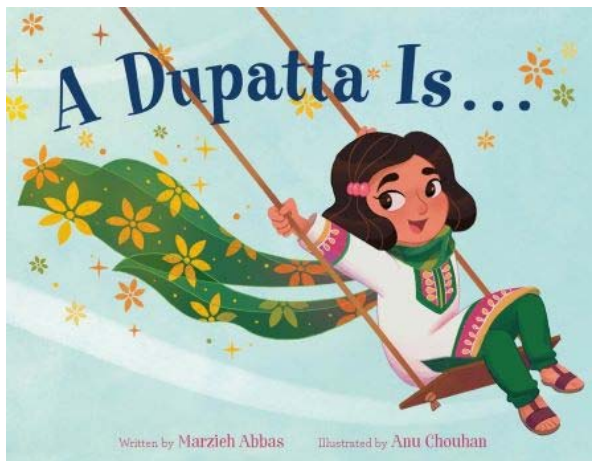
4-8 years

Series: Green Power

## Notes

## Promotion





## A Dupatta Is . . .

by Marzieh Abbas, illustrated by Anu Chouhan

*A Dupatta Is . . .*, written by Marzieh Abbas and vividly brought to life by the artwork of Anu Chouhan, is a loving and lyrical ode to the dupatta.

*A dupatta is so much more than a beautiful piece of fabric.*

*A dupatta is sound - swooshing and swashing like a superhero cape.*

*A dupatta is scent - cinnamon and cardamom, crushed coriander and peppermint oil.*

*A dupatta is fun - playing peekaboo and building cushion forts with dupatta canopies.*

Dupattas - shawls traditionally worn by women in various cultures of South Asia - are beautiful and colorful of course, but they're also fun, functional, and carry the sounds and smells of family and identity

## Author Bio

Raised between the bustling cities of Dubai, UAE and Karachi, Pakistan, **Marzieh Abbas** loves traveling, baking, reading and samosas. She is the author of *A Dupatta Is . . .*, a member of SCBWI, 12x12PB, and a life-long learner. She runs a kidlit review group on Facebook and blogs about her author journey and life in Pakistan. **Anu Chouhan** is a Canadian illustrator and video game artist. A trained animator with a background in mobile game development, Anu often combines her love of her Punjabi cultural heritage into her art, as well as drawing inspiration from anime, nature, and global fashion. Her unique, edgy, and energetic art has garnered attention from major publications, celebrities, and influencers online. She can be found at [anumation.ca](http://anumation.ca), on Instagram at [@anumation](https://www.instagram.com/anumation), as well as on Twitter at [@anumationart](https://twitter.com/anumationart).

Feiweil and Friends

On Sale: Apr 11/23

11 x 8.5 • 32 pages

full-color illustrations throughout

9781250820945 • \$24.99 • cl

Juvenile Nonfiction / Clothing & Dress • Ages 3-6 years

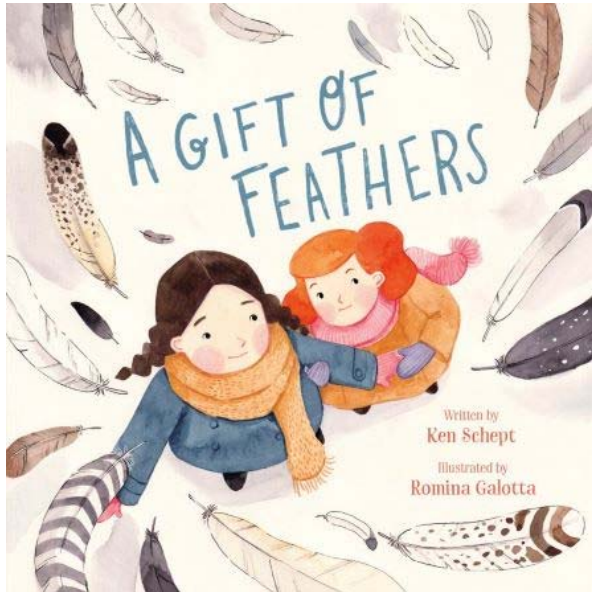
## Notes

## Promotion



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### **A Gift of Feathers**

by Ken Schept, illustrated by Romina Galotta

**A picture book about the power of remembrance and intergenerational tradition by Ken Schept and illustrated by Romina Galotta.**

When she finds a feather, Grandma Dot adds it to her collection. Feathers, she tells her two granddaughters, remind Grandma Dot of people she's lost. At first, the girls see the feathers as fun to play with. But soon, Grandma Dot's feathers take on larger meanings – of comfort, remembrance, and love.

This affectionate, hopeful story will inspire readers of all ages to make memories and traditions part of their own family stories.

### **Author Bio**

**Ken Schept**, a father and grandfather, wrote this debut children's book following a successful career as a journalist and business writer. He received his MFA from Columbia University, and lives with his wife in Hoboken, New Jersey, where he writes children's books and literary fiction.

**Romina Galotta** is an illustrator, ardent animal lover, passionate foodie, and world traveler. Books she has illustrated include *Dear Librarian* by Lidia M. Sigwarth, which *School Library Journal* praised in a starred review as "using an array of media . . . to lovingly reflect the heroine's inner emotions and thoughts in the details and background on each page." She lives in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Feiweil and Friends

On Sale: Jan 17/23

9 x 9 • 32 pages

full-color illustrations throughout

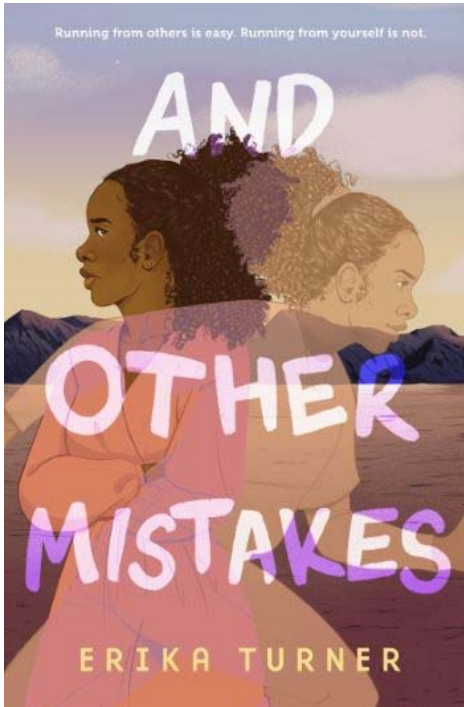
**9781250838049** • \$24.99 • cl

Juvenile Fiction / Family / Multigenerational • Ages 3-6 years

### **Notes**

### **Promotion**





## And Other Mistakes

by Erika Turner

**A teenage girl deals with insecurities, a stressful family life, tension with friends, and being on the cross-country team, in *And Other Mistakes*, an inspiring Young Adult story by Erika Turner about accepting one's self, flaws and all.**

For most of her life, Aaliyah's home situation hasn't been great, but she's at least had her childhood best friend and role as a cross-country star to balance it out. But once she got outed by a church elder last spring, everything came undone - including Aaliyah.

Now, senior year is about to start and she is determined to come back faster and wiser. No more letting other people define her. No more losing herself to their expectations.

Except. . . well, with new friends, old flames, nosy school counselors, and teammates who don't trust her yet, the route already feels rough. And what's with the new girl, Tessa, who gives Aaliyah butterflies every time she looks at her? Regardless, she'll be fine. Because this is the year to prove to everyone - and most of all, herself - that she's more than her mistakes. After all, even Aaliyah can't outrun everything.

## Author Bio

**Erika Turner** is an author and aspiring poet. During the day, she works as an editor, but her main job is keeping her dog Sherlock from jumping out the window to chase squirrels and sky friends. She lives in Long Beach, California, with her spouse. *And Other Mistakes* is her debut novel.

Feiwei and Friends

On Sale: Feb 14/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 320 pages

9781250834843 • \$24.99 • CL - With dust jacket

YA Fic / Lgbt • Ages 14-18 years

## Notes

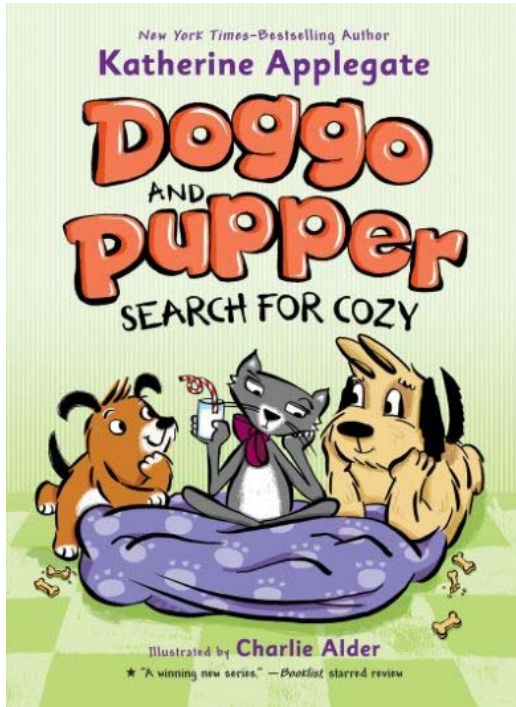
## Promotion



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## Doggo and Pupper Search for Cozy

by Katherine Applegate, illustrated by Charlie Alder

In *Doggo and Pupper Search for Cozy* - the conclusion to the Doggo and Pupper early reader trilogy by *New York Times* -bestselling author Katherine Applegate - the canines help Cat adjust to a big change: A new bed!

When Cat announces that the Humans have given her a surprise present, Doggo and Pupper are all ears. But when they find out that Cat has a new bed and misses her old one, they set out to help her search for cozy.

Change is difficult, and Katherine Applegate understands how it feels to miss a beloved source of security. Very young readers will relate to Doggo, Pupper, and Cat, and appreciate their friendship and empathy.

## Author Bio

**Katherine Applegate** is the author of several best-selling young adult series, including *Animorphs* and *Roscoe Riley Rules*. *Home of the Brave*, her first standalone novel, received the SCBWI 2008 Golden Kite Award for Best Fiction and the Bank Street 2008 Josette Frank Award. She lives with her family in Irvine, California. **Charlie Alder** has been illustrating for over seven years, including *Chicken Break* written by Cate Berry. She is particularly well-known for her young and tween girl book cover design and illustrations. Before that, she was Art Director for a popular women's weekly magazine. Some of Charlie's publishing clients include American Girl, Egmont, Hachette, Hinkler, Macmillan, Penguin, Random House, and Scholastic. She lives in England with her family.

Feiwe! and Friends

On Sale: Mar 28/23

6 x 8.25 • 96 pages

full-color illustrations throughout

9781250621023 • \$13.99 • cl

Juvenile Fiction / Animals / Dogs • Ages 6-9 years

Series: Doggo and Pupper

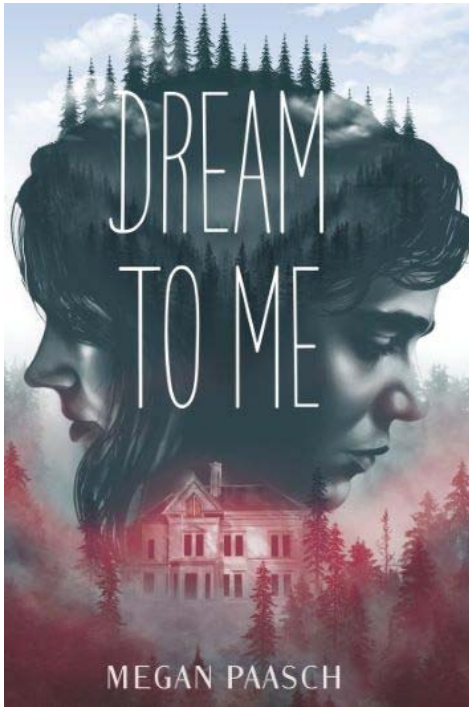
## Notes

## Promotion



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### **Dream to Me**

by Megan Paasch

**From debut author Megan Paasch comes *Dream to Me*, a YA contemporary fantasy about generational magic, grief, and what it takes to forgive ourselves.**

Eva Sylvan didn't ask for any of this. Not the cross-country move with her sister to a town in the middle of nowhere, not the family estate, inherited from a late great-aunt, that's falling apart at the hinges, and definitely not the sudden death of her beloved father. So when the locals react with hostility to the very mention of her last name, Eva's pretty sure things can't get any worse.

Until she has a dream about a gas station employee and the next day, he's in a coma.

Until it happens again.

Something sinister is lurking in the corners of Eva's dreams, something that's having devastating effects on the waking world. People are dropping left and right, and Eva finds herself squarely in the town's crosshairs. In order to defeat the shadows of her unconscious, Eva must not only unearth the magic tied to her family history, but she must confront the guilt that has been haunting her since her father's death. Only she can save the town from the dark power in her dreams - if the threat is truly even her dreams at all.

### **Author Bio**

When not writing, you'll find **Megan Paasch** knitting, sketching, or dreaming about her next adventure. But despite her tendency toward wanderlust, the Pacific Northwest will always be the place she calls home. She currently lives in a small town in Washington's beautiful Snoqualmie Valley with her husband, two sons, and two very silly cats. *Dream to Me* is her debut novel.

Feiwei and Friends

On Sale: Jan 31/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 384 pages

**9781250817051** • \$24.99 • CL - With dust jacket

YA Fic / Fantasy / Contemporary • Ages 13-18 years

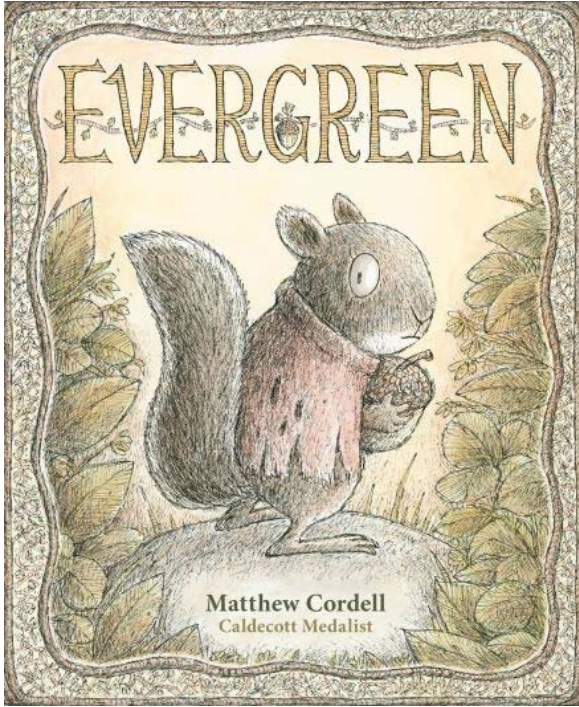
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### **Promotion**



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## Evergreen

by Matthew Cordell

**A picture book, by Caldecott medal winner Matt Cordell, about a timid squirrel who makes a brave journey to help a relative who is ill.**

Evergreen the squirrel is afraid of many things: thunder, hawks, and the dark paths of Buckthorn Forest. But when her mother tasks Evergreen with delivering soup to her sick Granny Oak, the little squirrel must face her fears and make the journey.

Along the way, Evergreen is met by other forest dwellers – some want to help her, but some want her mother's delicious soup! It's up to Evergreen to stay the course, and those who help her will surprise and delight young readers.

Using an art style reminiscent of the work of William Steig and Arnold Lobel, Caldecott medalist Matthew Cordell creates a classic tale of bravery and love.

## Author Bio

**Matthew Cordell** received the Caldecott Medal for *Wolf in the Snow*. He is also the creator of the picture books *Trouble Gum*, *Another Brother*, *The Expedition*, and *Bear Island*, which *School Library Journal* praised as, "A poetically beautiful story of grief and healing," in a starred review. He lives in Gurnee, Illinois, with his family. [Matthewcordell.com](http://Matthewcordell.com)

Feiwei and Friends

On Sale: Jan 3/23

9 x 11 • 48 pages

full-color illustrations throughout

9781250317179 • \$24.99 • cl

Juvenile Fiction / Social / Emotions & Feelings • Ages

2-5 years

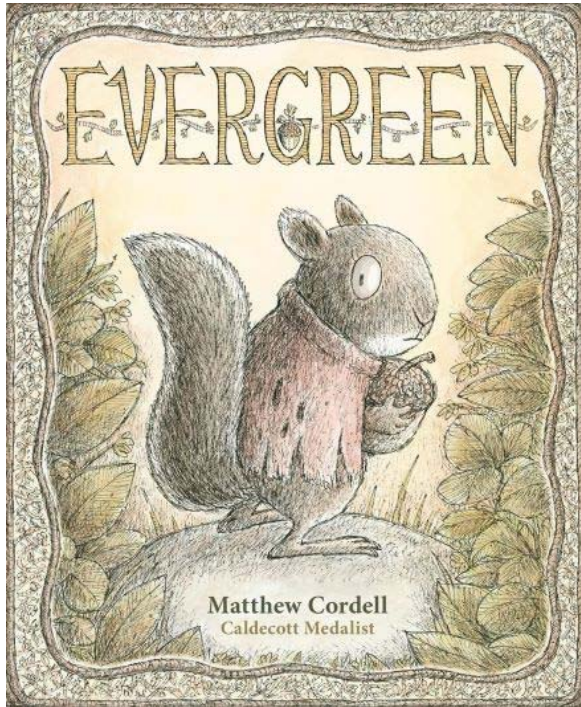
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[Matthewcordell.com](http://Matthewcordell.com)

Feiweil and Friends

On Sale: Jan 3/23

9 x 11 • 48 pages

9781250891785 • \$124.95 • quantity pack

Juvenile Fiction / Social / Emotions & Feelings

### Notes

### Promotion



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## Harold the Iceberg Melts Down

by Lisa Wyzlic, illustrated by Rebecca Syracuse

Accompanied by Rebecca Syracuse's bold, whimsical artwork, Lisa Wyzlic's debut picture book *Harold the Iceberg Melts Down* is all about the importance of friendship and self-care, perfect for any young reader worried about their planet's future.

Harold is an iceberg. . . lettuce. (But he doesn't realize the lettuce" part because part of his sticker has ripped off.) So one day when he sees a documentary about how the icebergs are melting, Harold starts to worry, thinking that he's melting too.

As his anxiety grows and grows, and he tries to find a way to stop melting, his fellow food friends try to help him cool down in a different way.

### Author Bio

**Lisa Wyzlic** enjoys imagining creatures and objects with Strong Feelings and telling their stories. Like her characters, Lisa often has her own Strong Feelings, though normally not about melting. She lives with her husband, two kids, and two rescue cats in Manitoba, Canada. *Harold the Iceberg Melts Down* is her debut picture book. **Rebecca Syracuse** is an illustrator and children's book designer based on Brooklyn. She received a BFA in illustration from the University of the Arts in Philadelphia, PA. After graduating, Rebecca got her start designing children's products, but quickly discovered her real love: BOOKS! When she isn't drawing faces on vegetables, you might find her scoping the shelves of her local bookstore, or trying to pet a stray cat. *Harold the Iceberg Melts Down* is her picture book illustration debut.

Feiweel and Friends

On Sale: Mar 21/23

10 x 8 • 40 pages

full-color illustrations throughout

9781250830623 • \$23.99 • cl

Juvenile Fiction / Nature & the Natural World /

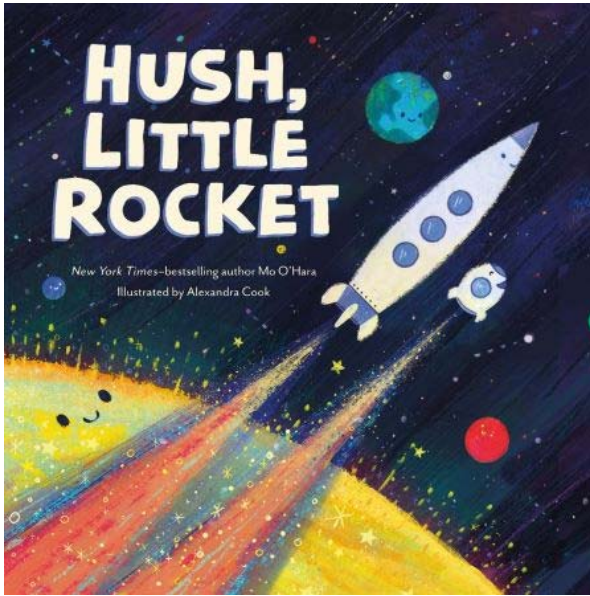
Environment • Ages 3-6 years

Series: Harold the Iceberg

### Notes

### Promotion





## Hush, Little Rocket

by Mo O'Hara, illustrated by Alexandra Cook

Bedtime goes out of this world with *Hush, Little Rocket*, a new picture book by *New York Times*-bestselling author Mo O'Hara!

*Hush, Little Rocket, don't make a bleep.  
We're heading home now, it's time to sleep.*

At the end of a very long day soaring around the galaxy, send your little rocket to sleep with this celestial lullaby sung to the tune of Hush Little Baby." Starting at the long, yellow flares of the sun and coming home to a launchpad on Neptune's largest moon, this gentle bedtime flight will introduce readers to the solar system while lulling them into a slumber full of cosmic dreams. Sweeping illustrations by Alexandra Cook bring the Milky Way to life, and backmatter provides more planetary facts for your curious stargazer. Perfect for tiny astronauts!

## Author Bio

**Mo O'Hara** is the author of the *My Big Fat Zombie Goldfish* series. She grew up in Pennsylvania and now lives in London, where she works as a writer, actor, and storyteller, visiting theaters and schools all across the UK and Ireland. Mo and her brother once brought their own pet goldfish back from the brink of death (true fact). **Alexandra Cook** is an illustrator and concept designer from Atlanta, Georgia. Having grown up outdoors, she is driven by the fantasies that filled her days of backwoods exploration and searches for adventure. And she uses her love of real-life places to create new worlds and stories for their inhabitants. She is currently based in Austin, Texas.

Feiwei and Friends

On Sale: Mar 21/23

10 x 10 • 32 pages

full-color illustrations throughout

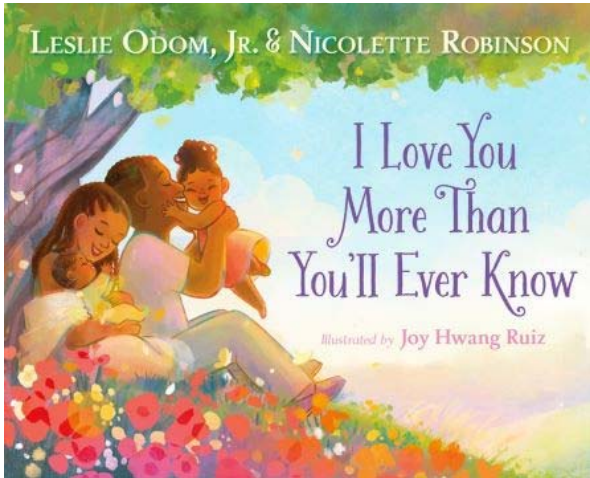
9781250828064 • \$23.99 • cl

Ages 1-4 years

## Notes

## Promotion





## I Love You More Than You'll Ever Know

by Leslie Odom and Nicolette Robinson, illustrated by Joy Hwang Ruiz

*I Love You More Than You'll Ever Know* is a touching and heartfelt ode about the we feel for their children, by award-winning actors of stage and screen Leslie Odom, Jr. and Nicolette Robinson, and illustrated by Joy Hwang Ruiz.

*Do you remember when we first met?  
It was a moment I won't soon forget.  
Your sparkling aura. Your crooked grin!  
Do you remember, my trusted friend?  
When I count all my blessings, you're always number one.  
Sweetest of all is, we've only just begun.*

The love we feel for our children never wavers. From the moment a baby is born, through the good times and the bad, from the silly moments to the warm embraces, this love is bigger than what we can put into words.

This beautiful book is a comforting and lyrical refrain about the bonds we form with the children to whom we are closest in our lives

## Author Bio

**Leslie Odom, Jr.** has most recently been seen in the blockbuster Broadway musical *Hamilton*, for which he won the Tony Award for Best Leading Actor in a Musical for the role of Aaron Burr." He is a Grammy Award winner as a principal soloist on *Hamilton*'s Original Broadway Cast Recording, which won the 2015 award for Best Musical Theater Album. Odom, Jr. originated the role of "Burr" in a sold-out run at The Public Theater in 2015, earning a Drama Desk Award nomination for Outstanding Featured Actor in a Musical and a Lucille Lortel Award nomination for Outstanding Lead Actor in a Musical.

As a recording artist, his self-titled debut album was part-funded by a successful Kickstarter campaign which raised \$40,971. The album was released in 2014 by Borderlight Entertainment, Inc. Odom, Jr. has appeared on "Smash," "Law & Order: SVU," "Gotham," "Person of Interest," "Grey's Anatomy," "House of Lies," "Vanished" and "CSI: Miami." He is starring in the upcoming feature film *Murder on the Orient Express*.

Two-time Academy Award nominee, Tony and Grammy Award winning performer and musician, **Leslie Odom, Jr.** is a multifaceted multi-hyphenate, who is probably most known for his performance as Aaron Burr in the original Broadway production of *Hamilton*. He was nominated for an Emmy award for his performance in the television production of *Hamilton*.

Feiwei and Friends  
On Sale: Mar 28/23  
10 x 8 • 32 pages  
full-color illustrations throughout  
9781250265647 • \$23.99 • cl  
Juvenile Fiction / Family / Parents • Ages 3-7 years

## Notes

## Promotion





## My Dear Henry: A Jekyll & Hyde Remix

by Kalynn Bayron

**A teen boy tries to discover the reason behind his best friend's disappearance - and the arrival of a mysterious and magnetic stranger - in misty Victorian London, in Kalynn Bayron's *My Dear Henry*, a gothic YA remix of *Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde*.**

**London, 1885.** Gabriel Utterson, a 17-year-old law clerk, has returned to London for the first time since his life - and that of his dearest friend, Henry Jekyll - was derailed by a scandal that led to his and Henry's expulsion from the London Medical School. Whispers about the true nature of Gabriel and Henry's relationship have followed the boys for two years, and now Gabriel has a chance to start again.

But Gabriel doesn't want to move on, not without Henry. His friend has become distant and cold since the disastrous events of the prior spring, and now his letters have stopped altogether. Desperate to discover what's become of him, Gabriel takes to watching the Jekyll house.

In doing so, Gabriel meets Hyde, a strangely familiar young man with white hair and a magnetic charisma. He claims to be friends with Henry, and Gabriel can't help but begin to grow jealous at their apparent closeness, especially as Henry continues to act like Gabriel means nothing to him.

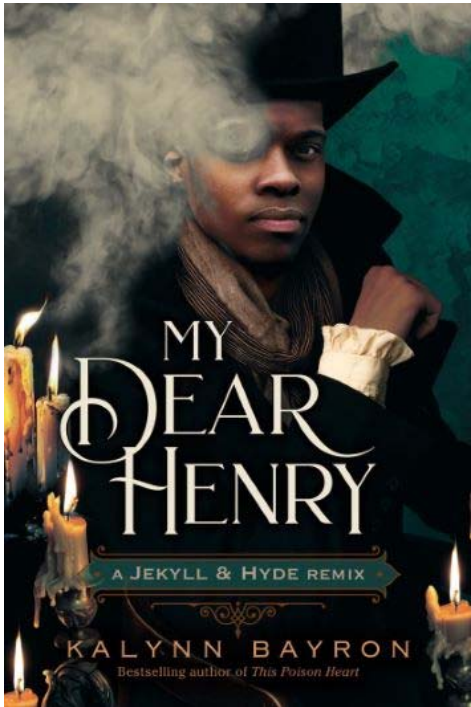
But the secret behind Henry's apathy is only the first part of a deeper mystery that has begun to coalesce. Monsters of all kinds prowl within the London fog - and not all of them are out for blood. . .

### Praise for Remixed Classics:

Lee (the Sidekick Squad series) elegantly situates Robert Louis Stevenson's 1882 *Treasure* (...)

### Author Bio

**Kalynn Bayron** is the bestselling author of the award-winning YA fantasy *Cinderella Is Dead* and *This Poison Heart*. She is a classically trained vocalist and when she's not writing you can find her listening to Ella Fitzgerald on loop, attending the theater, watching scary movies, and spending time with her kids. She currently lives in upstate New York with her family.



Feiweil and Friends

On Sale: Feb 28/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 320 pages

9781250833563 • \$24.99 • CL - With dust jacket

YA Fic / Lgbt • Ages 13-18 years

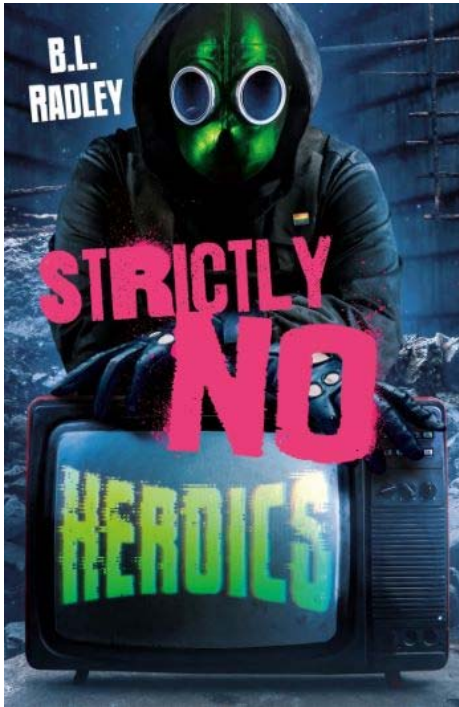
Series: Remixed Classics

### Notes

### Promotion







## Strictly No Heroics

by B. L. Radley

In *Strictly No Heroics*, a normal teen girl must navigate crushing on her best friend, starting a new summer job, and not being squashed during the next supervillain showdown in B.L. Radley's young adult debut filled with humor and heart.

*A Normie's guide to staying alive in Sunnyside City:*

1. Keep your head down.
2. Don't make enemies.
3. Strictly no heroics.

The world is run by those with the Super gene, and Riley Jones doesn't have it. She's just a Normie, ducking her way around the hero vs. villain battles that constantly demolish Sunnyside City, working at a crappy diner to save up money for therapy, and trying to figure out how to tell her family that she's queer. But when Riley retaliates against a handsy superhero at work, she finds herself in desperate need of employment, and the only place that will hire her is HENCH.

Yes, HENCH, as in *henchmen*: masked cronies who take villains' coffee orders, vacuum their secret lairs, and posture in the background while they fight. Riley's plan is to mind her own business and get paid. . . but that quickly devolves when she witnesses a horrible murder on the job. Caught in the thick of a gentrification plot, a unionization effort, and a developing crush on her prickly fellow henchwoman, Riley must face the possibility that even a powerless Normie can take a stand against injustice.

## Author Bio

**B. L. Radley** wanted to be an astronaut or a penguin when they grew up. Neither worked out. Thankfully, fiction lets them live vicariously as both. Raised in rural England alongside several tame chickens and one feral brother, Radley still lives in the countryside, along with nine-hundred-and-ninety-nine story ideas, enough books to count as a fire hazard, and the occasional Oxford Comma. *Strictly No Heroics* is their debut novel.

Feiwei and Friends

On Sale: Mar 28/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 368 pages

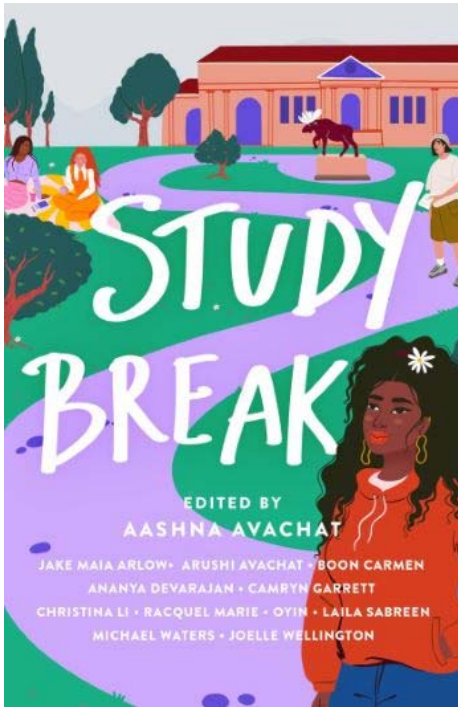
9781250818478 • \$24.99 • CL - With dust jacket

YA Fic / Superheroes • Ages 14-18 years

## Notes

## Promotion





## Study Break

11 College Tales from Orientation to Graduation  
edited by Aashna Avachat

**This collection of interconnected contemporary YA short stories, written by Gen Z authors, explores different parts of the college experience, from questioning your major to questioning your identity.**

*College. . . the best time, the worst time, and something in between.*

What do you do when orientation isn't going according to your (sister's) detailed plans? Where do you go when you're searching for community in faith? How do you figure out what it means that you're suddenly attracted to your RA? What happens when your partner for your last film project is also your crush and graduation is quickly approaching?

Told over the course of one academic year, this collection of stories set on the same fictional campus features students from different cultures, genders, and interests learning more about who they are and who they want to be. From new careers to community to (almost) missed connections - and more - these interconnected tales explore the ways university life can be stressful and confusing and exciting and fulfilling.

Gen Z contributors include Jake Maia Arlow, Arushi Avachat, Boon Carmen, Ananya Devarajan, Camryn Garrett, Christina Li, Racquel Marie, Oyin, Laila Sabreen, Michael Waters, and Joelle Wellington.

## Author Bio

**Aashna Avachat** graduated from UC Berkeley in Spring 2020 with a B.A. in English and is an editorial assistant at Andrea Brown literary agency. She also acts as a Program Manager for DVmentor - a publishing mentorship initiative for marginalized authors offered by Diverse Voices, Inc. - and a Pitch Wars mentor and alum. When she's not writing, she's probably reading on a sunny patch of grass, going on long walks to grocery stores, or being cozy with one of her many foster kittens. Aashna currently lives in Washington, DC.

Feiwei and Friends

On Sale: Mar 7/23

6 x 9 • 288 pages

**9781250848055** • \$24.99 • CL - With dust jacket

YA Fic / School & Education / College & University •

Ages 14-18 years

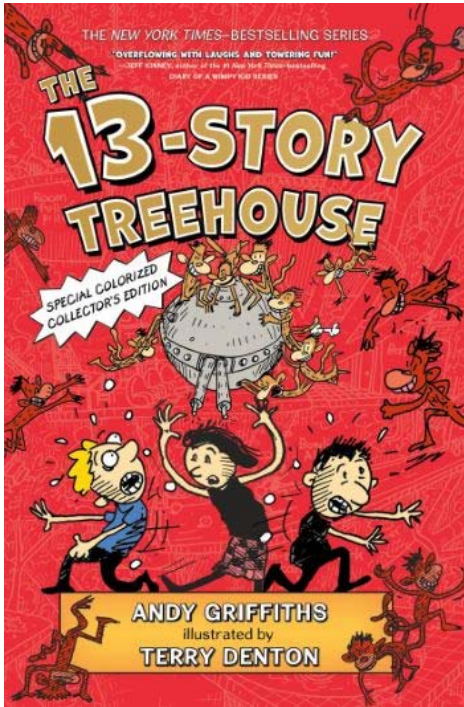
## Notes

## Promotion



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## The 13-Story Treehouse (Special Colorized Collector's Edition)

Monkey Mayhem!

by Andy Griffiths, illustrated by Terry Denton

**Special collector's edition, now in stunning full color!**

Andy and Terry live in a treehouse. But it's not just any old treehouse, it's the most amazing treehouse in the world!

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*The 26-Story Treehouse*  
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*The 104-Story Treehouse*  
*The 117-Story Treehouse*  
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A series starter that will appeal to fans of Jeff Kinney and Dav Pilkey . . . A treat for all . . . And guess what? It makes (...)

### Author Bio





## The 156-Story Treehouse

by Andy Griffiths, illustrated by Terry Denton

**New York Times**-bestselling team Andy Griffiths and Terry Denton invite readers to come hang out with them in their 156-Story Treehouse - the twelfth book in the illustrated chapter book series filled with Andy and Terry's signature slapstick humor!

Andy and Terry live in a 156-story treehouse. Or, at least they WILL live in a 156-story treehouse once they finish building all 13 new levels!

The upgrades to the treehouse are still under construction and therefore super-duper top secret, but *The 156-Story Treehouse* is sure to be the zaniest adventure yet.

### Praise for Andy Griffiths and the Treehouse series:

**Anarchic absurdity at its best.** . . . Denton's manic cartooning captures every twist and turn in hilarious detail." - *Publishers Weekly*, **starred review**, on *The 13-Story Treehouse*

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## Author Bio

**Andy Griffiths** is the *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Day My Butt*

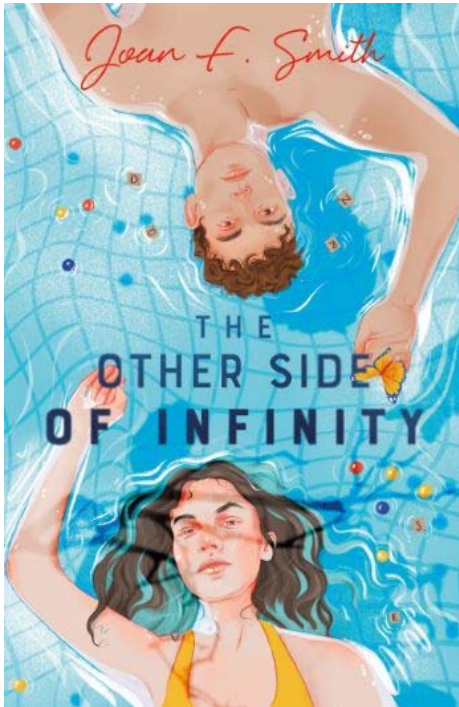


Feiweil and Friends  
On Sale: Apr 4/23  
5.5 x 8.25 • 384 pages  
1-color illustrations  
**9781250850188** • \$19.99 • cl  
Juvenile Fiction / Humorous Stories • Ages 6-10 years  
Series: Treehouse Books

## Notes

## Promotion





## The Other Side of Infinity

by Joan F. Smith

***They Both Die at the End* meets *The Butterfly Effect* in this YA novel by Joan F. Smith, where a teen uses her gift of foreknowledge to help a lifeguard save a drowning man - only to discover that her actions have suddenly put his life at risk.**

It was supposed to be an ordinary day at the pool, but when lifeguard Nick hesitates during a save, seventeen-year-old December uses her gift of foreknowledge to rescue the drowning man instead. The action comes at a cost. Not only will Nick and December fall in love, but also, she envisions that his own life is now at risk. The other problem? They're basically strangers.

December embarks on a mission to save Nick's life, and to experience what it feels like to fall in love - something she'd formerly known she'd never do. Nick, battling the shame of screwing up the rescue when he's heralded as a community hero, resolves to make up for his inaction by doing December a major solid and searching for her mother, who went missing nine years ago.

As they grow closer, December's gift starts playing tricks, and Nick's family gets closer to an ugly truth about him. They both must learn what it really means to be a hero before time runs out

## Author Bio

**Joan F. Smith** is the author of *The Half-Orphan's Handbook*. She lives with her family in Massachusetts, where she works as an associate dean, a creative writing professor, and a dance instructor. She received her MFA in creative writing from Emerson College, and has written articles for *The Washington Post* and *Thought Catalog* on destigmatizing discussions around mental health and suicide prevention.

Feiweil and Friends

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5.38 x 8.25 • 336 pages

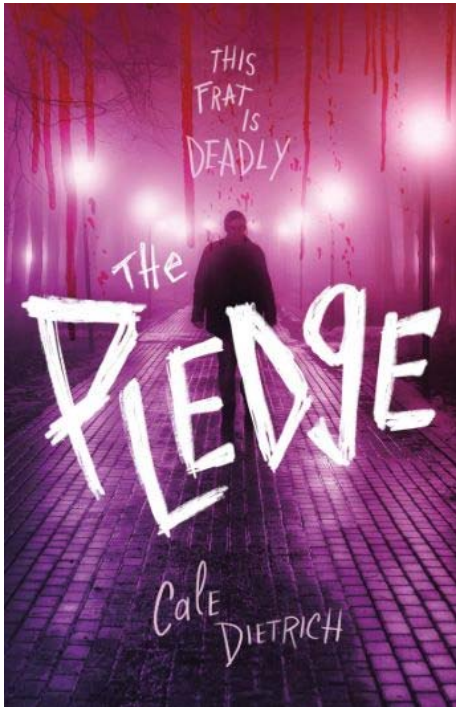
9781250843388 • \$24.99 • CL - With dust jacket

YA Fic / Romance / Contemporary • Ages 14-18 years

## Notes

## Promotion





## The Pledge

by Cale Dietrich

***Scream* meets *Clown in a Cornfield* in this young adult horror novel by bestselling Cale Dietrich featuring a masked killer who targets frat boys.**

Freshman Sam believes that joining a fraternity is the best way to form a friend group as he begins his college journey - and his best chance of moving on from his past. He is the survivor of a horrific, and world-famous, murder spree, where a masked killer hunted down Sam and his friends.

Sam had to do the unthinkable to survive that night, and it completely derailed his life. He sees college, and his new identity as a frat boy, as his best shot at living a life not defined by the killings. He starts to flirt with one of the brothers, who Sam finds is surprisingly accepting of Sam's past, and begins to think a fresh start truly is possible.

And then. . . one of his new frat brothers is found dead. A new masked murderer, one clearly inspired by the original, emerges, and starts stalking, and slaying, the frat boys of Munroe University. Now Sam will have to race against the clock to figure out who the new killer is - and why they are killing - before Sam loses his second chance - or the lives of any more of his friends.

Elements of horror, mystery, and a gay romance make this a story readers won't want to miss

## Author Bio

**Cale Dietrich** is a YA devotee, lifelong gamer, and tragic pop punk enthusiast. He was born in Perth, grew up on the Gold Coast, and now lives in Brisbane, Australia. His debut novel, *The Love Interest*, was named a 2018 Rainbow List Selection. He can be found on Twitter.

Feiwei and Friends

On Sale: Feb 14/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 304 pages

**9781250186973** • \$24.99 • CL - With dust jacket

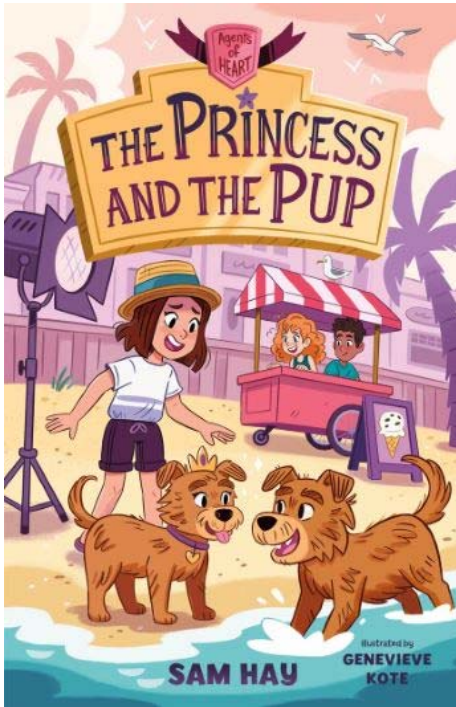
Ages 13-18 years

## Notes

### Promotion

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## **The Princess and the Pup: Agents of H.E.A.R.T.** by Sam Hay, illustrated by Genevieve Kote

In Sam Hay's third illustrated AGENTS OF H.E.A.R.T. chapter book adventure, a simple day at the beach for Evie and her friends quickly spirals into chaos, filled with ice cream, film crews, magical disguises, dogs of all shapes and sizes and a surprisingly secretive fairy tale figure.

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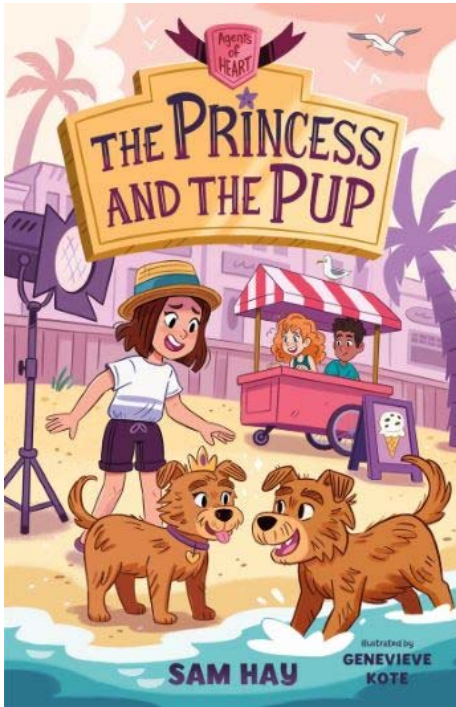
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Feiwel and Friends  
On Sale: Feb 14/23  
5.38 x 8.25 • 240 pages  
black and white illustrations throughout  
**9781250798343** • \$10.99 • pb  
Juvenile Fiction / Science Fiction, Fantasy, Magic •  
Ages 6-9 years  
Series: Agents of H.E.A.R.T.

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black and white illustrations throughout

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Juvenile Fiction / Science Fiction, Fantasy, Magic •

Ages 6-9 years

Series: Agents of H.E.A.R.T.

### Notes

### Promotion







## The Talent Thief

by Mike Thayer

A girl with the ability to borrow other people's talents must use her powers to find her own spotlight in *The Talent Thief*, a wish-fulfilling middle-grade novel from Mike Thayer, the author of *The Double Life of Danny Day*.

Tiffany Tudwell is cursed. She once tripped over a backpack and fell face-first into a trashcan. She had pink eye on picture day. One time she tried to hold back a sneeze and farted on the cutest boy in class. She longs for the spotlight, but it's safer to stay hidden in the shadows where the curse can't reach her and no one can make fun of her.

Until the night two meteors collide over her backyard giving Tiffany the ability to steal people's talents for a day - like stealing mean girl Candace's beautiful singing voice in the middle of play rehearsal, or drawing an incredible self-portrait after borrowing the teacher's pencil. Her power even gets the attention of the most popular boy in school, the smooth-talking Brady Northrup.

But her powers can't solve everything - or can they? When a local philanthropist announces a fundraiser contest, Tiffany, with Brady's help, decides to use her powers to save her dad's failing planetarium. And maybe discover her own talent along the way.

## Author Bio

**Mike Thayer**, author of *The Double Life of Danny Day*, is a proud father of three, lucky husband of one, passionate author, budding podcaster, lifelong gamer, viral blogger, degreed engineer, decent impressionist, inept hunter, erstwhile jock, and nerd. He has cast a ring on the slopes of Mt. Doom, eaten a feast at the Green Dragon Inn, cemented Excalibur in a sandstone block, tasted butter beer at Diagon Alley, built a secret door to his storage room, and written a few fantasy books. What else is left, really?

Feiwei and Friends

On Sale: Feb 7/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 256 pages

9781250771025 • \$22.99 • CL - With dust jacket

Juvenile Fiction / Social Issues / Bullying • Ages 8-12 years

## Notes

## Promotion





## The Unwelcome Surprise

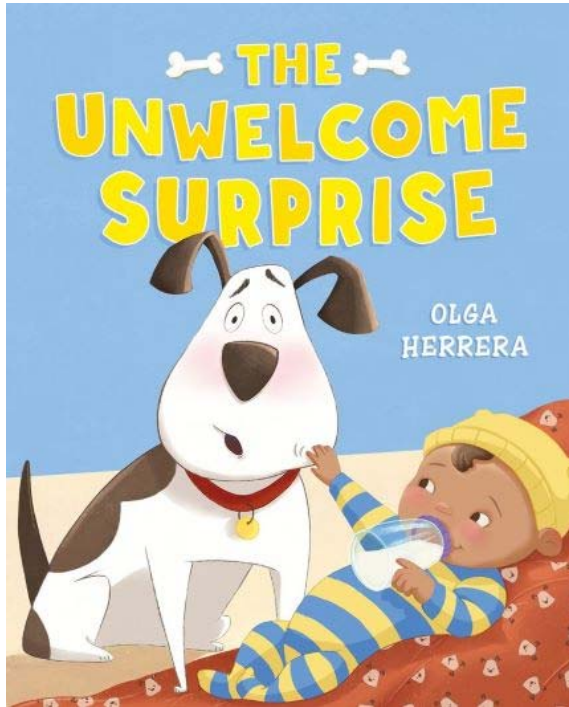
by Olga Herrera

**Perfect for fans of *Something's Wrong!* and *Can I Be Your Dog?*, this charmingly funny new baby story by debut author/illustrator, Olga Herrera, explores the fears and joys that come with change.**

Every morning, Bongo walks downstairs to get his food, passing his dried-up potted plant, his old stained chair, and his stinky stained carpet. Until one morning. . . something is different! Something monstrous is in his way! Bongo is beside himself with worry; will it take his walks? What if it eats his food? Or even worse. . . what if it takes his family?

### Author Bio

**Olga Herrera** was born in Miami, Florida, to a Cuban mother and an Ecuadorian father. She grew up in Ecuador and returned to the United States as a teenager. From a young age, she displayed an artistic ability and a love for cartoons that would shape her future career path. She earned her bachelor's of Fine Arts from the Ringling College of Art and Design, in Sarasota, Florida, with a major in Illustration, graduating with honors in 2003. She began her career as an illustrator; using traditional media, and sculpture. As her career progressed she fell in love with digital illustration and concentrated more in storytelling and narrative illustration. The next natural step was to write her own stories to illustrate, inspired by quirky characters and situations in her life. Her husband's military career relocated this Florida native to the North, trading year round summers for the fun of experiencing every season. She now lives in Southern Maryland with her husband, two children, two dogs, a bearded dragon, Kiwi the parakeet, and many fat goldfish. *The Newest Thing* (wt) is her debut picture book.



Feiweil and Friends

On Sale: Apr 18/23

8 x 10 • 48 pages

full-color illustrations throughout

9781250827678 • \$24.99 • cl

Juvenile Fiction / Animals / Dogs • Ages 4-8 years

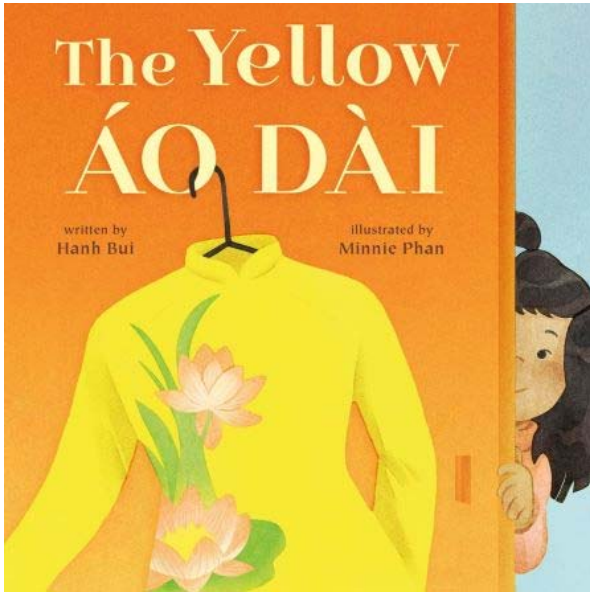
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## The Yellow Ao Dai

by Hanh Bui, illustrated by Minnie Phan

Lovingly illustrated by Minnie Phan, Hanh Bui's debut picture book, *The Yellow Ao Dai*, is a warm story of family, identity, and remembering those who came before.

Naliah is excited to perform a traditional Vietnamese Fan Dance at her school's International Day. When she finds that her special ao dai no longer fits right, she goes to her mom's closet to find another.

She puts on a pretty yellow one - only to accidentally rip it while practicing her dance. She's horrified to discover that this was a very special ao dai that her grandmother had worn to dance at the Mid-Autumn Festival in Vietnam.

But with a little help from her mom's sewing kit and her grandmother's loving legacy, Naliah learns not only how to mend the yellow ao dai but also how to believe in herself and make it her own.

## Author Bio

Inspired by her first teacher at the refugee camp, **Hanh Bui** pursued a master's degree in Early Childhood Education and taught second grade before becoming a full-time mother to three children. She also served as a Development Officer for Senhoa Foundation in support of women and children who survived human trafficking in Cambodia, and has served on boards supporting children and parents in building community. Hanh's commitment to celebrating her heritage includes giving presentations in school visits about her refugee experience to children studying immigration as part of their school curriculum. She serves as co-chair of Equity and Inclusion Team for Mid-Atlantic region of SCBWI, and has been featured in Highlights Children's Magazine, Next Avenue and Forbes. She is the author of *The Yellow Ao Dai* and *Anh's New Word*. **Minnie Phan** is a queer Vietnamese American cartoonist and illustrator born in Stockton, CA, and raised across the Bay Area. Her parents were among the last wave of Vietnamese refugees to arrive in the early 90s before immigration was restricted from the region. Her father's first job was as a migrant farmer and before finishing the 5th grade, she attended five elementary schools. When she decided to go to art school, she received her parent's full disapproval. Luckily, with the support of her older sister, she earned a BFA in illustration and set roots in Oakland, CA, where she's resided for 10 years. Her work ranges from editorial illustrations to comics, animation, and picture books. She values inclusive image making and diverse storytelling; she hopes for all children to see themselves as whatever they dream: artists, scientists, doctors, and more. When she's not illustrating, she teaches comics to youth in the Bay Area and advocates for safer streets for bicyclists. *The Yellow Ao Dai* is her debut picture book.

Feiwei and Friends

On Sale: Apr 25/23

10 x 10 • 40 pages

full-color illustrations throughout

9781250842060 • \$24.99 • cl

Juvenile Fiction / Clothing & Dress • Ages 3-6 years

## Notes

## Promotion



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## We Are All So Good at Smiling

by Amber McBride

***They Both Die at the End* meets *The Bell Jar* in this haunting, beautiful young adult novel-in-verse about clinical depression and healing from trauma, from National Book Award Finalist Amber McBride.**

Whimsy is back in the hospital for treatment of clinical depression. When she meets a boy named Faerry, she recognizes they both have magic in the marrow of their bones. And when Faerry and his family move to the same street, the two start to realize that their lifelines may have twined and untwined many times before.

They are both terrified of the forest at the end of Marsh Creek Lane.

The Forest whispers to Whimsy. The Forest might hold the answers to the part of Faerry he feels is missing. They discover the Forest holds monsters, fairy tales, and pain that they have both been running from for 11 years

### Author Bio

**Amber McBride** teaches English literature at Northern Virginia Community College and has a BA in English and an MFA in Creative Writing from Emerson College. Her work has been published in *Ploughshares*, *Provincetown Arts*, *Decomp* and more, and *Me (Moth)* is her debut novel. McBride lives in Charlottesville, VA.

Feiweil and Friends

On Sale: Jan 10/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 304 pages

**9781250780386** • \$24.99 • CL - With dust jacket

YA Fic / Social Themes / Mental Illness • Ages 12-17 years

### Notes

### Promotion





# WE ARE ALLIES!



Taimani Emerald

## We Are Allies!

by Taimani Emerald

*Every person, no matter how small, can do something to change the world for us all!*

In her picture book debut, Taimani Emerald, has created a gentle introduction for young readers on what being an ally looks like. Whether it's sharing, saving, joining, or creating - there are many ways to pledge support to those in need.

With soft watercolor illustrations that fans will have seen on her wildly popular posters, Taimani Emerald expands that world on the page.

## Author Bio

**Taimani Emerald** is a single mother, an author, illustrator, and activist focused on using art to help us all learn about the big stuff. Diversity, equity, inclusion and empowerment are at the heart of every piece that she creates. Her whimsical illustrations create a ripple effect of change throughout the entire world. She and her work have been featured on *GMA*, *Huffington Post*, *I Heart Radio*, UNTV NEWS and Koin 6 News. Taimani has hand-sold over 3,000 copies of her posters, and has also run several campaigns that allowed her to spread the message of inclusive education by sending free posters to schools and institutions in need around the world. Her art spreads a message of hope and is revolutionizing the way we educate, the way we embrace, and the way we call for change.

Feiwei and Friends

On Sale: Jan 17/23

9 x 10 • 32 pages

full-color illustrations throughout

9781250828583 • \$24.99 • cl

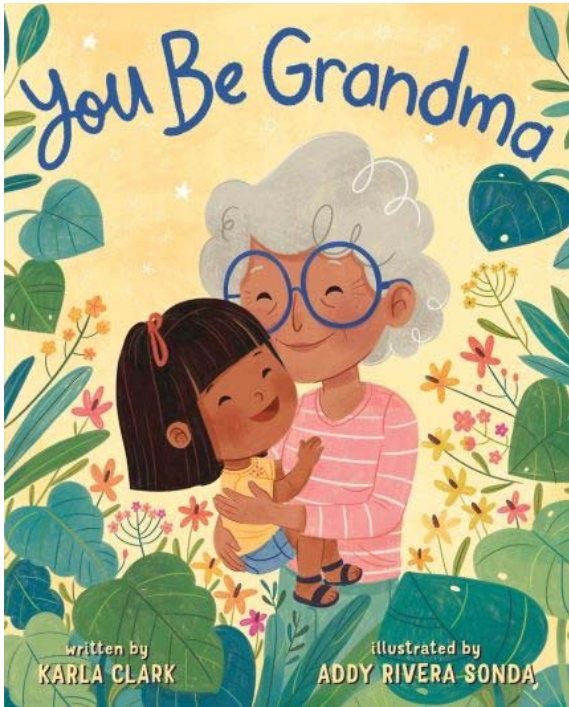
Juvenile Fiction / Social / Emotions & Feelings • Ages

2-5 years

## Notes

## Promotion





## You Be Grandma

by Karla Clark, illustrated by Addy Rivera Sonda

*Can you be Grandma and turn off the light?  
Grandma's too tired to be Grandma tonight.*

*She played dress-up and drank afternoon tea.  
Helped you climb up the Sycamore tree.*

*Took a hike and went for a dip.  
Now she's exhausted! There's an ache in her hip.*

In this clever, rhyming picture book, a grandma tells her granddaughter that she's simply too tired to be Grandpa tonight and asks her granddaughter to take over for her.

An utterly relatable theme told with humor and heart provides a story parents, grandparents, and children will delight in reading together at bedtime.

## Author Bio

**Karla Clark** writes fiction for adults and children, but picture books are her passion. Her favorite sound in the world is a child's giggle. Karla is a member of the Society of Book Writers and Illustrators and lives in Rockford, Illinois, with her husband and son. When she is not writing, she's creating paper collages and digital art that she sells at art shows. **Addy Rivera Sonda** is a Mexican illustrator who loves color, learning, and exploring the ways in which we could build kinder and more interdependent communities. Her biggest inspiration for drawing is that she knows that stories and art have an impact on the way people understand themselves and perceive others, and they build empathy and help us move toward a more just world.

Feiweil and Friends

On Sale: Mar 14/23

8 x 10 • 32 pages

full-color illustrations throughout

9781250814364 • \$24.99 • cl

Juvenile Fiction / Family / Multigenerational • Ages 2-5 years

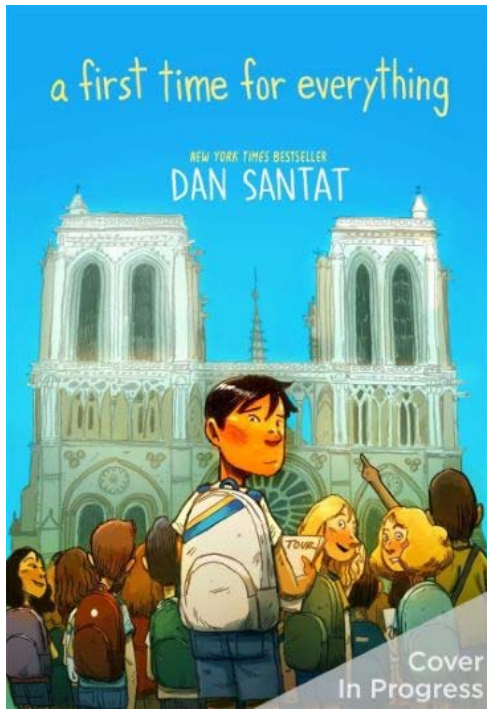
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## A First Time for Everything

by Dan Santat

**A middle grade graphic memoir based on bestselling author and Caldecott Medalist Dan Santat's awkward middle school years and the trip to Europe that changed his life.**

Dan's always been a good kid. The kind of kid who listens to his teachers, helps his mom with grocery shopping, and stays out of trouble. But being a good kid doesn't stop him from being bullied and feeling like he's invisible, which is why Dan has low expectations when his parents send him on a class trip to Europe.

At first, he's right. He's stuck with the same girls from his middle school who love to make fun of him, and he doesn't know why his teacher insisted he come on this trip. But as he travels through France, Germany, Switzerland, and England, a series of first experiences begin to change him - first Fanta, first fondue, first time stealing a bike from German punk rockers. . . and first love.

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First Second

On Sale: Feb 28/23

5.5 x 8 • 320 pages

full-color illustrations throughout

9781250851048 • \$18.99 • pb

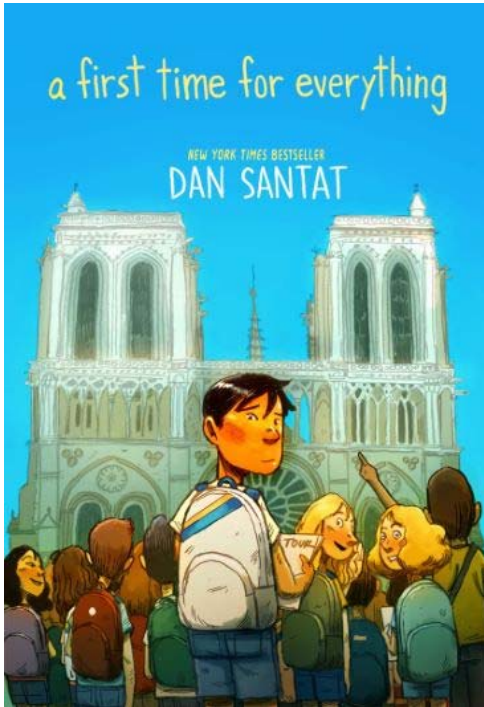
Juvenile Nonfiction / Comics & Graphic Novels /

Biography • Ages 10-14 years

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9781626724150 • \$30.99 • cl

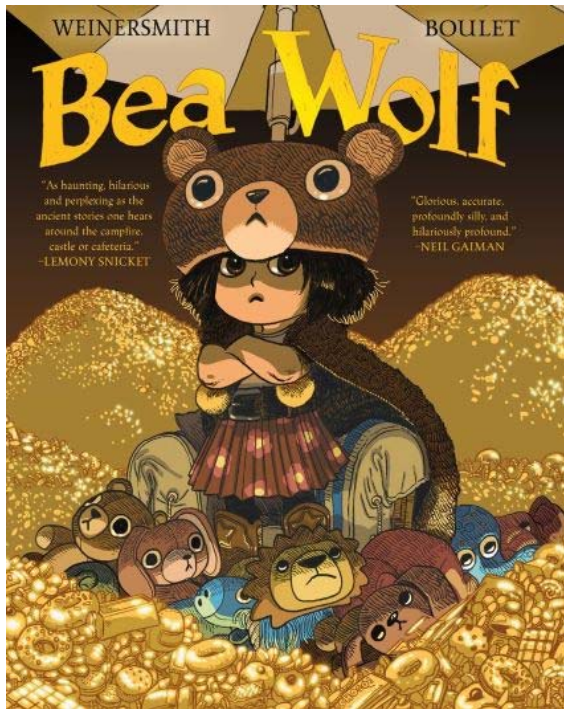
Juvenile Nonfiction / Comics & Graphic Novels /  
Biography • Ages 10-14 years

### **Notes**

### **Promotion**







## Bea Wolf

by Zach Weinersmith, illustrated by Boulet

**A modern middle-grade graphic novel retelling of *Beowulf*, featuring a gang of troublemaking kids who must defend their tree house from a fun-hating adult who can instantly turn children into grown-ups.**

Listen! Hear a tale of mallow-munchers and warriors who answer candy's clarion call!

Somewhere in a generic suburb stands Treeheart, a kid-forged sanctuary where generations of tireless tykes have spent their youths making merry, spilling soda, and staving off the shadow of adulthood. One day, these brave warriors find their fun cut short by their nefarious neighbor Grindle, who can no longer tolerate the sounds of mirth seeping into his joyless adult life.

As the guardian of gloom lays siege to Treeheart, scores of kids suddenly find themselves transformed into pimply teenagers and sullen adults! The survivors of the onslaught cry out for a savior - a warrior whose will is unbreakable and whose appetite for mischief is unbounded.

They call for Bea Wolf.

## Author Bio

**Zach Weinersmith** is the creator of the popular webcomic SMBC, the creator of the nerd comedy show BAHFest, and the co-author of the New York Times bestselling popular science book, *Soonish*. He is the artist of First Second's *Open Borders* and the writer of *Bea Wolf*, a modern comedic retelling of the classic *Beowulf* epic. **Boulet** was born and raised in France where he studied art in Dijon and Strasbourg. He started working in comics in the early 2000s and published a dozen books for young readers before creating bouletcorp.com, his worldwide-renowned website which got adapted in a series of 11 best-selling comic books.

He also worked on the critically acclaimed French series *Dungeon* with Lewis Trondheim and Joann Sfar. His new sci-fi series *Bolchoi Arena* has already been nominated twice at the Angouleme International Comic Festival.

In addition, Boulet is the artist of *Bea Wolf*, a modern comedic retelling of the classic *Beowulf* epic written by *Saturday Morning Breakfast Cereal* creator Zach Weinersmith.

He currently lives in Paris, working in comics, illustration and animation.

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## Belle of the Ball

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High-school senior and notorious wallflower Hawkins finally works up the courage to remove her mascot mask and ask out her longtime crush: Regina Moreno, head cheerleader, academic overachiever, and all-around popular girl. There's only one *teensy* little problem: Regina is already dating Chloe Kitagawa, athletic all-star. . . and middling English student. Regina sees a perfectly self-serving opportunity here, and asks the smitten Hawkins to tutor Chloe free of charge, knowing Hawkins will do anything to get closer to her.

And while Regina's plan works at first, she doesn't realize that Hawkins and Chloe knew each other as kids, when Hawkins went by Belle and wore princess dresses to school every single day. Before long, romance *does* start to blossom. . . but not between who you might expect. With *Belle of the Ball*, cartoonist Mariana Costa has reinvigorated satisfying, reliable tropes into your new favorite teen romantic comedy.

## Author Bio

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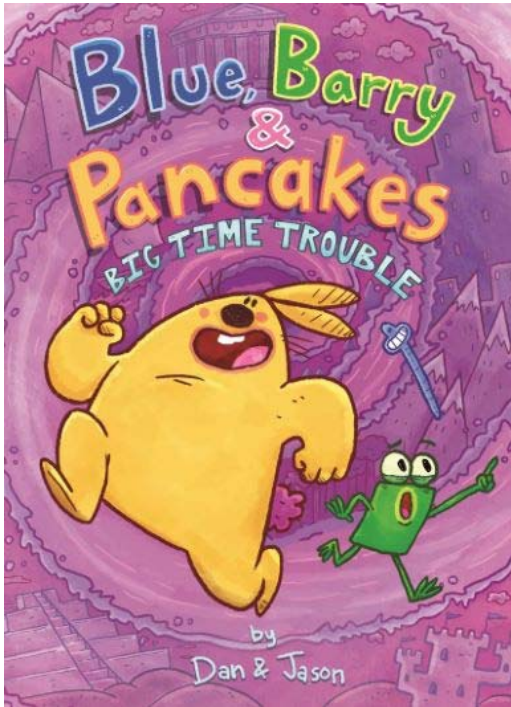
YA Fic / Comics & Graphic Novels / Romance • Ages

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### Notes

### Promotion





## Blue, Barry & Pancakes: Big Time Trouble

by Dan & Jason, Dan Abdo and Jason Patterson

The fifth volume of the emerging readers graphic novel series about three friends (a bunny, a worm, and a frog) whose adventures are driven by their very different personalities. Perfect for fans of *Narwhal & Jelly* and *Elephant & Piggie*!

Blue, Barry, and Pancakes are best friends! They love epic poetry, wild rodeos, and going on TIME-BENDING adventures!

One night, Blue prepares to read a poem to an audience of friends from around the neighborhood. But just before he takes the stage, he's frozen with stage fright. The gang decides to travel back in time to borrow a good luck charm from one of Blue's poet ancestors in the hopes that holding it will make Blue brave. But once Blue gets one charm, he realizes he needs one more. And then another one. And then another one. . . will Blue ever feel bold enough to take the stage, or will these three friends be looping back in time forever?!

Like all friends, Blue, Barry, and Pancakes can make mistakes. . . but at the end of the day, they always have each other's backs. And tops, and sides, and fronts, too!

### Author Bio

**Dan & Jason** go back. Waaaaay back. They have directed award-winning commercials, created hit cartoon shows, and even sold a feature-film concept, but nothing has prepared them for this. . . the pinnacle of their storied career: publishing the hilarious and heartwarming comic tales of Blue, Barry & Pancakes?! Dan & Jason have packed it with everything they know about drawing, writing, and the enduring power of friendship. Please enjoy their comic book debut! They make everything together. They think it, draw it, write it, mix it, bake it, and serve it together. Teamwork! **Dan Abdo** and Jason Patterson have been making stuff together for a very looong time! They created the animated television program *Rocket Monkeys*, and they've directed countless animated commercials for major global brands. Their short films have won numerous awards and their cartoons and comics have been published in *The New Yorker* and *Nickelodeon* magazine. Through all these different mediums their humor and storytelling always rings sweet, silly, and slightly twisted. Together at First Second, they've produced several volumes of *Blue, Barry & Pancakes*, a zany story about three animal friends who go on out-of-this-world adventures! **Jason Patterson** and Dan Abdo met in the back of the art room in highschool, started drawing together, and never stopped. They both attended the Rhode Island School of Design and then both moved to New York City to begin their world conquest. These days, Jason has jumped

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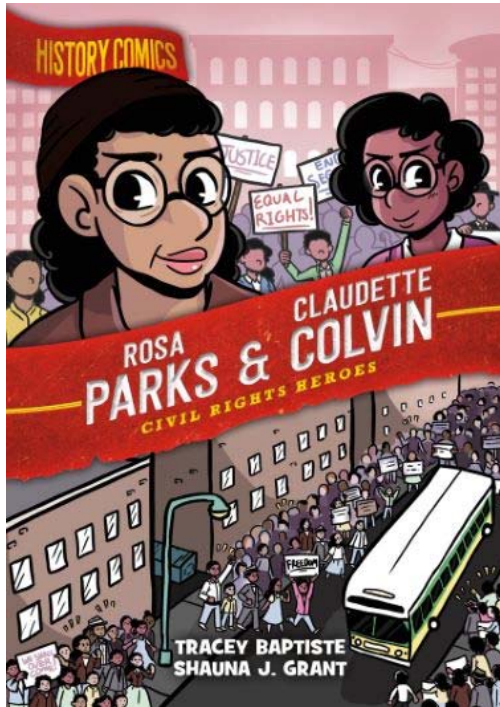
Ages 4-8 years

Series: Blue, Barry & Pancakes

### Notes

### Promotion





## History Comics: Rosa Parks and Claudette Colvin

Civil Rights Heroes

by Tracey Baptiste, illustrated by Shauna J. Grant

**Turn back the clock with History Comics! In this volume, learn about two brave women who stood up against segregation, setting in motion the Montgomery Bus Boycott!**

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### Author Bio

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Series: History Comics

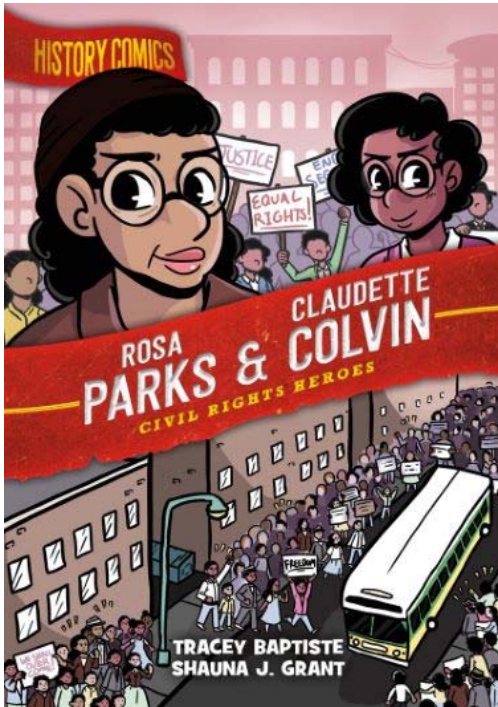
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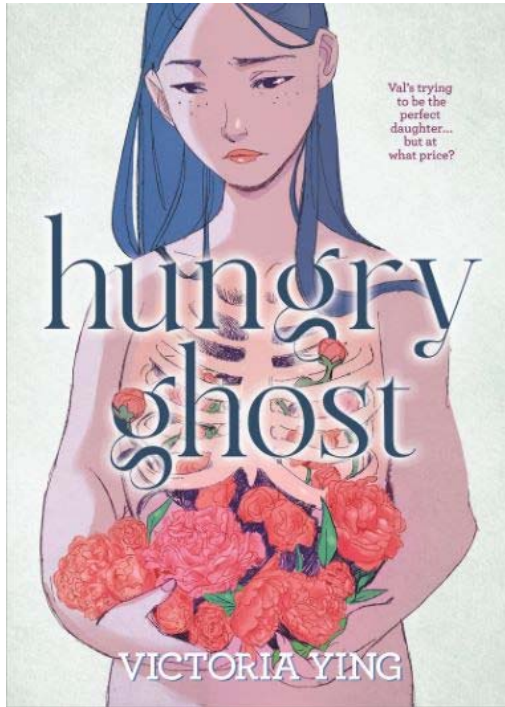
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### **Hungry Ghost** by Victoria Ying

A young adult graphic novel about Valerie, a girl who is hiding an eating disorder from her friends and family and is forced to reevaluate her own self-image after her life is turned upside down.

Sixteen-year-old Valerie Chu is quiet, studious, and above all thin. No one, not even her best friend Jordan, suspects that she has been bingeing and purging for years. But Valerie's life, and priorities, are upended when her father dies abruptly. At home, she abandons her ED patterns as she tries to comfort her mother and little brother.

Val begins to reevaluate her life, her choices, and her own body. She realizes that the path to happiness might lead her away from her hometown and her mother's toxic projections. But first she must apologize to Jordan and find the strength to seek help.

This beautiful and heart-wrenching young adult graphic novel takes a look at eating disorders, family dynamics, and, ultimately, a journey to self-love.

### **Author Bio**

**Victoria Ying** is an author and artist living in Los Angeles. She started her career in the arts by falling in love with comic books, which eventually turned into a career working in animation and graphic novels. She loves Japanese curry, putting things in her shopping cart online and taking them out again, and hanging out with her dopey dog. Her film credits include *Frozen*, *Moana*, *Tangled*, *Wreck-It Ralph*, *Big Hero 6*, and *Paperman*. She is the illustrator of the DC Comics graphic novel *Diana: Princess of the Amazons* and the author and illustrator of her original graphic novels *City of Secrets* and *Hungry Ghost*

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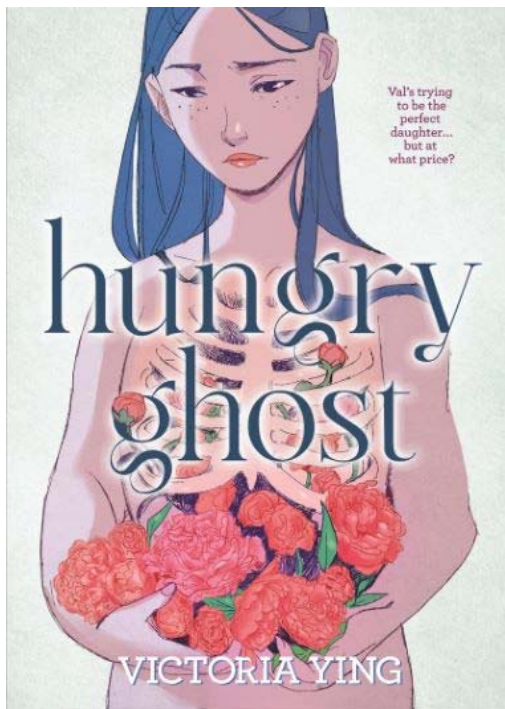
YA Fic / Comics & Graphic Novels / Coming Of Age •

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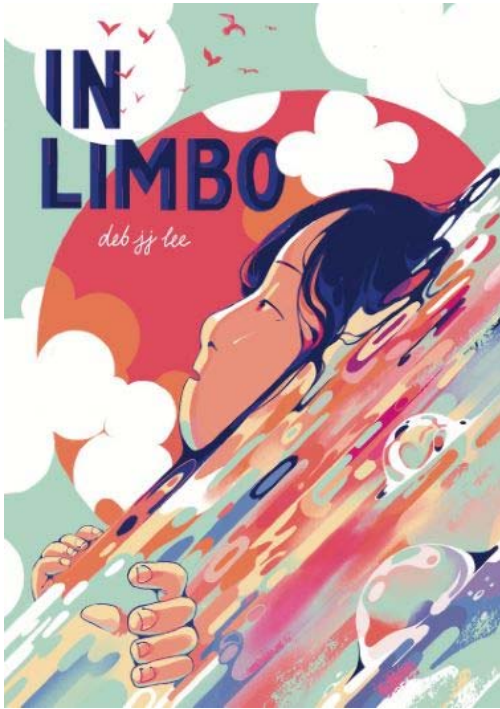
Ages 14-18 years

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## In Limbo: A Graphic Memoir

by Deb JJ Lee

**A debut YA graphic memoir about a Korean-American girl's coming-of-age story - and a coming home story - set between a New Jersey suburb and Seoul, South Korea.**

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But Deb is resilient. She discovers art and self-care, and gradually begins to start recovering. And during a return trip to South Korea, she realizes something that changes her perspective on her family, her heritage, and herself.

This stunning debut graphic memoir features page after page of gorgeous, evocative art, perfect for Tillie Walden fans. It's a cross section of the Korean-American diaspora and mental health, a moving and powerful read in the vein of *Hey, Kiddo* and *The Best We Could Do*

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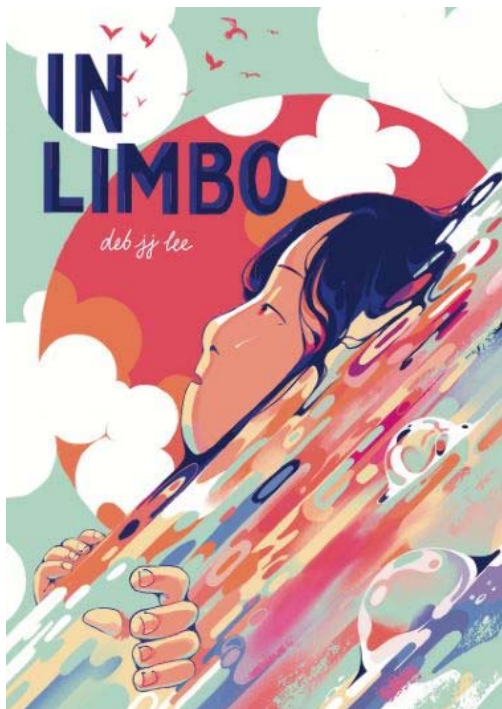
YA NonFic / Comics & Graphic Novels / Social Topics •

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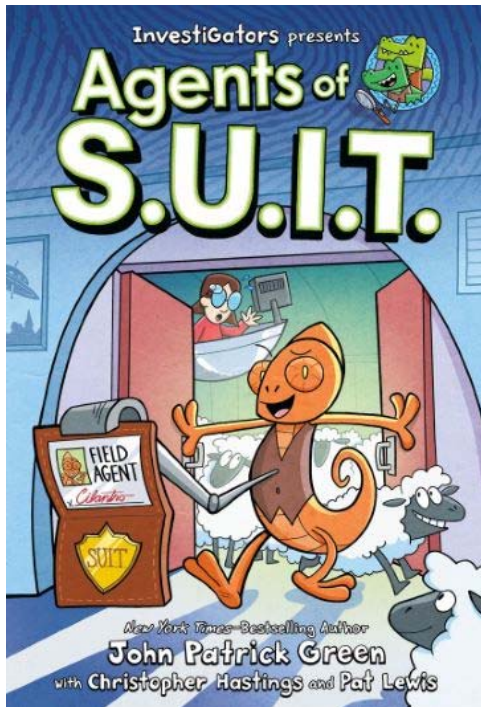
YA NonFic / Comics & Graphic Novels / Social Topics •

Ages 14-18 years

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## Investigators: Agents of S.U.I.T. 1

by John Patrick Green and Christopher Hastings, illustrated by Pat Lewis

**The world of John Green's kid-favorite InvestiGators series expands with the first volume of AGENTS OF S.U.I.T., a brand-new spinoff shining a light on some of Mango and Brash's colorful coworkers.**

Cilantro the Chameleon finally gets what she's been waiting for: a field assignment. Only . . . it's literally out in the middle of a field, and her orders are so vague, she can hardly tell what she's supposed to be investigating. But as she begins to uncover a sheep-led worker's rights revolt and an alien invasion conspiracy - not to mention a spooky haunting at the abandoned S.U.I.T. field outpost - Cilantro steps into her own V.E.S.T. as a valued member of the team. Joining this series is co-writer Chris Hastings and artist Pat Lewis, with John heavily involved in guiding the Agents along this standalone but complementary saga.

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Series: InvestiGators

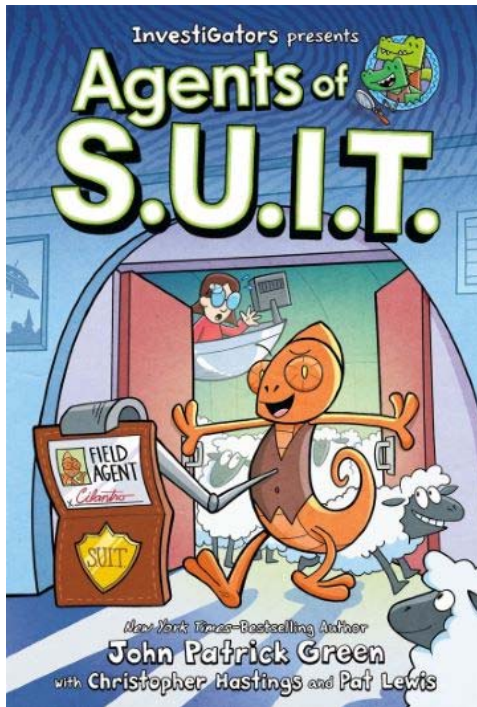
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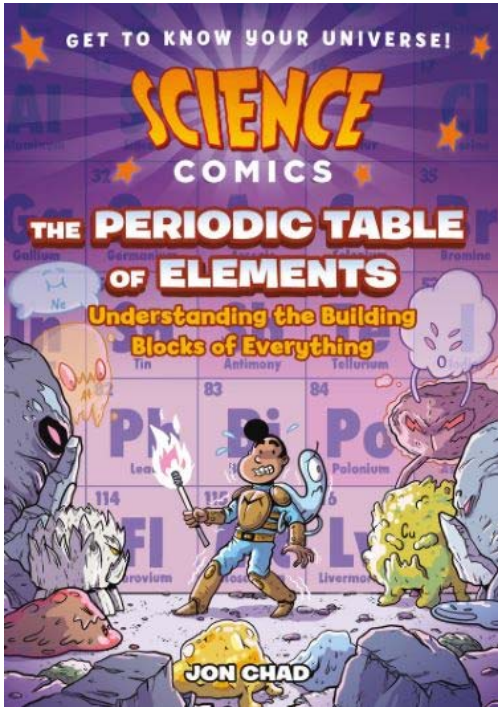
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## Science Comics: The Periodic Table of Elements

Understanding the Building Blocks of Everything

by Jon Chad

Step out of your element with *Science Comics: The Periodic Table of Elements*, the latest volume of First Second's nonfiction graphic novel series!

A book of fun chemistry experiments has fallen into the wrong hands. Only Mel can use her knowledge of the periodic table to put an end to a maniacal madman's evil schemes.

The periodic table helps us quickly understand the 118 elements, those tiny substances that make up everything in the world. By using the periodic table, we can recognize how these building blocks behave, find trends and patterns in the universe, and make predictions about elements that haven't been discovered yet. Join us in learning about the periodic table, and maybe the next big discovery will be yours!

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Science & Nature • Ages 9-13 years

Series: Science Comics

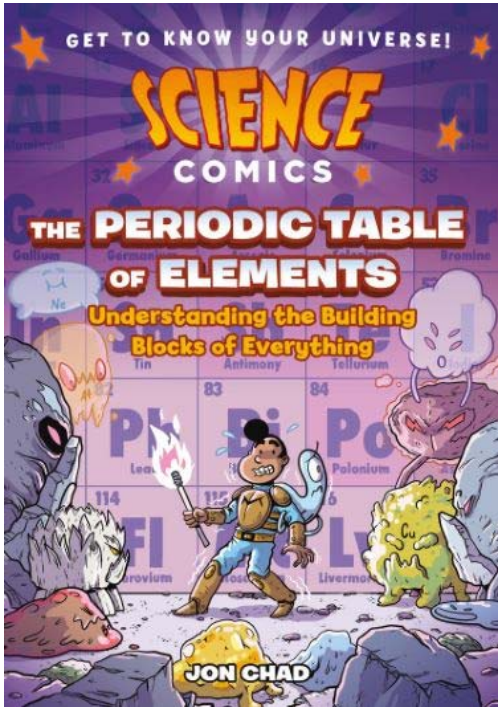
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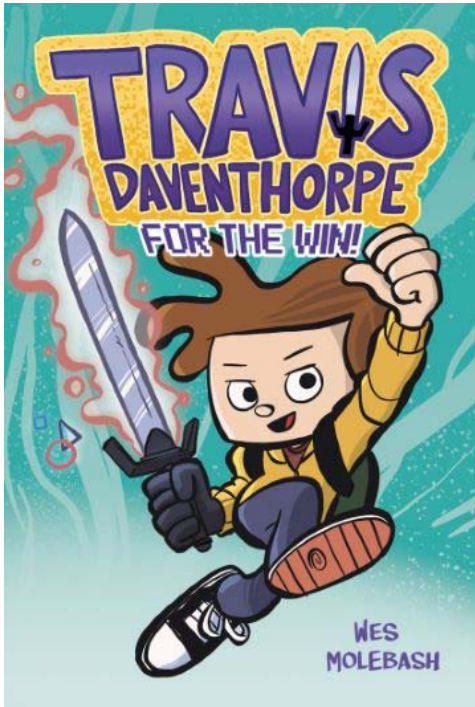
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## Travis Davenport for the Win!

by Wes Molebash

For fans of *Hilo* and *The Last Kids on Earth* comes *Travis Davenport for the Win!*, the first volume of a hilarious fantasy-sci-fi graphic novel series!

Travis Davenport may be a genius, but he's always struggled to make friends. After his attempt to befriend new kid Juniper Reyes results in an epic fail, Travis takes his sentient flying robot, Travbot, out for a ride. But when Travbot malfunctions, the two take a nosedive into the woods. There, they discover a legendary sword, a wizard from another dimension, and a mysterious prophecy: Travis Davenport is destined to save the multiverse!

From debut author Wes Molebash comes this pun-filled, geeky, sci-fi adventure series. Join Travis as he dodges bullies, forges friendships, and perfects his science fair project. . . all while trying to fulfill his magical destiny!

## Author Bio

**Wes Molebash** is the creator of several popular webcomics, most notably *You'll Have That* (Viper Comics) and *Molebashed* (self-published). He has also created cartoons for companies and organizations such as the Ohio State University, Target, and PBS Kids. *Travis Davenport for the Win!* is his debut graphic novel. [wesmolebash.com](http://wesmolebash.com)

First Second

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5.5 x 8.25 • 288 pages

full-color illustrations throughout

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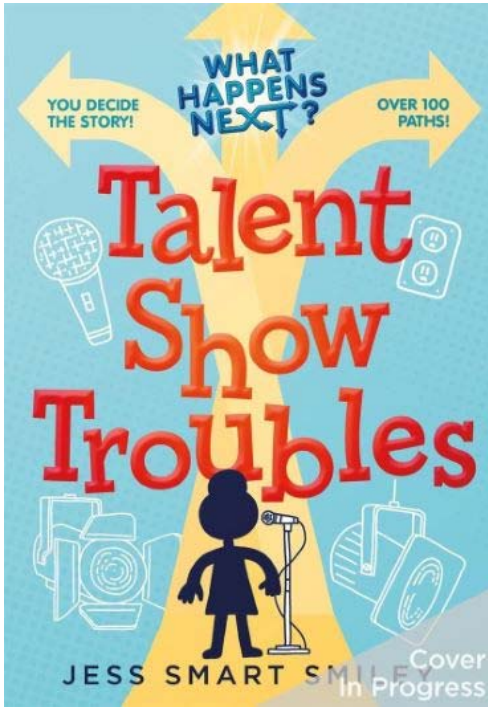
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## What Happens Next?: Talent Show Troubles

by Jess Smart Smiley

In this first graphic novel of the *What Happens Next?* series, you can decide if Megan will run the Sunbright Middle School's talent show smoothly or right into the ground.

Megan Hathaway is in charge of Sunbright Middle School's talent show, and everything is going wrong.

Animals are running wild backstage, vice-principal Fisher is out for blood, and Megan's friend Olivia might be turning into a zombie. Can YOU help Megan salvage this mess, or will you doom her to an eternity in the school's basement?!

With over 25 different endings, author-illustrator Jess Smart Smiley's *What Happens Next?: Talent Show Troubles* is an interactive misadventure you'll be coming back to over and over!

### Author Bio

**Jess Smart Smiley** is a joke - seriously.

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Jess is the creator of *Let's Make Comics!: An Activity Book to Create, Write, and Draw Your Own Cartoons*. He loves sharing his passion for writing, drawing, and storytelling with schools, libraries, bookstores, and students of all ages and skill levels.

First Second

On Sale: Apr 11/23

5.5 x 8.25 • 240 pages

full-color illustrations throughout

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Juvenile Fiction / Comics & Graphic Nov / General •

Ages 7-10 years

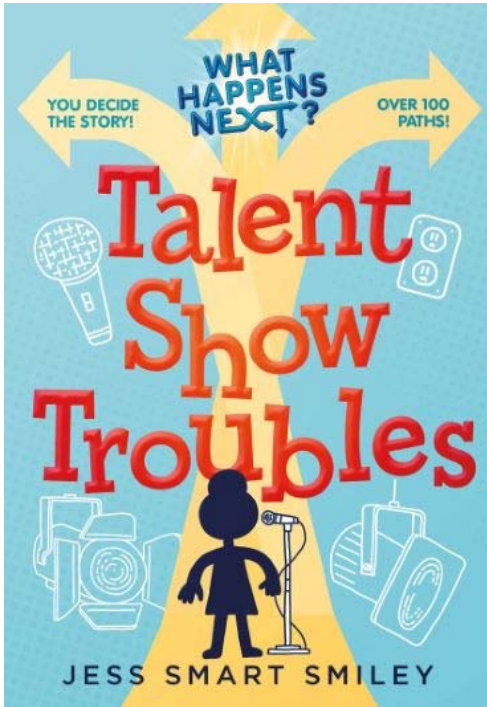
Series: What Happens Next?

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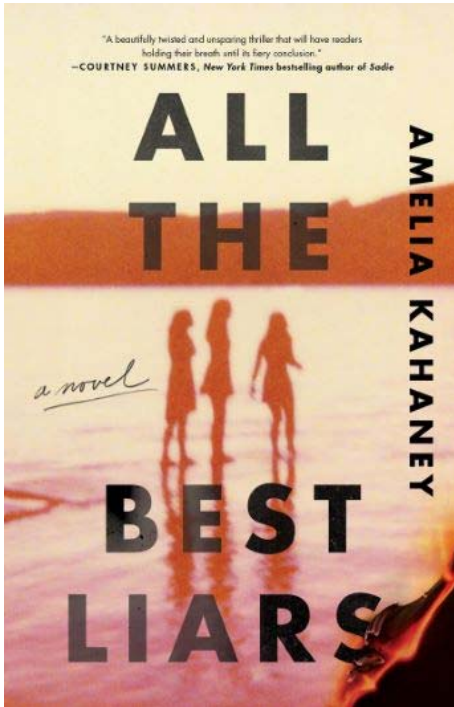
Ages 7-10 years

Series: What Happens Next?

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### Promotion





## All the Best Liars

A Novel

by Amelia Kahaney

**Amelia Kahaney's *All the Best Liars* is a dark, modern psychological thriller and coming-of-age story about obsession, manipulation, and the intensity of those first friendships that take hold of you and never let go**

*Tic-tac-toe, three girls in a row. Nine years old and inseparable. Friends for life, or so they think . . .*

Best friends Syd, Rain, and Brie grew up on the wrong side of the tracks in the stifling California desert, desperately wishing for a way out.

When a deadly fire is set two weeks before the end of high school, nothing will ever be the same. In the end, each of them will escape - but not in the way any of them expects. One will do it by dying, another by lying, a third by taking the fall.

With gorgeous, taut prose and twists to the very last page, *All the Best Liars* alternates between the present and the past to unravel the truth behind the fire and the cost of the secrets at the heart of their friendship.

A searing and provocative exploration of friendship, desire, envy and obsession, of girls pushed to the very edge. Amelia Kahaney has written a beautifully twisted and unsparring thriller that will have readers holding their breath until its fiery conclusion."

- **Courtney Summers** (...)

## Author Bio

**Amelia Kahaney** is the author of The Brokenhearted series. Her short fiction has appeared in *Best American Nonrequired Reading*, *One Story*, and *Crazyhorse*, among other publications. She teaches writing in New York City, where she lives with her husband and son.

Flatiron Books

On Sale: Mar 7/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 336 pages

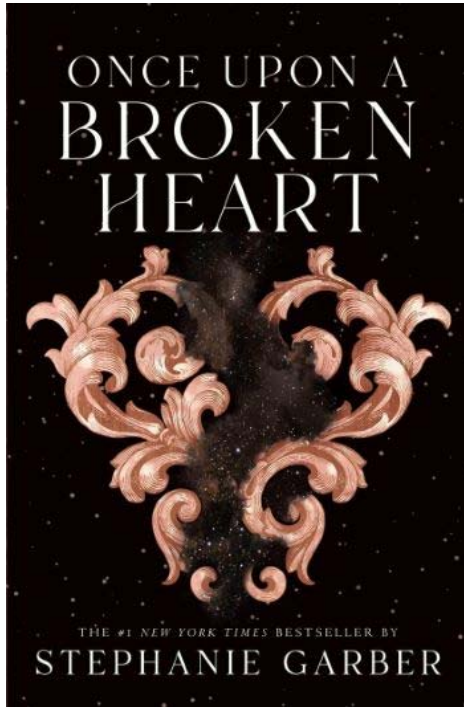
9781250312723 • \$15.99 • pb

Ages 14-18 years

## Notes

## Promotion





## Once Upon a Broken Heart

by Stephanie Garber

**The instant #1 *New York Times* bestseller!**

***Once Upon a Broken Heart* marks the launch of a new series from beloved author Stephanie Garber about love, curses, and the lengths that people will go to for happily ever after**

For as long as she can remember, Evangeline Fox has believed in true love and happy endings. . . until she learns that the love of her life will marry another.

Desperate to stop the wedding and to heal her wounded heart, Evangeline strikes a deal with the charismatic, but wicked, Prince of Hearts. In exchange for his help, he asks for three kisses, to be given at the time and place of his choosing.

But after Evangeline's first promised kiss, she learns that bargaining with an immortal is a dangerous game - and that the Prince of Hearts wants far more from her than she'd pledged. He has plans for Evangeline, plans that will either end in the greatest happily ever after, or the most exquisite tragedy. . .

**The #1 *New York Times* bestseller  
A Goodreads Choice Award finalist  
An Indie Next pick**

An explosively rich fairy tale that takes place inside an intricate world that's weaved with fast-paced plot and intriguing twists. Garber continues to show up with lush, atmospheric writing and charming characters that we can't help (...)

## Author Bio

**Stephanie Garber** is the #1 *New York Times* and internationally bestselling author of *Once Upon a Broken Heart*, *The Ballad of Never After*, and the *Caraval* trilogy. Her books have been translated into thirty languages.

Flatiron Books

On Sale: Mar 28/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 448 pages

Includes front matter map

9781250268402 • \$16.99 • pb

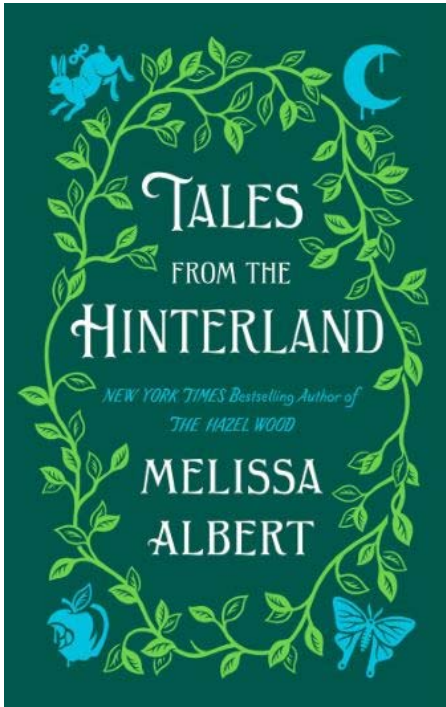
YA Fic / Fantasy / General • Ages 13-18 years

Series: Once Upon a Broken Heart

## Notes

## Promotion





## Tales from the Hinterland

by Melissa Albert

**A gorgeously illustrated collection of twelve lush and deliciously sinister fairy tales" (Kelly Link) by the *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Hazel Wood* and *The Night Country*!**

Before *The Hazel Wood*, there was Althea Proserpine's *Tales from the Hinterland*. . .

Journey into the Hinterland, a brutal and beautiful world where a young woman spends a night with Death, brides are wed to a mysterious house in the trees, and an enchantress is killed twice - and still lives.

Perfect for new readers and dedicated fans alike, Melissa Albert's *Tales from the Hinterland* features full-page illustrations by Jim Tierney, two-color interior printing, and printed endpapers.

The writing is as spare and precise as poetry, connected to the darker, edgier elements of fairy-tale conventions. Albert's rich and tightly focused collection forms the core of the mythology created in her novels, and her fans will be thrilled at this further glimpse into that world." - **Booklist, starred review**

"Rich with bloodshed, metamorphosis and inevitable comeuppance, written with the absolute assurance of a master storyteller summoning an audience to the fireside on a winter's night, Albert's book is uniquely transporting and discomfiting, a length of shining fabric flecked with glass that sparkles as it cuts." - **The Times Literary Supplement (UK)**

"Lush and deliciously sinister fairytales to be consumed (...)

## Author Bio

**Melissa Albert** is the *New York Times* and indie bestselling author of the Hazel Wood series ( *The Hazel Wood*, *The Night Country*, *Tales from the Hinterland* ) and a former bookseller and YA lit blogger. Her work has been translated into more than twenty languages and included in the *New York Times* list of Notable Children's Books. She lives in Brooklyn with her family.

Flatiron Books

On Sale: Jan 3/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 256 pages

2-color illustrations throughout; 2-color printed endpapers

9781250302748 • \$15.99 • pb

YA Fic / Fantasy / Contemporary • Ages 12-18 years

Series: Hazel Wood

## Notes

## Promotion





### **A Song of Sun and Sky**

by Jason Cockcroft

A seemingly endless road trip for Lula and her father only seems to get worse when the car breaks down in the middle of the desert. Things are too *boring* and too *orange* until Lula encounters a mysterious painter who shows her that the desert is full of so much more to explore.

This is an exploration of color, lighting, and the magic of art and nature, filtered through the lens of a fictional interaction with the artist Georgia O'Keeffe. Learn about the colors you bring along everywhere you go.

### **Author Bio**

**Jason Cockcroft** is an author and illustrator currently residing in the UK. He's contributed as an author or illustrator, and sometimes both, to over forty books in his lifetime. An alumnus of the Falmouth School of Art and the first-ever recipient of the Blue Peter Books Award, Jason's creative talent shines bright in each and every project he works on.

Henry Holt & Co

On Sale: Apr 11/23

11 x 8.5 • 40 pages

**9781250819437** • \$24.99 • CL - With dust jacket

Juvenile Fiction / Art & Architecture • Ages 4-8 years

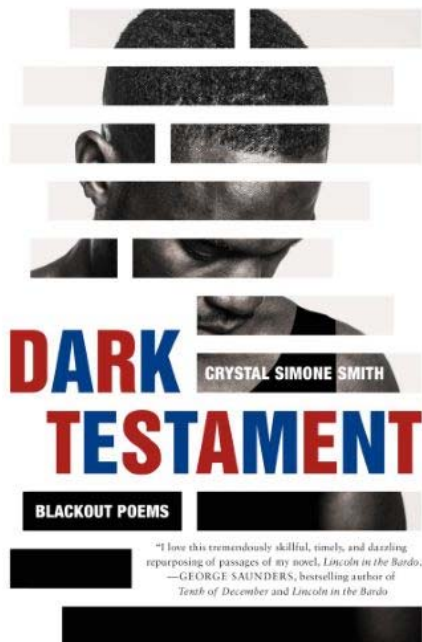
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### **Promotion**



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## Dark Testament

Blackout Poems

by Crystal Simone Smith

In this extraordinary collection the award-winning poet Crystal Simone Smith gives voice to the mournful dead, their lives unjustly lost to violence, and to the grieving chorus of protestors in today's Black Lives Matter movement, in search of resilience and hope.

With poems found within the text of George Saunders's *Lincoln in the Bardo*, Crystal Simone Smith embarks on an uncompromising exploration of collective mourning and crafts a masterwork that resonates far beyond the page. These poems are visually stark, a gathering of gripping verses that unmask a dialogue of tragic truths--the stories of lives taken unjustly and too soon.

Bold and deeply affecting, *Dark Testament* is a remarkable reckoning with our present moment, a call to action, and a plea for a more just future.

## Author Bio

**Crystal Simone Smith** is the author of two poetry chapbooks, *Routes Home*, and *Running Music*. She is also the author of *Wildflowers: Haiku, Senryu, and Haibun*. Her work has appeared in numerous journals, including *Callaloo*, *Nimrod*, *Barrow Street*, *Obsidian II: Literature in the African Diaspora*, *African American Review*, and *Mobius: The Journal of Social Change*. She is an alumna of the Callaloo Creative Writing Workshop and the Yale Summer Writers Conference. She holds an MFA from Queens University of Charlotte and lives in Durham, North Carolina, with her husband and two sons where she teaches English composition and creative writing. She is the managing editor of Backbone Press. [crystalsimonesmith.com](http://crystalsimonesmith.com)

Henry Holt & Co

On Sale: Jan 3/23

6 x 9 • 160 pages

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9781250854360 • \$26.99 • CL - With dust jacket

YA Fic / Poetry • Ages 14-18 years

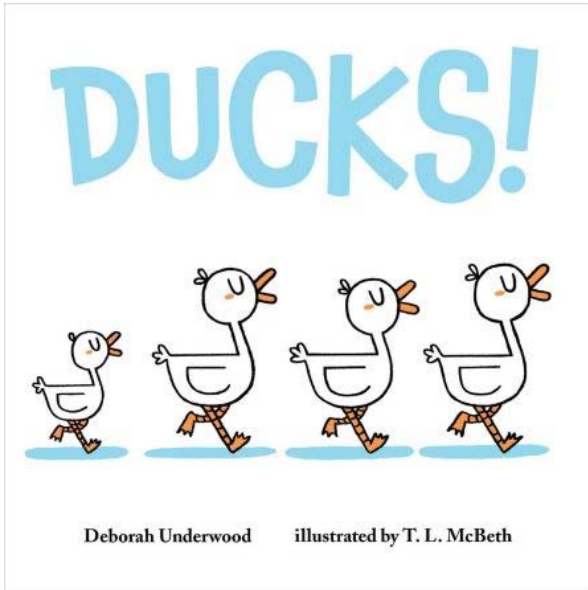
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## Ducks!

by Deborah Underwood, illustrated by T. L. McBeth

Follow along in this board book adaptation of *Ducks!* as Duck wanders away from the pond for a moment and returns to find the other ducks gone! Searching high and low, Duck discovers many clues around the city - squawking, feathers, ponds - but no ducks. Will Duck's feathered friends finally be found? With spare text and lots of visual jokes, this is a funny and sweet celebration of family.

## Author Bio

**Deborah Underwood** grew up in Walla Walla, Washington. She is the author of many books for children, including the *New York Times* bestselling *The Quiet Book*. When she's not writing, you might find her singing in a chamber choir, playing a ukulele, walking around in Golden Gate Park, baking vegan cookies, or petting any dogs, cats, pigs, or turkeys that happen to be nearby. **T. L. McBeth** is an author and illustrator living in Indiana. He is the creator of the Randy, the Badly Drawn Horse series and *Robot in Love*, and the illustrator of *Stegothosaurus*, *Triceratopposite*, *Ogilvy*, and *Ducks!*

Henry Holt & Co

On Sale: Jan 17/23

6.5 x 6.5 • 24 pages

full-color illustrations throughout

9781250863775 • \$11.99

Juvenile Fiction / Animals / Ducks, Geese, Etc. • Ages

0-4 years

## Notes

## Promotion



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### I'M STICKING WITH YOU— AND THE CHICKEN TOO!

SMRITI PRASADAM-HALLS Illustrated by STEVE SMALL



### I'm Sticking with You - and the Chicken Too!

by Smriti Prasadam-Halls, illustrated by Steve Small

In this follow up to *I'm Sticking with You*, Bear and Squirrel are back, and they're perfectly in tune. They make merry music, they sing the same song - it's all going great, until Chicken comes along.

Chicken knows she could add something to Bear and Squirrel's band of two, but the duo is certain that three is a crowd! Fed up, Chicken leaves - and lands herself in hot water. Will Bear and Squirrel come to the rescue?

### Author Bio

**Smriti Prasadam-Halls** is the internationally bestselling author of more than thirty children's books, including *I'm Sticking with You*, illustrated by Steve Small; *I Love You Night and Day*, illustrated by Alison Brown; and *Jingle Jangle Jungle*, illustrated by Axel Scheffler. Smriti lives in Richmond-upon-Thames, England. **Steve Small** is a designer, an animator, and a BAFTA-nominated director. He lives in England, and *I'm Sticking With You* was his first picture book.

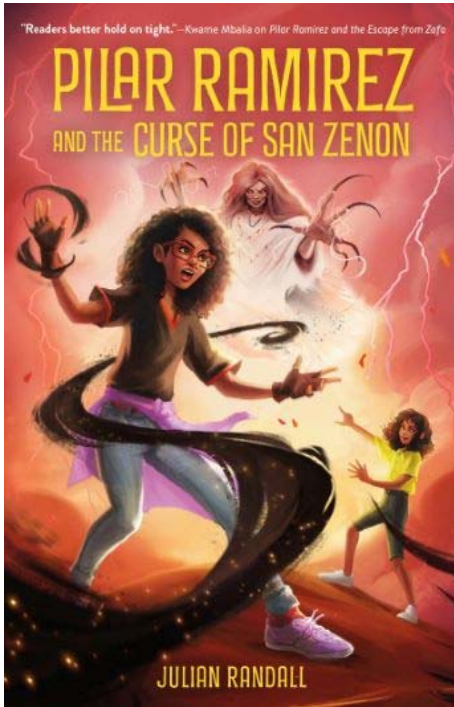
Henry Holt & Co  
On Sale: Apr 18/23  
8 x 11 • 40 pages  
**9781250849656** • \$24.99 • CL - With dust jacket  
Juvenile Fiction / Social / Friendship • Ages 4-8 years

### Notes

### Promotion







## Pilar Ramirez and the Curse of San Zenon

by Julian Randall

***The Land of Stories* meets Dominican culture and mythology come to life in *Pilar Ramirez and the Curse of San Zenon*, the action-packed fantasy duology finale - for fans of the *Tristan Strong* series and *Amari and the Night Brothers* .**

After being magically transported to the mythical island of Zafa and rescuing her long captive cousin Natasha, Pilar is back in Chicago . . . and hiding the shocking truths about Zafa and Natasha being alive. So, when she and her family are invited on a trip to Santo Domingo, Pilar welcomes the distraction and the chance to see the Dominican Republic for the first time.

But when Ciguapa and close friend Carmen magically appears in the DR searching for help, Pilar is soon on the hunt for the escaped demon El Baca and his mysterious new ally. Now, with a cursed storm gathering over the island to resurrect an ancient enemy, Pilar will have to harness her newfound bruja powers if she has any hope of saving her own world, Zafa, and most importantly, her family before the clock runs out and ushers in a new era of evil.

### **Praise for *Pilar Ramirez and the Escape from Zafa***

**Abreathhtaking** journey through a world teeming with fantasy and history - **readers better hold on tight** as Pilar swings into her next adventure." - Kwame Mbalia, *New York Times*-bestselling author of the *Tristan Strong* series

"Randall takes history and myth and weaves a tight fantasy that is as funny as it is poignant. This novel is sure to **delight and awe**." - Elizabeth Acevedo, National Book Award Winner

\* **"Magic awaits** around every corner in (...)

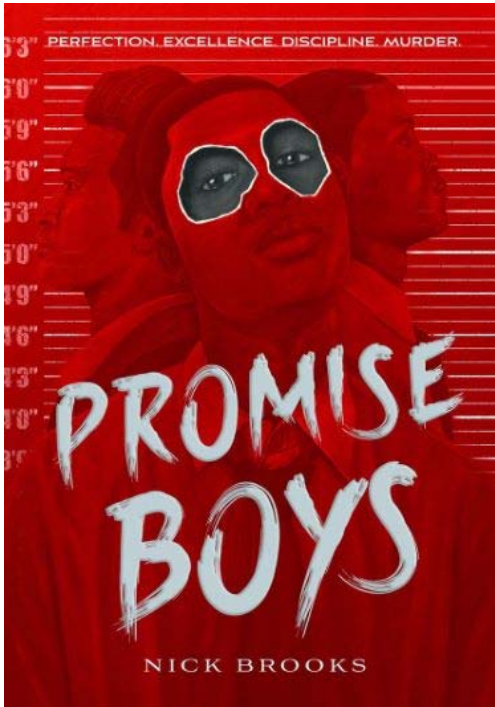
### **Author Bio**

**Julian Randall** is a Living Queer Black poet from Chicago. His poetry and essays are published in the *New York Times Magazine*, *POETRY*, *The Atlantic*, and *Vibe* . He is the recipient of a Pushcart Prize. Julian holds an MFA in Poetry from Ole Miss. His first book, *Refuse*, won the Cave Canem Poetry Prize and was a finalist for an NAACP Image Award. He was also a contributor to the #1 *New York Times*-bestseller *Black Boy Joy* . Julian has previously worked as a youth mentor, teaching writing workshops to children on house arrest. *Pilar Ramirez and the Escape from Zafa* is his debut



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## Promise Boys

by Nick Brooks

Jason Reynolds meets Karen McManus in this commercial blockbuster YA mystery thriller that follows three boys of color at a Washington DC charter school who are forced to investigate their principal's murder in a high-stakes twenty-four hour period, in order to clear their own names

Nick Brooks's *Promise Boyse* is a trailblazing, blockbuster YA mystery about three teen boys of color who must investigate their principal's murder to clear their own names - for fans of Angie Thomas, Jason Reynolds, and Karen McManus.

The Urban Promise Prep School vows to turn boys into men. As students, J. B., Ramon, and Trey are forced to follow the prestigious program's" strict rules. Extreme discipline, they've been told, is what it takes to be college bound, to avoid the fates of many men in their neighborhoods. This, the Principal Moore Method, supposedly saves lives.

But when Moore ends up murdered and the cops come sniffing around, the trio emerges as the case's prime suspects. With all three maintaining their innocence, they must band together to track down the real killer before they are arrested. But is the true culprit hiding among them?

This exquisitely taut thriller shines a glaring light on how the system too often condemns Black and Latinx teen boys to failure before they've even had a chance at success.

## Author Bio

**Nick Brooks** is an author and award-winning filmmaker from Washington, DC. He is a 2020 graduate of USC's TV and Film Production program. His short film, *Hoop Dreamin'*, earned him the George Lucas Scholar Award and was a finalist in the Forbes 30 Under 30 Film Fest. He is currently in development for his first feature film, *We Were Born Kings*, with Mandalay Pictures. Before becoming a filmmaker, Nick was an educator working with at-risk youth and many of his stories are colored by his experiences with the children and families of his community. He is also the author of *Nothing Interesting Ever Happens to Ethan Fairmont*. Follow Nick on Twitter @whoisnickbrooks and on Instagram @officialnickbrooks. [Thenickbrooks.com](http://Thenickbrooks.com)

Henry Holt & Co  
On Sale: Jan 31/23  
6 x 9 • 400 pages  
9781250866974 • \$24.99 • cl  
Ages 14-18 years

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### Someday, Maybe

by Diana Murray, illustrated by Jessica Gibson

Someday, Maybe is an inventive and inspiring picture book that imagines the exciting jobs, discoveries, and innovations that children dream of for their futures.

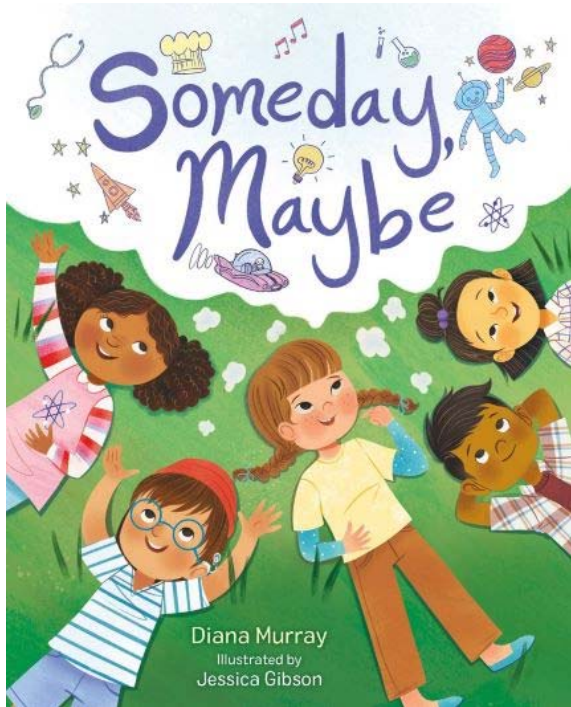
With self-driving cars and commercial launches to space, the future has arrived! And so have the jobs of the future, from intergalactic rock bands with riffing robots to doctors with X-ray glasses.

Children have always dreamed of what they will grow up to become, and with Someday, Maybe the possibilities are whole lot more out of this world. Join a group of intrepid young innovators while they dream about where the future will take them in this imaginative picture book

### Author Bio

**Diana Murray** grew up in New York City and still lives nearby with her husband and two daughters. Some of her picture books include *Doris the Bookasaurus*, *Five Fuzzy Chicks*, *Grimelda: The Very Messy Witch*, *Ned the Knitting Pirate*, and *City Shapes*. Her poems have appeared in many magazines, including *Highlights*, *High Five*, and *Spider*.

**Jessica Gibson** is from Detroit and has loved drawing since she was a little girl. A love of animals, traveling, and reading has always inspired her and led to a career illustrating children's books. Jessica illustrates picture books, spot pieces, packaging design, and surface patterns, all of which she hopes capture her sense of fun. [@jessiedrawz](https://twitter.com/jessiedrawz), [jessicamgibson.com](http://jessicamgibson.com)



Henry Holt & Co

On Sale: Mar 14/23

8 x 10 • 40 pages

full-color throughout

9781250782755 • \$24.99 • cl

Juvenile Fiction / Social / Self-Esteem & Self-Reliance

• Ages 4-8 years

### Notes

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### The Corgi and the Queen

by Caroline L. Perry, illustrated by Lydia Corry

Even a monarch needs a best friend and Queen Elizabeth II found one in a corgi pup she named Susan. From princesshood to queendom the pair forged an unbreakable bond, with Susan even participating in Elizabeth's wedding day and joining her on honeymoon with Prince Philip. The Queen has had more than 30 corgi companions, and almost all were direct descendants of her cherished Susan.

Godwin Books

### Author Bio

**Caroline L. Perry** is an author, journalist, and producer who was born in Britain but currently resides in Southern California. As an avid traveler Caroline allows her adventures to inspire her work. **Lydia Corry** attended the Royal College of Art and has been a devoted illustrator ever since who specializes in watercolor, ink, and gouache.

Henry Holt & Co

On Sale: Feb 21/23

9 x 11 • 40 pages

9781250832382 • \$24.99 • CL - With dust jacket

Juvenile Nonfiction / Animals / Dogs • Ages 4-8 years

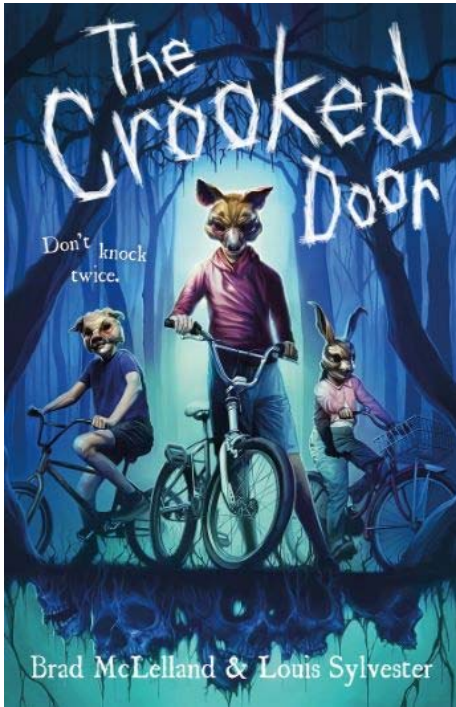
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## The Crooked Door

by Brad McLelland and Louis Sylvester

Something demonic stirs in this suspenseful, horror novel for young readers about a close-knit circle of children, the monster at their whim, and the lone girl who can save her parents from evil - for fans of Victoria Schwab, Katherine Arden, and Holly Black.

**A great, scary read!" - R.L. Stine, author *Goosebumps***

For Ginny and her parents, losing their home and being forced to move to Nebraska was hard enough, but when a sudden dust storm forces them to seek shelter in the strange town of Pottsville, the real trouble begins. By day, Pottsville is all friendly faces and welcoming storefronts. But at night, creatures lurk in the shadows, and a bossy band of local kids seems to be in charge. And through it all, you can hear the eerie call of the sinister Dirge moaning in the distance, always hungering for a new *friend* to join its ancient, twisted game.

As Ginny is drawn deeper into the kids' inner circle, she learns the answer to all her wishes lies just beyond the mysterious Crooked Door. But beware, beware when you knock twice, for every wish comes at a price. Soon, evil boils over in Pottsville, and Ginny must race to save her parents before they're trapped forever in the Dirge's dark realm.

What happens after you knock twice on the Crooked Door? Your life becomes a HORROR SHOW. Great suspense. Great twists and surprises. A great, scary read!" - R.L.

## Author Bio

Born and raised in Arkansas, **Brad McLelland** spent several years working as a crime journalist in the South before earning his MFA in creative writing from Oklahoma State University. A part-time drummer and singer, Brad lives in Oklahoma with his wife, stepdaughter, a mini-Aussie who gives hugs, and a chubby cat who begs for ham.

Brad is coauthor, with Louis Sylvester, of *Legends of the Lost Causes*. **Louis Sylvester** is a professor at Lewis-Clark State College in Lewiston, Idaho. He earned his PhD from Oklahoma State University. He enjoys playing tabletop games from his collection of over 1,000 card and board games, watching western films, reading fantasy novels, and spending time with his wife and two dogs.

Louis is the coauthor with Brad McLelland of *Legends of the Lost Causes*





## The Girl Who Built a Spider

by George Brewington

**In this fun-filled, action-packed middle grade novel, three young inventors are offered the chance to work at the renowned Dr. Flax's laboratory - where dazzling science, new friendships, and killer robots await.**

When Theresa Brown wins the Charleston County Middle School Science Fair, she receives the opportunity of a lifetime - an invitation to celebrated scientist Dr. Flax's laboratory and a summer spent building the invention of her dreams. Along with the second- and third-place finishers of the science fair, Theresa is whisked off to a world of robots, excitement, and danger. Dr. Flax claims his inventions are going to help stop climate change and make the world a better, safer place, but is that true? And can Theresa and her friends get to the bottom of the mysteries of his laboratory?

### Author Bio

**George Brewington** is the author of *The Monster Catchers*. Four days a week, George writes middle grade and adult fantasy fiction. The other three days, he is a respiratory therapist at a hospital in Charleston, South Carolina. He lives with his wife and children in Folly Beach, South Carolina.

Henry Holt & Co

On Sale: Jan 1/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 288 pages

**9781250165800** • \$22.99 • CL - With dust jacket

Juvenile Fiction / Science Fiction • Ages 8-12 years

Series: Monster Catchers

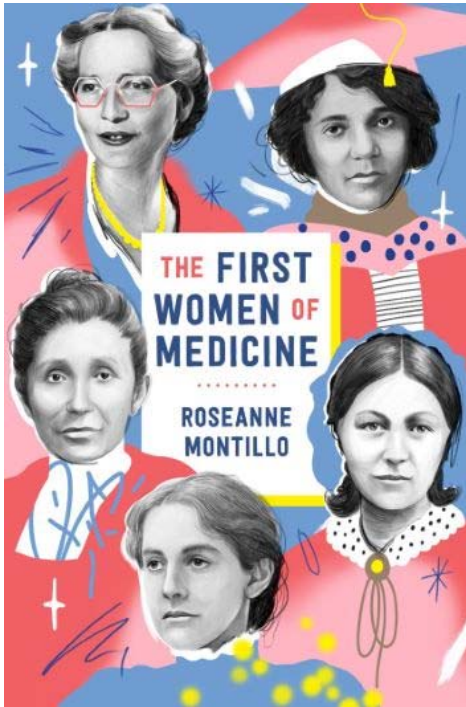
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### The First Women of Medicine

by Roseanne Montillo, illustrated by Jordan Andrew Carter

*First Women of Medicine* profiles fourteen fierce women who saved lives and changed the world. Florence Nightingale, Alice Augusta Ball, and Virginia Apgar are just some of the inspiring, legendary trailblazers featured in this fact-filled collection of biographies. From treating leprosy to combatting infant mortality, read along to learn more about women who were doctors, scientists, and pioneers in their field.

### Author Bio

**Roseanne Montillo** is a bestselling nonfiction author with a passion for literature and history. Her books include *The Lady and her Monsters*, *Fire on the Track*, and *Atomic Women*. She received her MFA in creative writing from Emerson college and continued her legacy on campus as a well-respected professor before pivoting to focus on writing full time.

Henry Holt & Co

On Sale: Feb 14/23

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Juvenile Nonfiction / Biography & Autobiography /

Women • Ages 8-12 years

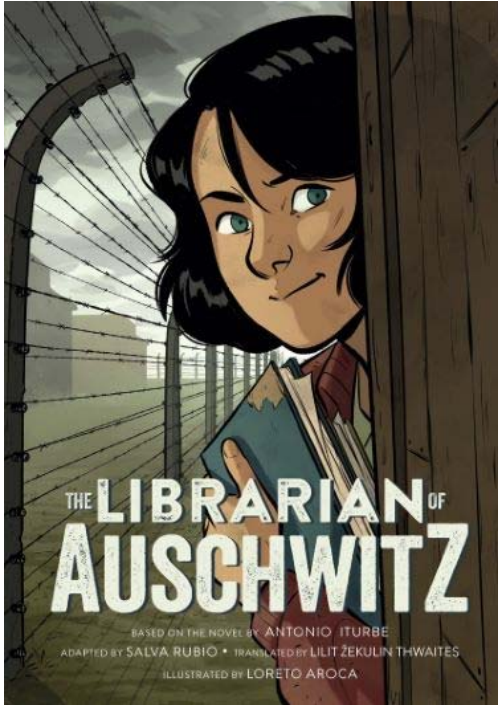
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## The Librarian of Auschwitz: The Graphic Novel

by Antonio Iturbe, illustrated by Loreto Aroca, adapted by Salva Rubio

Based on the experience of real-life Auschwitz prisoner Dita Kraus, this graphic novel tells the incredible story of a girl who risked her life to keep the magic of books alive during the Holocaust.

Fourteen-year-old Dita is one of the many imprisoned by the Nazis at Auschwitz. Taken, along with her mother and father, from the Terezin ghetto in Prague, Dita is adjusting to the constant terror that is life in the camp. When Jewish leader Freddy Hirsch asks Dita to take charge of the eight precious volumes the prisoners have managed to sneak past the guards, she agrees. And so Dita becomes the librarian of Auschwitz.

Out of one of the darkest chapters of human history comes this extraordinary story of courage and hope.

### Author Bio

**Salva Rubio** is a Spanish author and historian. His credits include the graphic novels *Monet: Itinerant of Light* and *The Photographer of Mauthausen*.

**Antonio Iturbe** is a novelist and journalist. He interviewed Dita Kraus, the real-life librarian of Auschwitz, for *The Librarian of Auschwitz*. His other books include *The Prince of the Skies*. **Loreto Aroca** is a Spanish artist and a graduate of the University of Castilla-La Mancha. She previously won the school's Luna de Aire Award, honoring the best poetry aimed at children, for her and Fran Pintadera's book *Portrait of the Pinzon Family (Retrato de la familia Pinzon)*

Henry Holt & Co

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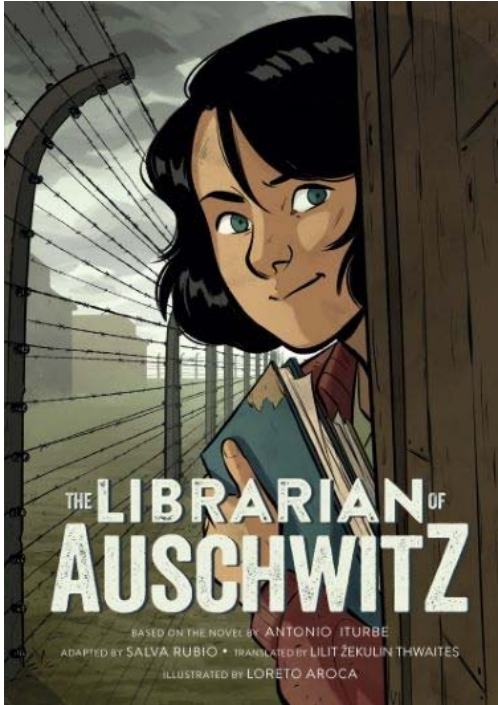
• Ages 8-12 years

### Notes

### Promotion







## The Librarian of Auschwitz: The Graphic Novel

by Antonio Iturbe, illustrated by Loreto Aroca, adapted by Salva Rubio

Based on the experience of real-life Auschwitz prisoner Dita Kraus, this graphic novel tells the incredible story of a girl who risked her life to keep the magic of books alive during the Holocaust.

Fourteen-year-old Dita is one of the many imprisoned by the Nazis at Auschwitz. Taken, along with her mother and father, from the Terezin ghetto in Prague, Dita is adjusting to the constant terror that is life in the camp. When Jewish leader Freddy Hirsch asks Dita to take charge of the eight precious volumes the prisoners have managed to sneak past the guards, she agrees. And so Dita becomes the librarian of Auschwitz.

Out of one of the darkest chapters of human history comes this extraordinary story of courage and hope.

## Author Bio

**Salva Rubio** is a Spanish author and historian. His credits include the graphic novels *Monet: Itinerant of Light* and *The Photographer of Mauthausen*.

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Juvenile Fiction / Comics & Graphic Novels / Historical

• Ages 8-12 years

## Notes

## Promotion





## The Mermaid of Black Rock

by Tanya Byrne

**In this captivating young adult novel, two girls set out to unravel a mystery tied to the sea - and fall in love along the way.**

On New Year's Day, three fishermen haul a teenage girl out of the ocean. By the time they bring her to land, it's clear that she doesn't know where or who she is. Her story goes viral. The media calls her Nicoletta, after the fishermen's boat. The rumors take a dark turn the next time the fishermen head out to sea - and fail to return. People say Nicoletta lured them to their deaths - their lives in exchange for hers.

And with that, the mystery becomes a legend.

Eighteen months later, Mara Malakar meets Nicoletta, or Nico, at a cafe. The two become fast friends, but as Mara realizes she wants more from their relationship, Nico remains oblivious, focused only on remembering. She may not want to, though. Could there be a reason she's locked everything behind a door? And once she's brave enough to open it, what will happen to her? To them?

### Author Bio

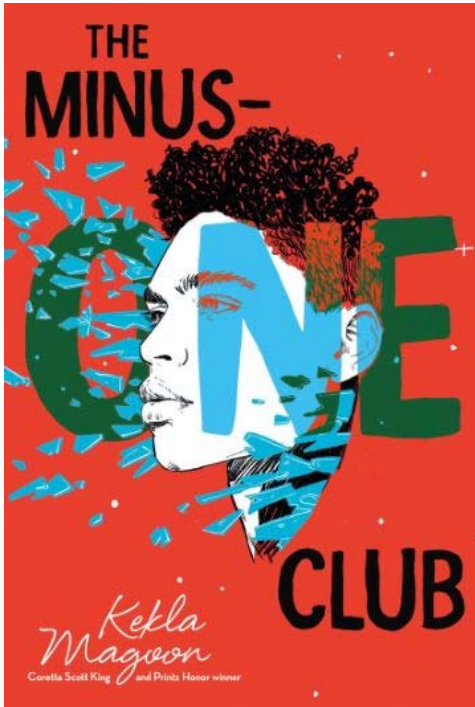
**Tanya Byrne** is an award-winning author and freelance journalist who lives in Brighton. She has written several young adult novels, including her first book, *Heart-Shaped Bruise*, which earned her a nomination for New Writer of the Year at the National Book Awards.

Henry Holt & Co  
On Sale: Apr 11/23  
5.38 x 8.25 • 400 pages  
**9781250865595** • \$24.99 • CL - With dust jacket  
YA Fic / Fantasy / Contemporary • Ages 14-18 years

### Notes

### Promotion





## The Minus-One Club

by Kekla Magoon

From the acclaimed author of *How It Went Down* and *Light It Up* comes a moving contemporary YA novel about a group of teens whose lives have been upended by tragedy, and the bond they share to lift them out of their grief.

Fifteen-year-old Kermit Sanders knows grief and its all-encompassing shadows. After losing his beloved older sister in a tragic car accident, nothing quite punctures through the feelings of loss. Even with his best friend, Alex, Kermit finds it impossible to relate to anything he is saying. Everywhere Kermit goes, he is reminded of her.

Until Kermit finds a mysterious note in his locker with an invitation, signed anonymously with "-1." Kermit has no idea what he's in for . . . and definitely didn't expect to see the random assortment of classmates at the designated meeting place. Dubbed the "Minus-One Club," this quirky group of five peers band together as a form of moral support after having lost a parent or sibling. The group has two rules: They're always there for each other, and they never talk about IT.

Luckily, Kermit didn't just get a new group of friends, but his biggest crush, the handsome and happy-go-lucky Matt (and only out gay teenager at school), is also a part of the group. Slowly, Matt's positive headstrong approach to life helps relieve Kermit of his constant despair.

But when the light of his new life begins to show the cracks beneath the surface, and Matt puts himself in danger by avoiding his feelings, Kermit must find the strength to not only lift himself back up but to help the rest of the group from falling apart

## Author Bio

**Kekla Magoon** is the author of many novels and nonfiction books for young adults, including *37 Things I Love*, *The Rock and the River*, *How It Went Down*, *Light It Up*, and *Revolution in Our Time*. She has received the Margaret A. Edwards Award, the Boston Globe Horn Book Award, the John Steptoe New Talent Award, three Coretta Scott King Honors, the Walter Award Honor, an NAACP Image Award, and been long-listed for the National Book Award. She lives in Vermont. [keklamagoon.com](http://keklamagoon.com)

Henry Holt & Co

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5.38 x 8.25 • 304 pages

9781250806208 • \$24.99 • CL - With dust jacket

YA Fic / Lgbt • Ages 14-18 years

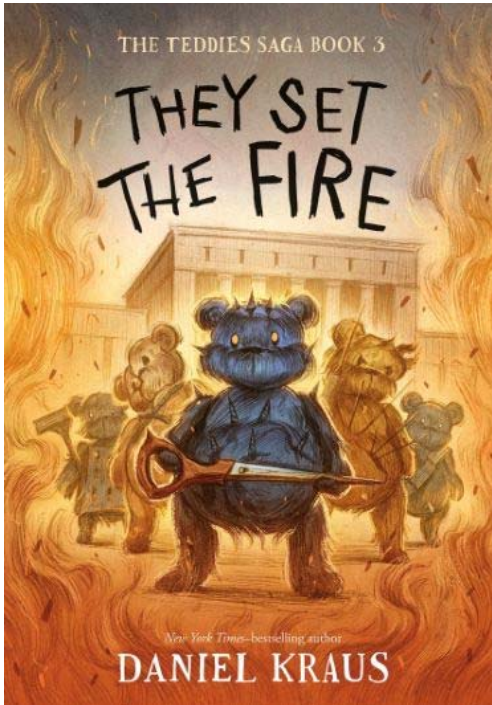
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## Promotion



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## They Set the Fire

The Teddies Saga, Book 3

by Daniel Kraus, illustrated by Rovina Cai

**At once darkly suspenseful and heartfelt with stunning spot art, this trilogy finale of *New York Times*-bestselling author Daniel Kraus's action-packed *The Teddies Saga* is perfect for fans of Victoria Schwab, Katherine Arden, and Holly Black.**

After searching so long for a place to call home, the daring teddies-clever Buddy, shrewd Sunny, fearless Nothing, and wise Reginald-find few answers at the place where they were created, Furrington Industries. But with a new friend - a teddy of legend! - the teddies head back into the dangerous world to seek the secrets of their creation.

Soon the teddies find themselves surrounded by people who hated them, and discover that the founder of Furrington Industries, known as the Suit, is on trial for an unknown crime. Left reeling but determined, Buddy leads his friends-those that survive-through the protestors that line the streets outside and into the bowels of the courthouse . . . where they'll find out the true, incendiary reason the teddies were thrown away.

Praise for *They Stole Our Hearts* :

This series continues to be disturbing and brilliant in equal measure." - *Kirkus Reviews*, **Starred Review**

Praise for *They Threw Us Away* :

"Truly captivating." - *The New York Times*

"A deliciously macabre fairy tale, full of snuggles." - Holly Black, award-winning author of *Doll Bones* and co-creator of *The Spiderwick Chronicles*

"Reminiscent of *Watership Down*. . . reflective children will revel in this thought-provoking world." - *Kirkus Reviews*, **Starred Review**

"By turns (...)

## Author Bio

**Daniel Kraus** is the author of numerous novels, including *Rotters*, *The Death and Life of Zebulon Finch* duology, *Bent Heavens*, and the *Teddies Saga*. With Guillermo del Toro, he wrote the *New York Times*-bestselling *The Shape of Water* and *The Hunt* (the inspiration for the Netflix series). His novels have



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6 x 8.5 • 208 pages

1-color illustrations throughout

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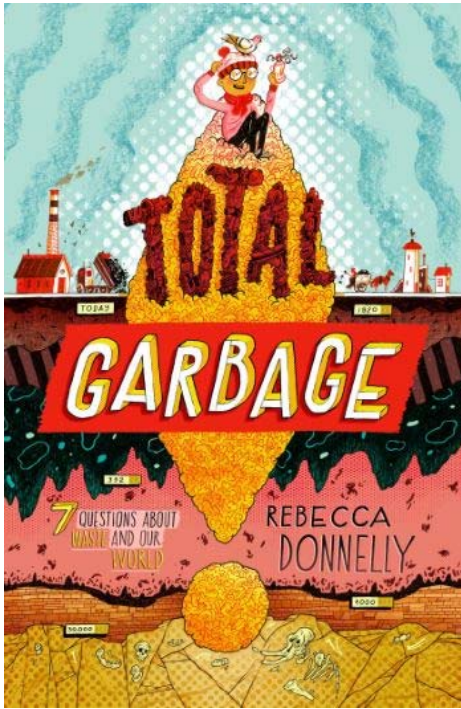
Juvenile Fiction / Horror & Ghost Stories • Ages 10-14 years

Series: Teddies Saga

## Notes

## Promotion





## Total Garbage

by Rebecca Donnelly, illustrated by John Hendrix

Trash has been part of human societies since the beginning. It seems like the inevitable end to the process of making and using things - but why?

In this fascinating account of the waste we make, we'll wade into the muck of history and explore present-day innovations to answer these important questions: Why is there so much trash, why are we so bad at handling it, and how can we stop it from ruining the planet? Rebecca Donnelly tackles the extraordinary, the icky, and the everyday, inspiring us all to make a change.

## Author Bio

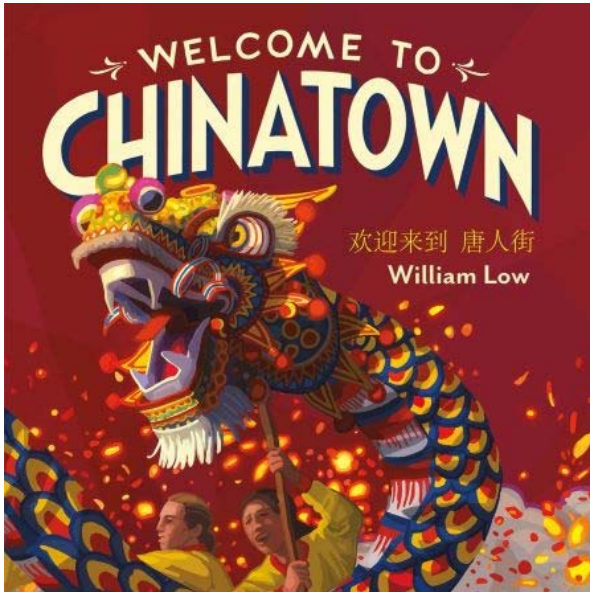
Rebecca Donnelly was born in England and has lived in California, Florida, and New Mexico. She has an MA in Humanities and a Master's in Library and Information Science. She is the author of many best-loved books for children, including *Cats Are a Liquid* (nominated for the Mewbery Award), *How Slippery Is a Banana Peel?*, and *Super Spaghetti*. Her debut middle-grade novel, *How to Stage a Catastrophe*, was an Indies Introduce/Kids' Indie Next pick. Rebecca lives in and writes from northern New York. **John Hendrix** is a *New York Times* -bestselling illustrator and the author of many children's books, including *Shooting at the Stars*, *Drawing Is Magic*, and *John Brown: His Fight for Freedom*.

Henry Holt & Co  
On Sale: Mar 7/23  
6 x 9 • 144 pages  
Black-and-white illustrations  
**9781250760388** • \$26.99 • CL - With dust jacket  
Juvenile Nonfiction / Science & Nature / History Of  
Science • Ages 8-12 years

## Notes

## Promotion





### Welcome to Chinatown

by William Low

Welcome to Chinatown. There is so much to see. People practicing tai-chi, shoe cobblers, rows of herbs, outdoor fish markets, and more. And best of all, when the Lunar New Year begins, there's a New Year's Day parade, complete with a lion dance.

This bilingual board book adaptation of William Low's *Chinatown* is a feast for the eyes and a celebration of the ordinary and the spectacular.

### Author Bio

**William Low** is the author and illustrator of *Daytime Nighttime*, *Machines Go to Work*, and the *New York Times* Best Illustrated Book *Old Penn Station*, as well as a four-time Silver Medal winner at the Society of Illustrators. He teaches at the Fashion Institute of Technology in New York City.

Henry Holt & Co

On Sale: Jan 3/23

6.5 x 6.5 • 20 pages

Color illustrations

9781250841995 • \$11.99

Juvenile Fiction / People & Places / US / Asian

American • Ages 0-4 years

### Notes

### Promotion



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## A Coral Reef Story

by Jane Burnard, illustrated by Kendra Binney

**This beautiful book brings together amazing facts about coral reefs, an evocative narrative and breathtaking illustrations.**

The story begins with the creation of the reef itself, as tiny coral polyps come together to build a young coral on the night of the full moon. Then, travelling through the seasons, we meet the diverse creatures that live in and around the coral reef, including great white sharks, stripy clownfish, barracudas, turtles and more. Each sea creature is given their moment in the spotlight as we see small but dynamic moments of their everyday lives, from hermit crabs jumping in each other's discarded shells to an eel spitting out a spiky porcupinefish. There are also plenty of heartwarming moments between parents and children, such as a mother humpback whale tucking her calf under her fin, and a clownfish fiercely guarding his eggs, making this the perfect book for reading together.

Beautiful descriptions of unique sea life are further animated by colourful illustrations that will leave children and adults poring over the pages of this book.

This is a timely book that is sure to stimulate discussion between parent and child about the importance of protecting our planet's ecosystems and habitats. It's an essential purchase for both school libraries and the home. Future titles in the series will focus on the following habitats: forest, desert, ocean, rainforest, river and mountain.

### Author Bio

**Jane Burnard** has worked as a children's books editor for many years, and more recently as a writer, translator, and gardener. Her first children's fiction title is published in 2021. This is her first picture book.

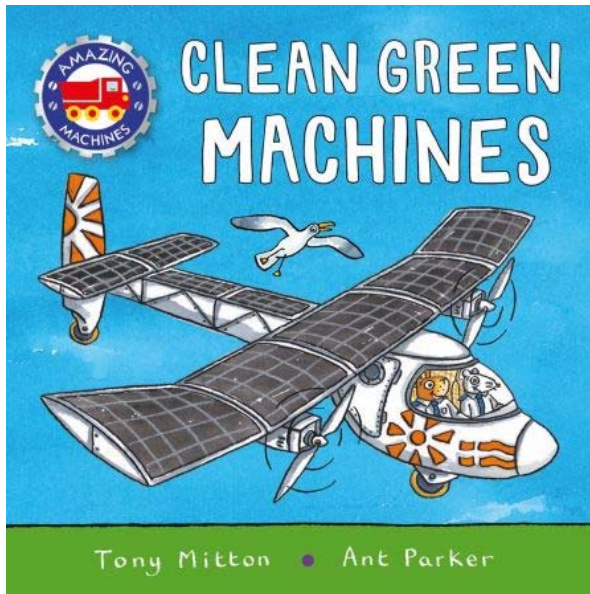
**Kendra Binney** is a nature-loving painter whose artwork combines pastel washes and resin to beautiful effect. Her work has been published and sold all over the world.

Kingfisher  
On Sale: Apr 11/23  
9.5 x 11 • 32 pages  
**9780753478479** • \$20.99 • cl  
Juvenile Nonfiction / Animals / Marine Life • Ages 6-9  
years

### Notes

### Promotion





## Amazing Machines: Clean Green Machines

by Tony Mitton, illustrated by Ant Parker

**Save a lot of energy  
and keep our world clean.  
For every kind of living thing  
let's try to be more green.**

Zippy wordplay and zappy art make learning about eco-friendly inventions fun as Rabbit, Bird, and Mouse encounter electric cars, solar-powered planes, wind turbines, and much more. Each page is filled with details that machine-mad kids will love.

From tractors and trucks to robots and rockets, the bestselling Amazing Machines series is the perfect way for children to learn about all sorts of machines and vehicles! Each book introduces a new vehicle or machine and the many jobs it can do. Ant Parker's bright, engaging artwork, and Tony Mitton's simple, rhyming text combine to make these fantastic books for young children. Kids will love getting to know the friendly animal characters who feature throughout the series and reading about their fast-paced adventures!

Continue to explore all things that go with the rest of the Amazing Machines series, including *Amazing Airplanes*, *Patrolling Police Cars*, *Roaring Rockets*, and many more.

### Author Bio

TONY MITTON was born in Tripoli, North Africa, and grew up in Africa, Germany, Hong Kong, and England. He divides his time between teaching and writing children's books. He lives in Cambridge, England.

Ant Parker studied drawing and printing at the Bath Academy of Art in England and has taught papermaking, printing and bookbinding workshops for children. Toddlers and parents around the globe have discovered the irresistible appeal of his wacky cartoon characters in *Flashing Fire Engines*, *Terrific Trains*, *Dazzling Diggers*, and *Roaring Rockets*. Other titles include *Charlie the Chicken* and *Desmond the Dog*.

Kingfisher

On Sale: Feb 14/23

8 x 8 • 24 pages

9780753476819 • \$8.99 • pb

Juvenile Fiction / Transportation • Ages 3-5 years

Series: Amazing Machines

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## Amazing Machines: Construction Site

by Tony Mitton

***Amazing Machines: Construction Site* follows the animal team as they explore all the vehicles and machinery on a busy construction site! Each page is filled with details that machine-mad kids will love including dumper trucks, towering cranes, diggers, cement mixers, and much more.**

From electric cars to powerful rockets, the internationally bestselling Amazing Machines series is the perfect way for children to learn about all sorts of machines and vehicles! Each book introduces a new vehicle or machine and the many jobs it can do. Ant Parker's bright, engaging artwork and Tony Mitton's simple, rhyming text combine to make these fantastic books for young children. Kids will love getting to know the friendly animal characters who feature throughout the series and reading about their fast-paced adventures! Continue to explore all things that go with the rest of the Amazing Machines series, including *Cool Cars*, *Patrolling Police Cars*, and *Roaring Rockets*

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Juvenile Fiction / Transportation • Ages 3-5 years

Series: Amazing Machines

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## **Basher Science Mini: Extreme Weather**

Wild and Weird - It's Intense!

by Tom Jackson, illustrated by Simon Basher

When the weather gets extreme, it shows off its awesome power by swatting cars around; sweeping away roads, bridges, and houses; or making matchsticks out of buildings. Although extreme weather has been around throughout Earth's history, it's becoming more common due to the effects of climate change. We're a freaky crowd, so watch out!

Title 4 in the Basher Science Mini series gives kids the lowdown on one of the most pressing problems that we face - extreme weather. Basher's unique illustrations combine with chatty, first-person text by expert author Tom Jackson to hook even the most reluctant readers and help them understand the science behind the stories that are hitting the headlines with more and more frequency.

### **Author Bio**

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7 x 7 • 64 pages

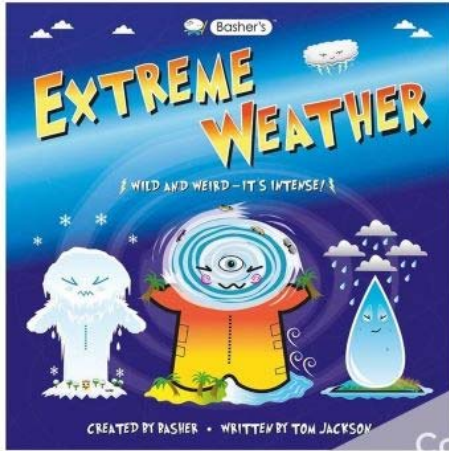
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Juvenile Nonfiction / Nature / Weather • Ages 9-12 years

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Juvenile Nonfiction / Nature / Weather • Ages 9-12 years

## Notes

## Promotion





## Everyday STEM Engineering - Chemical Engineering

Discover how the chemical section of engineering is part of our daily lives with *Everyday STEM Science - Chemical Engineering*.

Following on from *Everyday STEM Technology - Civil Engineering*, comes another branch of engineering - chemical. Explore all about this fascinating side of engineering: what is involved, where we see it, and how it is used. The experiments carried out in laboratories away from our eyes have a huge impact on our lives and include advances made in medicine, food, biomechanics, and surgery. From vaccinations created for devastating diseases and viruses (including COVID) to research on how feed a growing population with as low an impact on the environment as possible. Plus, meet the engineers and scientists whose discoveries are changing our lives for the better. Readers can also carry out engineering experiments at home.

With easy-to-understand text written by Jenny Jacoby, fun callouts and lots of colorful artworks, photos, and diagrams, readers can best explore where we encounter chemical engineering and why it's even important at all.

The *Everyday STEM series* makes STEM relevant to tweens. Instead of telling kids STEM is important and is the key to their future success," these books show readers how we use science, technology, engineering and maths in our everyday lives. While the topics sound high-level and complex, this series makes these concepts age-appropriate and accessible. So, while we can't promise to teach 9 to 11-year-olds quantum physics, we can explain in the simplest terms the practical applications of STEM.

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9 x 10.25 • 48 pages

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Juvenile Nonfiction / Biography / Science & Tech •

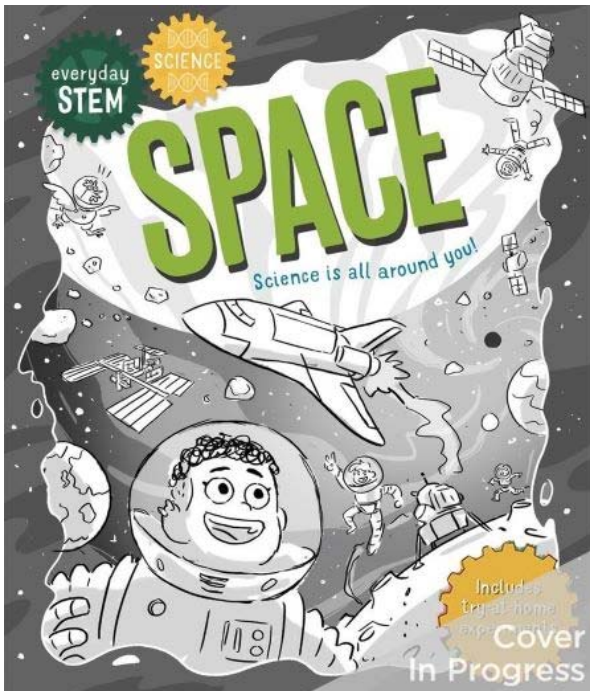
Ages 9-11 years

Series: Everyday STEM

### Notes

### Promotion





## Everyday STEM Science - Space

Discover how space is part of our daily lives with *Everyday STEM Science - Space*.

Everyone knows there are planets and stars and space rocks far away from Earth, but how do these, and everything else in space, affect us? From the beginning of the universe and the origins of the planets to the latest research and space missions, journey through space and uncover what is really out there. Discover how we're made of stars, find out how old you would be if you lived on Mars, and how time travel can happen in space. Plus, meet the astronomers and scientists whose discoveries give us this fascinating space knowledge and how there's still so much more to know. Readers can also carry out astronomical experiments at home.

With easy-to-understand text written by Izzie Clarke, fun callouts, and lots of colorful artworks, photos, and diagrams, readers can best explore where we encounter space and why it's even important at all.

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On Sale: Mar 14/23

1 x 1 • 48 pages

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Juvenile Nonfiction / Science & Tech / Aeronautics,  
Astronautics & Space Science • Ages 9-11 years

Series: Everyday STEM

## Notes

## Promotion





## Fall Guys: Guide to Winning the Crown

Tips and Tricks to Be the Last Bean Standing

**Jump, grab, and fling, but try not to fall - learn how to master the levels and be the last one standing in this strategy-packed guide to Fall Guys: Ultimate Knockout. This unofficial book covers all the hints and tips you need to stumble your way to victory, or at least outlast your opponents, so that you can collect that sweet, sweet Kudos and even some crowns.**

This book has everything you need to win for each type of game - race, survival, team, and the all-important final - from popular tactics for specific levels to hidden shortcuts that when executed correctly will be sure to secure you a victory. Plus, it includes a handy guide to the rarest collectable skins, because it's important that your Fall Guy looks the best, even when flailing about.

If you've had trouble with being eliminated early and want to conquer the chaos, then look no further as this book will help you eliminate obstacles so that you can become a winner!

With Fall Guys due to debut on both the Switch and Xbox in 2022, this globally popular game is about to get even bigger!

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On Sale: Jan 24/23

7.6 x 10 • 64 pages

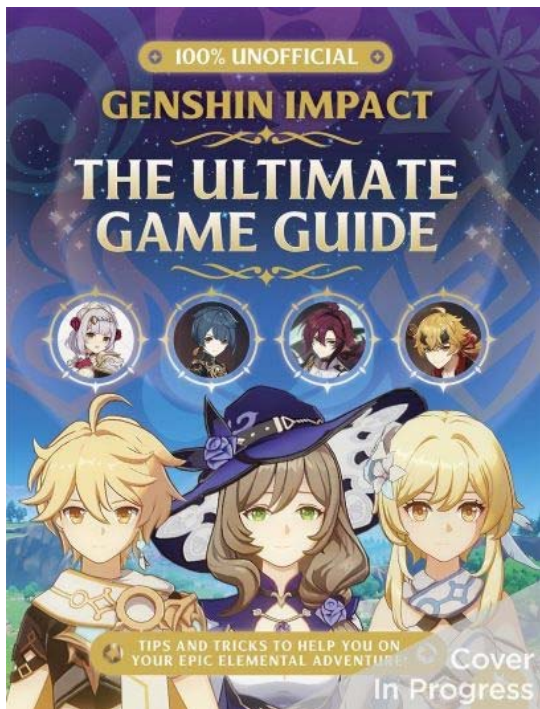
9780753479148 • \$12.99 • pb

Juvenile Nonfiction / Games & Activities / Video & Electronic Games • Ages 7-9 years

## Notes

## Promotion





### Genshin Impact - The Ultimate Game Guide

by Claire Lister

Become an expert explorer of the world of Teyvat, the fantasy setting of free-to-play RPG (role-playing game) *Genshin Impact*, with this unofficial guide to the wildly popular game.

*Genshin Impact* combines the mechanics of deeply immersive games such as *The Legend of Zelda: Breath of the Wild* with gorgeous aesthetics and mythology from Japanese manga.

But there's a lot for new players to pick up, with items, weapons, resources and quests to keep track of - and dozens of characters to collect. This unofficial book offers an introduction and guide to the game, explaining the less obvious aspects of its gameplay and profiling characters that will prove most useful to the player.

From brand-new players who don't know their elements from their artefacts, to those who want to learn some new skills to help them succeed on their quests, this book is essential reading for anyone looking to dive into the world of *Genshin Impact*.

*Genshin Impact* launched in September 2020 and was an immediate hit, making \$3bn in its first year - the most successful launch in the history of computer games.

Kingfisher

On Sale: Jan 17/23

7.6 x 10 • 64 pages

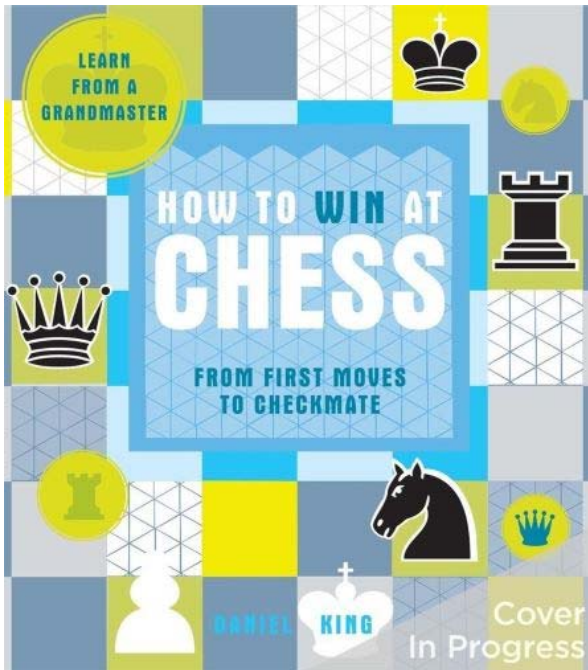
9780753479209 • \$12.99 • pb

Juvenile Nonfiction / Games & Activities / Video & Electronic Games • Ages 12 years and up

### Notes

### Promotion





## How To Win At Chess

**This new edition of a classic title by Grandmaster Daniel King will seduce a huge range of readers, from novice to intermediate players.**

*How To Play Chess* introduces each piece and its moves, explains key principles such as check and how to open a game, before exploring tricks such as forks, pins, and skewers. It's packed with graded test positions and training exercises to help young players improve their game as they progress through the book. What's more, readers can brush up on the fascinating history of chess, with features on the greatest players and legendary matches.

Kingfisher

On Sale: Jan 17/23

9 x 10.25 • 64 pages

**9780753478288** • \$16.99 • cl

Juvenile Nonfiction / Games & Activities / Board Games • Ages 9-15 years

## Notes

## Promotion

Feature in new titles e-newsletter to parents, teachers, and educators, Accompanying activity sheets







## The Germ Lab

The Gruesome Story of Deadly Diseases

by Richard Platt, illustrated by John Kelly

**A lavishly illustrated and comprehensive history of diseases, infections, plagues, and pandemics for young readers.**

*The Germ Lab* features case histories of specific epidemics and pandemics, including Covid-19, eyewitness" accounts from the rats, flies, ticks and creepy-crawlies who spread the most deadly viruses, plus plenty of fascinating facts and figures on the biggest and worst afflictions. Discover how bacteria and bad beasts are beaten through the work of genius scientists and the development of vaccinations.

Written by Richard Platt and illustrated by John Kelly, the brilliantly humorous artworks and fun characters will entertain readers with a cabinet war room showing the war on germs, a rogues' gallery highlighting the worst offenders, the very deadliest diseases examined under the microscope, and much more.

## Author Bio

**Richard Platt** is the author of more than fifty books for children. He is the author of *Eureka!* which was chosen as a 2004 Outstanding Science Trade Book by the CBC and NSTA. John Kelly is an illustrator, writer and designer who has worked for Scholastic, Macmillan, Hodder, Simon & Schuster, Aardman animation, Lucasfilm, Radar pictures and many others. He has been shortlisted for the Kate Greenaway prize twice ( *Guess Who's Coming For Dinner* and *Scoop!* ). *The Beastly Pirates* is his first picture book for Bloomsbury.

Kingfisher

On Sale: Apr 11/23

9.3 x 10.4 • 48 pages

**9780753478813** • \$14.50 • pb

Juvenile Nonfiction / Health / Diseases • Ages 7-12 years

## Notes

## Promotion





## **This Is Our World: Celebrate With Us!**

by Tracey Turner, illustrated by Asa Gilland

*This Is Our World - Celebrate With Us!*, written by Tracey Turner, is the follow-up to the critically acclaimed *This Is Our World*. It's a vibrant and colorful celebration of our planet's cultural diversity - an unforgettable journey that brings the people, customs, and religions of 20 places around the world vividly to life for young readers. Our guides are children who tell us about the feasts and festivals they enjoy and the religions and customs they follow.

The tour is truly global, as we journey from the Gathering of Nations in New Mexico to the Hanami cherry blossom festival in Japan, from Christmas Eve in Poland to the Lunar New Year in Korea, via Australia's indigenous Barunga festival, the Jewish High Holy Days in New York, the Day of the Dead in Mexico, Eid al-Fitr in the UK, Diwali in India, and much more.

This is both a beautiful gift book and a highly accessible home reference, sure to foster an interest in the wider world, in travel, in diversity, and in cultures and religions.

### **Author Bio**

**Tracey Turner** has written more than 70 books, most of them for children, on subjects including inventions, the universe, famous writers, and deadly perils. For Kingfisher, she is the author of *The Curious Book of Lists*, *We Are All Different*, and *This is Our World*. As an editor, she commissioned and edited the Horrible Histories series. She lives in Bath, UK.

**Asa Gilland** is a Swedish illustrator who loves all things retro, quirky imagery, and folk art themes. She studied interior design at Accademia Italiana Moda and has 20 years of experience in illustration. She illustrated Kingfisher's *This is Our World* and *We Are All Different*

Kingfisher

On Sale: Apr 11/23

9.3 x 11 • 48 pages

**9780753478509** • \$24.99 • cl

Juvenile Nonfiction / Holidays & Festivals / Other, Non-Religious • Ages 7-11 years

### **Notes**

### **Promotion**





## Cracking Up by Samantha Bee

**Cracking Up by Samantha Bee is a forthcoming title from Farrar, Straus and Giroux.**

Just as plucky 12-year-old Peanut Beardsley is getting used to her terrible new pixie haircut - which she's told makes her look just like David Bowie, whoever he is - as well as the daily humiliations of seventh grade, she is about to discover something shocking about her childhood in the most painfully public way possible. This launches a wildly personal drama in full view of all her classmates. Luckily, Peanut is equipped with a strong sense of humor to help her find a way to turn her crisis into a triumph.

I Know I Am, But What Are You? :

"A laugh-out-loud hilarious and unabashedly frank collection of personal essays." - The Globe and Mail

"An uproarious success." - The Onion

"Very funny." - Kirkus Reviews

"Lighthearted and hysterical." - Publishers Weekly

## Author Bio

SAMANTHA BEE left Comedy Central's *The Daily Show* in 2015 after twelve years with the program. In November 2015, she launches *The Detour*, a ten-episode road-trip comedy created with her husband, Jason Jones, for TBS. And in January 2016 she launches *The Samantha Bee Show*, a late night comedy show, also on TBS. She is the author of the adult memoir *I Know I Am But What Are You?* and lives with her family in New York City.

Macmillan Audio  
On Sale: Jan 1/23  
1 x 1  
9781427299383 • \$32.50 • audio cd  
Juvenile Fiction / Humorous Stories • Ages 8-12 years

## Notes

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## The Official John Wayne Handy Book for Boys

Essential Skills and Fun Activities for Adventurous, Self-Reliant Kids

by James Ellis

If there's one thing John Wayne admired, it was someone who could stand on their own two feet and take care of themselves no matter what the day might bring. Parents who know Wayne (and there are millions of them) admire those skills as well and feel strongly about raising their boys to be just as self-reliant.

Similarly, boys are interested in learning how to camp, hike, explore and have adventures of their own. At the same time, they're struggling to learn how to effectively transition to adulthood. *The Official John Wayne Handy Book for Boys* helps them learn both the outdoor skills they need to adventure safely, but also the life skills they need to navigate the real world like responsible young men.

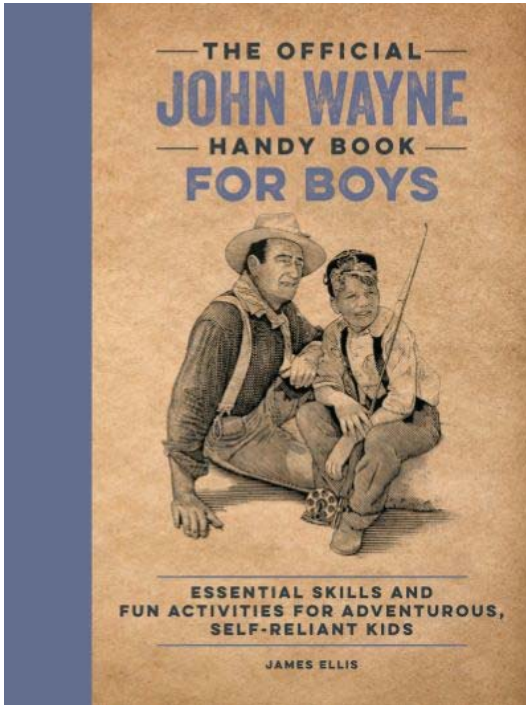
The book includes 100 essential skills, tips, activities and lessons for outdoor fun, responsible, safe adventures and real-world competence. Lessons are fully explained and enhanced with full color step-by-step illustrations where needed.

From camping and fishing to managing their money, cleaning up and everything in between, readers will discover four big sections covering a range of topics, including Outdoor Skills, Self-Sufficiency at Home, Acting Upwards and Fun & Games.

The book also includes a foreword by Ethan Wayne, describing what it was like to grow up with such an independent father, a feature on what it means to be self-sufficient," and a list of Duke's "Dos and Don'ts," which help readers identify the thinking and decision-making that goes into being a good man.

## Author Bio

James Ellis is a writer and former editor of *The Official John Wayne Magazine*, a bi-monthly celebration of the life and legacy of one of America's greatest icons. Ellis is also the author of *The Official John Wayne Handy Book for Men* and the editor of the special edition *Men's Health: Ultimate Guide to Everything*.



Media Lab Books

On Sale: Apr 11/23

6 x 8 • 256 pages

Full color illustrations throughout

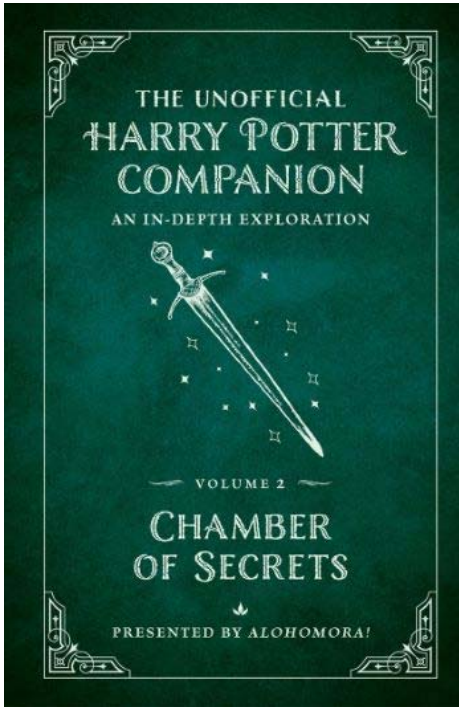
9781956403169 • \$19.50 • pb

Juvenile Nonfiction / Adventure & Adventurers • Ages 10-13 years

## Notes

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## The Unofficial Harry Potter Companion Volume 2: Chamber of Secrets

An in-depth exploration  
by Alohomora!

The *Alohomora!* podcast began five years after the release of the final Harry Potter book as a way to rediscover the original magic of the novels. Almost a decade later, the fandom - and the podcast - is bigger than ever, with more analysis and conversations happening about the Harry Potter story than ever before.

This second book in the new companion series will help readers discover new ideas, connections, and secrets embedded throughout *Chamber of Secrets* and explore them in a whole new way. For each chapter of the original text, readers will find information gathered from a multitude of official sources, including a timeline that puts everything into an easily envisioned context. Readers will discover helpful information about characters, events, artifacts, and more. Insights and analysis drawn from the hosts and guests of the podcast starts a reader of the companion on their journey of their own analysis.

In addition, there are explorations of popular fan theories (both those that were popular at the novel's time of publication and have been disproved, and those that continue in the fandom today). Readers will also find connections to extra-canonical information and other MuggleNet series books, as well as a QR code that leads to episodes of the podcast to further the conversation.

### Author Bio

Kat Miller, Alison Siggard and Voldemort/Tom Riddle expert Grace Candido are all revered contributors to the extraordinarily popular *Alohomora!* podcast. Launched in April 2012 to fill the void left in the aftermath of the final Harry Potter movie release, the podcast examines each of the Harry Potter books in turn, mining new insights and discoveries throughout, illuminating the Wizarding World for fans around the globe.

Media Lab Books

On Sale: Apr 18/23

5.5 x 8.5 • 144 pages

9781956403152 • \$20.99 • cl

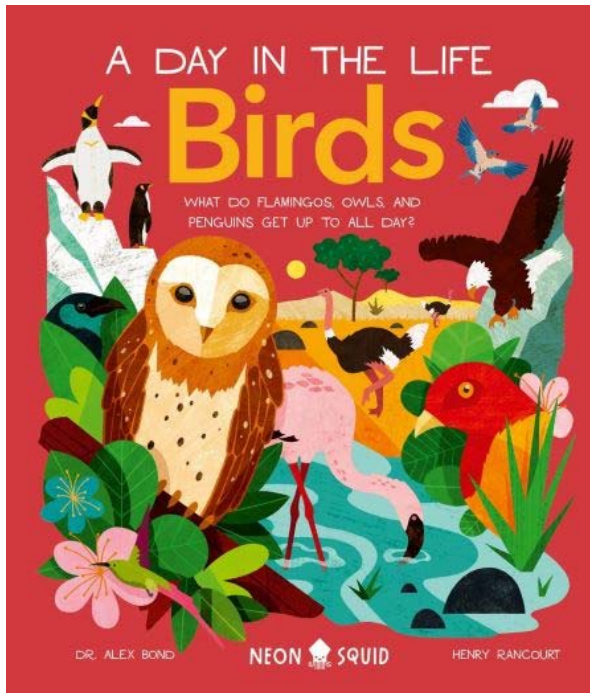
Juvenile Fiction / Science Fiction, Fantasy, Magic •

Ages 8-80 years

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NEON  SQUID

## Birds (A Day in the Life)

What Do Flamingos, Owls, and Penguins Get Up To All Day?  
by Alex Bond and Neon Squid, illustrated by Henry Rancourt

Set over a 24-hour period, meet speedy ostriches, tiny hummingbirds, and majestic eagles in this kids' nonfiction book about the coolest birds in the world.

Soar through the skies to follow the lives of our feathered friends as they fight, dance, and play their way through their day. Ornithologist Dr. Alex Bond tells the story of the world's most amazing birds in the style of a nature documentary, including gentle science explanations perfect for future biologists. Witness incredible moments including:

- o A bald eagle on a fishing trip
- o Pink flamingos dancing to impress potential mates
- o A barn owl hunting in the dusk

Beautifully illustrated by Henry Rancourt and packed with animal facts, *Birds (A Day in the Life)* encourages kids to look at the incredible roles wild birds play in ecosystems across the globe.

Also available: *Bugs*, *Big Cats*, *Sharks*, *Horses*

## Author Bio

**Dr. Alex Bond** is a Canadian ecologist and conservation biologist, who focuses on marine birds and oceanic islands. Alex is the curator in charge of birds at the Natural History Museum in London, UK. **Neon Squid** creates beautiful nonfiction books for inquisitive kids (and kids at heart). We believe the most amazing stories are real ones, so our books are for children who want to decipher ancient scrolls, orbit distant stars, and dive into the deepest oceans. Our books are a labor of love - written by experts, illustrated by the best artists around, and produced using the finest materials, including sustainably sourced paper. We hope that by reading them kids are encouraged to further explore the world around them.

Neon Squid

On Sale: Mar 7/23

8.5 x 10.04 • 48 pages

Full color illustrations

9781684492855 • \$22.99 • cl

Juvenile Nonfiction / Animals / Birds • Ages 6-8 years

Series: Day in the Life

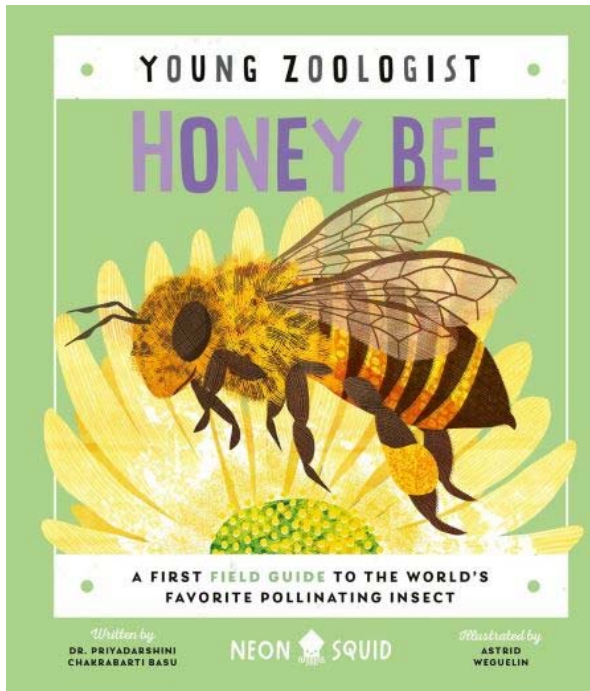
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## Honey Bee (Young Zoologist)

A First Field Guide to the World's Favorite Pollinating Insect  
by Priyadarshini Chakrabarti Basu and Neon Squid, illustrated  
by Astrid Weguelin

**Journey into a beehive to study honey bees in this beautiful nonfiction field guide for kids.**

You might know that honey bees dance to let each other know where to find the best flowers, but there's so much more to learn about these important insects! Turn the pages to discover the difference between the queen bee and worker bees, and how honey bees actually make honey. Filled with simple science and plenty of animal facts, this book also explains how scientists work as beekeepers to study honey bees, and how every bee in the hive works towards the same cause. It also looks at the conservation challenges these iconic animals face due to climate change and insecticides.

Written by bee expert Dr. Priyadarshini Chakrabarti Basu and featuring stunning illustrations by Astrid Weguelin, *Honey Bee (Young Zoologist)* is part of an exciting series of animal books from Neon Squid aiming to inspire the next generation of biologists and conservationists.

Also available: *Humpback Whale, Giant Panda, African Elephant, Emperor Penguin, Koala*

## Author Bio

**Dr. Priyadarshini Chakrabarti Basu** is an Assistant Professor in Pollinator Health and Apiculture at Mississippi State University. Priyadarshini previously worked at the Honey Bee Lab at Oregon State University. She obtained her Ph.D. from the University of Calcutta, India. **Neon Squid** creates beautiful nonfiction books for inquisitive kids (and kids at heart). We believe the most amazing stories are real ones, so our books are for children who want to decipher ancient scrolls, orbit distant stars, and dive into the deepest oceans. Our books are a labor of love - written by experts, illustrated by the best artists around, and produced using the finest materials, including sustainably sourced paper. We hope that by reading them kids are encouraged to further explore the world around them.

Neon Squid

On Sale: Jan 3/23

7.36 x 8.66 • 32 pages

Full color illustrations

9781684492824 • \$21.99 • cl

Juvenile Nonfiction / Animals / Insects, Spiders, Etc. •

Ages 6-8 years

Series: Young Zoologist

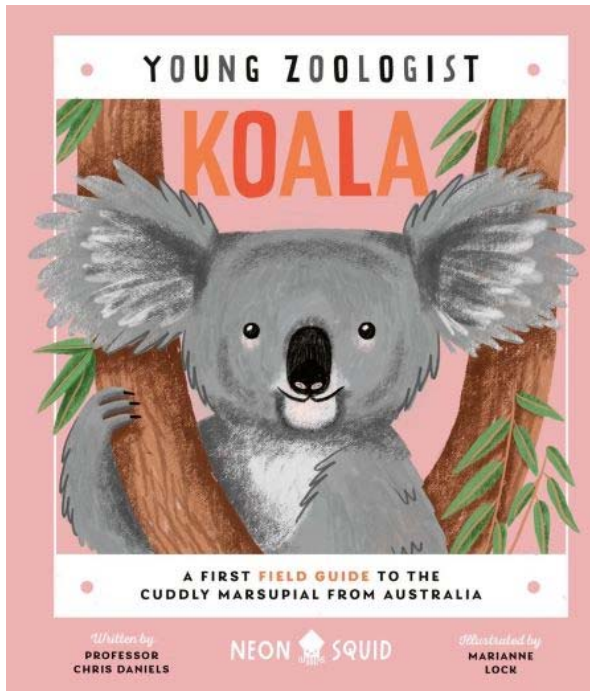
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NEON  SQUID

## Koala (Young Zoologist)

A First Field Guide to the Cuddly Marsupial from Australia  
by Chris Daniels and Neon Squid, illustrated by Marianne Lock

**Head down under to study koalas in this beautiful nonfiction field guide for kids.**

You might know that baby koalas spend time in their mother's pouches, but there's so much more to learn about these Australian marsupials! Turn the pages to discover why they spend 15 hours a day asleep, and how scientists use drones to monitor koala populations. Filled with simple science and plenty of animal facts, this book also explains why koalas love to munch eucalyptus leaves, and why they are most certainly not bears! It also looks at the conservation challenges these iconic animals face due to climate change and forest fires.

Written by Professor Chris Daniels and featuring stunning illustrations by Marianne Lock, *Koala (Young Zoologist)* is part of an exciting series of animal books from Neon Squid aiming to inspire the next generation of biologists and conservationists.

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7.36 x 8.66 • 32 pages

Full color illustrations

9781684492831 • \$21.99 • cl

Juvenile Nonfiction / Nature / Environmental

Conservation & Protection • Ages 6-8 years

Series: Young Zoologist

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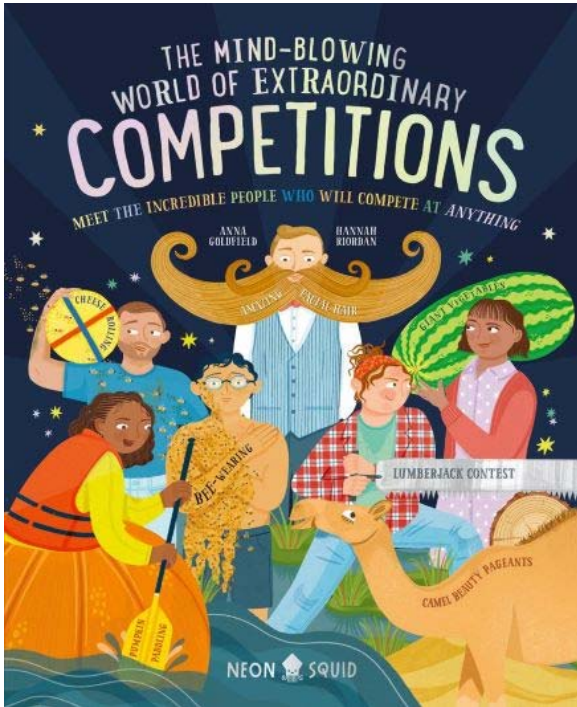
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NEON  SQUID

## The Mind-Blowing World of Extraordinary Competitions

Meet the Incredible People who will Compete at ANYTHING  
by Anna Goldfield and Neon Squid, illustrated by Hannah Riordan

**From cheese rolling races to baby crying competitions, get ready for an adventure through the most amazing contests the world has ever seen.**

Throughout history humans have been challenging themselves against each other. Who could be the fastest? The strongest? The cleverest? While this was going on some other people decided to create epic contests that were . . . well, a little bit more unusual.

Welcome to *The Mind-Blowing World of Extraordinary Competitions*, introduced by podcaster and expert fact-finder Anna Goldfield! Inside this nonfiction book prepare to get your mind blown by:

- o The people that take ironing boards up mountains
- o A spectacular pumpkin rowing race
- o Beauty pageants . . . for camels!

Through the stories of these awesome competitions readers will learn about the societies that created them, and the amazing traditions that inspired them.

Filled with fun facts, it's a perfect book for fans of Guinness World Records!

### Author Bio

**Anna Goldfield** is a podcaster, science writer, illustrator, archaeologist, and creator of all sorts of content to introduce people to the study of the world around us and its past. Anna works on the kids' science podcast *Brains On!* and presents the popular archaeology podcast *The Dirt*.

**Hannah Riordan** is an illustration graduate from Edinburgh College of Art. She loves to experiment with color, pattern, hand lettering, and humor within her work, using a combination of traditional and digital processes.

Neon Squid

On Sale: Apr 4/23

8.98 x 11.02 • 80 pages

Full color illustrations

9781684492862 • \$23.99 • cl

Juvenile Nonfiction / Curiosities & Wonders • Ages 8-10 years

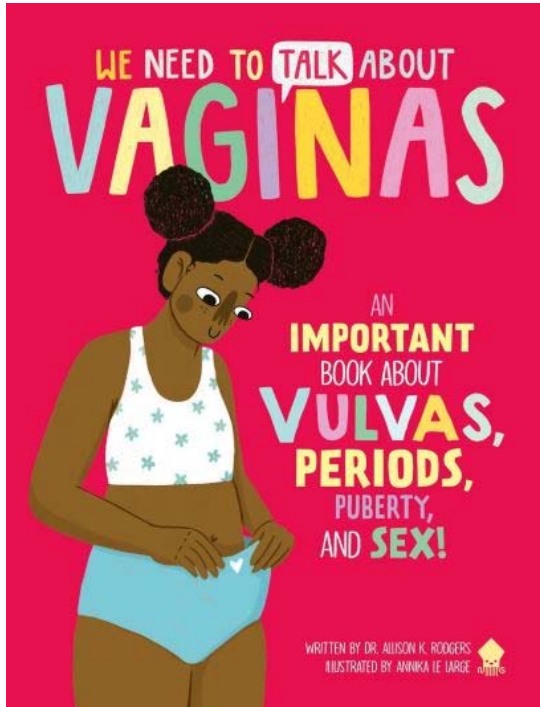
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NEON  SQUID

## We Need to Talk About Vaginas

An IMPORTANT Book About Vulvas, Periods, Puberty, and Sex  
by Dr. Allison Rodgers and Neon Squid, illustrated by Annika Le Large

**Do you know the difference between a vagina and a vulva? If you're not sure, *We Need to Talk About Vaginas* by TikTokker Dr. Allison Rodgers could be for you!**

There are lots of reasons why we don't talk about vaginas. It can be embarrassing to discuss your vagina with your parents, we can feel confused about the changes that are happening to our bodies, and nobody else talks about vaginas - so why should you?

But KNOWLEDGE IS POWER people! The more we know about our vaginas and vulvas the better equipped we will be to deal with our bodies in the future. In this beautifully illustrated book Dr. Allison Rodgers simply explains everything from why we have periods to sex and consent in the age of social media. You'll learn the correct names for everything, realise pubic hair is TOTALLY NORMAL, and discover the magical self-cleaning properties of vaginas.

## Author Bio

**Dr. Allison Rodgers** is an Obstetrics and Gynecology doctor based in Chicago, Illinois. She discusses common issues for young women with her daughter on her TikTok account [@dr.allison.rodgers](https://www.tiktok.com/@dr.allison.rodgers) - from how to deal with menstrual cramps to coping with embarrassing parents!

**Annika Le Large** is an illustrator based in Leipzig, Germany. Her artworks are often related to social issues or concepts of self-love.

Neon Squid

On Sale: Feb 28/23

6.5 x 8.43 • 64 pages

Full color illustrations

9781684492848 • \$19.99 • Flexible plastic/vinyl cover

Juvenile Nonfiction / Health / Maturing • Ages 10-12 years

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## Outdoor School: Tree, Wildflower, and Mushroom Spotting

The Definitive Interactive Nature Guide

by Mary Kay Carson, illustrated by John D. Dawson

With 448 full-color, highly-illustrated pages, *Outdoor School* is your indispensable tool for the outdoors. This interactive field guide to plant and mushroom spotting includes:

- Immersive activities to get you exploring
- Write-in sections to journal about experiences
- Next-level adventures to challenge even seasoned nature lovers.

No experience is required - only curiosity and courage. Inside you'll find easy-to-follow instructions on how to:

- Grow mushrooms with cardboard
  - Compare bark types
  - Count tree rings
  - Survey leaf patterns
  - Create fern spore prints
  - Press and preserve wildflowers
- And so much more!

### Author Bio

**Mary Kay Carson** is the author of more than fifty nonfiction books for young people. Her book *Alexander Graham Bell for Kids* received a 2019 AAAS/Subaru SB&F Prize for Excellence in Science Books. She's written six titles in HMH's acclaimed *Scientists in the Field* series, including *Park Scientists: Gila Monsters, Geysers, and Grizzly Bears in America's Own Backyard* and *The Bat Scientists*, an ALA's 2011 Notable Children's Books for Middle Readers. She lives in Cincinnati, Ohio, with her photographer husband Tom Uhlman in a century-old house surrounded by urban greenspace, deer, hawks, woodchucks, and songbirds.

**John D. Dawson** has created art spanning over four decades, from early years in advertising art to freelance work for the US Postal Service, National Park Service, United Nations, National Wildlife Federation, National Geographic Society, the Audubon Society, and the Golden Guide books. He and his wife Kathleen have lived on the Big Island of Hawaii since 1989.



Odd Dot

On Sale: Feb 28/23

6 x 8.25 • 416 pages

full color

9781250750617 • \$26.99 • pb

Juvenile Nonfiction / Nature / Flowers & Plants • Ages

10-14 years

Series: Outdoor School

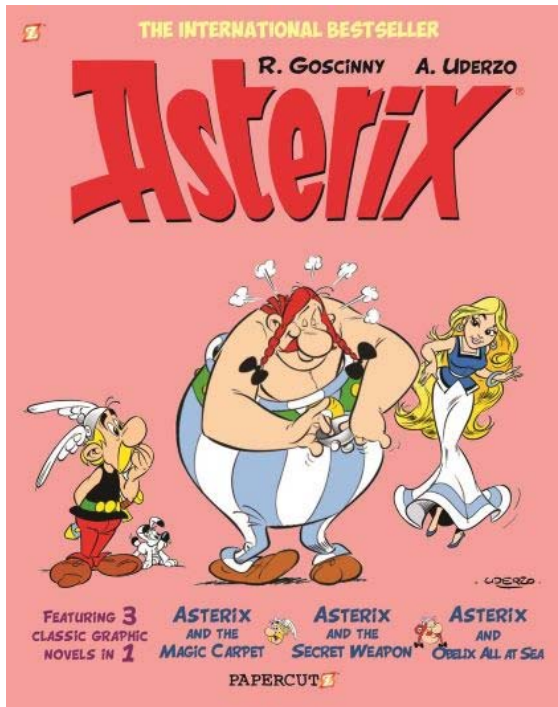
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**PAPERCUTZ**

## Asterix Omnibus #10

Collecting "Asterix and the Magic Carpet," "Asterix and the Secret Weapon," and "Asterix and Obelix All at Sea" by Rene Goscinny, illustrated by Albert Uderzo

Contains 3 newly-translated classic Asterix tales. Asterix is a fearless Gaul with a magic potion that grants him incredible strength to protect his village and ward off the Roman Empire from invading. With his pal, Obelix, they defend their village from not only the blundering Roman legionaries, but also lend their services to the rest of the world. First, Asterix and Obelix and their tone-deaf bard Cacophonix attempt to bring rain to a far-off Eastern Kingdom in "Asterix and the Magic Carpet." Asterix and Julius Caesar race head-to-head to implement their "Secret Weapon" to their forces and advance into a new age. Their futures are female. And finally, Obelix gets his hands on the magic potion and flees the village. Can the King of Atlantis help? Find out in "Asterix and Obelix All at Sea." Plus: a new Asterix Afterword by Alexander Simmons, providing historical and cultural context, both in 50 B.C. and in the time the classic comics were created.

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Papercutz

On Sale: Jan 24/23

7.5 x 9.5 • 152 pages

9781545809655 • \$19.99 • pb

Juvenile Fiction / Comics & Graphic Novels /

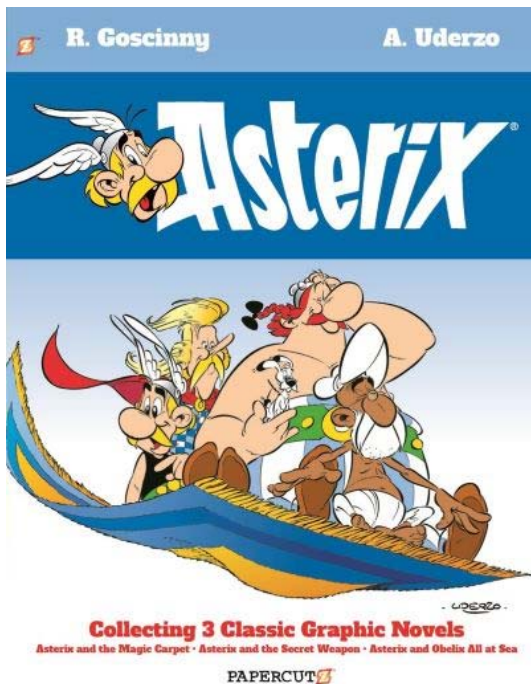
Humorous • Ages 7-12 years

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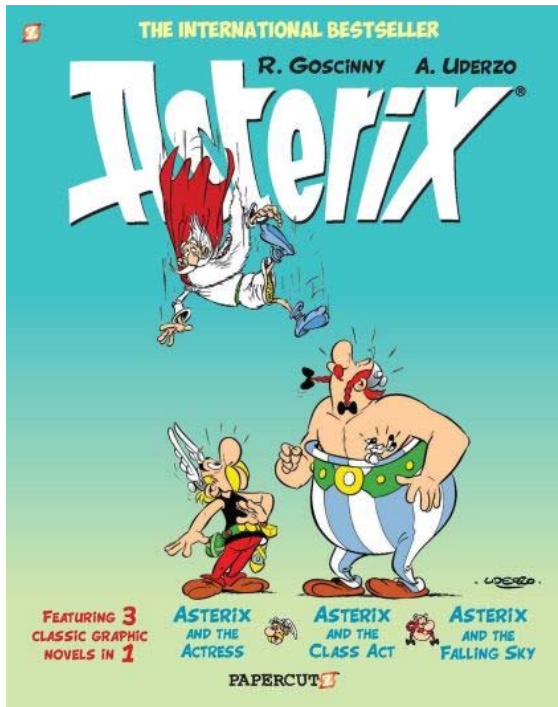
Humorous • Ages 7-12 years

Series: Asterix

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Series: Asterix

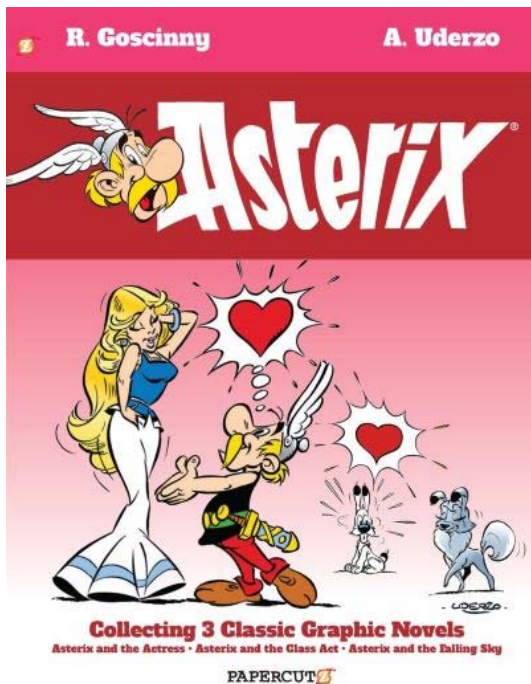
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**Rene Goscinny** was born in Paris in 1926. After growing up in Argentina, he came to America where he shared a studio with future Mad magazine co-founder Harvey Kurtzman and collaborators Will Elder and Jack Davis. In 1959, he founded the magazine Pilote which premiered what was to become the most successful comic series anywhere: Asterix. He died suddenly cardiac arrest in 1977 at the age of 51.

**Albert Uderzo** was born in France 1927 to Italian Immigrants. In 1959 Goscinny and Uderzo became editor and artistic director (respectively) of *Pilote* magazine. Their creation, Asterix became a runaway success. After Goscinny's death in 1977, 26 volumes of Asterix were complete, Uderzo continued to write and illustrate the Asterix books on his own, publishing 8 volumes. The cover credits still read "Goscinny and Uderzo." He retired in 2011 but still oversees Asterix and the current publications by Jean-Yves Ferri and Didier Conrad.

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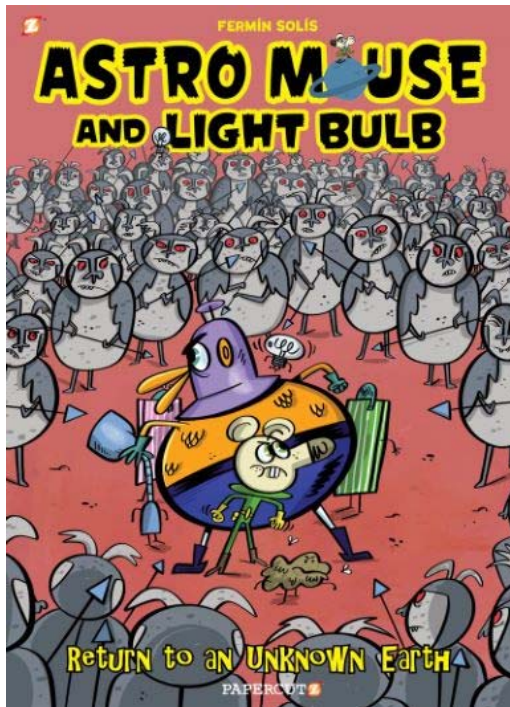
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**PAPERCUTZ**

## Astro Mouse and Light Bulb #3

Return to Beyond the Unknown

by Fermin Solis

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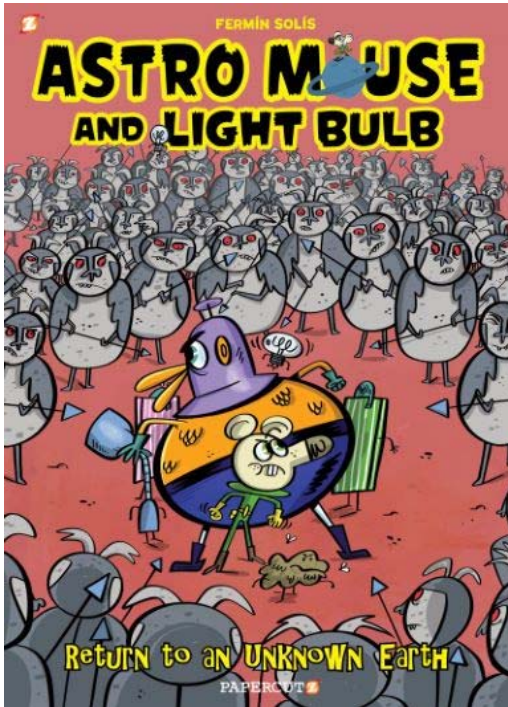
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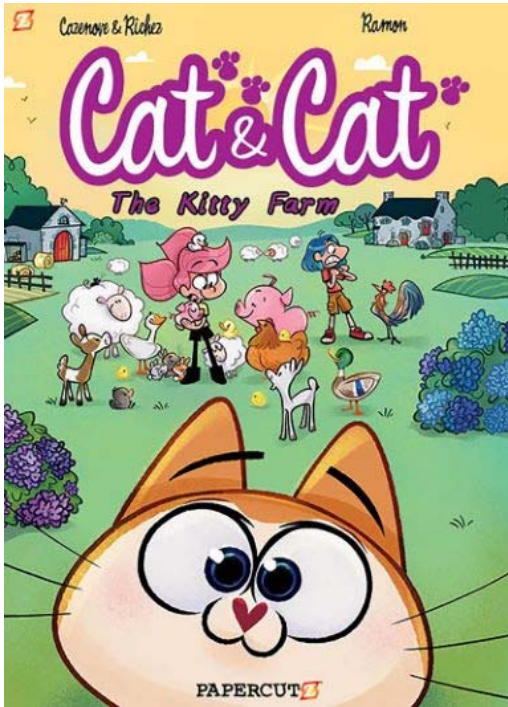
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### Cat and Cat #5

Kitty Farm

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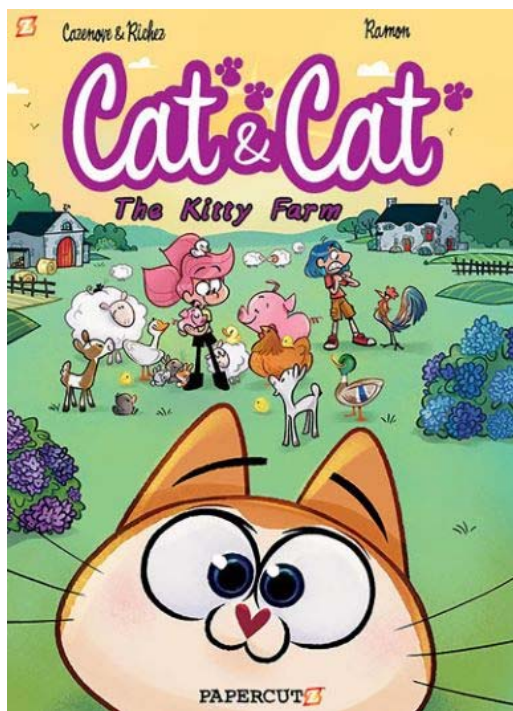
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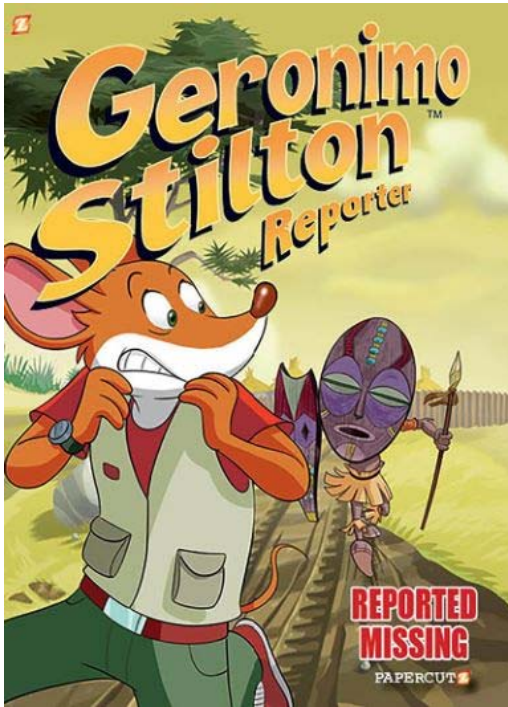
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Series: Cat & Cat

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## Geronimo Stilton Reporter #13

Reported Missing

by Geronimo Stilton

Geronimo Stilton's dealt with mummies, ninjas, and pirates, but this may be the first time he's come face to face with . . . ghosts! Can the scaredy-mouse overcome his fears and get to the bottom of the mystery for a big scoop for his newspaper, *The Rodent's Gazette*? For help, who's he gonna call? His ghost-bustin' relatives, of course! Geronimo and his family need to travel to a haunted museum in Africa for this globe-trekking, teeth-chattering spooky adventure, whether Geronimo likes it or not! Based on the hit animated series.

### Author Bio

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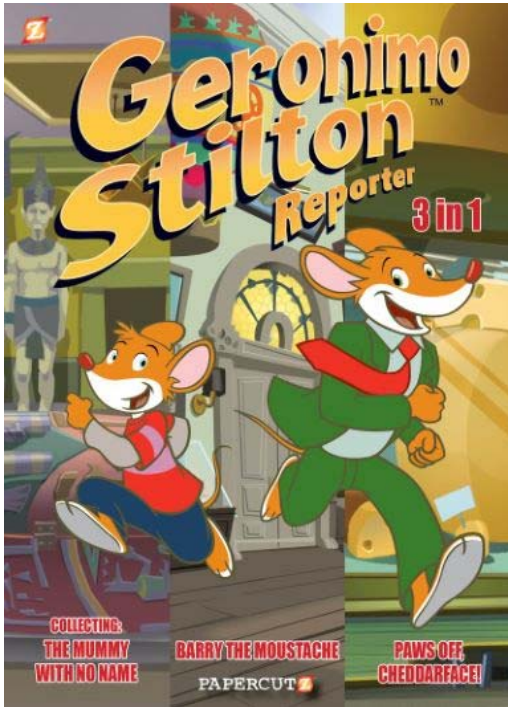
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Series: Geronimo Stilton Reporter Graphic Novels

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## Geronimo Stilton Reporter 3 in 1 #2

Collecting "Stop Acting Around," "The Mummy with No Name," and "Barry the Moustache"

by Geronimo Stilton

Why can't Geronimo Stilton, the editor-in-chief of *The Rodent's Gazette*, ever catch a break? When visiting a movie set, he stumbles upon a plot that was not in the script, one that could derail the whole production! Then, his scoop becomes supernatural as a mummy is seen roaming the halls of a museum! And, Geronimo has to interview - gulp! - a member of organized crime?! Moldy Mozzarella! None of this is what Geronimo signed up for! Collecting three Geronimo Stilton Reporter Adventures based on the hit animated series!

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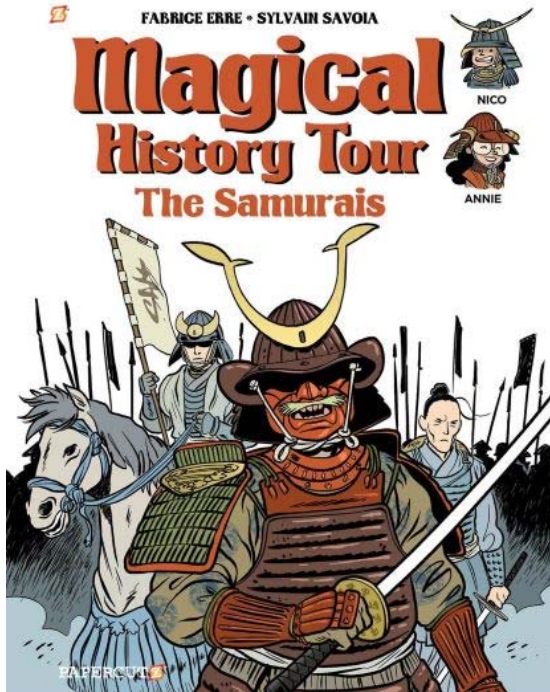
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## Magical History Tour #12

The Samurai

by Fabrice Erre, illustrated by Sylvain Savoia

Who hasn't heard of the samurai? These Japanese warriors who served under the orders of the shogun and lived by their strict code of honor, bushido, have made a name for themselves worldwide. Modern-day kids Annie and Nico go on a magical history tour to find out more about the samurai, an essential group in Japanese society for 700 years. Masters of the sword and men of honor, the samurai are still shrouded in intrigue today. But Annie and Nico will peel back the curtains on the mystery and capably explain the samurai's origins, way of life, and their eventual decline in this pocket-sized book, perfect for classrooms and libraries!

### Author Bio

**Fabrice Erre**, born in 1973 in France, is an author and teacher of comics, as well as an accomplished historian. Through his comics, he seeks above all to parody human behavior, teasing out our little personal weaknesses and our vulnerability to manipulation by the masses. Most recently, putting his history background to good use, Erre has teamed up with artist Sylvain Savoia to create the series THE THREAD OF HISTORY, set on bringing the past to vivic life for younger readers.

Born in 1969, **Sylvain Savoia** grew up in France, and discovered comicbooks at a young age. In 1989, he registered at the Saint-Luc art school in Brussels. Savoia enjoys a prolific international career illustrating comics.

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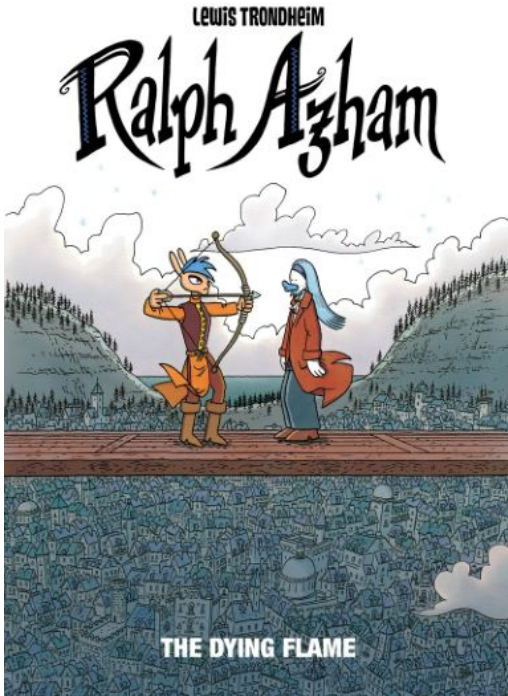
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## Ralph Azham 4

The Dying Flame

by Lewis Trondheim

When Ralph and his close companions, the religious mage Yassou and the lie-detecting thief Zania, encounter a group of immortals, Ralph finds himself with more in common with his enemy, Vam Syrus, than he ever realized. Ralph Azham's path as the Chosen One ends here one way or the other. Will he fulfill his dark prophecy? Answers will be revealed when Ralph Azham is forced to make decisions that not only impact the people he loves, but the safety of the entire kingdom of Astolia. These are the climatic concluding chapters of this sprawling fantasy tale full of magic, knights, castles, angry ghost hordes, and deadpan humor, from legendary comic creator Lewis Trondheim!

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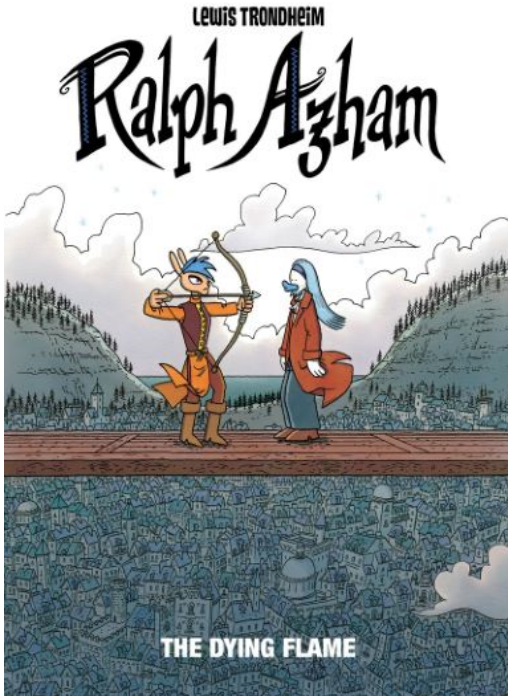
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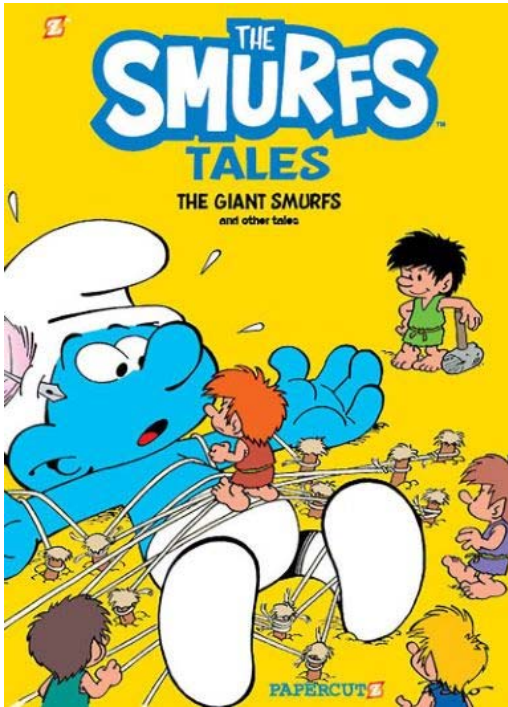
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**PAPERCUTZ**

## Smurf Tales #7

The Giant Smurfs and other Tales  
by Peyo

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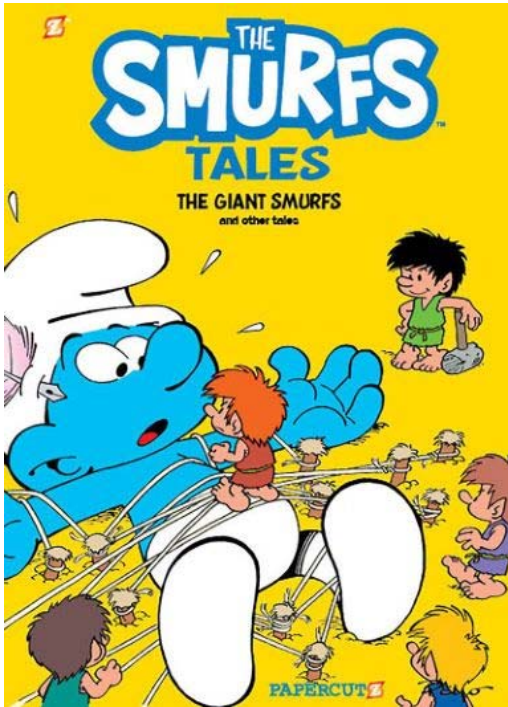
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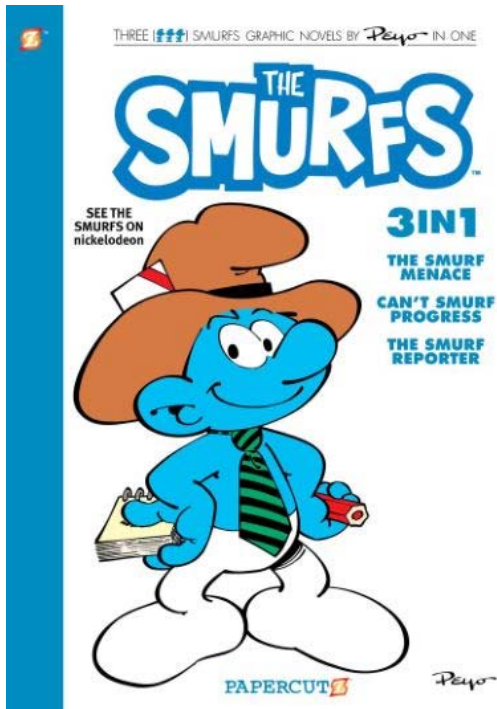
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## Smurfs 3 in 1 #8

Collecting "The Smurf Menace," "Can't Smurf Progress," and "The Smurf Reporter" by Peyo

Collecting timeless smurftastic comics classics by Peyo that inspired hit movies and animated series. First, the Smurfs contend with their evil doppelgangers, the violent Grey Smurfs. Can the good smurfs we know and love overcome "The Smurf Menace"? Then, the marvels of technology overtake the Smurf Village as Handy Smurf's inventions go overboard! Despite all the efforts otherwise, it looks like the Smurfs "Can't Smurf Progress." Finally, read all about it as "The Smurf Reporter" runs amok, airing all the Smurfs' dirty laundry and stirring up chaos and drama in the Smurfs Village. These true-blue stories are a must for any fan of the Smurfs. A perfect tie-into the all-new Smurfs animated series on Nickelodeon.

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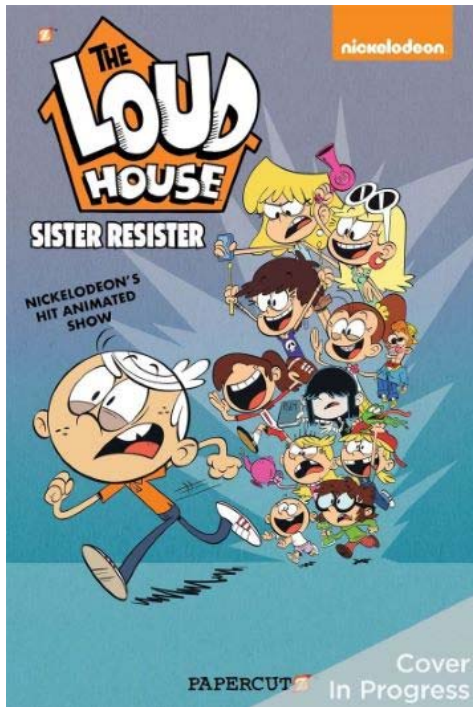
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## The Loud House #18

Sister Resister

by The Loud House Creative Team

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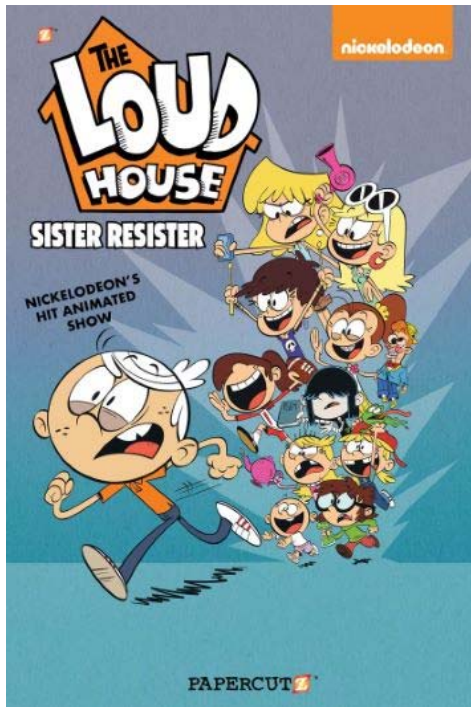
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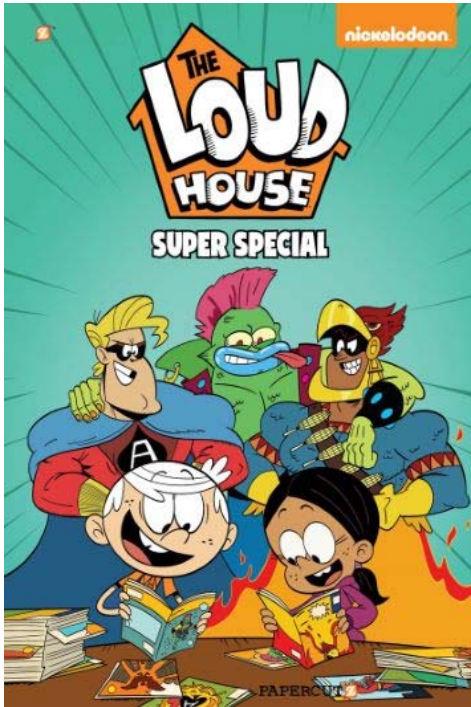
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## The Loud House Super Special

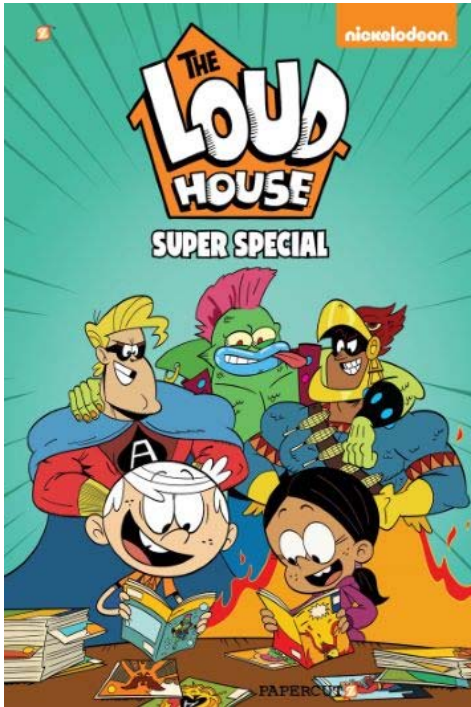
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What do Ace Savvy, Muscle Fish, and *El Falcon de Fuego* (The Falcon of Fire) all have in common? They're super-heroes! But, what makes a super-hero truly super? And what can make this SUPER SPECIAL even more super? *Familia* and friends, of course! Not only do we have Lincoln Loud and Clyde idolizing their super-hero favorites, but see what Lori, Leni, Luna, Luan, Lynn, Lucy, Lisa, Lola, Lana, and Lily are up to along with Ronnie Anne, Carl, and other members of the *familia* (from THE CASAGRANDES). What adventures lie ahead for THE LOUD HOUSE and THE CASAGRANDES? Are super-heroes all that they seem? Do you need a superpower to be a super-hero? Find out all this and much, much more in the latest comics anthology of all-new stories based on the hit Nickelodeon animated series. Featuring stories by The Loud House creative team!

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## The Loud House Super Special by The Loud House Creative Team

What do Ace Savvy, Muscle Fish, and *El Falcon de Fuego* (The Falcon of Fire) all have in common? They're super-heroes! But, what makes a super-hero truly super? And what can make this SUPER SPECIAL even more super? *Familia* and friends, of course! Not only do we have Lincoln Loud and Clyde idolizing their super-hero favorites, but see what Lori, Leni, Luna, Luan, Lynn, Lucy, Lisa, Lola, Lana, and Lily are up to along with Ronnie Anne, Carl, and other members of the *familia* (from THE CASAGRANDES). What adventures lie ahead for THE LOUD HOUSE and THE CASAGRANDES? Are super-heroes all that they seem? Do you need a superpower to be a super-hero? Find out all this and much, much more in the latest comics anthology of all-new stories based on the hit Nickelodeon animated series. Featuring stories by The Loud House creative team!

## Author Bio

**The Loud House Creative Team** are the talented men and women behind Nickelodeon's latest hit show. Everyone from storyboard artists, prop designers, production assistants and show writers lend their time and hard work to create comics that further the universe of THE LOUD HOUSE.





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## The Mythics #5

Sins of Youth

by Patricia Lyfoung, Patrick Sobral and Philippe Ogaki

The Mythics, young descendants of ancient deities - Yuko, from Japan; Parvati, from India; Amir, from Egypt; Abigail, from Germany; Miguel, from Mexico; and Neo, from Greece - have warded off an ancient Evil. They are now in the thralls of battle against Chaos incarnate and the remaining Sins-Avarice, Sloth, and Gluttony. Can these six adolescent heroes fight off these tempting pressures to be one step closer to saving the modern world? They will need their wits, their godlike powers, and each other to survive! And what's happening with Evil's disciples, each with personal ties to the young Mythics? It's another globe-straddling awesome adventure as these new young gods battle incredible odds to save the world.

## Author Bio

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### Patrick Sobral

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Papercutz

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6.5 x 9 • 160 pages

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Ages 7-12 years

Series: Mythics

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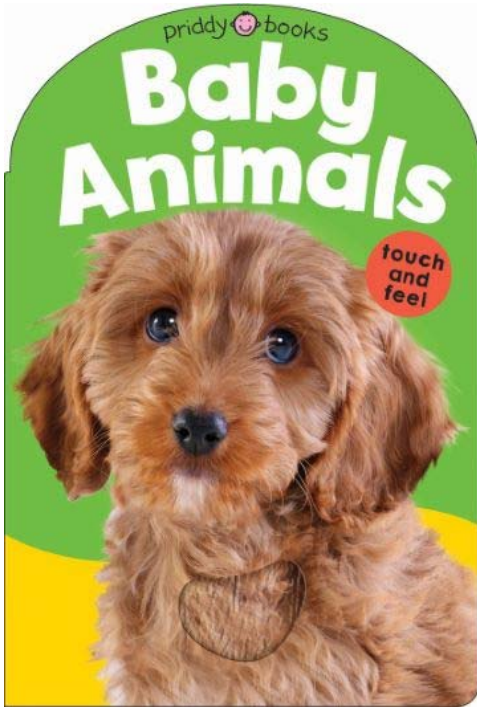
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## Notes

## Promotion





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## Baby Touch & Feel: Baby Animals

by Roger Priddy

**Babies will love meeting the adorable animals and exploring the touch-and-feel pages in *Baby Animals*, the next title publishing into the successful *Baby Touch & Feel* series by Priddy Books.**

Filled with cute baby animals, from kittens and puppies, to bunnies and more, this multi-sensory shaped board book will stimulate babies' senses as they explore the pages.

Featuring a different touch and feel texture on each spread, the gentle rhyming text and vibrant photographic images of animals and babies help to develop picture recognition.

Other titles in the successful Baby Touch & Feel series by Priddy Books are Baby Touch & Feel: Quack! Quack!; Baby Touch & Feel: Hugs; Baby Touch & Feel: Little Penguin; Baby Touch & Feel: Easter Bunny; Baby Touch & Feel: Honk! Honk!; Baby Touch & Feel: Meow! Meow!; Baby Touch & Feel: Puppy Love; and Baby Touch & Feel: Baby Bunny.

### Author Bio

**Roger Priddy's** passion for educating children through fun, informative and engaging books has led him to create some of publishing's most enduring and successful nonfiction early learning books. Bestselling titles include *First 100 Words*, *Bright Baby Animals*, and *Alphaprints: ABC*. Roger lives in London and has three children, who have been the inspiration behind many of his best publishing ideas.

Priddy

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6.5 x 9.62 • 12 pages

Photographic images throughout

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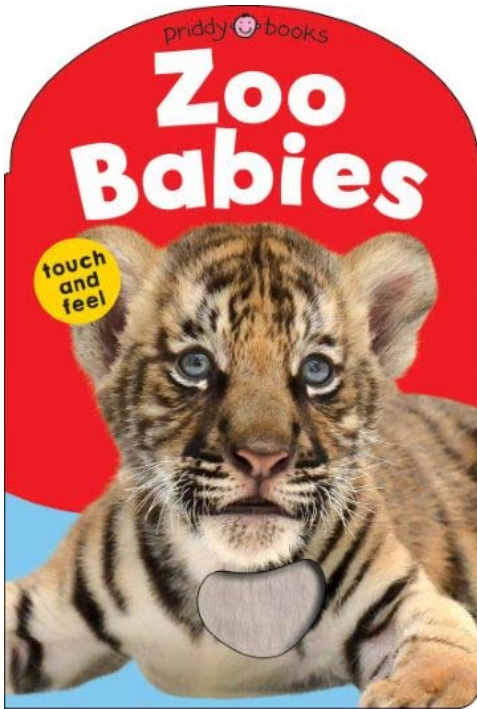
Juvenile Nonfiction / Activity Books • Ages 0-3 years

Series: Baby Touch and Feel

### Notes

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## Baby Touch & Feel: Zoo Babies

by Roger Priddy

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Photographic images throughout

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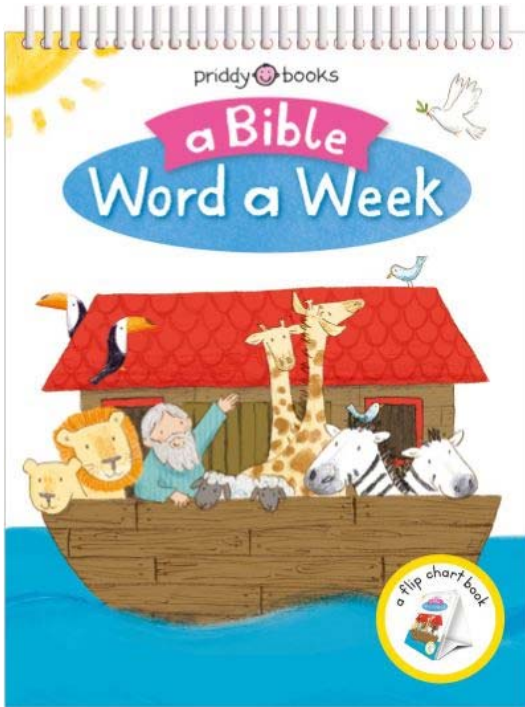
Juvenile Nonfiction / Animals / Zoos • Ages 0-24 months

Series: Baby Touch and Feel

## Notes

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## Bible Word A Week

by Roger Priddy

**A Word a Week by Priddy Books is the perfect present to help children understand the message of Christianity throughout the year.**

Each week children can turn the page to discover a word to reflect on. Each page has the reflective word, a simple definition of its meaning, an example of its connection in the bible and an enchanting illustration of the bible story. There is also a prompt to read with your child to encourage them to think about what the word of the week means to them.

The easel format allows each word to be on display all week whether that is in a classroom, at home, or in church. The pages are easy to turn so children can get involved

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Priddy

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7.09 x 9.05 • 52 pages

Full color illustrations throughout

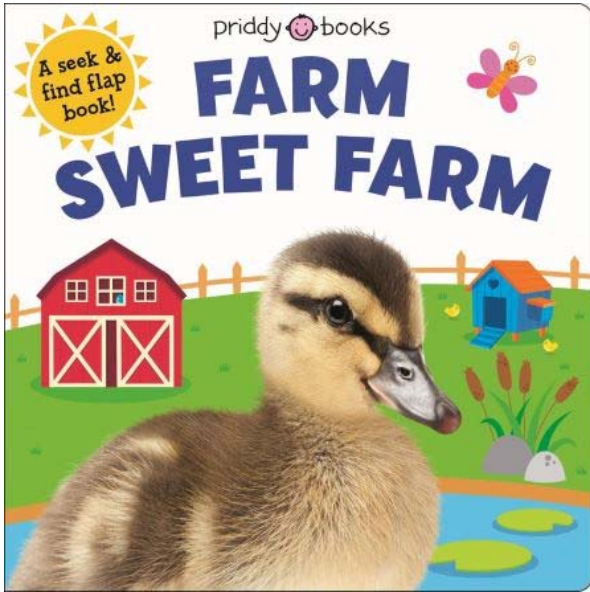
9781684492725 • \$12.99

Juvenile Nonfiction / Religion / Bible / Stories • Ages 3-5 years

## Notes

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## Farm Sweet Farm by Roger Priddy

***Farm Sweet Farm* is the first title in a new series from Priddy Books. Young children will love learning about the farm in this interactive lift the flap book.**

Look at the picture clues to guess which animal is hiding on the farm, then lift the giant flap to see who it is. This book promotes critical thinking as children follow the clues to discover which animal is hiding behind each flap.

*Who is Danny? He swims in a pond and has. . . a black beak, yellow feathers, and webbed feet? - lift the flap to find out if you are right.*

With colorful illustrations and clear photographs of the animals, *Farm Sweet Farm* is the perfect book for children to get to know farmyard animals

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On Sale: Jan 3/23

8.25 x 8.25 • 10 pages

Full color illustration and photographs

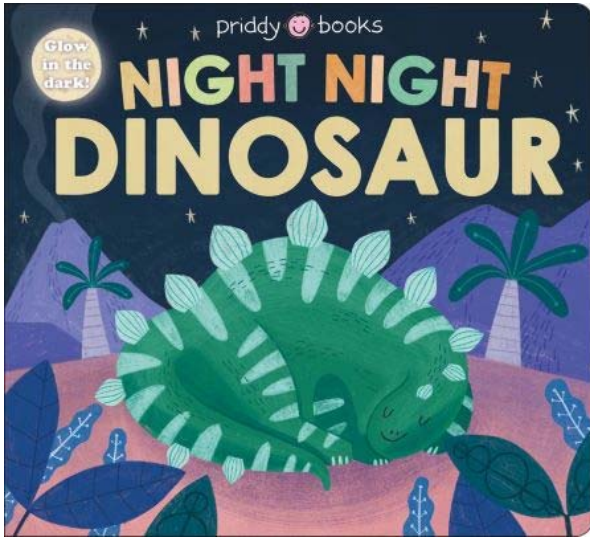
9781684492695 • \$12.99

Juvenile Nonfiction / Animals / Farm Animals • Ages 1-4 years

### Notes

### Promotion





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## Night Night Books: Night Night Dinosaur by Roger Priddy

Get ready for the bedtime with *Night, Night, Dinosaur*, the fourth title in the successful *Night, Night* series by Priddy Books.

Young children will love meeting the sleepy dinosaurs in this **calming board book**. See the playful dinos get ready for bed, then **turn the shaped pages** and watch them gently fall to sleep. **Perfect for settling your little one into bed** and ending with your own, quiet, Night, night."

*In the evening sky, the golden sun slips away.  
Sleepy Dino looks for her den. She's had a busy day.  
Stego settles in the grass, ready for lots of rest.  
Raptor prefers to curl up tight, inside her little nest.*

With irresistibly **sweet illustrations** and a magical sky of **glow-in-the-dark stars**, *Night Night Dinosaur* is the perfect way to end the day.

### Author Bio

**Roger Priddy's** passion for educating children through fun, informative and engaging books has led him to create some of publishing's most enduring and successful nonfiction early learning books. Bestselling titles include *First 100 Words*, *Bright Baby Animals*, and *Alphaprints: ABC*. Roger lives in London and has three children, who have been the inspiration behind many of his best publishing ideas.

Priddy

On Sale: Feb 7/23

8.9 x 8.03 • 20 pages

Full color illustration

9781684492718 • \$12.99

Juvenile Fiction / Animals / Dinosaurs & Prehistoric •

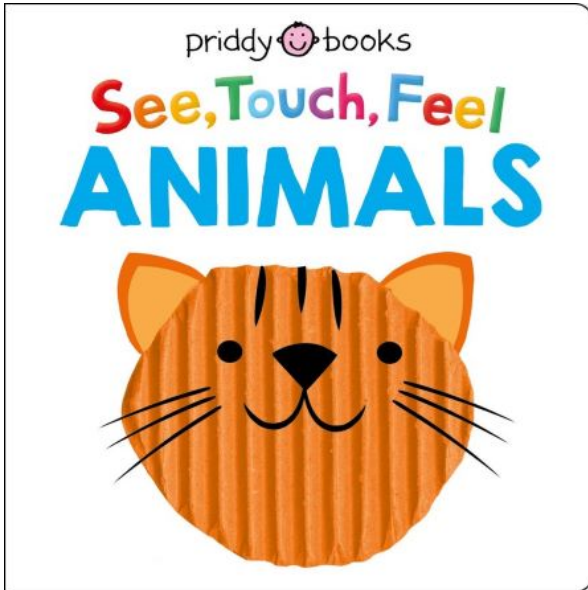
Ages 1-3 years

Series: Night Night Books

### Notes

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## See Touch Feel: Animals

by Roger Priddy

**See, Touch, Feel: Animals** is a fantastic first concepts book from Priddy Books. This new compact board book format introduces animals to very young children in a fun and simple way.

Specially designed to **stimulate toddlers** and **encourage the development of motor skills**, this engaging board book is filled with embossed images and textures to touch. The bright pages featuring **happy babies** and **handprint artwork** will appeal to young children as they learn first animals

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Priddy

On Sale: Feb 7/23

5.12 x 5.12 • 12 pages

Full color artwork and photographic images throughout

9781684492626 • \$8.99

Juvenile Nonfiction / Activity Books • Ages 0-3 years

Series: See, Touch, Feel

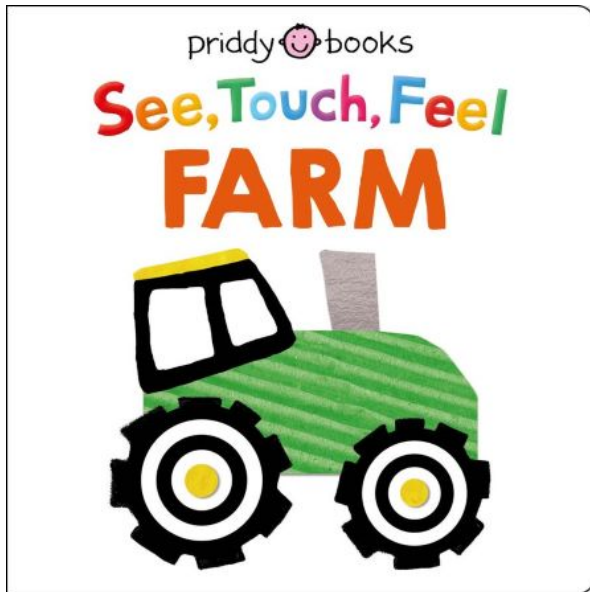
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Priddy

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9781684492657 • \$8.99

Juvenile Nonfiction / Activity Books • Ages 0-3 years

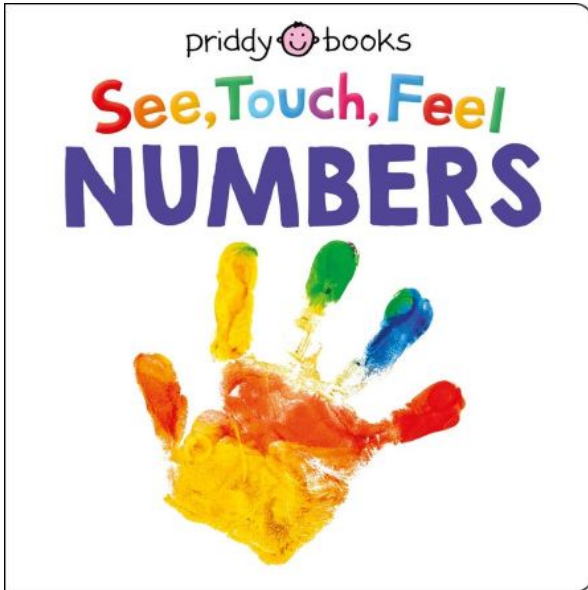
Series: See, Touch, Feel

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## See Touch Feel: Numbers

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9781684492640 • \$8.99

Juvenile Nonfiction / Activity Books • Ages 0-3 years

Series: See, Touch, Feel

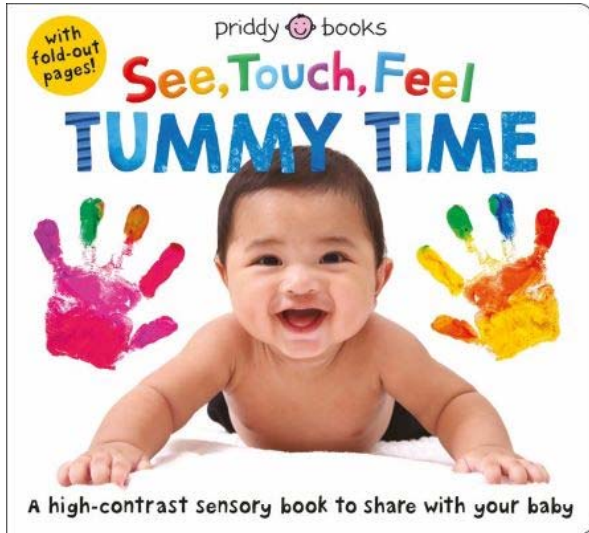
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## See Touch Feel: Tummy Time by Roger Priddy

Encourage babies early motor skills with *See, Touch, Feel Tummy Time*, a fantastic new title from Priddy Books.

The fold-out concertina format is designed to be used while babies are lying on their fronts, encouraging them to strengthen their back, arm, and neck muscles. One side of the book has black-and-white high contrast artwork, which is carefully designed to be suitable for newborn babies. As babies get older, they will love to look at the opposite side of the book which has bright handprint artwork, appealing baby photographs, and even touch and feel textures!

Part of the best-selling *See, Touch, Feel* series which includes *See, Touch, Feel*; *See, Touch, Feel 123*; *See, Touch, Feel ABC*; *See, Touch, Feel Colors*; *See, Touch, Feel Create*, and *See, Touch, Feel Roar*.

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Priddy

On Sale: Mar 7/23

8.9 x 8.03 • 10 pages

9781684492664 • \$16.99

Ages 0-24 months

Series: See, Touch, Feel

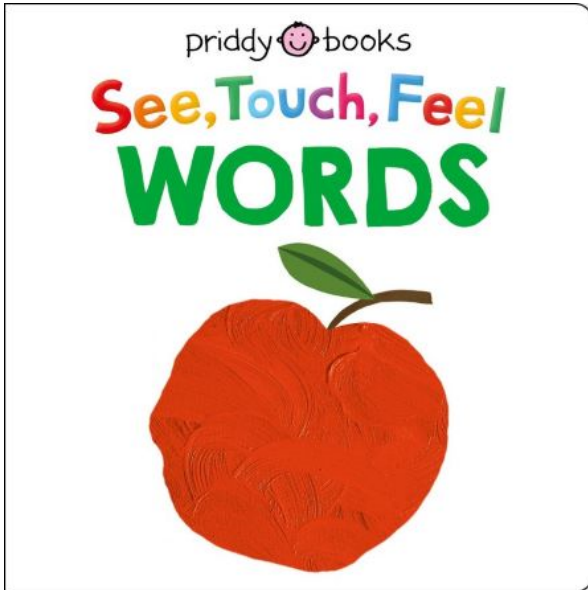
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5.13 x 5.12 • 12 pages

Full color artwork and photographic images throughout.

9781684492633 • \$8.99

Juvenile Nonfiction / Activity Books • Ages 0-3 years

Series: See, Touch, Feel

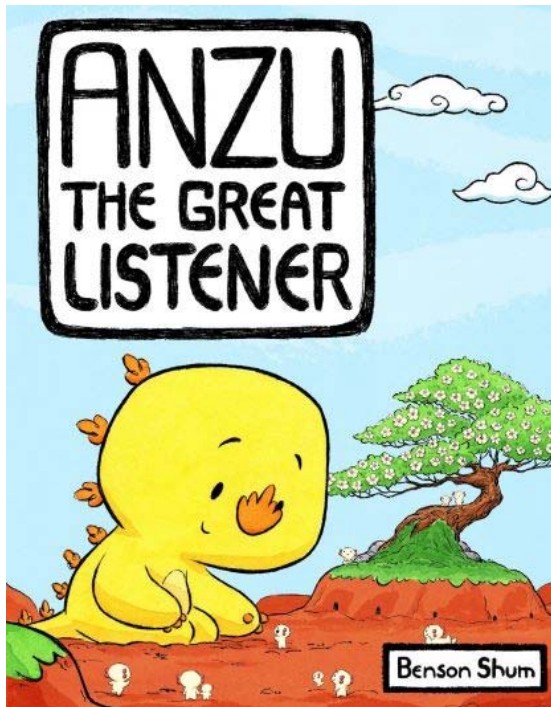
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## Anzu the Great Listener

by Benson Shum, illustrated by Benson Shum

In this follow-up to *Anzu the Great Kaiju*, created by Walt Disney Studios animator Benson Shum, we follow sweet and well-intentioned Anzu as he learns a valuable lesson about patience and empathy in the face of sadness - perfect for fans of *The Rabbit Listened*.

Anzu the kaiju loves to tend to his bonsai.

Whenever he feels overwhelmed or unsettled, it helps him pause and reminds him to just . . . breathe.

One day, when Anzu hears crying in the distance, he's eager to help! The flower-power that makes his bonsai bloom has a way of making others smile.

But when Anzu's flowers seem to lose their power, hurting more than they help, he's not sure where to turn - until he remembers some valuable lessons he learned from his bonsai tree.

In *Anzu the Great Listener*, creator and Walt Disney Studios animator Benson Shum illustrates the importance of patience, empathy, and above all, taking the time to listen.

### PRAISE FOR ANZU THE GREAT KAIJU:

[E]ngaging and heartwarming. . . . A tongue-in-cheek bildungsroman spun around celebrating differences and the underrated superpowers of gentleness and sweetness. - *Kirkus*

"[A] wholly original tale, which proves (...)

### Author Bio

**Benson Shum** has illustrated a number of picture books, including Adam Lehrhaupt's *Sloth Went*, Jennifer Sattler's *Go to Sheep*, and his own *Anzu the Great Kaiju*. Benson is also an animator at the Walt Disney Animation Studios, where he has contributed to such films as *Frozen*, *Big Hero 6*, *Zootopia*, *Moana*, *Ralph Breaks the Internet*, *Frozen II*, *Raya and the Last Dragon*, and *Encanto*. Originally from Vancouver, British Columbia, Benson now lives in sunny Southern California. **Benson Shum** has illustrated a number of picture books, including Adam Lehrhaupt's *Sloth Went*, Jennifer Sattler's *Go to Sheep*, and his own *Anzu the Great Kaiju*. Benson is also an animator at the Walt Disney Animation Studios, where he has contributed to such films as *Frozen*, *Big Hero 6*, *Zootopia*, *Moana*, *Ralph Breaks the Internet*, *Frozen II*

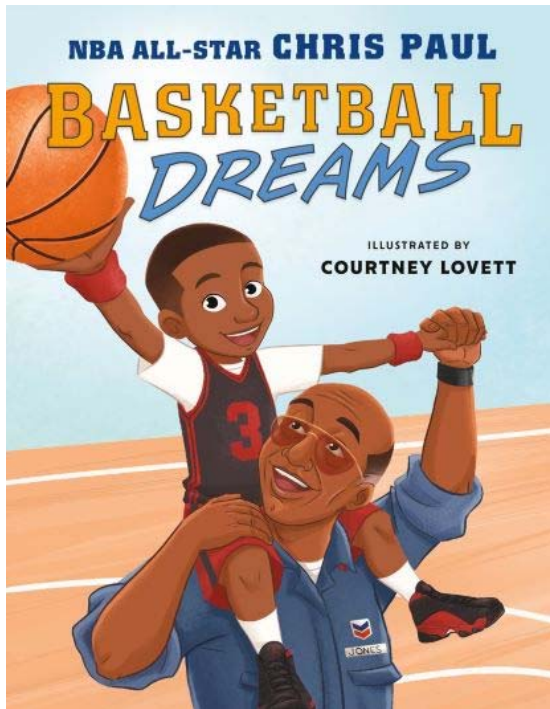


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On Sale: Jan 10/23  
8.5 x 11 • 40 pages  
full-color illustrations throughout; poster on back of jkt  
9781250776136 • \$24.99 • cl  
Juvenile Fiction / Animals / Dragons • Ages 4-8 years  
Series: Anzu the Great Kaiju

### Notes

### Promotion





## Basketball Dreams

by Chris Paul, illustrated by Courtney Lovett

**From NBA All-Star Chris Paul comes an inspirational and uplifting picture book about chasing your basketball dreams and the lessons he learned both on and off the court from his beloved grandfather Papa Chilly.**

Growing up, young Chris Paul dreamed of playing professional basketball. But he knew it would take more than dedication and practice, so Chris looked to his grandfather Papa Chilly as a shining example of the values he could apply both in basketball and in life. Papa taught him about respect, faith, kindness, generosity, and the determination to succeed, just as Papa had succeeded as the first Black business owner of a service station in North Carolina. Serving as a beacon of inspiration for Chris, Papa Chilly and his lessons propelled Chris to become the star NBA player - and person - he is today.

## Author Bio

**Chris Paul** is a twelve-time NBA All-Star, two-time Olympic Gold medalist, and the former president of the National Basketball Players Association. Off the court, he's a father, husband, entrepreneur, activist, and philanthropist. He founded the CP3 Basketball Academy. The Chris Paul Family Foundation continues to provide resources that enrich underserved communities.

**Courtney Lovett** was born and raised in Maryland. Since she could pick up a pencil, not a day passed where Courtney did not draw, a sketchbook on her person wherever she went. She has since pursued an education in illustration and animation. Today, she still lives in her hometown, where she teaches at a local art studio and illustrates books such as NBA all-star Chris Paul's *Basketball Dreams*

Roaring Brook

On Sale: Jan 10/23

8.5 x 11 • 32 pages

full-color illustrations throughout

9781250810038 • \$24.99 • cl

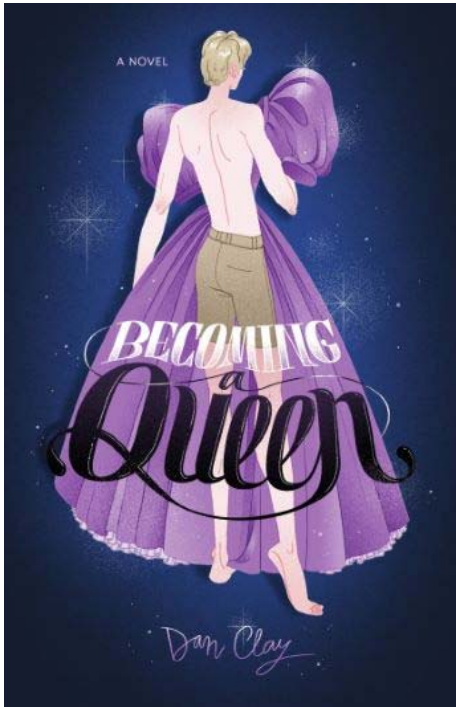
Juvenile Nonfiction / Sports & Recreation / Basketball •

Ages 3-7 years

## Notes

## Promotion





## Becoming a Queen

by Dan Clay

**A vibrant and emotional novel from debut author Dan Clay about a boy who turns toward love, self-expression, and drag when the unthinkable happens, perfect for fans of Jandy Nelson and Julie Murphy.**

If only Mark Davis hadn't put on a dress for the talent show. It was a joke - other guys did it too - but when his boyfriend saw Mark in that dress, everything changed.

And now, fresh on the heels of high school heartbreak, Mark has given up on love. Maybe some people are just too much for this world - too weird, too wild, too feminine, too everything. Thankfully, his older brother Eric always knows what to say to keep Mark from spinning into self-loathing. Be yourself! Your full sequin-y self."

But Mark starts to notice signs that his perfect older brother has problems of his own.

When the source of Mark's strength suddenly becomes the source of his greatest pain, the path back to happiness seems impossible. Searching for a way out, Mark slips into a dress to just, briefly, become someone else, live a different life. His escape, however, becomes an unexpected outlet for his pain - a path to authentic connection, and a provocation to finally see other people as fully as he wants to be seen.

Beautifully written, heart-wrenching, and ultimately uplifting, Dan Clay's *Becoming a Queen* is a stunning story about love, loss, and the ineffable power of a purple (...)

## Author Bio

**Dan Clay** is a writer and drag queen thrilled to be making his debut as a novelist with *Becoming a Queen*. Until now, he focused on spreading love and positivity online through his drag persona, Carrie Dragshaw." His writing as Carrie has been featured in hundreds of magazines, newspapers, and television shows-from *Cosmo* to *People* to *Watch What Happens Live*-and his TED Talk on being your "whole self" details his first-hand experience with the healing power of drag.

Dan graduated from Northwestern University with a degree in philosophy and went on to get an MBA from Wharton at the University of Pennsylvania. When he's not writing, he works for a climate change nonprofit and a New York-based branding agency. He lives in New York.

Roaring Brook

On Sale: Apr 25/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 416 pages

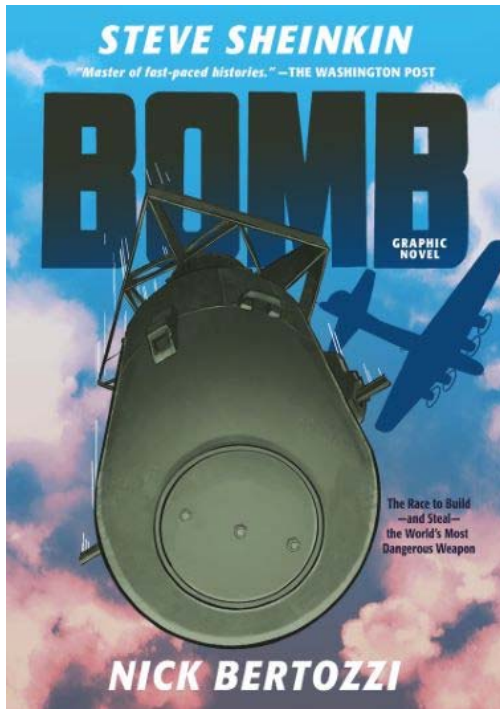
9781250843098 • \$24.99 • CL - With dust jacket

YA Fic / Coming Of Age • Ages 12-18 years

## Notes

## Promotion





## **Bomb (Graphic Novel Edition)**

The Race to Build - and Steal - the World's Most Dangerous Weapon

by Steve Sheinkin, illustrated by Nick Bertozzi

**A riveting graphic novel adaptation of the award-winning nonfiction book, *Bomb* - the fascinating and frightening true story of the creation behind the most destructive force that birthed the arms race and the Cold War.**

In December of 1938, a chemist in a German laboratory made a shocking discovery: When placed next to radioactive material, a Uranium atom split in two. That simple discovery launched a scientific race that spanned three continents.

In Great Britain and the United States, Soviet spies worked their way into the scientific community; in Norway, a commando force slipped behind enemy lines to attack German heavy-water manufacturing; and deep in the desert, one brilliant group of scientists was hidden away at a remote site at Los Alamos. This is the story of the plotting, the risk-taking, the deceit, and genius that created the world's most formidable weapon. This is the story of the atomic bomb.

*New York Times* bestselling author Steve Sheinkin's award-winning nonfiction book is now available reimaged in the graphic novel format. Full color illustrations from Nick Bertozzi are detailed and enriched with the nonfiction expertise Nick brings to the story as a beloved artist, comic book writer, and commercial illustrator who has written a couple of his own historical graphic novels, including *Shackleton* and *Lewis & Clark*.

Accessible, gripping, and educational, this new edition of *Bomb* is perfect for young readers and adults alike.

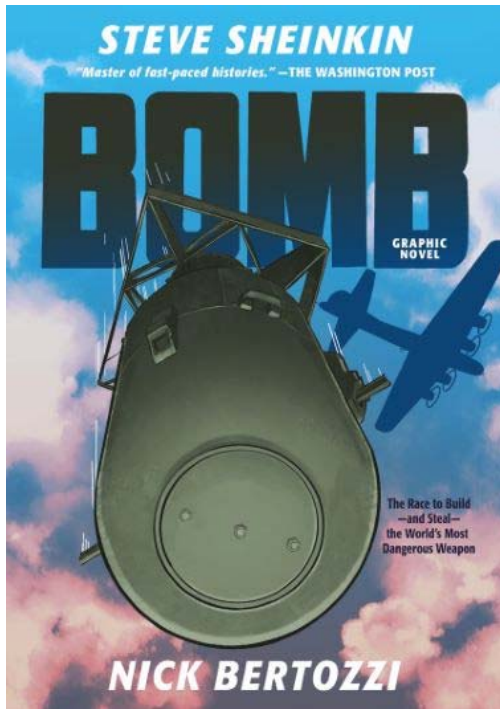
### **Praise for *Bomb* (2012):**

This superb (...)

## **Author Bio**

**Steve Sheinkin** is the acclaimed author of fast-paced, cinematic nonfiction histories, including *Fallout*, *Undeclared*, *Born to Fly*, *The Port Chicago 50*, and *Bomb*. His accolades include a Newbery Honor, three Boston Globe-Horn Book Awards, a Sibert Medal and Honor, and three National Book Award finalist honors. He lives in Saratoga Springs, New York, with his wife and two children. [stevesheinkin.com](http://stevesheinkin.com) **Nick Bertozzi** has written and drawn many comics over the years, including *Becoming Andy Warhol*, *The Salon*, *Lewis &*





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In Great Britain and the United States, Soviet spies worked their way into the scientific community; in Norway, a commando force slipped behind enemy lines to attack German heavy-water manufacturing; and deep in the desert, one brilliant group of scientists was hidden away at a remote site at Los Alamos. This is the story of the plotting, the risk-taking, the deceit, and genius that created the world's most formidable weapon. This is the story of the atomic bomb.

*New York Times* bestselling author Steve Sheinkin's award-winning nonfiction book is now available reimaged in the graphic novel format. Full color illustrations from Nick Bertozzi are detailed and enriched with the nonfiction expertise Nick brings to the story as a beloved artist, comic book writer, and commercial illustrator who has written a couple of his own historical graphic novels, including *Shackleton* and *Lewis & Clark*.

Accessible, gripping, and educational, this new edition of *Bomb* is perfect for young readers and adults alike.

### **Praise for *Bomb* (2012):**

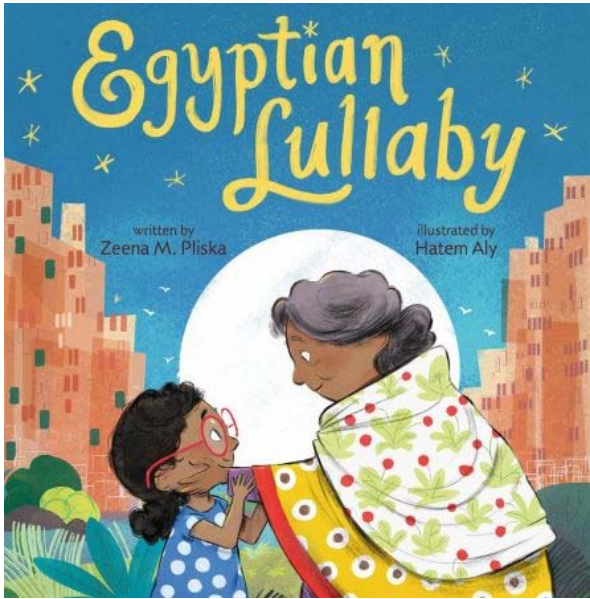
This superb (...)

## **Author Bio**

**Steve Sheinkin** is the acclaimed author of fast-paced, cinematic nonfiction histories, including *Fallout*, *Undeclared*, *Born to Fly*, *The Port Chicago 50*, and *Bomb*. His accolades include a Newbery Honor, three Boston Globe-Horn Book Awards, a Sibert Medal and Honor, and three National Book Award finalist honors. He lives in Saratoga Springs, New York, with his wife and two children. **Nick Bertozzi** has written and drawn many comics over the years, including *Becoming Andy Warhol*, *The Salon*, *Lewis & Clark*, and the New







## Egyptian Lullaby

by Zeena M. Pliska, illustrated by Hatem Aly

**A rich, beautifully layered ode to the great city of Cairo, Egypt, its people, and culture.**

Every night, my Ametti Fatma sings the sounds of Egypt to me as I fall asleep.

*This is the Nile,  
that flows through the city.  
Swish, swoosh, swish.  
This is the boat,  
that glides on the Nile,  
that flows through the city.  
Swish, swoosh, swish.*

Each night, a young girl's Auntie Fatma puts her to bed, singing a lullaby filled with rich imagery of her home in Egypt. As Auntie Fatma sings, we are given a glimpse of modern Cairo, from boats making their way down the Nile to gentle calls to prayer from the mosques to young children joyfully playing soccer in the streets.

Join Zeena Pliska and Hatem Aly on a vibrant journey to Cairo in this gorgeous, layered song.

## Author Bio

**Zeena M. Pliska** is a kindergarten teacher by day and a children's book author by night in Los Angeles, California. A progressive public school educator, she believes that the most important aspect of teaching is listening to children. A social justice activist and organizer for over 30 years, she brings race, class, and gender analysis to everything she does. A lifetime storyteller, she has facilitated stories as a theater director, visual artist, photographer and journalist.

Roaring Brook

On Sale: Jan 1/23

10 x 10 • 40 pages

full-color illustrations throughout

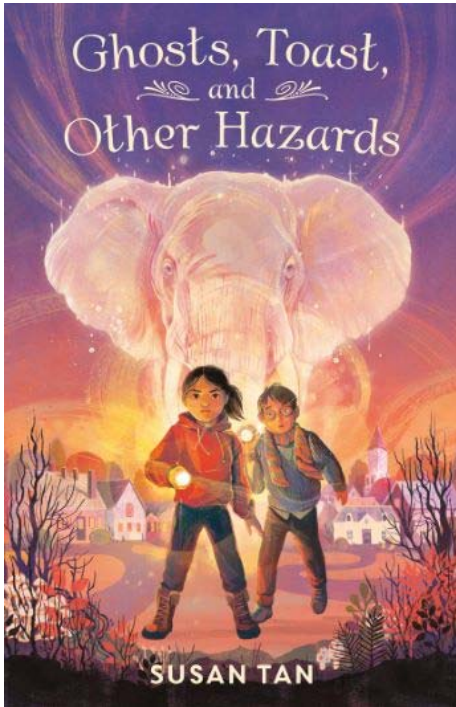
9781250222497 • \$23.99 • cl

Juvenile Fiction / People & Places / Africa • Ages 4-8 years

## Notes

## Promotion





## Ghosts, Toast, and Other Hazards

by Susan Tan

From APALA Honor award-winning author Susan Tan, a middle-grade novel about a girl who must overcome her worries to find the truth behind her town's urban legend.

*Mo is not afraid of toast. Just to be clear. She is afraid of fires, though. Which can be caused by everyday appliances, like toasters. So toast isn't the problem, but you could say it's the start of a slippery slope. Since her family's recent move, Mo's been eating oatmeal.*

Moving to a new town isn't easy, but it's harder now that Mo's family is dealing with some tougher stuff, like her stepdad leaving, and her mom trying to find a new job while struggling with depression.

But Mo can't dwell on those things, because there's a ghost dog haunting her backyard - which is also rumored to be the burial site of an elephant who died in a circus fire.

Those stories don't scare Mo; her fears are more rooted in bad things happening in real-life. But her new friend Nathaniel is terrified - and fascinated - by ghosts, and together they decide to investigate the history behind the circus fire, causing Mo to live a little dangerously after all.

As the two begin to uncover truths about their town, their quest also digs up some unexpected truths about their families and themselves.

## Author Bio

**Susan Tan** has lived many places in her life, but calls Concord, Massachusetts, home. She grew up in a mixed-race family, and, like Cilla Lee-Jenkins, had very little hair until the age of five. After studying at Williams College, she earned her PhD from the University of Cambridge, where she studied children's literature. She currently lives in Somerville, enjoys frequent trips to Chinatown to eat tzuck sang, and teaches at the University of Massachusetts, Boston. *Cilla Lee-Jenkins: Future Author Extraordinaire* is her first book.

Roaring Brook

On Sale: Apr 25/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 256 pages

9781250797001 • \$22.99 • CL - With dust jacket

Juvenile Fiction / Social / Friendship • Ages 8-12 years

## Notes

## Promotion



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## Hispanic Star en español: Sylvia Rivera

by Claudia Romo Edelman and Gia Loving, translated by Terry Catusus Jennings

ANOTHER EXCITING AND IMPORTANT TITLE FROM THE HISPANIC STAR SERIES

A veteran of the 1969 Stonewall uprising, Sylvia Rivera was an influential activist who fought tirelessly for gay liberation and transgender rights, especially for transgender people of color who were excluded from the larger gay rights movement. Sylvia fought hard against the exclusion of transgender people from the Sexual Orientation Non-Discrimination Act in New York, and was a powerful and persistent advocate for the rights of LGBTQ+ people of color. Along with Marsha P. Johnson, Rivera started the Street Transvestite Action Revolutionaries (STAR), a group devoted to providing services and advocacy for homeless LGBTQ+ people. Her legacy continues to be an inspiration for marginalized queer people everywhere, and her impact on the LGBTQ+ rights movement is still felt to this day.

Hispanic Star brings a new set of role models and heroes to the limelight, celebrating the Hispanic and Latinx community by showcasing the remarkable contribution of our community not only as an integral part of American culture, but also as an undeniable force in shaping its future, inspiring young readers to feel pride over their heritage

## Author Bio

Claudia Romo Edelman is the Founder of the We Are All Human Foundation. Claudia has worked for 25 years with internationally recognized institutions including the United Nations, UNICEF, the Global Fund and the World Economic Forum. She has a track record in launching global campaigns, and she's a master of agenda setting. She has been in the driver's seat of some of the most successful global campaigns in the last decade including: the launch of the SDG's, Product (RED), the creation of the SDG Lions and rebranding of the UN Refugee Agency.

Roaring Brook

On Sale: Mar 7/23

5.5 x 8 • 128 pages

1/c illustrations throughout

9781250840158 • \$7.99 • pb

Juvenile Nonfiction / People & Places / US / Hispanic & Latino • Ages 8-12 years

Series: Hispanic Star

## Notes

## Promotion





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Roaring Brook

On Sale: Mar 7/23

5.5 x 8 • 128 pages

1/c illustrations throughout

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Juvenile Nonfiction / People & Places / US / Hispanic & Latino • Ages 8-12 years

Series: Hispanic Star

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Roaring Brook

On Sale: Mar 7/23

5.5 x 8 • 128 pages

1/c illustrations throughout

9781250828163 • \$23.99 • CL - With dust jacket

Juvenile Nonfiction / People & Places / US / Hispanic

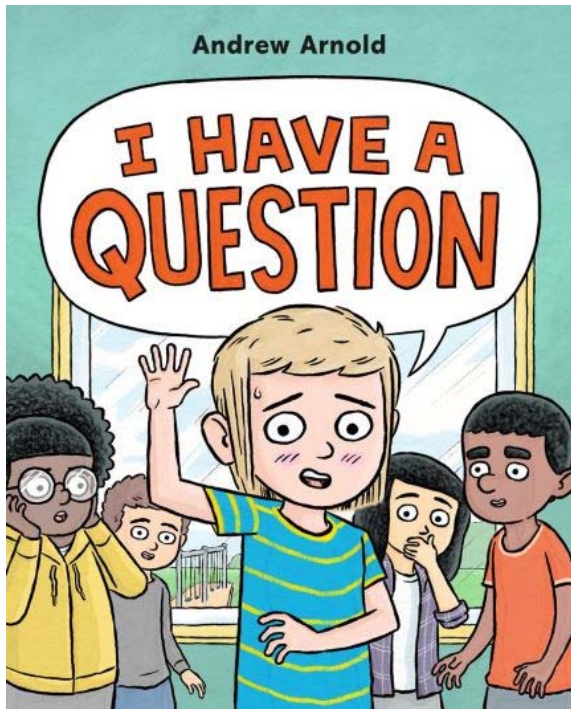
& Latino • Ages 8-12 years

Series: Hispanic Star

## Notes

## Promotion





## I Have a Question

by Andrew Arnold, illustrated by Andrew Arnold

From rising picture book star Andrew Arnold comes *I Have a Question*, a book for anyone who's ever felt too shy, too afraid, or too silly to raise their hand and ask a question.

For Stevie, speaking up in class can be scary. So, when Ms. Gail asks, "Are there any questions?" Stevie looks around the classroom, hoping someone will raise their hand. But no one does. No one has a single question. Except Stevie.

"I can't ask, can I? If I do, I know *just* what will happen," Stevie thinks, beginning a journey of worried imagination. Everyone will certainly laugh, they'll think the question is silly, they'll think Stevie is silly.

But Stevie *has* to know. Stevie *has* to ask.

Written with terrific humor, empathy, and tenderness, author-illustrator Andrew Arnold's *I Have a Question* is wonderfully funny and mightily empowering - inspiring anyone who has ever felt too shy, too silly or too afraid to raise their hand.

**Praise for *What's the Matter, Marlo?*, Andrew Arnold's debut picture book**

**A sweet, reassuring validation of the power of a close friendship and empathy." - *Kirkus*, starred review**

**"Profound and reassuring." - *Publishers Weekly*, starred review**

**"Beautifully precise, and accessible in its simplicity. Not only does it speak to grief in others, insightfully separating the person from the (sometimes eruptive and unpredictable) emotions, but it also models empathy." - *The New York Times***

"A gentle ode to the sadder and sweeter side of childhood (...)

## Author Bio

**Andrew Arnold** is an author-illustrator and co-creator of the award-winning *Adventures in Cartooning* series from First Second Books. He writes and draws from his home in Brooklyn, New York, in the company of his wife and their son. *What's the Matter, Marlo?* is his debut picture book.

Roaring Brook

On Sale: Jan 31/23

8 x 10 • 40 pages

full-color illustrations throughout

9781250838247 • \$24.99 • cl

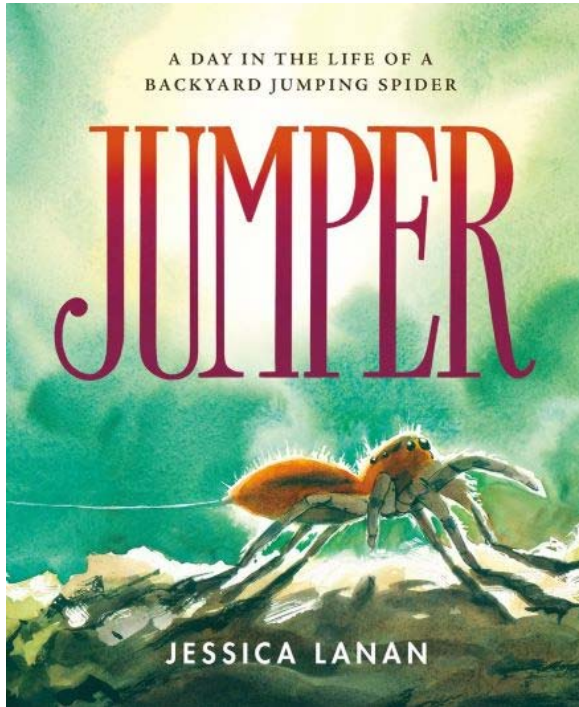
Juvenile Fiction / Social / Self-Esteem & Self-Reliance

• Ages 3-7 years

## Notes

## Promotion





### Jumper

A Day in the Life of a Backyard Jumping Spider  
by Jessica Lanan, illustrated by Jessica Lanan

From critically acclaimed illustrator of *The Lost Package* comes a bold nonfiction story following a day in the life of a backyard jumping spider - meticulously researched and utterly charming.

*What if you were small as a bean,  
Could walk on the walls and ceiling,  
Sense vibrations through your elbows,  
And jump five times your body length?*

*That is Jumper's world.*

Open this book to discover the vibrant, hidden life of a backyard jumping spider.

### Author Bio

**Jessica Lanan** has long been enchanted by the mysteries of the cosmos. Exoplanets are too far away for her to visit, but illustrating them is the next best thing. Jessica currently lives in her native state of Colorado with her husband, three-legged cat, and baby daughter, who was born during the making of *Just Right: Searching for the Goldilocks Planet*. Jessica's illustrations can also be found in *Finding Narnia: The Story of C. S. Lewis and His Brother Warnie*

Roaring Brook

On Sale: Apr 11/23

9 x 11 • 48 pages

full-color illustrations throughout; double horizontal gatefold

9781250810366 • \$26.99 • cl

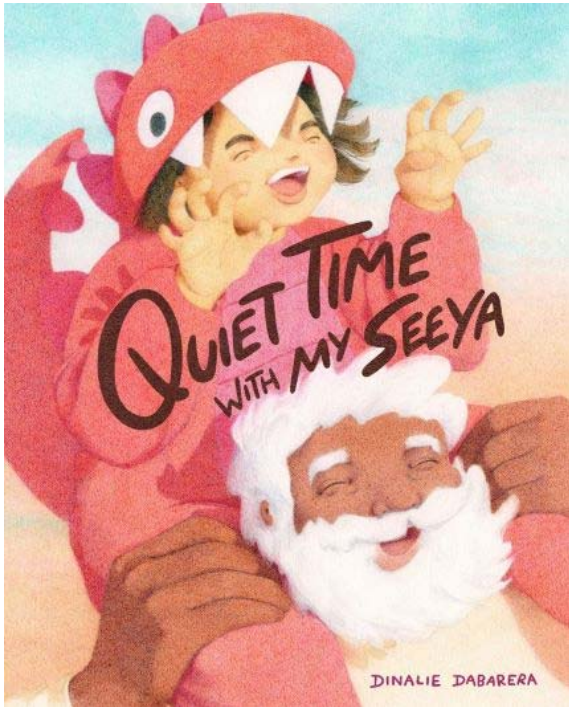
Juvenile Nonfiction / Animals / Insects, Spiders, Etc. •

Ages 4-8 years

### Notes

### Promotion





### Quiet Time with My Seeya

by Dinalie Dabarera, illustrated by Dinalie Dabarera

**A lush and endearing picture book about a young child and the special days they spend with their Sinhalese grandfather, their Seeya, despite their language barrier.**

Time that this child spends with their Seeya is quiet. They speak different languages and don't always communicate with words. But they communicate in other ways.

Together, they play dress ups, stomp in puddles, and go on adventures. They make pittu, tease each other when they're messy, and read to each other, even though they don't always understand what the other is saying. But each day is special, whether it's quiet or loud, because what matters most is the time they spend together, and the love that they share.

Dinalie Dabarera's debut picture book is an achingly tender meditation on the unconditional love between a grandparent and their grandchild.

### Author Bio

**Dinalie Dabarera** is the author and illustrator of *Quiet Time with Seeya*. Her previous book *The Cat with the Coloured Tail*, written by Gillian Mears, was nominated for the Children's Book Council Australia Award for New Illustrator, as well as multiple other industry awards including an Australian Book Industry Award. She lives and works on unceded Gadigal land (Sydney, Australia)

Roaring Brook

On Sale: Mar 7/23

8 x 10 • 40 pages

full-color illustrations throughout

9781250824271 • \$24.99 • cl

Juvenile Fiction / Family / Multigenerational • Ages 3-6 years

### Notes

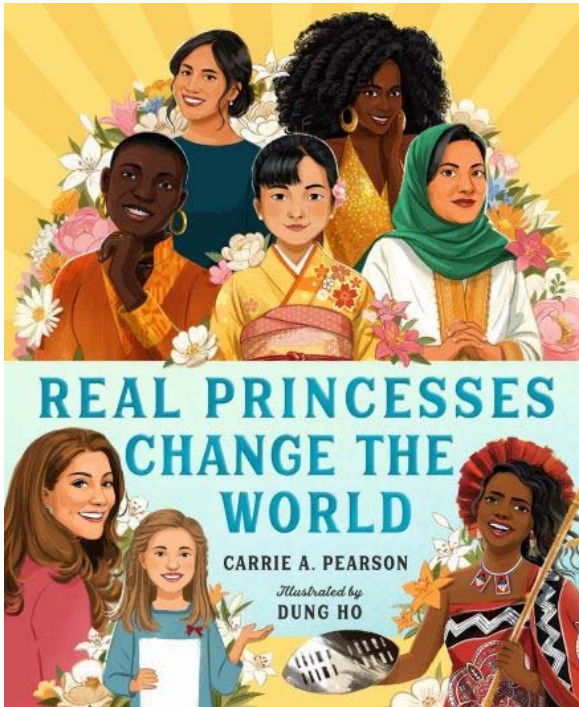
### Promotion



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## Real Princesses Change the World

by Carrie A. Pearson, illustrated by Dung Ho

***Real Princesses Change the World* is an inspirational and diverse picture book profiling 11 contemporary real-life princesses and 4 heirs apparent from all around the world.**

There are so many ideas of what princesses are: Princesses are sweet, beautiful, and gracious. Princesses wear poofy dresses and strut about their castle. Princesses are just missing a handsome prince. But what message does that send to the children who look up to them?

This picture book compiles biographies of 11 different princesses, highlighting who they truly are: diplomats, engineers, activists, athletes, and so much more. It focuses on their achievements and contributions, situating them as active members in the global and local community. From Nigeria to Japan, Saudi Arabia to Sweden, and Thailand to Tonga. This picture book takes readers on a trip that spans the whole world.

With stunning portraits done by bestselling illustrator Dung Ho (*Eyes that Kiss in the Corners*), *Real Princesses Change the World* showcases princesses in an empowering, feminist light that is both accessible and engaging for young readers

### Author Bio

**Carrie A. Pearson** is an author and speaker who lives on the sandy shore of Lake Superior in Marquette, Michigan. She is a former early ed teacher and writes books about real things, like *Real Princesses Change the World* and the award-winning *A Warm Winter Tail*. She volunteers for the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators (former Regional Advisor) to help other people create good books for all children and was honored to receive the Gwen Frostic Award for Literacy from the Michigan Reading Association. Carrie raised three daughters on stories of strong women and knows that narratives about princesses who need saving are most likely fairy tales. **Dung Howas** born and raised in Hue Imperial City, Vietnam, where she studied graphic design at the Hue Arts University. She finds inspiration in nature - the beauty of plants, flowers, and leaves. She also loves to draw interesting characters with unique personalities. Now she lives in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, where she continues to learn and develop her art, something she loves doing. When she's not drawing, she loves spending time cooking (eating), watching movies, and tending her plants.

Roaring Brook

On Sale: Apr 11/23

9 x 11 • 40 pages

full-color illustrations throughout

9781250751430 • \$24.99 • cl

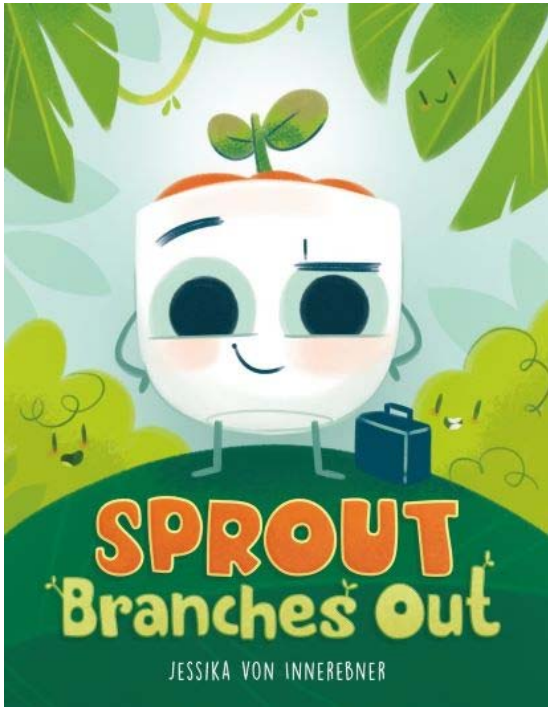
Juvenile Nonfiction / Biography & Autobiography /

Royalty • Ages 4-8 years

### Notes

### Promotion





## Sprout Branches Out

by Jessika von Innerebner, illustrated by Jessika von Innerebner

Discover the unbe-leaf-ably adorable story of a young plant with *mulch* to learn in this feel-good tale perfect for fans of *The Bad Seed* and *Grumpy Monkey*.

Sprout the plant lives on a small porch, in a little town. She's only been able to grow two leaves and knows *exactly* why. Home is just not enough for her - she needs to venture out to the wild woods, the wise forest, and the lush jungle to find what she needs to thrive.

But once she's out in the world, Sprout quickly learns that what she *really* needs may not be what she thought at all . . .

Meet a budding new picture book character with roots in this hilarious and heartfelt adventure about growing up, taking risks, and finding home again.

## Author Bio

**Jessika von Innerebner** is an author, artist, imagination instigator, creative thinker, and adventurous soul. If she were a plant, she would be a Monstera because even though she needs her space to spread out, she also loves being around others. Jessika has an awesome community of fronds and has grown a lot because of them. Though she often *leafs* in search of adventure, Jessika always returns to grow in sunny Kelowna, Canada, where she lives with her pup, Charlie, and hubby, Cale.

Roaring Brook

On Sale: Jan 24/23

8.5 x 11 • 40 pages

full-color illustrations throughout

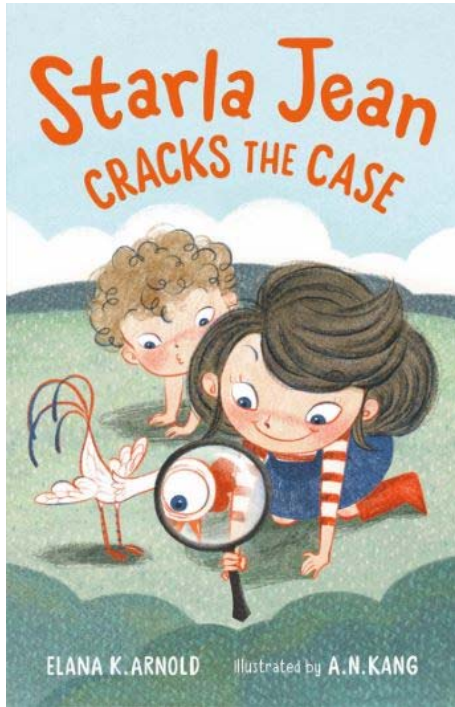
9781250848789 • \$23.99 • cl

Juvenile Fiction / Nature & The Natural World • Ages 3-7 years

## Notes

## Promotion





## Starla Jean Cracks the Case

by Elana K. Arnold, illustrated by A. N. Kang

**Starla Jean and her pet chicken, Opal Egg, return in this side-splitting third chapter book, just in time to solve a puzzling mystery that takes them on a chase through the neighborhood!**

Have you ever walked a chicken on a leash?

Well, chicken expert Starla Jean will let you know first hand, it's not easy. But that doesn't stop Starla from taking her pet chicken, Opal Egg, and her baby sister, Willa, out on a stroll through the neighborhood.

On their walk, they stumble upon a mysterious bead. And then another! Before they know it, there's a conundrum on their hands, and it's up to Starla and her friends to figure out just who exactly is losing these beads!

Printz Honor winner and National Book Award Finalist Elana K. Arnold is back once more with this irresistible story of a girl, her chicken, and an unfolding mystery, superbly illustrated by A. N. Kang.

## Author Bio

**Elana K. Arnold** is the author of critically acclaimed and award-winning young adult novels ( *Damsel*, *What Girls Are Made Of* ) and children's books ( *A Boy Called Bat* ). She lives in Southern California with her family and a menagerie of pets. **A. N. Kang** was a product designer for 20 years designing giftwares, jewelries and greeting cards. She also designed holiday installations all over New York City. Her fun side project, a picture book titled 'The Very Fluffy Kitty, Papillon' was published in 2016. Since then, she has been working as a children's book author and illustrator. Her published books include 'My Big Bad Monster', 'Celebrate You!' and 'The Squirrel Family Tree'

Roaring Brook

On Sale: Apr 4/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 96 pages

full-color illustrations throughout

**9781250305800** • \$21.99 • CL - With dust jacket

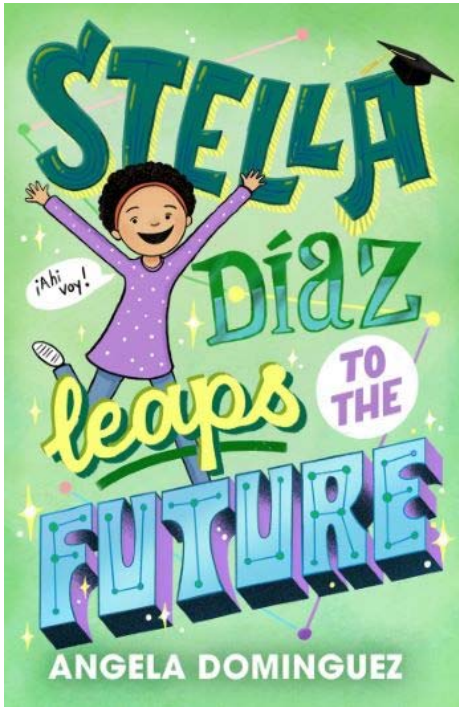
Juvenile Fiction / Animals / Birds • Ages 4-7 years

Series: Starla Jean

## Notes

## Promotion





Roaring Brook  
On Sale: Mar 21/23  
5.5 x 8.25 • 224 pages  
b/w illustrations throughout  
**9781250862570** • \$22.99 • CL - With dust jacket  
Juvenile Fiction / Social / Friendship • Ages 6-9 years  
Series: Stella Diaz

## Notes

## Promotion



## Stella Diaz Leaps to the Future

by Angela Dominguez, illustrated by Angela Dominguez

From award-winning author Angela Dominguez, the fifth and final novel about Stella Diaz, a Mexican-American girl who is now ready to be at top of her school - fifth grade!

Stella is getting ready for her next big step.

This year, she's a fifth grader, which means she's not only one of the big kids in her elementary school, but she'll also have to start thinking about middle school. GULP!

Luckily, Stella can count on her best friends Jenny and Stanley at her side. But when she has a chance to apply for an art and science program at a magnet school, Stella realizes that her future might hold a lot of big changes.

Thinking about going to a different school than her closest friends, seeing her big brother Nick receiving mail from colleges far away, and then being forced to work on a project with her former bully. . . Suddenly, growing up isn't quite as fun as Stella first thought.

Is Stella ready for what's next?

## Author Bio

**Angela Dominguez** was born in Mexico City and grew up in the great state of Texas. She now resides on the east coast with her boyfriend, Kyle, and their petite dog, Petunia. She is also the author and illustrator of several books for children and a two-time recipient of Pura Belpre Illustration Honor. Her debut middle grade novel, *Stella Diaz Has Something To Say*, was a New York Public Library and a Chicago Public Library pick for Best Books for Kids, Sid Fleischman Award winner, and an ALA Notable. She recently illustrated Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor's newest picture book, *Just Help! How to Build a Better World*. As a child, she loved reading books and making a mess creating pictures. She's delighted to still be doing both.





## The Buried and the Bound

by Rochelle Hassan

**A contemporary fantasy YA debut from Rochelle Hassan about monsters, magic, and wicked fae, perfect for fans of *The Darkest Part of the Forest* and *The Hazel Wood*.**

As the only hedgewitch in Blackthorn, Massachusetts - an uncommonly magical place - Aziza El-Amin has bargained with wood nymphs, rescued palm-sized fairies from house cats, banished flesh-eating shadows from the local park. But when a dark entity awakens in the forest outside of town, eroding the invisible boundary between the human world and fairyland, run-of-the-mill fae mischief turns into outright aggression, and the danger - to herself and others - becomes too great for her to handle alone.

Leo Merritt is no stranger to magical catastrophes. On his sixteenth birthday, a dormant curse kicked in and ripped away all his memories of his true love. A miserable year has passed since then. He's road-tripped up and down the East Coast looking for a way to get his memories back and hit one dead end after another. He doesn't even know his true love's name, but he feels the absence in his life, and it's haunting.

Desperate for answers, he makes a pact with Aziza: he'll provide much-needed backup on her nightly patrols, and in exchange, she'll help him break the curse.

When the creature in the woods sets its sights on them, their survival depends on the aid of a mysterious young necromancer they're not certain they can trust. But they'll have to work together to eradicate the new threat and take back their hometown. . . even if it forces them to uncover deeply buried secrets and make devastating sacrifices.

### Author Bio

Rochelle Hassan grew up reading about dragons, quests, and unlikely heroes; now she writes about them, too. She is the author of the middle grade novel *The Prince of Nowhere* and young adult fantasy novel, *The Buried and the Bound*. She lives in New York.

Roaring Brook

On Sale: Apr 18/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 384 pages

**9781250822208** • \$24.99 • CL - With dust jacket

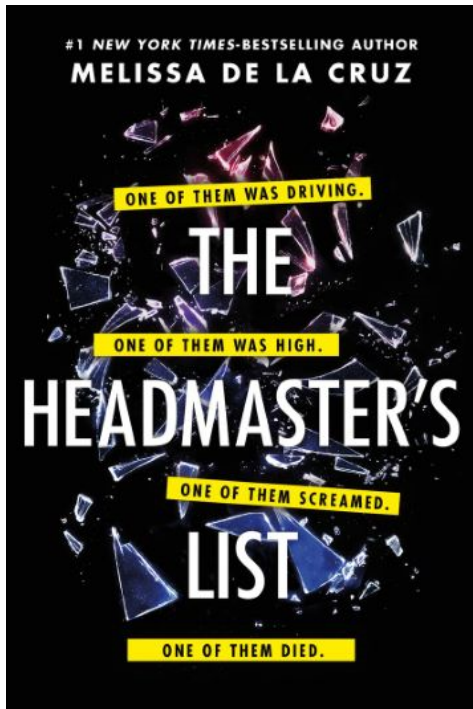
YA Fic / Fantasy / Dark Fantasy • Ages 14-18 years

Series: Bound and the Buried Trilogy

### Notes

### Promotion





## The Headmaster's List

by Melissa de la Cruz

***One of Us Is Lying* meets *Riverdale* in this edge-of-your-seat YA thriller about a fatal car crash and the dangerous lengths one teen will go to uncover the truth about what really happened.**

*Friday night. The party of the summer. Four teens ride home together. Only one never makes it.*

When high school sophomore Chris Moore is tragically killed in a car crash, Armstrong Prep is full of questions. Who was at the wheel? And more importantly, who was at fault?

Eighteen-year-old Spencer Sandoval wishes she knew. As rumors swirl that her ex, Ethan, was the reckless driver, she can't bring herself to defend him. And their messy breakup has nothing to do with it - she can't remember anything from that night, not even what put her in that car with Ethan, Chris, and Tabby Hill, the new loner in school.

The hunt for answers intensifies when a local true crime podcast takes an interest in the case, pushing Spencer further into the depths of this sinister mystery. Was it all just a night out that went very wrong? And is it a coincidence that all but Chris is on Armstrong's esteemed honor roll, the Headmaster's List? In a place ruled by pedigree and privilege, the truth can only come at a deadly price.

Set against the glitz and glamour of an elite LA private school, Melissa de la Cruz's first YA thriller is an addictive mystery perfect for fans of *Gossip Girl* and *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder*

## Author Bio

MELISSA DE LA CRUZ is the #1 *New York Times*, #1 *Publisher's Weekly* and #1 Indie Bound bestselling author of many critically acclaimed and award-winning novels for readers of all ages, and edited the inspiring anthology of true stories, *Because I Was a Girl*. She grew up in Manila and moved to San Francisco with her family, where she graduated high school salutatorian from The Convent of the Sacred Heart. At Columbia University, she majored in art history and English. Melissa de la Cruz lives in West Hollywood with her husband and daughter.

Roaring Brook

On Sale: Apr 18/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 320 pages

9781250827388 • \$24.99 • CL - With dust jacket

YA Fic / Thrillers & Suspense • Ages 14-18 years

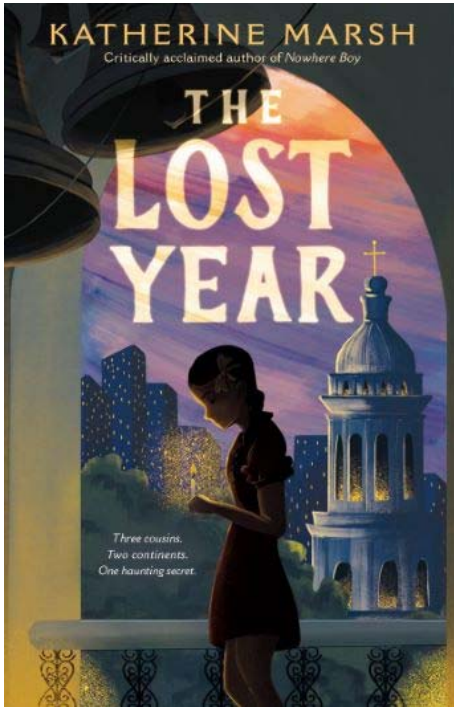
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## Promotion



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## The Lost Year

by Katherine Marsh

**From the author of *Nowhere Boy* - called a resistance novel for our times" by *The New York Times* - comes a brilliant middle-grade survival story that traces a harrowing family secret back to the Holodomor, a terrible famine that devastated Soviet Ukraine in the 1930s.**

Thirteen-year-old Matthew is miserable. His journalist dad is stuck overseas indefinitely, and his mom has moved in his one-hundred-year-old great-grandmother to ride out the pandemic, adding to his stress and isolation.

But when Matthew finds a tattered black-and-white photo in his great-grandmother's belongings, he discovers a clue to a hidden chapter of her past, one that will lead to a life-shattering family secret. Set in alternating timelines that connect the present-day to the 1930s and the US to the USSR, Katherine Marsh's latest novel sheds fresh light on the Holodomor - the horrific famine that killed millions of Ukrainians, and which the Soviet government covered up for decades.

An incredibly timely, page-turning story of family, survival, and sacrifice, inspired by Marsh's own family history, *The Lost Year* is perfect for fans of Ruta Sepetys' *Between Shades of Gray* and Alan Gratz's *Refugee*.

## Author Bio

**Katherine Marsh** is the Edgar Award-winning author of *The Night Tourist*; *The Twilight Prisoner*; *Jepp, Who Defied the Stars*; and *The Doors by the Staircase*. Katherine grew up in New York and now lives in Brussels, Belgium, with her husband and two children.

Roaring Brook

On Sale: Mar 7/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 368 pages

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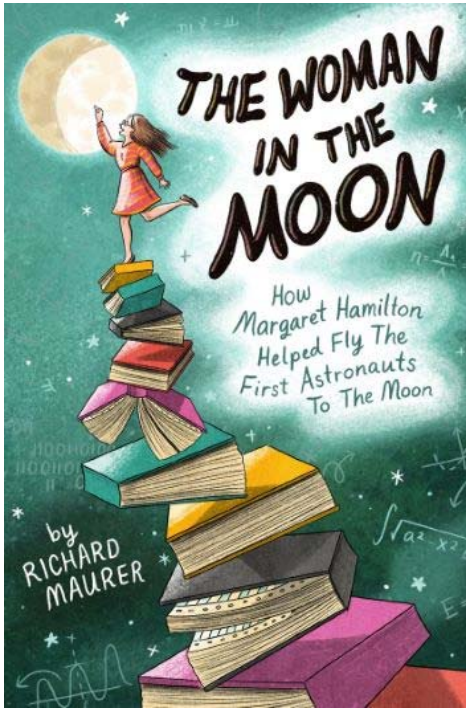
9781250313607 • \$22.99 • CL - With dust jacket

Juvenile Fiction / Historical / Europe • Ages 10-14 years

## Notes

## Promotion





## The Woman in the Moon

How Margaret Hamilton Helped Fly the First Astronauts to the Moon

by Richard Maurer

**A stunning and intimate biography of Margaret Hamilton, the computer engineer who helped Apollo 11 and mankind get from the Earth to the moon.**

First-hand accounts, exclusive interviews with the legendary Margaret Hamilton, and detailed science populate the pages of this remarkable biography.

In 1969, mankind successfully left our atmosphere and landed on the moon. It took countless hours of calculations, training, wonder, and sacrifice from all of the men and women who worked hard to make that landing. One of those people was Margaret Hamilton.

A young computer engineer, Hamilton was hired to develop the completely new software used in the groundbreaking Apollo Space Program. Soon she became the lead engineer, one of the few women in the almost entirely male-dominated profession. But it wasn't always easy.

In *The Woman in the Moon*, science-writer and journalist Richard Maurer (*Destination Moon*, 2019) dives deep into the backstory of this extraordinary woman. With first-hand interviews and access to primary sources, this striking biography perfectly captures the exciting atmosphere of the Space Race and the inspiring figure of Margaret Hamilton.

## Author Bio

**Richard Maurer** is a writer, photo researcher, and exhibit designer. His books for young readers include *The Wright Sister: Katharine Wright and her Famous Brothers*, *The Wild Colorado*, winner of the Western Writers Spur Award, and *Airborne: The Search for the Secret of Flight*, winner of the American Institute of Physics Science Writing Award. A native of West Texas, he now lives in Central Massachusetts with his wife and two sons.

Roaring Brook

On Sale: Feb 14/23

6 x 9 • 320 pages

b/w photographs throughout

9781626728561 • \$26.99 • CL - With dust jacket

Juvenile Nonfiction / Science & Tech / Aeronautics, Astronautics & Space Science • Ages 10-14 years

## Notes

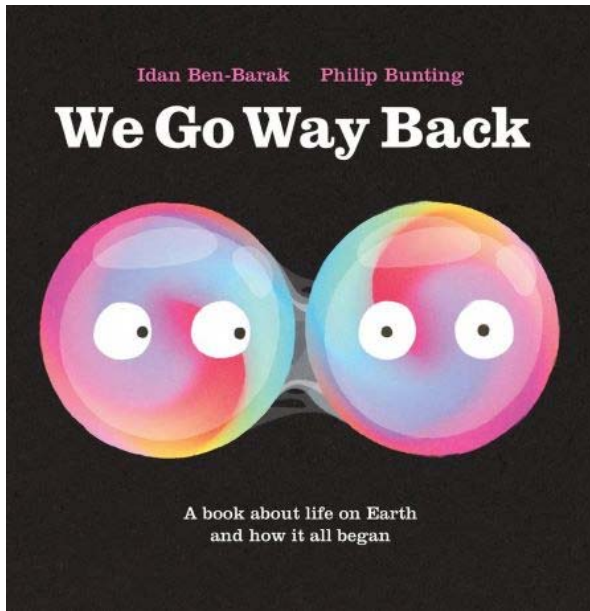
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## We Go Way Back

by Idan Ben-Barak, illustrated by Philip Bunting

From the author of kid-favorite *Do Not Lick This Book* comes an innovative, hilarious, and expansive picture book about the biggest question of all: **What is life?**

It's not an easy question.

Life is more than just one thing.

Where did it start?

Peer back in time - way back in time - to the story of how life began.

### Author Bio

**Idan Ben-Barak** has written several books so far, including *Do Not Lick This Book* and *Small Wonders: How Microbes Rule Our World*; they've been translated into over a dozen languages and won a couple of awards. He lives in a smallish apartment in Melbourne, Australia with his wife and their two boys. Sometimes, after they go to bed, he grabs the guitar and makes up harmless little tunes. He has degrees in microbiology and in the history and philosophy of science, a diploma in library studies, and a day job that has very little to do with any of the above. You can find Idan on Facebook (too often for his own good), Instagram (occasionally) and Twitter (rarely). When he has anything to say about writing he says it on his blog. **Philip Bunting** is the creator of *How Did I Get Here?*. He has an IOU scrawled on the back of a treasure map. He has explored the seven seas with a healthy supply of limes and an ex-parrot.

Roaring Brook

On Sale: Feb 14/23

9.75 x 10 • 40 pages

full-color illustrations throughout; double vertical gatefold

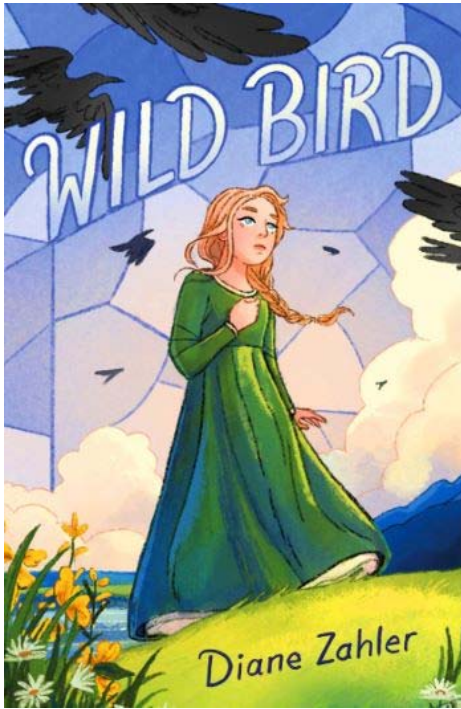
9781250850799 • \$24.99 • cl

Juvenile Nonfiction / Science & Tech / Biology • Ages 4-8 years

### Notes

### Promotion





## Wild Bird

by Diane Zahler

**Get lost in a sweeping middle-grade adventure following Rype, an abandoned girl in 14th-century Europe, as she walks from Norway to England looking for safety from the plague.**

*Her name was Rype. That wasn't really her name. It was what the strangers called her. She didn't remember her real name. She didn't remember anything at all."*

Rype was hiding in the hollow of a tree trunk when they found her. She was hungry, small, cold, alone. She did not speak their language, or understand their mannerisms. But she knew this: To survive, she would have to go with them.

It is the 14th century, Norway, and Rype's entire village has been killed by the dreaded plague. By a miracle, Rype survives. In order to remain that way, though, she must embark on a sweeping adventure across Europe with an English son of a ship captain and a band of troubadours in search of a brighter future, and a new home.

Expertly crafted, beautifully written, and completely unique, Diane Zahler has created a historically rich and stunning story of survival and hope in the face of a great sickness.

## Author Bio

**Diane Zahler** grew up reading children's books and never wanted to do anything but write them. She worked in the children's room of her public library and in a children's book publishing company, and now she's the author of seven middle-grade novels and two nonfiction books for older readers. She lives in the Hudson Valley with her husband and slightly neurotic dog in what is aptly nicknamed the Bug House.

Roaring Brook

On Sale: Mar 21/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 320 pages

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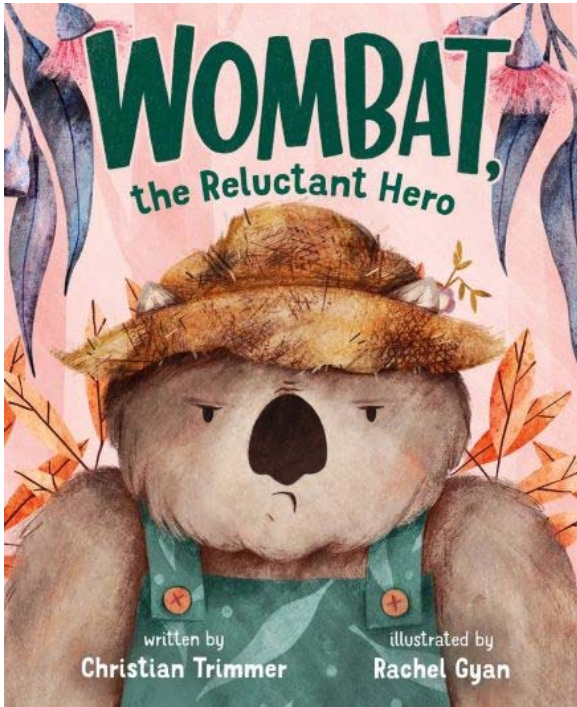
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Juvenile Fiction / Historical / Medieval • Ages 8-12 years

## Notes

## Promotion





## Wombat, the Reluctant Hero

by Christian Trimmer, illustrated by Rachel Gyan

Written by Christian Trimmer and illustrated by Rachel Gyan, *Wombat, the Reluctant Hero* is a story of climate change, community, and heroism, inspired by the 2019 Australia wildfires.

*Wombat liked her things just so. Everything had its place, and nothing was out of order.*

*She couldn't say the same about her neighbors. But that was their business, and Wombat didn't concern herself with others' business.*

When a very hot, dry summer causes dangerous fires in their neighborhood, a group of animals are desperate to find water and shelter. But it'll take the quiet heroism of a reluctant wombat to provide resources and a cozy, cool, and safe burrow, demonstrating the true importance of community.

## Author Bio

Christian Trimmer is a children's book writer and editor. He is the author of *Simon's New Bed*, *Teddy's Favorite Toy*, and *Snow Pony and the Seven Miniature Ponies*. He lives with his husband in Brooklyn, New York, and Hillsdale, New York. **Rachel Gyan** is a multidisciplinary illustrator based in the Western suburbs of Melbourne, Australia. She is passionate about artful storytelling and known for her Australian fauna and flora illustrations filled with heart-warming characters and whimsical narrative brought to life through texture and vibrant color palettes. Growing up in rural Victoria, Rachel's love for Australian wildlife and animal welfare was apparent from childhood. From the time she could hold a pencil she has been studying and drawing inspiration from animals and their environment to capture their beautiful and sometimes quirky nature in her work. Rachel is the illustrator of *Wombat, the Reluctant Hero*.

Roaring Brook

On Sale: Mar 21/23

9 x 11 • 40 pages

full-color illustrations throughout

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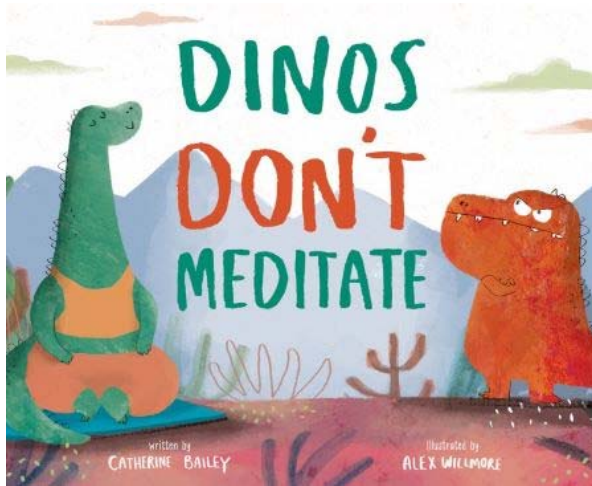
Juvenile Fiction / Nature & the Natural World /

Environment • Ages 3-6 years

## Notes

## Promotion





## Dinos Don't Meditate

by Catherine Bailey, illustrated by Alex Willmore

**In this delightful dinosaur adventure, kids discover the joys of mindfulness and meditation - and how good it can feel to take it slow.**

*Rex was a raucously rough, terrifically tough tyrannosaur. Sam was not. Even so, they had a dino-mite friendship. They did everything together. Until . . .*

In the prehistoric world, rough-and-tumble Rex and the serene sauropod Sam are the most unlikely of best friends. Yet when Sam takes a break from play to meditate, his buddy Rex just doesn't get it. Why would anybody want to sit still and chill when they could be romping and roaring all day?

*Dinos Don't Meditate* is an ideal teaching story for high-energy kids. As kids join these prehistoric pals, they'll learn how good it feels to slow down, breathe, and pay attention, as well as the benefits of balancing peaceful pauses with playful activity.

With colorful characters that kids will immediately identify with, this fun-filled tale reveals how important and enjoyable it can be to engage in moments of peace and relaxation. The book also provides simple mindfulness guidance, including Mesozoic meditations to try at home.

## Author Bio

**Catherine Bailey** is the author of multiple picture books, including *Harbor Bound* from Disney Hyperion and *Mind Your Monsters* from Sterling Publishing. For more, please visit [catherinebaileybooks.com](http://catherinebaileybooks.com).

**Alex Willmore** has his degree in illustration from the North Wales School of Art and Design, and has illustrated more than two dozen books for children. For more, visit [alexwillmore.co.uk](http://alexwillmore.co.uk).

Sounds True

On Sale: Mar 14/23

11 x 9 • 32 pages

9781683649618 • \$24.99 • CL - With dust jacket

Juvenile Fiction / Social / Friendship • Ages 4-8 years

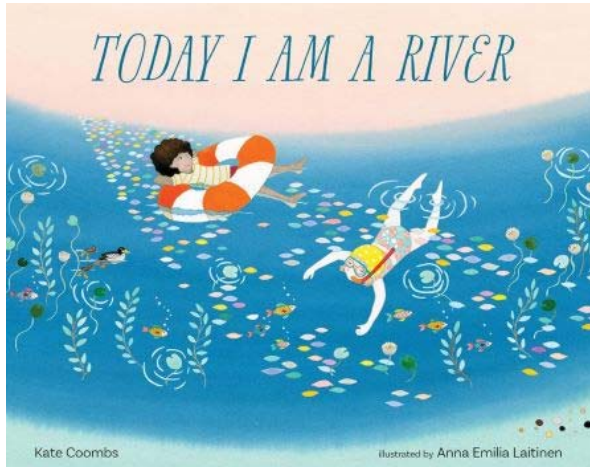
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## Today I Am a River

by Kate Coombs, illustrated by Anna Laitinen

**Bright, lyrical poems and lovely illustrations encourage children to immerse themselves in the natural world.**

*Today I am sunlight!  
Heart happy,  
bright  
as a yellow bird  
flying to the top  
of the sky,  
shining and calling  
HOORAY!  
Goldlight,  
gladlight,  
today  
I am sunlight!*

Beautiful poetry and entrancing art inspire young readers to celebrate the natural world through movement, imagination, and play. As they pretend they are a skunk or a snake, sunlight or a stone, they will move their bodies and enjoy imaginative play.

From the creative team who brought you *Breathe and Be: A Book of Mindfulness Poems* comes a perfect book for quiet time or bedtime, as well to spark activities for story time or in the classroom. *Today I Am a River* empowers children to imagine the world from a multitude of perspectives other than their own and instills in them an appreciation and reverence for the natural world.

## Author Bio

KATE COOMBS is the author of *The Runaway Dragon*, *The Runaway Princess*, an ALA Notable Book, and *Water Sings Blue*, among other books. She lives in Los Angeles, California. **Anna Emilia Laitinen** studied graphic design and illustration in Finland and Iceland. She has illustrated books, stationery, tableware, and textiles. She is the illustrator of many children's books published in her native Finland, as well as *Breathe and Be: A Book of Mindfulness Poems*. Anna Emilia's favorite color is the northern winter sky during sunset, and her favorite sound is waking up in a tent in a forest full of singing birds. For more, visit [annaemilia.com](http://annaemilia.com).

Sounds True

On Sale: Apr 18/23

10.75 x 8.5 • 32 pages

**9781683649823** • \$24.99 • CL - With dust jacket

Juvenile Fic / Poetry (See Also Stories In Verse) •

Ages 4-8 years

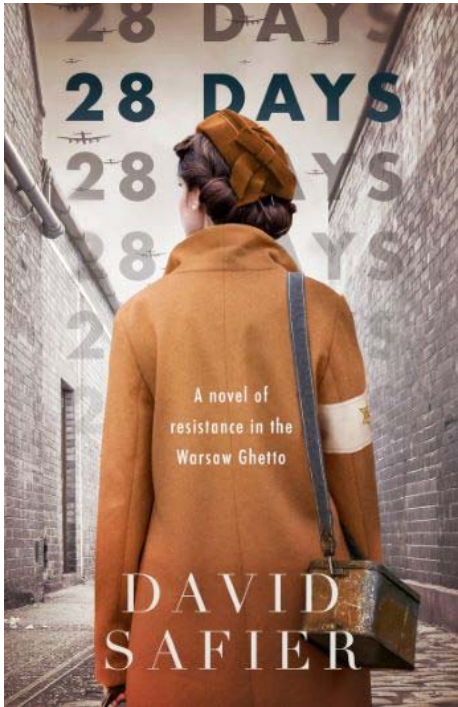
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## Promotion



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### **28 Days: A Novel of Resistance in the Warsaw Ghetto** by David Safier

Inspired by true events, David Safier's *28 Days: A Novel of Resistance in the Warsaw Ghetto* is a harrowing historical YA that chronicles the brutality of the Holocaust.

**Warsaw, 1942.** Sixteen-year old Mira smuggles food into the Ghetto to keep herself and her family alive. When she discovers that the entire Ghetto is to be liquidated" - killed or "resettled" to concentration camps - she desperately tries to find a way to save her family.

She meets a group of young people who are planning the unthinkable: an uprising against the occupying forces. Mira joins the resistance fighters who, with minimal supplies and weapons, end up holding out for twenty-eight days, longer than anyone had thought possible.

Throughout this complex novel, rich in evocative detail, Mira's view evolves from a narrow focus on herself and her family to consideration of the larger community around her, reflected in her first-person narrative." - **Booklist, starred review**

"The story Safier shares of the 28 days of Jewish resistance after the Aktion in the Warsaw Ghetto is powerful indeed." - **School Library Journal**

Square Fish

On Sale: Jan 3/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 416 pages

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YA Fic / Historical / Holocaust • Ages 13-18 years

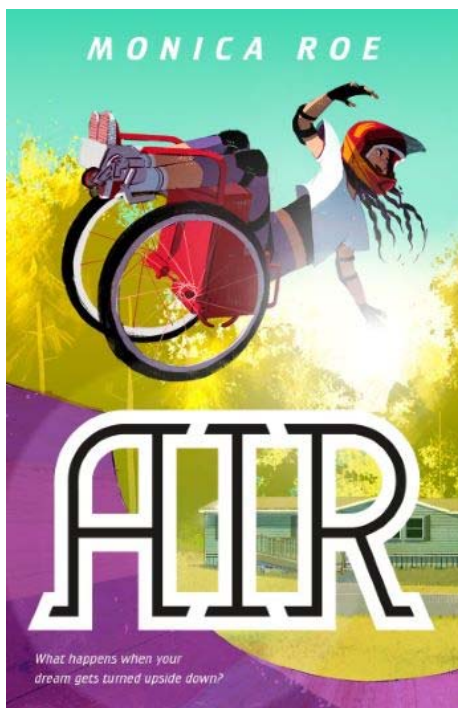
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### Promotion

### Author Bio

**David Safier** is a bestselling German novelist and television writer whose credits include the TV series *Berlin, Berlin*, for which he was awarded the Adolf Grimme Award and an International Emmy Award for best comedy. He has published adult novels in Germany, but *28 Days* is his first young adult novel, and his first novel published in the US. He lives in Berlin.





## Air

A Novel

by Monica Roe

***An action-packed, empowering middle grade novel about a girl who has to speak up when her wheelchair motocross dreams get turned upside down.***

Twelve-year-old Emmie is working to raise money for a tricked-out wheelchair to get serious about WCMX, when a mishap on a poorly designed ramp at school throws her plans into a tailspin. Instead of replacing the ramp, her school provides her with a kind but unwelcome aide - and, seeing a golden media opportunity, launches a public fundraiser for her new wheels. Emmie loves her close-knit rural town, but she can't shake the feeling that her goals - and her choices - suddenly aren't hers anymore. With the help of her best friends, Emmie makes a plan to get her dreams off the ground - and show her community what she wants, what she has to give, and how ready she is to do it on her own terms.

*Air* is a smart, energetic middle grade debut from Monica Roe about thinking big, working hard, and taking flight.

A fun, fierce heroine fights architectural ableism with the powers of friendship." - *Kirkus Reviews*

"Emmie Ethrige is a daredevil who lives life FAST. She is gutsy and kind, fun-loving and flawed - exactly the sort of character readers will relate to and root for . . . A fantastic, bright, and important read." - Kate Beasley, author of *Lions & Liars* and *Gertie's Leap to Greatness*

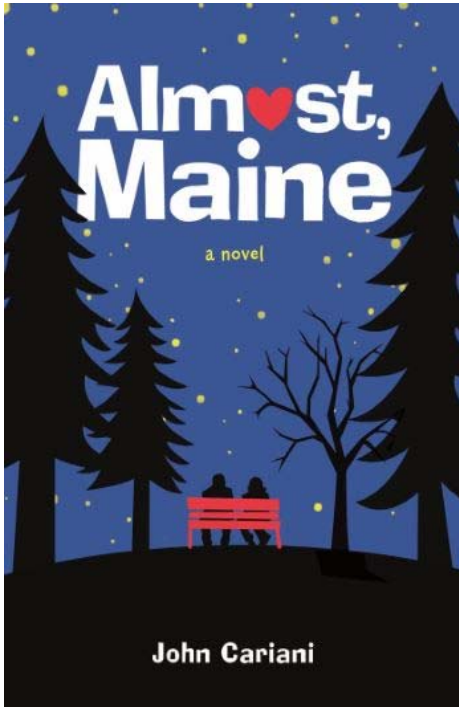
"*Air* is fantastic, fierce, and too much fun. Please read it immediately." - William Alexander, National Book Award-winning author of *Goblin Secrets*

"*Air* is the high-energy tale of a wheelchair (...)

## Author Bio

**Monica Roe** is the author of *Air*, as well as *Thaw*, a Cybils Young Adult Fiction Finalist, and the short story "The Unhealthy Breakfast Club" in the anthology *Rural Voices*. She is a pediatric physical therapy provider for several remote Alaskan communities and a researcher/advocate for the social model of disability and inclusive rural health. Monica studies public health at the University of Alaska, focusing on disability-inclusive disaster preparedness. She and her family divide their time between Alaska and their apiary in South





### **Almost, Maine**

A Novel

by John Cariani

**Based on the popular play by the same name, John Cariani's *Almost, Maine* is an interlinked collection of heartwarming and heartbreaking YA stories that will have you thinking about love in an entirely new way.**

Welcome to Almost, Maine, a town that's so far north, it's almost not in the United States - it's almost in Canada. And it almost doesn't exist, because its residents never got around to getting organized. So it's just . . . Almost.

One cold, clear Friday night in the middle of winter, while the northern lights hover in the sky above, Almost's residents find themselves falling in and out of love in the strangest ways. Knees are bruised. Hearts are broken. Love is lost and found. And life for the people of Almost, Maine will never be the same.

#### **Praise for *Almost, Maine* :**

For New Adult sections, theater enthusiasts, and born romantics, a charming and whimsical collection." - *School Library Journal*

#### **Author Bio**

JOHN CARIANI is a Tony(Reg TM) Award-nominated actor and a playwright. He's appeared on and off-Broadway and in several films and television show, and his plays have been performed all over the world. *Almost, Maine* is his most popular play and the basis of this, his first novel. John grew up in Presque Isle, Maine and resides in the Bronx.

Square Fish

On Sale: Jan 10/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 352 pages

9781250102898 • \$14.99 • pb

YA Fic / Romance / Contemporary • Ages 13-18 years

#### **Notes**

#### **Promotion**







## Baseball's Leading Lady

Effa Manley and the Rise and Fall of the Negro Leagues  
by Andrea Williams

**For fans of *Hidden Figures* and Steve Sheinkin's *Undeclared*, Andrea Williams's *Baseball's Leading Lady* is the powerful true story of Effa Manley, the first and only woman inducted into the National Baseball Hall of Fame.**

Before Jackie Robinson broke Major League Baseball's color barrier in 1947, Black athletes played in the Negro Leagues - on teams coached by Black managers, cheered on by Black fans, and often run by Black owners.

Here is the riveting true story of the woman at the center of the Black baseball world: Effa Manley, co-owner and business manager of the Newark Eagles. Elegant yet gutsy, she cultivated a powerhouse team. Yet just as her Eagles reached their pinnacle, so did calls to integrate baseball, a move that would all but extinguish the Negro Leagues.

On and off the field, Effa hated to lose. She had devoted her life to Black empowerment - but in the battle for Black baseball, was the game rigged against her?

A smart and determined woman becomes an unlikely influence in baseball's Negro Leagues . . . A fascinating contribution to baseball and racial history." - *Kirkus Reviews*

"With a flair for bringing clarity and excitement to back office wheeling and dealing, Williams offers a potent complement to Nelson's *We Are the Ship*." - *Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books*

"A well-organized, detailed introduction to Effa Manley, who was the first woman inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame." - *Booklist*

"For middle-school-and (...)

## Author Bio

**Andrea Williams** is an author and journalist who worked in marketing and development for the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in her hometown of Kansas City, Missouri, before turning to writing full-time. She now lives and writes in Nashville, Tennessee, with her husband and four children.

Square Fish

On Sale: Jan 17/23

6 x 9 • 336 pages

Black and white photographs throughout.

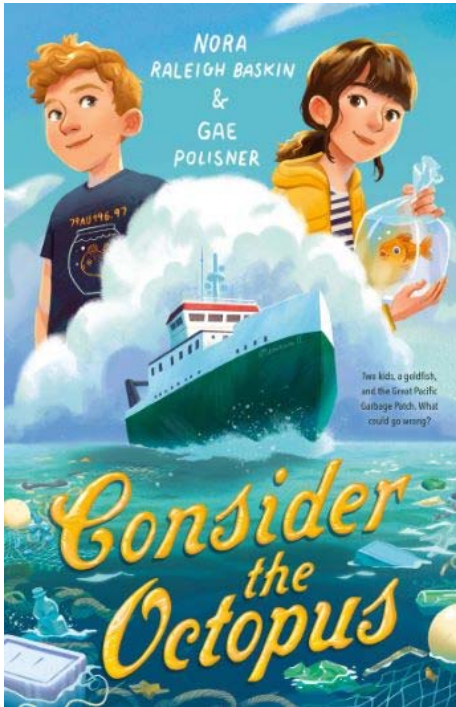
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Juvenile Nonfiction / Biography & Autobiography /  
Women • Ages 10-14 years

## Notes

## Promotion





## Consider the Octopus

by Nora Raleigh Baskin and Gae Polisner

**When chance, or fate, throws two twelve-year-olds together on board a scientific research ship at the edge of the Great Pacific Garbage Patch, it's not all smooth sailing!**

Jeremy JB" Barnes is looking forward to spending the summer before seventh grade hanging on the beach. But his mother, a scientist, has called for him to join her aboard a research ship where, instead, he'll spend his summer seasick and bored as he stares out at the endless plastic, microbeads, and other floating debris, both visible and not, that make up the Great Pacific Garbage Patch.

Miles and miles away, twelve-year-old Sidney Miller is trying to come up with an alternate activity worthy of convincing her overprotective parents that she can skip summer camp.

When Jeremy is asked to find the contact information for a list of important international scientists and invite them to attend a last-minute Emergency Global Summit, he's excited to have a chance to actually do something that matters to the mission. How could he know that the Sidney Miller he messages is not the famous marine biologist he has been tasked with contacting, but rather a girl making podcasts from her bedroom - let alone that she would want to sneak aboard the ship?

*Consider the Octopus* is a comedy of errors, mistaken identity, and synchronicity. Above all, it is a heartfelt story about friendship and an empowering call to environmental protection, especially (...)

## Author Bio

Nora Raleigh Baskin is the ALA Schneider Family Book Award-winning author of *Anything But Typical*. She was chosen as a *Publishers Weekly* Flying Start for her novel *What Every Girl (Except Me) Knows*, and has since written a number of novels for middle graders and teens, including *The Truth About My Bat Mitzvah*, *The Summer Before Boys*, and *Ruby on the Outside*. Nora lives with her family in Connecticut. GAE POLISNER is the award-winning author of *In Sight of Stars*, *The Memory of Things*, *The Summer of Letting Go*, *The Pull of Gravity*, and *Jack Kerouac is Dead to Me*. She lives on Long Island with her husband, two sons, and a suspiciously-fictional looking dog. When Gae isn't writing, you can find her in a pool or the open waters off Long Island. She's still hoping that one day her wetsuit will turn her into a superhero.

Square Fish

On Sale: Apr 25/23

5.13 x 7.62 • 272 pages

9781250866011 • \$10.99 • pb

Juvenile Fiction / Nature & the Natural World / Environment • Ages 8-12 years

## Notes

## Promotion





## Crocs

A Sharks Incorporated Novel

by Randy Wayne White

**The trio of brave friends who make up Sharks, Inc. - Luke, Maribel and Sabina - dive into a crocodile-filled adventure in *Crocs*, the third book in bestselling author Randy Wayne White's Sharks Incorporated series.**

Marine biologist Doc Ford has a new mission for Sharks Inc.: visit Sanibel Island's remote Bone Field to find a wild orange tree that's survived a disease destroying Florida's citrus. There, the members of Sharks Incorporated find oranges unlike any they've ever seen, but can't find the tree Doc needs. Worse, the area is protected by a massive saltwater crocodile.

What the team doesn't expect is to meet a reclusive woman who threatens to call the police if they trespass on her land again. Reluctant to give up, the trio learns she needs help. When she was young, the woman found King Calusa's grave. Now, she believes the ghost of the dead king, who was beheaded by Spanish explorers 500 years ago, is haunting her.

To uncover the truth, the kids return to the Bone Field. The thousand-pound crocodile is determined to protect its hatchlings, but crocs turn out to be the least of their worries. The intrepid trio discovers the woman's wealthy neighbor is selling illegal reptiles - and he knows the secret of the dead king's missing gold medallion.

### Praise for *Stingers*

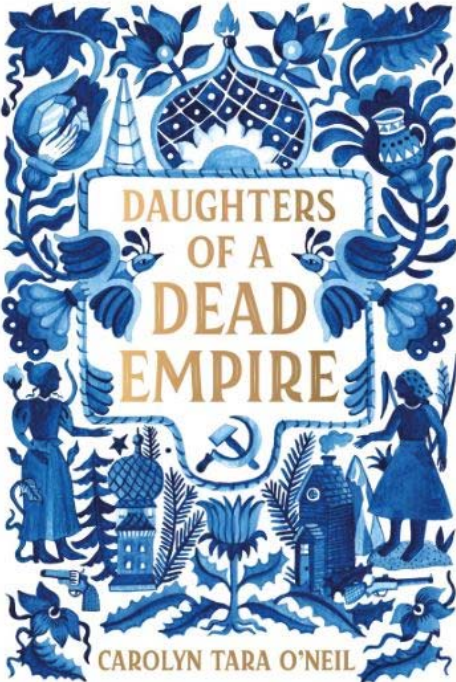
Something for everyone but especially fans of **fast-paced eco-fiction.**" - *Kirkus*

"**Full of facts** about wildlife and preservation and survival tips, **allinfused** (...)

## Author Bio

**Randy Wayne White** is the *New York Times* bestselling and award-winning author of the Doc Ford series. In 2011, White was named a Florida Literary Legend by the Florida Heritage Society. A fishing and nature enthusiast, he has also written extensively for *National Geographic Adventure*, *Men's Journal*, *Playboy* and *Men's Health*. He lives on Sanibel Island, Florida, where he was a light-tackle fishing guide for many years, and spends much of his free time windsurfing, playing baseball, and hanging out at Doc Ford's Rum Bar & Grille. Sharks Incorporated is his middle grade series, including *Fins* and *Stingers*.





## Daughters of a Dead Empire

by Carolyn Tara O'Neil

This fresh, thrilling take on Anastasia establishes that O'Neil is a debut author to watch." - **Buzzfeed**

From debut author Carolyn Tara O'Neil comes a thrilling alternate history set during the Russian Revolution.

*Russia, 1918:* With the execution of Tsar Nicholas, the empire crumbles and Russia is on the edge of civil war - the poor are devouring the rich. Anna, a bourgeois girl, narrowly escaped the massacre of her entire family in Yekaterinburg. Desperate to get away from the Bolsheviks, she offers a peasant girl a diamond to take her as far south as possible - not realizing that the girl is a communist herself. With her brother in desperate need of a doctor, Evgenia accepts Anna's offer and suddenly finds herself on the wrong side of the war.

Anna is being hunted by the Bolsheviks, and now - regardless of her loyalties - Evgenia is too.

*Daughters of a Dead Empire* is a harrowing historical thriller about dangerous ideals, inequality, and the price we pay for change. An imaginative retelling of the Anastasia story.

### A Junior Library Guild Selection

This fresh, thrilling take on Anastasia establishes that O'Neil is a debut author to watch." - **Buzzfeed**

"A riveting reimagining of a historical legend as a pulse-pounding thriller." - **Kirkus Reviews, starred review**

"[F]ast-paced and compelling. . . . Perfect for readers who enjoy Monica Hesse and Elizabeth Wein." - **School Library Journal**

"[A] well-researched glimpse into the brutality of a nation in civic unrest." - **Bulletin of (...)**

### Author Bio

**Carolyn Tara O'Neil** grew up in a tiny New York City apartment filled with thousands of books. Every Friday she went to the public library for even more reading material. She's lived in France, Spain, and Japan, before circling back to New York. Carolyn now lives in a slightly smaller NYC apartment with



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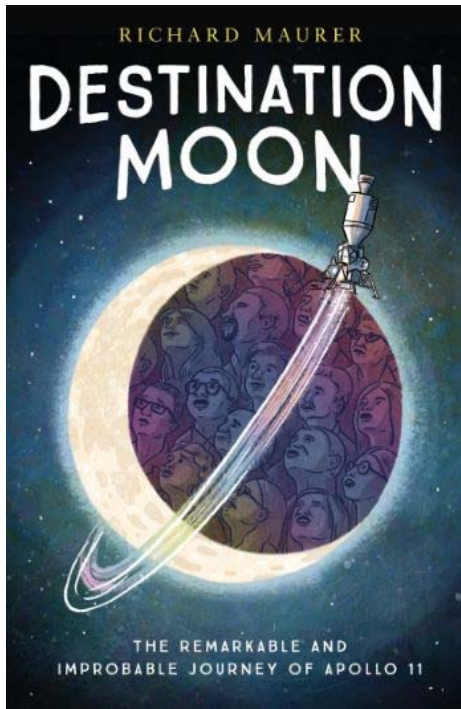
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YA Fic / Thrillers & Suspense • Ages 14-18 years

### Notes

### Promotion





### Destination Moon

The Remarkable and Improbable Voyage of Apollo 11

by Richard Maurer

**A stunning middle grade nonfiction that sheds new light on the events and people that made the Apollo program so remarkable.**

Only now is it becoming clear just how exceptional and unrepeatable Apollo was. At its height, it employed almost half a million people, many working seven days a week and each determined that it will not fail because of me."

Beginning with fighter pilots in World War II, Maurer traces the origins of the Apollo program to a few exceptional soldiers, a Nazi engineer, and a young eager man who would become president.

Packed with adventure, new stories about familiar people, and undeniable danger, *Destination Moon* takes an unflinching look at a tumultuous time in American history, told expertly by nonfiction author Richard Maurer.

\*An absorbing, insightful, solidly informative resource for readers who want to understand the U.S. space program from the ground up." - *Booklist*, **starred review**

\*\*"Inspiring, fascinating, and, like the millions of parts that had to function for the space program to succeed, practically perfect." - *Kirkus Reviews*, **starred review**

### Author Bio

**Richard Maurer** is a writer, photo researcher, and exhibit designer. His books for young readers include *The Wright Sister: Katharine Wright and her Famous Brothers*, *The Wild Colorado*, winner of the Western Writers Spur Award, and *Airborne: The Search for the Secret of Flight*, winner of the American Institute of Physics Science Writing Award. A native of West Texas, he now lives in Central Massachusetts with his wife and two sons.

Square Fish

On Sale: Jan 1/23

6 x 9 • 400 pages

Black & White photos throughout

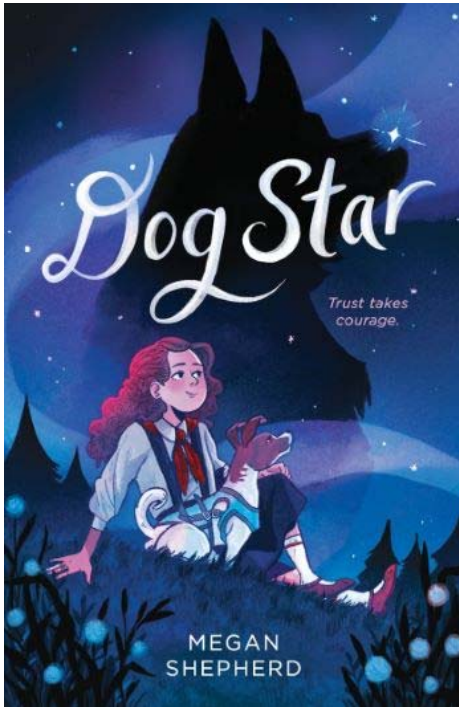
9781250830111 • \$19.99 • pb

Juvenile Nonfiction / Science & Tech / Aeronautics,  
Astronautics & Space Science • Ages 10-14 years

### Notes

### Promotion





## Dog Star

by Megan Shepherd

Based on an incredible true story, Carnegie Medal nominee and *New York Times* -bestselling author Megan Shepherd crafts a harrowing, propulsive girl-and-her-dog tale that will linger in your heart long after the last page.

**Laika** is a Cold Dog, a stray pup fighting for her life on the streets of Moscow. Then, one winter night, she is plucked from her alley to become a *starflyer*, a dog trained to travel into space. Distrustful of people, Laika tries to do everything she can to escape. That is, until she meets Nina.

**Nina** is a Cold Girl, lonely and full of questions. Her best friend has moved to America in a rush, leaving Nina to face the school bullies all by herself. Plus, her father's work as a scientist in the Soviet Space Program grows more secretive by the day.

When the two meet in her father's laboratory, their growing bond slowly warms the chill that has settled in each other's hearts. As the Space Race between the United States and the Soviet Union grows fierce, Laika and Nina uncover shocking secrets and hard truths that will test their friendship. How will they find the courage to chase their dreams all the way to the stars?

### A NCSS Notable Book

Shepherd's tautly paced historical novel portrays the friendship between a stray dog and an empathic 12-year-old, both in the orbit of the Starflyer mission to launch animals into (...)

### Author Bio

**Megan Shepherd** is a *New York Times*-bestselling and Carnegie Medal-nominated author. She grew up in her family's independent bookstore in the Blue Ridge Mountains and is the author of many acclaimed middle grade and young adult novels including *The Madman's Daughter* series, *The Cage* series, *The Secret Horses of Briar Hill*, and the *Grim Lovelies* series. She now lives and writes on a haunted 125-year-old farm outside Asheville, North Carolina, with her husband and children, two cats, chickens, bees, and an especially scruffy dog.

Square Fish

On Sale: Mar 28/23

5.13 x 7.62 • 224 pages

selected black and white photos

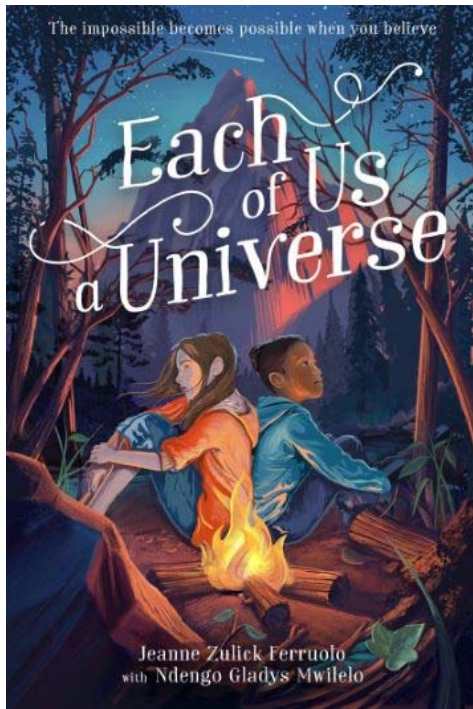
9781250854018 • \$10.99 • pb

Juvenile Fiction / Historical / General • Ages 8-12 years

### Notes

### Promotion





## Each of Us a Universe

by Jeanne Zulick Ferruolo and Ndengo Gladys Mwilelo

**A heartfelt middle grade from Jeanne Zulick Ferruolo and Ndengo Gladys Mwilelo about two girls who go on an adventure to the top of a mountain, and learn about each other, themselves, and the magic friendship can bring, perfect for fans of Katherine Applegate and Barbara O'Connor.**

*What do you do when you're facing the impossible?*

Ever since *the day when everything changed*, Cal Scott's answer has been to run - run from her mother who's fighting cancer, run from her father whom she can't forgive, and run from classmates who've never seemed to get her anyway. The only thing Cal runs toward is nearby Mt. Meteorite, named for the magical meteorite some say crashed there fifty years ago. Cal spends her afternoons plotting to summit the mountain, so she can find the magic she believes will make the impossible possible and heal her mother. But no one has successfully reached its peak - no one who's lived to tell about it, anyway.

Then Cal meets Rosine Kanambe, a girl who's faced more impossibles than anyone should have to. Rosine has her own secret plan for the mountain and its magic, and convinces Cal they can summit its peak if they work together. As the girls climb high and dig deep to face the mountain's challenges, Cal learns from Rosine what real courage looks like, and begins to wonder if the magic she's been looking for is really the kind she needs (...)

## Author Bio

**Jeanne Zulick Ferruolo** is the author of *A Galaxy of Sea Stars* and *Ruby in the Sky*, which earned two starred reviews and which Booklist called quietly magical." She is also a volunteer with IRIS-Integrated Refugee & Immigrant Services in New Haven, Connecticut. She lives in Ellington, Connecticut, with her family. **Ndengo Gladys Mwilelo** is a refugee from Democratic Republic of Congo. As an Ambassador with IRIS-Integrated Refugee and Immigrant Services, she does speaking engagements throughout Connecticut. She also volunteers with IRIS. She is a graduate of Central Connecticut State University and lives in New Haven with her family.

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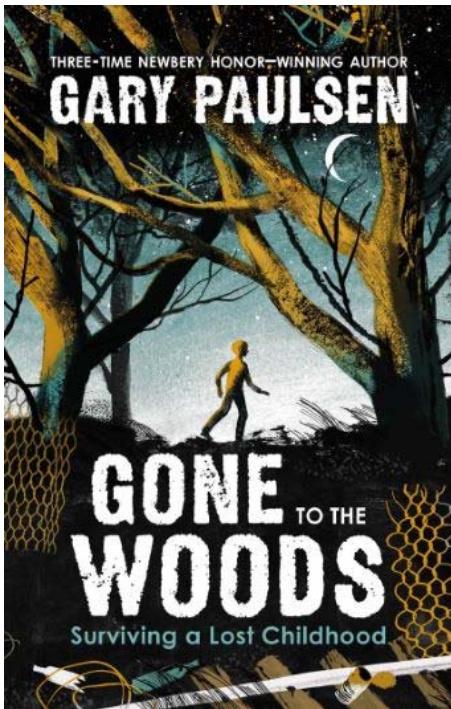
9781250802958 • \$10.99 • pb

Juvenile Fiction / Social / Friendship • Ages 10-14 years

## Notes

## Promotion





## Gone to the Woods

Surviving a Lost Childhood

by Gary Paulsen

**A mesmerizing memoir from a literary legend, giving readers a new perspective on the origins of *Hatchet* and other famed survival stories.**

His name is synonymous with high-stakes wilderness survival adventures. Now, beloved author Gary Paulsen portrays a series of life-altering moments from his turbulent childhood as his own original survival story. If not for his summer escape from a shockingly neglectful Chicago upbringing to a North Woods homestead at age five, there never would have been a *Hatchet*. Without the encouragement of the librarian who handed him his first book at age thirteen, he may never have become a reader. And without his desperate teenage enlistment in the Army, he would not have discovered his true calling as a storyteller.

An entrancing account of grit and growing up, perfect for newcomers and lifelong fans alike, this is the famed author at his rawest and most real.

**A *Publisher's Weekly* Best Book of 2021**

**An *Evanston Public Library* Best Book of 2021**

**A *New York Times* Best Children's Book of 2021**

**A *TIME* Magazine Best Children's Book of 2021**

**A *People Magazine* Best Children's Book of 2021**

It might seem unlikely that such an unflinching account could have an uplifting effect. Yet it does. A child may grow up in privation, and he may grow up in ease, but suffering comes to all. Through his example, Gary Paulsen models how it can be overcome." - *The Wall Street Journal*

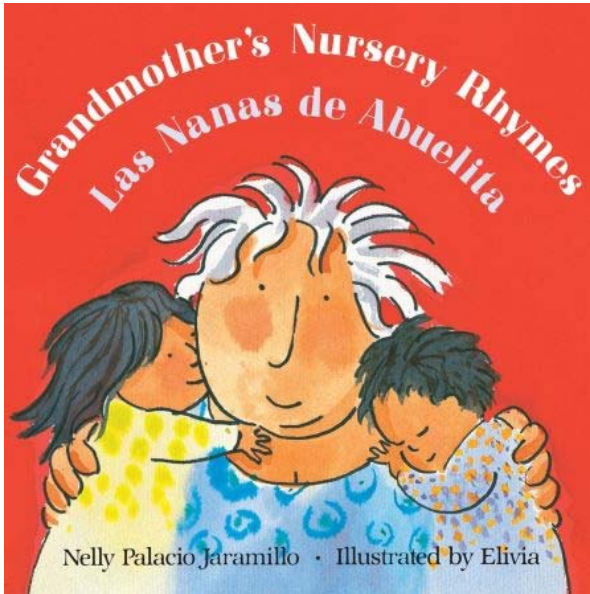
"A rich, compelling read that is emotive and expressive without forcing empathy from the reader. Both brightly funny and darkly tragic, it is fresh (...)

## Author Bio

**Gary Paulsen** (1939-2021) wrote more than two hundred books for children and adults, including the father-son comedy *How to Train Your Dad* and the survival adventure *Northwind*. Three of his novels - *Hatchet*, *Dogsong*, and *The Winter Room* - were Newbery Honor books. In 1997, he received the ALA's Margaret A. Edwards Award for his contribution to young adult literature. His books have sold over 35 million copies around the world.







## Grandmother's Nursery Rhymes/Las Nanas de Abuelita

Lullabies, Tongue Twisters, And Riddles from South America/Canciones de cuna, trabalenguas y adivinanzas de Suramerica (Bilingual)

by Nelly Palacio Jaramillo, illustrated by Elivia Savadier

**A stunning bilingual picture book collection of nursery rhymes, perfect for bedtime, learning time, or playtime, *Grandmother's Nursery Rhymes/Las Nanas de Abuelita*.**

**A bilingual challenge to Mother Goose . . . fun-to-read rhythm in both Spanish and English." - *Publisher's Weekly***

**"Always quiet,  
Always blinking,  
by day sleeping,  
at night winking."**

### What is it?

Grandmothers and grandfathers, uncles and aunts, parents and friends - everyone can share these rhymes, riddles, and lullabies with little children.

This bilingual collection introduces young children to the sounds of two languages. The verses work in both English and Spanish: read the poems in English to trip the tongue or tickle your fancy; read them in Spanish to practice rolling "r's" - or just sound out the syllables for the fun of it.

Nelly Palacio Jaramillo's spirited text is matched (...)

### Author Bio

**Nelly Palacio Jaramillo** was inspired by the birth of her granddaughter, Lucia, to collect the rhymes and verses of her childhood that evolved into *Las Nanas*, her first book for children.

**Elivia Savadier** pored over hundreds of photographs of Colombia and of the Jaramillo family before beginning the illustrations for *Las Nanas* .

A native of South Africa, Elivia moved to the United States in 1986. She makes her home in Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts, with her husband and their daughter, Sadye. *Las Nanas de Abuelita* is her fourth picture book.

Square Fish

On Sale: Apr 4/23

9 x 9 • 32 pages

Full-color illustrations throughout

9781250882325 • \$11.99 • pb

Juvenile Fiction / Nursery Rhymes • Ages 3-5 years

### Notes

### Promotion



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## How Jelly Roll Morton Invented Jazz

by Jonah Winter, illustrated by Keith Mallett

In this unusual and inventive picture book that riffs on the language and rhythms of old New Orleans, noted picture book biographer Jonah Winter (*Dizzy*, *Frida*, *You Never Heard of Sandy Koufax?*) turns his focus to one of America's early jazz heroes in this perfectly pitched book about Jelly Roll Morton.

Gorgeously illustrated by fine artist Keith Mallett, a newcomer to picture books, this biography will transport readers young and old to the musical, magical streets of New Orleans at the turn of the 20th century.

### A Neal Porter Book

This informational picture book covers self-proclaimed "Inventor of Jazz" Jelly Roll Morton's contribution to the musical scene." Winter describes the atmosphere of the early 1900s in general terms and often uses rhyming verses to advance the story ("I thought I heard Mister Jelly Roll too/Sayin' 'I invented jazz in 1902./It was me who invented jazz-'cause it sure wasn't you./I thought I heard him too. . ."). The text is confusing in places, and readers may have to refer to the back matter to clarify certain statements. For instance, the author explains that Morton didn't truly invent jazz but created his own, inimitable style. It's Mallett's attractive, painterly, oil-on-canvas illustrations (...)

### Author Bio

**Jonah Winter** is the award-winning author of 25 non-fiction picture books including New York Times Best Illustrated Books, *Diego* and *Here Comes the Garbage Barge!*, and the highly acclaimed *Frida* and *Dizzy*. Winter has been listening to Jelly Roll Morton's music since he was a young boy.

**Keith Mallett** has been drawing and painting for as long as he can remember. As an artist and designer he has created posters and fine art prints for over thirty years. He lives in San Diego with his wife Dianne and his German Shepherd Pi. *How Jelly Roll Morton Invented Jazz* was his first children's book.

Square Fish

On Sale: Apr 4/23

10 x 10 • 32 pages

full color throughout

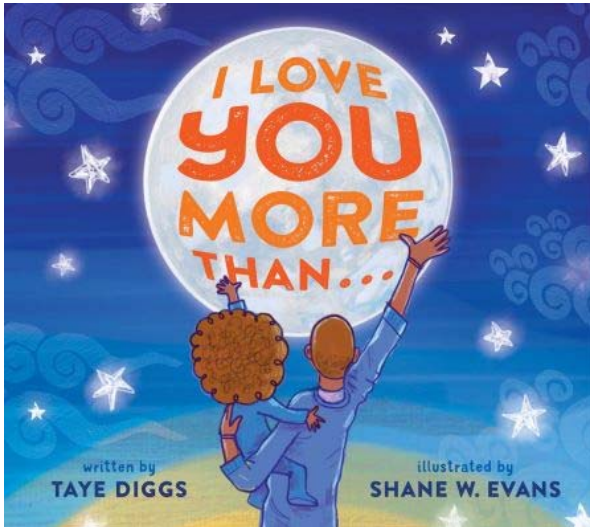
9781250865205 • \$11.99 • pb

Juvenile Nonfiction / Music / Jazz • Ages 5-8 years

### Notes

### Promotion





## I Love You More Than . . .

by Taye Diggs, illustrated by Shane W. Evans

*My child.*

*I am not always with you  
as much as I'd like.*

*But you are always in my mind  
and my heart.*

Some families look different than others. A father who doesn't live full-time with his son tells him all the ways he misses and loves him.

*I Love You More Than . . .* by Taye Diggs, illustrated by Shane W. Evans, is perfect for families who are separated, whatever the circumstances. Its message of love underscores the bond between parent and child in ways that little ones will understand.

**In this affirmation of paternal love** by the creators of *Mixed Me!*, an African-American man addresses his child, lamenting that though "I am not always with you as much as I'd like. . . You are always running around in my mind and chilling (...)

## Author Bio

**Taye Diggs** is an actor whose credits include motion pictures ( *How Stella Got Her Groove Back* and *Chicago* ), stage ( *Rent*, *Wicked* ), and television ( *Private Practice* ). He lives in Los Angeles and New York City with his wife, the actress Idina Menzel, and their son.

**Shane W. Evans** studied at Syracuse University School of Visual and Performing Arts and graduated in 1993 and began traveling the world. In addition to contract work in illustration, graphic design and web design for major companies, Evans has conceptualized and illustrated numerous children's books. Many of the books have been featured in the media such as The Oprah Winfrey Show, The Today Show, NBA Inside Stuff, Reading Rainbow and Late Night with David Letterman. Shane has received much acclaim within the children's literary field for his work on children's books such as *Osceola*, "The Way The Door Closes," "Shaq and the Beanstalk" and "Take It To The Hoop Magic Johnson." His accolades range from being honored by First Lady Laura Bush at the 2002 National Book Festival, The Boston Globe-Horn Book Award and The Orbis Pictus Award for Outstanding Non-Fiction for Children.



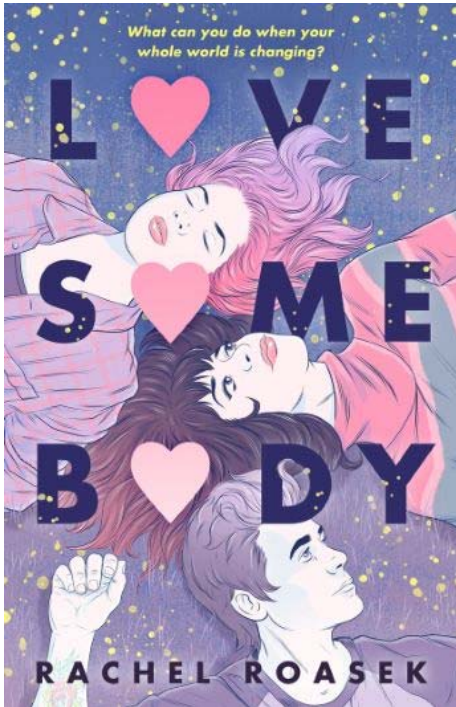
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On Sale: Apr 4/23  
9 x 8 • 32 pages  
Mixed media  
9781250865120 • \$11.99 • pb  
Juvenile Fiction / Social / Emotions & Feelings • Ages  
4-8 years

## Notes

## Promotion





## Love Somebody

by Rachel Roasek

***Love Somebody* is a sparkling YA debut rom-com about a popular high-school girl, her ex-boyfriend-turned-best-friend, and the girl they both fall for - perfect for fans of Becky Albertalli or Casey McQuiston.**

Sam Dickson is a charismatic actress, ambitious and popular with big plans for her future. Ros Shew is one of the smartest people in school - but she's a loner, and prefers to keep it that way. Then there's Christian Powell, the darling of the high school soccer team. He's not the best with communication, which is why he and Sam broke up after dating for six months; but he makes up for it by being genuine, effusive, and kind, which is why they're still best friends.

When Christian falls for Ros on first sight, their first interaction is a disaster, so he enlists Sam's help to get through to her. Sam, with motives of her own, agrees to coach Christian from the sidelines on how to soften Ros's notorious walls. But as Ros starts to suspect Christian is acting differently, and Sam starts to realize the complexity of her own feelings, their fragile relationships threaten to fall apart.

This fresh romantic comedy from debut author Rachel Roasek is a heartfelt story about falling in love - with a partner, with your friends, or just with yourself - and about how maybe, the bravest thing to do in the face of change is just love somebody.

Roasek dives in to the messy, confusing experience of queer adolescence with deep care, tenderness, and clarity. Teens are going to find a home (...)

## Author Bio

**Rachel Roasek** received her BA from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro in 2017, with a degree in Drama and two minors in Sign Language and Anthropology. When not coming up with fictional worlds, she works as both a voice actor and stage technician. She currently lives in Raleigh with a few dying plants and her dog, Lupe.

Square Fish

On Sale: Jan 17/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 368 pages

9781250812780 • \$14.99 • pb

YA Fic / Social Themes / Dating & Sex • Ages 12-18 years

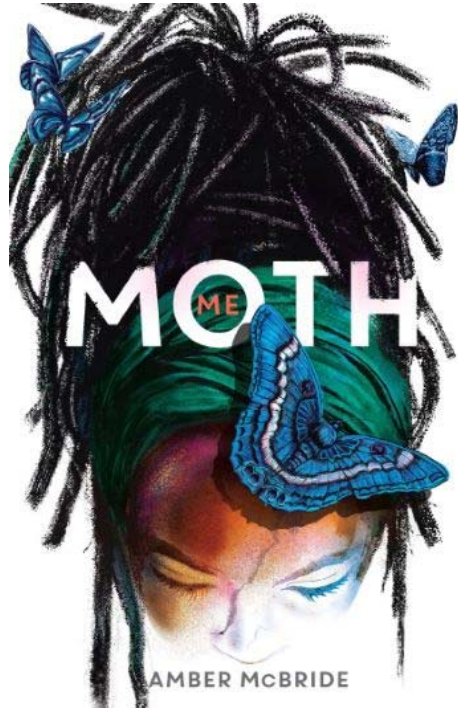
## Notes

## Promotion



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On Sale: Jan 10/23  
5.38 x 8.25 • 256 pages  
9781250833037 • \$14.99 • pb  
YA Fic / Ghost Stories • Ages 12-17 years

## Notes

## Promotion



## Me (Moth)

by Amber McBride

**FINALIST FOR THE 2021 NATIONAL BOOK AWARD FOR YOUNG PEOPLE'S LITERATURE**

**A debut YA novel-in-verse by Amber McBride, *Me (Moth)* is about a teen girl who is grieving the deaths of her family, and a teen boy who crosses her path.**

Moth has lost her family in an accident. Though she lives with her aunt, she feels alone and uprooted.

Until she meets Sani, a boy who is also searching for his roots. If he knows more about where he comes from, maybe he'll be able to understand his ongoing depression. And if Moth can help him feel grounded, then perhaps she too will discover the history she carries in her bones.

Moth and Sani take a road trip that has them chasing ghosts and searching for ancestors. The way each moves forward is surprising, powerful, and unforgettable.

Here is an exquisite and uplifting novel about identity, first love, and the ways that our memories and our roots steer us through the universe.

**FINALIST FOR THE 2021 NATIONAL BOOK AWARD FOR YOUNG PEOPLE'S LITERATURE**

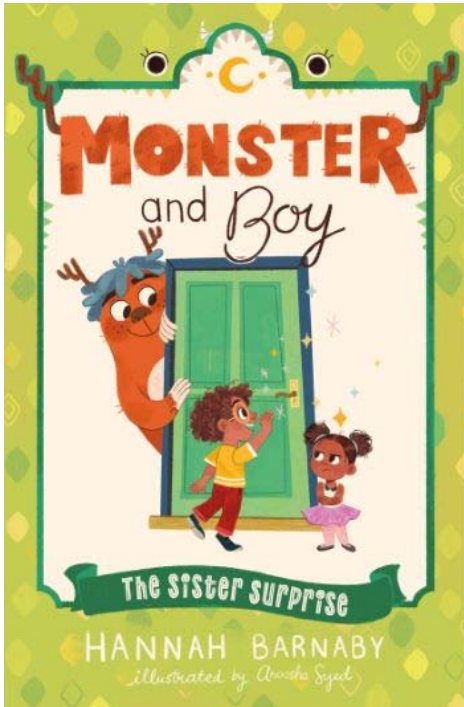
**2022 Coretta Scott King John Steptoe Award for New Talent Winner  
A 2022 Willam C. Morris YA Debut Award Finalist**

This searing debut novel-in-verse is told from the perspective of Moth, a Black teen whose life changed forever (...)

## Author Bio

**Amber McBride** teaches English literature at Northern Virginia Community College and has a BA in English and an MFA in Creative Writing from Emerson College. Her work has been published in *Ploughshares*, *Provincetown Arts*, *Decomp* and more, and *Me (Moth)* is her debut novel. McBride lives in Charlottesville, VA.





## Monster and Boy: The Sister Surprise

by Hannah Barnaby, illustrated by Anoosha Syed

**Monster and Boy are back for another adventure! And this time the best friends are in for a surprise: a sister surprise!**

Ever since Monster (who sleeps under the bed) and Boy (who sleeps in the bed) met and became best friends, they've learned a lot about each other. So when Monster notices that Boy seems grumpy (Boy's mom has told him he's getting another baby sister), Monster decides to cheer his friend up. Together, they set out on a surprise adventure! But surprise: Boy's sister has tagged along. Together, they learn about how monster babies are born and get their names, before Boy and his sister find yet another surprise waiting for them back home.

Told with a warm, cozy voice, Hannah Barnaby's story is brought to life with adorable two-color illustrations by Anoosha Syed. Filled with adventure and humor, *Monster and Boy: The Sister Surprise* is a perfect chapter book for sharing with kids just aging out of picture books and for newly independent readers.

A boy discovers that monsters are real - and that one lives under his bed . . . Humor ensues . . . No need to be afraid of monsters after reading this sweet and unusual friendship story." - *Kirkus Reviews*, **starred review**, on *Monster and Boy*

## Author Bio

**Hannah Barnaby** has worked as a children's book editor, a bookseller, and a teacher of writing for children and young adults. She holds an MA in children's literature from Simmons College and an MFA in writing for children and young adults from Vermont College. Her first novel, *Wonder Show*, was a William C. Morris nominee. Hannah lives in Charlottesville, Virginia, with her family.

**Anoosha Syed** is a Pakistani-Canadian illustrator based in Toronto. She has a passion for creating cute characters with an emphasis on diversity and inclusion, and has illustrated many best-loved books for children. She is the illustrator of *Bug Girl* and *Bug Girl: Fury on the Dance Floor*, as well as *I Am Perfectly Designed*, written by Karamo Brown, and the *Monster and Boy* chapter book series, written by Hannah Barnaby. When Anoosha isn't drawing for work, she's drawing for fun (she doesn't really have any other hobbies)

Square Fish

On Sale: Feb 28/23

5 x 7.5 • 144 pages

2-color illustrations throughout

9781250853240 • \$10.99 • pb

Juvenile Fiction / Monsters • Ages 6-9 years

Series: Monster and Boy

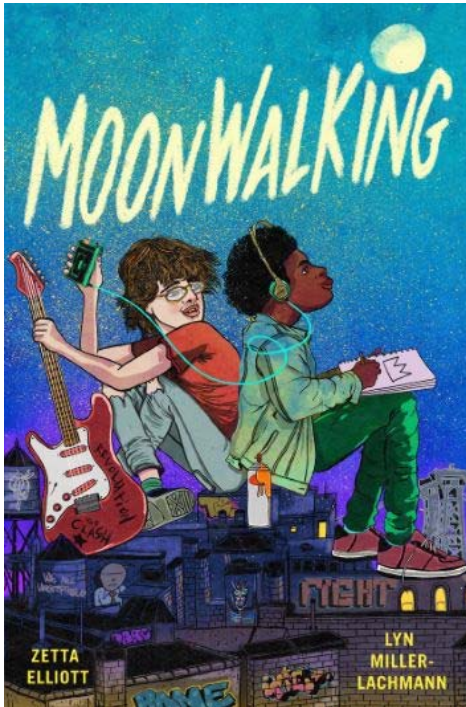
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## Promotion



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## Moonwalking

by Zetta Elliott and Lyn Miller-Lachmann

**For fans of Jason Reynolds and Jacqueline Woodson, this middle-grade novel-in-verse follows two boys in 1980s Brooklyn as they become friends for a season.**

Punk rock-loving JJ Pankowski can't seem to fit in at his new school in Greenpoint, Brooklyn, as one of the only white kids. Pie Velez, a math and history geek by day and graffiti artist by night is eager to follow in his idol, Jean-Michel Basquiat's, footsteps. The boys stumble into an unlikely friendship, swapping notes on their love of music and art, which sees them through a difficult semester at school and at home. But a run-in with the cops threatens to unravel it all.

From authors Zetta Elliott and Lyn Miller-Lachmann, *Moonwalking* is a stunning exploration of class, cross-racial friendships, and two boys' search for belonging in a city as tumultuous and beautiful as their hearts.

### Junior Library Guild Gold Selection

The coauthors' equally strong contributions evocatively bring the characters and setting to life through visual poetry. The even pacing makes for an engrossing read, and the characters' pain and promise will remain with readers. A stellar, hauntingly beautiful narrative." - *Kirkus Reviews*, **starred review**

"In an authentic look at the racial divide that continues today, authors Elliott and Miller-Lachman bring varying degrees of own-voices authenticity to the characterizations and emotions represented. Their multilayered exposure of a specific time in history will resonate with modern readers, who will see these racist acts echoed all too loudly in current events." - *Booklist*, **starred review**

## Author Bio

**Zetta Elliott** is a black feminist writer of poetry, plays, essays, novels, and stories for children. Her poetry has been published in *We Rise, We Resist*, *We Raise our Voices*, and her picture book, *Bird*, won the Honor Award in Lee & Low Books' New Voices Contest and the Paterson Prize for Books for Young Readers. She lives in West Philadelphia. **Lyn Miller-Lachmann** is an author, teacher, and librarian. Her books for teens and young readers include *Gringolandia*, *Surviving Santiago*, *Rogue*, and *She Persisted: Temple Grandin*. As an adult, she was diagnosed with Asperger's syndrome and delves into her diagnosis often in her writing. She and her husband divide





## Not All Heroes

by Josephine Cameron

Even though her family moved across the country for a fresh start" after her little brother's death, eleven-year-old Zinnia Helinski still feels like she's stuck waiting for her new life to begin. Then she spots her new neighbor, Kris, climbing down the fire escape of their apartment building. He's wearing a black eye mask! And Spandex leggings. . . . And a blue body suit?

Soon Zinnia finds herself in a secret club for kids who want to be heroes. The Reality Shifters don't have superpowers, but they *do* have the power to make positive change in their neighborhoods. And a change is just what Zinnia is looking for!

At first, she feels invincible. Zinnia finally has friends and is on the kind of real-life adventures her little brother, Wally, would have loved. But when her teammates lose sight of their goals, Zinnia must find the balance between bravery and recklessness, and learn to be a hero without her cape.

### A Junior Library Guild Selection

### A Kirkus Best Book of the Year

With its clear, accessible writing, this suspenseful story masterfully juggles many topics: grief; self-assurance; the need for individual, collective, and systemic approaches to ableism, poverty, and other social ills; and the fine line between "extreme altruism" and self-aggrandizement. Morally complex and extremely fun." - *Kirkus Reviews*, **starred review**

" *Not All Heroes* promotes the insight that we all have the superpower to help people in need, even if only in small ways." - *Booklist*

"A rivalry with another RLSH league add a lively element, but the story stays grounded in day-to-day life, encouraging readers to think critically about what allyship means and how to avoid centering oneself." - *Horn Book*

## Author Bio

**Josephine Cameron** received her MFA in creative writing from the University of Notre Dame. She is the author *Maybe a Mermaid* and *A Dog-Friendly Town*. She lives in Maine, where she writes, sings, and teaches music to kids.

Square Fish

On Sale: Apr 11/23

5.13 x 7.62 • 336 pages

9781250832733 • \$11.99 • pb

Juvenile Fiction / Social / Death & Dying • Ages 8-12 years

## Notes

## Promotion







## One for All

A Novel  
by Lillie Lainoff

**There are no limits to the will - and the strength - of this unique female hero." - Tamora Pierce, writer of the *Song of the Lioness* and the *Protector of the Small* quartets**

*One for All* is a gender-bent retelling of *The Three Musketeers*, in which a girl with a chronic illness trains as a Musketeer and uncovers secrets, sisterhood, and self-love.

Tania de Batz is most herself with a sword in her hand. Everyone thinks her near-constant dizziness makes her weak, nothing but "a sick girl." But Tania wants to be strong, independent, a fencer like her father - a former Musketeer and her greatest champion. Then Papa is brutally, mysteriously murdered. His dying wish? For Tania to attend finishing school. But L'Academie des Mariees, Tania realizes, is no finishing school. It's a secret training ground for new Musketeers: women who are socialites on the surface, but strap daggers under their skirts, seduce men into giving up dangerous secrets, and protect France from downfall. And they don't shy away from a sword fight.

With her newfound sisters at her side, Tania feels that she has a purpose, that she belongs. But then she meets Etienne, her target in uncovering a potential assassination plot. He's kind, charming - and might have information about what really happened to her father. Torn between duty and dizzying emotion, Tania will have to decide where her loyalties lie. . . or risk losing everything she's ever wanted.

Lillie (...)

## Author Bio

**Lillie Lainoff** is the author of *One for All*, and received her B.A. in English from Yale University, where she was a varsity fencer and one of the first physically disabled athletes to individually qualify for any NCAA Championship event. She has also won the 2019 LA Review Literary Award for Short Fiction, was a featured Rooted in Rights disability activist, and is the founder of Disabled Kidlit Writers on Facebook. She is currently an MA candidate in Creative Writing Prose Fiction at the University of East Anglia, and lives in Washington, D.C.

Square Fish

On Sale: Mar 7/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 400 pages

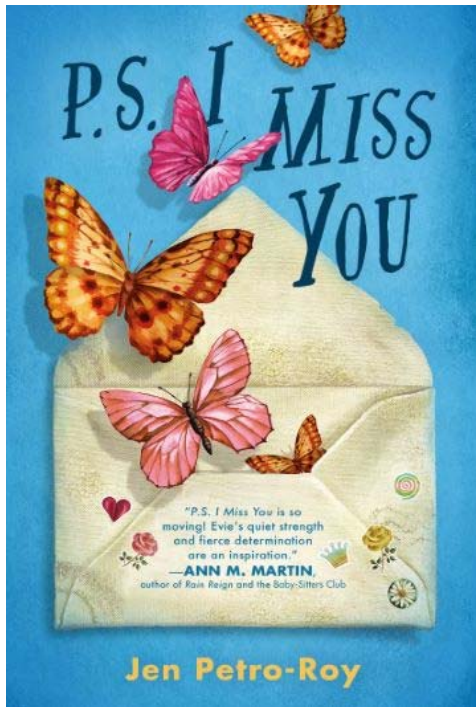
9781250866585 • \$14.99 • pb

YA Fic / Historical / Europe • Ages 12-18 years

## Notes

## Promotion





Square Fish  
On Sale: Jan 31/23  
5.13 x 7.62 • 336 pages  
**9781250294302** • \$10.99 • pb  
Juvenile Fiction / Lgbt • Ages 9-11 years

## Notes

## Promotion

Bonus Material Included in Back-Of-Book  
<BR>Dedicated Title Page on Macmillan.com  
<BR>Available as an E-Book



## P.S. I Miss You

by Jen Petro-Roy

**A heartbreaking - yet ultimately uplifting - epistolary middle-grade novel about family, religion, and having the courage to be yourself**

*P.S. I Miss You* is so moving! Evie's **quiet strength and fierce determination** are an inspiration. " - Ann M. Martin, author of *Rain Reign* and the *Baby-Sitters Club*

"Jen Petro-Roy has created a character with the potential to be as **iconic as Judy Blume's Margaret.**" - Erin Dionne, author of *Notes from an Accidental Band Geek*

Evie is heartbroken when her strict Catholic parents send her pregnant sister, Cilla, away to stay with a distant great-aunt. All Evie wants is for her older sister to come back. Forbidden from speaking to Cilla, Evie secretly sends her letters.

Evie writes about her family, torn apart and hurting. She writes about her life, empty without Cilla. And she writes about the new girl in school, June, who becomes her friend, and then maybe more than a friend.

Evie could really use some advice from Cilla. But Cilla isn't writing back, and it's time for Evie to take matters into her own hands.

*P.S. I Miss You* by Jen Petro-Roy is a heartfelt middle grade novel dealing with faith, identity, and finding your way in difficult times.

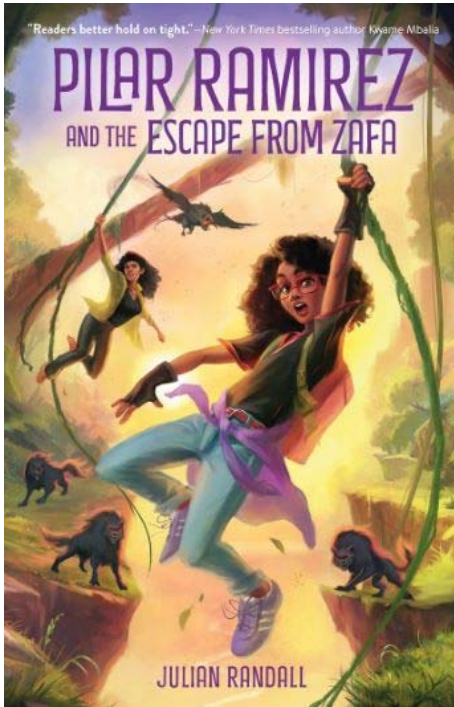
"A touching, epistolary tale of a girl's journey to self-discovery. . . **Evie is an** (...)

## Author Bio

Location: Massachusetts

**Jen Petro-Roy** is a former teen librarian, an obsessive reader, and a trivia fanatic. She lives with her husband and two young daughters in Massachusetts. She is the author of *P.S. I Miss You*, *Good Enough*, and *You Are Enough: An Inclusive Guide to Body Image and Eating Disorder Recovery*. Jen is an eating disorder survivor and an advocate for recovery.





## Pilar Ramirez and the Escape from Zafa

by Julian Randall

***The Land of Stories* meets Dominican myths and legends come to life in *Pilar Ramirez and the Escape from Zafa*, a blockbuster contemporary middle-grade fantasy duology starter from Julian Randall. Fans of *Tristan Strong* and *The Storm Runner*, here is your next obsession.**

**A breathtaking journey . . . readers better hold on tight." - Kwame Mbalia, *New York Times* bestselling author of the *Tristan Strong* series**

Twelve-year-old Pilar Violeta "Purp" Ramirez's world is changing, and she doesn't care for it one bit. Her Chicago neighborhood is gentrifying and her chores have doubled since her sister, Lorena, left for college. The only constant is Abuela and Mami's code of silence around her cousin Natasha - who vanished in the Dominican Republic fifty years ago during the Trujillo dictatorship.

When Pilar hears that Lorena's professor studies such disappearances, she hops on the next train to dig deeper into her family's mystery. After snooping around the professor's empty office, she discovers a folder with her cousin's name on it . . . and gets sucked into the blank page within.

She lands on Zafa, an island swarming with coconut-shaped demons, butterfly shapeshifters, and a sinister magical prison where her cousin is being held captive. Pilar will have to go toe-to-toe with the fearsome Dominican boogeyman, El Cuco, if she has any hope of freeing Natasha and getting back home.

**"Magic awaits around every corner in Zafa. Nonstop action and plenty of heart create a (...)**

## Author Bio

**Julian Randall** is a Living Queer Black poet from Chicago. His poetry and essays are published in the *New York Times Magazine*, *POETRY*, *The Atlantic*, and *Vibe*. He is the recipient of a Pushcart Prize. Julian holds an MFA in Poetry from Ole Miss. His first book, *Refuse*, won the Cave Canem Poetry Prize and was a finalist for an NAACP Image Award. He was also a contributor to the #1 *New York Times*-bestseller *Black Boy Joy*. Julian has previously worked as a youth mentor, teaching writing workshops to children on house arrest. *Pilar Ramirez and the Escape from Zafa* is his debut children's novel. Follow him on Twitter!

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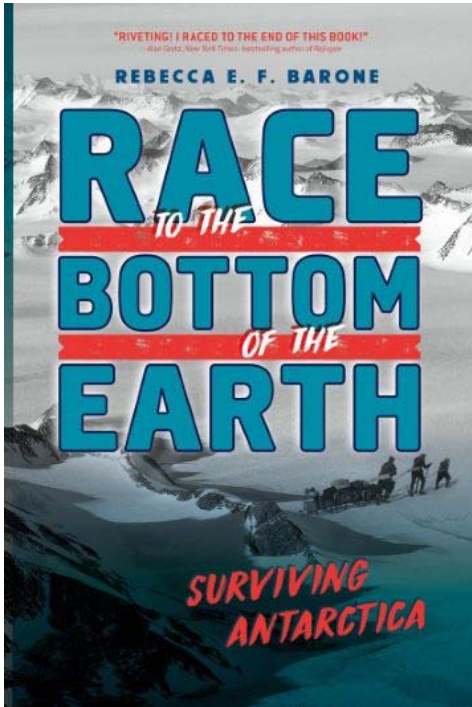
Juvenile Fiction / Legends, Myths, Fables / Caribbean & Latin American • Ages 8-12 years

Series: Pilar Ramirez Duology

## Notes

## Promotion





## Race to the Bottom of the Earth

Surviving Antarctica

by Rebecca E. F. Barone

Equal parts adventure and STEM, Rebecca E. F. Barone's *Race to the Bottom of the Earth: Surviving Antarctica* is a thrilling nonfiction book for young readers chronicling two treacherous, groundbreaking expeditions to the South Pole - and includes eye-catching photos of the Antarctic landscape.

**Riveting! I raced to the end of this book!" - Alan Gratz, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Refugee***

In 1910, Captain Robert Scott prepared his crew for a trip that no one had ever completed: a journey to the South Pole. He vowed to get there any way he could, even if it meant looking death in the eye. Then, not long before he set out, another intrepid explorer, Roald Amundsen, set his sights on the same goal. Suddenly, two teams were vying to be the first to make history - what was to be an expedition had become a perilous race.

In 2018, Captain Louis Rudd readied himself for a similarly grueling task: the first unaided, unsupported solo crossing of treacherous Antarctica. But little did he know that athlete Colin O'Brady was training for the same trek - and he was determined to beat Louis to the finish line.

For fans of Michael Tougias' *The Finest Hours*, this gripping account of two history-making moments of exploration and competition is perfect for budding scientists, survivalists, and thrill seekers.

**FOUR** starred reviews, *The Bulletin for the Center of Children's Books* 2021 Blue Ribbons List selection, *Booklist* Top 10 (...)

## Author Bio

**Rebecca E. F. Barone** holds a Bachelor of Arts in English and a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from Bucknell University along with multiple graduate degrees in mechanical engineering. Her technical projects include injury analysis for the National Football League, and her short-form STEM writing has been published in the award-winning *Muse* magazine. She is passionate about serving and mentoring underrepresented populations in STEM and has continued to mentor in the kidlit arena with her participation in the #kidsneedmentors program. She is also the author of *Race to the Bottom of the Earth: Surviving Antarctica* (which received four starred reviews)

Square Fish

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6 x 9 • 288 pages

b/w photos

9781250866073 • \$16.99 • pb

Juvenile Nonfiction / History / Exploration & Discovery

• Ages 8-12 years

## Notes

## Promotion



# Sing, Don't Cry

Angela Dominguez



## Sing, Don't Cry

by Angela Dominguez, illustrated by Angela Dominguez

Once a year, Abuelo comes from Mexico to visit his family. He brings his guitar, his music - and his memories.

In this story inspired by the life of Apolinar Navarrete Diaz - author Angela Dominguez's grandfather and a successful mariachi musician - Abuelo and his grandchildren sing through the bad times and the good. Lifting their voices and their spirits, they realize that true happiness comes from singing together.

With its uplifting message and smiling characters, Dominguez's story reminds readers that life's woes are inevitable but can be mitigated by a song in the heart." - *Booklist*, **starred review**

"Authentic, heartfelt, and relatable. . . . A wonderful choice for group sharing." - *School Library Journal*, **starred review**

Praise for *How Do You Say? / C o m o se dice?* :

"Young children will delight in the antics of two endearing giraffes in this bilingual picture book." - *School Library Journal*

"This charming story is as light as air yet carries heft." - *Kirkus Reviews*

"As appealing to look at as it is to listen to, this book. . . provides opportunities to bring together those learning English, learning Spanish, or just learning how to make new friends and amigos." - *The Horn Book*

"Dominguez's bold, playful pictures keep the focus squarely on the giraffes' one-on-one interactions as she demonstrates something that many children know intuitively: speaking different languages is a minor detail when it comes to making new friends.

## Author Bio

**Angela Dominguez** was born in Mexico City and grew up in the great state of Texas. She now resides on the east coast with her boyfriend, Kyle, and their petite dog, Petunia. She is also the author and illustrator of several books for children and a two-time recipient of Pura Belpre Illustration Honor. Her debut middle grade novel, *Stella Diaz Has Something To Say*, was a New York Public Library and a Chicago Public Library pick for Best Books for Kids, Sid Fleischman Award winner, and an ALA Notable. She recently illustrated Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor's newest picture book, *Just Help!*



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On Sale: Apr 4/23  
8.25 x 10.25 • 32 pages  
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Juvenile Nonfiction / Biography / People Of Color •  
Ages 4-8 years

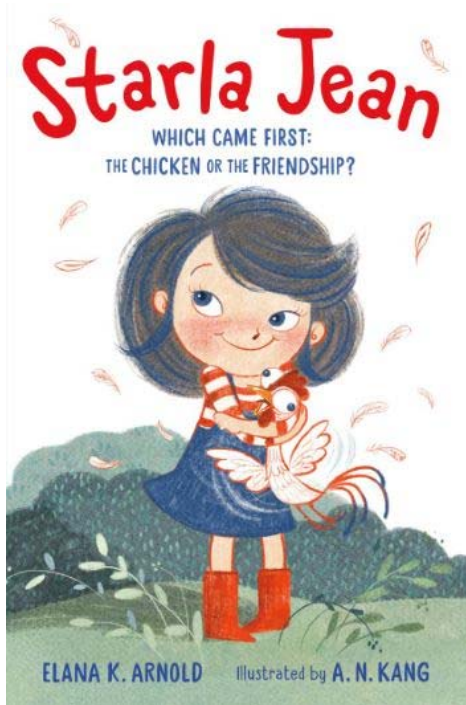
## Notes

## Promotion



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## Starla Jean

by Elana K. Arnold, illustrated by A. N. Kang

**Printz Honor winner and National Book Award Finalist Elana K. Arnold makes her chapter book debut with this charming story of a girl and her chicken, irresistibly illustrated by A. N. Kang.**

### Introducing Starla Jean!

She's full of moxie, clever as a fox, and obsessed with catching a chicken she finds at the park.

When Starla first sees the scrawny bird wandering around, she just knows they're destined for one another. Her dad says, "If you can catch it, you can keep it," and Starla Jean is not one to back down from a challenge.

**\* This series starter features Starla Jean's exuberant first-person narration, liberally punctuated with dialogue with her family and neighbors. Readers transitioning to early chapter books will appreciate the four short chapters and the limited amount of text per page, wide margins, and ample space between lines of text. Mercy Watson fans will flock to this whimsical new series for developing readers.** - Kirkus, starred review

"Generous white space keeps the momentum rising as running text - a single thought, or sometimes even one word, including the chicken's initial squawk - stretches across spreads. A smattering of 'Fun Facts About Chickens' creates a humorously informative closing." - Publishers Weekly

## Author Bio

**Elana K. Arnold** is the author of critically acclaimed and award-winning young adult novels ( *Damsel*, *What Girls Are Made Of* ) and children's books ( *A Boy Called Bat* ). She lives in Southern California with her family and a menagerie of pets. **A. N. Kang** was a product designer for 20 years designing giftwares, jewelries and greeting cards. She also designed holiday installations all over New York City. Her fun side project, a picture book titled 'The Very Fluffy Kitty, Papillon' was published in 2016. Since then, she has been working as a children's book author and illustrator. Her published books include 'My Big Bad Monster', 'Celebrate You!' and 'The Squirrel Family Tree'

Square Fish

On Sale: Apr 18/23

5.37 x 8.25 • 96 pages

full-color illustrations throughout

9781250820419 • \$10.99 • pb

Juvenile Fiction / Animals / Birds • Ages 4-7 years

Series: Starla Jean

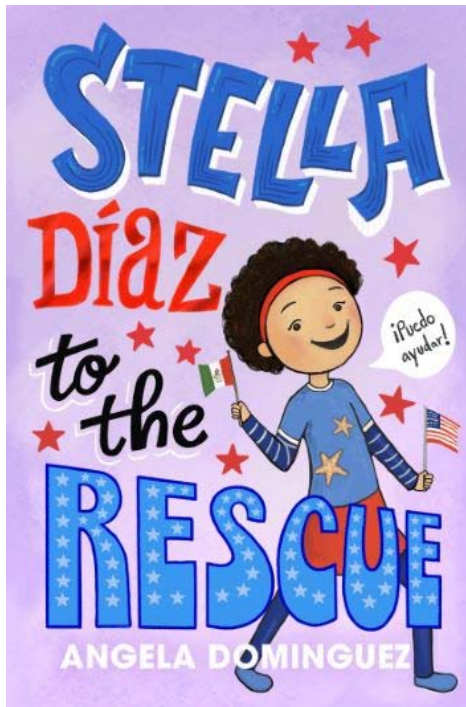
## Notes

## Promotion



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## Stella Diaz to the Rescue

by Angela Dominguez, illustrated by Angela Dominguez

In Angela Dominguez's *Stella Diaz to the Rescue*, the beloved Stella learns that sometimes the best way to help others is just to be there for them when times get tough.

It's a new calendar year, and Stella is determined to make it her best one yet.

Not only are Stella and her family finally becoming U.S. citizens, but the Sea Musketeers are also presenting their plastics pledge to the school council. With her trusty schedule in hand, Stella is ready for anything!

But after life takes unexpected turns, Stella will have to fight to keep her perfect year on track.

Not to worry, because Stella Diaz is to the rescue! Right?

Praise for *Stella Diaz Dreams Big* :

The lovable Diaz family has yet to disappoint." - *Kirkus Reviews*

Praise for *Stella Diaz Never Gives Up* :

"Readers don't need familiarity with *Stella Diaz Has Something To Say* to fall in love with [Stella]. The protagonist will endear readers to her; she may also create some environmental converts." - *Kirkus Reviews*

Praise for *Stella Diaz Has Something to Say* :

**2019 Sid Fleischman Award winner**  
**A 2019 ALSC Notable Children's Book**  
**A New York Public Library(...)**

## Author Bio

**Angela Dominguez** was born in Mexico City and grew up in the great state of Texas. She now resides on the east coast with her boyfriend, Kyle, and their petite dog, Petunia. She is also the author and illustrator of several books for children and a two-time recipient of Pura Belpre Illustration Honor. Her debut middle grade novel, *Stella Diaz Has Something To Say*, was a New York Public Library and a Chicago Public Library pick for Best Books for Kids, Sid Fleischman Award winner, and an ALA Notable. She recently illustrated Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor's newest picture book, *Just Help!*



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On Sale: Mar 21/23

5.13 x 7.62 • 192 pages

b/w illustrations throughout

9781250866479 • \$8.99 • pb

Juvenile Fiction / Social / Friendship • Ages 6-9 years

Series: Stella Diaz

## Notes

## Promotion





## Team Chu and the Battle of Blackwood Arena

by Julie C. Dao

**A rollicking, action-packed adventure of laser tag and fierce sibling rivalries, *Team Chu and the Battle of Blackwood Arena* is the first book in a commercial middle grade fantasy series by Julie C. Dao.**

Clip and Sadie Chu couldn't be more different. Popular, athletic Clip wants to become his school's first seventh-grade soccer captain, while brainy star student Sadie is determined to prove that she can do anything her boastful brother can.

They have just one thing in common: they love laser tag. Like, *really* love it.

When the Blackwood Gaming Arena comes to town, bringing virtual reality headsets and state-of-the-art courses, they couldn't be more excited - or competitive. But then a mysterious figure appears and claims to be a part of the game, forcing the Chus and their friends to save themselves from a sinister force lurking inside the simulation. Together, they must fight their way through epic battlegrounds that will test their speed, skills, and smarts . . . but will Clip and Sadie learn that they're far better off working together than competing for the ultimate victory?

An action-packed tale of sibling rivalry where thrills and challenges highlight the importance of family and teamwork. This book will delight readers with its fast pace and captivating worlds. Dao has once again (...)

## Author Bio

**Julie C. Dao** is the critically acclaimed author of many books for teens and children including *Forest of a Thousand Lanterns* and *Broken Wish*. Her novels have earned starred reviews from *Booklist*, *School Library Journal*, and *Publishers Weekly*, won recognition as Junior Library Guild Selections and Kids' Indie Next List picks, and landed on multiple best-of-year lists including YALSA and the American Library Association. A proud Vietnamese-American who was born in upstate New York, she now lives in New England.

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5.13 x 7.62 • 320 pages

b+w illustrations throughout

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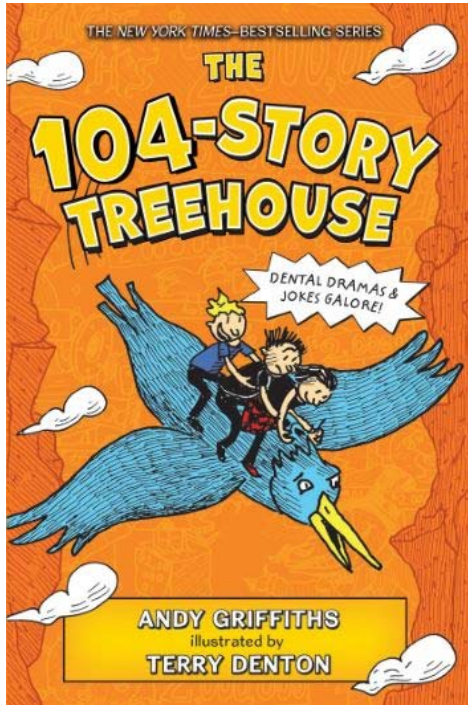
Juvenile Fiction / Action & Adventure • Ages 8-12 years

## Notes

## Promotion







## The 104-Story Treehouse

Dental Dramas & Jokes Galore!

by Andy Griffiths, illustrated by Terry Denton

**New York Times**-bestselling team Andy Griffiths and Terry Denton invite readers to come hang out with them in their 104-Story Treehouse - the eighth book in the illustrated chapter book series filled with Andy and Terry's signature slapstick humor!

Andy and Terry live in a 104-story treehouse. (It used to be a 91-story treehouse, but they decided it was still missing a few things.) It has a never-ending staircase, a burp bank, a deep-thoughts thinking room, Mount Everest, a mighty fortress reinforced with extra-strong fortress reinforcer, and a money-making machine (that also makes honey!).

When Andy has a toothache that hurts so *bad* he can't write any jokes for their new book, Terry knows just what to do: buy a Joke Writer 2000(TM) to write the jokes for them! All they need first is some money from their money-making machine and then it's off to the store. It's a foolproof plan - a Terry-proof one, even!

What could go wrong?

### Praise for Andy Griffiths and the Treehouse series:

**Anarchic absurdity at its best.** . . . Denton's manic cartooning captures every twist and turn in hilarious detail." - *Publishers Weekly*, **starred review**, on *The 13-Story Treehouse*

**"Will appeal to fans of Jeff Kinney and Dav Pilkey.** . . . The wonderfully random slapstick humor is tailor-made for reluctant readers. . . . A treat for all." - *Booklist* on *The 13-Story Treehouse*

### Read the whole series!

*The 13-Story Treehouse*  
*The 26-Story Treehouse*  
*The 39-Story Treehouse*  
*The 52-Story Treehouse*  
*The 65-Story Treehouse*  
*The 78-Story Treehouse*  
*The 91-Story (...)*

## Author Bio

**Andy Griffiths** is the *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Day My Butt Went Psycho!*, *Zombie Butts from Uranus!*, and *Butt Wars! The Final Conflict*



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5.5 x 8.25 • 368 pages

B&W illus throughout

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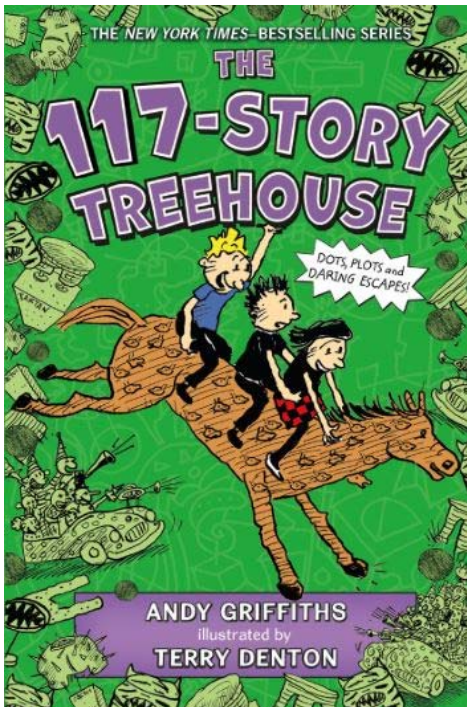
Juvenile Fiction / Humorous Stories • Ages 6-10 years

Series: Treehouse Books

## Notes

## Promotion





## The 117-Story Treehouse

Dots, Plots & Daring Escapes!

by Andy Griffiths, illustrated by Terry Denton

**New York Times**-bestselling team Andy Griffiths and Terry Denton invite readers to come hang out with them in their 117-Story Treehouse - the ninth book in the illustrated chapter book series filled with Andy and Terry's signature slapstick humor!

Andy and Terry live in a 117-story treehouse. (It used to be a 104-story treehouse, but it just keeps growing!) It now has a pajama-party room, a water-ski park filled with flesh-eating piranhas, an Underpants Museum, a giant-fighting-robot arena, and the Door of Doom (don't open it or you'll be COMPLETELY and UTTERLY DOOMED!).

For as long as Andy and Terry have been writing books together, Andy has *always* been the narrator and Terry has *always* been the illustrator. But when Terry tries to prove that he can narrate as well as draw, the story goes completely out of control and the Story Police arrive to arrest the whole treehouse team for crimes against storytelling! Andy, Terry and Jill go on the run, but how long can they evade the Story Police and stay out of Story Jail?

### Praise for Andy Griffiths and the Treehouse series:

**Anarchic absurdity at its best.** . . . Denton's manic cartooning captures every twist and turn in hilarious detail." - *Publishers Weekly*, **starred review**, on *The 13-Story Treehouse*

**"Will appeal to fans of Jeff Kinney and Dav Pilkey.** . . . The wonderfully random slapstick humor is tailor-made for reluctant readers. . . . A (...)

### Author Bio

**Andy Griffiths** is the *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Day My Butt Went Psycho!*, *Zombie Butts from Uranus!*, and *Butt Wars! The Final Conflict*, as well as the Treehouse Series and *Killer Koalas from Outer Space*. In 2007, he became the first Australian author to win six children's choice awards in one year for *Just Shocking!* He is passionate about inspiring a love of books in his young readers, and works as an ambassador for the Indigenous Literacy Project, which provides books and literacy resources to remote indigenous communities around Australia. Andy is a big fan of Dr. Seuss and of cauliflower. He lives in Melbourne, Australia, and is Australia's most popular children's writer.

**Terry Denton** is known for his humorous illustration style and has worked with Andy Griffiths on the Treehouse series and the "JUST!" books among others.



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On Sale: Apr 4/23

5.5 x 8.25 • 384 pages

black and white illustrations throughout

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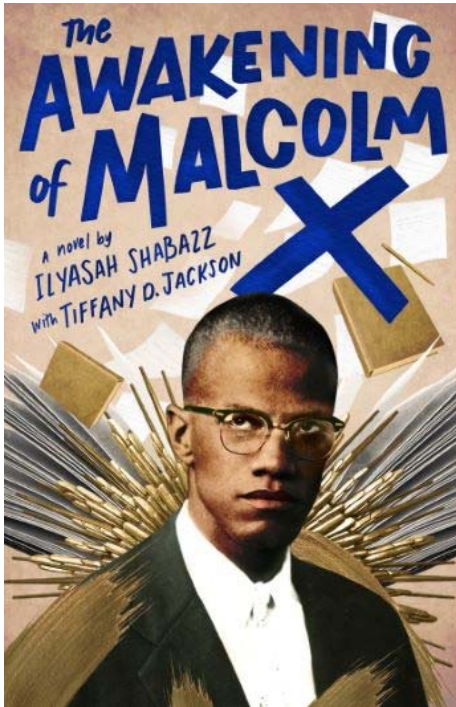
Juvenile Fiction / Humorous Stories • Ages 6-10 years

Series: Treehouse Books

### Notes

### Promotion





## The Awakening of Malcolm X

A Novel

by Ilyasah Shabazz and Tiffany D. Jackson

***The Awakening of Malcolm X* is a powerful narrative account of the activist's adolescent years in jail, written by his daughter Ilyasah Shabazz along with 2019 Coretta Scott King-John Steptoe award-winning author, Tiffany D. Jackson.**

**No one can be at peace until he has his freedom.**

In Charlestown Prison, Malcolm Little struggles with the weight of his past. Plagued by nightmares, Malcolm drifts through days, unsure of his future. Slowly, he befriends other prisoners and writes to his family. He reads all the books in the prison library, joins the debate team and the Nation of Islam. Malcolm grapples with race, politics, religion, and justice in the 1940s. And as his time in jail comes to an end, he begins to awaken - emerging from prison more than just Malcolm Little: Now, he is Malcolm X.

Here is an intimate look at Malcolm X's young adult years. While this book chronologically follows *X: A Novel*, it can be read as a stand-alone historical novel that invites larger discussions on black power, prison reform, and civil rights.

**A *Cosmopolitan Magazine* Recommended Winter Read**

**A *School Library Journal* Top 10 Audiobook**

**A NCSS Notable Book**

**A YALSA Best Fiction for Young Adults Title**

Shabazz and Jackson effectively illuminate not only the figure's religious and political awakening, but the injustice historically leveled against the Black community by mass incarceration and systemic racism." - *Publishers Weekly*, **starred review**

"Readers will make connections to (...)

## Author Bio

**Ilyasah Shabazz**, third daughter of Malcolm X and Dr. Betty Shabazz, is an educator, activist, motivational speaker, and author of multiple award-winning publications, including her books, *Betty Before X* and *X: A Novel*. She is also an active advocacy worker and an adjunct professor at John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York City.

THE AWAKENING OF MALCOLM X by ILYASAH SHABAZZ and TIFFANY D. JACKSON



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## The Book of Stolen Time

Second Book in the Feylawn Chronicles

by Dashka Slater

From *New York Times*-bestselling author Dashka Slater comes the whimsical and witty sequel to *The Book of Fatal Errors*!

Rufus may have successfully sent the feylings home to the Green World, but he still has one pesky feyling under his wing: Nettle, his sometimes enemy, now mentor. Nettle is in charge of helping Rufus and his cousin Abigail protect Feylawn, their grandfather's magical and mysterious homestead.

But this difficult task becomes even more dangerous when a leopard appears in the woods without warning; strange, waterlogged women arrive to warn of impending doom; and a goblin begins digging his way back to Earth, hungry for revenge. Meanwhile, Rufus's father is intent on selling Feylawn to the highest bidder. Can Rufus and Abigail save Feylawn and its magic? Or will they have to say goodbye to the feylings forever?

In *The Book of Stolen Time*, our favorite heroes are back! And magic, mischief, and adventure abound.

Full of magical creatures, action, and adventure, this is an entertaining duology closer. With the unexpected return of familiar characters, betrayals, and a few twists, the story will keep readers on their toes. Rufus and Abigail learn real-world lessons, such as what it means to sacrifice, persevere, and be true to themselves. . . An exciting, engaging read." - *Kirkus Reviews*

## Author Bio

**Dashka Slater** is the *New York Times*-bestselling author of *The 57 Bus*, which won the Stonewall Book Award and was a YALSA nonfiction finalist. Her fiction includes *The Book of Fatal Errors* which was an Amazon Best book of the Month, the picture book *Escargot*, which won the Wanda Gag Book Award; *Baby Shoes*; *The Antlered Ship*, which was a Junior Library Guild Selection and received four starred reviews; and *Dangerously Ever After*. She is also an award-winning journalist whose articles have appeared in *Newsweek*, *Salon*, *The New York Times Magazine*, and *Mother Jones*. She lives in California.

Square Fish

On Sale: Feb 14/23

5.13 x 7.62 • 416 pages

9781250866486 • \$11.99 • pb

Juvenile Fiction / Science Fiction, Fantasy, Magic •

Ages 8-12 years

Series: Feylawn Chronicles

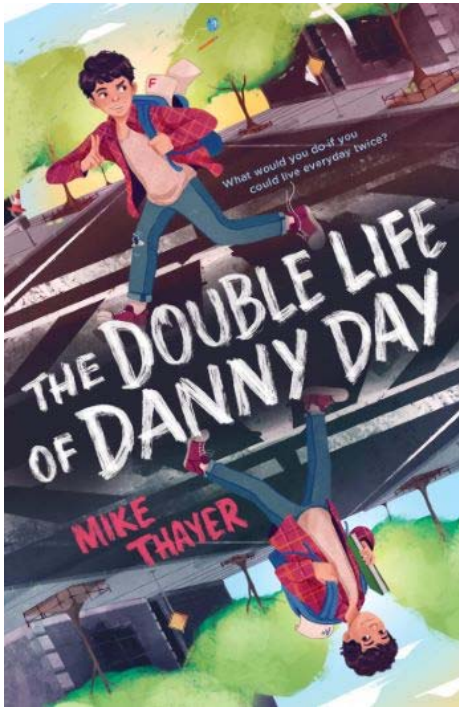
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## The Double Life of Danny Day

by Mike Thayer

A boy who lives every day twice uses his ability to bring down bullies at his new school in Mike Thayer's humor-filled middle grade novel, *The Double Life of Danny Day*.

*My name is Danny Day, and I live every day twice.*

*The first time, it's a discard day." It's kind of like a practice run. At the end of the day, I go to bed, wake up, and poof everything gets reset, everything except my memory, that is.*

*The second time, everything is normal, just like it is for everyone else. That's when everything counts and my actions stick. As you could probably guess, "Sticky Day" Danny is very different from "Discard Day" Danny.*

When Danny's family moves across the country, he suddenly has to use his ability for more than just slacking off and playing video games. Now he's making new friends, fending off jerks, exposing a ring of cheaters in the lunchtime video game tournament, and taking down bullies one day at a time . . . or is it *two* days at a time?

*The Double Life of Danny Day* starts with a clever premise that builds into an entertaining story. You may feel tempted to read it twice!" - Brandon Mull, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *Fablehaven* and *Dragonwatch*

"It's a riveting (...)

## Author Bio

**Mike Thayer**, author of *The Double Life of Danny Day*, is a proud father of three, lucky husband of one, passionate author, budding podcaster, lifelong gamer, viral blogger, degreed engineer, decent impressionist, inept hunter, erstwhile jock, and nerd. He has cast a ring on the slopes of Mt. Doom, eaten a feast at the Green Dragon Inn, cemented Excalibur in a sandstone block, tasted butter beer at Diagon Alley, built a secret door to his storage room, and written a few fantasy books. What else is left, really?

Square Fish

On Sale: Feb 7/23

5.13 x 7.62 • 336 pages

9781250832740 • \$10.99 • pb

Juvenile Fiction / Science Fiction, Fantasy, Magic •

Ages 8-12 years

## Notes

## Promotion





### The Ghoul of Windydown Vale

by Jake Burt

**Don't miss this book!** It takes you to another world - and then terrifies you with surprise after surprise. Great ghoulish fun!" - **R. L. Stine, author of *Goosebumps* and *Fear Street***

In this action-packed mystery from award-winning author Jake Burt, Copper Inskeep holds Windydown Vale's deepest and darkest secret: he is the ghoul that haunts the Vale, donning a gruesome costume to scare travelers and townsfolk away from the dangers of the surrounding swamps. When a terrified girl claims she and her father were attacked by a creature - one that could not have been Copper - it threatens not just Copper's secret, but the fate of all Windydown in *The Ghoul of Windydown Vale*.

Don't miss this book! It takes you to another world - and then terrifies you with surprise after surprise. Great ghoulish fun!" - R. L. Stine, author of *Goosebumps* and *Fear Street*

"Copper is happy to secretly dress in a creepy costume and lurk along the lonely road into the Vale - partly because it's fun but also because, by helping to perpetuate the legend of a murderous local swamp monster, he's both discouraging banditry and encouraging travelers to hurry along to the inn his loving parents keep. Or so he's always been told. But then the arrival of a pair of obvious con artists posing as monster hunters exposes hints of a dark and horrifying reality beneath the town's friendly surface. Here Burt really puts the swamp into swamp gothic (and the gothic, too), as he repeatedly sends his stunned protagonist diving into the glutinous, sucking mud on which the town is (...)

### Author Bio

**Jake Burt** is the author of the middle-grade novels *Greetings from Witness Protection!*, an Indie Next selection, *The Right Hook of Devin Velma*, a Junior Library Guild selection, and *The Tornado*, which School Library Journal called one of the best stories about bullying for middle grades," in a starred review. His novel *Cleo Porter and the Body Electric* was praised as a "thrilling sci-fi adventure" by #1 *New York Times* bestselling author Alan Gratz. Jake Burt teaches fifth grade, and lives in Hamden, CT, with his wife and their daughter.

Square Fish

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5.13 x 7.62 • 304 pages

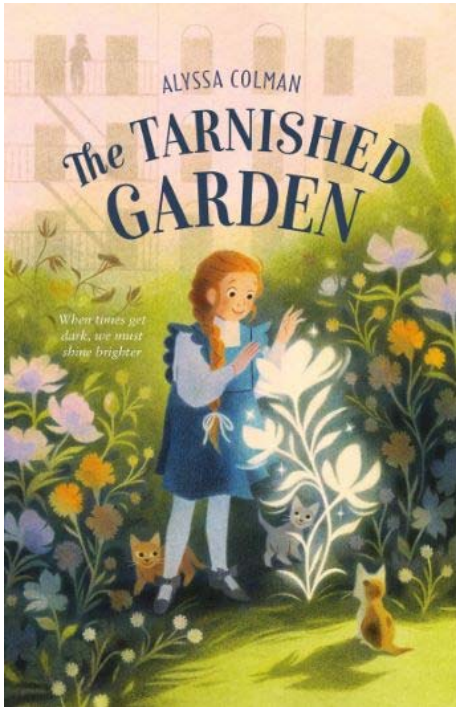
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Juvenile Fiction / Mysteries & Detective Stories • Ages 10-14 years

### Notes

### Promotion





## The Tarnished Garden

by Alyssa Colman

**In this enchanting follow-up to *The Gilded Girl*, Maeve and Izzy O'Donnell must adjust to a new life together at the Manhattan School for Magic - but when Maeve's magic goes rogue and their school is in danger, they'll need to lean on one another to make things right.**

The Manhattan School for Magic is the newest kindling school in New York, but Maeve O'Donnell knows she doesn't deserve her place there. Though her sister, Izzy, is one of the school's founders and a hero to those who can now kindle, Maeve can't control her magic and she lives in fear of anyone - especially Izzy - finding out.

When Maeve's worst fears come true and her magic goes rogue, it damages not only the new school but Izzy's reputation as well. While trying to repair what she's broken, Maeve discovers a mysterious garden in the tenement neighborhood of the Tarnish, a hidden place where her magic actually works. As her magic and confidence grow, she befriends the others for whom the garden is a haven: a litter of talking kittens (house dragons, of course) who need Maeve's help to find their missing mother. But someone else is searching for the kittens, too, someone who doesn't care how many magical sites they have to destroy to stop magic's expansion. And Maeve's unstable magic might be the only way to save her sister's school from being snuffed out next.

*The Tarnished Garden* is a sparkling middle-grade novel from Alyssa Colman.

A sweet tale spun around friendship, sisterly love, and dragon kittens." - *Kirkus Reviews*

## Author Bio

**Alyssa Colman** is the author of *THE GILDED GIRL*, which won the 2021 Northern Lights Book Award for middle grade fantasy. Publishers Weekly called the story a thoughtful and imaginative exploration of friendship, internal change, and perseverance" in a starred review. Alyssa lives in northern Virginia with her family.

Square Fish

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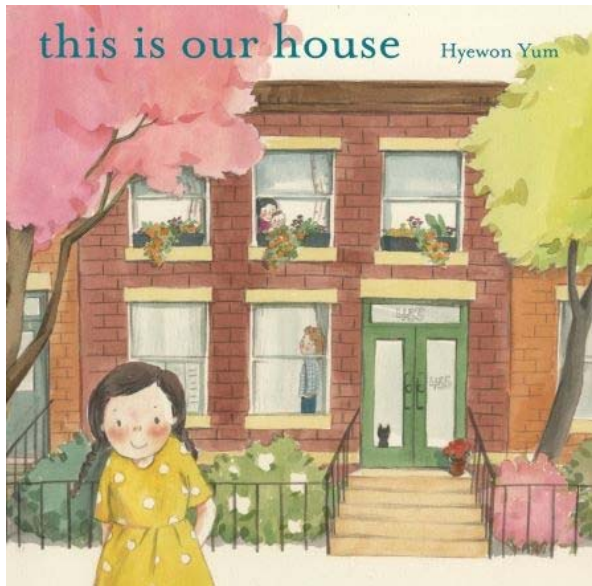
Ages 10-14 years

Series: Gilded Magic

## Notes

## Promotion





## This Is Our House

by Hyewon Yum, illustrated by Hyewon Yum

A tree has bloomed on a city block outside a house for many years. Inside that house, several generations of a family have grown up. Grandma and Grandpa arrived at the house from a country far away, and Mom and her brothers played on the steps on warm summer days. This little girl learned how to walk on that street, too. Hyewon Yum's *This is Our House* is a warm story with spare text that follows a family through seasons and generations, from the early days of immigration to the times that made their house into a home.

**A Frances Foster Book**

"The intergenerational household may not be familiar to many modern American kids, but the idea of close family ties and treasured memories and places is universal. This quiet book could be an effective conversation starter about personal history at home or in the classroom." - *School Library Journal*

"\*A lovely, unassuming paean to place and belonging." - *Kirkus Reviews*, starred review

## Author Bio

**Hyewon Yum** is the author and illustrator of several acclaimed books for children, including *This Is Our House*, *The Twins' Blanket*, *There Are No Scary Wolves*, and *Last Night*. Her book *Mom, It's My First Day of Kindergarten!* received the Ezra Jack Keats New Illustrator Award. She lives in Brooklyn, New York, with her family.

Square Fish

On Sale: Apr 4/23

10 x 10 • 40 pages

Full color illustrations throughout

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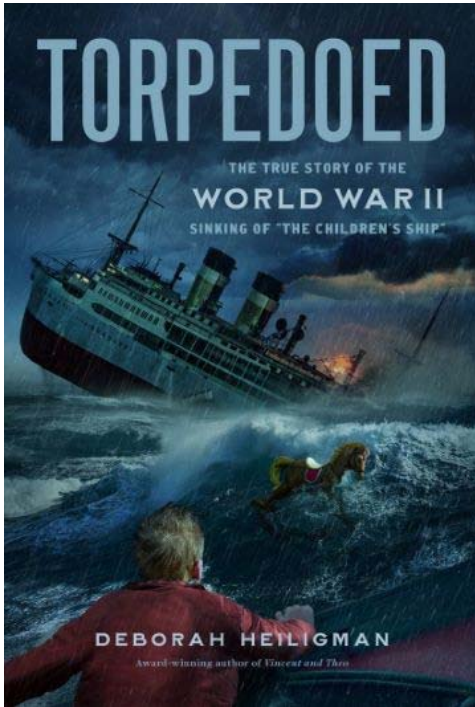
Juvenile Fiction / Family / Multigenerational • Ages 4-7 years

## Notes

## Promotion







## Torpedoed

The True Story of the World War II Sinking of "The Children's Ship"

by Deborah Heiligman

From award-winning author Deborah Heiligman comes *Torpedoed*, a true account of the attack and sinking of the passenger ship *SS City of Benares*, which was evacuating children from England during WWII.

Amid the constant rain of German bombs and the escalating violence of World War II, British parents by the thousands chose to send their children out of the country: the wealthy, independently; the poor, through a government relocation program called CORB. In September 1940, passenger liner *SS City of Benares* set sail for Canada with one hundred children on board.

When the war ships escorting the *Benares* departed, a German submarine torpedoed what became known as the Children's Ship. Out of tragedy, ordinary people became heroes. This is their story.

This title has Common Core connections.

**YALSA Excellence in Nonfiction Award finalist**  
**Golden Kite Award winner**  
**Hornbook Fanfare selection**  
**Kirkus Reviews Best Books of the Year**

An exceptionally well-researched and impressively crafted tale of desperation, tragedy, and survival." - *Kirkus Reviews*, **starred review**, on *Torpedoed: The True Story of the World War II Sinking of "The Children's Ship"*

"Extensively documented accounts tell of harrowing escapes, incredible heroism, tragic accidents, eventual rescues, and the gruesome aftermath . . . the real-time unfolding of events is compelling, and young audiences will relate to these stories about students their own age." - *Booklist*, **starred review**, on *Torpedoed: The True Story of the World War II Sinking of "The Children's Ship"*

"Heiligman tells a story (...)

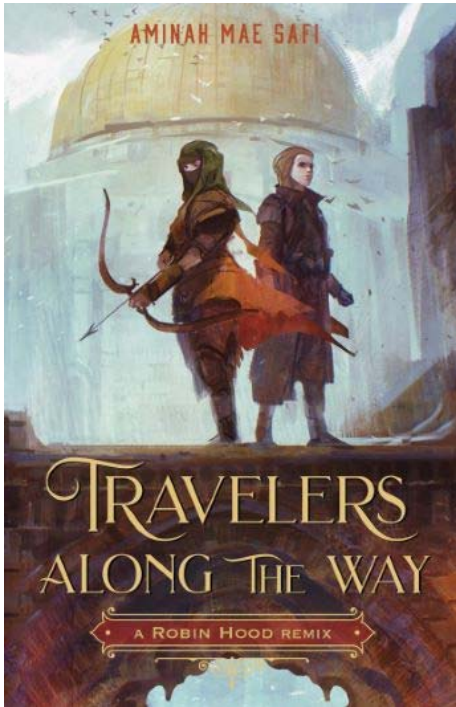
## Author Bio

Deborah Heiligman has written many books for children, including National Book Award Finalist *Charles and Emma: The Darwins' Leap of Faith*; Boston Globe-Horn Book Award Winner *Vincent and Theo: The Van Gogh Brothers*; and *The Boy Who Loved Math*. She lives with her family in New York City.



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### Travelers Along the Way: A Robin Hood Remix

by Aminah Mae Safi

**A ragtag band of misfits gets swept up in Holy Land politics in *Travelers Along the Way* by Aminah Mae Safi, a thrilling YA remix of the classic legend of Robin Hood.**

**Jerusalem, 1192.** The Third Crusade rages on. Rahma al-Hud loyally followed her elder sister Zeena into the war over the Holy Land, but now that the Faranji invaders have gotten reinforcements from Richard the Lionheart, all she wants to do is get herself and her sister home alive.

But Zeena, a soldier of honor at heart, refuses to give up the fight while Jerusalem remains in danger of falling back into the hands of the false Queen Isabella. And so, Rahma has no choice but to take on one final mission with her sister.

On their journey to Jerusalem, Rahma and Zeena come across a motley collection of fellow travelers - including a kind-hearted Mongolian warrior, an eccentric Andalusian scientist, a frustratingly handsome spy with a connection to Rahma's childhood, and an unfortunate English chaplain abandoned behind enemy lines. The teens all find solace, purpose and camaraderie - as well as a healthy bit of mischief - in each other's company.

But their travels soon bring them into the orbit of Queen Isabella herself, whose plans to re-seize power in Jerusalem would only guarantee further war and strife in the Holy Land for years to come. And so it falls to the merry band of misfits to use (...)

### Author Bio

**Aminah Mae Safi** is a Muslim-American writer. Safi was the winner of the We Need Diverse Books short story contest, and that story appears in the anthology *Fresh Ink*. She lives in Los Angeles, California, with her partner and cat.

Square Fish

On Sale: Feb 28/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 352 pages

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YA Fic / Historical / Middle East • Ages 13-18 years

Series: Remixed Classics

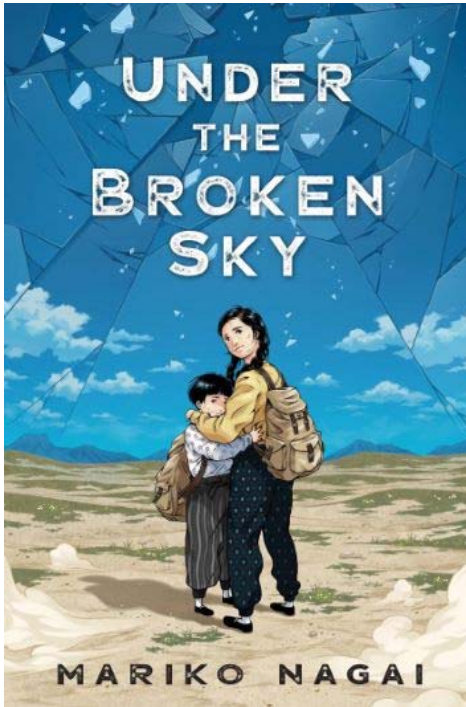
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### Promotion



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## Under the Broken Sky

by Mariko Nagai

**Necessary for all of humankind, *Under the Broken Sky* is a breathtaking work of literature." - *Booklist*, starred review**

**A beautifully told middle-grade novel-in-verse about a Japanese orphan's experience in occupied rural Manchuria during World War II.**

Twelve-year-old Natsu and her family live a quiet farm life in Manchuria, near the border of the Soviet Union. But the life they've known begins to unravel when her father is recruited to the Japanese army, and Natsu and her little sister, Cricket, are left orphaned and destitute.

In a desperate move to keep her sister alive, Natsu sells Cricket to a Russian family following the 1945 Soviet occupation. The journey to redemption for Natsu's broken family is rife with struggles, but Natsu is tenacious and will stop at nothing to get her little sister back.

Literary and historically insightful, this is one of the great untold stories of WWII. Much like the Newbery Honor book *Inside Out and Back Again* by Thanhha Lai, Mariko Nagai's *Under the Broken Sky* is powerful, poignant, and ultimately hopeful.

### Christy Ottaviano Books

**A NCSS Notable Social Studies Trade Book for Young People**

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**A Junior Library Guild Selection**

**An NCTE Notable Verse Novel**

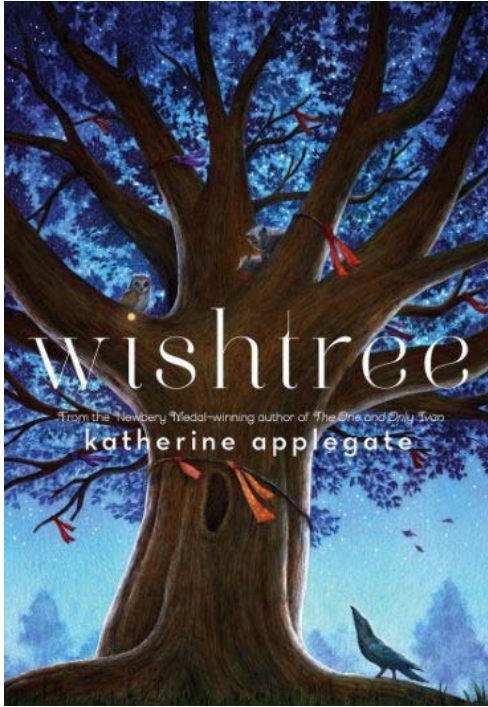
**A Maine Student Book Award Nominee**

*Under the (...)*

### Author Bio

**Mariko Nagai** is the author of *Under the Broken Sky* and *Dust of Eden* as well as several books of poetry and fiction for adults. She has received the Pushcart Prize in both poetry and fiction, as well as many other accolades. She is an associate professor of creative writing and Japanese literature at Temple University, Japan Campus, in Tokyo, where she is also the director of research.





## Wishtree

by Katherine Applegate

An oak tree and a crow help their neighbors embrace their differences in this beautiful, nuanced, *New York Times*-bestselling middle-grade novel from Newbery Medalist author Katherine Applegate.

*Trees can't tell jokes, but they can certainly tell stories. . . .*

Red is an oak tree who is many rings old. Red is the neighborhood wishtree" - people write their wishes on pieces of cloth and tie them to Red's branches. Along with a crow named Bongo and other animals who seek refuge in Red's hollows, this wishtree watches over the neighborhood.

You might say Red has seen it all.

Until a new family moves in. Not everyone is welcoming, and Red's experience as a wishtree is more important than ever.

Funny, deep, warm, and nuanced, this is Katherine Applegate at her very best - writing from the heart, and from a completely unexpected point of view.

*This book has Common Core connections.*

### Praise for *wishtree*:

**A NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER!**  
**A *New York Times* Notable Book, 2017**  
**A National Public Radio Best Book of 2017**  
**A *Publishers Weekly* Bestseller**  
**A *Washington Post* Best Book of 2017**  
**A Chicago Public Library Best Book of 2017**  
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### Author Bio

**Katherine Applegate** is the author of several best-selling young adult series, including *Animorphs* and *Roscoe Riley Rules*. *Home of the Brave*, her first standalone novel, received the SCBWI 2008 Golden Kite Award for Best Fiction and the Bank Street 2008 Josette Frank Award. She lives with her family in Irvine, California.

Square Fish

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5.13 x 7.62 • 224 pages

Black and white line art throughout

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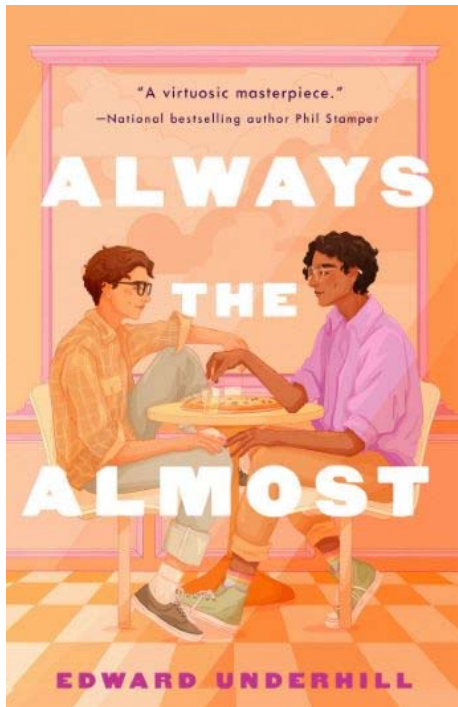
Juvenile Fiction / Social / Prejudice & Racism • Ages 8-12 years

## Notes

### Promotion

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 ST. MARTIN'S PRESS

### **Always the Almost**

A Novel

by Edward Underhill

**A trans pianist makes a New Year's resolution on a frozen Wisconsin night to win regionals and win back his ex, but a new boy complicates things in Edward Underhill's heartfelt debut YA rom-dram, *Always the Almost*.**

Sixteen-year-old trans boy Miles Jacobson has two New Year's resolutions: 1) win back his ex-boyfriend (and star of the football team) Shane McIntyre, and 2) finally beat his slimy arch-nemesis at the Midwest's biggest classical piano competition. But that's not going to be so easy. For one thing, Shane broke up with Miles two weeks after Miles came out as trans, and now Shane's stubbornly ignoring him, even when they literally bump into each other. Plus, Miles' new, slightly terrifying piano teacher keeps telling him that he's playing like he doesn't know who he is" - whatever that means.

Then Miles meets the new boy in town, Eric Mendez, a proudly queer cartoonist from Seattle who asks his pronouns, cares about art as much as he does - and makes his stomach flutter. *Not* what he needs to be focusing on right now. But after Eric and Miles pretend to date so they can score an invite to a couples-only Valentine's party, the ruse turns real with a kiss, which is also definitely *not* in the plan. If only Miles could figure out why Eric likes him so much. After all, it's not like he's cool or confident or comfortable in his own skin. He's not even good enough at piano to get his fellow competitors to respect him, especially now, as Miles.

### **Author Bio**

**EDWARD UNDERHILL**(he/him) is a queer trans man who grew up in the suburbs of Wisconsin, where he could not walk to anything, which meant he had to make up his own adventures. He studied music composition in college at the Oberlin Conservatory, and earned a masters in film music composition at NYU. After a few years living in very tiny apartments in New York, he moved to California, where by day he writes music and by night he writes stories. When not doing either of these things, he's probably gardening or hanging out with his cat. *Always the Almost* is his debut novel.

St. Martin's Press

On Sale: Feb 14/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 288 pages

Includes blind case stamp

**9781250835208** • \$24.99 • CL - With dust jacket

YA Fic / Romance / LGBT • Ages 12-18 years

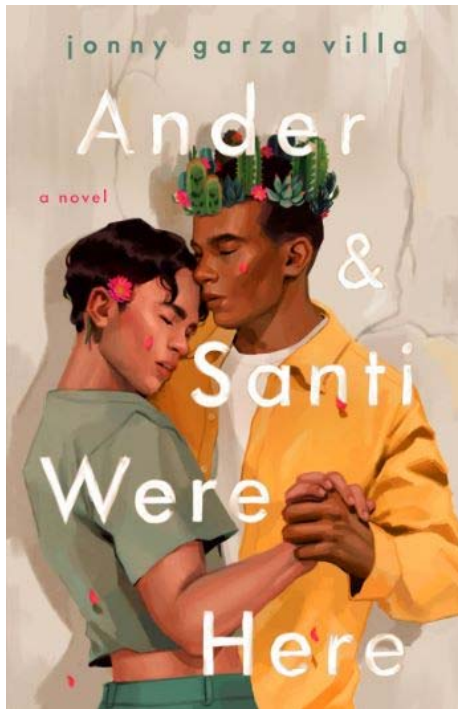
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### **Promotion**



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## Ander and Santi Were Here

A Novel

by Jonny Garza Villa

***Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe* meets *The Sun is Also a Star* in this YA contemporary love story from Jonny Garza Villa, *Ander and Santi Were Here*, about a nonbinary Mexican American teen falling for the shy new waiter at their family's taqueria.**

*Finding home. Falling in love. Fighting to belong.*

The Santos Vista neighborhood of San Antonio, Texas, is all Ander Lopez has ever known. The smell of pan dulce. The mixture of Spanish and English filling the streets. And, especially their job at their family's taqueria. It's the place that has inspired Ander as a muralist, and, as they get ready to leave for art school, it's all of these things that give them hesitancy. That give them the thought, are they ready to leave it all behind?

To keep Ander from becoming complacent during their gap year, their family fires" them so they can transition from restaurant life to focusing on their murals and prepare for college. That is, until they meet Santiago Garcia, the hot new waiter. Falling for each other becomes as natural as breathing. Through Santi's eyes, Ander starts to understand who they are and want to be as an artist, and Ander becomes Santi's first steps toward making Santos Vista and the United States feel like home.

Until ICE agents come for Santi, and Ander realizes how fragile that sense of home is. How love can only hold on (...)

## Author Bio

JONNY GARZA VILLA (they/them) is an author of contemporary young adult literature with characters and settings inspired by their own Tejane, Chicane, and queer identities. Whatever the storyline, Jonny ultimately hopes Latinas, and, more specifically, queer Mexican American young people will feel seen in their writing. Their debut YA novel *Fifteen Hundred Miles from the Sun* was a Pura Belpre Honor Book and a Kirkus Best YA Fiction of 2021 selection. When not writing, Jonny enjoys reading, playing Dungeons and Dragons, visiting taquerias, listening to Selena, and caring for their many cacti children. They live in San Antonio.

St. Martin's Press

On Sale: Apr 11/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 368 pages

includes blind front stamp; colored endpapers

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YA Fic / Romance / LGBT • Ages 14-19 years

## Notes

## Promotion



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 ST. MARTIN'S PRESS

### **Begin Again**

by Emma Lord

**Filled with a friend group that feels like family, an empowering journey of finding your own way, and a Just Kiss Already! romance, Emma Lord's *Begin Again* is an unforgettable YA novel of love and starting again.**

As usual, Andie Rose has a plan: Transfer from community college to the hyper competitive Blue Ridge State, major in psychology, and maintain her lifelong goal of becoming an iconic self-help figure despite the nerves that have recently thrown her for a loop. All it will take is ruthless organization, hard work, and her trademark unrelenting enthusiasm to pull it all together.

But the moment Andie arrives, the rest of her plans go off the rails. Her rocky relationship with her boyfriend Connor only gets more complicated when she discovers he transferred out of Blue Ridge to her community college. Her roommate Shay needs a major, and despite Andie's impressive track record of being *The Fixer*, she's stumped on how to help. And Milo, her coffee-guzzling grump of an R.A. with seafoam green eyes, is somehow disrupting all her ideas about love and relationships one sleep-deprived wisecrack at a time.

But sometimes, when all your plans are in rubble at your feet, you find out what you're made of. And when Andie starts to find the power of her voice as the anonymous Squire on the school's legendary pirate radio station-the same one her mom founded, years before she passed away-Andie learns that not all the best laid plans are necessarily the right ones.

### **Author Bio**

Emma Lord (she/her) is a digital media editor and writer living in New York City, where she spends whatever time she isn't writing either running or belting show tunes in community theater. She graduated from the University of Virginia with a major in psychology and a minor in how to tilt your computer screen so nobody will notice you updating your fan fiction from the back row. She was raised on glitter, a whole lot of love, and copious amounts of grilled cheese. Her books include *Tweet Cute*, *You Have a Match*, and *When You Get the Chance*

St. Martin's Press

On Sale: Jan 24/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 352 pages

Includes foil case stamp

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YA Fic / Coming Of Age • Ages 12-18 years

### **Notes**

### **Promotion**



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 ST. MARTIN'S PRESS

### **Better Together**

A Novel

by Christine Riccio

**The Holiday meets The Parent Trap in this clever YA comedic whirlwind brimming with romance, and just a touch of magic, Christine Riccio's *Better Together***

Estranged sisters Jamie and Siri are quarter-life crisis-ing: hard. With adulthood breathing down their necks, suddenly their promising career aspirations feel way out of reach, and romance - completely implausible.

After thirteen years apart, on opposite coasts, the sisters run into each other at a nature retreat. Desperate for a change of pace, they decide to go home in each other's stead to see how the other half lives.

It doesn't take long to realize swapping lives might be more than they bargained for. Turns out, pretending to be a sister you hardly know can really complicate your previously non-existent love life. Navigating their new surroundings proves to be a precarious task, but turns out there's no better way to learn about yourself than by trying to live as someone else.

Thoughtful and entertaining." - *Kirkus*

"A unique coming-of-age story. . . a refreshing perspective on two women looking at the lives they think were set before them and realizing the opportunities that await them if they could just take a step away from the four walls they were raised in. . . A wholly original story of sisterhood." - *Hypable*

"Compelling. . . Both (...)

### **Author Bio**

**Christine Riccio** is the *New York Times* bestselling author of *Again, But Better*. She's been on a quest to encourage more humans to read since the third grade. Her YouTube channel PolandbananasBOOKS has over 410,000 book-loving subscribers. She makes comedic book reviews, vlogs, sketches, and writing videos chronicling the creation of her own novels. She's also one of the three YouTubers behind BOOKSPLOSION - YouTube's longest-running book club. She graduated from Boston University in 2012 with a degree in Film and TV and now lives in Los Angeles, CA.

St. Martin's Press

On Sale: Apr 11/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 448 pages

Includes color endpapers

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YA Fic / Romance / Romantic Comedy • Ages 12-18 years

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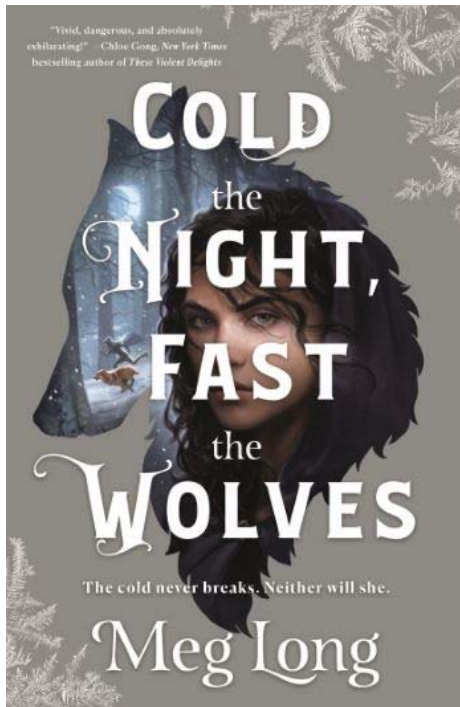
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 ST. MARTIN'S PRESS

## Cold the Night, Fast the Wolves

A Novel

by Meg Long

**Meg Long's *Cold the Night, Fast the Wolves* is a captivating, breathless debut about survival and found family that delivers a fresh twist on classic survival stories.**

***A lone girl determined to survive. The feral wolf she must learn to trust.***

***Only one chance to escape their icy planet: a race across the deadly tundra.***

Seventeen-year-old Sena Korhosen hates the sled race, especially after it claimed both her mothers' lives five years ago. Alone on her frozen planet, she makes money any other way she can - until she double-crosses a local gangster.

Desperate to escape, Sena flees with his prized fighting wolf, Iska, and takes an offer from a team of scientists. They'll pay her way off-world, on one condition - that she uses the survival skills her mothers taught her to get them to the end of the race. But the tundra is a treacherous place. When the race threatens their lives at every turn, Sena must discover whether her abilities are enough to help them survive the wild, and whether she and Iska together are strong enough to get them all out alive.

As the girl and (...)

### Author Bio

MEG LONG was born and raised in Louisiana and originally wanted to be a spy. Instead she somehow found herself teaching overseas in China and Malaysia before ending up in Colorado, where it snows entirely too much. She taught middle and high school for eight years before jumping to the tech industry as a content writer. When not reading or writing, she's kicking things at her Muay Thai gym with her boyfriend, playing video games, or obsessing over Sailor Moon fanart. *Cold the Night, Fast the Wolves* is her debut novel.

St. Martin's Press

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5.38 x 8.25 • 384 pages

Includes colored endpapers

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YA Fic / Fantasy / General • Ages 12-18 years

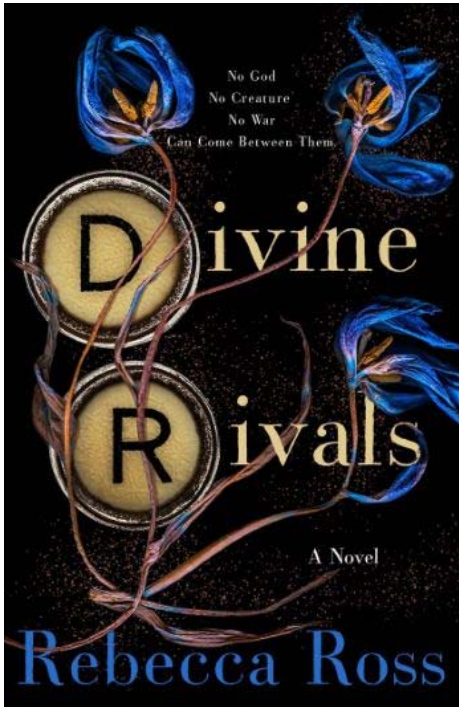
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ST. MARTIN'S PRESS

## Divine Rivals

A Novel

by Rebecca Ross

**When two young rival journalists find love through a magical connection, they must face the depths of hell, in a war among gods, to seal their fate forever.**

After centuries of sleep, the gods are warring again. But eighteen-year-old Iris Winnow just wants to hold her family together. Her mother is suffering from addiction and her brother is missing from the front lines. Her best bet is to win the columnist promotion at the Oath Gazette.

To combat her worries, Iris writes letters to her brother and slips them beneath her wardrobe door, where they vanish - into the hands of Roman Kitt, her cold and handsome rival at the paper. When he anonymously writes Iris back, the two of them forge a connection that will follow Iris all the way to the front lines of battle: for her brother, the fate of mankind, and love.

*Shadow and Bone* meets *Lore* in Rebecca Rose's *Divine Rivals*, an epic enemies-to-lovers fantasy novel filled with hope and heartbreak, and the unparalleled power of love.

## Author Bio

REBECCA ROSS was born and raised in Georgia, where she continues to reside with her husband, her lively Australian Shepherd, and her endless piles of books. She loves coffee, the night sky, chalk art, maps, the mountains, and growing wildflowers in her yard. And a good story, of course. She is the author of *The Queen's Rising*, *The Queen's Resistance*, *Sisters of Sword and Song*, *Dreams Lie Beneath*, and *A River Enchanted*

St. Martin's Press

On Sale: Apr 4/23

6.12 x 9.25 • 368 pages

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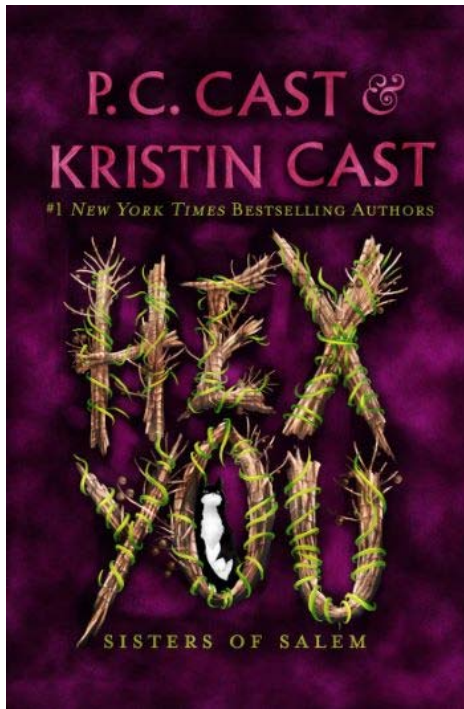
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Ages 13-18 years

## Notes

## Promotion





 ST. MARTIN'S PRESS

## Hex You

Sisters of Salem

by P. C. Cast and Kristin Cast

Twin sisters, Mercy and Hunter are witches, direct descendants of the Goode family, the founders of their town. After the murder of their mother at the hands of a foul demon, they have become the protectors of the Gates to different underworlds - ancient portals between their world and realms where mythology rules and the darkest of creatures exist.

Mercy and Khenti are trapped in the Ancient Egyptian Underworld and need Hunter's help to escape. But while Hunter searches for a way to save them, other threats loom over Goodeville. Amphitrite is still around-and she wants vengeance against Hunter. With the gates weakening with every passing day, Amphitrite lures out some deadly creatures and sets them free on the residents of Goodeville. It will take everything in Mercy and Hunter's power to stop the goddess and seal the gates once and for all.

## Author Bio

P.C. Cast is the author of the House of Night novels, including *Marked*, *Betrayed*, *Chosen*, and *Untamed*.

Ms. Cast is a #1 *New York Times* and USA Today Best-Selling author and a member of the Oklahoma Writers Hall of Fame. With more than 20 million copies in print in over 40 countries, her novels have been awarded the prestigious Oklahoma Book Award, YALSA Quick Pick for Reluctant Readers, Romantic Times Reviewers' Choice Award, the Prism, Holt Medallion, Daphne du Maurier, Booksellers' Best, and the Laurel Wreath.

Ms. Cast was born in the Midwest and grew up being shuttled back and forth between Illinois and Oklahoma, which is where she fell in love with Quarter Horses and mythology. After high school she joined the United States Air Force and began public speaking and writing. After her tour in the USAF, she taught high school for 15 years before retiring to write full time. She now lives in Oregon surrounded by beloved cats, dogs, horses, and family.

**Kristin Cast** is a #1 *New York Times* and #1 *USA Today* bestselling author who teams with her mother to write the wildly successful HOUSE OF NIGHT series. She has editorial credits, a thriving t-shirt line, and a passion for all things paranormal. When away from her writing desk, Kristin loves going on adventures with her friends, family, and significant other, playing with her dogs (Grace Kelly and Hobbs the Tiny Dragon), and is obsessed with her baby.

St. Martin's Press

On Sale: Jan 31/23

6.12 x 9.25 • 320 pages

Includes map

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YA Fic / Fantasy / Wizards & Witches • Ages 12-18 years

Series: Sisters of Salem

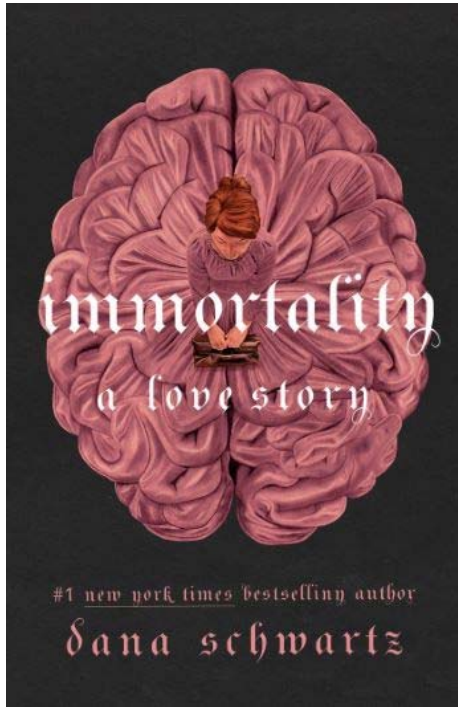
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 ST. MARTIN'S PRESS

## Immortality: A Love Story

by Dana Schwartz

***Immortality: A Love Story* is the eagerly-anticipated sequel to Dana Schwartz's #1 bestselling gothic romance, *Anatomy: A Love Story*.**

Hazel Sinnett is alone. She's half-convinced the events of the year before - the immortality, Beecham's vial - were a figment of her imagination. She doesn't even know if Jack is alive or dead. All she can really do is run her free clinic, helping people and maintaining Hawthornden Castle as it starts to decay around her.

When saving a life leads to her arrest, Hazel seems doomed to rot in prison until a message intervenes: Hazel has been specifically requested to be the personal physician of Princess Charlotte, the sickly daughter of King George IV. Soon Hazel is dragged into the glamor and romance of a court where everyone has something to hide, especially the enigmatic, brilliant social club known as the Companions to the Death.

As Hazel's work entangles her more and more with the British court, she realizes that her own future as a surgeon isn't the only thing at stake for her. Malicious forces are at work in the monarchy, and Hazel may be the only one capable of setting things right.

Praise for *Anatomy: A Love Story*:

Irreverent, intelligent and smart, Dana Schwartz is one of the brightest of the next generation of young writers." - Neil Gaiman, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author

"Schwartz's magical novel is at once gripping and tender, and the intricate plot (...)

## Author Bio

Dana Schwartz is a television writer and the creator of the number-one charting history podcast *Noble Blood*. As a journalist and critic, Dana has written for *Entertainment Weekly*, *Marie Claire*, *Glamour*, *GQ*, *Cosmopolitan*, *Vanity Fair* and more. She lives in Los Angeles with her fiancé, and their cats Eddie and Beetlejuice. Her books include *Choose Your Own Disaster*, *The White Man's Guide to White Male Writers of the Western Canon*, and *Anatomy: A Love Story*.

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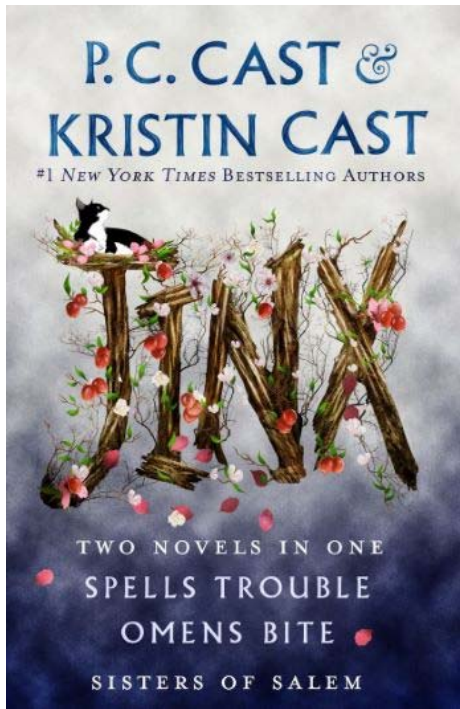
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## Jinx

A 2-in-1 Sisters of Salem Collection

by P. C. Cast and Kristin Cast

A 2-in-1 bindup of the first two books of the *Sisters of Salem* series, *SPELLS TROUBLE* and *OMENS BITE* by *New York Times* bestseller P.C. Cast and Kristin Cast!

Twin sisters, Mercy and Hunter are witches, direct descendants of the Goode family, the founders of their town. After the murder of their mother at the hands of a foul demon, they have become the protectors of the Gates to different underworlds--ancient portals between their world and realms where mythology rules and the darkest of creatures exist.

In *Spells Trouble*, when Hunter and Mercy's mother becomes the first victim in a string of murders, the devastated sisters vow to avenge her death. But it will take more than magic to rein in the ancient mythological monsters who've infected their peaceful town. Now Hunter and Mercy must come together and accept their destiny or risk being separated for good.

In *Omens Bite*, grief has taken a terrible toll on the twins. Rather than bringing them together, their sadness has torn them apart, driving Mercy to attempt to save the crumbling Gates without her twin and Hunter into the arms of a dangerous goddess. While Mercy looks for aid from Khenti, Guardian of the Egyptian Underworld, Hunter begins to realize the goddess she's allied with is more monster than deity. She needs her sister's help, but Mercy is beyond her reach on an adventure that could cost them everything, including (...)

## Author Bio

P.C. Cast is the author of the House of Night novels, including *Marked*, *Betrayed*, *Chosen*, and *Untamed*.

Ms. Cast is a #1 *New York Times* and USA Today Best-Selling author and a member of the Oklahoma Writers Hall of Fame. With more than 20 million copies in print in over 40 countries, her novels have been awarded the prestigious Oklahoma Book Award, YALSA Quick Pick for Reluctant Readers, Romantic Times Reviewers' Choice Award, the Prism, Holt Medallion, Daphne du Maurier, Booksellers' Best, and the Laurel Wreath.

Ms. Cast was born in the Midwest and grew up being shuttled back and forth between Illinois and Oklahoma, which is where she fell in love with Quarter Horses and mythology. After high school she joined the United States Air Force and began public speaking and writing. After her tour in the USAF, she taught high school for 15 years before retiring to write full time. She now lives



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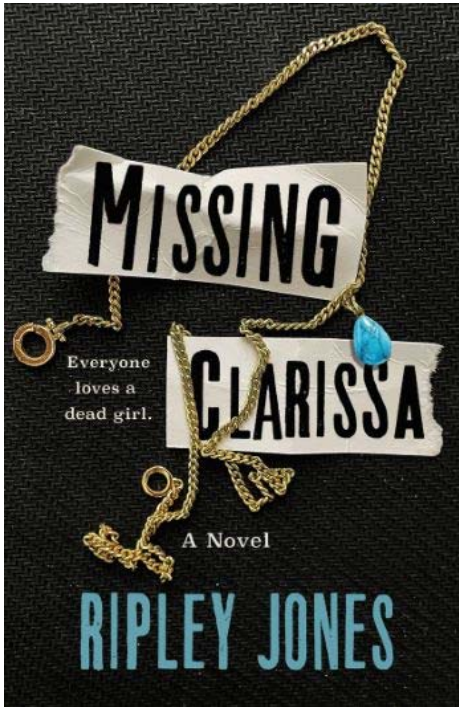
YA Fic / Fantasy / Wizards & Witches • Ages 12-18 years

Series: Sisters of Salem

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## Missing Clarissa

A Novel

by Ripley Jones

**Perfect for fans of *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder*, Ripley Jones's *Missing Clarissa* is a gripping novel about two friends who start a true crime podcast - with dangerous consequences.**

In August of 1999, dazzlingly popular cheerleader Clarissa Campbell disappears from a party in the woods outside the rural town of Oreville, Washington and is never seen again. The police question her friends, teachers, and the adults who knew her - who all have something to hide. And thanks to Clarissa's beauty, the mystery captures the attention of the nation. But with no leads and no body, the case soon grows cold. Despite the efforts of internet sleuths and true-crime aficionados, Clarissa is never found - dead or alive.

Over twenty years later, Oreville high-school juniors and best friends Blair and Cameron start a true crime podcast, determined to unravel the story of what - or who - happened to this rural urban legend. In the process they uncover a nest of dirty small-town secrets, the sordid truth of Clarissa's relationship with her charismatic boyfriend, and a high school art teacher turned small-town figurehead who had a very good reason for wanting Clarissa dead. Such a good reason, in fact, that they might have to make him the highlight of their next episode. . .

But does an ugly history with a missing girl make him guilty of murder? Or are two teenage girls about to destroy the life of an innocent man - and help the true killer walk free?

Ripley Jones writes like a switchblade: quick, sharp, and straight to the jugular. This is the writer you've been waiting for. Ripley does not disappoint."  
- Justina Ireland, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Dread Nation* and *Deathless Divide*

## Author Bio

RIPLEY JONES is a person of interest.

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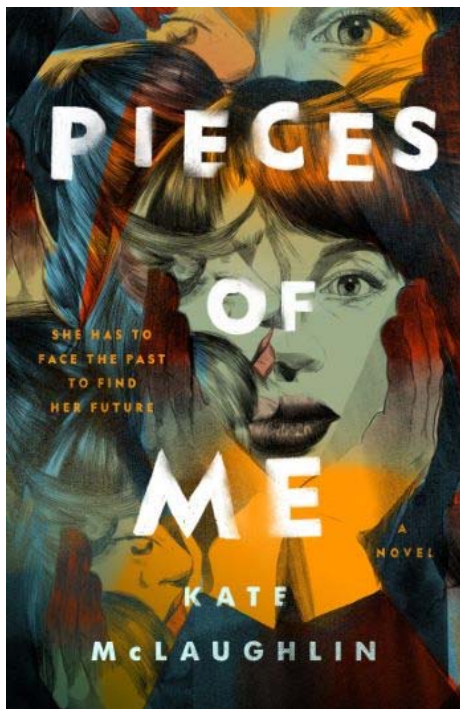
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## Pieces of Me

by Kate McLaughlin

***The next gut-punching, compulsively readable Kate McLaughlin novel, about a girl finding strength in not being alone.***

When eighteen-year-old Dylan wakes up, she's in an apartment she doesn't recognize. The other people there seem to know her, but she doesn't know them - not even the pretty, chiseled boy who tells her his name is Connor. A voice inside her head keeps saying that everything is okay, but Dylan can't help but freak out. Especially when she borrows Connor's phone to call home and realizes she's been missing for three days.

Dylan has lost time before, but never like this.

Soon after, Dylan is diagnosed with Dissociative Identity Disorder, and must grapple not only with the many people currently crammed inside her head, but that a secret from her past so terrible she's blocked it out has put them there. Her only distraction is a budding new relationship with Connor. But as she gets closer to finding out the truth, Dylan wonders: will it heal her or fracture her further?

Kate McLaughlin's *Pieces of Me* is raw, intimate, and surprisingly hopeful.

***Pieces of Me* is a chilling, yet empathetic, look into Dissociative Identity Disorder. With her calm, pure, voice, Kate McLaughlin delves deep into the crevices of this misunderstood disorder and a young woman's (...)**

## Author Bio

KATE MCLAUGHLIN grew up in rural Nova Scotia with only her imagination and the Bay of Fundy to keep her entertained. That imagination was encouraged by her mother, and Kate began writing at age eight. She's published more than 50 books under different pen names, including *What Unbreakable Looks Like*, *Daughter*, and *Pieces of Me*. She, her husband Steve, and her four fur-kids live in Connecticut.

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### **Swift the Storm, Fierce the Flame**

by Meg Long

In Meg Long's *Swift the Storm, Fierce the Flame*, a girl hellbent on finding the friend she lost races against time on a planet approaching corporate destruction. Only one way to find answers amidst the chaos: team up with a traitor to help stage a revolution.

### **Author Bio**

MEG LONG was born and raised in Louisiana and originally wanted to be a spy. Instead she somehow found herself teaching overseas in China and Malaysia before ending up in Colorado, where it snows entirely too much. She taught middle and high school for eight years before jumping to the tech industry as a content writer. When not reading or writing, she's kicking things at her Muay Thai gym with her boyfriend, playing video games, or obsessing over Sailor Moon fanart. *Cold the Night, Fast the Wolves* is her debut novel.

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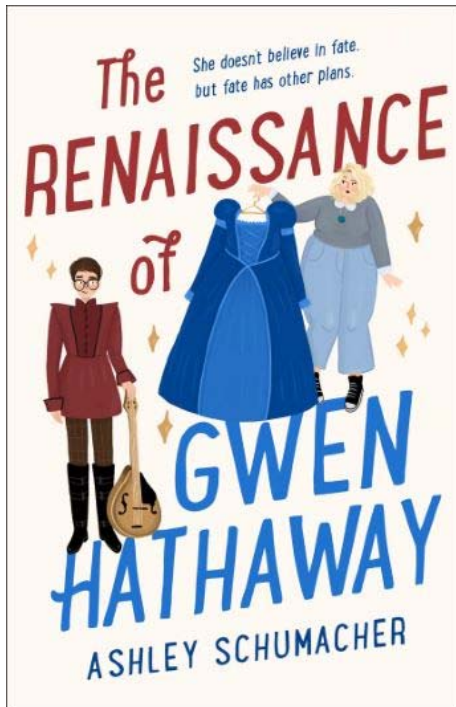
YA Fic / Science Fic / General • Ages 12-18 years

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## The Renaissance of Gwen Hathaway

by Ashley Schumacher

***Dumplin'* meets *Well Met* in this novel about finding your place in the world, learning love is a risk worth taking, and discovering what happens when you take your fate into your own hands.**

Since her mother's death, Madeline Gwen" Hathaway has been determined that nothing in her life will change ever again. That's why she keeps extensive lists in journals, has had only one friend since childhood, and looks forward to the monotony of working the ren faire circuit with her father. Until she arrives at her mother's favorite end-of-tour stop to find the faire is under new management and completely changed.

Meeting Arthur, the son of the new owners and an actual lute-playing bard, messes up Maddie's plans even more. For some reason, he wants to be her friend - and ropes her into becoming Princess of the Faire. Now Maddie is overseeing a faire dramatically changed from what her mother loved and going on road trips vastly different from the routine she used to rely on. Worst of all, she's kind of having fun.

Ashley Schumacher's *The Renaissance of Gwen Hathaway* is filled with a wise old magician who sells potion bottles, gallant knights who are afraid of horses and ride camels instead, kings with a fondness for theatrics, a lazy river castle moat with inflatable crocodile floaties, and a plus-sized heroine with a wide open heart. . . if only she just admits it.

**"Set in one of my favorite places in the world - a Renaissance Faire full of jousts, royalty, bards, and castles - this is a wise, beautiful (...)**

### Author Bio

Ashley Schumacher is the author of *Amelia Unabridged* and *Full Flight* and has a degree in creative writing from the University of North Texas. When she's not reading or writing, she's either singing Disney songs, finding new and exciting ways to pester her family, or trying to find her inside voice, which has been sadly missing since birth. She lives in a small town north of Dallas with her husband, son, and more books than is strictly necessary.

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## The Witch and the Vampire

by Francesca Flores

**Francesca Flores's *The Witch and the Vampire* is a queer Rapunzel retelling where a witch and a vampire who trust no one but themselves must journey together through a cursed forest with danger at every turn.**

Ava and Kaye used to be best friends. Until one night two years ago, vampires broke through the magical barrier protecting their town, and in the ensuing attack, Kaye's mother was killed, and Ava was turned into a vampire. Since then, Ava has been trapped in her house. Her mother Eugenia needs her: Ava still has her witch powers, and Eugenia must take them in order to hide that she's a vampire as well. Desperate to escape her confinement and stop her mother's plans to destroy the town, Ava must break out, flee to the forest, and seek help from the vampires who live there. When there is another attack, she sees her opportunity and escapes.

Kaye, now at the end of her training as a Flame witch, is ready to fulfill her duty of killing any vampires that threaten the town, including Ava. On the night that Ava escapes, Kaye follows her and convinces her to travel together into the forest, while secretly planning to turn her in. Ava agrees, hoping to rekindle their old friendship, and the romantic feelings she'd started to have for Kaye before that terrible night.

But with monstrous trees that devour humans whole, vampires who attack from above, and Ava's stepfather tracking her, the woods are full of danger. As they travel deeper into the forest, Kaye questions everything she thought she knew. The two are each other's greatest threat - and also their only hope, if they want to make it through the forest unscathed.

## Author Bio

Francesca Flores is a writer, traveler and linguist. Raised in Pittsburgh, she read every fantasy book she could get her hands on and started writing her own stories at a young age. She began writing *Diamond City* while working as a corporate travel manager. When she's not writing or reading, Francesca enjoys traveling, dancing ballet and jazz, practicing trapeze and contortion, and visiting parks and trails around San Francisco, where she currently resides.

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## When You Get the Chance

A Novel

by Emma Lord

*When You Get the Chance* is a bighearted YA novel about falling in love, making a mess, and learning to let go, from Emma Lord, the *New York Times* bestselling author of the Reese Witherspoon YA Book Club pick *You Have a Match*.

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**\*\*An Indie Next Pick\*\***

Nothing will get in the way of Millie Price's dream of becoming a Broadway star. Not her lovable but super introverted dad, who raised Millie alone since she was a baby. Not her drama club rival, Oliver, who is the very definition of Simmering Romantic Tension. And not her Millie Moods," the feelings of intense emotion that threaten to overwhelm. Millie needs an ally. And when an accidentally left-open browser brings Millie to her dad's embarrassingly moody LiveJournal from 2003, Millie knows just what to do - find her mom.

But how can you find a new part of your life and expect it to fit into your old one without leaving any marks? And why is it that when you go looking for the past, it somehow keeps bringing you back (...)

## Author Bio

Emma Lord (she/her) is a digital media editor and writer living in New York City, where she spends whatever time she isn't writing either running or belting show tunes in community theater. She graduated from the University of Virginia with a major in psychology and a minor in how to tilt your computer screen so nobody will notice you updating your fan fiction from the back row. She was raised on glitter, a whole lot of love, and copious amounts of grilled cheese. Her books include *Tweet Cute*, *You Have a Match*, and *When You Get the Chance*

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## Where Darkness Blooms

by Andrea Hannah

Andrea Hannah's *Where Darkness Blooms* is a young adult supernatural thriller where the sunflower fields surrounding a small, eerie town whisper secrets and the land is hungering for blood.

*The flowers see everything.*

The town of Bishop is known for exactly two things: recurring windstorms and an endless field of sunflowers that stretches farther than the eye can see. And women - *missing* women. So when Delilah, Jude, Whitney and Bo's mothers go missing, no one in Bishop is surprised. The case is shut and the girls are left with a dusty old house and the shattered pieces of their lives. Until the wind kicks up a terrible secret at their mothers' much delayed memorial.

Delilah just wants to move on. She's been looking after them all since their mothers went missing with the help of her boyfriend, Bennett. They just have one tiny problem: every time Bennett touches her she feels an unbearable pain searing through her.

Whitney would like for the women in her life to stop disappearing. Or dying. First, she lost her mother. Then, she lost her girlfriend, Eleanor. She finds some relief when she visits an old weathervane from the time the town was founded where she can hear Eleanor's voice asking her for more. But more *what*?

Jude, Whitney's twin sister, would rather stay home and ignore it all, but the wind kicks up her secret, too: her summer fling with Bennett, Delilah's boyfriend, that (...)

## Author Bio

Andrea Hannah is an award-winning author, essayist, and workshop leader. She teaches on living a healthy creative life at her Wild Heart Retreats and writes about making art. She is the author of *Where Darkness Blooms*

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## Wildblood

A Novel

by Lauren Blackwood

**A thrilling new fantasy from *New York Times* bestselling author Lauren Blackwood!**

Eighteen-year-old Victoria is a Wildblood. Kidnapped at the age of six and manipulated by the Exotic Lands Touring Company, she's worked as a tour guide ever since with a team of fellow Wildbloods who take turns using their magic to protect travelers in a Jamaican jungle teeming with ghostly monsters.

When the boss denies Victoria an earned promotion to team leader in favor of Dean, her backstabbing ex, she's determined to prove herself. Her magic may be the most powerful on the team, but she's not the image the boss wants to send their new client, Thorn, a renowned goldminer determined to reach an untouched gold supply deep in the jungle.

Thorn is everything Victoria isn't - confident, impossibly kind, and so handsome he leaves her speechless. And when he entrusts the mission to her, kindness turns to mutual respect, turns to affection, turns to love. But the jungle is treacherous, and between hypnotic river spirits, soul-devouring women that shed their skin like snakes, and her ex out for revenge, Victoria has to decide - is promotion at a corrupt company really what she wants?

A fierce, lush fantasy by *New York Times* bestselling author Lauren Blackwood, *Wildblood* tells the story of a girl who must find the strength to defeat the demons of the jungle as well as her own to find where she truly belongs.

## Author Bio

LAUREN BLACKWOOD is a Jamaican American living in Virginia who writes Romance-heavy Fantasy for most ages. When not writing, she's a musician and a tiramisu connoisseur. She's the *New York Times* bestselling author of *Within These Wicked Walls* and *Wildblood*

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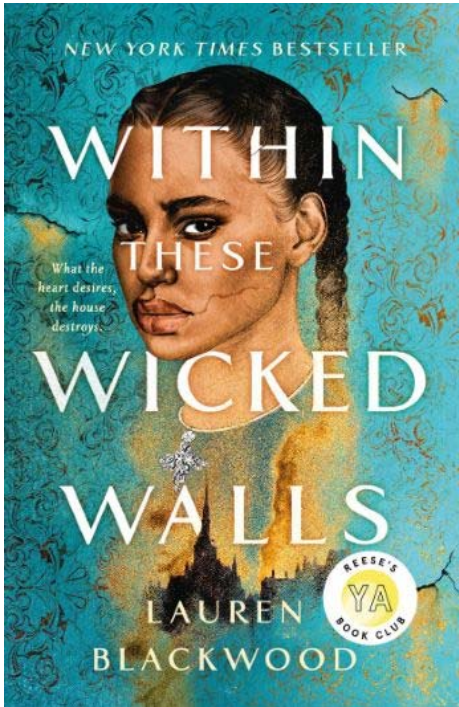
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## Within These Wicked Walls

A Novel

by Lauren Blackwood

The instant *New York Times* bestseller and Reese's Book Club Fall 2021 YA Pick, now in paperback!

*What the heart desires, the house destroys. . .*

Andromeda is a debtera - an exorcist hired to cleanse households of the Evil Eye. She *would* be hired, that is, if her mentor hadn't thrown her out before she could earn her license. Now her only hope of steady work is to find a Patron - a rich, well-connected individual who will vouch for her abilities.

When a handsome young heir named Magnus Rochester reaches out to hire her, she takes the job without question. Never mind that he's rude and demanding and eccentric, that the contract comes with a number of outlandish rules. . . and that almost a dozen debtera had quit before her. If Andromeda wants to earn a living, she has no choice.

But she quickly realizes this is a job like no other, with horrifying manifestations at every turn, and that Magnus is hiding far more than she has been trained for. Death is the most likely outcome if she stays, the reason every debtera before her quit. But leaving Magnus to live out his curse alone isn't an option because - heaven help her - she's fallen for him.

Stunningly romantic, Lauren Blackwood's heartstopping Ethiopian inspired *Jane Eyre* retelling, *Within* (...)

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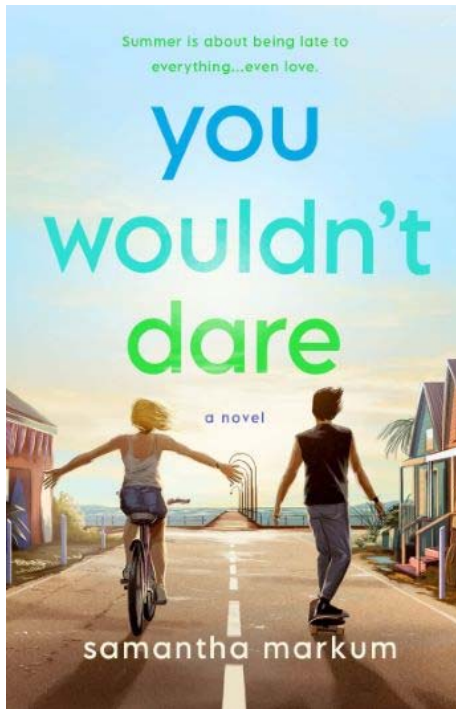
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## You Wouldn't Dare

by Samantha Markum

**Perfect for fans of Nina Moreno, *Gilmore Girls*, and Sarah Dessen, *You Wouldn't Dare* will wrap you up in a sun-drenched, salt-scented hug and refuse to let you go." - Amanda Quain, author of *Accomplished: A Georgie Darcy Novel***

***A rom com about trying to have the summer of your life before everything changes - only to realize change might be exactly what you need. . .***

When Juniper Nash Abreheart kissed Graham Isham for the first time, she had no idea it would nearly be the end of their friendship.

More specifically, she had no idea that the terrible, unforgivable thing she did to keep their summer fling a secret wouldn't just ruin their friendship, but also Graham's entire life. Now, months since the fallout, Junie and Graham spend most of their time sidestepping conversational landmines on the journey back to normalcy.

Junie is sure the strangeness between her and Graham is her biggest problem - until her mom hires Tallulah, her boyfriend's surly teenage daughter, to work at their family cafe, and then announces they'll all be moving in together at the end of the summer. The only bright spot ahead is Junie's dad's upcoming visit, just in time for her community theater production. And then poor turnout soon threatens that.

But when Junie starts to realize (...)

## Author Bio

Samantha Markum was born and raised in St. Louis, Missouri with an eight year intermission in Florida, where she mostly just collected sunburns. When she's not writing, she can be found begging her dog for attention, buying too many candles, and ignoring the dust bunnies gathering in her house. When she is writing, you can find her staring at the wall in search of inspiration. She is the author of *This May End Badly* and *You Wouldn't Dare*

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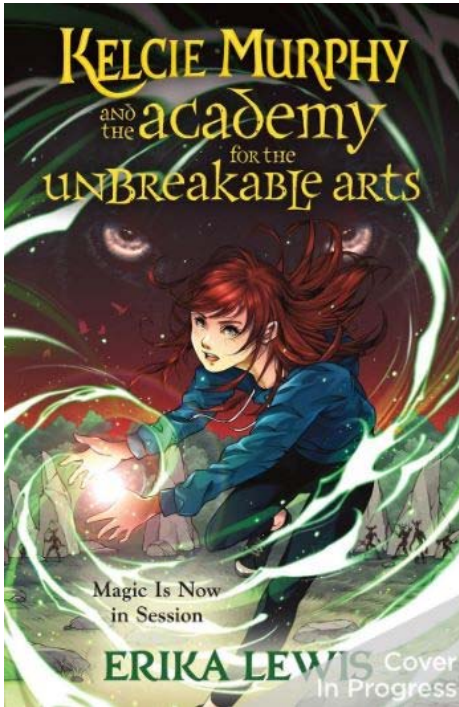
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## Kelcie Murphy and the Academy for the Unbreakable Arts

by Erika Lewis, Consultant Editor Bess Cozby

*The School for Good and Evil* meets *Amari and the Night Brothers* in this debut middle-grade fantasy, *Kelcie Murphy and the Academy for the Unbreakable Arts*, perfect for readers who've ever wondered: What if Harry Potter had been sorted into Slytherin?

The Otherworld is at war. The Academy for the Unbreakable Arts trains warriors. And Kelcie Murphy - a foster child raised in the human world - is dying to attend.

A place at AUA means meeting Scathach, the legendary trainer of Celtic heroes. It means learning to fight with a sword. It means harnessing her hidden powers and - most importantly - finding out who her parents are, and why they abandoned her in Boston Harbor eight years ago.

When Kelcie tests into the school, she learns that she's a Saiga, one of the most ancient beings in the Otherworld. Secretive, shunned, and possessed of imposing elemental powers, the Saiga are also kin to the Otherworld's most infamous traitor.

But Kelcie is a survivor, and she'll do whatever it takes to find her parents and her place in their world. Even if that means making a few enemies.

Brimming with Celtic mythology, action, and danger, Erika Lewis's *Kelcie Murphy and The Academy for the Unbreakable Arts* introduces readers to a new kind of magical school and a warrior who must choose with which side of an epic battle her destiny will lie.

Be prepared, it will be hard to take a break (...)

### Author Bio

Erika Lewis grew up in Alexandria, Virginia, where she spent most of her childhood riding her dirt bike through Fort Ward, the Union Army Civil War stomping grounds. She graduated from Vanderbilt University and went on to earn a master's degree from Georgia State University and an advanced certificate in creative writing from Stony Brook University. The author of *Game of Shadows*, *The Color of Dragons*, *Firebrand* and more, *The Academy for the Unbreakable Arts* is her middle grade debut.







## Kelcie Murphy and the Hunt for the Heart of Danu

by Erika Lewis, Consultant Editor Bess Cozby

**Kelcie Murphy is back in another action-packed middle grade adventure, *Kelcie Murphy and the Hunt for the Heart of Danu!*, the second book in Erika Lewis's magical series infused with Celtic mythology, *The Academy for the Unbreakable Arts*.**

It's hard having a father who's an infamous traitor. It's even harder having a mother who's an omen of doom.

After a summer away, Kelcie Murphy is excited to be back at the Academy for the Unbreakable Arts. But she and her friends have barely settled in when they receive a visit from her mother - the war goddess, Nemain - with a warning of coming calamity.

The Heart of Danu, the legendary source of all light and warmth in the Lands of Summer, is going to be stolen. And only Kelcie and her mates can stop it. As they travel with the rest of the students to Summer City to take part in the glorious Ascension Ceremony, Kelcie has no time for the military parade, the lavish ball, or even to visit her father: she's determined to protect the Heart and her new home.

But the Lands of Summer are still not a welcoming place for Kelcie. When disaster strikes, the Queen, the High Guard, and even some of her schoolmates suspect Kelcie is to blame.

As the world is plunged into darkness, Kelcie will have to decide: does she keep fighting for a place that may always see her as a (...)

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## Blood Debts

by Terry J. Benton-Walker

**Terry J. Benton-Walker's contemporary fantasy debut, *Blood Debts*, is a conjuring of magnificence" (Nic Stone) with powerful magical families, intergenerational curses, and deadly drama in New Orleans.**

Thirty years ago, a young woman was murdered, a family was lynched, and New Orleans saw the greatest magical massacre in its history. In the days that followed, a throne was stolen from a queen.

On the anniversary of these brutal events, Clement and Cristina Trudeau - the sixteen-year-old twin heirs to the powerful, magical, dethroned family - are mourning their father and caring for their sick mother. Until, by chance, they discover their mother isn't sick - she's cursed. Cursed by someone on the very magic council their family used to rule. Someone who will come for them next.

Cristina, once a talented and dedicated practitioner of Generational magic, has given up magic for good. An ancient spell is what killed their father and she was the one who cast it. For Clement, magic is his lifeline. A distraction from his anger and pain. Even better than the random guys he hooks up with.

Cristina and Clement used to be each other's most trusted confidant and friend, now they barely speak. But if they have any hope of discovering who is coming after their family, they'll have to find a way to trust each other and their family's magic, all while solving the decades-old murder that sparked the still-rising tensions (...)

## Author Bio

TERRY J. BENTON-WALKER grew up in rural GA and now lives in Atlanta with his husband and son, where he writes fiction for adults, young adults, and children. He has an Industrial Engineering degree from Georgia Tech and an MBA from Georgia State. When he's not writing, he can be found gaming, eating ice cream, or both. *Blood Debts* is his first novel.

Tor

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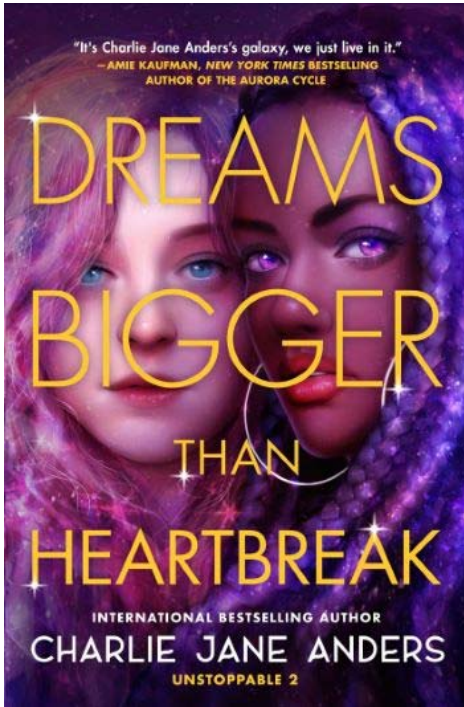
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YA Fic / Fantasy / Contemporary • Ages 13 years and up

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## Promotion





## Dreams Bigger Than Heartbreak

by Charlie Jane Anders

From the international bestselling author of *All the Birds in the Sky*, Charlie Jane Anders, comes *Dreams Bigger Than Heartbreak*, the sequel to *Victories Greater Than Death* in the thrilling adventure *Unstoppable* series.

**They'll do anything to be the people they were meant to be - even journey into the heart of evil.**

**Rachael Townsend** is the first artist ever to leave Earth and journey out into the galaxy - but after an encounter with an alien artifact, she can't make art at all.

**Elza Monteiro** is determined to be the first human to venture inside the Palace of Scented Tears and compete for the chance to become a princess - except that inside the palace, she finds the last person she ever wanted to see again.

**Tina Mains** is studying at the Royal Space Academy with her friends, but she's not the badass space hero everyone was expecting.

Soon Rachael is journeying into a dark void, Elza is on a deadly spy mission, and Tina is facing an impossible choice that could change all her friends lives forever.

### Praise for Charlie Jane Anders and *Victories Greater Than Death* :

"A wickedly funny voice that the world really needs right now." - LeVar Burton, *Reading Rainbow, Roots, Star Trek*

" *Victories Greater Than Death* is a gorgeous romp through the galaxy, full (...)

### Author Bio

Charlie Jane Anders is the author of *Victories Greater Than Death*, the first book in the young-adult *Unstoppable* trilogy, along with the short story collection *Even Greater Mistakes*. Her other books include *The City in the Middle of the Night* and *All the Birds in the Sky*. Her fiction and journalism have appeared in *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *Slate*, *McSweeney's*, *Mother Jones*, the *Boston Review*, *Tor.com*, *Tin House*, *Conjunctions*, *Wired Magazine*, and other places. Her TED Talk, "Go Ahead, Dream About the Future" got 700,000 views in its first week. With Annalee Newitz she co-hosts the podcast *Our Opinions Are Correct*.



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6.12 x 9.25 • 320 pages  
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YA Fic / Science Fic / Space Opera • Ages 13-18 years  
Series: *Unstoppable*

### Notes

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## Into the Light

by Mark Oshiro

**Mark Oshiro returns to their roots in a thrilling, ripped-from-the-headlines story of a young man wrestling with the pain that he's inherited, and hoping to build a better future, all with Oshiro's signature mix of raw emotions and gorgeously depicted queer love.**

Seventeen year old Luis Sullivan believes that while his life is different than others around him, he is - for the most part - a relatively normal teenager. He does lessons and chores alongside his friends, he loves his family, and he does his best to represent the community. After all, they are the *good* ones - the ones who will make a better world by living in the light.

Because they love and live The Reconciliation - they stay safe on the compound, and resist the evils outside.

Luis doesn't realize that the evil is already inside, and it isn't the handsome young intruder. . . it's been there all along. Now he and his friends will have to decide - follow the rules, or go rogue, and get to live.

Part thriller, part love-story, *Into the Light* is a dark, coming-of-age novel from master story-teller and award-winning author, Mark Oshiro, that examines the secrets families hide to keep each other close.

### Also by Mark Oshiro

*Anger is a Gift*

*Each of Us a Desert*

### Author Bio

MARK OSHIRO is the Hugo-nominated writer of the online Mark Does Stuff universe (Mark Reads and Mark Watches), where they analyze book and TV series. Their debut novel, *Anger Is a Gift*, was a recipient of the Schneider Family Book Award for 2019. Their lifelong goal is to pet every dog in the world.



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YA Fic / Coming Of Age • Ages 13-18 years

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### Promotion





## Promises Greater Than Darkness

by Charlie Jane Anders

***Promises Greater Than Darkness* marks the final installment of the international bestselling author Charlie Jane Anders's absolutely heart-stopping YA series, *Unstoppable***

Tina Mains was once just another human stuck on earth - but as the secret clone of a valorous alien leader, she always had expected to grow into greatness.

Now, after a harsh awakening about the fate of the universe and the reality of dangers from a past she can't remember, Tina is on the run with a group of ragtag rebels, including her beloved ex-space-princess-in-training Elza, and is faced with the ultimate test: should she give up her own life to live the one that was meant to be?

### Also by Charlie Jane Anders

#### Unstoppable

*Victories Greater Than Death*  
*Dreams Bigger Than Heartbreak*  
*Promises Greater than Darkness*

#### Other Books

*The City in the Middle of the Night*  
*Never Say You Can't Survive*  
*All the Birds in the Sky*

### Author Bio

CHARLIE JANE ANDERS is the former editor-in-chief of *io9*, the popular Gawker Media site devoted to science fiction and fantasy. Her debut novel, *All the Birds in the Sky*, won the Nebula, Locus, and Crawford Awards and was on *Time*'s list of the ten best novels of 2016. Her award-winning short fiction (including "Six Months, Three Days") has appeared on *Tor.com*, as well as *Wired*, *Slate*, *Tin House*, *Conjunctions*, *Boston Review*, *Asimov's Science Fiction*, *The Magazine of Fantasy & Science Fiction*, *McSweeney's Internet Tendency*, *ZYZZYVA*, and several anthologies. She is also well-known for her journalism, having contributed to *Salon*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *Mother Jones*, and many other outlets. Charlie Jane also has multiple regional platforms, teaching genre-writing courses and organizing San Francisco's popular literary event "Writers With Drinks."

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YA Fic / Science Fic / Alien Contact • Ages 13-18 years

Series: Unstoppable

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## Be With Me

by Jessica Cunsolo

**Jessica Cunsolo's *With Me* series continues with Jason and Jackson Parker who are all grown up now and ready to follow in their brother Aiden's footsteps.**

Sisters Siena and Gia Amato have just moved to King City. On their first night in town, Siena is almost run over by the devastatingly handsome Jason Parker who's trying to evade arrest after getting caught drag-racing by the police. While the circumstances of their meeting are less than ideal, Siena can't deny the instant attraction she feels for him - even if it goes against every one of her "good girl" instincts. When a classmate goes missing and Siena's life is endangered, she and Jason are thrust together. Suddenly, the stakes are even higher, and more than their hearts are on the line.

Jessica Cunsolo's trademark blend of romance and mystery will appeal to fans of Aiden and Amelia's story as well as new readers.

## Author Bio

Jessica Cunsolo's young adult series, *With Me*, has amassed over 140 million reads on Wattpad since she posted her first story, *She's With Me*, on the platform in 2015. The novel has since won a 2016 Watty Award for Best Teen Fiction and has been published in French, Spanish, and English. The story is also in development for TV with Sony Pictures Television. Jessica lives with her family and dog, Leo, just outside of Toronto, where she enjoys the outdoors and transforming her real-life awkward situations into plotlines for her viral stories. You can find her on Twitter @AvaViolet, on Instagram @jesscunsolo, or on Wattpad @AvaViolet.

Wattpad

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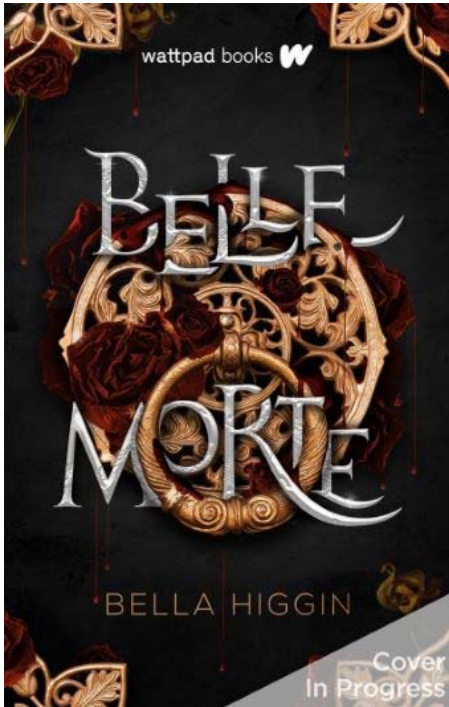
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## **Belle Morte** by Bella Higgin

*There's only one way out.*

Belle Morte. One of five houses where vampires reside as celebrities and humans are paid to be their living donors. While others came here seeking fortune, I came in search of my sister who walked into Belle Morte five months ago . . . and never walked back out.

Now that I'm here, the secrets about this world prove to be much bigger than I ever anticipated. And lurking around every corner are shocking insinuations regarding what happened to my sister.

There's only one person who might have the answers I need, and the undeniable pull I feel toward him is terrifying: Edmond Dantes - a vampire, and my mortal enemy.

The harder I try to resist him, the further I fall under his spell. And in one instant my life is irrevocably changed. My past becomes prologue and my fate becomes sealed behind these doors.

Belle Morte has spoken. And it may never let me go.

## **Author Bio**

Bella Higgin fell in love with vampire fiction after reading an illustrated copy of Dracula as a kid, so it was inevitable that her debut novel would be about vampires. She currently lives in a small English town not far from the sea, where she writes full-time. Her works on Wattpad have amassed more than twelve million reads. One day she hopes to have enough money to build a TARDIS in her garden.

Wattpad

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YA Fic / Romance / Paranormal • Ages 14-15 years

Series: Belle Morte

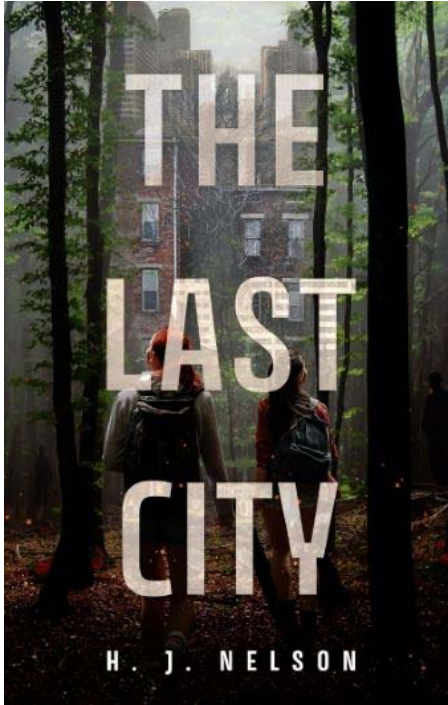
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## The Last City

by H. J. Nelson

The highly anticipated sequel to *The Last She*, which Goodreads has included in its Most Anticipated Young Adult Novels of December 2021

***Go back to the beginning, Ara. I made a mistake. It's not too late."***

These words from her father have driven Ara forward and have given her the will to live. And they eventually helped her to find Kayden, giving him hope that if there isn't a way out of this plague-ridden world, at least there might be an explanation for why it all happened in the first place.

Together they set out on an epic quest to do just that - go back to the beginning. To go home, to finally uncover what happened to Ara's family. Kayden wants that more than anything for her, and he'll do whatever it takes to make it happen - even if it means leaving everything else behind, even his brother, Sam.

Except once they arrive, nothing is as they expect. There are no answers, only more questions. And soon they're trapped in an underground civilization where they discover that secrets lie deeper than the city. The truth that surfaces rocks Ara to her core, and almost costs Kayden his life.

Left for dead, Sam surfaces only to get captured by a mysterious stranger - a haunting young woman (...)

## Author Bio

H.J. Nelson is an Idaho native who graduated from University of Wisconsin with degrees in Creative Writing and Wildlife Biology. She began writing on Wattpad in 2015, where her story *The Last She* was one of the most read science fiction stories in 2016 and 2017. Since then her works have been optioned for television by Sony and garnered over twelve million reads. She has also written for brands like General Electric, *Writer's Digest*, and *National Geographic*. When not writing, Nelson has lived on a boat in the British Virgin Isles, worked in two zoos and ridden an elephant through the jungles of Laos - though she considers raising two daughters her most dangerous adventure yet. You can sign up for her newsletter at [hjnelsonauthor.com](http://hjnelsonauthor.com), or find her on Instagram at [@h.j.nelson](https://www.instagram.com/h.j.nelson).

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Series: *The Last She*

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## The Last She

by H. J. Nelson

*Ara . . . I made a mistake, we all did . . . go back to the beginning . . . it's not too late.*

As the only female to survive the devastating virus, Ara hasn't seen another human in months - not since her father disappeared. The plague has swept away humanity, and Ara's world is desolate, haunted by the ghosts of her former life. Her mother. Her sister.

Kaden and his crew live by a code: stay alert, stay alive. When they catch Ara trying to steal from them, they are furious - and confused. She is the first girl they have seen in three years. And while Kaden knows taking her captive is wrong, he tells himself he's doing it to protect her. That the only place she'll be safe is with the clan, his new home. The world of men.

However, Ara is determined to follow through on her father's mission to go back to the beginning, and discover the truth about the plague - and nothing will stop her. As Kaden becomes mesmerized by Ara's will and beauty, he realizes that he will do anything to help her, even if it tears their worlds apart.

But going back to the beginning has consequences. Because the world of men isn't prepared for The Last She, and the odyssey to save themselves means Kayden and Ara have to leave behind everything they've come to know. To burn it down to the ground. In the ashes they can start (...)

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## Cursed Princess Club Volume One

by LambCat

*Just because you're cursed doesn't mean you're not special.*

Gwendolyn, the youngest of the King's three daughters, is living proof that princesses don't always have it all. She isn't like a typical fairy-tale princess, or other princesses in the Pastel Kingdom. Gwendolyn, with her big heart and love of baking, isn't particularly attractive. Unlike her sisters who have woodland creatures do their hair and makeup, or have flowers blossom wherever they sleep, Gwendolyn is a bit. . . different. So when her father proposes marriage for her and her sisters to make an alliance with the Plaid Kingdom, it breaks Gwendolyn's heart to hear that Prince Fredrick thinks she's really ugly." Overwhelmed and ashamed, she runs away into the forest and encounters the twisted world of the Cursed Princess Club, where her life will never be the same.

The Cursed Princess Club are a ragtag band of outcasts, misfits and cursed princesses who have created an incredible friendship circle. It is among these friends where Gwendolyn learns to embrace her uniqueness and find her people

### Author Bio

Lambcat is a small, omnivorous, and easily frightened creature who has burrowed deep into the Pacific Northwest to draw comics and make music. They can be lured out by Bill Evans records and frosted animal crackers.

Wattpad

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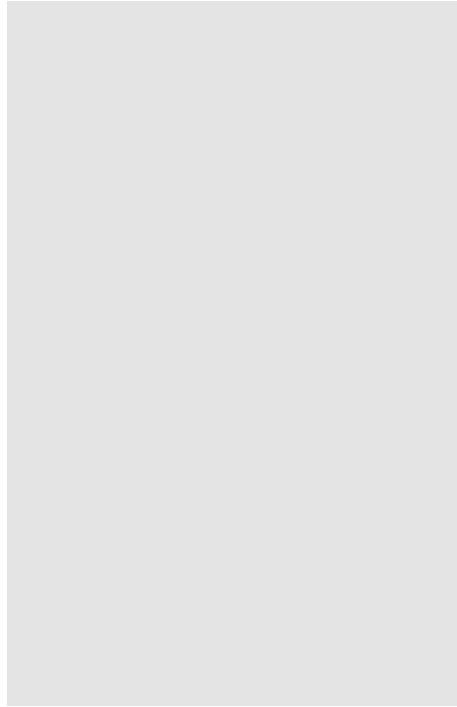
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## WEBTOON Untitled GN 1

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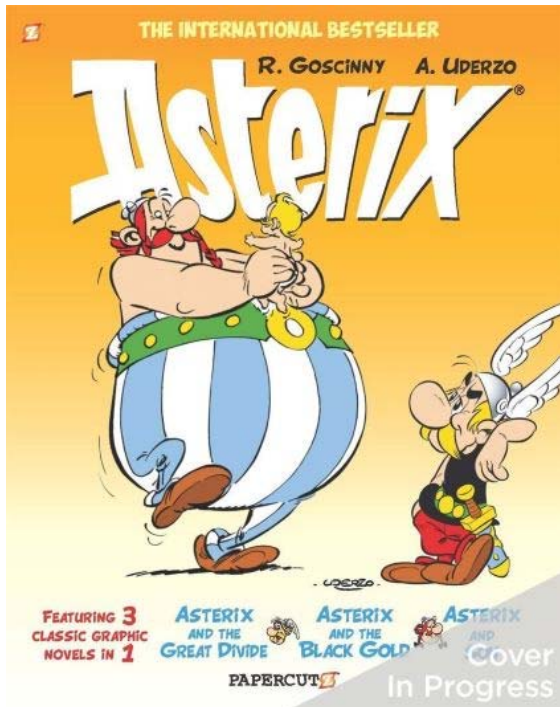
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**PAPERCUTZ**

## Asterix Omnibus #9

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## Author Bio

Rene Goscinny was born in Paris in 1926. After growing up in Argentina, he came to America where he shared a studio with future Mad magazine co-founder Harvey Kurtzman and collaborators Will Elder and Jack Davis. In 1959, he founded the magazine Pilote which premiered what was to become the most successful comic series anywhere: Asterix. He died suddenly cardiac arrest in 1977 at the age of 51.

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Series: Asterix

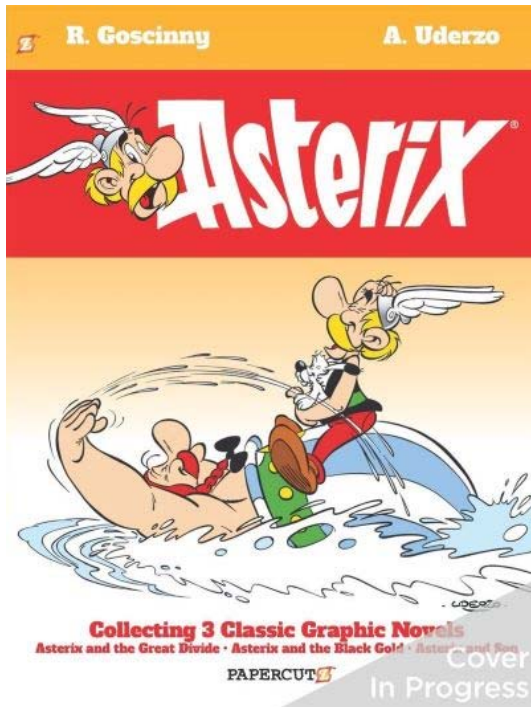
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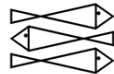
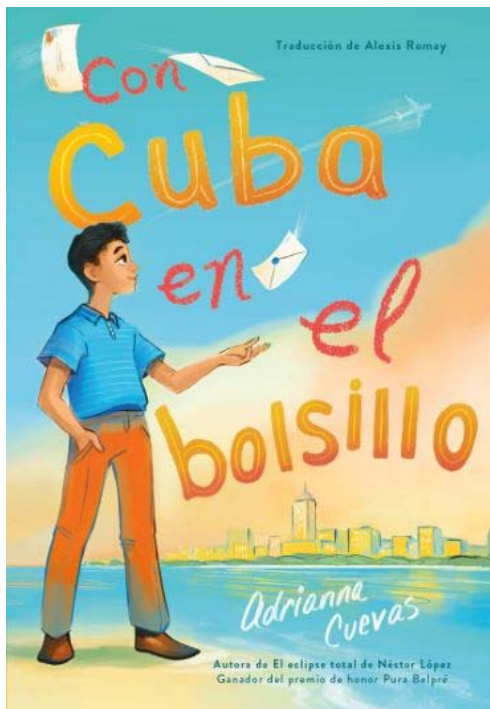
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## Winter 2023 MAC Prev. Postponed Kids



### Con Cuba en el bolsillo / Cuba in my Pocket (Spanish Edition)

by Adrianna Cuevas, translated by Alexis Romay

By Adrianna Cuevas, author of 2021 PuraBelpré Honor Book *The Total Eclipse of Nestor Lopez* comes *Con Cuba en el Bolsillo*, a sweeping, emotional middle grade historical novel about a twelve-year-old boy who leaves his family in Cuba to immigrate to the U.S. by himself, based on the author's family history.

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*I don't remember. Tell me everything, Pepito. Tell me about Cuba."*

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*Cuba in My Pocket* is an authentic and moving portrayal of a tragic era in Cuban history, told with (...)

#### Author Bio

**Adrianna Cuevas** is the author of *The Total Eclipse of Nestor Lopez* (FSG BYR, 2020) and *Cuba in My Pocket* (FSG BYR, 2021). She is a first-generation Cuban-American originally from Miami, Florida. After teaching Spanish and ESOL for sixteen years, she decided to pursue her passion for storytelling. Adrianna currently resides outside of Austin, TX with her husband and son where they enjoy hiking, traveling, and cooking lots of Cuban food.

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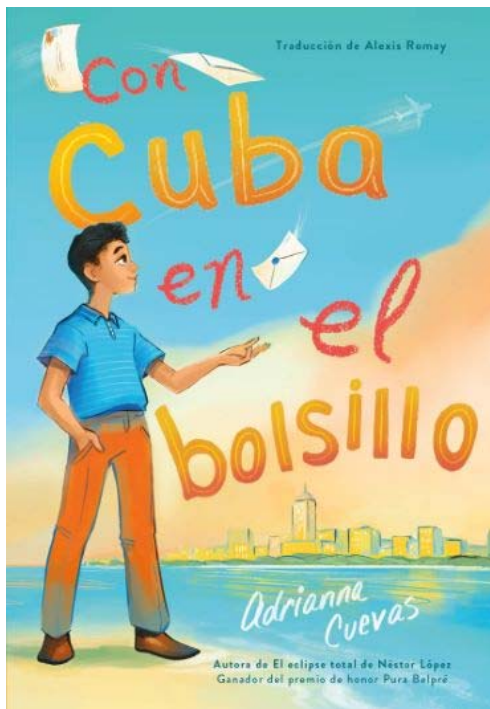
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**Adrianna Cuevas** is the author of *The Total Eclipse of Nestor Lopez* (FSG BYR, 2020) and *Cuba in My Pocket* (FSG BYR, 2021). She is a first-generation Cuban-American originally from Miami, Florida. After teaching Spanish and ESOL for sixteen years, she decided to pursue her passion for storytelling. Adrianna currently resides outside of Austin, TX with her husband and son where they enjoy hiking, traveling, and cooking lots of Cuban food.

Square Fish

On Sale: Apr 4/23

5.13 x 7.62 • 352 pages

9781250844576 • \$10.99 • pb

Juvenile Fiction / People & Places / US / Hispanic & Latino • Ages 8-12 years

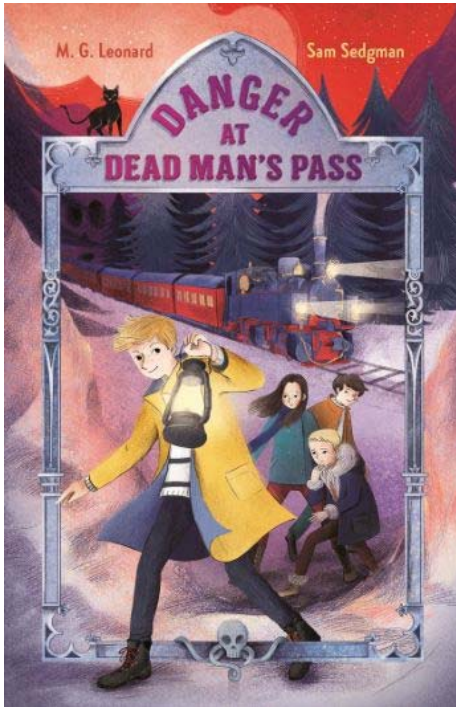
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#### Promotion

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## **Danger at Dead Man's Pass: Adventures on Trains #4**

by M. G. Leonard and Sam Sedgman, illustrated by Elisa Paganelli

***Danger at Dead Man's Pass*, the fourth book in the middle grade Adventures on Trains series by M.G. Leonard and Sam Sedgman with black-and-white illustrations from Elisa Paganelli, finds amateur sleuth Hal Beck dealing with a family curse and a possibly haunted railway line.**

*Curses aren't real. . . are they?*

Twelve-year-old artist and budding railway detective Hal Beck is back on the case. This time, he and his Uncle Nat have been invited by Baron Essenbach to help solve a mystery. . . a supernatural one. Because Essenbach thinks there might be something going on with his wife's family, the Kratzensteins. They are powerful German railway tycoons who are very rich - and maybe cursed.

After all, legend says that an ancestor of the Kratzensteins once made a deal with the devil.

Hal and Uncle Nat agree to help going undercover to spend time with the family and investigate. As more and more weirdness happens, can Hal solve this paranormal puzzle before it's too late

### **Author Bio**

**M. G. Leonard** has made up stories since she was a girl, but back then, adults called them lies or tall tales. As a grown-up, her books have been translated into over forty languages and won many awards. She lives in Brighton, England, with her husband, two sons, a cat, a dog, and a tank of exotic beetles. **Sam Sedgman** is an award-winning, bestselling novelist, and lifelong crime fiction enthusiast. He lives in London, where he once ran a company devising murder mystery treasure hunts. He grew up with a railway line at the bottom of his garden and has been fascinated by trains ever since. **Elisa Paganelli** was in Modena Italy and lives in the UK. She is the illustrator of the Adventures on Trains series.

Feiweil and Friends

On Sale: Feb 21/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 272 pages

black and white illustrations throughout

**9781250222961** • \$24.99 • CL - With dust jacket

Juvenile Fiction / Mysteries & Detective Stories • Ages

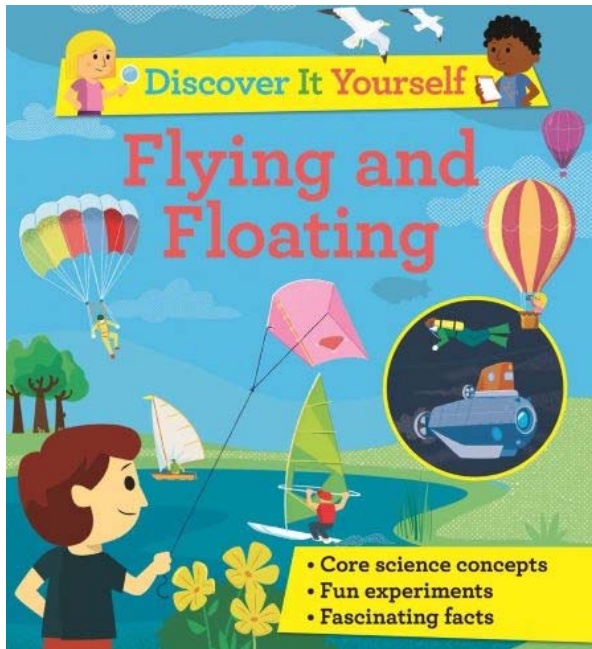
10-14 years

Series: Adventures on Trains

### **Notes**

### **Promotion**





## Discover It Yourself: Flying and Floating by David Glover

**A vibrant and hands-on approach to practical science experiments, *Discover It Yourself: Flying and Floating* is packed with scientific facts, experiments, and activities linked to air and water.**

Keen scientists can discover why air and water are essential to life on Earth, why the wind blows and the three forms of water. After learning the essential key facts, readers can find almost everything they need for the experiments around the home, and the materials and instructions are simply, safely, and clearly presented. Written by David Glover, this STEM-focused book will show readers how to make a hot-air pinwheel, fly your own homemade kite, build a waterwheel, and much more.

### Author Bio

David Glover has worked as a research scientist and as a teacher of math and science. He has written bestselling math and science books for all ages, from elementary schoolchildren to university students. He loves challenging puzzles and problems!

Kingfisher

On Sale: Apr 11/23

8.5 x 9.5 • 32 pages

9780753476703 • \$10.50 • pb

Juvenile Nonfiction / Science & Tech / Physics • Ages

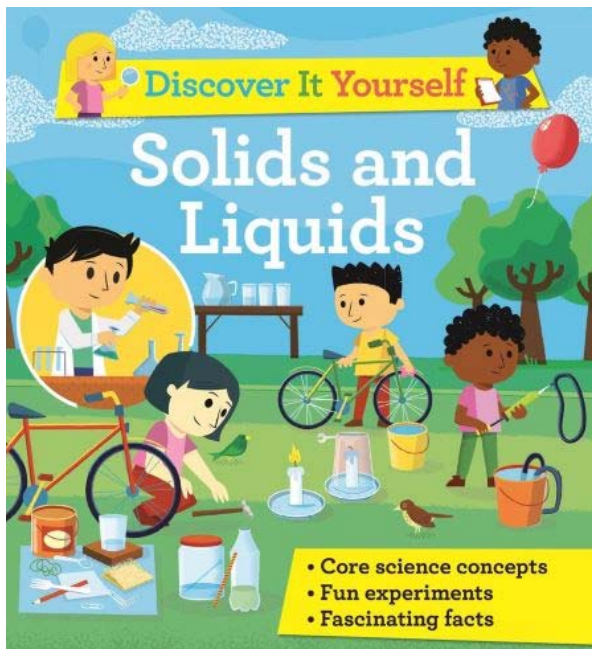
7 years and up

Series: Discover It Yourself

### Notes

### Promotion





## Discover It Yourself: Solids and Liquids by David Glover

**A vibrant and hands-on approach to practical science experiments, *Discover It Yourself: Solids and Liquids* is packed with scientific facts, experiments, and activities linked to liquids and solids.**

Keen scientists can discover the difference between man-made and natural materials, how chemical reactions occur, and why reusing and recycling is so important. After learning the essential facts, readers can find almost everything they need for the experiments around the home, and the materials and instructions are simply, safely, and clearly presented. Written by David Glover, this STEM-focused book will show readers how to make a whizzing chemical-powered rocket, build a rubber roadster, cook up some plastic, and much more.

### Author Bio

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Kingfisher

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8.5 x 9.5 • 32 pages

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Juvenile Nonfiction / Science & Tech / Physics • Ages

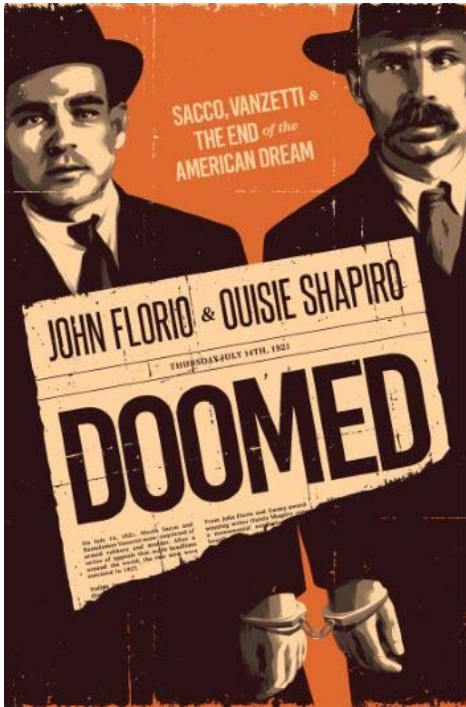
7 years and up

Series: Discover It Yourself

### Notes

### Promotion





### Doomed: Sacco, Vanzetti, and the End of the American Dream

by John Florio and Ouisie Shapiro

From John Florio and Emmy Award-winning writer Ouisie Shapiro comes a monumental YA nonfiction book about the heartbreaking case of Sacco and Vanzetti, two Italian immigrants who were wrongfully executed for murder.

In the early 1920s, a Red Scare gripped America. Many of those targeted were Italians, Eastern Europeans, and other immigrants.

When an armed robbery resulting in the death of two people broke headlines in Massachusetts, Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti - both Italian immigrants - were quick to be accused.

A heated trial ensued, but through it all, the two men maintained their innocence. The controversial case quickly rippled past borders as it became increasingly clear that Sacco and Vanzetti were fated for a death sentence. Protests sprang up around the world to fight for their lives.

Learn the tragic history we dare not repeat in *Doomed: Sacco, Vanzetti, and the End of the American Dream*, an action-packed, fast-paced nonfiction book filled with issues that still resonate today.

### Author Bio

**John Florio** is the author of *War in the Ring*, *One Nation Under Baseball*, and *One Punch from the Promised Land*. He's written for *The New York Times*, *The New Yorker*, *The Atlantic*, *The Nation*, and ESPN. Florio is on the faculty of the Stonecoast MFA creative writing program at the University of Southern Maine. He lives in Brooklyn, NY with his wife. **Ouisie Shapiro** is the author of *War in the Ring*, *One Nation Under Baseball*, and *One Punch from the Promised Land*. She's written for *The New York Times*, *The New Yorker*, *The Atlantic*, *The Nation*, and ESPN. Shapiro is also a six-time Emmy-award winning writer of television documentaries. She lives in Brooklyn, NY with her husband.

Roaring Brook

On Sale: Jan 24/23

6 x 9 • 208 pages

map, black-and-white photos

9781250621931 • \$26.99 • CL - With dust jacket

YA NonFic / History / United States / 20Th Century •

Ages 12-18 years

### Notes

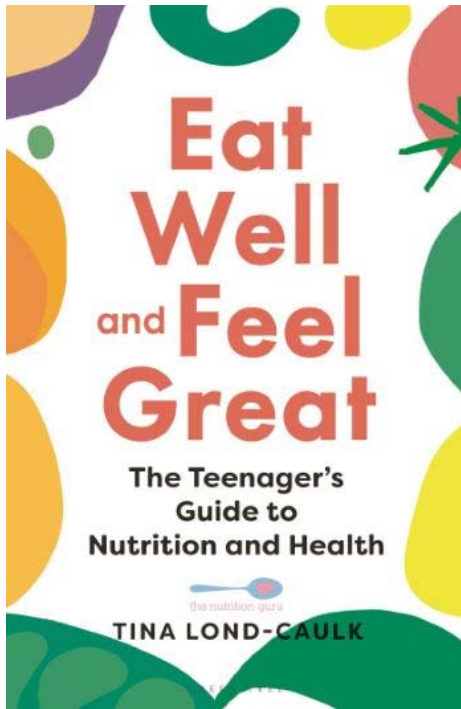
### Promotion

Outreach to Key Reviewers, Media, and School and Library Contacts<BR>E-galley Sent to Select Bloggers and Digital Influencers<BR>Included in Fierce Reads Social Media Promotions<BR>Featured at Select School, Library, and Bookseller Conferences and Conventions<BR>Promotions on Goodreads<BR>E-Galley Available for Download on NetGalley and Edelweiss<BR>A Fierce Reads Title—Visit [Fiercereads.com](https://www.fiercereads.com) to Learn More



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B L O O M S B U R Y

### **Eat Well and Feel Great**

The Teenager's Guide to Nutrition and Health

by Tina Lond-Caulk

**This easy-to-use and friendly handbook for teenagers will help you learn how to develop a healthy and loving relationship with your body and food. Packed with helpful tips and advice, in an easy-to-digest format.**

In no time at all you can dramatically improve the way you feel by making better choices in terms of both food and lifestyle habits. This will improve not only how you feel, but also your confidence and sense of wellbeing.

*Eat Well and Feel Great* shapes the health, wellbeing and self-esteem of current and future generations. It explains how simple changes have a profound effect on how you feel every day including your ability to focus and learn, reduce levels of stress and anxiety, improve sleep, increase confidence, optimise your wellbeing, maintain a healthy weight and, in the longer term, prevent diseases.

There are case studies from the author's clinical work that make it easy to understand how the smallest, simplest changes can have profound effects on your brain optimisation (focus/concentration), improve mood, decrease stress levels, reduce anxiety, help you maintain a healthy weight, improve sleep and skin health, and can even improve your IQ by simply stabilising your blood sugar.

### **Author Bio**

**Tina Lond-Caulk** has worked as a registered nutritionist for over 20 years, working with a number of high-profile medical practices in Harley Street and the world renowned Lanserhof Medical Clinic. She speaks to over 20,000 students every year. In addition to her first class BSc Honours degree in Nutrition, she has post-graduate training in behavioural psychology and eating disorders and a specialist interest in nutrigenomics.

Alongside her clinical work she is the founder of the nationwide Food for Life programme - an educational programme for schools that hosts motivational talks and workshops to students and parents.

Bloomsbury

On Sale: Jan 24/23

6.02 x 9.21 • 240 pages

9781399401944 • \$30.00 • pb

YA NonFic / Health & Daily Living / General • Ages 13 years and up

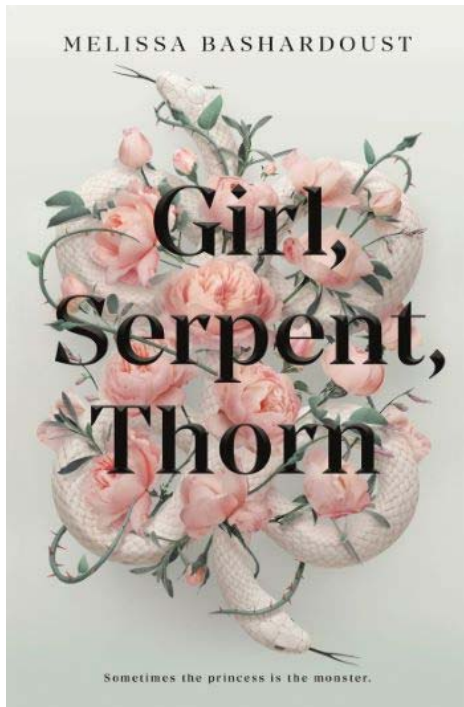
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### **Promotion**



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LEAD

## Girl, Serpent, Thorn by Melissa Bashardoust

**Melissa Bashardoust's *Girl, Serpent, Thorn* is an alluring feminist fairy tale" ( *Kirkus* ) about a girl cursed to be poisonous to the touch and who discovers what power might lie in such a curse.**

There was and there was not, as all stories begin, a princess cursed to be poisonous to the touch. But for Soraya, who has lived her life hidden away, apart from her family, safe only in her gardens, it's not just a story.

As the day of her twin brother's wedding approaches, Soraya must decide if she's willing to step outside of the shadows for the first time. Below in the dungeon is a demon who holds knowledge that she craves, the answer to her freedom. And above is a young man who isn't afraid of her, whose eyes linger not with fear, but with an understanding of who she is beneath the poison.

Soraya thought she knew her place in the world, but when her choices lead to consequences she never imagined, she begins to question who she is and who she is becoming. . . human or demon. Princess or monster.

**A Best Book of the Year ( *Booklist*, *BuzzFeed*, *Tor.com*, *Bank Street College of Education*, *Amazon.com*, *YALSA*, and more! )  
Book of the Month Club selection  
Junior Library Guild selection  
ALA's Best Fiction for Young Adults List  
ALA's Rainbow Book List**

A can't-miss LGBTQ+ YA fantasy that gleefully rewrites the fairy tale playbook." - **PopSugar.com**

"Bashardoust draws from (...)

## Author Bio

**Melissa Bashardoust** received her degree in English from the University of California, Berkeley, where she rediscovered her love for creative writing, children's literature, and fairy tales and their retellings. She currently lives in Southern California with a cat named Alice and more copies of *Jane Eyre* than she probably needs. *Girls Made of Snow and Glass* is her first novel.

Flatiron Books

On Sale: Apr 4/23

5.38 x 8.25 • 352 pages

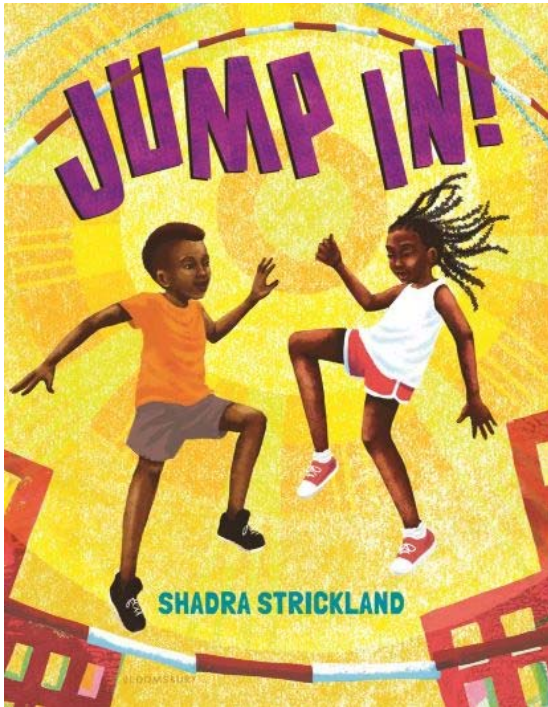
9781250196163 • \$15.99 • pb

YA Fic / Fantasy / Dark Fantasy • Ages 12-18 years

## Notes

## Promotion





B L O O M S B U R Y

### **Jump In!**

by Shadra Strickland

**This bright, joyful picture book celebrates a community at play!**

It's a sunny spring day, and the *tic tac tic tac* sound of jump ropes hitting the ground floats through the wind.

Jump in!"

Everyone lines up for a turn. The Delancy twins, double dutch divas. Leroy Jones with the hip-hop tricks. Even Ms. Mabel, showing the youngstas how it's done. And after a day of fun, when the street lights start to flicker, it's time to . . . jump out!

With a bold graphic style, read-aloud enhancing gatefolds, and an exuberance that leaps off the page, acclaimed artist Shadra Strickland's author/illustrator debut will make readers of all ages get up on their feet!

### **Author Bio**

Shadra Strickland, an Atlanta native, studied illustration and design at Syracuse University and earned her M.F.A. at New York's School of Visual Arts. Her first book, *Bird*, received the Coretta Scott King John Steptoe Award and was a Kirkus Reviews Best Children's Book. She currently resides in Brooklyn, New York.

Bloomsbury

On Sale: Jan 31/23

8.46 x 11.02 • 32 pages

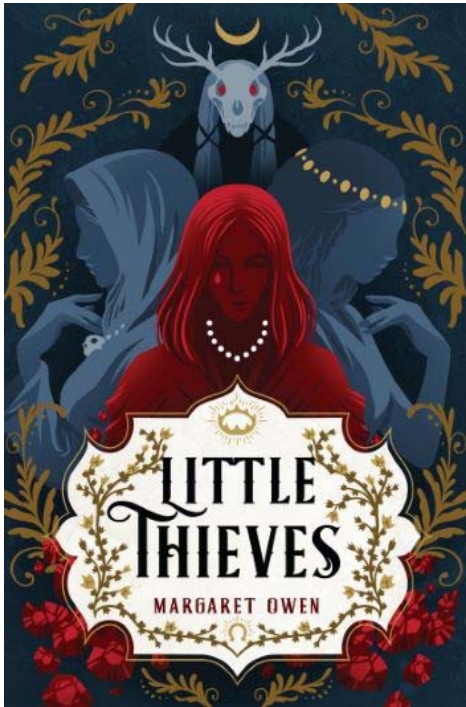
9781619635807 • \$24.99 • cl

Juvenile Fiction / Imagination & Play • Ages 4-8 years

### **Notes**

### **Promotion**





Square Fish  
On Sale: Mar 28/23  
5.38 x 8.25 • 512 pages  
**9781250853530** • \$16.99 • pb  
YA Fic / Fantasy / Dark Fantasy • Ages 14-18 years

### Notes

### Promotion

Bonus Material Included in Back-Of-Book<BR>Dedicated Title Page on Macmillan.com



### Little Thieves

by Margaret Owen

**A scrappy maid must outsmart both palace nobles and Low Gods in a new YA fantasy by Margaret Owen, author of the Merciful Crow series.**

*Once upon a time, there was a horrible girl. . .*

Vanja Schmidt knows that no gift is freely given, not even a mother's love - and she's on the hook for one hell of a debt. Vanja, the adopted goddaughter of Death and Fortune, was Princess Gisele's dutiful servant up until a year ago. That was when Vanja's otherworldly mothers demanded a terrible price for their care, and Vanja decided to steal her future back. . . by stealing Gisele's life for herself.

The real Gisele is left a penniless nobody while Vanja uses an enchanted string of pearls to take her place. Now, Vanja leads a lonely but lucrative double life as princess and jewel thief, charming nobility while emptying their coffers to fund her great escape. Then, one heist away from freedom, Vanja crosses the wrong god and is cursed to an untimely end: turning into jewels, stone by stone, for her greed.

Vanja has just two weeks to figure out how to break her curse and make her getaway. And with a feral guardian half-god, Gisele's sinister fiance, and an overeager junior detective on Vanja's tail, she'll have to pull the (...)

### Author Bio

**Margaret Owen** was born and raised at the end of the Oregon Trail and has worked in everything from thrift stores to presidential campaigns. The common thread between every job can be summed up as: lessons were learned. She now spends her days writing and negotiating a long-term hostage situation with her two monstrous cats. She is the author of the Merciful Crow series. In her free time, she enjoys exploring ill-advised travel destinations and raising money for social justice nonprofits through her illustrations. She resides in Seattle, Washington.







wattpad books 



## My Best Friend is A Secret Agent: Book 2

How C.H.I.P. Took a Dive to Dash Dr. Eelstrom's Dreams of Dunking Vortville  
by Richard Clark

*The boys are back . . . and making a SPLASH!*

In book 2 of the laugh-out-loud **My Best Friend is a Secret Agent** series, Nort and his best friend Chip will need to dive deep if they want to save their beloved city of Vortville!

This week's villain? **Thestinky**, *slimy* Dr. Eelstrom. His evil plan? Flood the whole city with super-salty, super-slimy water, and turn it into his personal underwater paradise! While Nort pulls out all the stops and every invention to keep Vortville afloat, C.H.I.P. expertly dodges Eelstrom's attacks. Can they stay secret long enough to solve these problems, or are they sunk even before they start?

## Author Bio

Richard Clark has written for many kids' TV shows on Disney, Nickelodeon, Netflix, CBC, BBC and many other foreign networks. He lives just outside of Toronto with his wife and their two children.

## About the Illustrator

Rich Murray has over thirty years' experience in illustration, animation and design for such clients as RBC, Energizer and Canadian Tire. He also designs mobile apps. He lives just outside of Toronto with his wife and son.

Wattpad

On Sale: Jul 18/24

5 x 7.5 • 164 pages

9781989365915 • \$12.99 • cl

Juvenile Fiction / Comics & Graphic Novels /

Humorous • Ages 7 years and up

## Notes

## Promotion



B L O O M S B U R Y

## Remind Me to Hate You Later

by Lizzy Mason

**A story about the pressures of social media, the lengths influencers will go to for fame, and the grief of losing a loved one to suicide, perfect for fans of Jandy Nelson and Gayle Forman.**

Seventeen-year-old Jules grew up in her mother's spotlight. A parenting influencer, Britt shares details of her daughter's life—pictures, intimate stories, insecurities, all to a point that becomes unbearable to Jules.

And suddenly she's gone.

Natalie has only barely begun to grieve her best friend Jules's death when Britt announces her plans to publish a memoir that will dissect Jules's life and death. But Nat knows the truth behind Britt's "perfect" Instagram feed—Jules hated the pressure, the inauthenticity, the persona. There's so much more to Jules than Britt and her followers could ever know. As Nat connects with Jules's boyfriend, Carter, and their shared grief and guilt bonds them, she becomes determined to expose Britt, to understand what really happened, and who is to blame.

In a world that feels distorted by celebrity and the manipulations of social media and public opinion, Natalie and Carter need something real to hold onto. *Remind Me to Hate You Later* is a moving account of grief, depression, complex relationships, love, and the search for truth.

You'll be obsessed." - *Cosmopolitan* on *THE ART* (...)

### Author Bio

**Lizzy Mason** grew up in northern Virginia before moving to New York City for college and a career in publishing. Now back in Virginia with her two cats, when not reading or writing, Lizzy loves to travel. She has visited forty-five states and eleven countries so far. She is the author of *Remind Me to Hate You Later*, *The Art of Losing*, and *Between the Bliss and Me*.  
www.lizzymasonbooks.com  
@LizzyMason21

Bloomsbury

On Sale: Feb 28/23

5.51 x 8.25 • 336 pages

**9781547609185** • \$24.99 • CL - With dust jacket

YA Fic / Social Themes / Death & Dying • Ages 13 years and up

### Notes

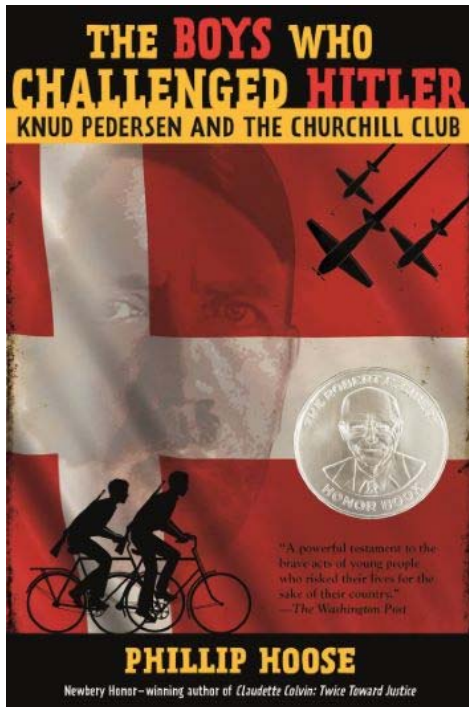
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Extensive independent bookseller campaign, including early mailings, downloadable assets on Edelweiss, and email outreach<BR>, Select author appearances, including trade shows and festivals<BR>, National media campaign, including teen/trade/women's media<BR>, Targeted influencer outreach across all platforms<BR>, Major school and library promotion, including conference appearances<BR>, Extensive social media promotion <BR>, Consumer email outreach



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## The Boys Who Challenged Hitler

Knud Pedersen and the Churchill Club

by Phillip Hoose

**A Robert F. Sibert Informational Book Honor Winner.**

***A true YA account of seven Danish teens who dared to fight the Nazi war machine, from a National Book Award- and Newbery Honor-winning author.***

At the outset of World War II, Denmark did not resist German occupation. Deeply ashamed of his nation's leaders, fifteen-year-old Knud Pedersen resolved with his brother and a handful of schoolmates to take action against the Nazis if the adults would not. Naming their secret club after the fiery British leader, the young patriots in the Churchill Club committed countless acts of sabotage, infuriating the Germans, who eventually had the boys tracked down and arrested. But their efforts weren't in vain: the boys' exploits and eventual imprisonment helped spark a full-blown Danish resistance. Interweaving his own narrative with the recollections of Knud himself, *The Boys Who Challenged Hitler* is National Book Award winner Phillip Hoose's inspiring story of these young war heroes.

This thoroughly-researched and documented book can be worked into multiple aspects of the common core curriculum.

**A Robert F. Sibert Informational Book Honor Winner** **A Boston Globe-Horn Book Nonfiction Honor Winner** **A Booklist Editors' Choice** **A Kirkus Reviews Best Book of the Year and Best Teen Book of the Year** **A School Library Journal Best Book of the Year** **A New York Public Library Notable** **A Washington Post Best Children's Book of 2015**

These teenagers risked all (...)

## Author Bio

Location: Portland, Maine

**Phillip Hoose** is an award-winning author of books, essays, stories, songs and articles. Although he first wrote for adults, he turned his attention to children and young adults in part to keep up with his own daughters. His book *Claudette Colvin* won a National Book Award and was dubbed a *Publisher's Weekly* Best Book of 2009. He is also the author of *Hey, Little Ant*, co-authored by his daughter, Hannah; *It's Our World, Too!*; *The Race to Save the Lord God Bird: The Boys Who Challenged Hitler*; and *We Were There, Too!*



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Square Fish

On Sale: Jan 3/23

6 x 9 • 208 pages

Black and white photos throughout

9781250104236 • \$16.99 • pb

YA NonFic / History / Military & Wars • Ages 12-18 years

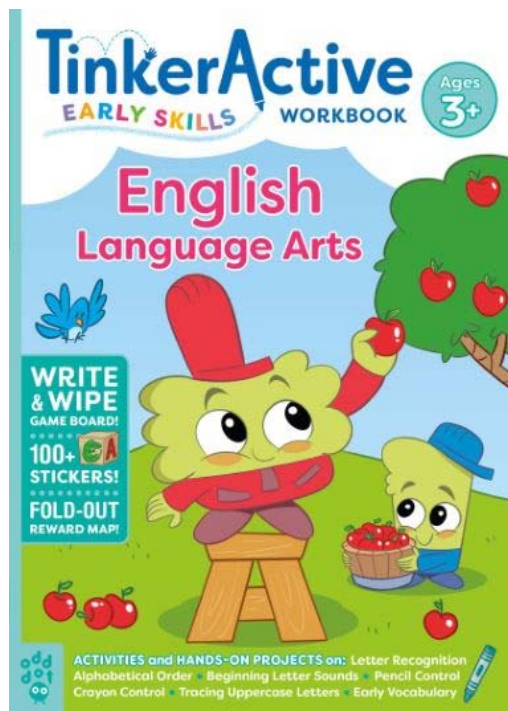
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Book<BR>Dedicated Title Page on Macmillan.com





## TinkerActive Early Skills English Language Arts Workbook Ages 3+

by Kate Avino, illustrated by Gustavo Almeida

**With TINKERACTIVE EARLY SKILLS WORKBOOKS, learning leaps off the page and into the small hands of your little learners.**

Start with interactive and entertaining exercises that cover the essential english language arts skills. Then kids apply what they've learned with simple and easy-to-follow hands-on tinkering, crafting, and engineering activities - using only common household materials always within reach. Or, practice and play again and again with the included write-and-wipe game board and activities.

A charming cast of characters will guide your child through every new concept and activity with cheer and humor. Plus, "Hey, Grown-Ups!" notes offer helpful and practical tips on how to engage and bond with your little tinkerer. Once your child has completed an activity, they've earned a sticker! Peel and place it on the included deluxe poster to complete your charming Tinker Town map!

TINKERACTIVE EARLY SKILLS WORKBOOKS are at the forefront of early childhood development, offering play-based learning, project-based learning, and hands-on tinkering activities perfect for 3 and 4 year olds.

Each Early Skills workbook is:

Created with AWARD-WINNING TEACHERS

Packed with CURRICULUM-BASED STEAM ACTIVITIES

Filled with TINKERING, CRAFTING, & ENGINEERING projects

Loaded with STICKERS so you can celebrate your child's progress with the FOLD-OUT POSTER

Packed with a WRITE-AND-WIPE game board and activities, so kids can practice and play again and again

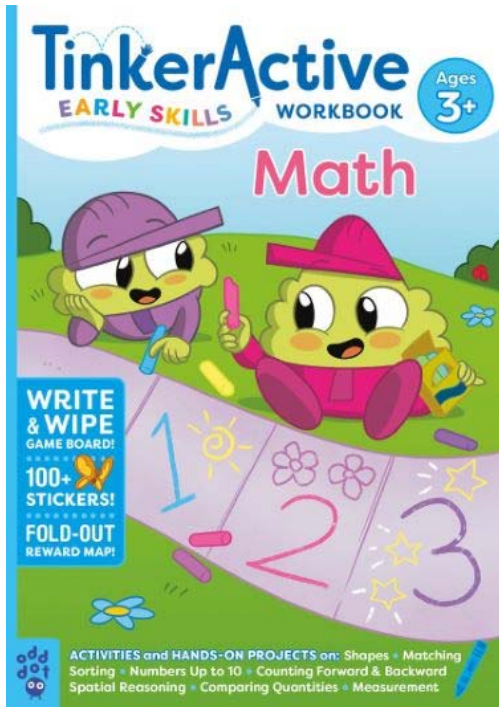
This workbook covers: Pencil Control, Crayon Control, Letter Recognition, Tracing (...)

## Author Bio

**Kate Avino** is an editor and author from New Jersey. As part of the Odd Dot editorial team, Kate has worked to provide kids of all ages with the tools, toys, and books they need to learn and grow. She's also the founder the online media conglomerate, Her Culture, which supports women's cultural exploration worldwide.

**Gustavo (Gus) Almeida** was born and raised in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. He





## TinkerActive Early Skills Math Workbook Ages 3+

by Nathalie Le Du, illustrated by Chad Thomas

**With TINKERACTIVE EARLY SKILLS WORKBOOKS, learning leaps off the page and into the small hands of your little learners.**

Start with interactive and entertaining exercises that cover the essential early math skills. Then apply what you've learned with simple and easy-to-follow hands-on tinkering, crafting, and engineering activities - all developmentally appropriate and only using common household materials always within reach. Or, practice and play again and again with the included write-and-wipe game board and activities. A charming cast of characters will guide your child through every new concept and activity with cheer and humor, and Hey, Grown-Ups!" notes offer helpful and practical tips on how to engage and bond with your child. Once your child has completed an activity, they've earned a sticker! Peel and place it on the included tri-fold poster to complete your charming Tinker Town map!

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This workbook covers: Same & Different, Sorting, Counting to 20, Quantities, Writing Numbers, Addition & Subtraction Fundamentals, Measurement, Spatial Reasoning, and Shapes.

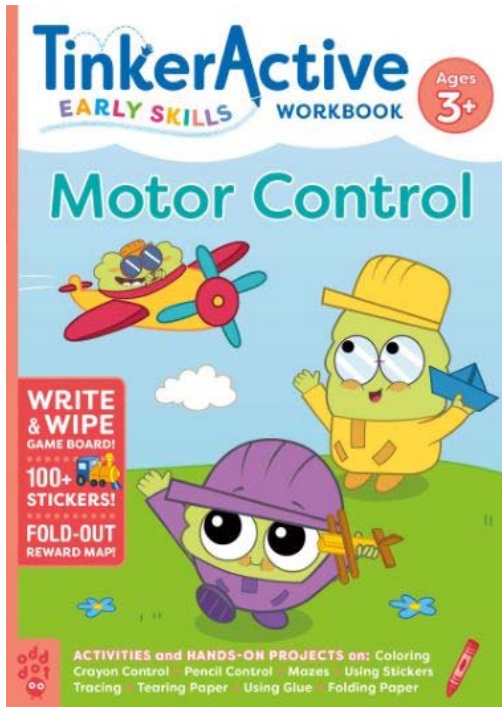
## Author Bio

Nathalie Le Du is a writer and editor of interactive books that kids write in, cut up, draw on, generally destroy, and ultimately learn from. Nathalie has been at the helm and in the pages of such brands as KUMON WORKBOOKS, BRAIN QUEST, STAR WARS WORKBOOKS, and the BIG FAT NOTEBOOKS. Nathalie is also a mom, native New Yorker, a first-generation American, and a proud product of public schools. Chad Thomas first picked up a pencil in 1983, decided to draw cartoons in 1988, and finally started getting paid for it in 2005. He loves his family, comic books and Star Wars, and will let his children



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## TinkerActive Early Skills Motor Control Workbook Ages 3+

by Enil Sidat, illustrated by Leo Trinidad

**With TINKERACTIVE EARLY SKILLS WORKBOOKS, learning leaps off the page and into the small hands of your little learners.**

Start with interactive and entertaining exercises that cover the essential motor control skills. Then kids apply what they've learned with simple and easy-to-follow hands-on tinkering, crafting, and engineering activities - using only common household materials always within reach. Or, practice and play again and again with the included write-and-wipe game board and activities.

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TINKERACTIVE EARLY SKILLS WORKBOOKS are at the forefront of early childhood development, offering play-based learning, project-based learning, and hands-on tinkering activities perfect for 3 and 4 year olds.

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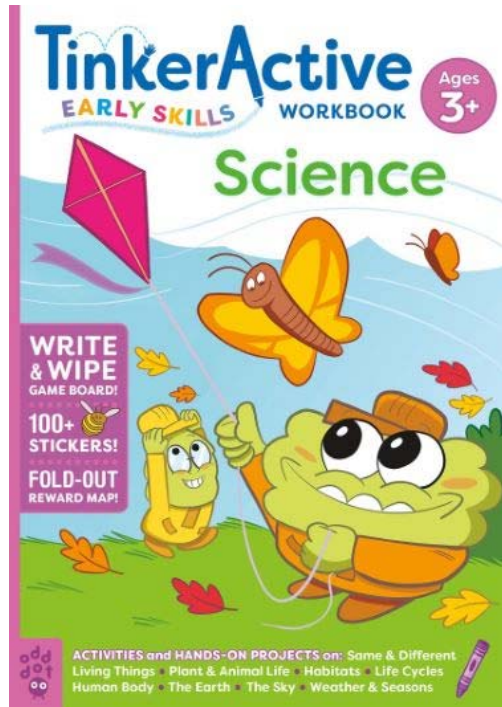
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## Author Bio

Enil Sidat is a writer of fiction and nonfiction for all ages across books, film, and TV. He loves to tinker, make, and engineer any number of projects. At any given time, he's joyful if not happy, learning if not winning, and playing as often as possible. **Leo Trinidad** is a comic book artist, illustrator and animator from Costa Rica. For 15 years he has been creating content for Children's Books and TV Shows. His creative career began many years before he graduated with honors from Veritas University in San Jose, Costa Rica.





## TinkerActive Early Skills Science Workbook Ages 3+

by Megan Hewes Butler, illustrated by Pat Lewis

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This workbook covers: Same & Different, Living Things, Plant & Animal Life, Habitats, Life Cycles, Human Body, The Earth, The Sky, Weather & Seasons

## Author Bio

Megan Hewes Butler, who has written several TinkerActive Workbooks, is a writer and producer who has been creating childrens' curriculum, games, and books for over 15 years. Megan lives, writes, and plays in Park Slope, Brooklyn with her husband and two sons. **Pat Lewis** is a freelance cartoonist/illustrator who lives in Pittsburgh, PA with his wife and two cats. His artwork has appeared in magazines such as Highlights for Children and Boys' Life, as well as books by Workman Publishing, Macmillan and McGraw-Hill. Some of his favorite things in this world are: flea markets, road trips, monster





## War in the Ring

by John Florio and Ouisie Shapiro

**In the years leading up to WWII, an American boxing hero competed against a German champion in what would become a historic battle of the nations.**

Joe Louis was born on an Alabama cotton patch and raised in a Detroit ghetto. Max Schmeling grew up in poverty in Hamburg, Germany. For both boys, boxing was a path out and a ladder up. Little did they know that they would one day face each other in a pair of matches that would capture the world's attention.

Joe grew into a symbol of inspiration to a nation of Black Americans hoping to carve a slice of the 'American Dream' in a racially fractured country. Max, on the other hand, became a Nazi symbol for the superiority of the Aryan race.

The battles waged between Joe and Max still resonate, and the cultural implications of the international sensation continue to reverberate far past the ring.

Thoroughly sourced, Florio and Shapiro's book celebrating Louis' life is a knockout." - *Booklist*

"Florio and Shapiro bring considerable skill to their lively telling of this multilayered slice of history. . . an honest account of the racism and anti-Semitism intertwined throughout and realistically portraying the complexities of Joe Louis and Max Schmeling]." - *Kirkus Reviews*

"Florio and Shapiro ( *One Nation Under Baseball* ) vividly recount the politically and racially charged rivalry between African-American boxing champion Joe Louis and white German boxer Max Schmeling" - *Publishers Weekly*

## Author Bio

**John Florio** is the author of *War in the Ring*, *One Nation Under Baseball*, and *One Punch from the Promised Land*. He's written for *The New York Times*, *The New Yorker*, *The Atlantic*, *The Nation*, and ESPN. Florio is on the faculty of the Stonecoast MFA creative writing program at the University of Southern Maine. He lives in Brooklyn, NY with his wife. **Ouisie Shapiro** is the author of *War in the Ring*, *One Nation Under Baseball*, and *One Punch from the Promised Land*. She's written for *The New York Times*, *The New Yorker*, *The Atlantic*, *The Nation*, and ESPN. Shapiro is also a six-time Emmy award

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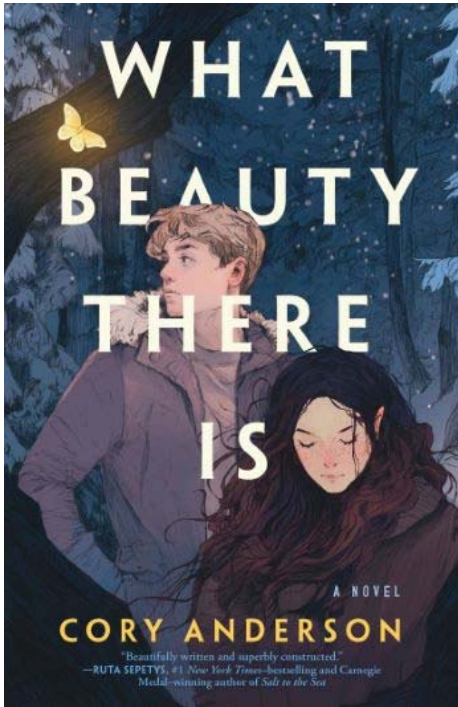
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by Cory Anderson

***What Beauty There Is* is Cory Anderson's stunning YA novel about brutality and beauty, and about broken people trying to survive - perfect for fans of Patrick Ness, Laura Ruby, and Meg Rosoff.**

*To understand the truth, you have to start at the beginning.*

Winter in Idaho. The sky is dark. It is cold enough to crack bones.

Living in harsh poverty, Jack Morton is holding his breath. He and his younger brother have nothing - except each other. And now Jack faces a stark choice: lose his brother to foster care or find the drug money that sent his father to prison.

He chooses the money.

Ava Bardem lives in isolation, a life of silence. For seventeen years her father, a merciless man, has controlled her fate. He has taught her to love no one. Now Victor Bardem is stalking the same money as Jack. When he picks up on Jack's trail, Ava must make her own wrenching choice: remain silent or speak, and help the brothers survive.

*Choices (...)*

### Author Bio

Cory Anderson is a winner of the League of Utah Writers Young Adult Novel Award and Grand Prize in the Storymakers Conference First Chapter Contest. She lives in Farmington, Utah with her family. *What Beauty There Is* is her debut novel.



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## Whistleblower

by Kate Marchant

***Kate Marchant, author of *Float*, presents a story about a young journalist who fights for the truth to come to light - even if it means she might lose everything . . .***

Laurel Cates, a junior at Garland University, has no desire for the spotlight. She's determined to complete her degree with as little fuss as possible. As a writer for Garland's school paper, the Daily, Laurel sticks to well-written fluff pieces. But when she uncovers a scandal involving the school's beloved football coach, Laurel knows she has to expose the truth.

Even if her classmates don't believe her.

Even if her boss threatens to fire her from her desperately-needed job.

And even if the superhot quarterback with a heart-of-gold, Bodie St. James, is hell-bent on stopping her from publishing.

In the aftermath of the article, Laurel's crush turns into her enemy as Bodie tries to protect the man who has been like a father to him. But as the interactions between the pair deepen, so too do their feelings for each other and an unlikely romance blossoms. Laurel soon realizes her uncompromising values will bring her closer to her desires, and closer to the truth-and closer to finding her voice

## Author Bio

Kate Marchant is an American author of Young Adult and New Adult contemporary fiction. Born and raised in Oakland, California, she began writing on the serialization fiction platform Wattpad when she was just fifteen. In 2017, she graduated magna cum laude from the University of Southern California with a degree in Creative Writing and a minor in Art. After a brief stint at a startup and a few years working at a private school, she now lives and writes in San Francisco.

Her debut novel, *Float*, is being adapted for the big screen and will star Robbie Amell and Andrea Bang.

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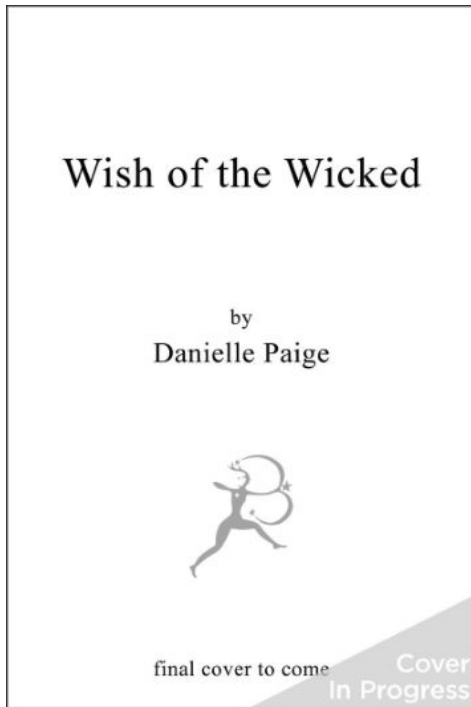
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## Wish of the Wicked by Danielle Paige

Bestselling author Danielle Paige puts a dark spin on fairy godmothers in a new YA series for fans of Brigid Kemmerer and Maleficent.

For centuries, the enchanted members of the Entente have worked in tandem with the Three Fates--the Present, the Past, and the Future--to maintain destiny across the Thirteen Queendoms. But when Queen Magrit learns of her untimely demise from Hecate, Fate of the Future, Magrit burns Hecate at the stake and decrees death to all Entente in order to live forever. But some survive, including sixteen-year-old Farrow, who hatches a dangerous plan to seek revenge. Along the way, she finds herself falling for the one person who could ruin everything. With life and love hanging in the balance, she must decide who to trust and what's most important: living in the past or forging a new future.

Bestselling author Danielle Paige launches a brand-new fairy godmother origin story full of intrigue, magic, and romance.

### Author Bio

**Danielle Paige** is the author of *Stealing Snow* and its prequel novellas *Before the Snow* and *Queen Rising*, as well as the *New York Times* best-selling Dorothy Must Die series: *Dorothy Must Die*, *The Wicked Will Rise*, *Yellow Brick War*, and seven prequel novellas. Before turning to young adult literature, she worked in the television industry, where she received a Writers Guild of America Award and was nominated for several Daytime Emmys. She is a graduate of Columbia University and currently lives in New York City.

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