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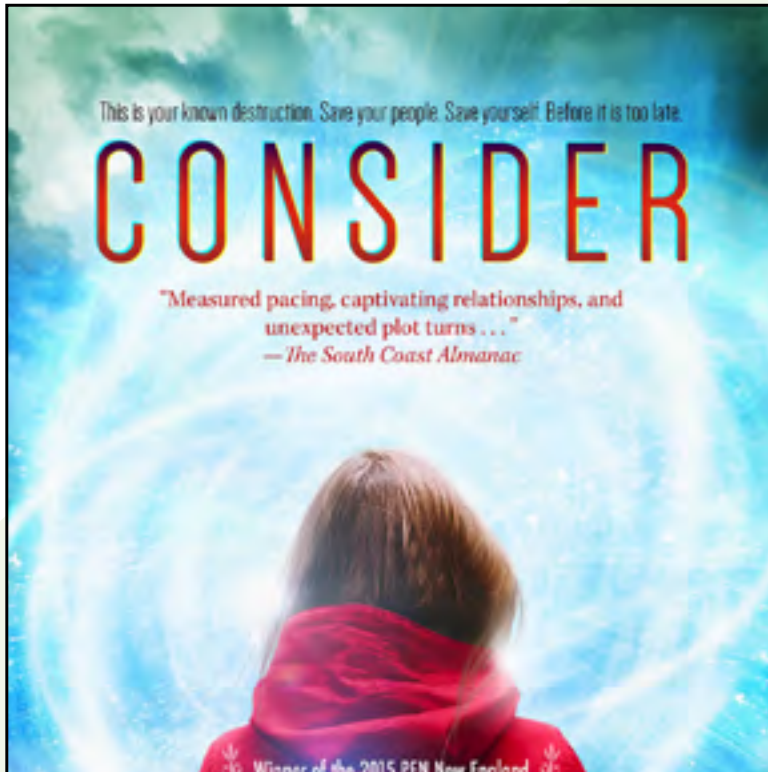
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ON DISPLAY IN OUR BOOTH AT BOLOGNA 2018**

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Title: CONSIDER (Holo Series, #1)

Author: Kristy Acevedo

Illustrator:

Category: Young Adult

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Jollyfish Press

Publisher Location: Jolly Fish Press/North Star Editions in Minnesota, US

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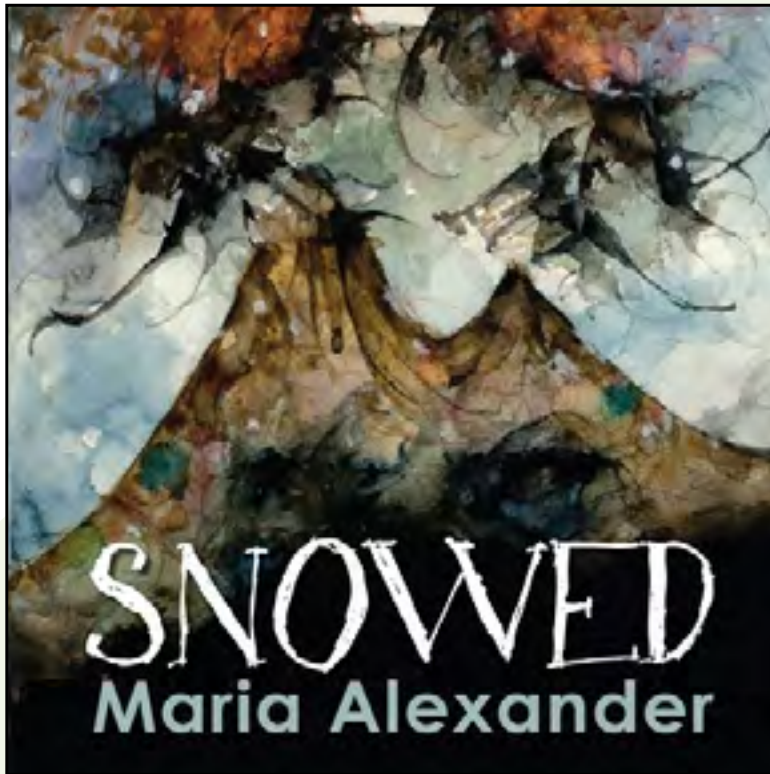
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Synopsis:

As if Alexandra Lucas' anxiety disorder isn't enough, mysterious holograms suddenly appear from the sky, heralding the end of the world. They bring an ultimatum: heed the warning and step through a portal-like vertex to safety, or stay and be destroyed by a comet they say is on a collision course with earth. How's that for senior year stress? The holograms, claiming to be humans from the future, bring the promise of safety. But without the ability to verify their story, Alex is forced to consider what is best for her friends, her family, and herself. To stay or to go. A decision must be made. With the deadline of the holograms' prophecy fast approaching, Alex feels as though she is living on a ticking time bomb, until she discovers it is much, much worse.



Kristy Acevedo is a young adult author and high school English teacher. When she was a child, her "big sister" from the Big Brothers Big Sisters Program fostered her love of books by bringing her to the public library every week. She lives in Massachusetts.



Title: Snowed

Author: Maria Alexander

Illustrator:

Category: Young Adult

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Raw Dog Screaming Press

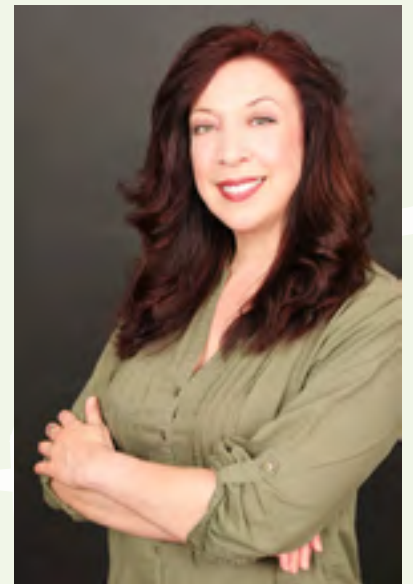
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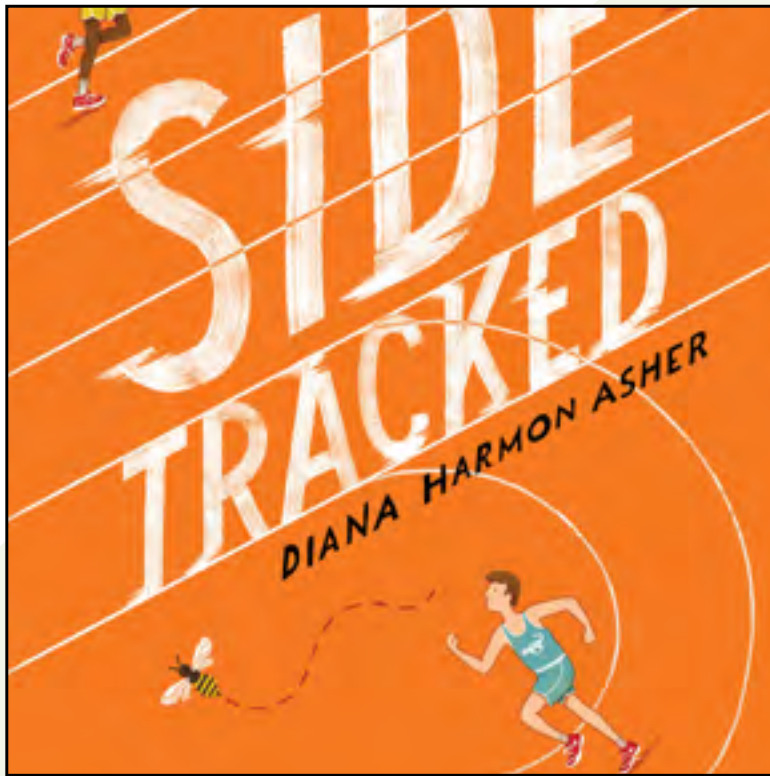
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Synopsis:

Charity Jones is a 16-year-old engineering genius who's much-bullied for being biracial and a skeptic at her conservative school in Oak County, California. Everything changes when Charity's social worker mother brings home a sweet teen runaway named Aidan to foster for the holidays. Matched in every way, Charity and Aidan quickly fall in love. But it seems he's not the only new arrival: Charity soon finds the brutally slain corpse of her worst bully and she gets hard, haunting evidence that the killer is stalking Oak County. As she and her Skeptics Club investigate this death and others, they find at every turn the mystery only grows darker and more deadly. One thing's for certain: there's a bloody battle coming this holiday season that will change their lives – and human history – forever. Will they be ready?



Maria Alexander is the multiple Bram Stoker Award-winning author of adult and YA fiction, and Anthony Award nominee for mystery. Her short fiction has appeared in acclaimed publications since 1999. She's represented by Alex Slater at Trident Media Group.



Title: SIDETRACKED

Author: Diana Asher

Illustrator:

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Abrams Books for Young Readers

Publisher Location: Abrams Books, 195 Broadway, 9th Floor New York, NY 10007

Rights Available: Foreign Translation (sold in Japan)

Rights Contact: Karin Schulze, Senior Subrights Manager, (212) 229-7163

Synopsis:

If middle school were a race, Joseph Friedman wouldn't even be in last place: he'd be on the sidelines. With an overactive mind and phobias of everything from hard-boiled eggs to gargoyles, he struggles to understand his classes, let alone his fellow classmates. So he spends most of his time avoiding school bully Charlie Kastner and hiding out in the Resource Room, a safe place for misfit kids like him. But then, on the first day of seventh grade, two important things happen. First, his Resource Room teacher encourages (i.e., practically forces) him to join the school track team, and second, he meets Heather, a crazy-fast runner who isn't going to be pushed around by Charlie Kastner or anybody else. With a new friend and a new team, Joseph finds himself off the sidelines and in the race (quite literally) for the first time. Is he a good runner? Well, no, he's terrible. But the funny thing about running is, once you're in the race, anything can happen.



Diana Harmon Asher is the mother of three sons. She has worked in publishing, in the motion picture industry, and now spends her days writing, teaching, and volunteering. She lives in New York, with her husband, Henry. SIDETRACKED is her debut novel.



Title: Marabel and the Book of Fate

Author: Tracy Barrett

Illustrator:

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2018

Publisher: Little, Brown Books for Young Readers (Hachette Book Group USA)

Publisher Location: Watertown, MA, USA

Rights Available: All except French

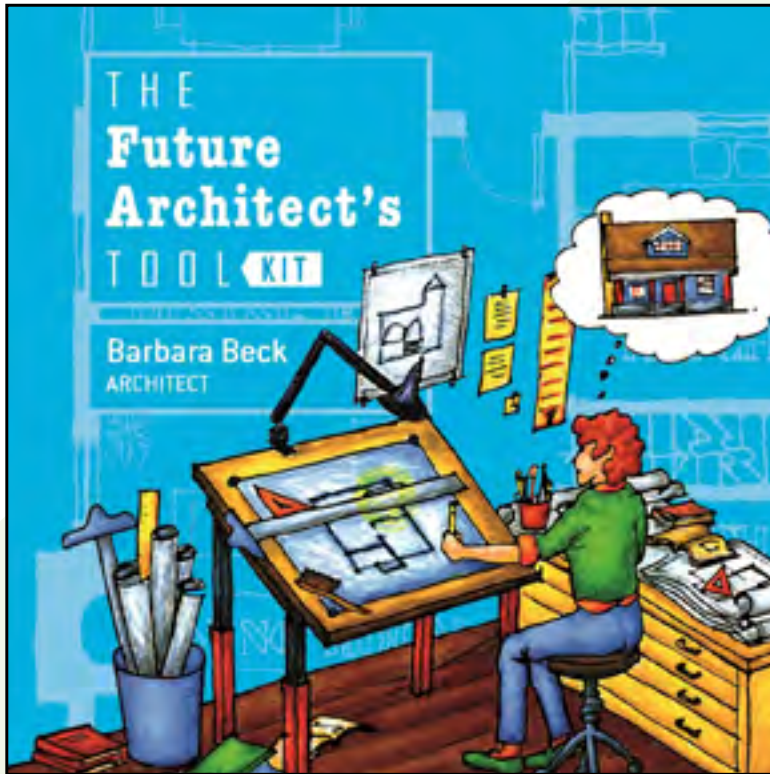
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Synopsis:

Free-spirited Marabel must defy expectations to rescue her brother—and their kingdom—in this charming, action-packed, and magical story perfect for fans of Ella Enchanted and Dealing with Dragons. In Magikos, life is dictated by the Book of Fate's ancient predictions, including the birth of a royal Chosen One who will save the realm. Princess Marabel has grown up in the shadow of her twin brother, Marco, who everyone assumes is the true Chosen One. While Marco is adored and given every opportunity, Marabel is overlooked and has to practice her sword fighting in secret. But on the night of their thirteenth birthday, Marco is kidnapped by an evil queen, and Marabel runs to his rescue. Outside the castle walls for the first time, accompanied by her best friend and a very smug unicorn, Marabel embarks on a daring mission that brings her face-to-face with fairies, trolls, giants—and the possibility that all is not as it seems in Magikos.



Tracy Barrett has written 22 books for young readers, including Anna of Byzantium, Marabel and the Book of Fate, and The Sherlock Files. She holds an A.B. in Classics from Brown University and a Ph.D. in Italian Literature from UC Berkeley.



Title: The Future Architect's Tool Kit

Author: Barbara Beck

Illustrator: Barbara Beck

Category: Nonfiction

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Schiffer Press

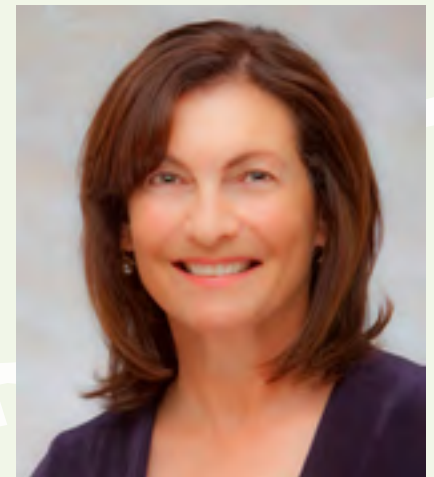
Publisher Location: Atglen, Pennsylvania USA

Rights Available: Yes

Rights Contact: Carey Massimini

Synopsis:

The Future Architect's Tool Kit builds on the concepts introduced in The Future Architect's Handbook, teaching children what an architect does at work and why buildings look and function as they do. Children learn the steps needed to create drawings and build a model of their own original design using a tool kit included with the book. Readers are also challenged to design homes for an eclectic group of clients.



An architect by day and author by night, I share a home overlooking the Chesapeake Bay with my husband, Rick, and my dog, Tommy. I also design architectural doghouses and paint pet portraits.



Title: True Vert

Author: Janet Berend

Illustrator:

Category: Young Adult

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Breakaway Books

Publisher Location: New York

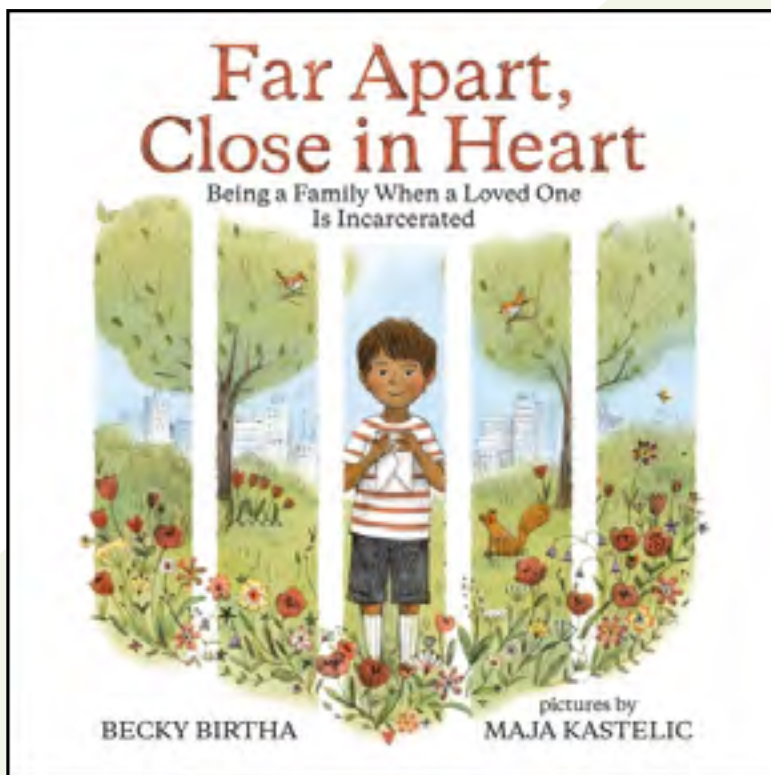
Rights Available: Yes

Rights Contact: Garth Battista-garth.battista@gmail.com

Synopsis:

In this coming-of-age story, fifteen-year-old Josh Lowman gets so caught up in the pro skater thing that he loses focus of the things that truly matter. His old friends don't want to be around him, and he's not sure if his new friends are even friends at all. What Josh discovers is that it takes as much courage to drop into the mega ramp as it does to stay true to yourself.





Title: Far Apart, Close in Heart: Being A Family When a Loved One Is Incarcerated

Author: Becky Birtha

Illustrator:

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Albert Whitman & CO.

Publisher Location: Chicago, Illinois, USA

Rights Available: Subsidiary Rights

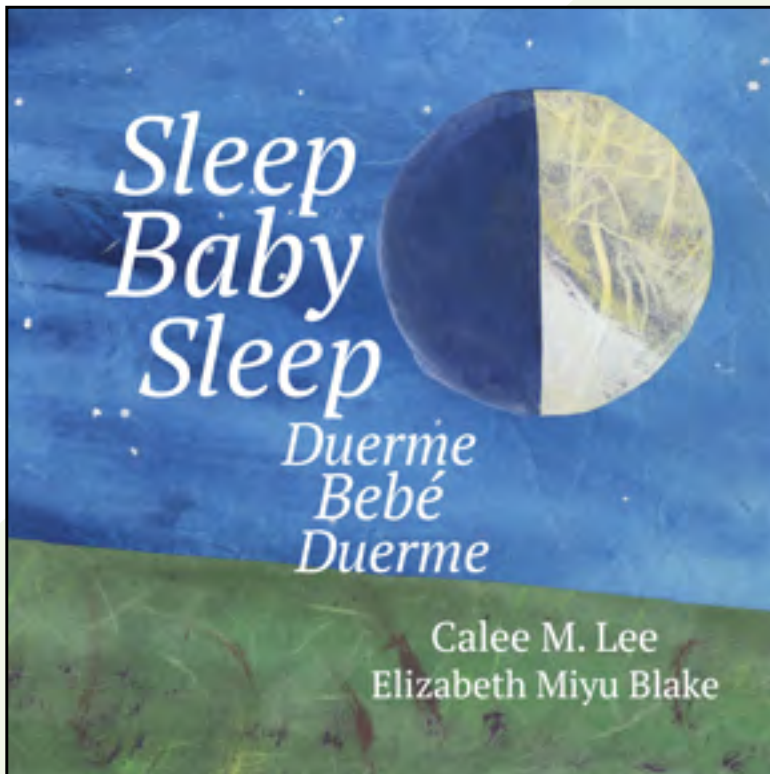
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Synopsis:

Emily's friend Tina won't play with her anymore. Tina's mother told her to stay away from Emily. Atian was always proud of following school rules, but now he's in trouble all the time. Rashid is angry with his mom. She broke another law and had to go back to jail. Emily, Atian, Rashid and others in Far Apart, Close in Heart, are typical of more than 2.7 million children in the United States with a parent in jail or prison. This picture book addresses common feelings and questions about having an incarcerated parent, and offers suggestions for coping and thriving. Far Apart, Close in Heart: Being a Family when a Loved One Is Incarcerated includes an afterword by Ann Adalist-Estrin, director of the National Resource Center on Children and Families of the Incarcerated. An author's note offers additional suggestions for parents, caregivers, teachers and counselors.



Becky Birtha is the author of two award winning historical fiction picture books about African American families: Grandmama's Pride, and Lucky Beans. All of her work expresses her concern and advocacy for social justice. She lives near Philadelphia, PA.



Title: Sleep Baby Sleep - Duerme Bebé Duerme - Bilingual Edition

Author: Calee Lee

Illustrator: Elizabeth Blake

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: XistPublishing

Publisher Location: California, US

Rights Available: Yes

Rights Contact: Yes

Synopsis:

Families around the world settle their children for sleep. Beautiful painted Washi paper collage illustrations with words based on a German lullaby. This edition is in English and Spanish. The original German lullaby lyrics are also included in this book.



Elizabeth works in gouache, watercolor, ink, and collage, enjoying the directness of brush and scissor to paper. As a child she liked illustrated books with few words and the occasional map, just like now.



Title: Hello, Goodbye Little Island

Author: Leila Boukarim

Illustrator: Barbara Moxham

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Marshall Cavendish

Publisher Location: Singapore

Rights Available: Marshal Cavendish International (Asia) Private Limited

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Synopsis:

Maja had just moved to the little island and she missed home terribly. When she finds a friend, things get better. But when her friend moves away, her world crumbles once more. With time, Maja discovers that distances do not matter; friendships she finds will stay with her always, and goodbyes are not forever.



Leila Boukarim was born in Lebanon, raised in several countries, and now resides in Singapore. Leila blogs about the joys and challenges of raising a highly sensitive child and likes to write stories for little people who feel things very deeply.



Title: The Whispering of Trees

Author: C.Y. Bourgeois

Illustrator:

Category: Young Adult

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Black Rose Writing

Publisher Location: www.blackrosewriting.com

Rights Available: Y

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Synopsis:

Teenager Aggie Ksisak longs to be normal, but her coming of age includes a legacy as the most powerful Inupiat Eskimo shaman in history. Aggie enjoys the feisty discussions with her spirit guide, a sassy bowhead whale, and finds learning to be a shaman fun. Until it isn't. Until the night her dreams are invaded by a demon spirit who threatens to destroy her and everyone she loves.

A year later she finally begins to accept her powerful birthright until her world is shattered by alcoholism, sexual abuse, and death. The demon insists everything is her fault. In her weakened state Aggie believes him and rejects the only thing that will help her recover: her faith. By accepting her destiny and embracing her powers of spiritual healing Aggie has the ability to save herself and rise above her fear, humiliation, and shame. But why should she?

C.Y. Bourgeois began writing in 2006 as a way to cope with the death of her father. In 2011 she self-published Paris Book Festival award-winning novel, *Visions of You*, and *The Concrete Gnome*, a novella. In 2009, C.Y. and her husband moved from Alaska.



Title: Worzel Says Hello!

Author: Catherine Pickles

Illustrator: Chantal Bourgonje

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Hubble and Hattie

Publisher Location: United Kingdom

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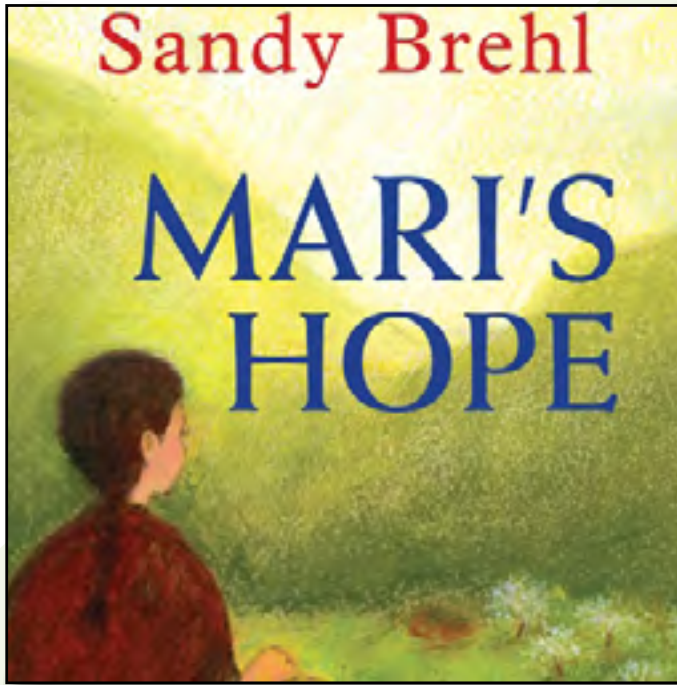
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Synopsis:

Worzel is an enormous lurcher with "issues." Meeting children can be very scary for him, although he really does want to make new friends. Gently learn how to make friends with Worzel and other dogs like him.



Chantal is a Dutch illustrator working in the UK, inspired by her love for animals and the beautiful countryside around her.



Title: MARI'S HOPE, Book Three in ODIN'S PROMISE trilogy

Author: Sandy Brehl

Illustrator:

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Crispin Books

Publisher Location: Milwaukee, Wisconsin

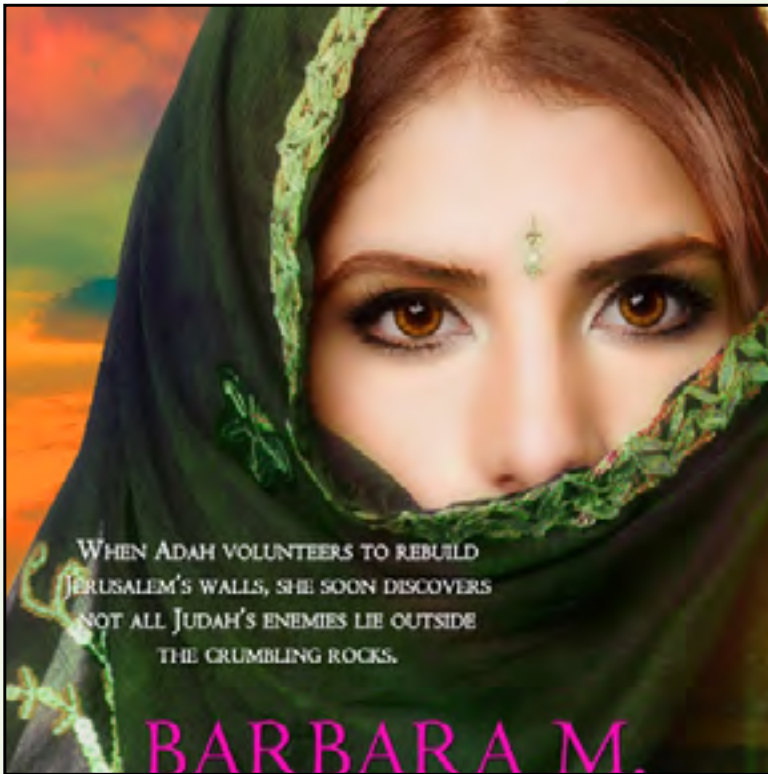
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Synopsis:

MARI'S HOPE delivers the dramatic conclusion to the middle-grade historical fiction trilogy begun with *Odin's Promise*, awarded the 2014 Midwest Book Award for Children's Fiction, and *Bjorn's Gift* (2016). In *Mari's Hope*, set in a small village in occupied western Norway in the final years of World War II, young Mari has become a valued helper to the village doctor. She also plays a role in her family's efforts in the local underground resistance, despite ever-present dangers, especially from the snooping soldier called Goatman and from Leif, her one-time school friend, now a German collaborator. As the German war efforts falter, pressure increases on the occupying troops to hold Norway firmly in their grip. But freedom-loving Norwegians will do their best to thwart those plans. Readers familiar with the first two books in the series will enjoy seeing Mari blossom and grow into greater confidence in herself, as she and her family, friends, and neighbors stubbornly hold onto hopes that the war will end and peace will return to their beloved country. New readers will enjoy this story on its own merits, and can look forward to catching up with the beginnings of Mari's tale in *Odin's Promise* and *Bjorn's Gift*.

Author of middle grade historical novels (ODIN'S PROMISE trilogy, 2014-2017). I also write picture book text, poetry, and other genre, and I love visiting schools and welcome opportunities to interact with readers.



Title: Jerusalem Rising: Adah's Journey

Author: Barbara Britton

Illustrator:

Category: Young Adult

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Pelican Book Group

Publisher Location: New Mexico, USA

Rights Available: Foreign, Audio, Movie, TV, Large Print

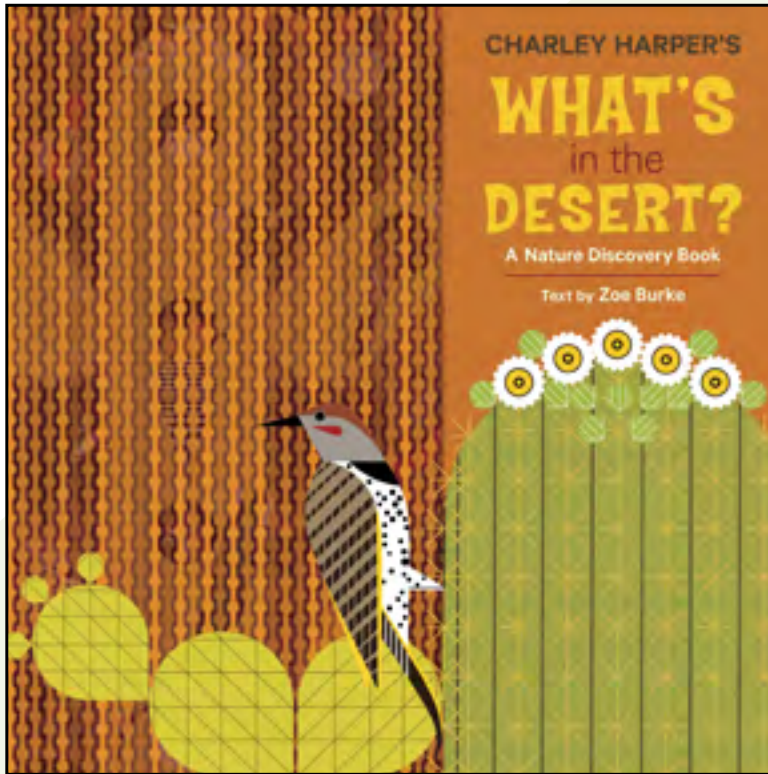
Rights Contact: Nicola Martinez, Pelican Book Group CEO, nmartinez@pelicanbookgroup.com

Synopsis:

When Adah volunteers to rebuild Jerusalem's wall, she soon discovers not all of Judah's enemies lie outside the crumbling rocks. When Adah bat Shallum finds the governor of Judah weeping over the crumbling wall of Jerusalem, she learns the reason for Nehemiah's unexpected visit. God has called him to rebuild the wall around the City of David. Nehemiah challenges the men of Jerusalem to labor on the wall and in return, the names of their fathers will be written in the annals for future generations to cherish. But Adah has one sister and no brothers. Should her father who rules a half-district of Jerusalem be forgotten forever? Adah bravely vows to rebuild her city's wall, though she soon discovers that Jerusalem not only has enemies outside of the city, but also within. Can Adah, her sister, and the men they love, honor God's call? Or will their mission be crushed by the same rocks they hope to raise.



Barbara M. Britton lives in Wisconsin and writes romantic adventures for teens. She brings little-known Bible stories to light in her Tribes of Israel series. She is a member of ACFW, RWA and SCBWI.



Title: Charley Harper's What's in the Desert?

Author: Zoe Burke

Illustrator:

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Pomegranate Communications

Publisher Location: Portland, Oregon

Rights Available: Subsidiary rights, including all non-English language rights available

Rights Contact: Lory Osterhuber, loryo@pomegranate.com; Cory Mimms, corym@pomegranate.com

Synopsis:

Hike the American desert in the fourth book in Pomegranate's successful Nature Discovery Series. Charley Harper's What's in the Desert? explores a surprising abundance and variety of flora and fauna. Meet the desert dragster known as the Greater Roadrunner while keeping an eye out for the lizards he likes to lunch on. Zoe Burke's rhyming text introduces young readers to thirty-six different denizens of the desert, from the Gila Monster to the Gila Woodpecker, the Cactus Wren to Cactus flowers. All are depicted with colorful images taken from Harper's painting The Desert, originally featured on a poster commissioned by the US National Park Service. The entire painting is reproduced on a foldout page at the end of the book, with a key identifying all the featured desert life.



Zoe Burke is the author of the Charley Harper Nature Discovery Series: What's in the Woods, What's in the Rainforest?, What's in the Coral Reef?, and What's in the Desert? She has also authored several board books and three Annabelle Starkey mysteries.



Title: The Last Cherry Blossom

Author: Kathleen Burkinshaw

Illustrator:

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Sky Pony Press

Publisher Location: New York, USA

Rights Available: World Rights

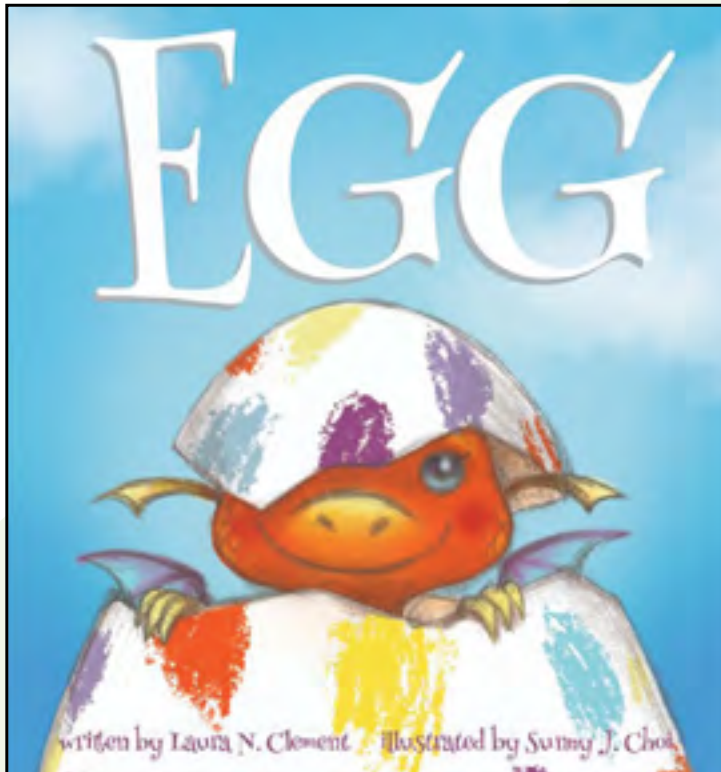
Rights Contact: Alison Weiss aweiss@skyhorsepublishing.com

Synopsis:

THE LAST CHERRY BLOSSOM is about a 12-year-old girl's life in Hiroshima during the last year of WWII. She discovers a shocking family secret right before her world is about to ignite and become a shadow of what it had been. Based on events in my mother's life. It is through her eyes that readers witness the horrific destruction of the atomic bombing on August 6th. The author's hope is not only to convey the message that nuclear weapons should never be used again; but to also reveal that the children in Japan had the same love for family, fear of what could happen to them, and hopes for peace as the Allied children had. She wants the students to walk away knowing that the ones we may think are our "enemy" are not always so different from ourselves. A message that needs to be heard now more than ever.



Kathleen Burkinshaw is a Japanese American author residing in Charlotte, NC. She's a wife, mom to a daughter in college. She has proudly presented her mother's experience in Hiroshima to middle and high schools for the past 9 years.



Title: EGG

Author: Laura Clement

Illustrator: Sunny Joung Sun Choi

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Clear Fork Publishing

Publisher Location: P.O. Box 870 Stamford, Texas 79553

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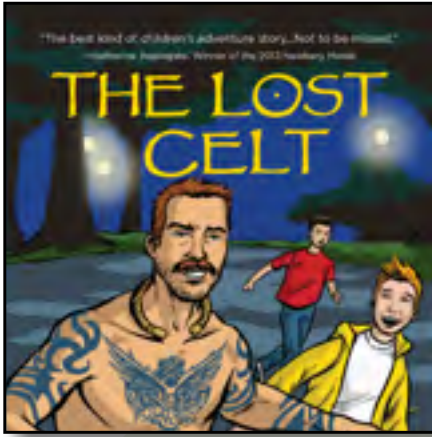
Rights Contact: Callie Metler-Smith (publisher) callie@clearfork.media

Synopsis:

Life on a farm is complicated when you can't swim and sneeze fire. In this updated Ugly Duckling story, EGG, a dragon, is on a grand adventure to find her greatness and maybe, save the farm. Fun to read aloud with big explosions of words and actions, WHOMPBOOM! For kids ages 4-8.



Laura N. Clement lives in Seattle, WA with her daughter, husband and two cats. She enjoys traveling the world, writing stories and listening to her daughter laugh with abandon.



Title: The Lost Celt

Author: A. E. Conran

Illustrator:

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Goosebottom Books, LLC

Publisher Location: Mill Valley, CA, USA

Rights Available: All rights available except English language USA

Rights Contact: Pamela Livingstone (Publisher) mamagoose@goosebottombooks.com

Synopsis:

When ten-year old Mikey takes his Vietnam Veteran Grandpa to the VA Medical Center Emergency Room one night, he sees a man with red hair, tattoos on his chest and wearing a golden torc around his neck. Primed by his love of a video war game pitching Romans against Celts, Mikey is convinced the man is a real live Celtic warrior transported to the present as part of a secret defense project. So when his teacher asks the class to interview a veteran for their Veterans Day projects, Mikey decides not to interview Grandpa but seek out the Celt. Mikey may be bad at reports but if he interviews a real live Celt, he will have the best report in the history of Veterans Day projects, ever! But in searching for the Celt, Mikey will reveal a completely different story, and one Ryan O'Driscoll, the largest boy in fourth grade, is desperately trying to hide. The Lost Celt was awarded the Gold Medal for Children's Chapter Books by the Military Writers Society of America, 2016. THE LOST CELT is a middle grade novel, aimed at kids aged 8-13. It's an adventure/mystery full of video-wargaming references, plenty of humor, a strong grandfather/grandson bond, and large doses of action. It draws on the myths of Cuchulain, the Irish warrior hero and some crazy time-travel conspiracy theories to keep the suspense high, but ultimately it looks at the invisible effects of war on veterans of all ages and their families. It's the first mainstream book to look at issues affecting some returning veterans and their families for children of elementary school age. It was two-thirds funded by a small group of Desert Storm Veterans and 20% of net profits will be donated back to veterans charities.



When A. E. Conran is not writing her own children's books or working as a freelance editor, she is a children's book specialist, school book fair booktalker and children's book club facilitator at the renowned Bay Area independent bookstore, Book Passage.



Title: Before Goodbye

Author: Mimi Cross

Illustrator:

Category: Young Adult

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Amazon Children's Publishing

Publisher Location: Seattle, Washington, USA

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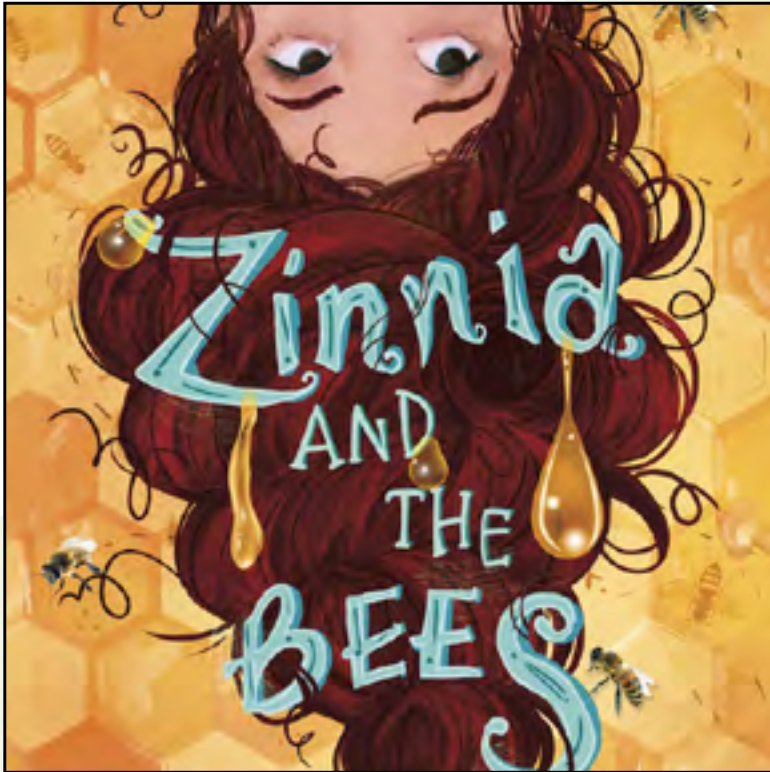
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Synopsis:

Music means more than anything to high school student Cate Reese; it's also what unites her with Cal Woods. Devoted classical guitar players, Cate and Cal are childhood friends newly smitten by love—until a devastating car accident rips Cal out of Cate's life forever. Blaming herself for the horrific tragedy and struggling to surface from her despair, Cate spirals downhill in a desperate attempt to ease her pain. Fellow student David Bennet might look like the school's golden boy, but underneath the surface the popular athlete battles demons of his own. Racked with survivor's guilt after his brother's suicide, things get worse when tragedy darkens his world again—but connecting with Cate, his sister's longtime babysitter, starts bringing the light back in. As Cate and David grow closer, the two shattered teenagers learn to examine the pieces of their lives and, together, find a way to be whole again.



Mimi Cross is a singer-songwriter and the creator of Body of Writing, a practice that adds an additional dimension to the mind-body spirit discipline of yoga: story. Born in Toronto, she received her MA from NYU and in lives New Jersey, by the beach.



Title: Zinnia and the Bees

Author: Danielle Davis

Illustrator:

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Capstone Press (Capstone Publishing Group)

Publisher Location: United States; United Kingdom

Rights Available: Film, Foreign translations (sold in Germany)

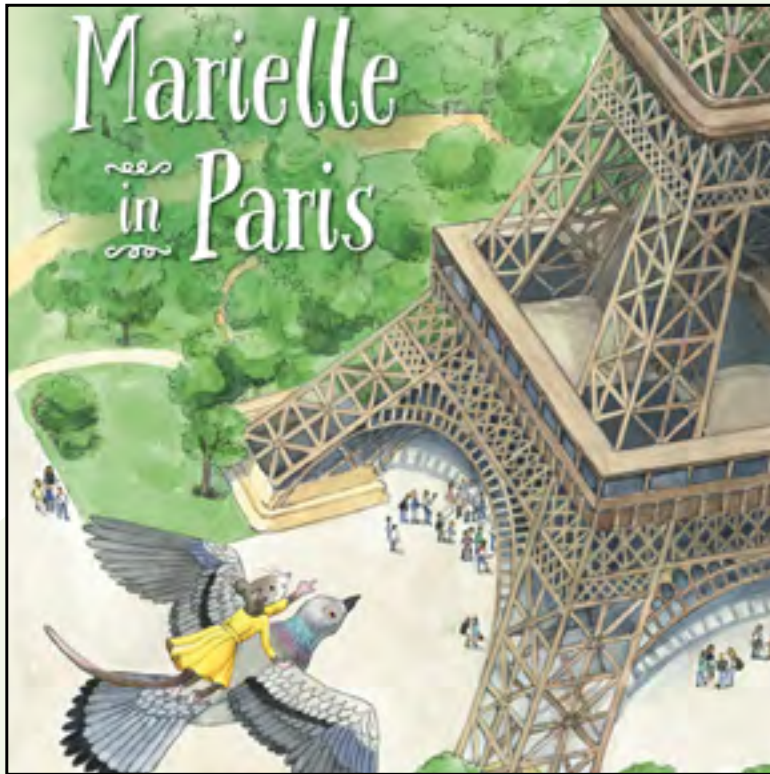
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Synopsis:

Zinnia and the Bees is about a twelve year-old knitter and yarn bomber and the colony of honeybees who mistakes her hair for a hive and lands on her head. It's a story about searching for home.



Danielle Davis grew up in Singapore and Hong Kong and now lives in Los Angeles. She has an M.A. in literature and creative writing. Her blog is: ThisPictureBookLife.com and her website is: DanielleDavisReadsandWrites.com.



Title: Marielle in Paris

Author: Maxine Schur

Illustrator: Jeanne de Sainte Marie

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Pomegranate Communications

Publisher Location: Portland, Oregon

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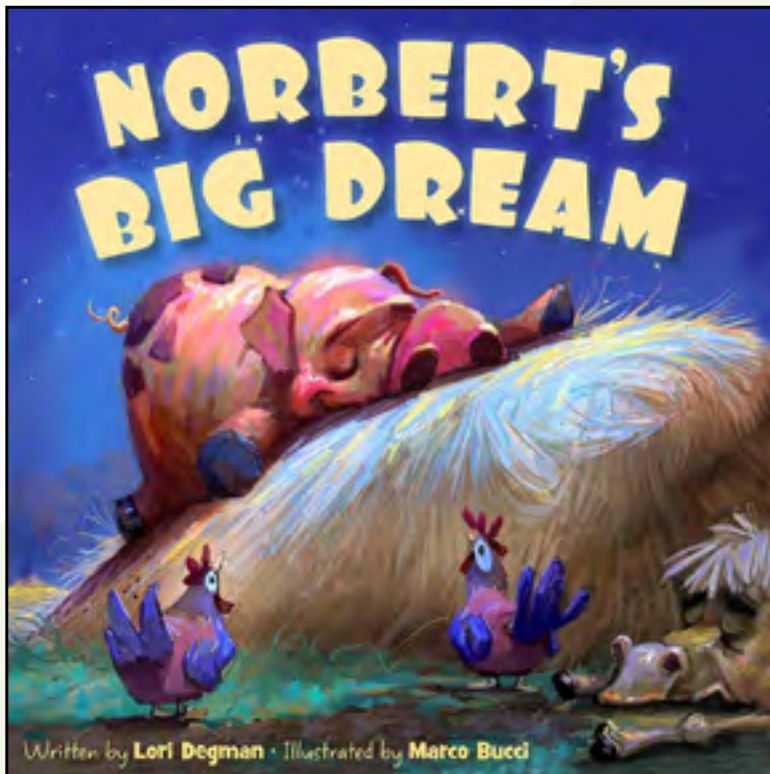
Rights Contact: Lory Osterhuber, loryo@pomegranate.com; Cory Mimms, corym@pomegranate.com

Synopsis:

Marielle the mouse is a dressmaker and she makes her home in an upside-down flowerpot in Paris. One day, the elegant Madame de Sooree asks Marielle to make nine dresses for her nine daughters—Berenice, Babette, Belle, Bernadette, Blanche, Blondelle, Brie, Brigitte, and Beatrice—for their birthday party. Marielle tours the city, looking for creative inspiration. But with only ten days until the party, will she be able to deliver the dresses on time? Even after a big wind whooshes through her workroom? Her friend Pierre the pigeon can help, but only if Marielle can overcome her fear of heights to take a wild ride over Paris!



Maxine Rose Schur is an award-winning travel writer and children's book author. Her books for young people include picture books, biography and novels. Jeanne B. de Sainte Marie, who lives in Paris, is an artist, illustrator and author of picture books.



Title: Norbert's Big Dream

Author: Lori Degman

Illustrator:

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Sleeping Bear Press

Publisher Location: Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA

Rights Available: Foreign translations, English outside Canada and US, dramatic, film, audio

Rights Contact: Heather Hughes, heather.hughes@sleepingbearpress.com; 001+ 800-487-2323 (USA)

Synopsis:

Since he was a wee piglet, Norbert has dreamed of swimming the English Channel. So, while the other pigs rolled in the mud, Norbert practiced his flutter kick; while they slurped slop, Norbert munched muscle-building foods; and while they snoozed in the shade, Norbert practiced his pushups. Finally, ready to attempt his swim, Norbert has just one question: where exactly is the English Channel? Norbert realizes his dream, with a little help from his friends. Norbert's Big Dream is a funny, sweet story about dreaming big.



Lori Degman is the award-winning author of *1 Zany Zoo* (Simon & Schuster), *Cock-a-Doodle Oops* (Creston Books), *Norbert's Big Dream* (Sleeping Bear), and the forthcoming *Just Read* (Sterling). She lives with her family near Chicago. Find out more at Loridegman.com



Title: Somewhere Among

Author: Annie Donwerth-Chikamatsu

Illustrator:

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Atheneum Books for Young Readers (Simon & Schuster)

Publisher Location:

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Rights Contact:

Synopsis:

Eleven-year-old bi-cultural Ema hopes to find peace in her relationships at home, with a bully at school, and within herself. SOMEWHERE AMONG is set in Japan 2001. At that time, my children were in Japanese public elementary and nursery school. Historical events and tragedies that Japan and the United States have shared as well as details from our family life are woven through the story. References and resources can be found on my author's website. My photoblog, Here and There Japan written especially for children, highlights photos and cultural details. Please read the reviews to learn more about the story. Bank Street College of Education, The Best Children's Books of the Year, Freeman Book Award, The National Consortium for Teaching about Asia, Crystal Kite Award, Society of Children Book Writers and Illustrators, Middle East/india/Asia.



Title: Hope Girl

Author: Wendy Dunham

Illustrator:

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Harvest House

Publisher Location: Eugene Oregon

Rights Available: second

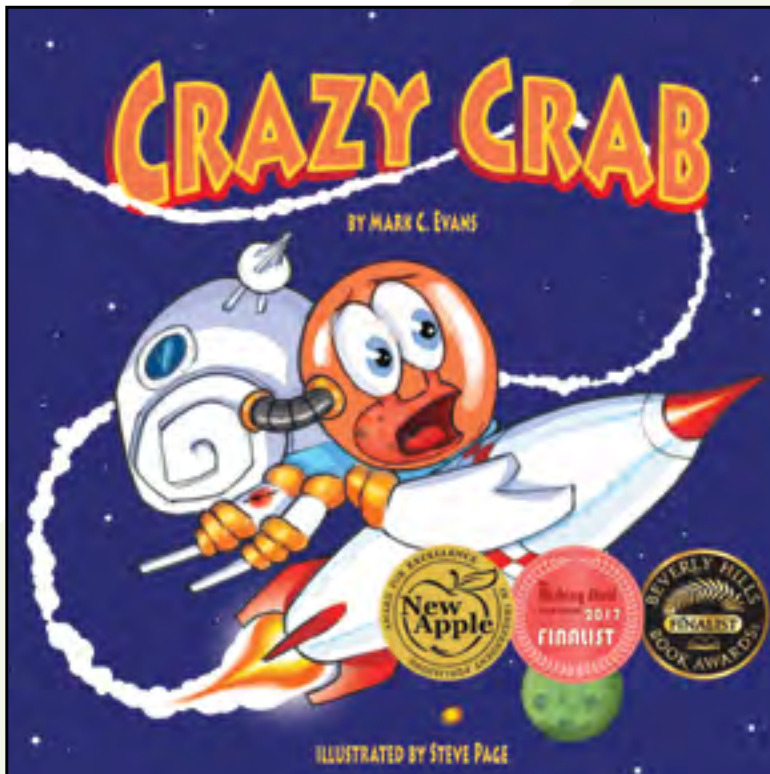
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Synopsis:

Sometimes the Wind's Gonna Blow Hard Against You, But you Gotta Face it Head on like an Eagle so You can Soar Hope Girl is the unfolding story of twelve-year-old River and her extra-out-of-the-ordinary life that she tries finding her way through. When River discovers the truth about her past, she faces challenges she didn't expect. But at least she's one step closer to her dream of getting her parents back together, like parents are supposed to be. Despite River's good intentions, one bad thing after another happens; her grandmother ends up on life support, her mother has amnesia (as well as a whole new family), her father meets Rosa the nurse and plans to marry her ASAP, then on top of everything else, River gets diagnosed with curvature of the spine and has to wear a brace. When everything seems hopeless, River decides to ask God for help. It's only then when she realizes, sometimes life (and God) just might take you by surprise. Hope Girl is the sequel to My Name is River, but can also be read as a stand-alone novel. It includes a list of thought-provoking questions to springboard discussion.



Wendy Dunham is the author of two middle-grade novels, MY NAME IS RIVER, and its sequel, HOPE GIRL. Forthcoming books include THE TALES OF BUTTERCUP GROVE, a series of four early readers. Visit her website at www.wendydunham.net



Title: Crazy Crab

Author: Mark Evans

Illustrator:

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: MacLaren-Cochrane Publishing

Publisher Location: California, USA

Rights Available: Worldwide excluding North America

Rights Contact: Tannya Derby

Synopsis:

Steve is no ordinary Hermit Crab. He has a big dream... to be an astronaut and fly in space! His friends and family think he is crazy. They don't send crabs into space. Will Steve have "the right stuff" to be sent on a daring mission to Mars? Can he work hard to beat mischievous mice and mad monkeys to ride a rocket to the red planet? Only time and training will tell in this hilarious story of a crazy crab who wants to reach for the stars.



Mark C. Evans was born in Perth, Western Australia and has spent most of his career as a professional actor performing on TV, film and stage. He has been a writer and director of many short comedy films and loves to spread laughter through his words and cheeky, off the wall sense of humour. An award winning children's book writer signing his first two book deals in the same week. His debut book Crazy Crab has won several awards in it's first few months of release in the US and his next book Scarlet Hood is being launched here at the Bologna Fair.



Title: Whose Story Is This, Anyway?

Author: Mike Flaherty

Illustrator:

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Sterling Publishing CO, INC

Publisher Location: New York, NY, USA

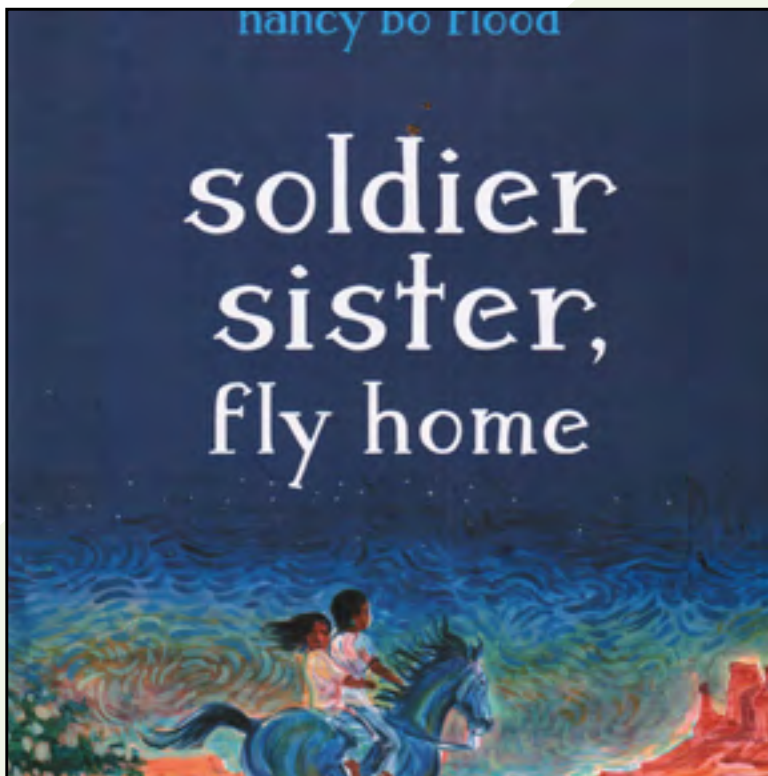
Rights Available: World, All Languages

Rights Contact: Toula Ballas, Subsidiary Rights Director; Email: tballas@sterlingpublishing.com

Synopsis:

What's this book about? That depends on who you ask. Our humble narrator thinks he's got a great story for you, but his tale is hijacked by a scallywag pirate with a thrilling legend of mermaids and sea monsters! Soon an entire cast of colorful characters—a hungry dinosaur, an alien bent on world domination, and a heroic knight—derail the boy's saga. Everyone has a tale to tell—but if they can all get on the same page, this might turn out to be the best story ever!

Mike Flaherty's secret lair is hidden somewhere in New Albany, Ohio. He's the author of *Whose Story Is This, Anyway?* and the forthcoming *Dragon Party Troubles*.



Title: Soldier Sister, Fly Home

Author: Nancy Flood

Illustrator:

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Charlesbridge Publishing

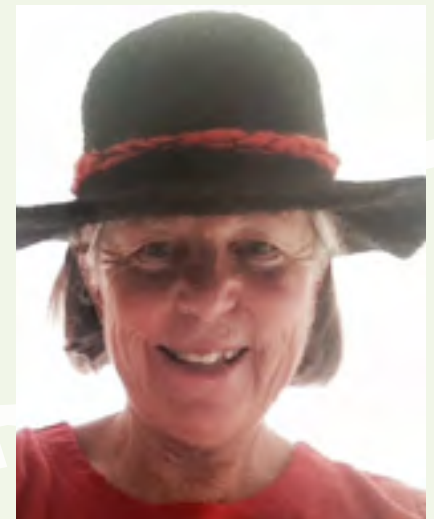
Publisher Location: Boston, Massachusetts, USA

Rights Available: World Rights in English

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Synopsis:

Tess and her sister, Gaby, are as close as sisters can be, or at least they were. Gaby enlists in the army, and soon is deployed to Iraq. All this happens on the heels of the death of their friend Lori Piestewa, the first Native American woman to die in combat on foreign soil. Gaby asks Tess to care for Blue, her beloved by headstrong horse. Tess is furious—about being left behind with a horse she doesn't trust and about the danger Gaby is facing. Tess decides to take Blue with her when she goes with her Grandmother to sheep camp for the summer. Tragedy strikes. Can tess's relationship with Gaby ever be the same—and can she ever forgive herself for the choices she must make?



Nancy Bo Flood lived and taught on the Navajo Nation for nearly twenty years. Her books include Warriors in the Crossfire and Cowboy Up! Ride the Navajo Rodeo and have won a number of awards



Title: How to Survive as a Firefly

Author: Kristen Foote

Illustrator:

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: The Innovation Press

Publisher Location: Seattle, WA

Rights Available: Foreign rights available

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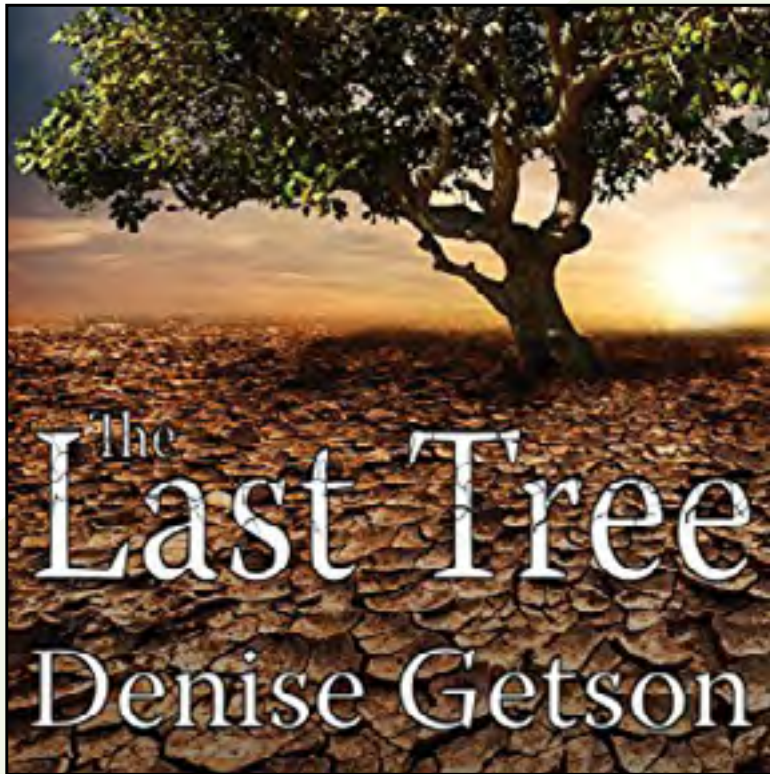
Synopsis:

Listen up, larvae! I've been in the trenches for the last year and a half, and let me tell you, there is danger lurking behind every tree and headlight. With my expertise, you'll learn how to hunt your first meal (snail soup anyone?), what makes your abdomen glow (put down the fire extinguisher!), and how to react when your mate wants to eat you for dinner (who knew fireflies could be cannibals?). Buck up, buttercup—you're in for the flight of your life! If you know what's good for you, you'll stop goofing around and pay attention to HOW TO SURVIVE AS A FIREFLY, or you might never make it to adulthood!

HOW TO SURVIVE AS A FIREFLY provides a unique take on insect science that will entertain and educate in and out of the classroom. Full of opportunities for extended learning, this book includes fun facts hidden throughout the hilarious illustrated story, and after, a glossary of important terms and some real photos of fireflies. If you've ever wondered how these fascinating beetles grow and glow, and you like to laugh while you learn, this book is for you!



Kristen Foote is the author of HOW TO SURVIVE AS A SHARK and HOW TO SURVIVE AS A FIREFLY. With a degree in Biology, she is a believer that learning about science can be fun (and funny!). She loves sharing her excitement for creative non-fiction with kids!



Title: THE LAST TREE

Author: Denise Getson

Illustrator:

Category: Young Adult

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Cbay Books

Publisher Location: CBAY Books, PO Box 670296, Dallas, TX 75367

Rights Available: Dramatic, audio, English outside the U.S. and Canada, Foreign Translations

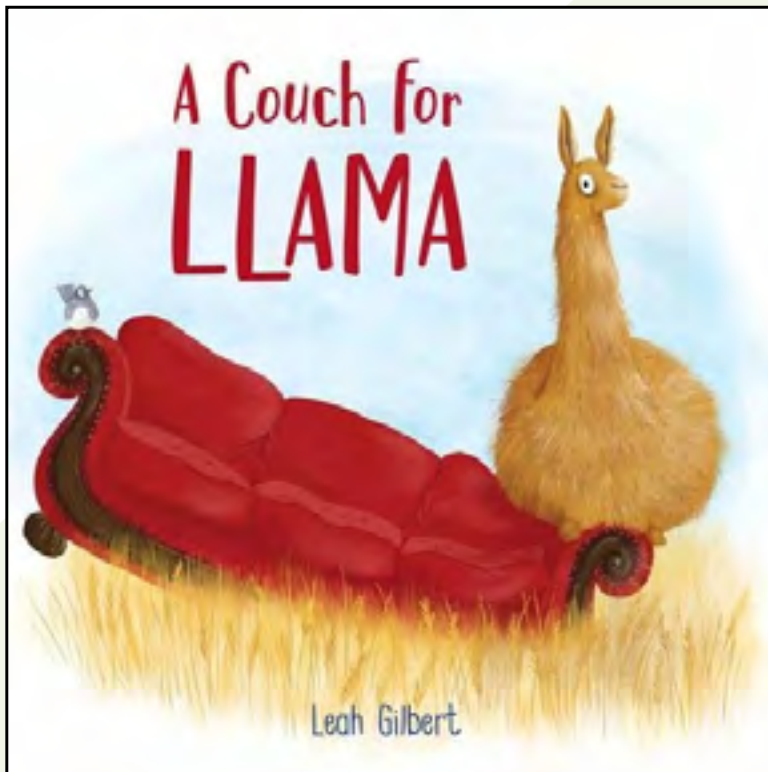
Rights Contact: madeline@cbaybooks.com

Synopsis:

Kira is tired. She's tired of running, tired of hiding. She's tired of having a bounty on her head. Constantly changing direction to evade capture, she fills each dry lake bed or reservoir with water, using her gift to help territory residents who are desperately thirsty. She is sustained by her friends: Tamara's nurturing, Tuck's resourcefulness and by J.D.'s steadfast strength. When one of her friends is captured, Kira has a decision to make. She can either make a deal with the devil or launch a daring rescue. The repercussions of her decision will take her to the other side of the planet, to the cradle of human civilization and an encounter with a tree that shouldn't even exist. Is it possible this tree could tip the odds of survival in their favor?



Denise Getson has a bachelor's of arts degree from Duke University and a master's degree from Southern Methodist University. She is the author of DRY SOULS and THE LAST TREE, science fiction for young adult readers.



Title: A Couch for Llama

Author: Leah Gilbert

Illustrator: Leah Gilbert

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2018

Publisher: Sterling Publishing CO, INC

Publisher Location: New York

Rights Available: World

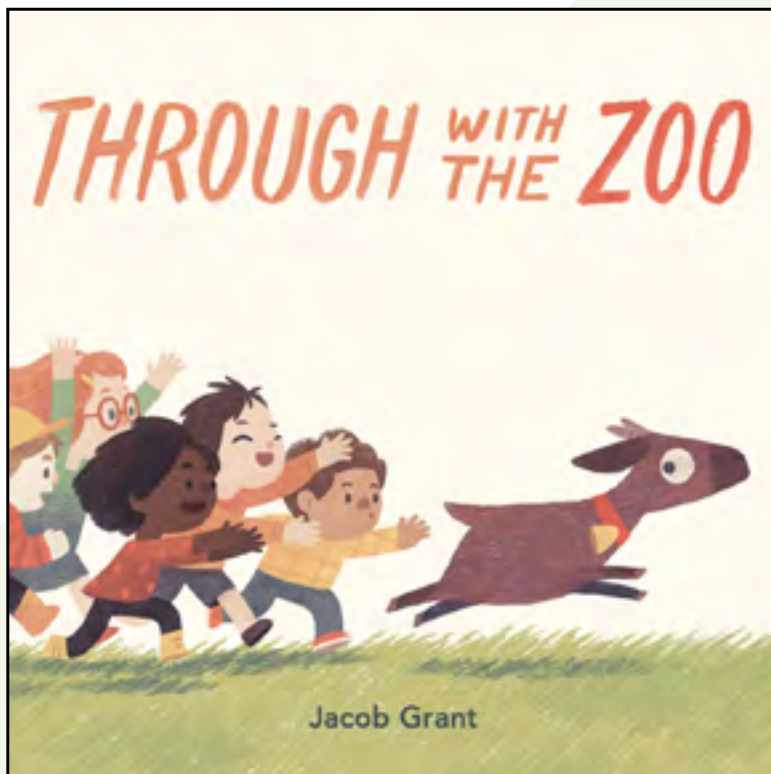
Rights Contact: Toula Ballas, Senior Manager, Subsidiary Rights, Sterling Publishing Co., Inc. tballas@sterlingpublishing.com

Synopsis:

When a family finds a surprising new home for an old couch, a llama becomes the happiest creature of all. The Lago family really loves their couch. It's perfect for reading, snuggling, playing, and jumping. But all good things must come to an end, and, one day, the family realizes the time has come to replace it. As they drive home with their brand-new bright-red couch, though, it gets knocked off the top of their car into a field . . . where a llama tries to make sense of this new thing. At first confused: "It doesn't talk! It doesn't taste good! It doesn't budge!" the llama soon realizes how comfy the couch is and settles right in. Can the family get its furniture back and keep llama happy, too? Leah Gilbert has written and illustrated a warm picture book that touches both the heart and the funny bone.



Leah Gilbert lives in Colorado where she writes and illustrates kids' books as well as working as an illustrator and designer for a greeting card company. A COUCH FOR LLAMA is her debut book. You can visit her online at leah-gilbert.com.



Title: Through With The Zoo

Author: Jacob Grant

Illustrator:

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Feiwel and Friends (Macmillan Publishers)

Publisher Location: New York

Rights Available: Dramatic, Foreign Translations

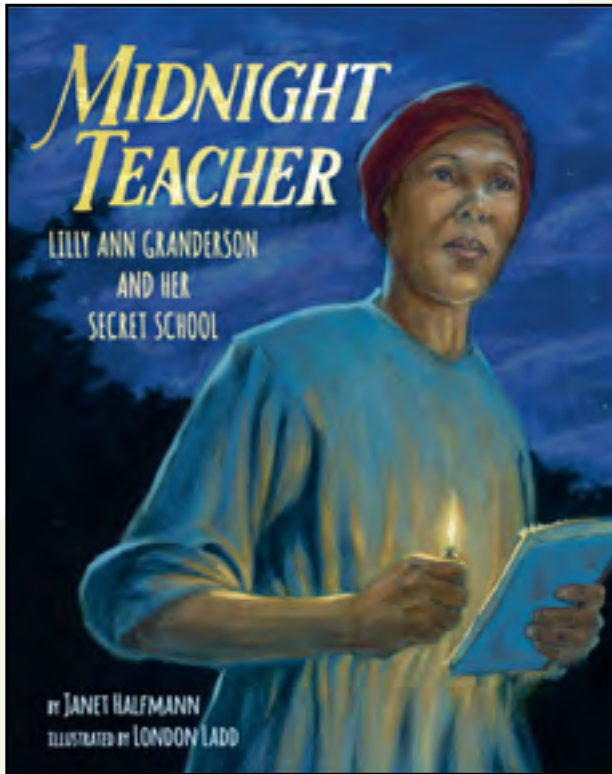
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Synopsis:

Goat has always dreamed of having his very own space. But Goat lives in a petting zoo, surrounded by hugs and rubs and grabby little hands. Determined to find his perfect alone space, Goat escapes into the big zoo. But space is not an easy thing to find.



Jacob Grant is originally from Ohio, but now lives in Chicago with his wife and one very busy child. When not wrangling this little force of nature, he can be found in his home studio drawing, painting and writing until something feels story-ish.



Title: Midnight Teacher: Lilly Ann Granderson and Her Secret School

Author: Janet Halfmann

Illustrator: London Ladd

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2018

Publisher: JLee & Low Books

Publisher Location: Lee & Low Books, New York City

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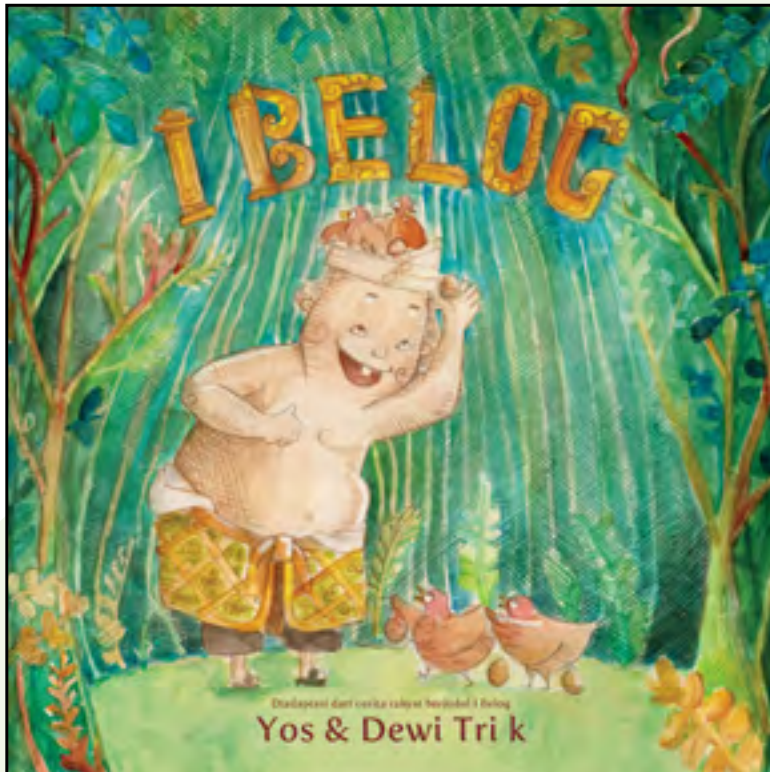
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Synopsis:

In Mississippi in the mid-1800s, it was illegal for enslaved people to learn to read and write. Getting caught meant thirty-nine lashes with a whip as punishment. But this did not stop Lilly Ann Granderson. She believed in the power of education. To share her knowledge with others, Lilly Ann started a midnight school. In a small cabin hidden in a back alley, she held her school classes. Every noise in the dark was a reminder of the punishment Lilly Ann and her students faced if they were found out. But the chance to learn was worth the risk. Over the years, Lilly Ann taught hundreds of enslaved people to read and write. Many of her students went on to share their knowledge with their families. Some started secret schools of their own. Others forged passes to escape to freedom in the North. Based on a true story, "Midnight Teacher" is an inspiring testament to a little-known pioneer in education.



Janet Halfmann is an award-winning children's author who strives to make her books come alive for young readers and listeners. She writes picture books about nature and animals, and also about little-known people who have accomplished amazing feats.



Title: I Belog

Author: Dewi Handayani

Illustrator: Dewi Handayani

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: PT KANISIUS

Publisher Location: Yogyakarta, Selman. Indonesia

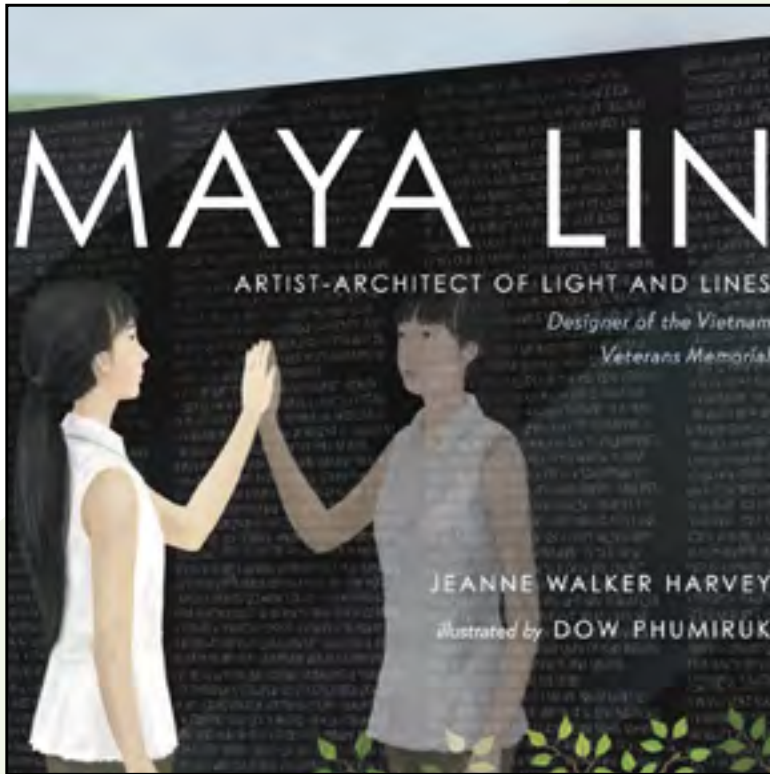
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Rights Contact: Flora Maharani (publisher) Flora@kanisiusmedia.co.id

Synopsis:

I Belog is a popular folktale from Bali. I Belog is not a bright boy, but he is known to be gentle and always lucky. His hilarious adventures are loved by children and adults. What kind of silly adventure is he going to be involved this time?

An Illustrator who love culture and exploring new media into her illustration, make her become an award-winning illustrator of many picture book such as "Pertunjukan Besar Barongan Kecil," "Pinisi," and "Pandu The Ogoh-ogoh Maker."



Title: MAYA LIN: ARTIST-ARCHITECT OF LIGHT AND LINES

Author: Jeanne Harvey

Illustrator: Dow Phumiruk

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Christy Ottaviano

Publisher Location: New York City, NY

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Synopsis:

The bold story of Maya Lin, the visionary artist-architect who designed the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. You may be familiar with the iconic Vietnam Veterans Memorial. But do you know about the artist-architect who created this landmark? As a child, Maya Lin loved to study the spaces around her. She explored the forest in her backyard, observing woodland creatures, and used her house as a model to build tiny towns out of paper and scraps. The daughter of a clay artist and a poet, Maya grew up with art and learned to think with her hands as well as her mind. From her first experiments with light and lines to the height of her success nationwide, this is the story of an inspiring American artist: the visionary artist-architect who designed the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.



Jeanne Walker Harvey studied literature and psychology at Stanford University. She's had many jobs, including a roller coaster ride operator, an attorney, a Language Arts teacher, and SFMOMA docent. She is the author of several books, and lives in California.



Title: The Stupendous Adventures of Mighty Marty Hayes

Author: Lora Hyler

Illustrator:

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher:

Publisher Location: Milwaukee, Wisconsin U.S.A.

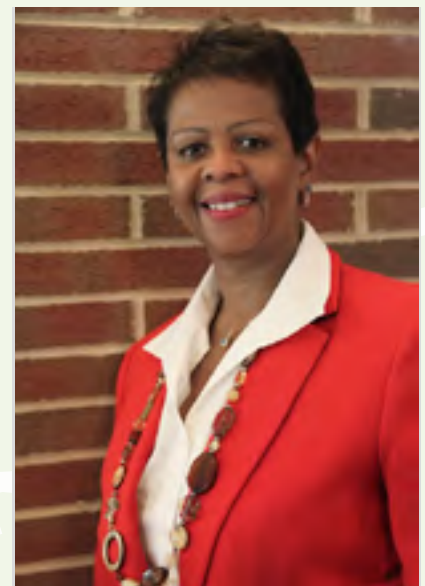
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Rights Contact: Lora Hyler at lorahyler@gmail.com or 1-414-520-0019

Synopsis:

A multi-cultural cast of superheroes are excited to start the new school year in their Advanced Science classroom. The 7th graders of Windsor Middle School will work on CRISPR-Cas9, a new gene editing technology exciting scientists all over the world. Marty Hayes enters a hectic school year as newfound superpowers inherited from his grandmother begin to develop. She used her powers to help Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. during the U.S. Civil Rights era. Marty shares a love of science and all things spy-related with his best friend, Christopher, who witnesses incidents Marty can't explain away.

Despite a promise to his grandmother, the two are soon testing Marty's superpowers. Then, Marty begins falling for Aisha, the cute curly-haired girl in his advanced science classroom, who has a superpower of her own. A high-tech drone regularly hovers around the classroom and homes of the students. Piloted by international goons, they awaken the annoying school bully, Wade, to his own superpowers and convince him to steal valuable CRISPR-Cas9 data. Marty, Christopher and Aisha band together to stop theft of the technology at their beloved International Spy Museum in Washington, D.C. Who will win? International goons or the superhero team of Advanced Science 2017?



Lora Hyler is a writer and marketer offering her debut middle grade novel, *The Stupendous Adventures of Mighty Marty Hayes*. The novel features a multicultural cast of superheroes, who love science and spy gadgets. Screenwriting and short story award winner.



Title: Princess Sophie and the Six Swans, A Tale from the Brothers Grimm

Author: Kim Jacobs

Illustrator: Kim Jacobs

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Wisdom Tales Press

Publisher Location: Bloomington, Indiana

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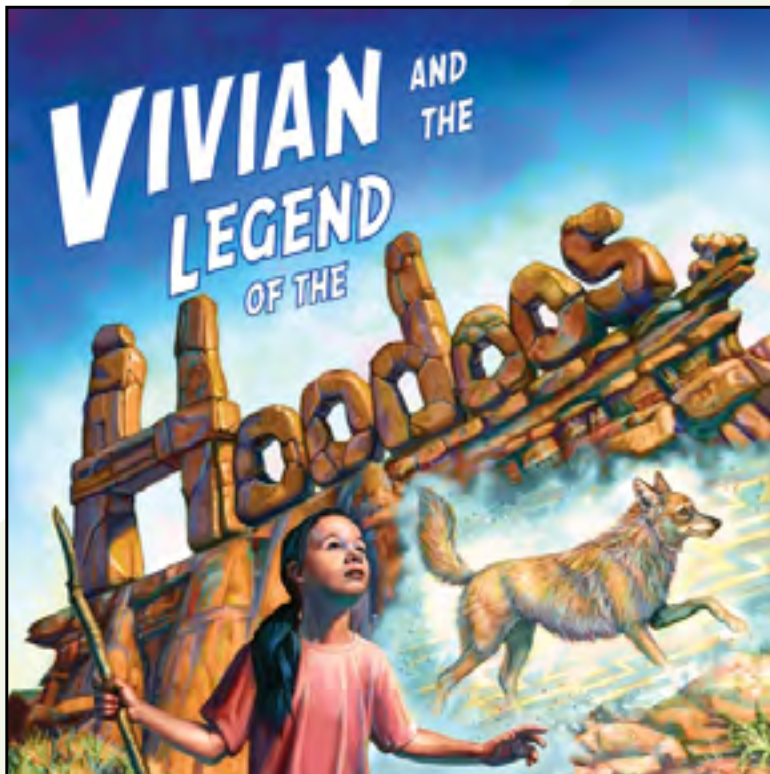
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Synopsis:

Princess Sophie, the spirited young heroine of this adapted tale from the Brothers Grimm, finds herself faced with an incredible challenge and some lessons to learn. She had forgotten her departed mother's warning to temper loyalty and strength with a compassionate heart. Antagonized by Sophie's resentful words, her powerful new stepmother turns Sophie's six brothers into swans and sets her the task of saving them. Will Sophie succeed in helping her brothers? Can she spin six shirts made from the thorny thistle, while never speaking a word, even in her defense? And what will happen when King Yoren captures Sophie and takes her prisoner? Featuring stunning artwork by renowned illustrator Kim Jacobs, her retelling of this classic Brothers Grimm fairytale also contains an author's note with fascinating details on family heraldry and mute swans.



Kim Jacobs' artwork has been well known worldwide for more than 35 years. It can be found in book form, on calendars, cards, toys and many other products. This is her second children's book and the first for which is she both author and illustrator.



Title: Vivian and The Legend of the Hoodoos

Author: Terry Jennings

Illustrator: Phyllis Saroff

Category: Resource Books

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Arbordale publishing

Publisher Location: Mount Pleasant, SC

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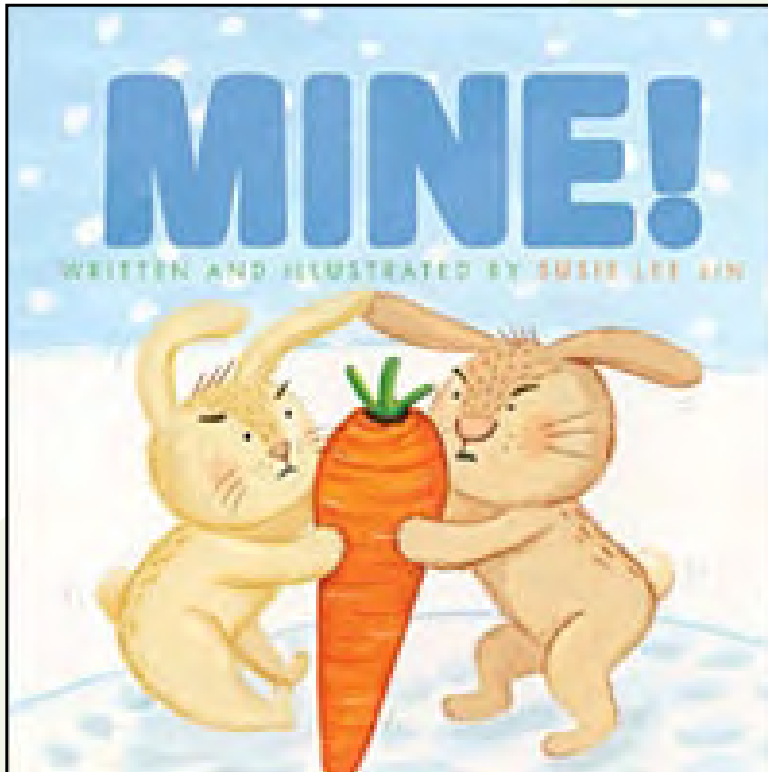
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Synopsis:

Vivian would rather play basketball than pick pine nuts with Grandma. Even though she knows the legend of the Hoodoos, how the coyote punished those who used up all the earth's resources by turning them to stone, she is not at all respectful of the earth. Grandma shows her how the Ancient Ones depended on the earth, and how we must all be respectful of the earth and her resources. Vivian gets it. In addition to being about being responsible for our environment, the book is about how ice wedging, a form of erosion, creates rocky pillars that geologists call hoodoos. The book has two pages of erosion science and activities as well as two pages on the culture of the Paiute tribe.



Terry Catasãs Jennings brings her love of science, history and writing to her non-fiction and narrative non-fiction stories. Born in Cuba, she loves working with children and is now concentrating on multicultural stories.



Title: MINE!

Author: Susie Jin

Illustrator: Susie Jin

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers

Publisher Location: New York, NY

Rights Available: Please inquire with Simon & Schuster, Children's Division, Subsidiary Rights

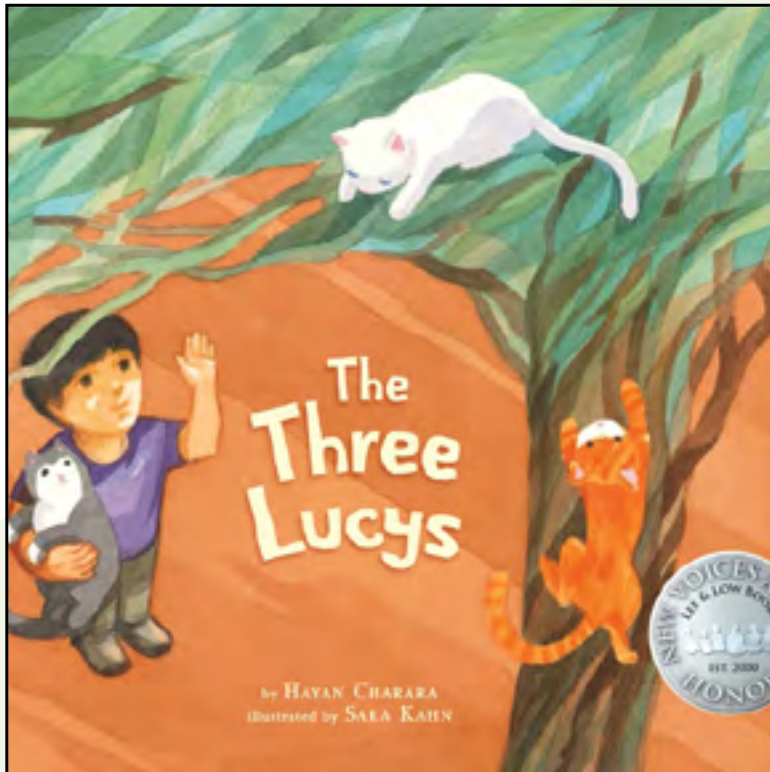
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sschildrensubrights@simonandschuster.com

Synopsis:

Several competitive bunnies compete in an epic battle to claim a single carrot in this hilarious and sweet debut picture book about sharing (from the Simon & Schuster website).



SUSIE LEE JIN grew up in Rocky Mount, North Carolina. After graduating from Duke University, she worked as an elementary school teacher and earned her MFA in Illustration at the School of Visual Arts. Susie has been daydreaming and drawing stories ever since.



Title: The Three Lucys

Author: Sara Kahn

Illustrator: Sara Kahn

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Lee & Low Books

Publisher Location: New York

Rights Available: Yes

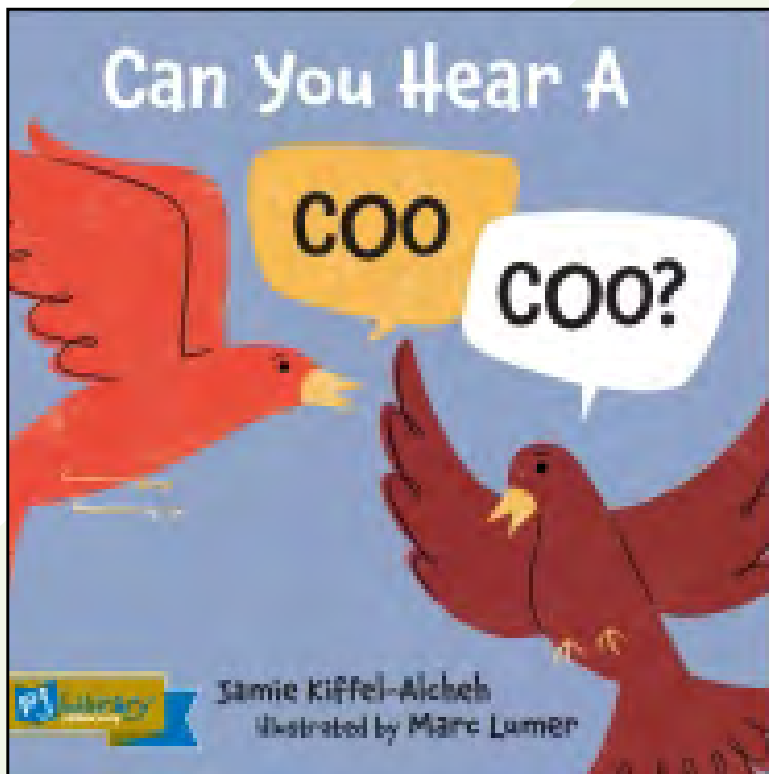
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Synopsis:

Luli likes to sit in the shade of an olive tree with his beloved cats: Lucy the Fat, Lucy the Skinny, and Lucy Lucy. But when Luli and his parents go to the city to see his aunt and uncle one weekend, the cats must stay behind at home. After a fun visit with family, Luli is looking forward to going home and seeing the Lucys. But then Luli's hometown comes under attack and the family must seek refuge at his aunt and uncle's house. Luli doesn't understand what is happening and worries about his pets. Who will keep the three Lucys safe? And when will he and his family be able to return home? Recipient of Lee & Low's New Voices Honor award, *The Three Lucys* is inspired by real events of the July War in Lebanon. This tender story of loss, rebuilding, and healing is a tribute to the sustaining love of family, and to the power of the human spirit to hope for a peaceful future.



Sara has illustrated many books in Iran. For the past 20 years, she has been living in San Francisco. She is the winner of the SCBWI Magazine Merit Award 2003, and the Arab American Book Award 2017.



Title: Can You Hear a Coo, Coo?

Author: Jamie Kiffel-Alcheh

Illustrator: Marc Lumer

Category: Board/Novelty

Publication Year: 2018

Publisher: Kar-Ben Publishing

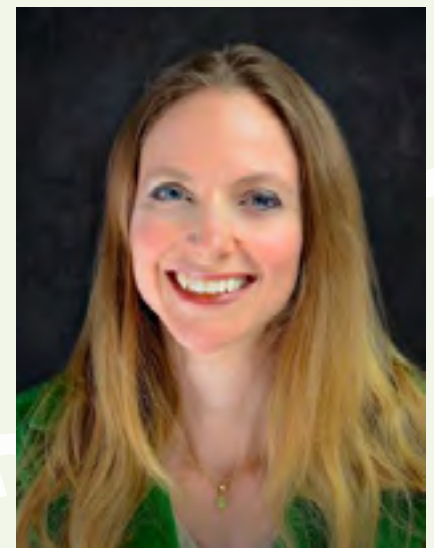
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Synopsis:

In this stylized, rhyming board book, animal pairs march to a surprise destination... Noah's Ark! Featuring the work of award-winning illustrator Marc Lumer, the book uses earth tones and subtle textures to prime young palates for art appreciation. The animals' exclamations on each page invite repetition and language development... and they are fun to read aloud! This book is a PJ Library selection, and pre-sold nearly 20,000 copies for distribution to families throughout the U.S.



Jamie Kiffel-Alcheh (www.jamiekiffelalcheh.com) is the author of CAN YOU HEAR A COO COO?, A HOPOE SAYS, OOP!, LISTEN! ISRAEL'S ALL AROUND and THE BIGGEST OF ALL! (Kar-Ben Publishing). She regularly writes cover stories for National Geographic Kids Magazine.



Title: El jardín mágico

Author: Carme Lemniscates

Illustrator: Carme Lemniscates

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Ekare Europa SL

Publisher Location: Spain

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Synopsis:

Chloe lives in a magic garden, but she does not know that, until one day she stops and listens. A little story for the very young where poetry and information converge with the aim of awakening children's interest in nature. Fully illustrated picture book, with a didactic, informative non-fiction section at the end of the story.



An award-winning author, illustrator and designer of children's books. In 2010, Carme founded Lemniscates Studio and she has since published books in Spain, United States, UK, Brazil and South

Korea. El jardín mágico won the 2017 SCBWI Crystal Kite Award.



Title: Seasons of Joy: Everyday is for Outdoor Play

Author: Claudia Lenart

Illustrator: Claudia Lenart

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Loving Healing Press

Publisher Location: Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA

Rights Available: Foreign Translations (all markets available)

Rights Contact: Email: victor@LHPress.com; Phone: +1 734 417 4266

Synopsis:

The pure and simple delight of children playing outside is captured in needle-felted wool paintings created by Claudia Marie Lenart in Seasons of Joy: Everyday is for Outdoor Play. The picture book pairs dreamy images of multi-cultural children, animals, flowers and trees with verse that expresses the joy young children experience in nature's seasons. Children can see themselves in the diverse characters and can be inspired to spend more time playing outdoors and connecting to nature.



Claudia Marie Lenart is a fiber artist and author from northern Illinois. Claudia pioneered a distinct style of illustrating books using needle-felted wool. She is a former journalist and advocate for outdoor play and nature experiences in childhood.



Title: Daring Amelia

Author: Barbara Lowell

Illustrator: Jez Tuya

Category: Leveled Readers

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Grosset & Dunlap/PSS (Penguin Young Readers Group)

Publisher Location: 375 Hudson Street, New York, NY 10014

Rights Available: Yes

Rights Contact: rhooker@penguinrandomhouse.com

Synopsis:

As soon as Amelia Earhart took her first airplane ride, she knew she had to learn how to fly planes. She became one of the most famous pilots ever! Soar the skies with daring Amelia and discover her story.



Barbara Lowell is the author of *Daring Amelia*, *George Ferris What A Wheel* and nine forthcoming books for children including: *Alexander Hamilton American Hero* (June 2018,) *Sparky and Spike* (Spring 2019,) and *My Mastodon* (Fall 2019.) www.barbaralowell.com



Title: Death and Love at the Old Summer Camp

Author: Dolores Maggiore

Illustrator:

Category: Young Adult

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Sapphire Star Publishing

Publisher Location: P.O. Box 8142, Salinas, CA 93912

Rights Available: Audio, English outside US & Canada, Foreign translations

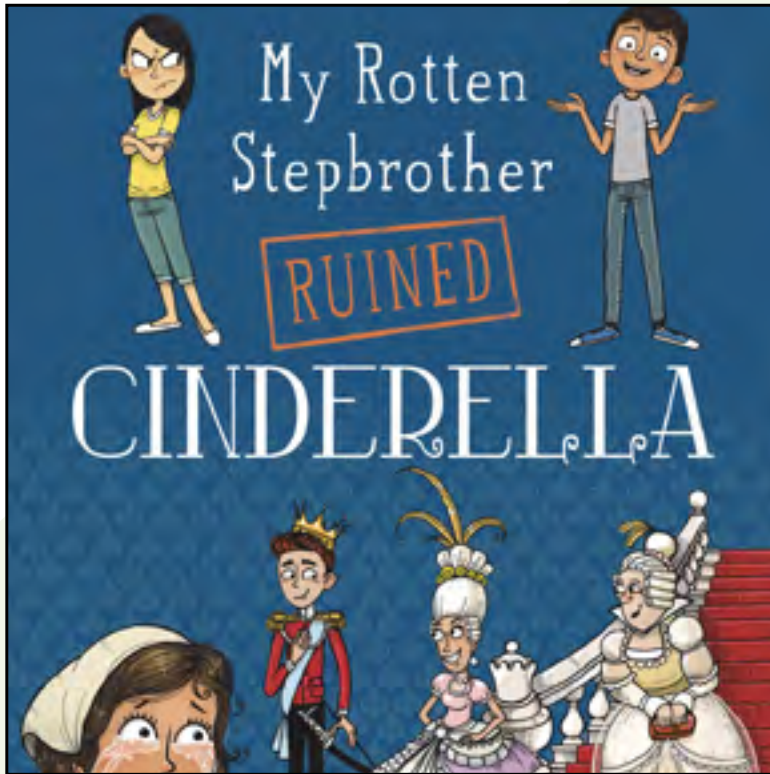
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Synopsis:

For Pina, summer 1959 started off a boring drag, just like every other summer with her folks at Owl Lake Lodge in Maine. The only good thing was seeing Katie and hanging out with her in the creepy cabins of the old boys camp. But this summer, Katie seemed different, cuter. Pina didn't have a clue why. Katie just somehow made her nervous and excited. Another thing rattling Pina's nerves were her dreams; well, not exactly sleep dreams, but awake dreams. All fine and good, but they came from her dead Sicilian grandmother, and they told her things, crazy things, love things, like her and Katie falling in love things. They also showed her dead stuff, dead like a long-time dead from the camp dead. So the summer heated up. And so did her feelings for Katie. Things got even hotter when Katie's dad, Doc, and his very, very close, old camp friend, Joe, started hiding camp secrets about dead stuff—and other stuff. How hot could Pina stand it? If she didn't want to lose this one chance for a different kind of life, could she solve the murder—and clear Doc's name? And would Katie have her and would Pina have herself?



Hailing from a Brooklyn Sicilian family, Dolores Maggiore draws from the mysticism of that heritage and the enchantment of a childhood spent in the Maine woods. Personal history and work as a psychotherapist make for sensitive treatment of first LGBTQ love. Sh



Title: My Rotten Stepbrother Ruined Cinderella

Author: Jerry Mahoney

Illustrator:

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Capstone Press (Capstone Publishing Group)

Publisher Location: Capstone Publishing

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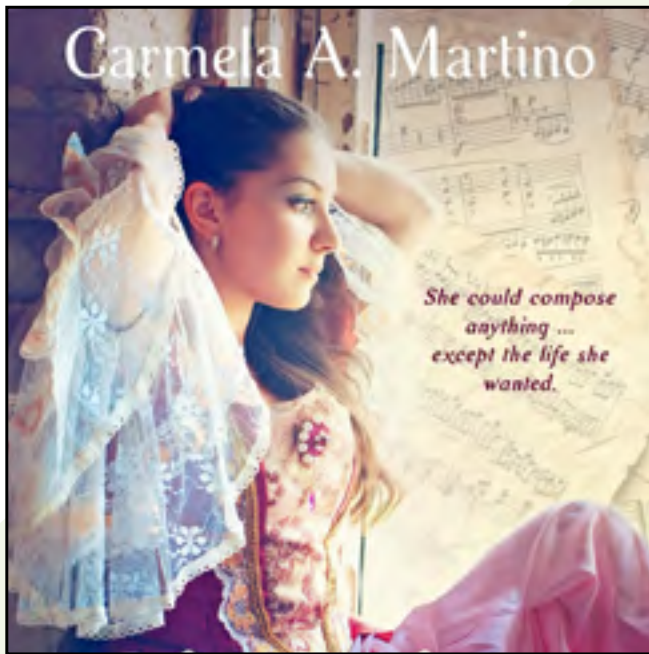
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Synopsis:

Maddie loves fairy tales. Her obnoxious stepbrother Holden doesn't. When Maddie does her school report on Cinderella, Holden points out the ridiculousness of a man needing a shoe to track down the woman he supposedly fell in love with. Wouldn't he remember her face? And don't a lot of women have the same size foot? What a bad plan! Soon, he and Maddie are thrust into the story, only to find that the Prince is now engaged to a Wicked Stepsister, and the Fairy Godmother is a little miffed that Cinderella disobeyed the one rule she gave her and stayed out past midnight. Will Maddie and Holden be able to set things right, or will Cinderella remain a miserable housemaid forever?



Jerry Mahoney is the author of the four-book series MY ROTTEN STEPBROTHER RUINED FAIRY TALES and BUTTHEADS FROM OUTER SPACE. He lives in Los Angeles. Find him at www.jerrymahoneybooks.com



Title: Playing by Heart

Author: Carmela Martino

Illustrator:

Category: Young Adult

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Vinspire Publishing

Publisher Location: United States

Rights Available: Foreign Translations

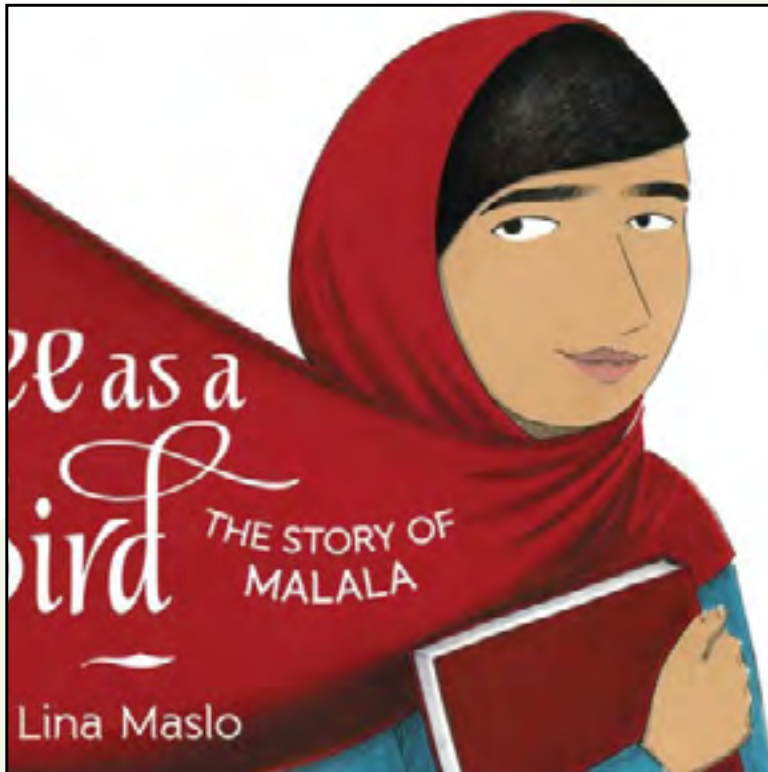
Rights Contact: Carmela Martino (author)

Synopsis:

In this novel inspired by two amazing sisters who were far ahead of their time, Emilia Salvini dreams of marrying a man who loves music as much as she does. But in 18th-century Milan, being the "second sister" means she'll likely be sent to a convent instead. Emilia's only hope is to prove her musical talents crucial to her father's quest for nobility. First, though, she must win over her music tutor, who disdains her simply for being a girl. But before she can carry out her plan, a tragedy sends the family into mourning. In her sorrow, Emilia composes a heartrending sonata that causes the maestro to finally recognize her talent. He begins teaching her music theory alongside Antonio Bellini, the arrogant great-nephew of a wealthy marquis. Emilia's feelings toward her rival gradually change as she strives to outdo him. But just when her dreams seem within reach, Emilia learns that her success could destroy not only her future but her sister's very life. This clean historical romance is the story of two teens struggling to follow their true calling, even when it conflicts with their father's ambitions. *Playing by Heart* was inspired by the lives of two extraordinary sisters, composer Maria Teresa Agnesi and mathematician Maria Gaetana Agnesi. An Author's Note provides background information about the sisters and other historical figures who appear in the novel.



Award-winning author, speaker, and writing teacher Carmela Martino holds an MFA in Writing for Children and Young Adults. Her latest novel, *Playing by Heart*, is inspired by the life of little-known 18th-century composer Maria Teresa Agnesi.



Title: Free as a Bird

Author: Lina Maslo

Illustrator: Lina Maslo

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2018

Publisher: Balzer & Bray

Publisher Location: New York

Rights Available: All rights available through HarperCollins Publishers, USA

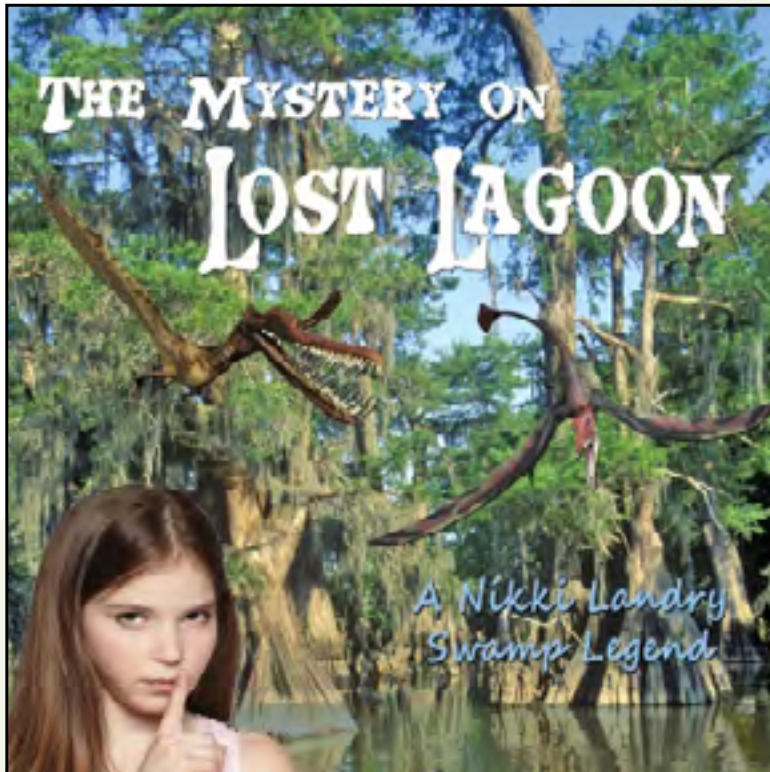
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617-232-9399

Synopsis:

The inspiring true story of Malala Yousafzai, human rights activist and the youngest ever winner of the Nobel Peace Prize, from debut author/illustrator Lina Maslo. When Malala Yousafzai was born, people shook their heads because girls were considered bad luck. But her father looked into her eyes and knew she could do anything. In Pakistan, people said girls should not be educated. But Malala and her father were not afraid. She secretly went to school and spoke up for education in her country. And even though an enemy tried to silence her powerful voice, she would not keep quiet. Malala traveled around the world to speak to girls and boys, to teachers, reporters, presidents, and queens: "to anyone who would listen," and advocated for the right to education and equality of opportunity for every person. She would shout so that those without a voice could be heard. So everyone could be as free as a bird. Free as a Bird is the inspiring true story of a fearless girl and the father who taught her to soar.



Lina Maslo is an author-illustrator originally from Ukraine, who now resides with her family in South Carolina. She loves biographies, and her next book will be about C.S. Lewis! You can see her work on www.linamaslo.com.



Title: The Mystery on Lost Lagoon

Author: Rita Monette

Illustrator:

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Mirror World Publishing

Publisher Location: Windsor, Canada

Rights Available: Outside Canada, US, and Mexico.

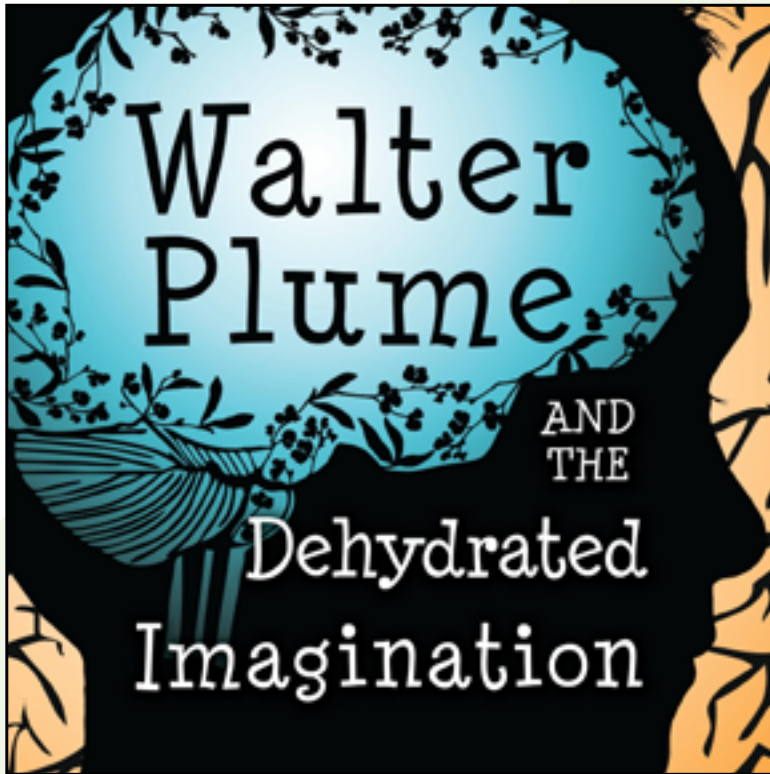
Rights Contact: Rita Monette

Synopsis:

Nikki Landry and her friends are off on a quest to track down the prehistoric-looking bird that's been flying around a nearby swamp island. However, their plans get sidetracked when they meet a stranger in their small town who seems to have some secrets to hide. The sleuthing group soon learns of a legend about a hidden lagoon. Is it all connected? Before they can find out, they are kidnapped by a mysterious scientist on a mission of his own. Is there any truth to the legend that says if you go onto Lost Lagoon you will never return? Is the eerie whirlpool that sits waiting to suck you in really a passage to another world? Join Nikki, her friends, and one neurotic parrot, as they discover the truth behind the Mystery on Lost Lagoon.



Rita Monette was born and raised in Southwest Louisiana, and writes a middle grade series set in the swamps and bayous of her home state where there are many legends and mysteries to solve. She currently lives in the mountains of Tennessee.



Title: Walter Plume and the Dehydrated Imagination

Author: Rebecca Morales

Illustrator:

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Cedar Fort

Publisher Location: Utah, United States

Rights Available: Dramatic, Audio, English outside the US and Canada,
Foreign translations

Rights Contact: rights@cedarfort.com

Synopsis:

Walter may die of boredom! Until he finds life at his fingertips! The most boring summer ever just turned into an adventure of a lifetime! 11-year-old Walter discovers a mystical place filled with wilted plants and unhappy elves who think Walter is there to save them with his new life-giving powers! To defeat Ickabod Von Snot-hook before he sucks everyone's joy dry with his neverending list of rules, Walter will need to use his best power yet: his imagination! Funny, fast-paced, and full of surprises, this book is guaranteed to leave you laughing.



Rebecca Morales has published articles and short stories in various publications including Not Now, Natalie in Ladybug Magazine. Her debut novel Walter Plume and the Dehydrated Imagination, was released in Feb. 2016.



Title: Lintang and the Pirate Queen

Author: Tamara Moss

Illustrator:

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Random House Australia

Publisher Location: Sydney, NSW, Australia

Rights Available: All rights available except North America and Australia

Rights Contact: Eleanor Shorne Holden: EShorneHolden@

penguinrandomhouse.com.au, phone +613 8537 4619

Synopsis:

Lintang dreams of escaping her island home and having adventures on the high seas. She gets her chance when she and her best friend, Bayani, face a deadly mythic and survive, attracting the attention of the infamous Captain Shafira. Lintang's bravery earns her an invitation onto the ship of the pirate queen, who is on her way to hunt down a nest of vicious sirens. But they've barely left the island when Lintang discovers that Bayani has risked his life to stow away. Worse, he won't tell her why. Lintang must choose whether to be loyal to Captain Shafira and continue with her adventures, or be loyal to her best friend and lose everything she's ever wanted.



West Australian author Tamara Moss has worked at many different primary schools, teaching everything from music to Japanese. Lintang and the Pirate Queen is her first novel.



Title: Freddy, Hoppie and the Eyeglasses

Author: Michelle Nott

Illustrator:

Category: Leveled Readers

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Guardian Angel Publishing

Publisher Location: St. Louis, Missouri

Rights Available: Translation

Rights Contact: Lynda S. Burch

Synopsis:

Freddy and his imaginary frog Hoppie jump into each day. But numbers smudge, words blur, and classmates snicker. By the end of the week, there is no more spring in their step. Freddy knows he should tell his mom about the trouble they are having, but how? Suggested age range for readers: 6-9.



Michelle Nott is a former teacher, freelance writer and editor. She writes fiction and non-fiction picture books, early readers and middle grade. Freddy, Hoppie and the Eyeglasses is her first book. She is since agentted by Essie White of Storm Literary Agency.



Title: Bears Make the Best Reading Buddies

Author: Carmen Oliver

Illustrator:

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Capstone Press (Capstone Publishing Group)

Publisher Location: Pad. 25 Stand A/147

Rights Available: Capstone owns the rights

Rights Contact: Liz Eriksson (Capstone) 952-224-0563 LEriksson@capstonepub.com

Synopsis:

A girl attempts to persuade her teacher that her reading buddy choice is nothing to be afraid of because his bear-like qualities make him perfectly equipped for the job.



Carmen Oliver is the author of picture book *Bears Make the Best Reading Buddies* as well as the forthcoming nonfiction picture books *A Voice for the Spirit Bears: The Simon Jackson Story* and *The Favio Chavez Story*. She's also the founder of *The Booking Biz*.



Title: Are We Pears Yet?

Author: Miranda Paul

Illustrator: Carin berger

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Macmillan Children's Books

Publisher Location: New York City

Rights Available: World

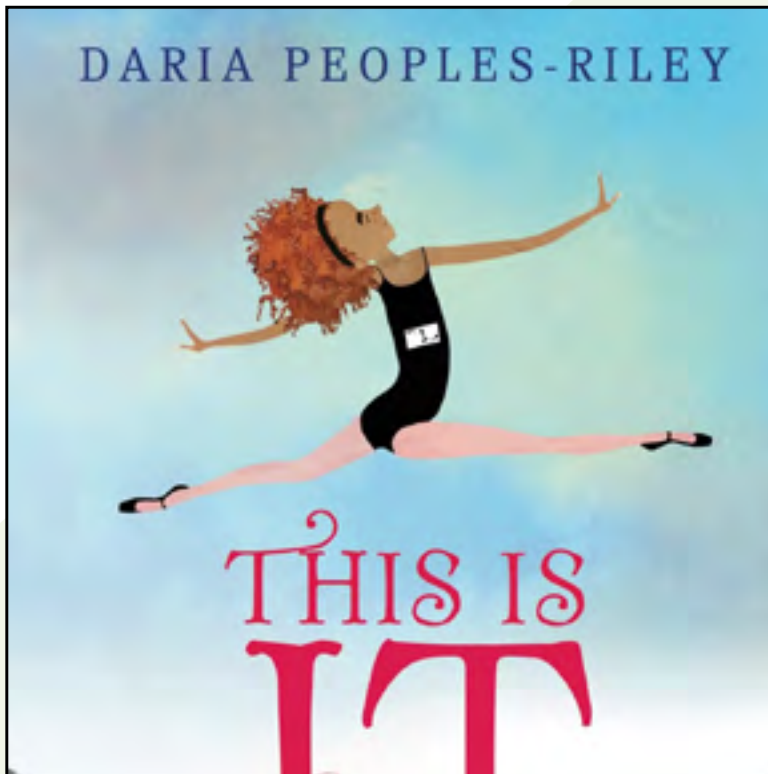
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Synopsis:

Two seeds can't wait to be pears, but growing takes time and patience in this funny and informative fictional picture book from Miranda Paul, the author of *Water is Water*.



Miranda Paul is an award-winning author of eight picture books including *One Plastic Bag*, *Water is Water*, *10 Little Ninjas*, and *Whose Hands Are These?* Learn more at mirandapaul.com.



Title: THIS IS IT

Author: Daria Peoples-Riley

Illustrator: Daria Peoples-Riley

Category:

Publication Year: 2018

Publisher: Green Willow (HarperCollins)

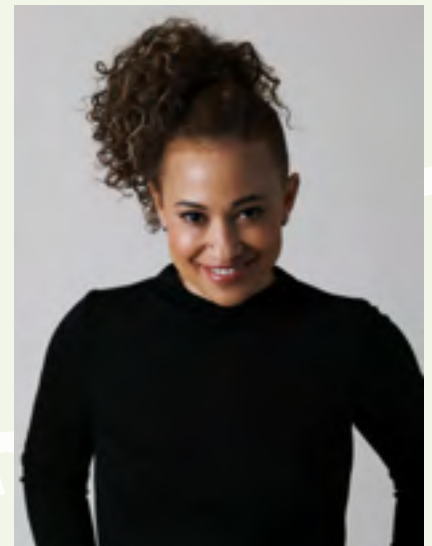
Publisher Location: New York, New York

Rights Available:

Rights Contact: Ellen Greenberg (GalltZacker Agency)

Synopsis:

Daria Peoples-Riley's debut picture book is a celebration of individuality, self-expression, and dance. Fans of Misty Copeland's *Firebird* and Matt de la Peña's *Last Stop on Market Street* will want to read it over and over again. When a young dancer is nervous about her upcoming auditions, her shadow springs to life and leads her on a joyous exploration of their city. Soon enough, the young girl finds confidence in her skills, her body, and her ability to shine. With an energetic, rhythmic text that begs to be read aloud and striking, exuberant artwork, *This Is It* is a love story to originality and the simple joy of movement.



Daria Peoples-Riley's first job was at nine years old in the children's section of her hometown library. Much later, she became a teacher, and now she is a full-time author and illustrator. *This Is It* is her first picture book inspired by her daughter.



Title: Under the Ashes

Author: Cindy Rankin

Illustrator:

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Albert Whitman & CO.

Publisher Location: Albert Whitman & Co., 250 South Northwest Highway, Suite 320, Park Ridge, IL 60068, USA

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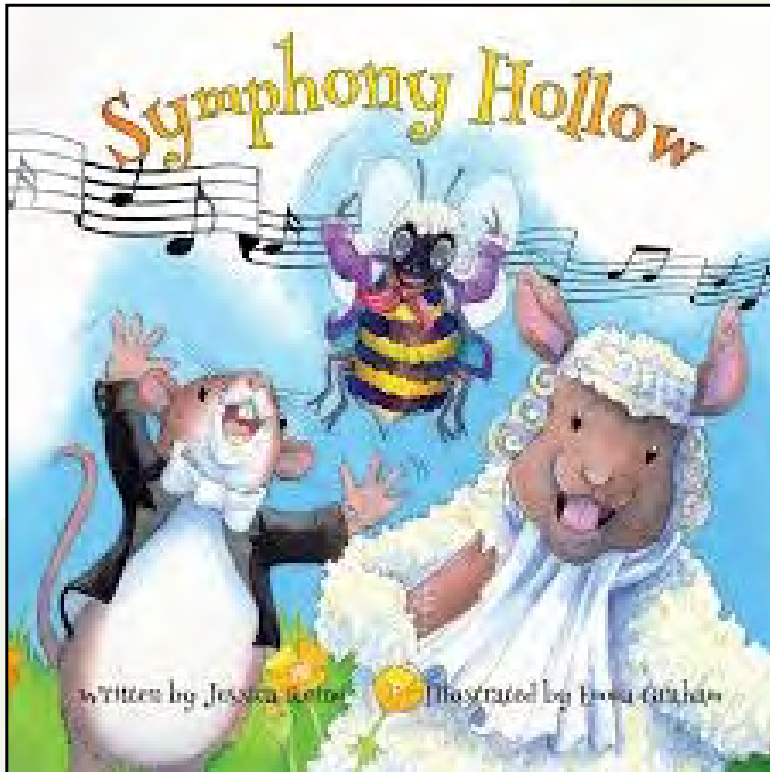
Phone: 001--847-232-2800, email: patl@albertwhitman.com or mail@albertwhitman.com

Synopsis:

In a city shaken to the ground, she must find a way out. Eleven-year-old Elizabeth "Littlebeth" Morgan would rather race the boys, chase skunks, and read about bandits than act like a lady. When she whacks the head off a rattlesnake, her parents decide it's the last straw. They send her to live with her maiden aunt Sally in San Francisco to be tamed and refined. The city proves to be anything but tame. Littlebeth wakes one morning to the crashing chaos of a massive earthquake and finds herself surrounded by wreckage. Then a fire breaks out and tears across the city. Now she must depend on her instincts and a few unlikely friends to find her way to safety. But does she have the spirit to survive in a city that's broken and burning?



Cindy Rankin lived in England, Germany, Italy, and five states before making California home. She worked as a freelance journalist and substitute teacher while writing fiction. Her debut novel combines a love of history, storytelling, and wondering what if...?



Title: Symphony Hollow

Author: Jessica Reino

Illustrator: Emma Graham

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Clear Fork Publishing

Publisher Location: Texas, USA

Rights Available: World other than English language rights, TV, movie or dramatic rights, merchandising

Rights Contact: Callie Metler callie@clearfork.media

Synopsis:

How do you get to Symphony Hollow? Past the babbling brook and buttercup fields of course! Join musical friends, Bee Thoven, Baa-ach, and Pav-a-RAT-i as they work together to compose a song fit for Vivaldi's competition and one that would make Mr. Moosezart proud.



Jessica Reino is an author, author coach, and freelance editor specializing in developmental editing for Young Adult and Adult Fiction. She is a member of SCBWI, The Women's Fiction Writers Association, and The Editorial Freelancers Association.



Title: Porcupine's Picnic, Who Eats What?

Author: Betsy Rosenthal

Illustrator:

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Millbrook Press (Lerner Publishing Group)

Publisher Location: Minneapolis, MN

Rights Available: yes

Rights Contact: Mkjoller@lernerbooks.com. Maria Kjoller

Synopsis:

Porcupine invites various animals to his picnic. He offers to share his clover, but each animal prefers its own food. Tortoise, Butterfly, Giant Panda, Squirrel, Ostrich, and others join the fun. Everything is going well until Tiger shows up. This sweet and slightly scary story is the perfect bite-sized introduction to herbivores, omnivores, and carnivores. There is a glossary in the back of "Who Eats What?"

Formerly a practicing attorney with a national civil rights organization, Rosenthal is currently a children's book author of picture books and a middle grade novel, and also writes personal essays for newspapers and magazines, poetry and ghostwrites memoirs.



Title: Kat Greene Comes Clean

Author: Melissa Roske

Illustrator:

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Charlesbridge Publishing

Publisher Location: Watertown, Massachusetts

Rights Available: World rights

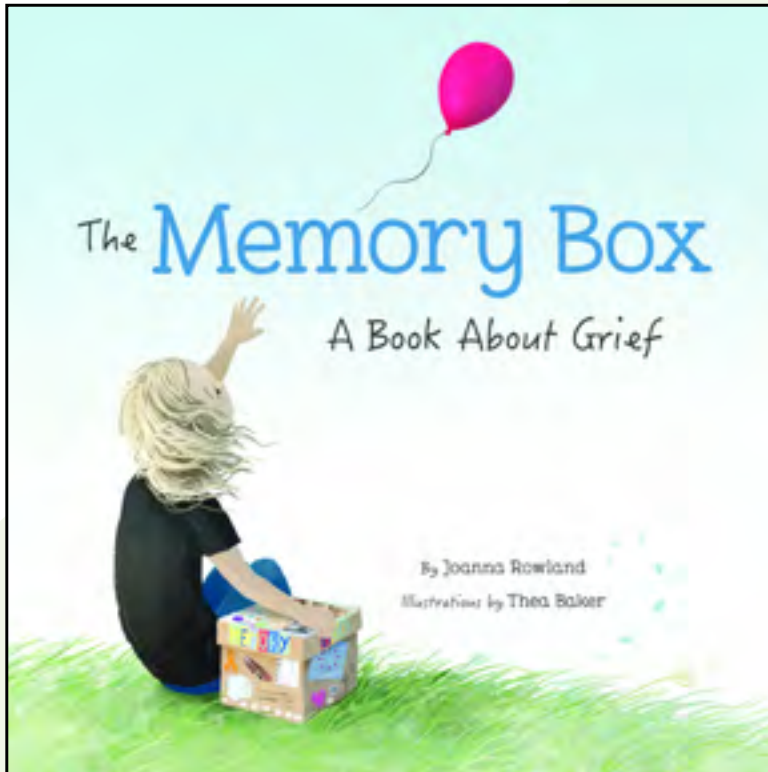
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Synopsis:

Eleven-year-old Kat Greene has a lot on her pre-rinsed plate, thanks to her divorced mom's obsession with cleaning. When Mom isn't scrubbing every inch of their Greenwich Village apartment, she's boiling the silverware or checking Kat's sheets for bedbugs. It's enough to drive any middle schooler crazy! Add friendship troubles to the mix, a crummy role in the school play, and Mom's decision to try out for "Clean Sweep," a competitive-cleaning TV game show, and what've you got? More trouble than Kat can handle. At least, without a little help from her friends.



Melissa Roske is a writer of contemporary middle-grade fiction. Before spending her days with imaginary people, Melissa interviewed real ones, as a journalist in Europe. In London, she landed a job as an advice columnist for Just Seventeen magazine.



Title: The Memory Box: A Book About Grief

Author: Joanna Rowland

Illustrator: Thea Baker

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Spark House

Publisher Location: Spark House Family 510 Marquette Ave, Suite 800,
Minneapolis, MN 55402

Rights Available: World

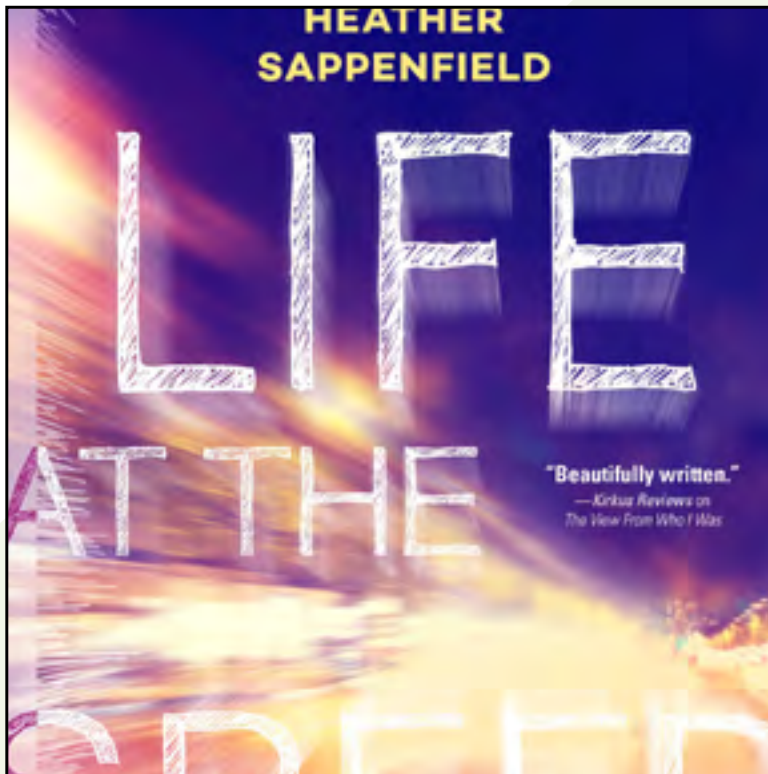
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612-314-6167

Synopsis:

"I'm scared I'll forget you!" From the perspective of a young child, Joanna Rowland artfully describes what it is like to remember and grieve a loved one who has died. The child in the story creates a memory box to keep mementos and written memories of the loved one, to help in the grieving process. Heartfelt and comforting, The Memory Box will help children and adults talk about this very difficult topic together. The unique point of view allows the reader to imagine the loss of any they have loved—a friend, family member, or even a pet.



Joanna Rowland grew up in Sacramento, California where she lives today with her husband and children. She teaches Kindergarten by day and writes at night. In the summer you'll find her at the pool coaching synchronizing swimming or cozying up with a book.



Title: Life at the Speed of Us

Author: Heather Sappenfield

Illustrator:

Category: Young Adult

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Flux

Publisher Location: Mendota Heights, Minnesota USA

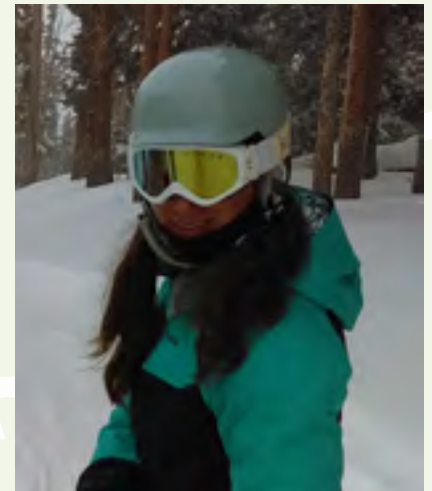
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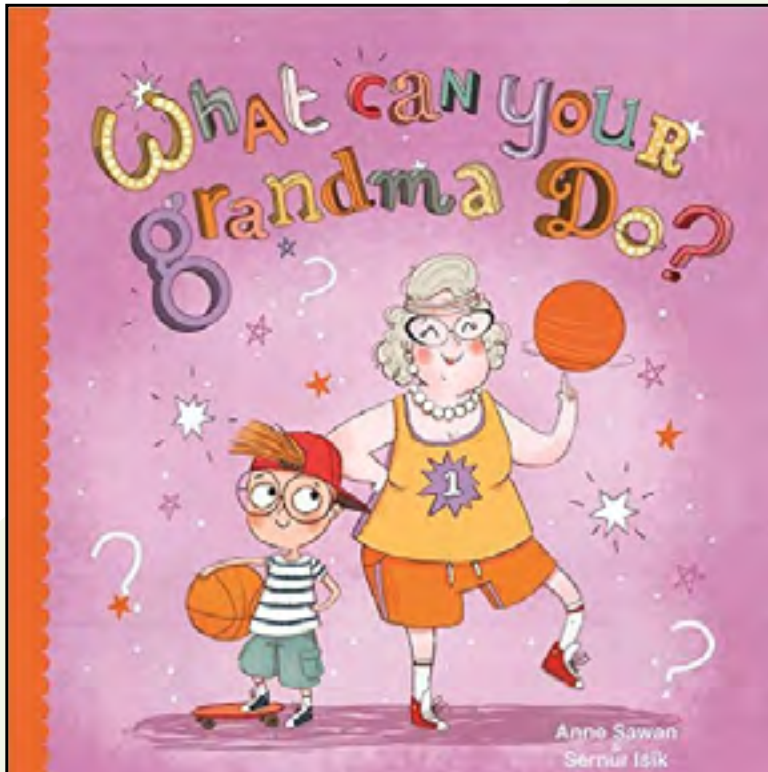
Synopsis:

COLORADO BOOK AWARD FINALIST
HOUSATONIC AWARD FOR WRITING FOR MIDDLE GRADES OR YOUNG ADULTS FINALIST

Silence is safe. Fate is not. When Sovern Briggs survives a car crash, she stops talking to seal in the memory of the final sounds from her mother's life. As conflict with her father builds and failure in school looms, Sovern seeks relief in a dangerous boyfriend and in speed's adrenaline edge. These needs collide, leading Sovern to a snowboarding accident that changes her future and perhaps that of our universe. Life at the Speed of Us weaves dyslexia, math, cutting-edge science, genius, and love into a young woman's reluctant journey toward grace.



HEATHER SAPPENFIELD lives in a tiny log home in Vail, Colorado. She teaches writing at a school for future Olympic skiers and snowboarders. If you visit, you might find her pedaling her mountain bike along summer trails or schussing down winter slopes.



Title: What Can Your Grandma Do?

Author: Anne Sawan

Illustrator:

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Clavis Books

Publisher Location: Belgium, Netherlands, NY

Rights Available: China, Taiwan, USA, Australia, Canada, UK

Rights Contact: Lise Merken T +32 11 28 68 62 | lise@clavisbooks.com

Synopsis:

A grandparent talent show at school has Jeremy wondering if his grandma has a unique skill to display.



Title: Planet Kindergarten: 100 Days in Orbit

Author: Sue Schmitt

Illustrator: Shane Prigmore

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Chronicle Books

Publisher Location: San Francisco, CA USA

Rights Available: Worldwide Excluding North America

Rights Contact: info@planetkindergarten.com

Synopsis:

This clever picture book will prepare young explorers to boldly go where they have never gone before: Planet Kindergarten. Hilarious and confidence-boosting, this exciting space-themed story will have new kindergarteners ready for liftoff!

"A genius way to ease kids into the new adventure that is kindergarten." —Kirkus Reviews, starred review

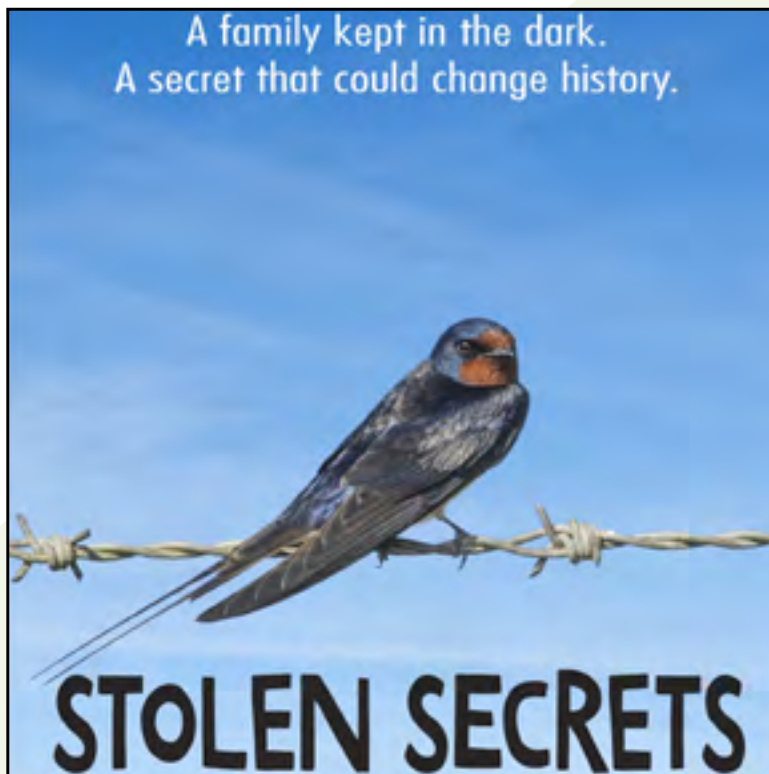
"Kindergarten isn't just a grade—it's a destination." —Publishers Weekly

"Will help readers understand that kindergarten really is out of this world."—School Library Journal

"Visual excitement and madcap humor." — The New York Times



Children's book author, mother & philanthropist, Sue is passionate about helping children and families globally. Sue has published four books including: Planet Kindergarten & Planet Kindergarten: 100 Days in Orbit. Learn more at: www.sueganzschmitt.com



Title: Stolen Secrets

Author: L.B. (Lisa) Schulman

Illustrator:

Category: Young Adult

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Boyds Mills Press

Publisher Location: Honesdale, PA

Rights Available: Foreign, film and TV rights available

Rights Contact: Agent: Ammi-Joan Paquette joanpaq@gmail.com

Synopsis:

After an abrupt move across the country to San Francisco, sixteen-year-old Livvy is shocked to find that her mother has lied to her. Instead of looking for work at a bakery, her mom is taking care of Adelle, Livvy's grandmother, who Livvy thought was long dead. Suffering from Alzheimer's, Adelle shouts out startling details, mistakes her own name, and seems to relive moments that may have taken place in a concentration camp. When Livvy and her new friend Franklin D. find journal entries from the Holocaust in Adelle's home, Livvy begins to suspect that her grandmother may have a shocking link to a notable figure—Anne Frank.



L.B. Schulman's second YA, *STOLEN SECRETS* (9/19/17)—a contemporary novel with a historical mystery at its core—follows 16-year-old Livvy who finds Holocaust journal entries in her grandmother's home, leading her to suspect a shocking link to Anne Frank.



Title: Piece by Piece

Author: Stephanie Shaw

Illustrator:

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Sleeping Bear Press

Publisher Location: Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA

Rights Available: Audio, dramatic, English outside of the US and Canada, foreign translations

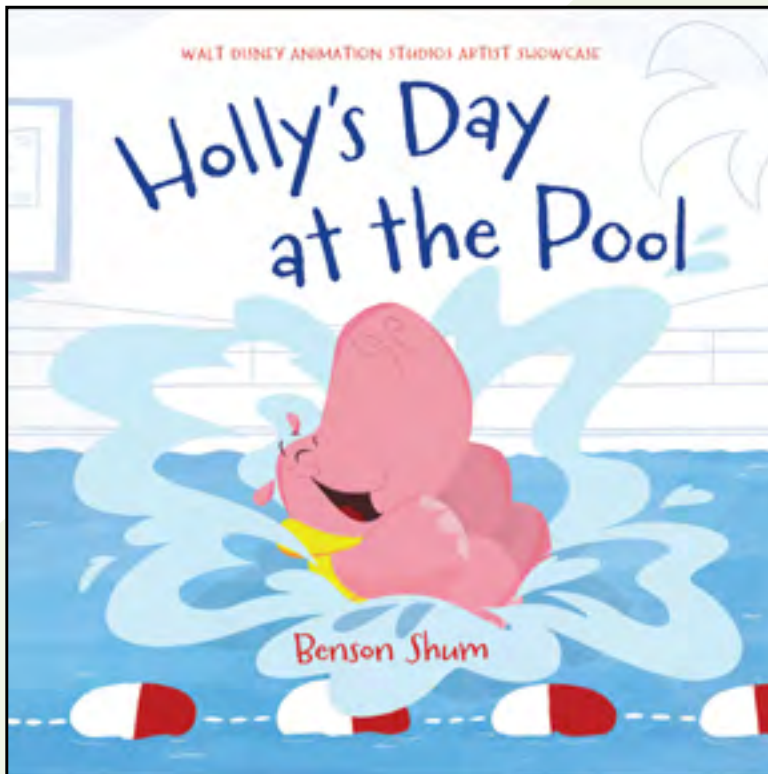
Rights Contact: Heather Hughes, publisher heather.hughes@sleepingbearpress.com

Synopsis:

Once upon a time a weaver tucked a memory into her collection basket. Drawing inspiration from the natural world around her, a weaver woman with a magical touch crafts exquisite fabrics. And from the fabric she fashions a wondrous dress, with a bodice that sparkles of starlight and lace like the foam of an ocean wave. The weaver envisions the food and clothing she will be able to buy for her children from the sale of the dress. But when she takes the dress to a local shopkeeper, the weaver is told her work is not saleable. And so she starts over again. Harkening back to the magic and lessons learned from classic fairy tales, this imaginative tale reminds readers of all ages of the importance of pursuing one's dreams and following one's heart.



Stephanie Shaw resides in the Pacific Northwest of the United States. The natural beauty of her homeland has inspired many of her picture books and lullaby board books for children.



Title: Holly's Day at the Pool

Author: Benson Shum

Illustrator: Benson Shum

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Disney-Hyperion (Disney Children's Book Group)

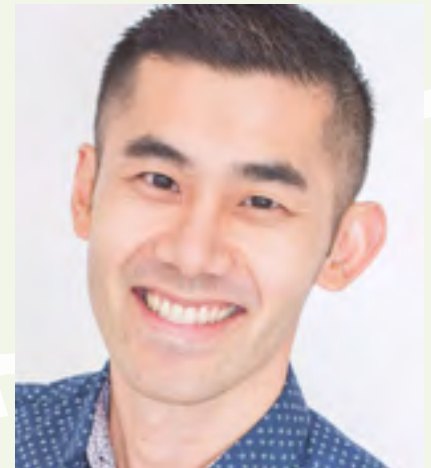
Publisher Location: USA

Rights Available: English outside the US & Canada, e-book

Rights Contact: MaryAnn.Zissimos@disney.com & Amy.Astley@disneyanimation.com

Synopsis:

"NOOOOOOO! I don't want to go to the pool. What if . . . the water is too cold?" says Holly. Holly the hippo imagines the worst: icebergs and icy water, penguins and seals! Her imagination bursts at every turn, making it harder and harder for her to step foot in the pool. Until she get the chance to be a hero. Holly may be scared, but she is a very brave girl.



Benson Shum is an Author/Illustrator and Disney Animator at the Walt Disney Animation Studios in Burbank. He published his first children's book *Holly's Day at the Pool* with Disney-Hyperion in 2017, and also illustrating two board books with Little Simons.



Title: Color Blind

Author: Sheila Sobel

Illustrator:

Category: Young Adult

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Simon Pulse (Simon & Schuster)

Publisher Location: Simon & Schuster 1230 Avenue of the Americas,
10th F. City: New York. State: NY. Zip Code: 10020

Rights Available: Foreign translation & Film/Television

Rights Contact: Jason Dravis, The Dravis Agency 4370 Tujunga Blvd,
Studio City, CA. 91604 jason@thedravisagency.com

Synopsis:

April was an infant when her teenage mother abandoned her and disappeared. With the sudden death of her father, seventeen year old April is devastated and feeling abandoned once more. With nobody left to take her in except her mother's sister, a woman she has never met, April has no choice but to move to New Orleans, a city that she has never been to. After a cryptic conversation with her Aunt Kate about family secrets and lies, April is more lost than ever before. Miles, a handsome tour guide, who brings April into the heart of the Big Easy. When his cemetery tour takes her to the tomb of Marie Laveau, April senses a spine tingling connection with the infamous 19th century Voodoo Queen.



Sheila Sobel's debut novel *Color Blind* is the winner of the 2017 Killer Nashville Reader's Choice Award for Best Tween/ YA Fiction and Finalist for the 2017 Silver Falchion Award for Best YA Fiction. She was also nominated for the 2016 Allegra Johnson Prize.



Title: Astronaut-Aquanaut: How Space Science and Sea Science Interact

Author: Jennifer Swanson

Illustrator:

Category: Nonfiction

Publication Year: 2018

Publisher: National Geographic Children's Books

Publisher Location: National Geographic Kids

Rights Available: Yes

Rights Contact: Lori Epstein | lori.epstein@natgeo.com

Synopsis:

Journey from the deepest trenches in the oceans to the farthest humans have ventured into space and learn what it takes to explore the extremes. You might just be surprised by how similar the domains of ASTRONAUTS and AQUANAUTS really are. Space and the ocean. If you don't think they go together, think again! Both deep-sea and space explorers have to worry about pressure, temperature, climate, and most importantly, how to survive in a remote and hostile environment. Join us on an amazing journey as we go up in space with astronauts and dive deep down in the ocean with aquanauts to explore the far-off places of our planet and the solar system. With a strong tie into STEM topics—such as making connections, making comparisons, and recognizing patterns across content areas—readers will discover the amazing science and incredible innovations that allow humans (and sometimes only machines) to survive in these harsh environments.



Science rocks! And so do Jennifer Swanson's books. She is the award-winning author of over 35 nonfiction STEM children's books that engage, excite, and inspire!



Title: Falling into the Dragon's Mouth

Author: Holly Thompson

Illustrator:

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Henry Holt Books for Young Readers

Publisher Location: New York

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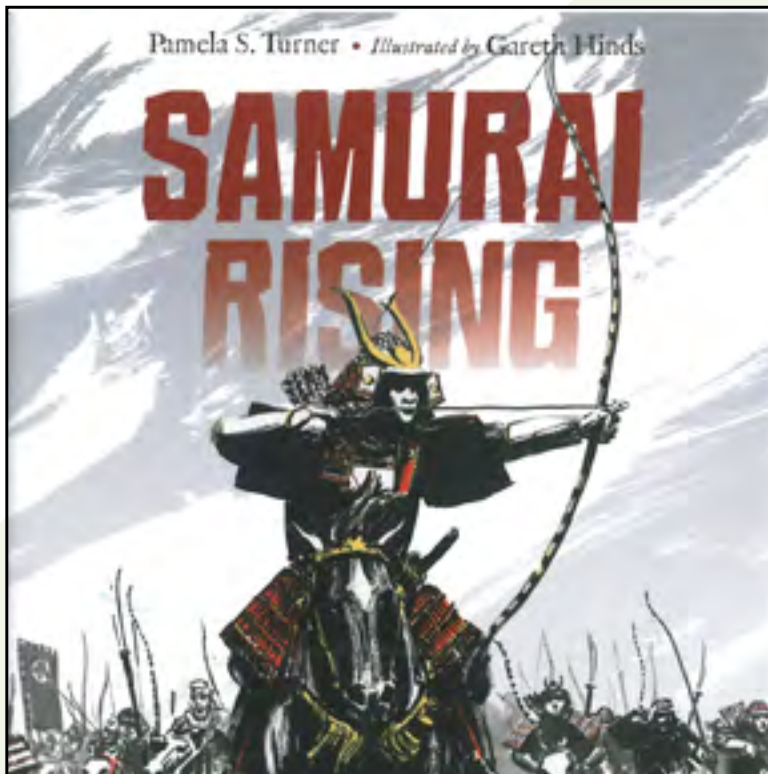
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Synopsis:

In a Japanese seaside neighborhood lives Jason Parker: a sixth grader, an orange belt in aikido, a big brother. Jason Parker is just a boy trying to get through his days. If only everyone around him would let him. This is a beautifully spare novel in verse about one boy's life—a story that will resonate with anyone who has ever struggled to fit in.



Holly Thompson (www.hatbooks.com) is a longtime resident of Japan. A graduate of the NYU Creative Writing Program, she writes poetry, fiction and nonfiction for children, teens and adults, and teaches creative writing in Japan, the U.S., and places in between.



Title: Samurai Rising

Author: Pamela Turner

Illustrator:

Category: Nonfiction

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Charlesbridge Publishing

Publisher Location: Watertown, MA, USA

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Rights Contact: Lauren Barrett, lbarrett@charlesbridge.com, (617) 926-0329

Synopsis:

Child exile. Teenage runaway. Military genius. Immortal hero. Yoshitsune had little going for him. Exiled to a monastery, he had no money, no allies, and no martial training. He wasn't big or strong or good-looking. His only assets were brains, ambition, and a dream. But childhood dreams can change history. At the age of fifteen, Yoshitsune escaped. Blow by painful blow, he learned the art of the sword. Fall after bruising fall, he mastered mounted archery. He joined his half brother Yoritomo in an uprising against the most powerful samurai in Japan. This is a story of insane courage and daring feats, bitter rivalry and fatal love. Based on one of the great works of Japanese history and literature, SAMURAI RISING takes a clear-eyed, very modern look at the way of the samurai—and at the man who became the most famous samurai of all.



Pamela S. Turner's books have won the SCBWI Golden Kite for Nonfiction, the AAAS/Subaru Science Writing Prize, an Orbis Pictus Honor, ALA Notable distinction, and the YALSA Excellence in Nonfiction finalist. Visit her at www.pamelasturner.com.



Title: Horizon Alpha: Predators of Eden

Author: Wendy Vogel

Illustrator:

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Future House Publishing

Publisher Location: Utah, USA

Rights Available: foreign, film

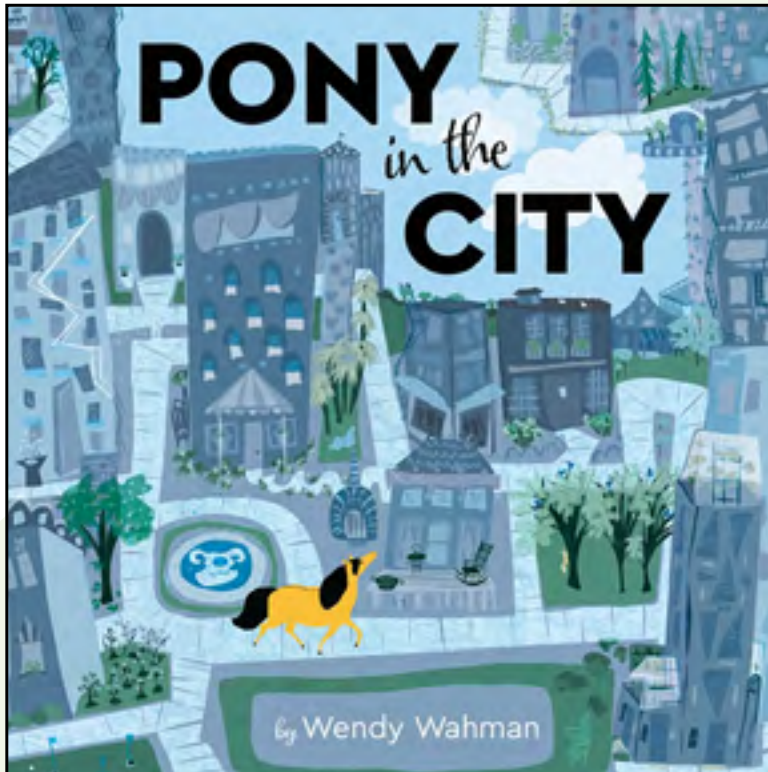
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Synopsis:

We never would have come here if we'd known. Two hundred years ago, the great Ark Horizon Alpha escaped a doomed Earth and went searching for a new home. The passengers landed on Teu Ceti expecting paradise, but instead they discovered a planet stuck in its own version of the cretaceous period. The humans' one defense against the dinosaurs ravaging the planet is an electric fence, built from the remains of the shuttles that brought them there. But Eden base has only days of power left. With most of the adult men dead, rookie soldier Caleb Wilde and his unit of teenage boys leave the electric fences of Eden in search of a reactor core lost deep in the jungle. The last remnant of the human race waits behind the electric fence for their return. The dinosaurs wait, too—for the electricity to die and the feast to begin.



D.W. Vogel is a veterinarian, cancer survivor, marathon runner, and SCUBA diver. She lives in Cincinnati with her chef husband and a houseful of rescue pets.



Title: Pony in the City

Author: Wendy Wahman

Illustrator:

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Sterling Publishing CO, INC

Publisher Location: New York

Rights Available: Yes

Rights Contact: Erzsi Deak, erzsi@henandink.com

Synopsis:

Otis is a curious little pony who asks so many questions the other ponies tune him out. Otis is also a very stubborn and brave little guy. He goes after his own answers, venturing far from home. When he's found answers to his (many!) questions, Otis turns for home, only to find he's lost! He spends a scary night in the big city, finally nestling under some old newspapers behind a dumpster. The next day, with the help of his favorite children, he finds his way home. There he is welcomed by the older ponies who can't wait to hear all about his adventures. Otis not only found answers to all their questions, he found friendship and respect from his herd.



Former Seattle P-I newspaper artist, Wendy Wahman now writes and illustrates children's books. Her debut picture book, "Don't Lick the Dog," was selected as a 2010 Bank Street Best Children's Book of the Year, starred for Outstanding Merit.



Title: Secondhand Summer

Author: Dan Walker

Illustrator:

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Graphic Arts Books

Publisher Location: Berkley, California

Rights Available: dramatic, audio, English outside the USA & Canada, foreign translations

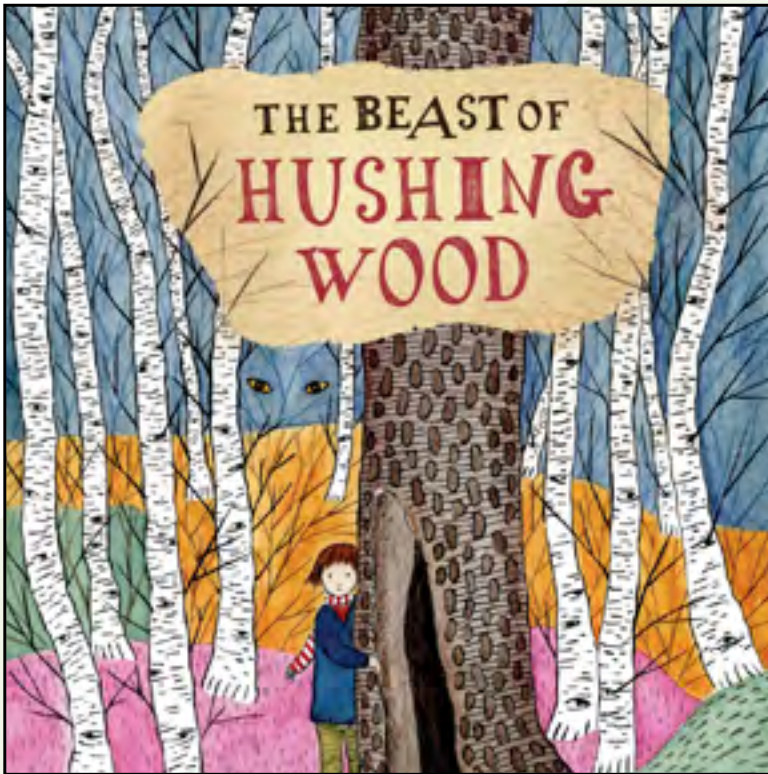
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Synopsis:

Sam Barger is content with his life on an Alaskan homestead. Then his father dies and the family moves to Anchorage where Sam finds a new kind of wilderness filled with adventures and dangers completely new to him. Sam explores friendship, trespassing, love, and failure as he grows up fast in the rough and tumble world of 1965.



Dan Walker is writer and teacher raised in Alaska. Dan is the son of Alaska homesteaders who became a public school teacher. Named Alaska's teacher of the year in 1999, Walker now lives and writes in Seward, Alaska.



Title: The Beast of Hushing Wood

Author: Gabrielle Wang

Illustrator:

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Penguin Books Australia

Publisher Location: Melbourne

Rights Available: Yes

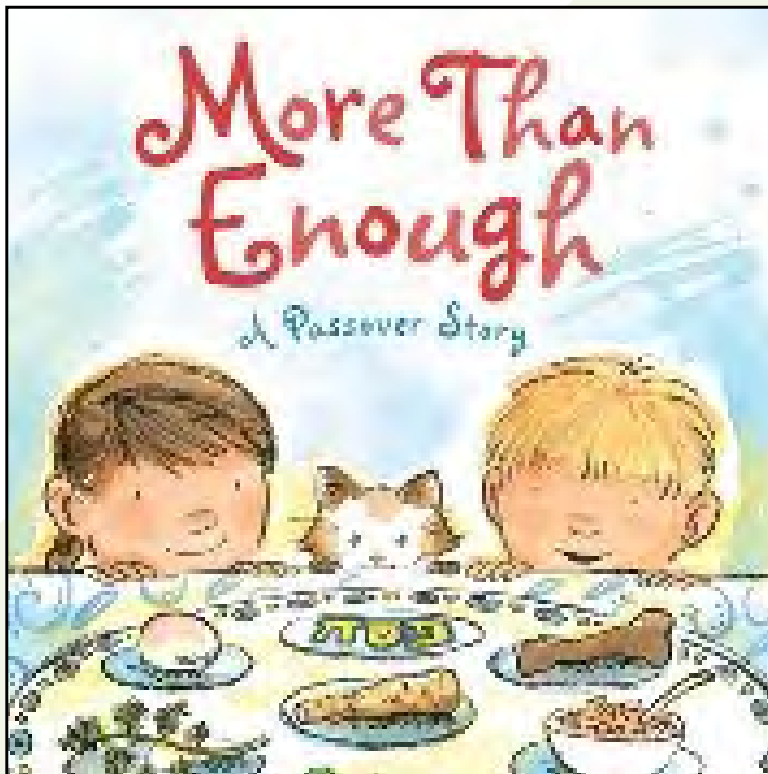
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Synopsis:

Ziggy Truegood is a true child of nature; where most people in the small town of Dell Hollow avoid the surrounding forest of Hushing Wood, she is drawn to its strange beauty and life force. But her approaching 12th birthday is threatened by a frightening premonition and when strangers arrive in town, Ziggy wonders whether they are friends or foes.



Gabrielle Wang is an award-winning author and illustrator of books for young people. Her novels are a blend of Chinese and western culture with a touch of fantasy.



Title: MORE THAN ENOUGH ~ A Passover Story

Author: April Wayland

Illustrator:

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Dial Books For Young Readers (Penguin Young Readers Group)

Publisher Location: New York

Rights Available: Yes

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Synopsis:

A family prepares for Passover, keenly aware of the blessings of each moment—from shopping in a farmers market, to adopting a kitten, cooking food and joining their relatives in a holiday meal. This warm story, in buoyant watercolors, embraces the Passover in the spirit of *dayenu*, and offers a comprehensive glossary. A wonderful read for the entire family in anticipation and celebration of the holiday, this book also serves as a discussion starter for older students and adults about being present and grateful for each moment.



April's awarding-winning books include *More Than Enough* (praised by *NYTimes*, *Kirkus & Publishers Weekly*); the gold medal *New Year at the Pier*; a novel in poems, *Girl Coming in for a Landing*, & more. UCLA Ext. Writers' Program named her Outstanding Instructor.



Title: Saturdays with Hitchcock

Author: Ellen Wittlinger

Illustrator:

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Charlesbridge Publishing

Publisher Location: Watertown, Massachusetts

Rights Available: dramatic, audio, foreign, English outside US and Canada

Rights Contact: from Ginger Knowlton at Curtis Brown, Ltd., gknowlton@cbltd

Synopsis:

Twelve-year-old Maisie has a lot of complications in her life: her actor uncle has moved in with the family while he recovers from an accident, her grandmother seems to have dementia and perhaps can no longer live alone, her mother has been laid off, and her best friend Cyrus, with whom she spends Saturdays watching classic movies, has revealed to her that he is gay—but Gary, who Cyrus has a crush on, seems to be more interested in Maisie herself.



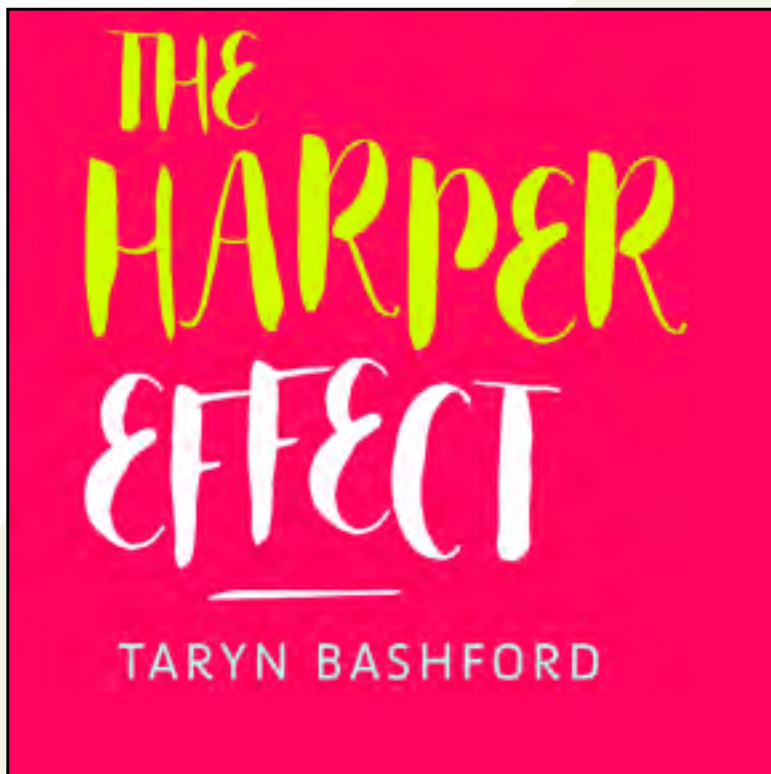
Ellen Wittlinger is the author of 16 YA and MG novels. Her novel, *Hard Love*, won a Michael L. Printz Honor Award and a Lambda Literary Award. Her novels have been on many state and library Best Book Lists, and have been translated into many languages.

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Title: The Harper Effect

Author: Taryn Bashford

Illustrator:

Category: Young Adult

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Pan Macmillan Australia Pty Ltd

Publisher Location: Australia and USA

Rights Available: Foreign Language

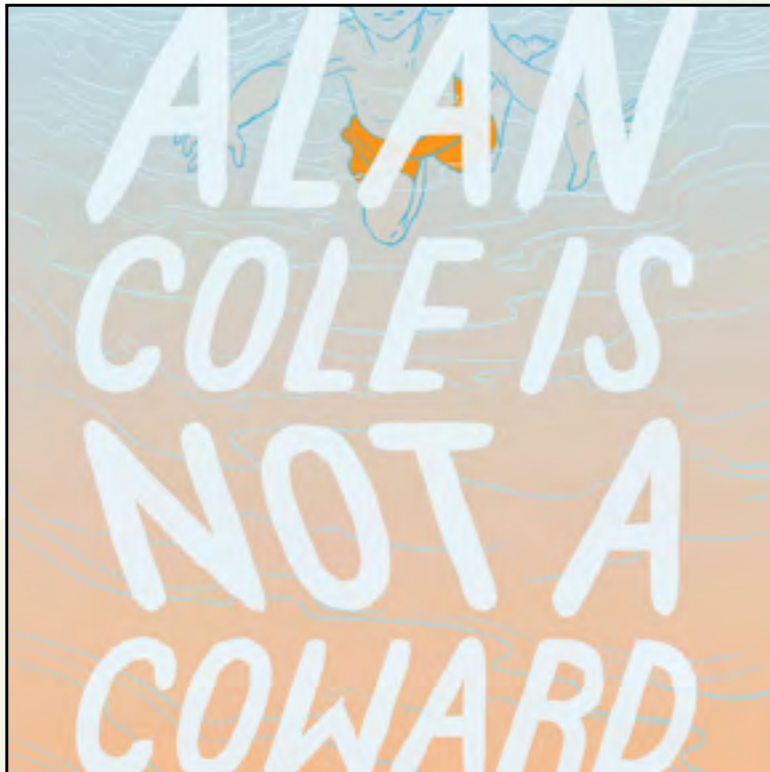
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Synopsis:

Harper Hunter doesn't know how it came to this. Her tennis dreams are collapsing; her coach says she doesn't have what it takes to make it in the world of professional tennis. Her new doubles partner is moody, mysterious and angry at the world. Why, and what is he hiding? Harper's in love with Jacob, her neighbour, but he's her sister's boyfriend. Or, he was. Harper could never betray Aria with Jacob...could she? As her heart and dreams pull her in different directions, she has to figure out exactly what she wants. And just how hard she's willing to fight to get it.



Taryn lives the typical writer's life, with characters from her books insisting they help make dinner. This can be disconcerting as many of them can't cook. Taryn's been an English Literature student, an advertising rep and a digital CEO.



Title: Alan Cole Is Not a Coward

Author: Eric Bell

Illustrator:

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Katherine Tegan

Publisher Location: 195 Broadway | New York, NY 10007

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Rights Contact: Brent Taylor | brent@tridamus.com

Synopsis:

Perfect for fans of Tim Federle and Gary Schmidt, this is a hilarious and poignant tale about the trials of middle school when you're coming of age and coming out. Alan Cole can't stand up to his cruel brother, Nathan. He can't escape the wrath of his demanding father, who thinks he's about as exceptional as a goldfish. And—scariest of all—he can't let the cute boy across the cafeteria know he has a crush on him. But when Nathan discovers Alan's secret, his older brother announces a high-stakes round of Cole vs. Cole. Each brother must complete seven nearly impossible tasks; whoever finishes the most wins the game. If Alan doesn't want to be outed to all of Evergreen Middle School, he's got to become the most well-known kid in school, get his first kiss, and stand up to Dad. Alan's determined to prove—to Nathan, to the world, to himself—that this goldfish can learn to swim. May the best Cole win.



Eric Bell lives and writes in Pennsylvania. He was once in middle school. He survived. You will too. ALAN COLE IS NOT A COWARD is his debut novel.



Title: Lost in Ghostville

Author: John Bladek

Illustrator:

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Capstone Press (Capstone Publishing Group)

Publisher Location: Minnesota, USA

Rights Available: All rights available except North American

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Synopsis:

Someone has kidnapped all the ghosts in town, including his Grandma! Suddenly, Trey's goofy plan to get on TV and meet his hero—famous ghost-hunter Rex Rangler—turns into a race to save his beloved Grandma's spirit. Written by debut middle-grade author John Bladek, *Lost in Ghostville* is a funny, fast-paced novel filled with humor, adventure and, of course, spirit!



John Bladek holds a PhD in History, where all ghosts come from, and he's the author of two humorous middle grade novels, *Roll Up the Streets!* and *Lost in Ghostville*, as well as the adult ghost story, *Winterbay Abbey* (with Davonna Juroe).



Title: FLIP THE BIRD

Author: Kym Brunner

Illustrator:

Category: Young Adult

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Houghton Mifflin Books for Children (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt)

Publisher Location: New York, New York

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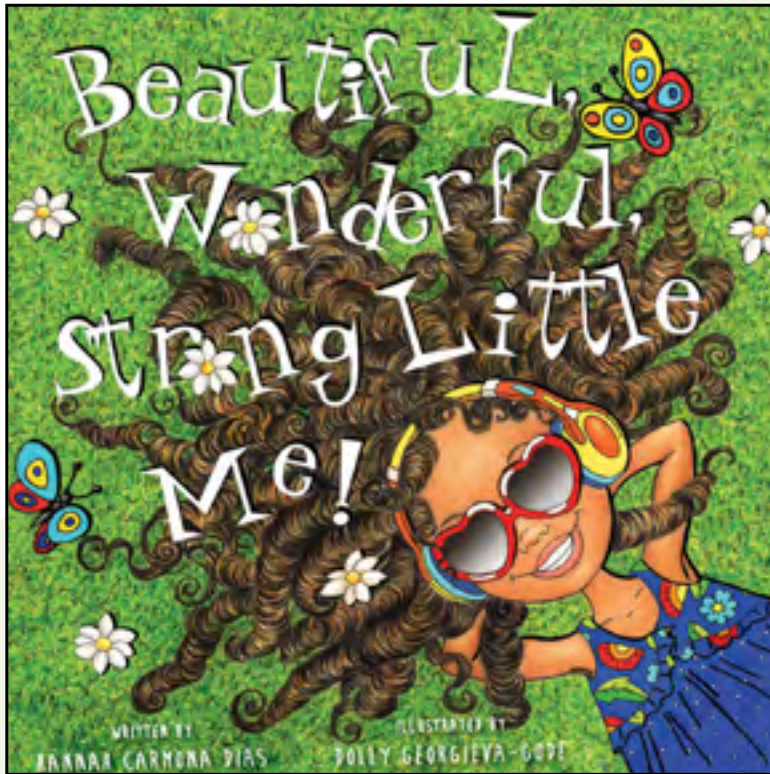
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Synopsis:

Mercer Buddie wants two things in this world: a girlfriend and the chance to prove to his master falconer father that he's not a flake. With hunting season fast approaching, fourteen-year-old Mercer has only a short time to work with Flip, a red-tailed hawk he irreverently named to show his dad that falconers don't have to be so serious all the time. When Mercer meets Lucy, he falls hard for her gorgeous looks and bubbly personality. He thinks his love life is about to take flight, until he discovers that Lucy and her family belong to a fanatical animal-rights organization called HALT—a group that believes imposing any sort of restrictions on animals is a form of cruelty. Mercer soon realizes that if he wants to keep seeing Lucy, he'll need to keep his love of falconry and his family's raptor rehabilitation center a secret from her, and Lucy's involvement with HALT from his family. With humor and honesty, Mercer's story shows how growing up means making difficult choices and sometimes, being rewarded in unexpected ways.



Author of three published novels, including the 2018 Illinois Reading Council's selection, *Flip the Bird*. When she isn't writing, she's either birdwatching on her lake with her husband, or teaching 7th grade full time in the Chicago area.



Title: Beautiful, Wonderful, Strong Little Me

Author: Hannah Carmona Dias

Illustrator:

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2018

Publisher: Eifrig Publishing

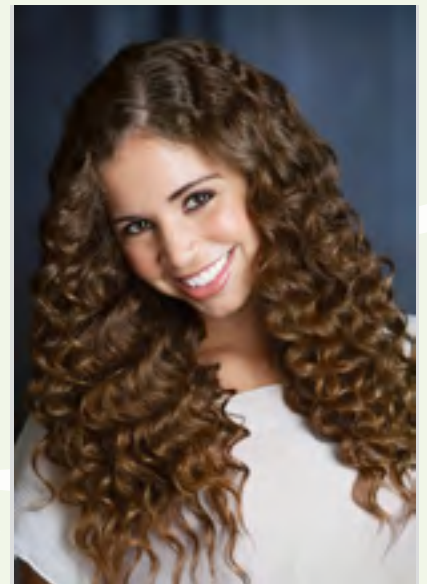
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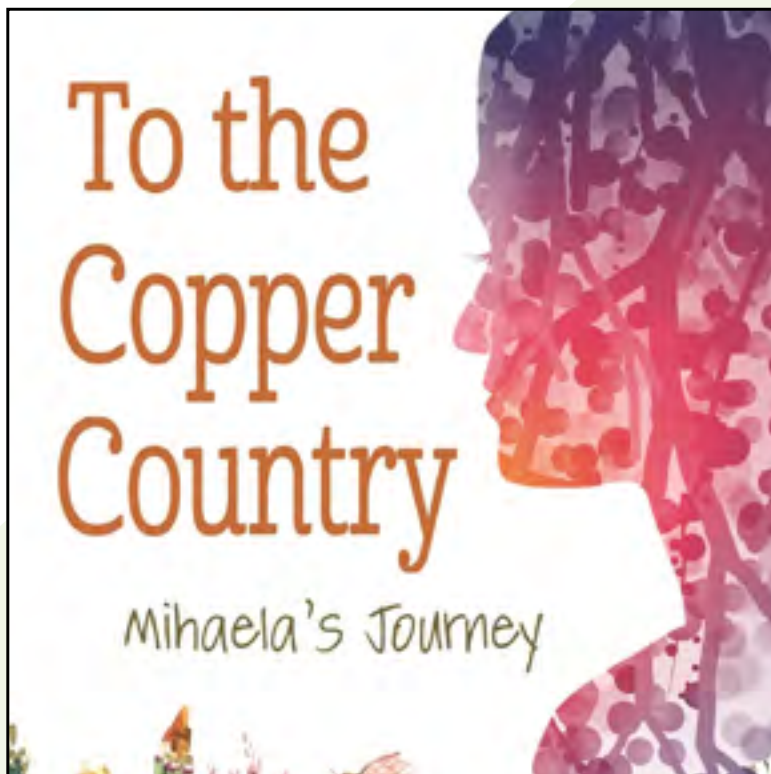
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Synopsis:

Dark skin, curly hair, freckles, and full lips. Smart, strong, funny, and friendly. Lilly knows that she does not look like her friends, and others have noticed. Through playful, lyrical lines, Lilly speaks up for every child who has been asked "What are you?" in this celebration of self-love and acceptance.



Hannah Carmona Dias is a writer, mother, and co-owner of Collective Art School of Tennessee. Beautiful, Wonderful, Strong Little Me is her debut book which tackles a topic she herself has struggled with.



Title: To the Copper Country

Author: Barbara Carney-Coston

Illustrator:

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Wayne State University Press

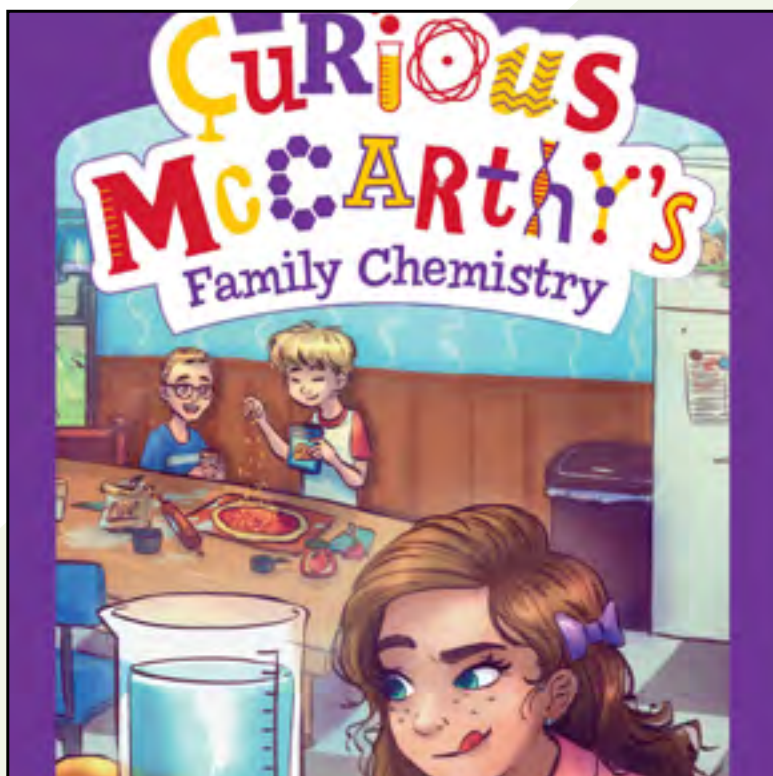
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Synopsis:

In 1886, eleven-year-old Mihaela embarks on a journey from Europe to the Keweenaw Peninsula, also known as Michigan's Copper Country. Mihaela's father had made the trip two years before in order to work in the copper mines so that he could send money back home. But a painful eye disease has left him vulnerable in a new land and in need of the skills of his wife, an expert healer. And so Mihaela, her mother and two younger brothers leave their family farm in Croatia for what they assume will be a brief visit to America, only to find themselves faced with a great many challenges and a stay that will not be temporary after all.



Title: Curious McCarthy's Family Chemistry

Author: Tory Christie

Illustrator:

Category: Chapter Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Capstone Press (Capstone Publishing Group)

Publisher Location: Mankato, Minnesota, USA

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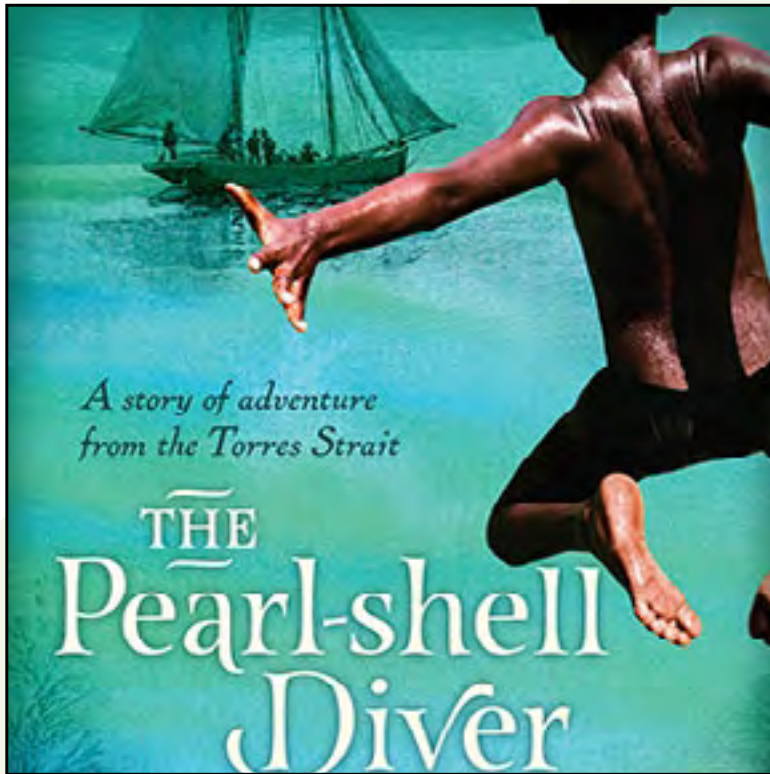
Rights Contact: Capstone: 1-800-747-4992. Author: torychristie@gmail.com

Synopsis:

Now that budding scientist Curious McCarthy's dad is going back to work, the five oldest McCarthy kids will be helping more with chores and taking turns cooking dinner. When her parents present the daily chore chart, Curious is delighted that they forgot to assign her a task. She spends the next week trying to go unnoticed and chore-less as she learns about chemistry and observes it at work right in her own chaotic home. Her funny footnotes capture all the details of her observations for readers, who can then try their hand at science with an included experiment. The addition of a glossary and questions for the reader make this a great choice for libraries.



Tory Christie is a real scientist by day and secretly writes children's books at night. When it is light outside, she studies rocks and water. After dark, she writes silly science stories that kids and grownups can laugh about. Check out: www.torychristie.com



Title: The Pearl-shell Diver

Author: Kay Crabbe

Illustrator:

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Allen & Unwin

Publisher Location: Allen & Unwin, Sydney Australia

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Synopsis:

Sario lives with his family on a remote Torres Strait island, which he never wants to leave—but the winds of change are stirring. The year is 1898, young boys are being coerced, even kidnapped to work in the pearl-shell trade. Thirteen-year-old Sario fears the white man, but he's excited by the idea of pump-diving and walking the deep ocean floor ... until dangers far worse come to haunt him.



Award-winning author of historical and non-fiction. Kay writes simply, having worked 26 years with reluctant readers. Her works carry strong environmental elements, with her home close to Australia's Great Barrier Reef and Daintree Rainforest heritage areas.



Title: Lucy's Lovey

Author: Betsy Devany

Illustrator: Christopher Denise

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Henry Holt Books for Young Readers

Publisher Location: Henry Holt and Co. 175 Fifth Street New York, New York 10010

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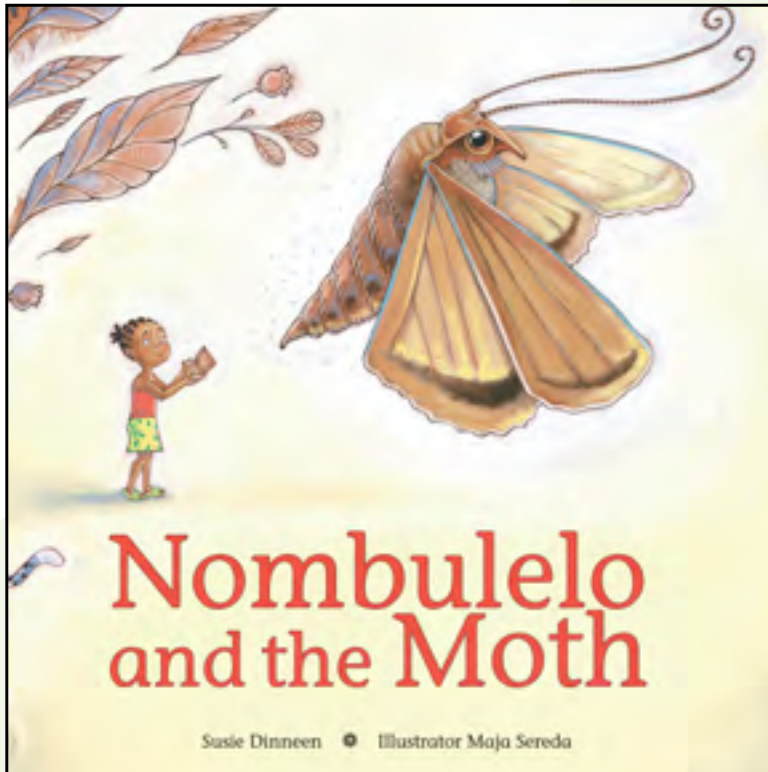
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Synopsis:

Lucy has seventeen doll babies, all with unique names. But Lucy's favorite doll, her lovey, is Smelly Baby. Lucy and her lovey do everything together; they're simply inseparable, even though Smelly Baby is pretty rag-tag and, well, smelly. That's partly why Lucy loves her so much. Then disaster strikes as Smelly Baby accidentally flies out the car window and gets LOST! Even though Lucy's family doesn't appreciate the doll's smell, they all rally to help Lucy deal with the loss of her lovey. Then Smelly Baby returns home . . . different. With artwork by the award-winning, New York Times-bestselling illustrator Christopher Denise, Lucy's Lovey celebrates a child's unconditional love for their favorite toy (lovey).



Betsy Devany writes for all ages of children. When not writing, she works at an old-fashioned toy store where she loves meeting bedraggled loveys, talking with kids, and hand-selling children's books.



Title: Nombulelo and the Moth

Author: Susie Dinneen

Illustrator: Maja Sereda

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Penguin Group (South Africa)

Publisher Location: South Africa

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Synopsis:

Even though Nombulelo loves her Gogo's stories about the animals that live in the forest, she's too scared to go there. When Gogo dies, Nombulelo must summon her courage and take Gogo's magical moth on a journey through the forest. This is a story of love, loss and the discovery of inner strength.



Susie Dinneen is a writer and creative director who works in advertising. She loves to create stories and dreams of having a library with a very comfy chair. She lives in Johannesburg with her musician husband, and a cat who likes to push books off tables.



Title: Rien du tout

Author: Amélie Dubois

Illustrator: Amélie Dubois

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Les Editions de l'Isatis

Publisher Location: Montreal, Quebec, Canada

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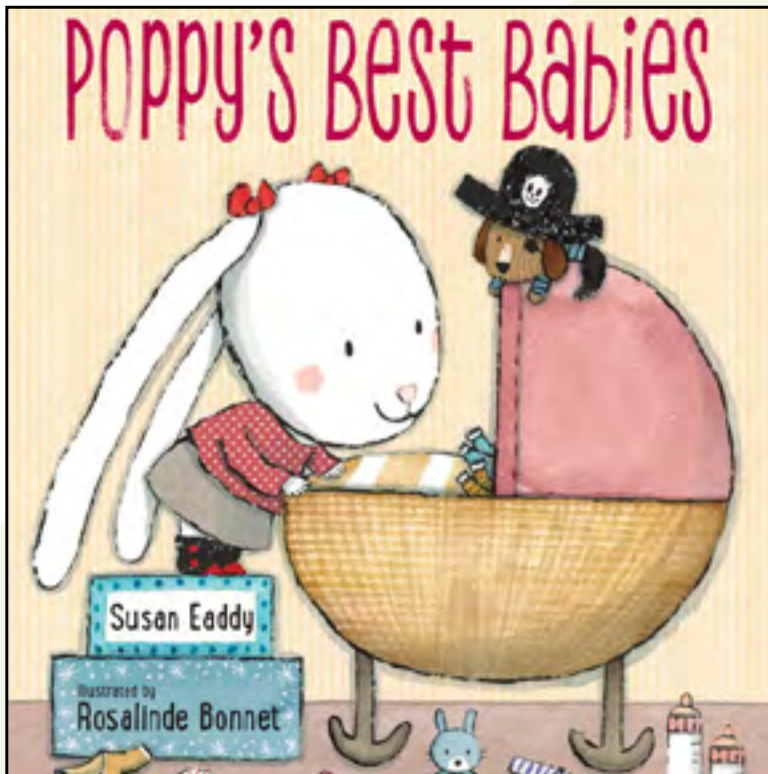
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Synopsis:

C'est l'été, Clara en a assez de son emploi du temps réglé comme une horloge. Vélo, piscine, cuisine, tout va trop vite. Elle, ce qu'elle souhaite, c'est pouvoir écouter le vent, compter les nuages, respirer la lavande et se perdre dans l'infini. Rien du tout ! est un voyage onirique, une ode à la paresse et au repos qui emmènera petits et grands un peu plus près d'eux-mêmes.



Amélie Dubois is an artist living in Trois-Rivières, Canada. She has worked as an artist for almost two decades in the domains of animation and visual effects. Today Amélie is now devoted to illustration, mainly for youth publishing.



Title: Poppy's Best Babies

Author: Susan Eddy

Illustrator: Rosalinde Bonnet

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2018

Publisher: Charlesbridge

Publisher Location: Watertown MA, USA

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Synopsis:

Poppy is verrrry excited. Her favorite person, and rockin' grandma GeeGee, is coming for two whole weeks! Never mind that she is here to help with newborn twins Iris and Ivy, Poppy is sure that GeeGee came just to see her. But time after time GeeGee is called away to help with a crying baby or two. As the decibel level increases so does Poppy's frustration. Finally, her jealousy transfers to GeeGee, now dubbed, "Worst Grandma".



Susan Eddy works in her attic studio writing picture books and playing with clay. She is the author of *Poppy's Best Paper*, *Poppy's Best Babies* (2018) and illustrator for *My Love for You is the Sun*, by Julie Hedlund & *Papa Fish's Lullaby* by Patricia Hubbell.



Title: Esme's Wish

Author: Elizabeth Foster

Illustrator:

Category: Young Adult

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Odyssey Books

Publisher Location: Canberra, ACT, Australia

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Rights Contact: Michelle Lovi (publisher)

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Synopsis:

ESME'S WISH is the first in an exciting new fantasy series from Odyssey Books. When fifteen-year-old Esme Silver sets out to search for her missing mother, Ariane, she is transported to the alternate realm of Aeolia: a world enchanted by the gods, and steeped in myth and magic. With her newfound friends, Daniel and Lillian, Esme retraces her mother's steps in the glittering canal city of Esperance, untangling the threads of Ariane's double life. But the more Esme discovers about her mother, the more she questions whether she ever really knew her at all. With themes of friendship, loyalty, and the unique bond between mother and child, ESME'S WISH is a whimsical tale for younger teens and tweens. "A fresh new fantasy of an enchanting world." —Wendy Orr, author of NIM'S ISLAND and DRAGONFLY SONG.



Elizabeth Foster lives in Sydney, Australia. She can be found online at www.elizabethfoster.com.au. Esme's Wish, her debut novel, was inspired by her love of the sea and all things magical and mysterious.



Title: Maybe God Is Like That Too

Author: Jennifer Grant

Illustrator: Ben Schipper

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Spark House

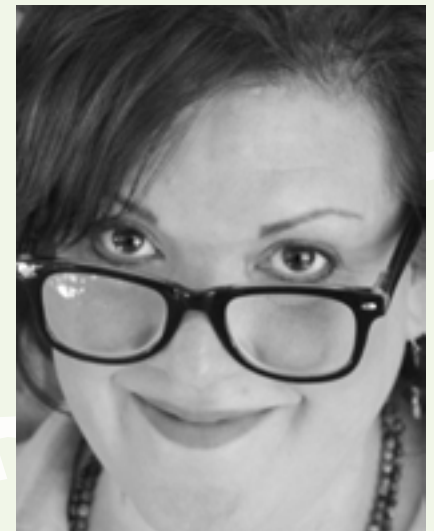
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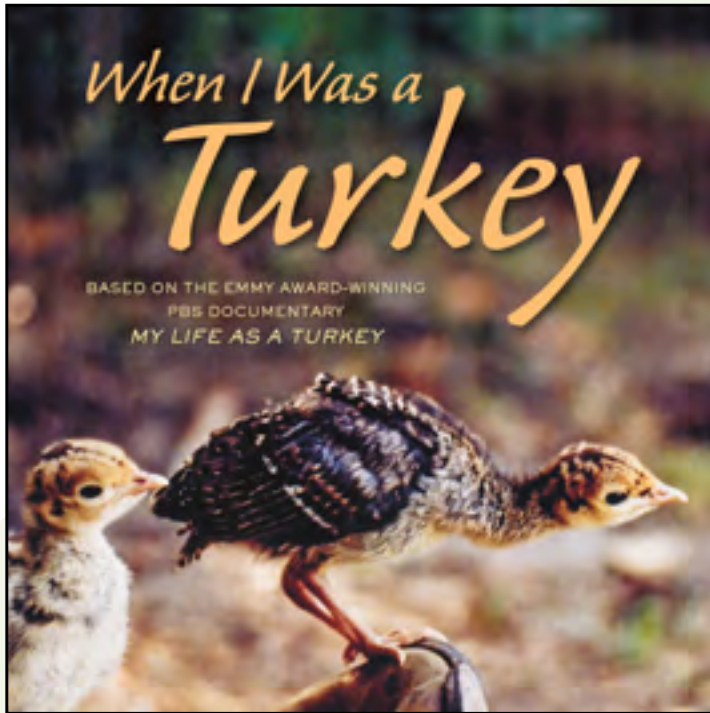
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Synopsis:

Every child wonders where God lives or what God is like. In *Maybe God Is Like That Too*, a young boy asks his grandma where God is in their city. She invites him to pay attention to where he sees the fruit of the Spirit. Where love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control are, there too is God. The boy sees God in the kindness of a doorman holding the door for a man using a wheelchair, in the patience of his teacher helping him tie his shoes, and in the love, faithfulness, and gentleness of his grandma. An ordinary day in his city opens this young boy's eyes to God's Spirit at work all around him.



Grant has written six books and contributed to several more. Her picture book about spiritual curiosity is called *Maybe God Is Like That Too* and won a gold medal from the Moonbeam Spirit awards in 2017.



Title: When I Was a Turkey

Author: Brenda Guiberson

Illustrator:

Category: Nonfiction

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Henry Holt Books for Young Readers

Publisher Location: Henry Holt and Company, 175 Fifth Ave, New York, NY 10010

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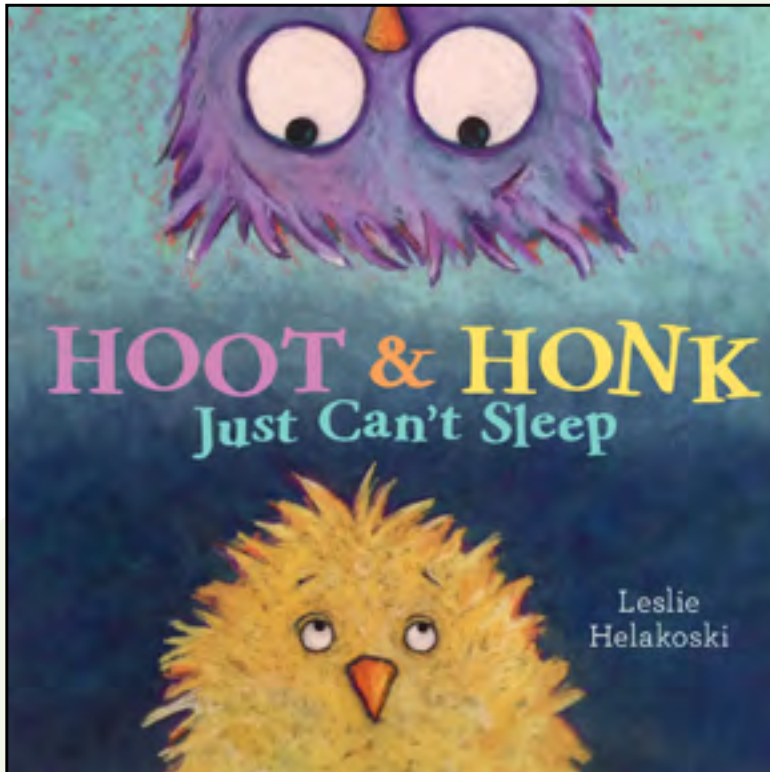
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Synopsis:

When a local farmer left a bowl of wild-turkey eggs on Joe Hutto's front porch, his life was forever changed. Joe incubated the eggs and waited for them to hatch. Deep in the wilds of Florida's flatwoods, he spent each day living as a turkey mother, taking on the full-time job of raising twenty-three turkey poults. For nearly two years, Joe dutifully cared for his family around the clock, roosting with them, taking them foraging, and immersing himself in their world. In the process, they revealed their charming curiosity and surprising intellect. There was little he could teach them that they would not know instinctively, but he showed them the lay of the land and protected them from the dangers of the forest as best he could. In return, they taught him how to see the world through their eyes.



Brenda Z. Guiberson is the author of many books about nature, including *The Deadliest Creature in the World*, *Frog Song*, *Life in the Boreal Forest*, *Moon Bear*, *The Emperor Lays an Egg* and the best selling *Cactus Hotel*.



Title: Hoot and Honk Just Can't Sleep

Author: Leslie Helakoski

Illustrator: Leslie Helakoski

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Sterling Publishing CO, INC

Publisher Location: New York, NY, USA

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tballas@sterlingpublishing.com (646) 688-2483

Synopsis:

An owlet and a gosling hatch in each other's nest and find they cannot sleep when their nest mates sleep.



Leslie Helakoski is the author, and sometimes illustrator, of 11 award-winning picture books including Woolbur and Big Chickens. Newest release: Hoot & Honk Just Can't Sleep. Upcoming: Are Your Stars Like My Stars and Ready or Not Woolbur Goes to School.



Title: Chicken Soup, Chicken Soup

Author: Pamela Mayer

Illustrator: Deborah Melmon

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Kar-Ben Publishing

Publisher Location: USA

Rights Available: Yes

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Synopsis:

Sophie loves Bubbe's chicken soup with kreplach. She also loves Nai Nai's chicken soup with wonton. Kreplach, wonton, a little different, a lot the same. Can Sophie bring the whole family together for a warm and tasty surprise?



Pamela Mayer is the author of five picture books. She lives in the San Francisco Bay Area. When she is not writing she enjoys bird watching, baseball and ballet, but not necessarily in that order.



Title: DOLL-E 1.0

Author: Shanda McCloskey

Illustrator: Shanda McCloskey

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2018

Publisher: Little, Brown Books for Young Readers (Hachette Book Group USA)

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Synopsis:

A STEM-friendly tale of a girl and the doll she upgrades to be her new friend, for fans of *The Most Magnificent Thing* and *Rosie Revere, Engineer*. Charlotte's world is fully charged! With her dog at her side, she's always tinkering, coding, clicking, and downloading. She's got a knack for anything technological—especially gadgets that her parents don't know how to fix! Then, she receives a new toy that is quite a puzzle: a doll! What's she supposed to do with that? Once she discovers the doll's hidden battery pack, things start to get interesting...while her faithful canine sidekick wonders if he'll be overshadowed by the new and improved Doll-E 1.0! With a little ingenuity and an open mind, everyone can be friends in this endearing, modern tribute to the creative spirit of play.



Shanda McCloskey was inspired to develop the determined, creative character of Charlotte by the entrepreneurial spirit of her family members and by watching her inventive daughters play with their toys. She studied art in Atlanta and New York City.



Title: The Someday Birds

Author: Sally Pla

Illustrator: Julie McLaughlin

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Harper Collins Children's Books

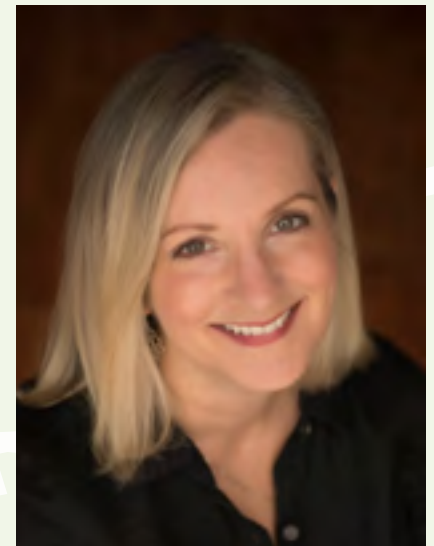
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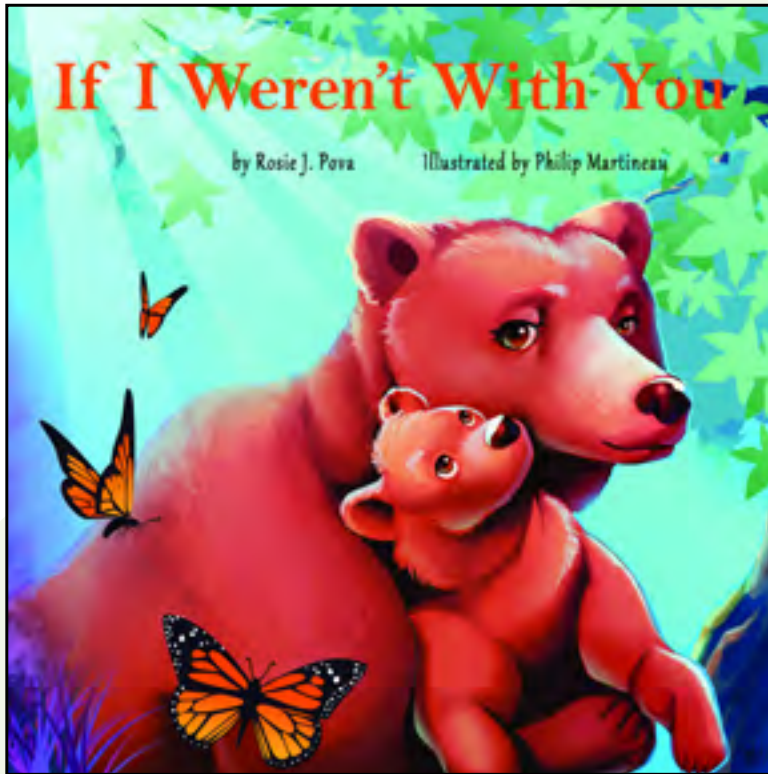
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Synopsis:

Winner of the Dolly Gray Award for Children's Literature, 2018, a New York Public Library Best Children's Book of 2017, a Goodreads Readers Choice Award Semifinalist for 2017. Charlie wishes his life could be as predictable and simple as chicken nuggets. And it usually is. He has his clean room, his carefully organized bird books and art supplies, his favorite foods, and comfortable routines. But life has been unraveling since his war journalist father was injured in Afghanistan. And when Dad gets sent from California to Virginia for further medical treatment, Charlie must travel cross-country to meet him. With his boy-crazy sister Davis, his unruly twin brothers, and the mysterious Ludmila at the wheel, this journey looks to be anything but smooth. So Charlie decides that if he can spot all the birds that he and his father had been hoping to see in the wild, someday, and show that list to Dad, then maybe, just maybe, things will turn out okay. Debut author Sally J. Pla has written a young person's novel that is equal parts madcap road trip, coming-of-age story for a highly unusual boy, and uplifting portrait of a family overcoming a crisis.



Sally J. Pla is the award-winning author of *The Someday Birds* (2017) and *Stanley Will Probably Be Fine* (Feb 2018). She has English degrees from Colgate University and Penn State University, and lives with her family in California. Visit her at www.sallyjpla.com



Title: If I Weren't With You

Author: Rosie Pova

Illustrator:

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Clear Fork Publishing

Publisher Location: Texas, USA

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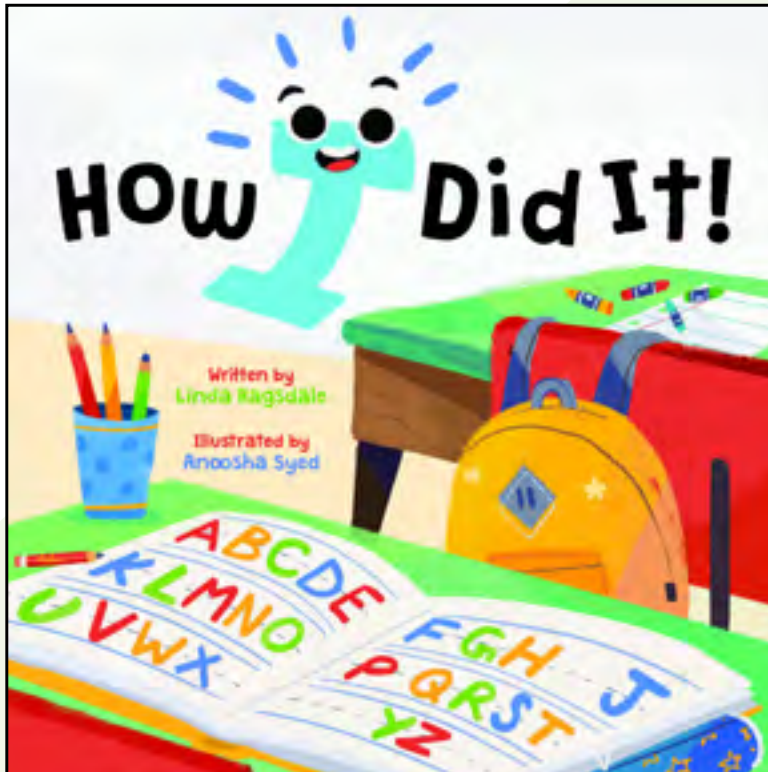
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Synopsis:

"Mama, if I weren't born, what would you do?" Willy starts a conversation with mama Bear while he's on the move, acting like a natural youngster. In a series of simple and direct questions, the bear cub seeks and receives his mother's reassurance of love and security as the two take a walk in the forest. Mama Bear uses imagery of the forest to communicate her feelings to her cub.



Rosie J. Pova is a prolific children's writer who is passionate about crafting stories that inspire, entertain and transform young readers. Originally from Bulgaria, Rosie now lives in Texas, USA with her husband and three kids.



Title: How I Did It

Author: Linda Ragsdale

Illustrator:

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Flowerpot Press

Publisher Location: Canada

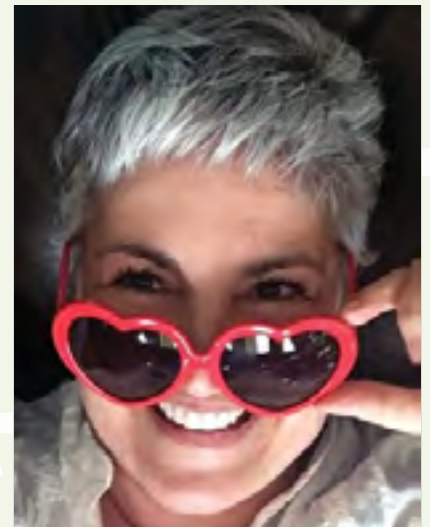
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Synopsis:

2017 Gold Moonbeam Spirit Award winner- Imagination

When I began to see the world, I wanted to see and be more. Not everyone thought I should do it, but I did! Along the way, I met some challenges, but you know what? The results were different than I expected, and even better than I imagined. Come join the fun and see what U can find, too! Join a colorful cast of alphabetical characters through a playful word romp in the latest addition to the Peace Dragon Tale series. It's a story of resilience, turning adversity into adventure when challenges arise, and always reaching for your dream.



Award-winning author, International speaker(TedX) & Peace teacher. The Peace Dragon collection (2017 winner National Association of Multicultural Education/Children's Pub) teaches peace through powerful, playful text and brilliant art. Presenter for all ages.



Title: Crossroads in Galilee

Author: Elizabeth Raum

Illustrator: Zach Franzen

Category: Middle Grade

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Journey Forth

Publisher Location: Greenville, South Carolina, U.S.A.

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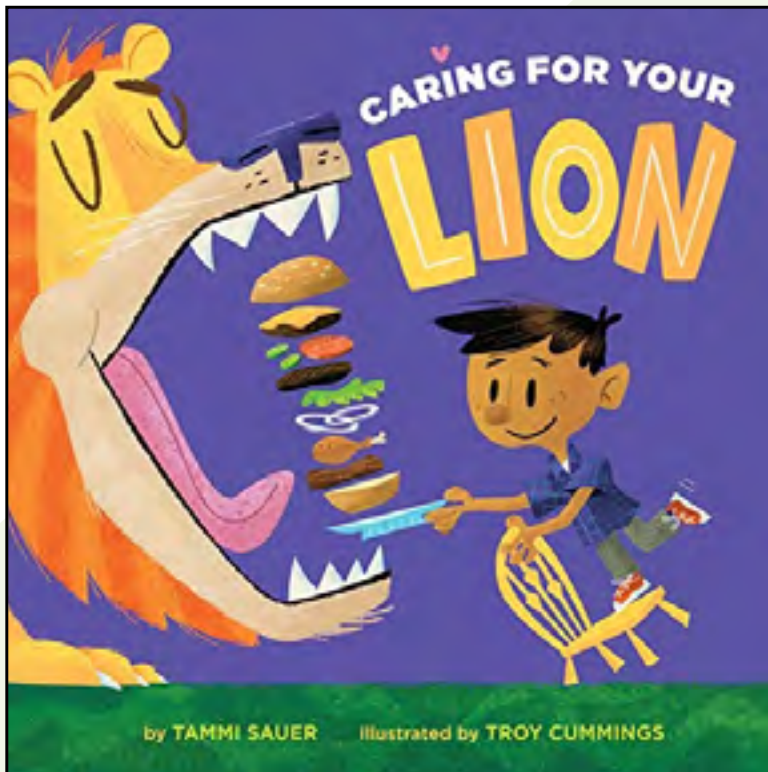
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Synopsis:

This interactive novel invites readers to imagine that they lived at the time when Jesus was beginning his ministry in Galilee. Young readers (ages 7-10) make decisions as they read, which determine what they will see, hear, and do in the Holy Land 2,000 years ago. As a boy from the vineyard, they will encounter John the Baptist in the Wilderness. As the sister of a fisherman, they will meet Jesus when he called Simon and Andrew to discipleship. Or as the tax collector's brother, they will observe the Roman tax system in action and witness Levi's conversion from devious tax collector to disciple. The book includes a glossary, information about what Biblical scholars say, and other helpful tools.



Elizabeth is the author of historical fiction, nonfiction, and picture books for young readers. Her books lead children on great adventures in life and faith. She is the SCBWI Regional Advisor to the Dakotas and lives with her husband in Fargo, North Dakota.



Title: Caring for Your Lion

Author: Tammi Sauer

Illustrator:

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Sterling Publishing CO, INC

Publisher Location: USA

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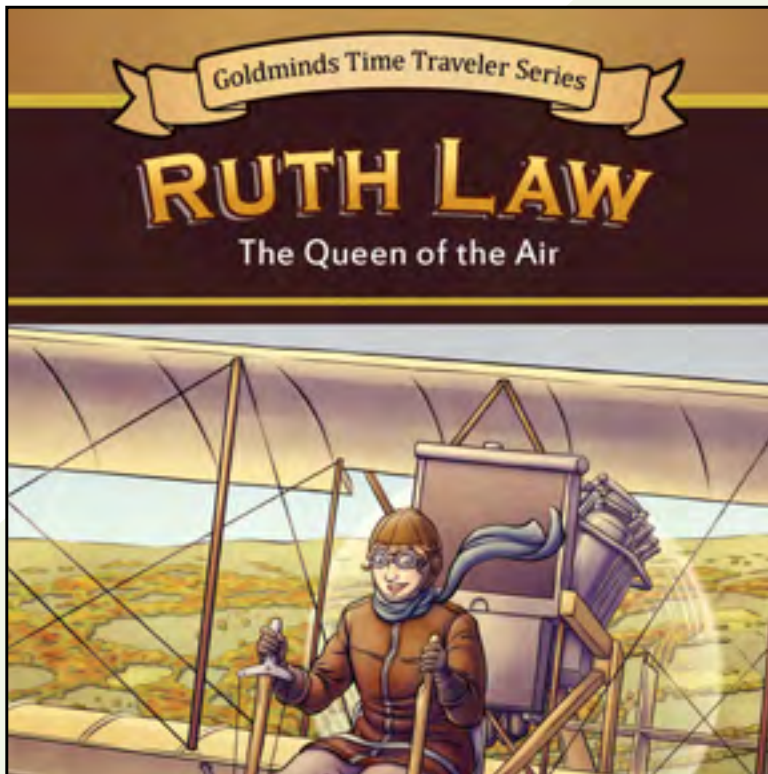
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Synopsis:

What happens when you expect an itty-bitty kitty . . . but get a lion instead? It's kitten delivery day, but SURPRISE. Congratulations on your new LION! We know you ordered a kitten, but we ran out of those. Fortunately, the big cat comes with instructions like, try very hard NOT to look like a zebra. Or a gazelle. And give your lion PLENTY of space to play. But soon the feathers and fur start flying and everything's in chaos. Is there any way a lion could actually be a child's purr-fect pet?



Tammi Sauer is a full-time children's book author. Her book YOUR ALIEN, an NPR Best Book of the Year, was published in English, French, Italian, Spanish, and Korean.



Title: Ruth Law—The Queen of the Air

Author: Billie Skelley

Illustrator:

Category: Nonfiction

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Goldminds Publishing

Publisher Location: Hendersonville, TN USA

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Rights Contact: Brenda Bradshaw (publisher) Goldminds Publishing
brenda@goldmindspub.com

Synopsis:

Travel back to 1916 with Ruth Bancroft Law to learn more about the early days of aviation in America. A remarkable pioneer, Law was one of the most daring, courageous, and successful aviators of her time. She set several records and inspired the nation with a bold and historic flight. In the process, she showed the world that women could be influential leaders and superb pilots.



Billie Holladay Skelley's poems, articles, and essays have appeared in various journals, magazines, and anthologies in print and online. An award-winning author, she has written three books for children and one book for teens.



Title: Baby Loves Aerospace Engineering!

Author: Ruth Spiro

Illustrator: Irene Chan

Category: Board/Novelty

Publication Year: 2016

Publisher: Charlesbridge Publishing

Publisher Location: Watertown, MA

Rights Available: World

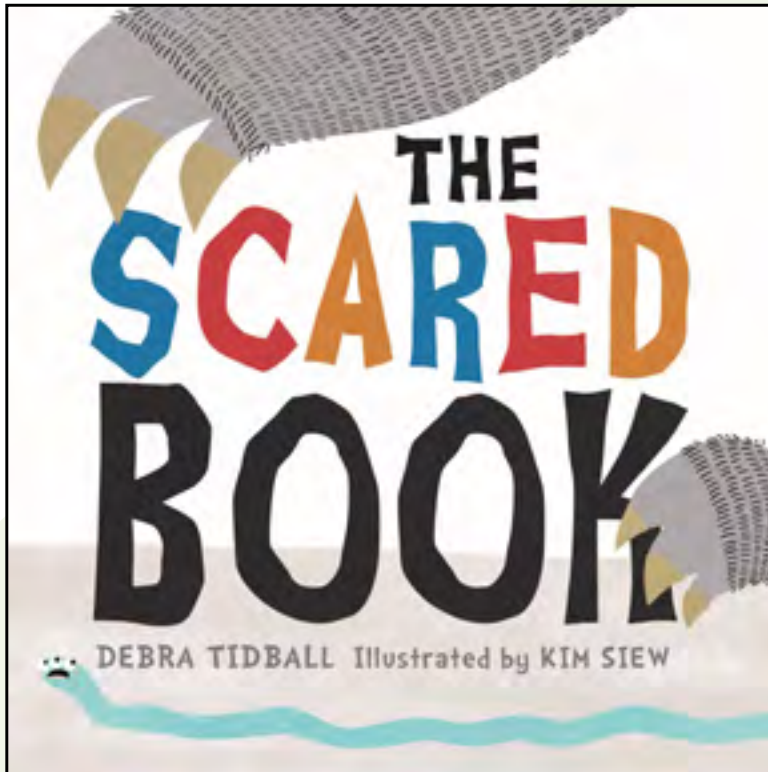
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Synopsis:

Accurate enough to satisfy an expert, yet simple enough for baby, this book explores the basics of flight—from birds, to planes and rockets—and ties it all to baby's world. Beautiful, visually stimulating illustrations complement age-appropriate language to encourage baby's sense of wonder. Parents and caregivers may learn a thing or two, as well!



Ruth Spiro is the author of eight Baby Loves Science books, published by Charlesbridge. Featuring expert-reviewed science, they are simple enough for the very youngest readers. Another new picture book series, Made by Maxine, is forthcoming from Dial in 2018.



Title: The Scared Book

Author: Debra Tidball

Illustrator:

Category: Picture Book

Publication Year: 2017

Publisher: Lothian Children's Books

Publisher Location: 17/207 Kent Street, Sydney, NSW, Australia, 2000

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Synopsis:

It's story time, but this book has bad news—as soon as it realises there are monsters in it, it's too scared to tell you the rest of the story! Can you help it feel better? It needs you to rub away its goosebumps, blow away the giant butterflies in its tummy, and fan away the yucky smell the monsters have left behind. A fun and quirky interactive story, with distinctive and stylish illustrations from an innovative young illustrator and muralist.



Debra Tidball is an author, social worker, blogger and children's book reviewer who lives in Sydney, Australia.