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Preschool



A FUN IN THE CITY BOOK

Bing, Bop, Bam

TIME TO JAM!

● WRITTEN BY VALERIE BOLLING; ILLUSTRATED BY SABRENA KHADIJA

A joyful, rhyming celebration of music and community



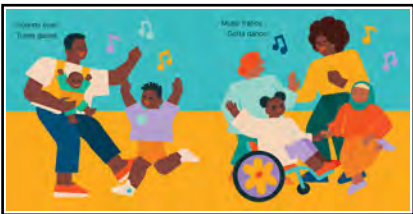
Sounds soar! Tunes galore.

Music trance . . . Gotta dance!

This upbeat picture book—a companion to *Ride, Roll, Run: Time for Fun!*—follows the nine children from the first book as they help plan a big, musical block party. Author and educator Valerie Bolling’s rhyming text makes for a rollicking read-aloud and features instruments from all around the world including the agogô, banjo, daegeum, djembe drums, double bass, erhu, maracas, piano, steel drums, and trumpet. Sabrena Khadija’s stunning illustrations depict the joy of dancing, playing music, and feasting with neighbors and friends. Readers will clamor to plan jam sessions of their own!



Valerie Bolling is the author of *Ride, Roll, Run: Time for Fun!*; *Together We Ride* (which received starred reviews from *Booklist* and *The Horn Book*); and *Let’s Dance!* (winner of an SCBWI Crystal Kite Award). In addition to being an author, Bolling has been an educator for 30 years. She is focused on bringing diverse literature to young readers and creating stories in which all children can see themselves and feel valued and validated. Learn more at valeriebolling.com. **Sabrena Khadija** is a Sierra Leonean American illustrator who is inspired by bold geometry, nature, and the feminine spirit. She takes pride in creating works that help others feel seen and inspired not only to see beauty in themselves, but to recognize and acknowledge that of others. She is the illustrator of *Ride, Roll, Run* and *We Have a Dream: Meet 30 Young Indigenous People and People of Color Protecting the Planet*. Khadija lives in Silver Spring, Maryland. Learn more at sabrenakhadija.com.



SELLING POINTS

BLOCK PARTY: Travel around the world in a single block! Steel pan drums, an erhu, and even a piano: readers will delight in all ten of the different featured instruments, which are labeled on the endpapers.

RHYMING TEXT: Bolling’s energetic text makes for a great read-aloud.

INCLUSIVE CONTENT: Khadija’s illustrations beautifully portray a community as diverse as the real world.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 40 pages

* WIDTH: 9" - 229mm

* HEIGHT: 9" - 229mm

* Hardcover with jacket

PUB MONTH: AUGUST 2023

AGES 3 to 5

PICTURE BOOK

ISBN 978-1-4197-5631-3

US \$17.99

ALSO AVAILABLE

Ride, Roll, Run

ISBN 978-1-4197-5629-0

US \$17.99 CAN \$22.99

UK £12.99

Decorate the Tree

● BY AMANDA JANE JONES

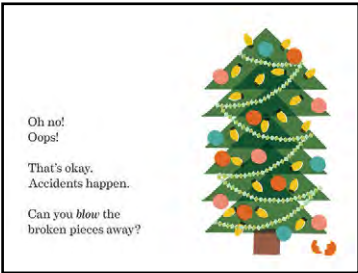
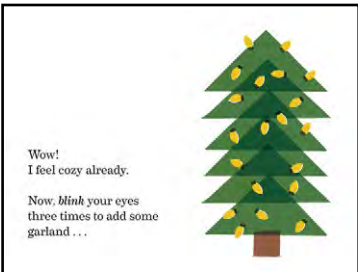
Blink your eyes and twinkle your fingers to help decorate the tree in this stylish interactive picture book from Kinfolk founding art director, Amanda Jane Jones



Hooray! It's time to decorate the tree! Can you help? Clap to turn on the lights. Twinkle your fingers to add some ornaments. Shake to add some more. (But not too hard; you don't want to break one!) This interactive picture book allows little helpers to trim the tree again and again, all season long.



Amanda Jane Jones is an award-winning graphic designer, illustrator, and mother of three. This is her first book with Cameron Kids. She lives in Provo, Utah.



SELLING POINTS

IMAGINATIVE PLAY: Kids are asked to tap, shake, and twinkle along as they decorate their very own Christmas Tree.

NEW TAKE ON A CHRISTMAS CLASSIC

CLASSIC: The bold, graphic illustrations paired with the exciting engaging element make this book stand out as a must-have holiday story.

AUTHOR/ILLUSTRATOR ON THE RISE

Amanda Jane Jones has a growing social media presence, with more than 133,000 followers on Instagram, and the audience for her books has steadily grown with each new release.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 32 pages
- * WIDTH: 6" - 152mm
- * HEIGHT: 9" - 229mm
- * Hardcover with jacket

PUB MONTH: SEPTEMBER 2023

AGES 3 to 5

PICTURE BOOK

ISBN 978-1-949480-56-6

US \$15.99

Picky Panda (With Fun Flaps to Lift)

● BY JACKIE HUANG

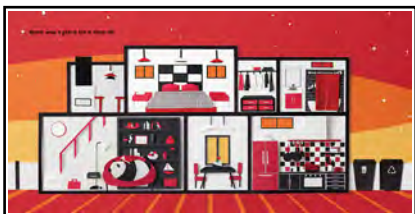
Celebrate the joys of fresh perspectives and unexpected beauty in this touching lift-the-flap picture book from paper engineer Jackie Huang



Persnickety Mr. Panda likes his world to be just so. His decisions are always easy: yes or no; good or bad; right or wrong; black or white . . . until one day when the gift of a red flower changes everything. Touching, clever, and with a great message about remaining flexible and open to the beauty in the world, this lift-the-flap picture book is an innovative and heartwarming story sure to resonate with readers. Author-illustrator Jackie Huang brings her utterly unique layered and cut-paper art style to this project, making *Picky Panda* even more of a standout on bookshelves.



Jackie Huang moved to Los Angeles after high school to attend the University of Southern California's School of Cinematic Arts. Shortly after graduating, she returned to school to study illustration at ArtCenter College of Design. There she found a new way of storytelling through her love of paper art and pop-ups. Whether it's through an unusual story twist or a pop-up unfolding, Huang believes in the magic of transforming the ordinary into something extraordinary. Huang lives with her family in Los Angeles. This is her first picture book. Learn more at jackiehuang.com.



SELLING POINTS

UNIVERSAL SUBJECT: We all like things “just so,” but this book reminds readers to remain flexible and open to the world around them.

FRESH AND UNIQUE ART

STYLE: Huang’s expressive, 3D art style offers plenty of kid appeal.

INTERACTIVE ELEMENT:

Nine flaps within the book can be flipped first one way and then another to change a reader’s perspective and to show Mr. Panda’s point of view.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 40 pages
- * WIDTH: 8" - 203mm
- * HEIGHT: 8" - 203mm
- * Hardcover with jacket

PUB MONTH: **APRIL 2023**

AGES up to 5

PICTURE BOOK, KIDS
NOVELTY

ISBN 978-1-4197-6279-6

US \$16.99

The Real Story

● BY SERGIO RUZZIER

From award-winning creator Sergio Ruzzier, a hilarious, imaginative whodunit in which Cat and Mouse debate the truth behind a broken cookie jar



Cat has found a broken cookie jar.

How did it happen?

And where are the cookies?

With his signature brilliant humor and eccentric characters, Sergio Ruzzier draws the line between truth and fiction in this exuberant whodunit. It's important to know the real story. But what is the best story?



Sergio Ruzzier is a Sendak Fellow who has written and illustrated many critically acclaimed children's books, including *NO! Said Custard the Squirrel*. Born in Milan, Italy, he now divides his time between Brooklyn, New York, and the Apennine Mountains in Italy.



SELLING POINTS

BELOVED, AWARD-WINNING CREATOR: Ruzzier's books have received countless accolades and starred reviews, earning him a stellar reputation in the S&L market, including his Fox + Chick chapter book series, the first book of which won a Geisel Honor. At Abrams, his *NO! Said Custard the Squirrel* received two starred reviews.

KID HUMOR: Ruzzier's offbeat, absurdist sense of humor as Mouse invents increasingly preposterous stories will have his young audience laughing out loud.

TELLING THE TRUTH: Examines the importance of honesty as Cat relentlessly pursues "the real story" behind a broken cookie jar and Mouse ultimately admits fault.

CELEBRATION OF IMAGINATION: For young kids, the line between imaginative play and lying can be blurry. But once the truth is uncovered, this story becomes a celebration of children's imaginations and boundless creativity.

ENERGETIC READ ALOUD: With its young, spare text and spirited back-and-forth between characters, this rollicking read aloud will delight kids.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 32 pages

* WIDTH: 8" - 203mm
* HEIGHT: 10 1/2" - 267mm

* Hardcover, Picture

PUB MONTH: OCTOBER 2023

AGES 3 to 6

PICTURE BOOK

ISBN 978-1-4197-5526-2

US \$16.99

ALSO AVAILABLE

NO! Said Custard the Squirrel

ISBN 978-1-4197-5524-8

US \$15.99 CAN \$19.99

UK £11.99

LET'S PLAY OUTSIDE!

Snowy Mittens: A Winter Adventure (A Let's Play Outside! Book)

● BY SHAUNTAY GRANT; ILLUSTRATED BY CANDICE BRADLEY

A celebration of Black joy and the simple pleasures of a day in the snow from acclaimed poet Shauntay Grant



Follow along as a young boy spends the day sledding and ice skating with his family in this spare and poetic picture book from award-winning poet and picture book author Shauntay Grant. With a simple story—and simply stunning illustrations from Candice Bradley—this book is an ode to celebrating winter’s coziest wonders big and small.



Shauntay Grant is an acclaimed poet and author of several picture books, including *Sandy Toes*, *One Day*, *When I Wrap My Hair*, and *My Fade Is Fresh*, which earned a starred review in *Publishers Weekly*. Her picture book *Africville* won the 2019 Marilyn Baillie Picture Book Award and was a finalist for the 2018 Governor General's Literary Awards, the 2019 Ruth and Sylvia Schwartz Children's Book Awards, and the 2019 Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia Masterworks Arts Award. Grant is an assistant professor of creative writing at Dalhousie University, a member of the College of the Royal Society of Canada, and a former poet laureate of Halifax, Nova Scotia, where she lives with her family. Learn more at shauntaygrant.com. **Candice Bradley** was born in the San Francisco Bay area. Her fondest childhood memories are of drawing and dancing to Disney classics. She dreamed of either becoming a ballerina at Juilliard or an animator at CalArts. Although circumstances would prevent her from pursuing either, she didn't stop there. To fund her own education, she decided to offer services as an illustrator, and thus began her journey as a picture book artist. Bradley's hope as an illustrator is to support the movement of writers redeeming the narrative for minorities and people of color. She lives in Atlanta, Georgia, with her family. Learn more at bycandicebradley.com.



SELLING POINTS

NEEDED CONTENT: There are too few books—especially in the preschool space—centering on Black families’ everyday joys.

ACCLAIMED AUTHOR: Grant is the award-winning author of several picture books and was Halifax’s former poet laureate.

GORGEOUS ILLUSTRATIONS: Bradley’s lively, warm art style perfectly captures the everyday wonders of a day spent out in the snow.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 32 pages

* WIDTH: 8 1/2" - 216mm

* HEIGHT: 8 1/2" - 216mm

* Hardcover with jacket

PUB MONTH: **SEPTEMBER 2023**

AGES 3 to 5

PICTURE BOOK, KIDS

NATURE & ENVIRONMENT

ISBN 978-1-4197-6309-0

US \$16.99

ALSO AVAILABLE

Sandy Toes: A Summer Adventure (A Let's Play Outside! Book)

ISBN 978-1-4197-6307-6

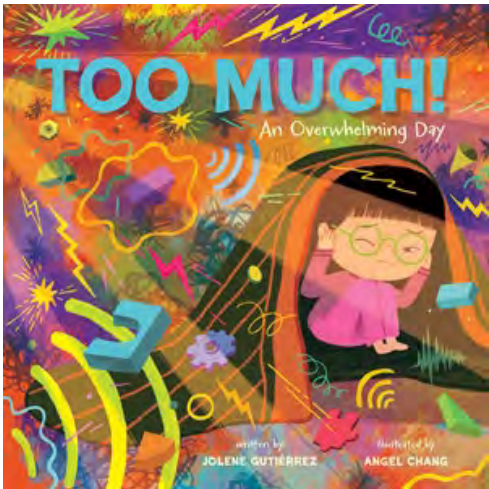
US \$16.99 CAN \$21.99

Too Much!

AN OVERWHELMING DAY

● WRITTEN BY JOLENE GUTIÉRREZ; ILLUSTRATED BY ANGEL CHANG

A reassuring rhyming picture book about sensory overload and what you can do when everything is too much

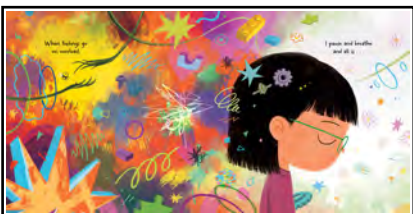
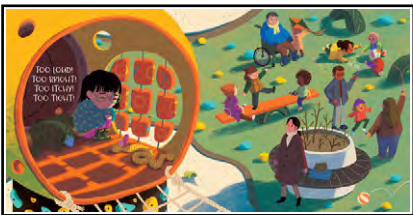


When feelings go on overload,
I pause and breathe
and all is . . . slowed.

Sometimes everything is too much! Too loud, too bright, and all too overwhelming. Writing from her own experience with sensory processing disorder, Jolene Gutiérrez's compassionate text—paired with Angel Chang's beautiful illustrations—explores the struggles of a sensorily sensitive child and how they settle themselves. An extensive author's note to caregivers and educators explores sensory systems, sensory processing issues, and specific information about how to support kids with overstimulated nervous systems.



Jolene Gutiérrez is an award-winning teacher-librarian who has been working with diverse learners for the past 28 years. When she was little, she would squint to protect her eyes from bright lights and cover her ears to protect herself from loud noises. Now, she wears sunglasses when she's outside and brings earplugs if she thinks she'll need them. She hopes *Too Much!* will help caregivers and educators recognize and support sensory processing challenges. Learn more at www.jolenegutierrez.com. **Angel Chang** was once a young girl who felt too much and often thought she didn't belong because of it. It took a long time for her to learn that her feelings matter as much as everyone else's. She hopes this book will help young readers realize theirs do too. Chang is the illustrator of *Most of the Better Natural Things in the World*; *Just Like Me*; and *Lunar New Year Around the World*. She lives in Taiwan with a cat who loves to chew papers and sleep on books. Learn more at angelchangart.com.



SELLING POINTS

INCLUSIVE CONTENT: *Too Much!* takes a simple and gentle approach to discussing sensory sensitivity issues, which is greatly needed in the picture book space.

BACK MATTER: Gutiérrez's author's note speaks to her own experiences with sensory processing disorder and includes suggestions for caregivers and educators who want to help neurodivergent kids in their care.

RHYMING TEXT: The simple, rhyming text tackles a tricky subject as a child works through overwhelming situations.

INCREDIBLE ART: Chang's commercial and kid-friendly art hits the core of the text perfectly.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 32 pages

* WIDTH: 8 1/2" - 216mm

* HEIGHT: 8 1/2" - 216mm

* Hardcover with jacket

PUB MONTH: **AUGUST 2023**

AGES 3 to 5

PICTURE BOOK

ISBN 978-1-4197-6426-4

US \$15.99

● BY CHARLIE MYLIE

a first words journey

WE MIGHT SEE

charlie mylie

*Places we pass, things going fast
Across the street, there might be
Sounds in our ears. music to hear*

Spreads are thoughtfully organized to give readers time with different types of words. One spread is full of onomatopoeia. Another full of color words. Another still invites readers to think about scale—big things and small ones. The high-contrast art is married beautifully with lots of detail on each page, giving the youngest readers lots to find and a friendly environment in which to discover something new on every read.



FIRST WORDS: This picture book introduces the youngest readers to vocabulary-building first words on every spread.

ELEVATED FORMAT: *We Might* See will be printed on a heavy stock, with spot gloss and debossing on the jacket. It's perfect for gift tables!

SPECIFICATIONS

* 32 pages

* WIDTH: 8" - 203mm

* HEIGHT: 8" - 203mm

* Hardcover with jacket

PUB. MONTH: MAY 2023

AGES up to 5

PICTURE BOOK

ISBN 978-1-4197-5894-2

US \$14.99

Out on a Limb

ISBN 978-1-4197-5365-7

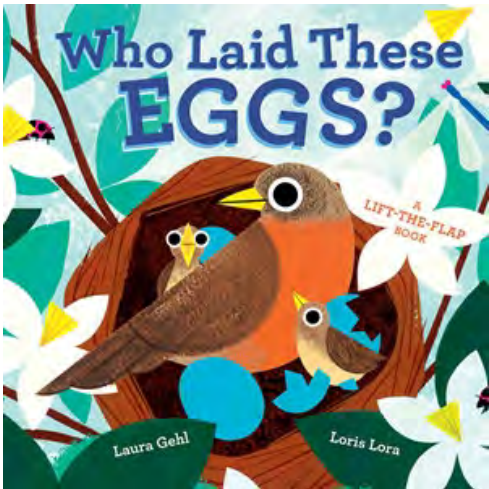
US \$18.99 CAN \$23.99

UK £12.99

Who Laid These Eggs?

● WRITTEN BY LAURA GEHL; ILLUSTRATED BY LORIS LORA

Lift the flaps on every page of this board book to learn about eight animal species and their nests!



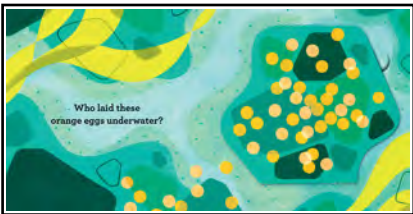
In this innovative nonfiction board book, young readers will see eggs in different environments on each spread. Lift the flaps to discover all of the different animal nests and eggs—and learn a simple fact about each species. Featured creatures include robins, alligators, ostriches, salmon, butterflies, seagulls, snakes, chickens, and the kids that gather the eggs from the coop!



Laura Gehl is a former science teacher who still loves getting kids excited about science and nature . . . now through her books. Ever since reading about a poop-shooting caterpillar many years ago, she has spent time researching and writing about interesting creatures and their behaviors. Gehl is the author of more than two dozen books for young readers, including *Odd Beasts*, *Odd Birds*, *Who Dug This Hole?*, *Happy Llamakkah*, and *Happy Owl-oween*. Gehl lives with her husband and four kids in Chevy Chase, Maryland, where a robin once laid eggs on her windowsill. Learn more at lauragehl.com.



Loris Lora is a Latinx illustrator and designer from Southern California who is inspired by her Mexican upbringing, mid-century illustration and design, pop culture, and bright colors. Her nuanced observations of people and nature bring sensitive details and a playful style to compositions. She has illustrated multiple books, including *May Your Life Be Deliciosa* (winner of the Pura Belpré Illustrator Honor Award), the Eisner-nominated *Eventually Everything Connects*, and *Who Dug This Hole?* Lora lives with her partner in their tiny Spanish home in Riverside, California.



SELLING POINTS

INTERACTIVE FORMAT: With flaps to lift on every page, young readers will have fun discovering which animals are the answers to each riddle.

EVERGREEN SUBJECT: Board books introducing different types of animals are a perennially popular category.

CHARMING ART: Award-winning artist Lora's stunning illustrations bring the creatures in this book to life.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 16 pages
- * WIDTH: 7" - 178mm
- * HEIGHT: 7" - 178mm
- * Casebound Board Book
- PUB MONTH: **JANUARY 2024**
- AGES 2 to 4**
- BOARD BOOK, KIDS**
- NATURE & ENVIRONMENT, KIDS NONFICTION**
- ISBN 978-1-4197-5662-7**
- US \$9.99

ALSO AVAILABLE

- Who Dug This Hole?**
- ISBN 978-1-4197-5661-0**
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- Odd Birds**
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- UK £6.99

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copies of
the series
sold!

“Short and satisfying, these ‘empowering celebrations’ of burgeoning independence will encourage small children to see how far they’ve already come.” —*Wall Street Journal*



I Am Ready for School!

Reassuring text introduces preschoolers to their first day of school where a welcoming teacher, a cheery classroom, and new friends await! The Empowerment series addresses the small victories of growing up and starting to embrace the world on their own terms with encouraging text and retro-fresh illustrations. Celebrate the milestones of toddlerhood with the whole series.



I Like To Share!



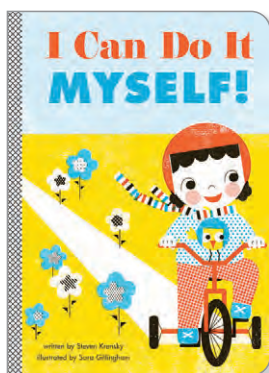
I Know A Lot!



I Am So Brave!



I Can Do It Myself!



Now I Am Big!



Stephen Krensky has written more than 130 fiction and nonfiction children’s books, including novels, picture books, easy readers, and biographies. Krensky and his wife, Joan, raised two sons in Lexington, Massachusetts, where they are still living happily ever after. Sara Gillingham is an award-winning children’s book author and illustrator, art director, and designer who has helped publish many bestselling books. Gillingham has written and illustrated more than 25 titles for children, including *All Better Baby!*, *Love Is a Ball*, and the Empowerment series. She lives in Vancouver with her family.

SPECIFICATIONS

- Color illustrations throughout
- 165 × 229 mm
- Page Count: 12
- **Board Book**

I Am Ready for School!
PUB MONTH: **JULY 2023**

I Like To Share!
PUB MONTH: **JUNE 2021**

I Know A Lot!
PUB MONTH: **JULY 2014**

I Am So Brave!
PUB MONTH: **JULY 2013**

I Can Do It Myself!
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Now I Am Big!
PUB MONTH: **AUGUST 2012**

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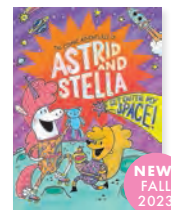
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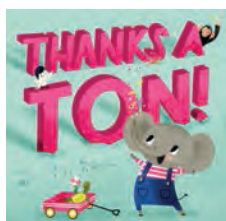
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Picture Books

Blue

THE MANY WAYS I FEEL

● BY NANCY JOHNSON JAMES; ILLUSTRATED BY CONSTANCE MOORE

An emotional ode to the color blue—and the blues—from the creators of *Brown: The Many Shades of Love* and *Black: The Many Wonders of My World*



Full of feeling and wonder, a child describes all the beautiful shades of blue they feel—from a pale winter sky to a bright ocean wave, from deep twilight to the musical blues—and discovers that one has the power to change one's many blues into a song or a poem, blue into gold.



Nancy Johnson James is a writer and educator based in Jessup, Maryland. She is the author of *Brown: The Many Shades of Love* and *Black: The Many Wonders of My World*, both illustrated by Constance Moore and published by Cameron Kids. **Constance Moore** is an artist and educator based in Oakland, California. She loves teaching elementary school art and shares her students' love of color.



SELLING POINTS

BROWN, BLACK, AND BLUE: The third title in this unique color series demystifies and celebrates the color blue.

BLUE IS BEAUTIFUL: A fresh take on the universal theme of feelings and how to turn one's blues into gold.

PROVEN DUO: James and Moore are both Black female teachers based on the East Coast and West Coast, respectively, and are avid promoters within their communities and beyond.

MIXED MEDIA: A colorful collage of watercolor and textile makes for eye-catching art.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 32 pages
- * WIDTH: 7 1/2" - 191mm
- * HEIGHT: 10" - 254mm
- * Hardcover with jacket
- PUB MONTH: **AUGUST 2023**
- AGES 4 to 8**
- PICTURE BOOK, AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY & CULTURE**
- ISBN 978-1-951836-88-7**
- US \$18.99

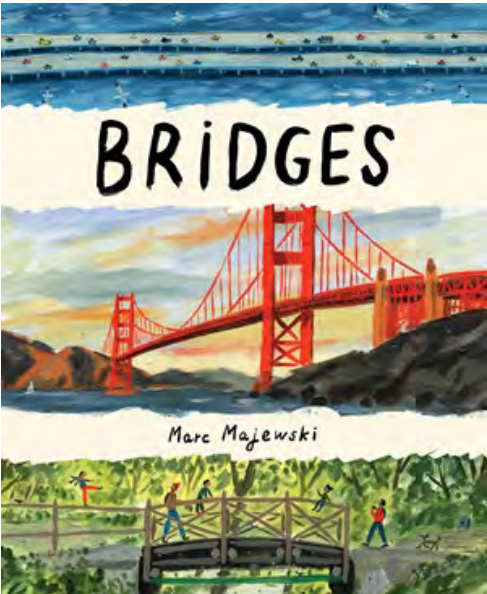
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UK £11.99

Bridges

● BY MARC MAJEWSKI

Explore bridges around the world—and how they unite us—in this gorgeously illustrated nonfiction picture book



Bridges can be high or low, long or short, straight or curvy. Some are designed to blend in, while others stand out. But each one tells a story: a reminder of our history, a testament to ingenuity and engineering, an invitation to imagine the possibilities of the future. Literally and symbolically, bridges connect us—to new places, new cultures, and new people.

With poetic text and sweeping illustrations, Marc Majewski delivers a unique, accessible look at bridges all around the world: from San Francisco's incredible Golden Gate to the Victoria Falls Bridge connecting Zambia and Zimbabwe to England's Tower Bridge and Japan's Akashi-Kaikyo Bridge and many in between. Both informational and thought-provoking, *Bridges* shows how these awe-inspiring structures unite the manmade and natural worlds, and how they bring humanity together.



Marc Majewski is a French illustrator and picture book maker based in Berlin. As a child, Majewski spent all his time drawing, writing stories, and dressing up. Things haven't changed much since. Majewski loves painting landscapes and scenes from the natural world. He is the author of several books, including *Does Earth Feel?* and *Butterfly Child*.



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SELLING POINTS

BROAD APPEAL: For curious kids who love books about transportation, engineering, architecture, and nature, with a fun around-the-world element.

ARTFUL NONFICTION: Gorgeously illustrated and meditative yet packed with back matter facts in the vein of *Bees: A Honeyed History*, *Trees: A Rooted History*, *Snow Birds*, and *Before Music*.

UPLIFTING MESSAGE: The theme of unity shines through in this celebration of human connection.

RIISING TALENT: Majewski is an author-illustrator to watch. His exquisitely painted illustrations, imbued with a deep respect for the environment, will transport readers and invoke wonder.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 48 pages
- * WIDTH: 9" - 229mm
- * HEIGHT: 11" - 279mm
- * Hardcover with jacket

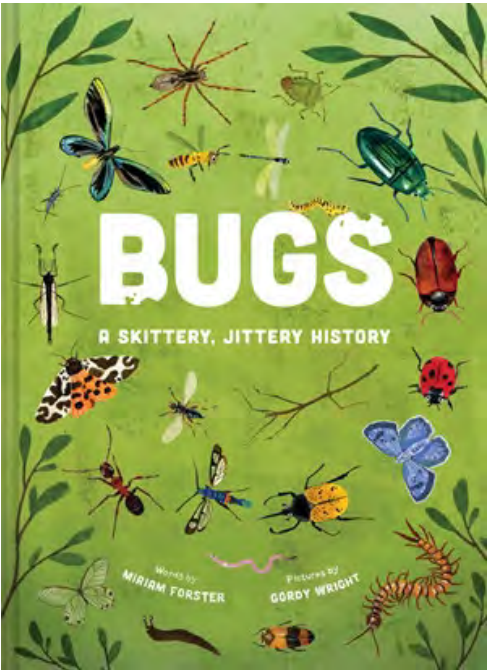
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PICTURE BOOK

ISBN 978-1-4197-5681-8
US \$19.99

Bugs: A Skittery, Jittery History

● BY MIRIAM FORSTER, ILLUSTRATED BY GORDY WRIGHT

An epic, oversized nonfiction picture book and companion to *Sharks: A Mighty, Bite-y History*—all about bugs and their prehistoric predecessors



Insects are some of the oldest creatures on Earth, evolving well before other land animals alongside ferns and trees. This epic survey follows bugs and their cousins from their earliest appearance in the Paleozoic Era up through today.

Along the way, readers will meet many different kinds of insects from various points in history—such as the trilobite of the Cambrian Explosion or the more recent and familiar termite. The text explores insect skills including camouflage, communication, metamorphosis, and much more, and a bug hall of fame captures the smallest, largest, fastest, and cutest bugs around today.

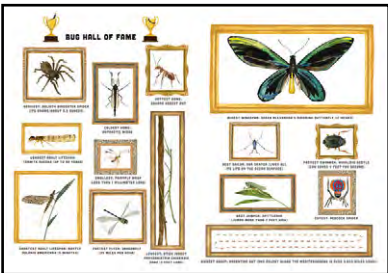
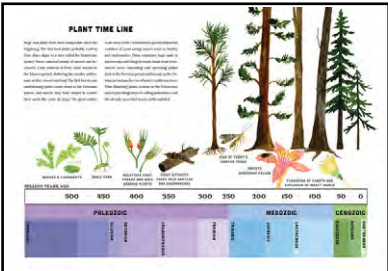
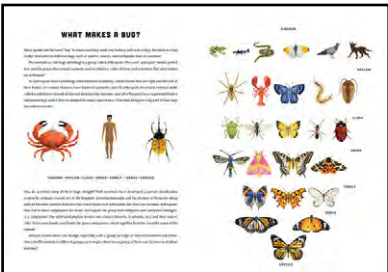
With lush illustrations from Gordy Wright and meticulous research from author Miriam Forster, *Bugs: A Skittery, Jittery History* is sure to delight bug enthusiasts, science fans, and any reader who loves to discover new wonders about the world around them.



Miriam Forster loves science, history, and animals, especially the weird prehistoric ones. She's been a waiter, a barista, a daycare worker, and a bookseller, and she is currently an author of young adult fiction and a fact checker for children's books. Forster lives in Oregon with her husband, child, and a grumpy old cat.



Gordy Wright is a freelance illustrator and printmaker working from his studio in Bristol, UK. You can visit him at GordyWright.com.



SELLING POINTS

EVERGREEN TOPIC: Books about bugs delight kid readers, and the evolutionary lens here adds something new to the category.

HIGH DESIGN: Artful illustrations from Gordy Wright add strong gift appeal to this project and allow it to stand apart from the pack.

WINNING FORMAT: In an oversize trim similar to *Bees: A Honeyed History*, this book is sure to make a statement on bookstore tables and window displays. Inside, kid readers will find lots of details to pore over.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 80 pages

* WIDTH: 10 1/2" - 267mm

* HEIGHT: 14 1/2" - 368mm

* Hardcover POB

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AGES 6 to 9

KIDS NONFICTION, KIDS NATURE & ENVIRONMENT

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ALSO AVAILABLE

Sharks

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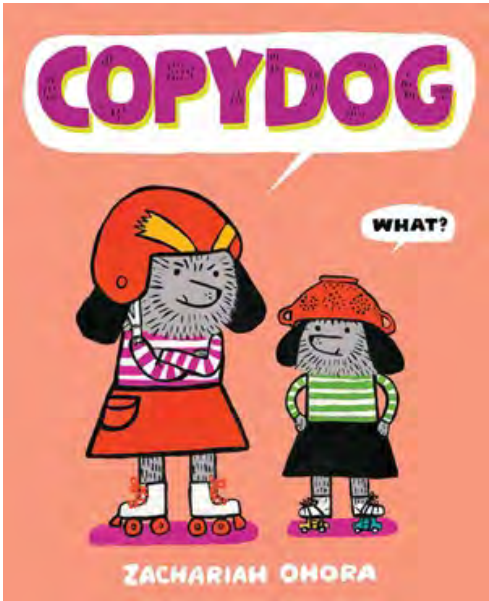
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UK £17.99

Copydog

● WRITTEN AND ILLUSTRATED BY ZACHARIAH OHORA

From the hilarious mind of bestselling creator Zachariah OHora comes this charmingly offbeat and true-to-life tale of sibling conflict, with a fresh twist on the “copycat”



Elise and her younger sister, Rosemont, get along well—most of the time.

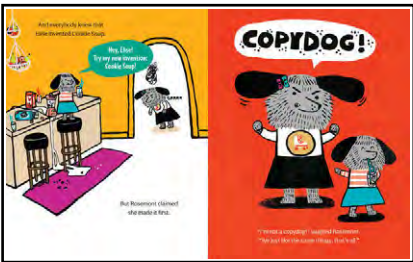
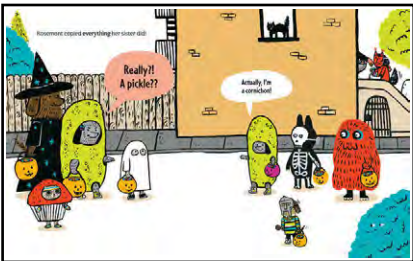
But there’s one thing about her sister that drives Elise mad . . .

Rosemont copies *everything* her sister does!

Relatable to anyone who’s ever been frustrated by a copycat—er, copydog—this hilarious and sweet story from Zachariah OHora shows how no one can annoy you—or be there for you—quite like a sibling.



Zachariah OHora is an award-winning author and illustrator and a show creator for a forthcoming animated series for PBS. He illustrated the *New York Times* bestseller *Wolfie the Bunny* and the Eisner Award-nominated *Who Wet My Pants?* His author-illustrator debut, *Stop Snoring Bernard!*, was awarded the Founders Award by the Society of Illustrators. His books have been translated into more than a dozen languages worldwide and have appeared on *The Today Show*. He lives and works in Pennsylvania with his wife, two sons, two cats, and a dog named Waffles.



SELLING POINTS

SIGNATURE OHORA: The illustrator behind the *New York Times* bestselling *Wolfie the Bunny* and Eisner nominee *Who Wet My Pants?*, OHora is known for his quirky humor and bold, unique art.

FUZZY, INSIDE AND OUT: Featured in a subscription box and praised for exuding “unabashed openheartedness” in a *Publishers Weekly* review.

CHARMING CHARACTERS: Set in the same town as *Fuzzy* and featuring cameos of familiar favorite characters, this new story focuses on Fuzzy’s best friend Elise, a roller-skating pup, and her younger sister.

SIBLING STORY: Elise gets frustrated when her baby sister copies everything she does. But when Rosemont comes to her rescue, Elise realizes that her sister’s copying comes from a place of love—and that maybe it’s not so bad having her around.

BONUS ACTIVITY: Back matter shows readers how to make their own rainstick (which both sisters gift to Fuzzy for his birthday)!

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 40 pages
- * WIDTH: 8 1/2" - 216mm
- * HEIGHT: 10 1/2" - 267mm
- * Hardcover with jacket
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- AGES 4 to 8**
- PICTURE BOOK**

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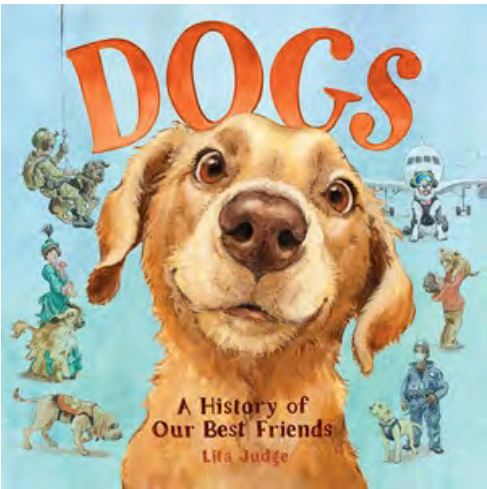
Fuzzy, Inside and Out
ISBN 978-1-4197-5190-5
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UK £12.99

Dogs

A HISTORY OF OUR BEST FRIENDS

● BY LITA JUDGE

This illustrated history of dogs, from award-winning author-illustrator Lita Judge, explores how humans' partnership with dogs changed our lives and theirs



Of all the animals on the planet, dogs have the widest range of roles in our daily lives. They're protectors, helpers, lifesavers—but most of all, they're family.

And they've taken a fascinating journey to get to this point. Long ago, early wolves evolved from fierce predators into trusted partners. They became dogs! While we know dogs to be lovable and full of personality, they have also historically improved our lives in many practical ways, like guarding livestock to help humans form the first settlements, cleaning out infectious wounds, and finding food. Covering over 50,000 years of history, from cave-dwelling to the present day, *Dogs* chronicles fascinating scientific details and the history of how dogs learned to live cooperatively alongside humans.

In this beautifully illustrated and thoroughly researched book, award-winning author and illustrator Lita Judge explores how our lives are intertwined with dogs'—and that's what makes them our best friends.



Lita Judge is the award-winning author-illustrator of many children's books, including *The Wisdom of Trees*, *Born in the Wild*, *Flight School*, *Red Sled*, and her illustrated young adult novel, *Mary's Monster*, as well as the illustrator of *Forty Winks: A Bedtime Adventure*, written by Kelly DiPucchio. She lives with her husband, three cats, and a parrot in New Hampshire.



SELLING POINTS

AWARD-WINNING CREATOR:

Judge's many accolades include the International Literary Association Children's Book Award; ALA and NCTE Notables; the Jane Addams Honor; and numerous Best Book lists and starred reviews.

KID-FRIENDLY:

Filled with doggy facts (with some humor thrown in), *Dogs* blends world history with science and a commercial, kid-perfect hook.

UNIQUE IN THE MARKET:

While there are plenty of photographic and encyclopedic books about dogs, there's nothing illustrated and history-focused like this.

PERFECT FOR THE

CLASSROOM: Using archaeological evidence, historical records, and a scientific undercurrent to tell the story of dogs, this survey is perfect for classroom learning.

THOUGHTFUL BACK MATTER:

An author's note emphasizes our ethical duty to treat dogs humanely and offers tips to help them, from rescuing to supporting nonprofits. A list of dog breeds, famous dogs, and an extensive timeline are also included.

STUNNING ART:

With her signature watercolor-and-pencil style, Judge expressively draws over 100 unique dogs, each full of personality.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 56 pages
- * WIDTH: 10" - 254mm
- * HEIGHT: 10" - 254mm
- * Hardcover with jacket

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AGES 4 to 8

PICTURE BOOK

ISBN 978-1-4197-5544-6

US \$19.99

ALSO AVAILABLE

Forty Winks

ISBN 978-1-4197-4552-2

US \$17.99 CAN \$22.99

UK £12.99

Grandmothers Galore!

● BY JUDITH HENDERSON AND ELLEN YEOMANS; ILLUSTRATED BY RASHIN KHEIRIYEH

When a house full of grandmothers tries to determine who is the “best” grandma, a hilarious hullabaloo ensues



When a mysterious yellow envelope arrives at Hollyhock House, it causes quite the hubbub. It's addressed simply to "the greatest grandmother in the world." The trouble is, there are a lot of grandmothers, great-grandmothers, and even a great-great-grandmother living at Hollyhock House. So who is the *best* grandmother?

Whether your grandma is a Bubby, a Bibi, an Abuela, a Nai Nai, or a Grammy, *Grandmothers Galore!* has something for everyone to enjoy: a zany tale full of mischief, mystery, and plenty of grandmotherly love.



Judith Henderson is an author, artist, and Emmy Award-winning composer. She started in advertising and wrote more than 600 North American campaigns and jingles. Then, Henderson segued into children's television as a TV producer and series creator. She is the author of the three-book series *Big Words Small Stories*; *Aaalligator!*; *This Is a Dog Book!*; and *Dee and Apostrophe*. Henderson lives in Montreal. **Ellen Yeomans** writes for children and adults. Her picture book *The Other Ducks* was named a Best Book of 2018 by both the American Library Association and Bank Street College. Her book *Some Snow Is . . .* showcases her thorough knowledge of snow that comes from a lifetime in Central New York. An American abroad, she currently resides in Prague. **Rashin Kheiriyeh** is an internationally recognized, award-winning illustrator, author, animator, and painter who has more than 20 years of experience in publishing and broadcasting. She has published more than 90 children's books in many countries, and has received numerous national and international awards including the Sendak Fellowship Award. Kheiriyeh is the character artist of the most popular Iranian animated series, *Shekarestan/Sugarland*. She was born in Iran but now lives in Washington, DC.



SELLING POINTS

FRESH GRANDPARENT STORY:

A light mystery combined with raucous humor, a unique setting, and a fabulous array of grandmothers sets this one apart from typical grandparent-themed books.

REFRESHING PORTRAYAL:

The implied assisted living facility setting, rarely featured in picture books, is portrayed as a place that is full of fun and life. When the energetic elders put aside their arguing, they decide to throw themselves a party!

DIVERSE CAST:

The story stars eight different grandmothers—Abuela, Grammy, Nana, Nonna, Nai Nai, Bibi, Bubbie, and Bubbie Two—each with their own distinct style and personality.

VISUAL HUMOR:

Vibrant, lively art by award-winning Iranian-American illustrator Rashin Kheiriyeh captures the goofy humor of the grandma antics.

FEEL-GOOD ENDING:

When the letter's originally intended recipient is finally revealed, that grandma ultimately decides to keep it under wraps, as the residents of Hollyhock House realize that every grandmother is the best and worth celebrating.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout

* 32 pages

* WIDTH: 8 1/2" - 216mm

* HEIGHT: 10 1/2" - 267mm

* Hardcover with jacket

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PICTURE BOOK

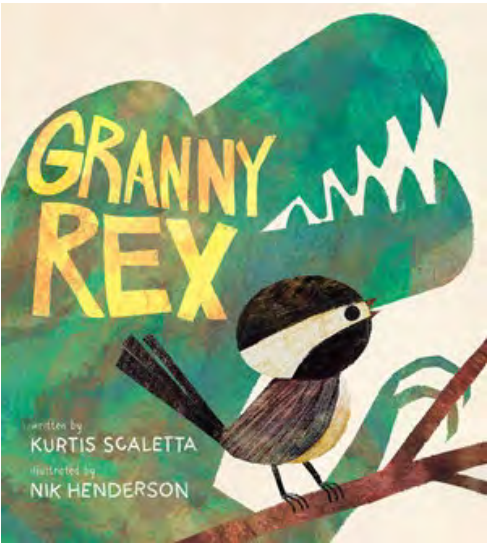
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US \$18.99

Granny Rex

● BY KURTIS SCALETTA; ILLUSTRATED BY NIK HENDERSON

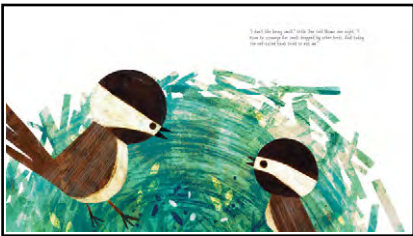
A tiny bird discovers her inner dinosaur and learns to roar in this sweet story about remembering where you came from



When little Dee is harassed by the neighborhood hawk, Mama tells her that her 20-million-times great-great-great-grandmother was an enormous dinosaur named Granny Rex and that Granny Rex still lives in Dee's feathers and bones. It's true: Not only did birds descend from dinosaurs, but they are related to the Tyrannosaurus rex, one of the mightiest dinosaurs of all! "Never forget," says Mama to her little bird, "that you are a dinosaur." Dee discovers she might be small, but she is mighty.



Kurtis Scaletta is the author of several novels for young readers, as well as the Topps League Story series published by Abrams. This is his first picture book. **Nik Henderson** is an illustrator with a background in animation. He lives in Missouri. Goofy birds (#8) and dinosaurs (#38) made it to his list, "Nik Henderson's Top 100 Things to Draw."



SELLING POINTS

TINY IS TREMENDOUS: A unique take on the small-but-mighty theme.

CHICK-A-DINOSAUR?: Did you know that birds are descended from dinosaurs? A fictional story based on phenomenal fact.

BOLD ILLUSTRATIONS: Henderson's bold and graphic art elevates this proven space.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 32 pages
- * WIDTH: 9 1/2" - 241mm
- * HEIGHT: 10 1/2" - 267mm
- * Hardcover with jacket

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**PICTURE BOOK, KIDS
NATURE & ENVIRONMENT**

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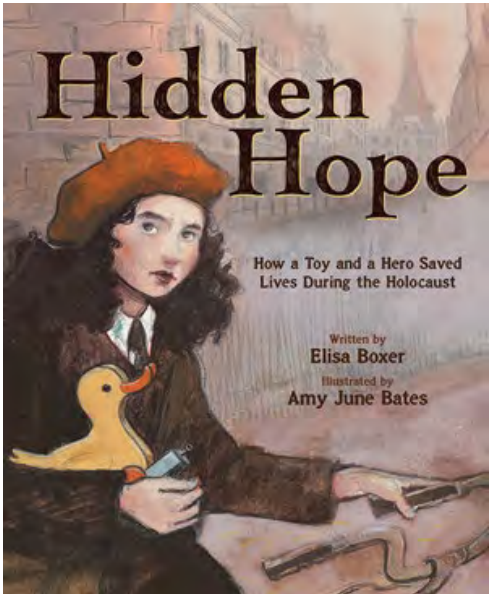
US \$18.99

Hidden Hope

HOW A TOY AND A HERO SAVED LIVES DURING THE HOLOCAUST

● BY ELISA BOXER; ILLUSTRATED BY AMY JUNE BATES

The remarkable true story of how a toy duck smuggled forged identity papers for Jewish refugees during WWII



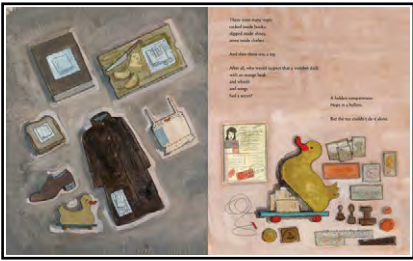
During World War II, families all across Europe huddled together in basements, attics, and closets as Nazi soldiers rounded up anyone Jewish. The Star of David, a symbol of faith and pride, became a tool of hate when the Nazis forced Jewish people to carry papers stamped with that star, so that it was clear who to capture. But many brave souls dared to help them.

Jewish teenager Jacqueline Gauthier, a member of the French Resistance who had to conceal her identity, was one who risked her life in secret workshops, forging papers with new names and without stars in order to help others escape. But how to get these life-saving papers to families in hiding? An ordinary wooden toy duck held the answer, a hidden compartment: hope in a hollow.

Written by award-winning journalist Elisa Boxer and movingly illustrated by the acclaimed Amy June Bates, *Hope in a Hollow* celebrates the triumph of freedom and the human spirit, a story of everyday heroism, resilience, and finding hope in unexpected places.



Elisa Boxer is the author of the picture book *Covered in Color* as well as an Emmy Award-winning journalist and columnist. She has reported for newspapers, magazines, and TV stations, and has a passion for telling stories about people finding the courage to create change. Boxer lives with her family in Maine. **Amy Bates** is the illustrator of many books for children, including *The Boy and the Sea*, *Gittel's Journey*, *Minette's Feast*, and *The Dog Who Belonged to No One*. She lives in Carlisle, Pennsylvania.



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Spanish and Catalan (Editorial Juventud, S.A.)

SELLING POINTS

INCREDIBLE TRUE STORY: The toy duck that saved over 200 lives still exists, residing in Jerusalem's Yad Vashem museum, Israel's official memorial to the victims of the Holocaust.

ESSENTIAL HISTORY: Amid recent anti-Semitism and Holocaust denial, this story recognizes the suffering and survival of the Jewish people.

POWERFUL BACK MATTER: As discussed in her author's note, Boxer, a Jewish journalist, interviewed Holocaust survivors as part of her research. Photos of the actual toy and forged identity papers are included.

INSPIRING THEMES: The story honors both the strength of the Jewish spirit and those who fought back against hate, and the toy duck featured is a symbol of light in the darkest of times.

ACCLAIMED ILLUSTRATOR:

Bates's work is beloved by booksellers and librarians and often garners starred reviews.

TALENTED AUTHOR: Boxer is a well-connected award winner in the journalism world and a thorough researcher with a compelling, kid-friendly voice.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 48 pages
- * WIDTH: 9" - 229mm
- * HEIGHT: 11" - 279mm
- * HC-POB with Jacket

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AGES 4 to 8

PICTURE BOOK, KIDS
NONFICTION

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US \$19.99

ALSO AVAILABLE

The Boy and the Sea

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And I Paint It

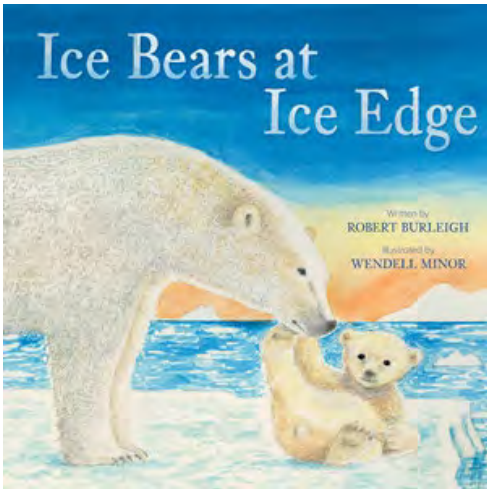
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Ice Bears at Ice Edge

● WRITTEN BY ROBERT BURLEIGH, ILLUSTRATED BY WENDELL MINOR

From two bestselling picture book veterans comes a gripping, climate change-themed tale of a polar bear family fighting to survive



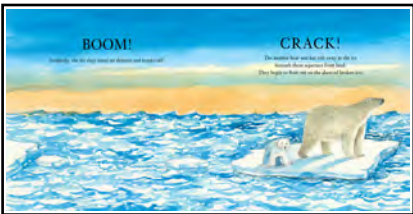
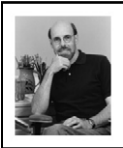
*It is March in the cold North. The long-gone sun is rising.
Silvery ice glitters. Snow sparkles in the hazy glow.
Two polar bears stand at ice edge: mother and cub.*

A mother polar bear and her cub are busy searching for food, when suddenly, the ice they stand on breaks away—*crack!* Cut adrift, her cub is out of reach as the treacherous sea begins to carry him away. In she dives! Can they return to land safely?

Simply told yet dramatic, and with realistic, exquisite illustrations and informative back matter with facts about polar bears, *Ice Bears at Ice Edge* immerses readers in one animal family's story, while also highlighting the broader plight of endangered wildlife whose habitats are threatened by climate change.



Robert Burleigh has written a number of bestselling children's books that have received multiple starred reviews and awards, including the Orbis Pictus, Texas Bluebonnet Master List, CCBC Choices, and an ALA Notable. He lives outside Chicago. **Wendell Minor** is nationally known for the artwork he has created for more than 50 award-winning children's books. Awards include: the Cook Prize honoring the best STEM picture book for children ages 8 to 10, Notable Children's Trade Books in Social Studies, ALA Booklist Children's Choices, International Reading Association Teacher's Choices, Parents Choice Foundation "Silver Honor," Smithsonian's Notable Books for Children, the John Burroughs List of Nature Books for Young Readers, a Bank Street "Best," and *PW* "Best." He lives in Washington, Connecticut.



SELLING POINTS

PRO TEAM: Over their long careers, Burleigh and Minor have collaborated on many award-winning and star-studded picture books, including *Night Flight: Amelia Earhart Crosses the Atlantic*, *Trapped! A Whale's Rescue*, *Edward Hopper Paints His World*, *Into the Woods: John James Audubon Lives His Dream*, and *Tiny Bird: A Hummingbird's Amazing Journey*, among others.

ENVIRONMENTAL THEME: As melting ice caps shrink the polar bears' home, *Ice Bears at Ice Edge* raises awareness of the immediate threat of climate change.

DRAMATIC NARRATIVE: Burleigh's in-the-moment, "you are there" point of view immediately pulls readers in, lending emotion and immediacy to the danger faced by the bears (without being too scary).

MASTERFUL ART: A blend of Minor's sweet spots: breathtaking, wide-open landscapes, and lifelike, expressive animals.

FAVORITE ANIMAL: As oodles of merchandise and other books prove, polar bears are perennially popular.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 40 pages
- * WIDTH: 10" - 254mm
- * HEIGHT: 10" - 254mm
- * Hardcover with jacket

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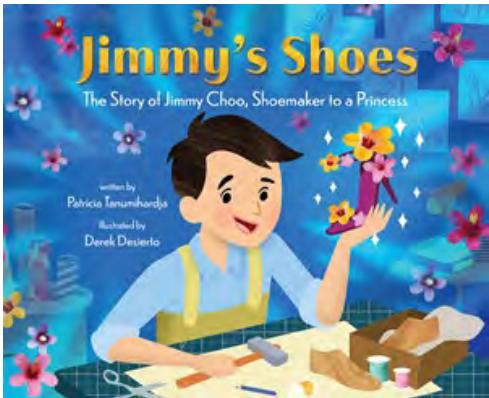
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Jimmy's Shoes

THE STORY OF JIMMY CHOO, SHOEMAKER TO A PRINCESS

● WRITTEN BY PATRICIA TANUMIHARDJA, ILLUSTRATED BY DEREK DESIERTO

A picture book biography of the shoemaker Jimmy Choo, tracing his life from his father's workshop in Penang to the runways of London to the halls of Kensington Palace



On the island of Penang, Jimmy Choo is born into a family of shoemakers. At his father's side, he learns to make all kinds of shoes—loafers, stilettos, slippers, and more.

After learning all he can at home, Jimmy immigrates to London, where he can study shoemaking by day and English by night. Nothing comes easy for newcomer Jimmy, but he works hard until he can launch his own business. At his Lucky Shoes, Jimmy specializes in shoes made just for the customer. Before long, Jimmy starts to make waves in the London fashion scene. One day, he gets a call from a very special customer—Diana, Princess of Wales, wants him to design shoes just for her. And the rest is history!

From author Patricia Tanumihardja and *New York Times* bestselling illustrator Derek Desierto comes a fabulous and engaging picture book biography about Jimmy Choo that is sure to inspire!



Born in Jakarta to Indonesian–Chinese parents and raised in Singapore, **Patricia Tanumihardja** has been a food writer and cookbook author for close to two decades. She has also developed recipes for *Highlights High Five* magazine and reviewed children's books for *Kirkus*. Tanumihardja is the author of *Jimmy's Shoes* and *Ramen for Everyone*. She lives in Washington, DC.

Derek Desierto is a Vancouver–based illustrator whose books with Eva Chen include the *New York Times* bestseller *Juno Valentine and the Magical Shoes*. Currently, he is living the dream as a freelance artist for animated TV shows and picture books. His ultimate goal in life is to meet Oprah and become one of her Favorite Things.



SELLING POINTS

BESTSELLING ILLUSTRATOR: Desierto is the *New York Times* bestselling illustrator of Eva Chen's *Juno Valentine and the Magical Shoes*. His colorful, highly appealing work is a perfect fit for capturing Jimmy Choo's flair!

IMMIGRATION STORY: At the core of Choo's story is his move from his home in Penang to London. Tanumihardja brings her own lived experience to the text and captures this element with grace and care.

MAKER MANIFESTO: Choo learned the art of shoemaking at his father's knee before expanding his craft at fashion school. *Jimmy's Shoes* highlights the intricate beauty of the shoemaking process.

PRINCESS POWER: Choo's big break came when he began designing custom shoes for Diana, Princess of Wales, who makes an exciting cameo in *Jimmy's Shoes*.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 40 pages
- * WIDTH: 10 1/2" - 267mm
- * HEIGHT: 8 1/2" - 216mm
- * Hardcover with jacket

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AAPI HISTORY & CULTURE
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US \$19.99

The Lion Queen

RASILA VADHER, THE FIRST WOMAN GUARDIAN OF THE LAST ASIATIC LIONS

● BY RINA SINGH; ILLUSTRATED BY TARA ANAND

A true tale of big cats and even bigger courage, inspired by the personal story of Gir Forest’s first female guard and Lion Queen, Rasila Vadher



“Never look a lion in the eyes,” a mother tells her fearless girl. After a field trip to the Gir Forest, the girl learns all about the rare Asiatic lions of India, and from that day on, she dreams of taking care of them when she grows up. But not everyone thinks a girl has a right to such a dream, and so she stifles what she wishes for most, a roar growing inside her. That is, until the day she comes face to face with a lion.

This empowering and exciting picture book is inspired by the story of Rasila Vadher, who grew up to become the first woman guardian and real-life Lion Queen at India’s Gir Forest, the very place she first fell in love with lions.



Rina Singh was born in a small town in India, moved to Canada, and now lives in Toronto. She is a former schoolteacher and is now a full-time children’s book author. This is her first book with Cameron Kids. **Tara Anand** is an illustrator and visual artist from Bombay, India. This is her first book with Cameron Kids. She lives in New York.



SELLING POINTS

FEMALE ROLE MODEL: In 2008, Vadher became the first female guard in Gujarat’s Gir National Park, and since her appointment, she has carried out more than 1,100 animal rescues. Vadher’s achievements prove there’s no limit to what women can accomplish.

A FELINE FAIRY TALE: *The Lion Queen* covers relatable themes of facing your fears, believing in yourself, and following your dreams—no matter the opposition.

ENVIRONMENTAL HOOK: Vadher is a passionate advocate for protecting animals and their ecosystems, and her respect for the natural world is reflected in the book.

BIG LOVE FOR BIG CATS: Vadher and her fellow Lion Queens of Gir are the subject of a 2015 documentary called *The Lion Queens*.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 40 pages
- * WIDTH: 8 1/2" - 216mm
- * HEIGHT: 10 1/2" - 267mm
- * Hardcover with jacket
- PUB MONTH: **OCTOBER 2023**
- AGES 4 to 8**
- PICTURE BOOK, BIOGRAPHY

ISBN 978-1-951836-84-9
US \$19.99

Manolo & the Unicorn

● BY JACKIE AZÚA KRAMER AND JONAH KRAMER; ILLUSTRATED BY ZACH MANBECK

A story about seeing and believing wholeheartedly in the extraordinary—unicorns *and* oneself



To Manolo the world is a magical place—a place where he searches for the most magical creature of all: a unicorn. Manolo loves unicorns. When the Wild Animal Parade is announced at school, and Manolo declares that he will come as his favorite animal, his classmates say there is no such thing as unicorns, making the world feel ordinary. That is, until Manolo meets a real unicorn—wild and graceful—and discovers that the world is truly extraordinary.



Jackie Azúa Kramer is an award-winning children's book author whose books include *Dorothy & Herbert: An Ordinary Couple and Their Extraordinary Collection of Art*, published by Cameron Kids. Her hopes are to write stories that reflect who children see in the mirror and what they see out of their windows. She lives with her family in Long Island, New York. **Jonah Kramer** is a New York City-based actor, singer, dancer, and now children's book author. He has travelled as a performer both nationally and internationally. He is delighted to coauthor his first book with his amazing mom. **Zach Manbeck** is a children's book author and illustrator who loves to create stories that advocate for characters that haven't yet had a chance to live in books. He lives in Philadelphia.



FOREIGN RIGHTS SOLD

French (Little Urban)
German (Zuckersuess
Verlag/Luna Ventures GmbH)

SELLING POINTS

UNICORNS!: Unicorns are universally loved with a proven track record to boot.

EXTRAORDINARY BOY: This inspiring book reaffirms self-confidence while focusing on the theme of bravely defying gender stereotypes—which is needed now more than ever and is sure to resonate.

MOTHER-SON DREAM TEAM: This picture book is coauthored by a mother-son team, and the story is inspired by the authors' experiences.

UP-AND-COMING ILLUSTRATOR: This picture book features gorgeous art by rising industry star, Zach Manbeck.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 40 pages
- * WIDTH: 9 1/2" - 241mm
- * HEIGHT: 11" - 279mm
- * **Hardcover**

PUB MONTH: **APRIL 2023**

AGES 5 to 7

**PICTURE BOOK, KIDS
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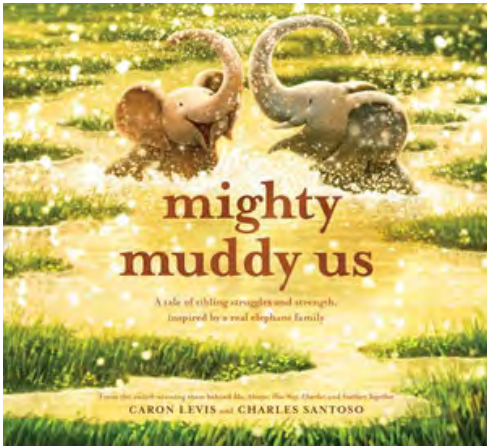
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US \$18.99

Mighty Muddy Us

● BY CARON LEVIS; ILLUSTRATED BY CHARLES SANTOSO

From the award-winning team behind *Feathers Together*, *Ida, Always*, and *This Way*, *Charlie* comes a moving story of sibling love, inspired by a real-life elephant family

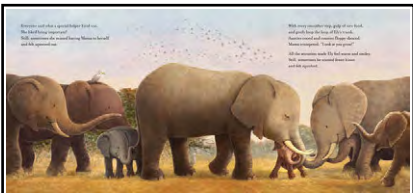


The moment he is born, Ely delights in the welcoming trumpets of his adoring big sister, Enid. She is so excited to play—but Ely's legs are injured and it's hard for him to move. To help keep Ely safe, Enid sticks close to her determined brother as they grow together through the seasons, trunk-twirling, mud-wallowing, and making silly sounds!

But as Ely grows more confident, he's ready for more adventures, and he feels squished by Enid's worries and rules. Enid is glad that he can run and play, but she's nervous he could get hurt—or that he won't need his big sister anymore. When a drought threatens the whole family, Ely shows what he is capable of, and both he and Enid discover that whether they are helping or playing, dusty or muddy, siblings are mighty special.



Caron Levis is the author of several picture books, including *Feathers Together*, *This Way*, *Charlie*, and *Ida, Always*, all illustrated by Charles Santoso; *Stop That Yawn!*, illustrated by LeYuen Pham; and *Mama's Work Shoes*, illustrated by Vanessa Brantley-Newton. She is a professor and advisor for the New School's Writing for Children/YA MFA program and a licensed social worker. Levis uses drama and writing to explore books, feelings, and imagination with kids through her author workshops. She lives in Brooklyn. Visit her online at www.caronlevis.com. **Charles Santoso** loves drawing little things in his little journal and dreaming about funny, wondrous stories. He is the creator of *Happy Hippo* and has illustrated many books, including Levis's *Feathers Together*, *This Way*, *Charlie*, and *Ida, Always*; Joe McGee's *Peanut Butter & series*; and the *New York Times* bestseller *Wishtree* by Katherine Applegate. His drawings and paintings have been exhibited in Australia, North America, and France, and he is based in Singapore. You can visit him at www.charlessantoso.com.



SELLING POINTS

SUCCESS OF COMPANION BOOKS:

Starred reviews for *Feathers Together* and *This Way, Charlie* (an Indie Next pick and Junior Library Guild selection) praised Levis and Santoso, while *Ida, Always* earned three starred reviews, a Christopher Award, and an Indie Next pick.

SIBLING STORY:

In this story, relatable for any overprotective sibling—or any younger child who's felt too coddled—Enid learns that even when someone needs space to grow, that doesn't mean they don't need love.

DISABILITY REPRESENTATION:

Depicts the specific situation of a birth injury in an honest, sensitive way, centering Ely's capability and strength without shying away from his struggles.

EMOTIONAL LAYERS:

A story of unconditional family love and support that simultaneously highlights the importance of independence.

BASED ON A TRUE STORY:

Inspired by the widely covered story of a multigenerational family of elephants in Kenya's Amboseli National Park.

STUNNING ARTWORK:

Expressive illustrations from award-winning and bestselling artist Charles Santoso.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 40 pages

* WIDTH: 11" - 279mm

* HEIGHT: 10" - 254mm

* Hardcover with jacket

PUB MONTH: OCTOBER 2023

AGES 4 to 8

PICTURE BOOK

ISBN 978-1-4197-6373-1

US \$18.99

ALSO AVAILABLE

Feathers Together

ISBN 978-1-4197-5458-6

US \$18.99 CAN \$23.99

UK £13.99

This Way, Charlie

ISBN 978-1-4197-4206-4

US \$17.99 CAN \$22.99

Milo Walking

● BY JAMES HOWE; ILLUSTRATED BY SAKIKA KIKUCHI

From the bestselling author of *Bunnicula* comes a beautiful story about looking, observing, and finding wonder in the things that we walk right past every day



Every morning, Milo goes walking with his mother. There are so many things to see.

While Milo was sleeping, the rain left a puddle for him to find. “Hello, Milo,” he says to the boy in the puddle.

When Milo listens closely, he hears bees. They have a lot to say.

The tree in the park looks sad today. “It’s okay,” Milo whispers. “I will see you tomorrow and you will be happy.”

Each day is full of possibilities when Milo goes walking: new things to observe, old things to see in a new way, the magical “maybes” of his imagination—and what we might find, tomorrow.



James Howe wrote his first book, *Bunnicula*, for fun. He has tried to bring the same spirit of playfulness and discovery to all the books he has written since. These include picture books such as *Brontorina* and *Horace and Morris But Mostly Dolores* and the beginning-reader series *Pinky and Rex* and *Houndsley and Catina*. He is also the author of *The Misfits* and *Totally Joe*, as well as numerous sequels to *Bunnicula*. Howe lives with his husband in an old house just north of New York City. Visit him online at jameshowe.com. **Sakika Kikuchi** is a Japanese illustrator who has loved picture books and stories since her childhood. After studying graphic design at Tama Art University in Tokyo, she worked as an in-house designer for a few years. Then she lived in the UK for two years to complete her MA in children’s book illustration at the Cambridge School of Art, graduating in 2018. She now lives in Japan, where she continues drawing illustrations. Visit her online at www.SakikaKikuchi.com.



SELLING POINTS

MAJOR AUTHOR: Howe is the bestselling author of the modern classic *Bunnicula* series, as well as many other books for children—from picture books through young adult novels.

MINDFULNESS ANGLE: All about taking the time to stop and look closely, *Milo Walking* encourages mindfulness, being in the present moment, and finding beauty in the everyday.

CHILDLIKE WONDER: Howe’s writing effortlessly echoes the creativity and spontaneity of a child’s observations and reflections, capturing the imagination and the unique wonder with which children view the world.

INSPIRING CREATIVITY: When Milo and his mother return home, they draw and write about everything they observed on their walk—and what they might see tomorrow—encouraging young readers to do the same.

CHARMING ILLUSTRATIONS: Relative newcomer Sakika Kikuchi is a Japanese illustrator whose artwork is soft and warm, full of details and life.

PERSONAL INSPIRATION: The story was inspired by Howe’s godson, Milo, and his thoughtful observations as a child.

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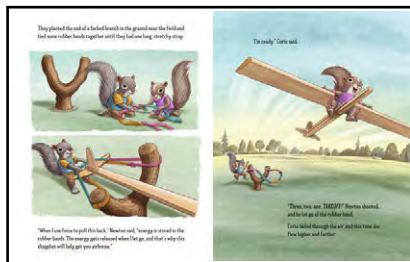
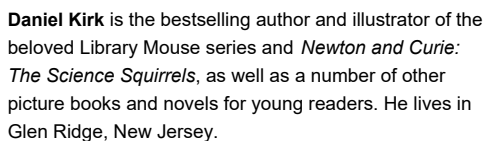
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- * 40 pages
- * WIDTH: 8 1/2" - 216mm
- * HEIGHT: 10 1/2" - 267mm
- * Hardcover with jacket

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AGES 4 to 8
PICTURE BOOK

ISBN 978-1-4197-5520-0
US \$18.99

Newton and Curie Take Flight!

The intrepid science squirrels are back in a fun new adventure exploring flight, from the bestselling creator behind *Library Mouse*

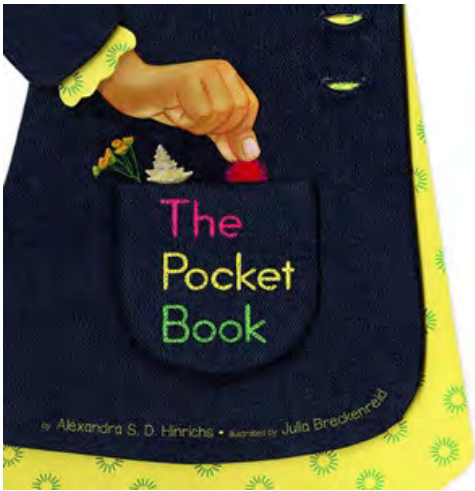


US \$17.99 CAN \$22.99

The Pocket Book

● BY ALEXANDRA S. D. HINRICHS; ILLUSTRATED BY JULIA BRECKENREID

A simple and spare ode to the treasures we find and keep in our pockets
and the memories they hold



A girl and her mom take a walk and fill their pockets along the way: the ocean, in the form of a seashell. A sunflower seed. A pretty rock. A snack. Pockets not only hold hands and things that just might come in handy; they hold things we need and want. Pockets hold treasures. And they hold moments and memories that stop time—that blossom.



Alexandra S. D. Hinrichs is the author of nonfiction picture books including *Thérèse Makes a Tapestry* and *The Traveling Camera: Lewis Hine and the Fight to End Child Labor*, both distributed by Abrams. She is a middle school librarian in Maine, where she lives with her family.



Julia Breckenreid is a fine artist and illustrator whose books include *Dorothy & Herbert: An Ordinary Couple and an Extraordinary Collection of Art* and *A Room of Your Own: A Story Inspired by Virginia Woolf's Famous Essay*, both published by Cameron Kids. She lives in Toronto.



SELLING POINTS

NATURE IS A TREASURE: An ode not to just pocket treasure, but to spending time outside, slowing down, and being attentive to the world around us.

MEDITATIVE NARRATIVE:

Hinrichs's text encourages young readers to explore and reflect on both their outer and inner worlds in spare, accessible language.

NOTABLE ARTIST: Breckenreid has been featured in the Original Art Exhibition, the Society of Illustrators' annuals and exhibitions, the *New York Times*, *Smithsonian Magazine*, *Scientific American*, and *O*.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 32 pages
- * WIDTH: 9" - 229mm
- * HEIGHT: 9" - 229mm
- * Hardcover with jacket

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PICTURE BOOK

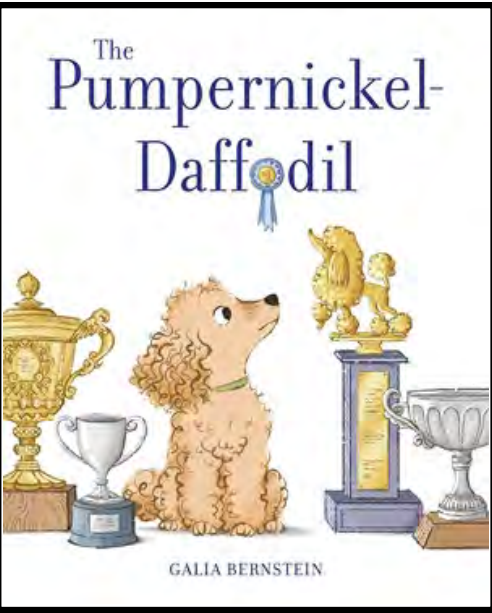
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US \$17.99

The Pumpernickel-Daffodil

● BY GALIA BERNSTEIN

A misfit pup faces his first competitive dog show in this heartwarming and hilarious tale about family, friendship, and being yourself, from the author-illustrator of *I Am a Cat*

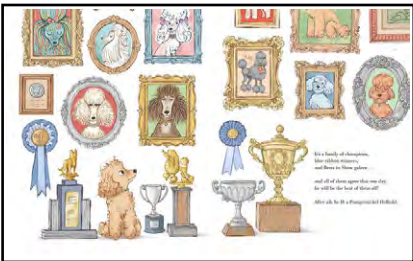


Wodehouse Chili Pepper Pumpernickel the Third has an important family: His mother is the famous Mathilda Lily-Rose Daffodil, and his father is the celebrated Wodehouse Chili Pepper Pumpernickel the Second. It's a family of champions, blue-ribbon winners, and Bests in Show galore, and all of them agree that one day, he will be the best of them all! After all, he IS a Pumpernickel-Daffodil . . .

But when he gets his own human, neither feels so sure that they're blue-ribbon material. Will they be top dog at their first competition? From acclaimed author-illustrator Galia Bernstein comes a charming and hilarious story that celebrates kindred spirits and forging your own path.



Galia Bernstein was born and raised in Israel. She started her career as a designer and illustrator for the Israeli Army's magazine. She later studied illustration at Parsons School of Design at the New School and now works as a full-time freelance illustrator. She is the author-illustrator of *I Am a Cat* and *Leyla*. She lives in Brooklyn.



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French (Nathan)
Simplified Chinese (Ginkgo)

SELLING POINTS

BLUE-RIBBON SUCCESS: Bernstein's *I Am a Cat* received three starred reviews and was translated into 15 languages, while *Leyla* was named a Junior Library Guild selection and translated into six languages, in addition to receiving a starred review.

CALLING ALL DOG LOVERS: There's always an audience for books featuring adorable pups, and fans of the world-famous Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show will especially flock to this.

VISUAL HUMOR: Bernstein has a flair for making her characters full of life (particularly animals), and she's best-in-show at illustrating physical comedy and hilariously true-to-life expressions.

FULL OF HEART: At its core, the story shows the bond that forms between two misfits who find each other, and a sweet ending has both families accepting their children for exactly who they are.

EMOTIONAL THEMES: A fun and fresh twist on the be-yourself identity story that also lightly explores the pressure of perfectionism and family expectations.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 40 pages

* WIDTH: 8 1/2" - 216mm
* HEIGHT: 10 1/2" - 267mm

* Hardcover with jacket

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AGES 4 to 8

PICTURE BOOK

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US \$18.99

ALSO AVAILABLE

I Am a Cat

ISBN 978-1-4197-2643-9

US \$16.95 CAN \$21.95

UK £11.99

Leyla

ISBN 978-1-4197-3543-1

US \$16.99 CAN \$21.99

UK £11.99

River of Mariposas

● BY MIRELLE ORTEGA

From the award-winning author-illustrator of *Magic: Once Upon a Faraway Land* comes a story of imagination and the determination of a child to bring back the butterflies—even if she has to make them herself

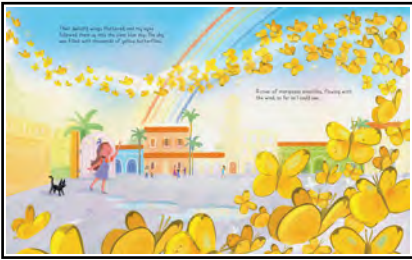
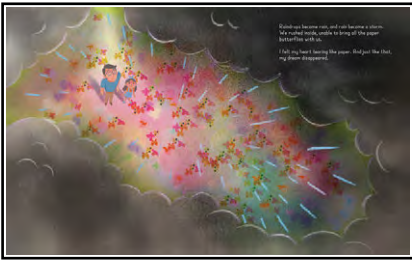


Can you imagine a time when the land and the sky belonged to the mariposas? I can . . .

A young girl dreams of the land's historic mariposas amarillas and is determined to re-create their glory, even if her butterflies are made of paper. But when nature thwarts her plans, life, magic, and yes, even the rain, bring something more beautiful than she ever could have crafted. Based on the author's own memories of a hurricane that diverted the migration of thousands of butterflies through her hometown near Veracruz, Mexico, this beautiful story captures the essence of imagination and the beauty of the unexpected.



Mirelle Ortega is a storyteller, illustrator, and the author of *Magic: Once Upon a Faraway Land*, for which she received a Pura Belpré Illustrator Honor. She was born and raised near the Papaloapan River in Veracruz, Mexico, and now lives in Los Angeles.



SELLING POINTS

ACCESSIBLE ART: Ortega's art makes concepts such as hope, loss, and renewal accessible to young readers.

MAGICAL REALISM: *River of Mariposas* blends the real with surreal in a beautiful ode to our relationship with the natural world and our families.

AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR-ILLUSTRATOR: Ortega's book *Magic: Once Upon a Faraway Land* received a Pura Belpré Illustration Honor.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 32 pages
- * WIDTH: 9" - 229mm
- * HEIGHT: 11" - 279mm
- * Hardcover with jacket
- PUB MONTH: **AUGUST 2023**
- AGES 4 to 8**
- PICTURE BOOK, KIDS FANTASY, KIDS LATINO HISTORY & CULTURE**

ISBN 978-1-4197-6061-7

US \$18.99

ALSO AVAILABLE

Magic
ISBN 978-1-951836-57-3
US \$18.99 CAN \$23.99
UK £13.99

Thank You, Day!

● BY CHARLIE HOPPER; ILLUSTRATED BY PENELOPE DULLAGHAN

A child is bursting with gratitude for all that the day has brought in this love letter to the natural world



Let's hear it for the day, you all! With heartfelt feeling and joy, a kid gives kudos and kisses, hugs and high fives, shout-outs and simple thanks to everyday wonders in this sweet ode to slowing down, being present, and paying attention to the world around us.



Charlie Hopper is a songwriter who lives and works in Indianapolis, Indiana. This is his first picture book.



Penelope Dullaghan is an award-winning illustrator and picture-book maker. Her books include *The Good Song* and *The Perfect Tree*, both published by Cameron Kids. She lives with her family in Indianapolis, Indiana.



SELLING POINTS

ROLLICKING RHYMES: This picture book is told in bouncy rhyme, making it perfect for reading aloud.

'TIS THE SEASON: While the upbeat art and catchy text will keep this title relevant year-round, the themes of slowing down and practicing gratitude make for a perfect Thanksgiving read.

ENVIRONMENTAL ANGLE:

Thank You, Day! celebrates the wonder of the world around us—a blue sky, perfectly puffy clouds, a billowing breeze, green grass, birds, bees, flowers, and so much more—helping even the littlest of readers foster an appreciation of the natural world from early on.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 32 pages

* WIDTH: 8 1/2" - 216mm

* HEIGHT: 10 1/2" - 267mm

* Hardcover with jacket

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PICTURE BOOK, KIDS
NATURE & ENVIRONMENT

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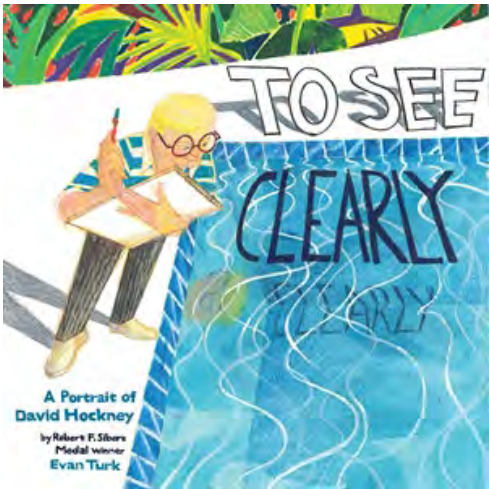
US \$18.99

To See Clearly

A PORTRAIT OF DAVID HOCKNEY

● BY EVAN TURK

From award-winning creator Evan Turk, a stirring biography of world-famous artist David Hockney that celebrates seeing beauty everywhere



"It's the very process of looking at something that makes it beautiful."
—David Hockney

Growing up under the gray skies of England during World War II, David Hockney used art to brighten his world. He discovered that the more he looked and drew, the more he could see beyond the surface to find beauty, possibility, and new perspectives. In the most ordinary things, whether a splash of water, a changing landscape, or the face of a friend, David always found something to love, uniquely capturing the vibrancy and life of his subjects.

Lyricaly written and breathtakingly illustrated by award-winning creator Evan Turk, *To See Clearly* tells the inspiring story of a groundbreaking artist who has shown the world a new way to see.



Evan Turk is an award-winning illustrator and author. He is the author-illustrator of *The Storyteller*, *You Are Home: An Ode to the National Parks*, and *Hello, Moon*; and the illustrator of *Muddy: The Story of Blues Legend Muddy Waters*, which was a *New York Times* Best Illustrated Children's Book; *Grandfather Gandhi*; and *The People's Painter: How Ben Shahn Fought for Justice With Art*, which won the 2021 Robert F. Sibert Medal. Originally from Colorado, Turk now lives in Southern California with his husband and two cats. Visit him at evanturk.com.



SELLING POINTS

AWARD-WINNING CREATOR: Turk's *The People's Painter* (written by Cynthia Levinson) was named the Robert F. Sibert Informational Book Medal Winner and a Sydney Taylor Book Award Notable, and received five starred reviews!

CELEBRATED FIGURE: One of the world's most popular artists and a key influencer in the pop art movement of the 1960s, English painter, stage designer, and photographer David Hockney (1937–) is admired globally for his use of color, his penetrating eye, and his ever-changing evolution as an artist and a thinker.

LGBTQ+ INTEREST: Hockney is one of the few 20th-century artists who flouted public convention by living his life openly as a gay man, and many of his works depict men whom he cared for and loved. Picture book biographies that openly discuss sexuality are few and far between, and highlighting this element of Hockney's story was important to Turk.

SENSATIONAL ART: The book's expressive, bold illustrations perfectly capture the spirit of Hockney's work while remaining true to Turk's own unique style.

- SPECIFICATIONS**
- * Full-color illustrations throughout
 - * 48 pages
 - * WIDTH: 10" - 254mm
 - * HEIGHT: 10" - 254mm
 - * Hardcover with jacket

PUB MONTH: **SEPTEMBER 2023**
AGES 4 to 8
PICTURE BOOK,
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LGBTQ+ HISTORY & CULTURE

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US \$19.99

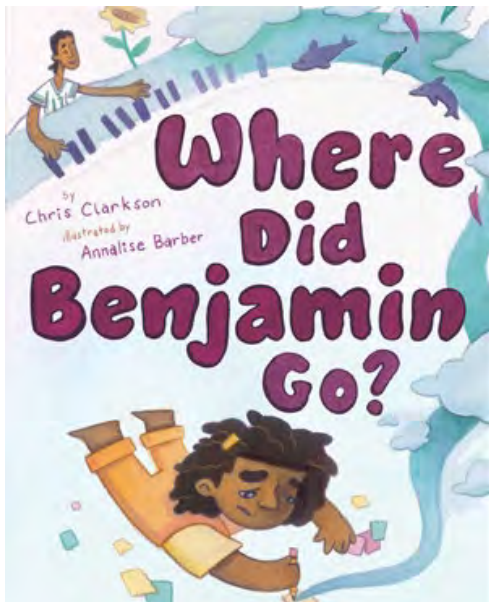
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The People's Painter
ISBN 978-1-4197-4130-2
US \$18.99 CAN \$23.99
UK £12.99

Where Did Benjamin Go?

● BY CHRIS CLARKSON; ILLUSTRATED BY ANNALISE BARBER

A family reconnects to their joy after the loss of one of their own in this picture book debut—perfect for fans of *The Heart and the Bottle* and *Ida, Always*



When the snow falls, Charlie misses his brother more than anything else in the world. Daddy says that any time it snows Charlie can write down his five favorite things to do with Benjamin. The only problem is there are hundreds of things to remember! Like playing in the pool, eating dessert before dinner, running in socked feet, planting daisies in the garden, and so much more.

As Charlie remembers Benjamin, he remembers a loving and playful big brother, and a house filled with happiness and joy. He soon discovers that Mom and Dad each have their own lists, and they can find their way by relying on one another.

From debut picture book creators Chris Clarkson and Annalise Barber comes an honest and authentic exploration of grief, hope, and family strength.



Chris Clarkson is the author of *That Summer Night on Frenchmen Street*. Clarkson lives in New Orleans with his dog Avery and a collection of notebooks filled with stories waiting to be brought to life. *Where Did Benjamin Go?* is his debut picture book. **Annalise Barber** is an illustrator, creating primarily for children and the young at heart. She is a graduate of the Columbus College of Art & Design, and lives in Columbus, Ohio, where—when not making art—she may find her way on an adventure with friends or invent a melody on her flute.



SELLING POINTS

HOPEFUL LENS: While the family reminisces about Benjamin and looks forward into their own future, the pages of this picture book fill with wistful togetherness and joy.

PICTURE BOOK DEBUT:

Clarkson's YA debut *That Summer Night on Frenchman Street* was published by Lee & Low in June 2022. *Where Did Benjamin Go?* will be his first picture book, followed by *Chloe and the Fireflies* in 2024.

EMOTIONALLY RESONANT:

While picture books about grief usually tackle the loss of a grandparent or pet, this one uniquely explores the loss of a younger person—the protagonist's older sibling—with a light but authentic touch.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 40 pages
- * WIDTH: 8 1/2" - 216mm
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- * Hardcover with jacket

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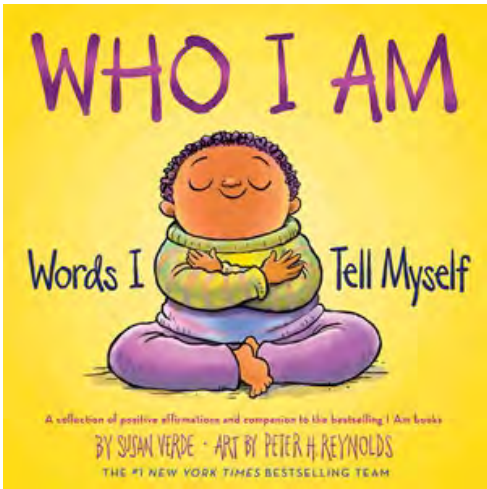
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US \$18.99

Who I Am

WORDS I TELL MYSELF

● BY SUSAN VERDE, ART BY PETER H. REYNOLDS

Encourage kids to practice self-love every day with this uplifting collection of positive affirmations and companion to Susan Verde and Peter H. Reynolds's bestselling I Am series



When the unkind voice gets loud and I feel down, I can tell myself: I am enough. In this world, I matter.

We all have rough days: tough times when we feel down and an unkind voice in our mind can make us feel disappointed in ourselves. But we can talk back to that unkind voice; we can find the voice that will lift us up instead. We can tell ourselves words that are positive, supportive, and true.

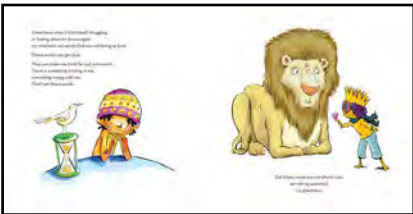
From the *New York Times* bestselling team of Susan Verde and Peter Reynolds comes a heartfelt collection of positive affirmations: the perfect tool to complement and expand upon their beloved I Am series. A celebration of self-love and owning all the things that make us special, *Who I Am: Words I Tell Myself* helps us to affirm that we are human, we are enough, and we are deserving of all kinds of love—especially our own.



Susan Verde is the bestselling author of *I Am Yoga*, *I Am Peace*, *I Am Human*, *I Am Love*, *I Am One*, and *The Museum*, all illustrated by Peter H. Reynolds, as well as the *Feel-Good Fairy Tales* books, illustrated by Jay Fleck, and *Rock 'n' Roll Soul*, illustrated by Matthew Cordell. She teaches yoga and mindfulness to children and lives with her three children in East Hampton, New York.



Peter H. Reynolds is the illustrator of many bestselling and award-winning picture books, including *The Dot*, *Ish*, *I Am Yoga*, *I Am Peace*, *I Am Human*, *I Am Love*, *I Am One*, *I Am Courage*, and *I Am Me*. He lives in Dedham, Massachusetts, where he operates the beloved shop Blue Bunny Books and Toys.



SELLING POINTS

BESTSELLING TEAM: Verde and Reynolds make an incredible pair, and their track as a team only continues to grow. The success of *I Am Yoga*, *I Am Peace*, *I Am Human*, *I Am Love*, *I Am One*, *I Am Courage*, and *I Am Me*—with more than 1.7 million copies sold across formats—speaks for itself. Both *I Am Love* and *I Am Human* were instant *New York Times* bestsellers.

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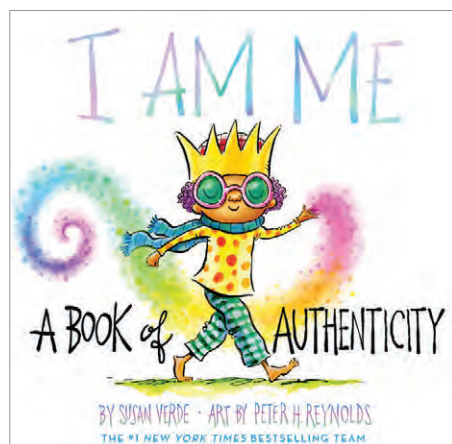
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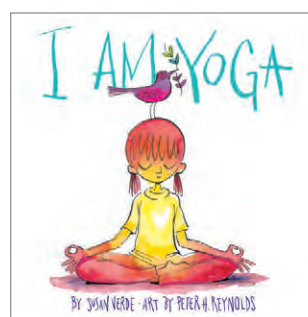
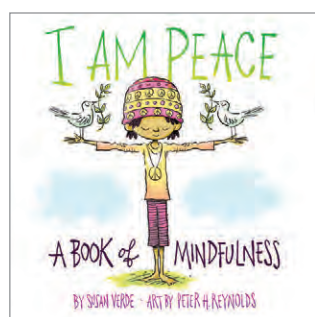
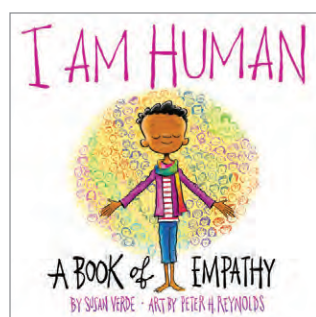
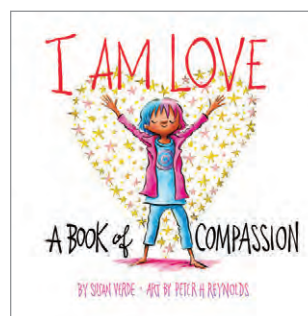
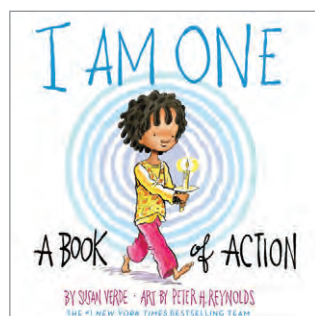
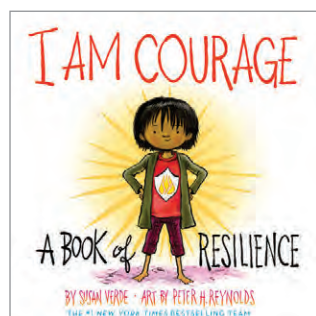
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I Am Me

Sometimes we hide who we really are to conform to the way we think we are supposed to be in the world. Sometimes we compare ourselves to others and feel we don't fit in. But when we realize we are something to be celebrated, and we proudly live out loud as our true selves, we can make our unique mark on the world—and share our joy!

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Susan Verde is the bestselling author of the *I Am* Wellness series and the *Feel-Good Fairy Tales* books. She teaches yoga and mindfulness to children and lives with her three children in East Hampton, New York. **Peter H. Reynolds** is the illustrator of many bestselling and award-winning picture books, including *The Dot* and *Ish*. He lives in Dedham, Massachusetts, where he operates *Blue Bunny Books and Toys*.

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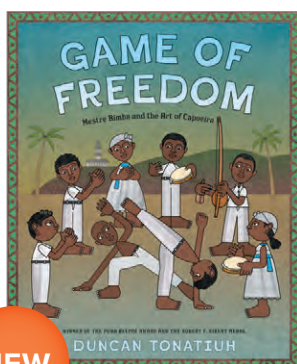
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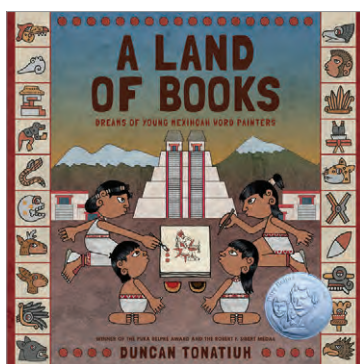
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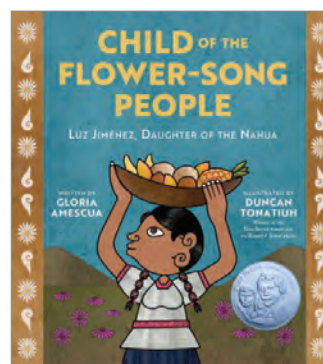
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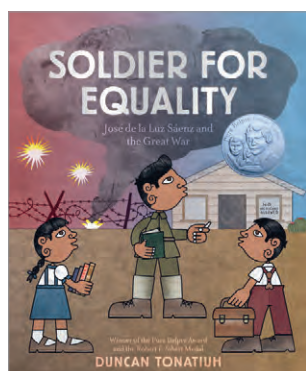


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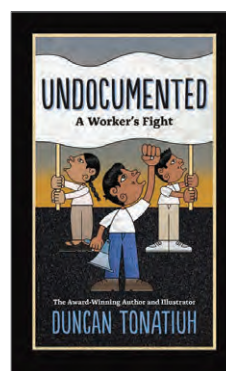


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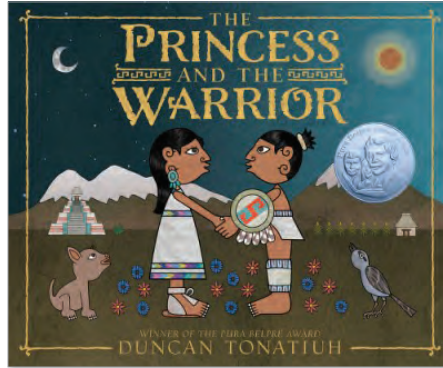
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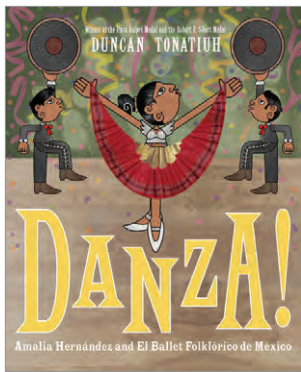
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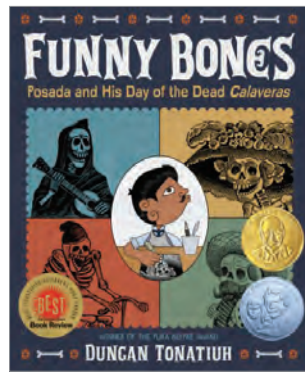
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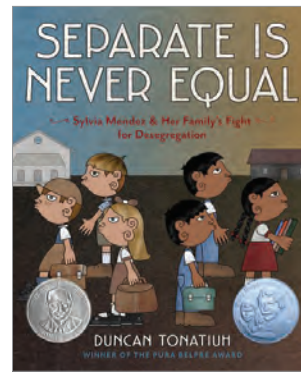
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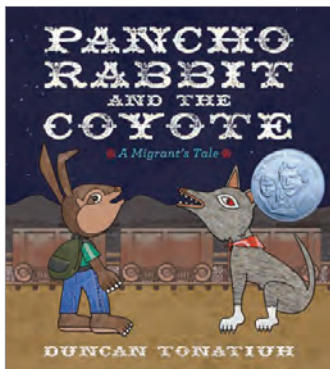
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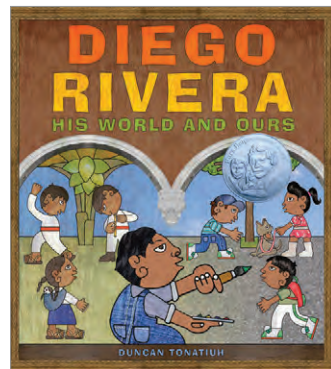
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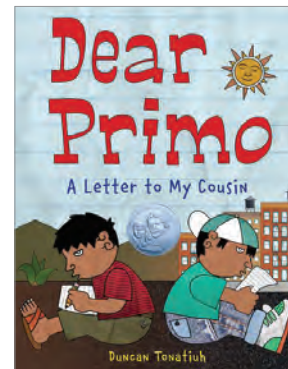
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Diego Rivera



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Dear Primo



Duncan Tonatiuh (toh-nah-tee-YOU) is an award-winning author-illustrator whose numerous accolades include the Sibert Medal and the Pura Belpré Award. Duncan is both Mexican and American. His artwork is inspired by Mesoamerican art. His aim is to create images and stories that honor the past, but are relevant to today's people, especially children. He grew up in and currently lives in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico, where he celebrates Día de Muertos with his wife and children every year. Learn more at duncantonatiuh.com.

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Danza!

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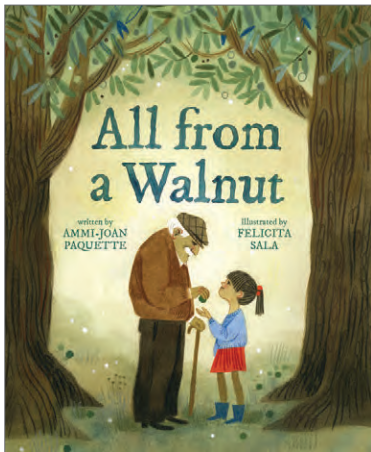
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PUB MONTH: **MAY 2011**

Dear Primo

PUB MONTH: **MAY 2010**

★ "Captures the personal-feeling family story with a poignant immediacy that also enshrines respect for the family's legacy." —*Publishers Weekly*, starred review



All from a Walnut

When Emilia finds a walnut one morning, Grandpa tells her the story behind it: of his journey across the ocean to a new home, with only one small bag and a nut in his pocket. Step by step, Grandpa teaches Emilia how to cultivate her own seed. But as her little nut grows, Grandpa begins to slow down—until one sad day, Emilia has to say goodbye. Emilia's sapling looks as droopy as she feels... but she knows just what to do. From acclaimed author and illustrator Ammi-Joan Paquette and Felicità Sala, this tender story is a poignant reminder that the best things grow with time—and that even when they are no longer here, the ones we love are always a part of us.

SPECIFICATIONS

○ Color illustrations throughout • Page Count: 40 • 229 × 279 mm • **Hardcover with jacket**

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Be a Tree



SPECIFICATIONS

○ Color illustrations
○ 40 pages • 216 × 267 mm

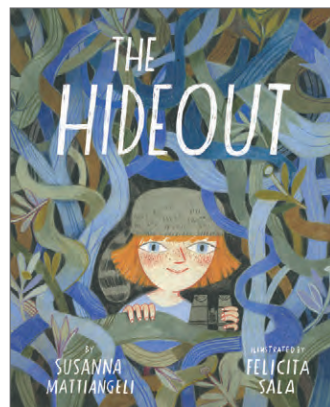
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The Hideout



SPECIFICATIONS

○ Color illustrations
○ 40 pages • 216 × 241 mm

○ **Hardcover with jacket**

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Ode to an Onion



SPECIFICATIONS

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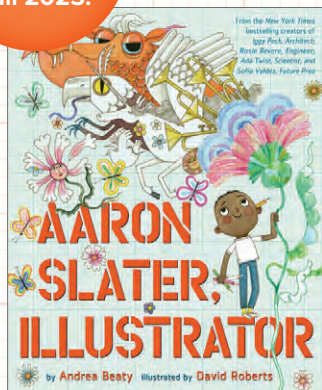
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Felicità Sala is the self-taught illustrator of several picture books, including *Be a Tree!* by Maria Gianferrari and *The Hideout* by Susanna Mattiangeli, as well as her own book of recipes for children, *What's Cooking at 10 Garden Street?*. She grew up between Italy and Australia and now lives in Rome, Italy, with her family.

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Aaron Slater, Illustrator

Aaron Slater loves listening to stories and dreams of one day writing them himself. But when it comes to reading, the letters just look like squiggles to him, and it soon becomes clear he struggles more than his peers. When his teacher asks each child in the class to write a story, Aaron can't get a single word down. He is sure his dream of being a storyteller is out of reach . . . until inspiration strikes, and Aaron finds a way to spin a tale in a way that is uniquely his.

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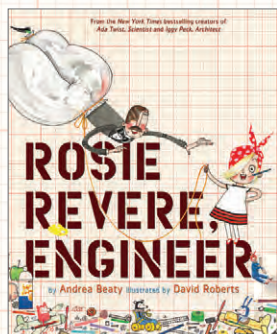
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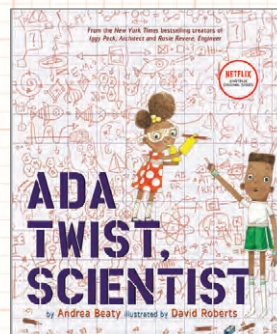
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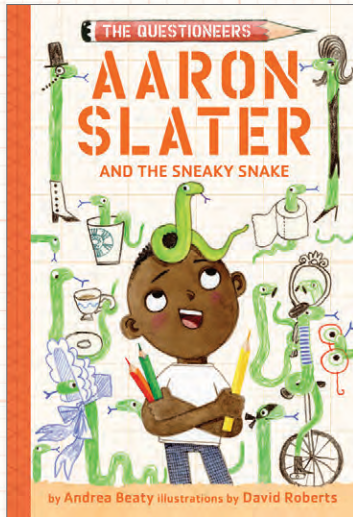
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Aaron Slater and the Sneaky Snakes

THE QUESTIONEERS BOOK 6

Zookeeper Fred loves snakes, but his favorite is a tiny green snake named Vern. Vern is sneaky and constantly tries to hide in Fred's lunch. When Vern gets loose in the zoo and lands atop a boy's head, it's trouble! The Questioneers need all their talents to help Zookeeper Fred, but in the end, it's Aaron's art which leads the way.

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- Two-color illustrations throughout • 144 Pages • 203 × 140 mm
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- Hardcover

Rosie Revere and the Raucous Riveters

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Iggy Peck and the Haunted Mansion

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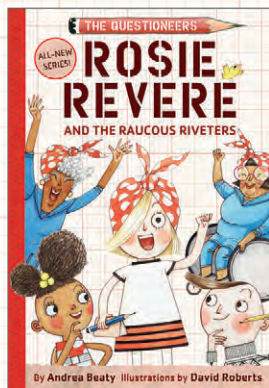
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Ada Twist and the Disappearing Dogs

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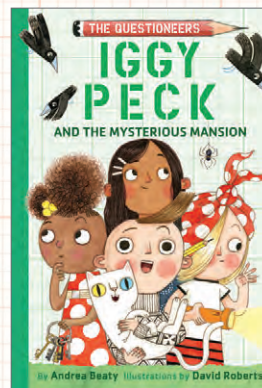
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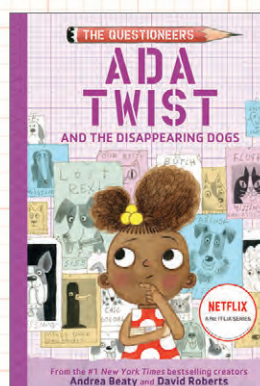
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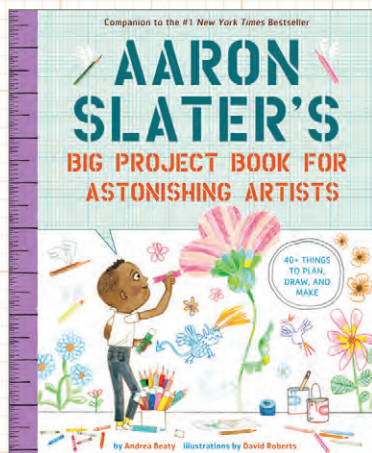
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Andrea Beaty is the author of the Questioneers series, *Attack of the Fluffy Bunnies*, and *Happy Birthday, Madame Chapeau*, among other children's titles. She lives just outside Chicago. **David Roberts** has illustrated many children's books, including the Questioneers series, *The Cook and the King*, and *Happy Birthday, Madame Chapeau*. He lives in London, where, when not drawing, he likes to make hats.

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Aaron Slater's Big Project Book for Astonishing Artists

Make art of all sorts in this project book from the team behind the bestselling Questioners series. Aaron Slater shows readers how art is everywhere in our world—from the famous paintings and photographs that we know so well to places you may not think as much about, like on stamps or coins—and encourages them to make art of their own based on what they see. Activities will help to spark creativity, encourage curiosity, and show some of the traits most important to being an artist: being observant, being persistent, and being flexible. From coloring pages to drawing prompts to instructions on how to make your very own puppet show and so much more, this project book encourages and uplifts the youngest artists and the creators of tomorrow.

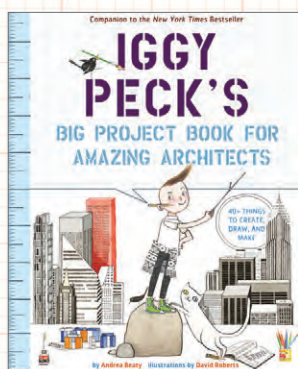
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SPECIFICATIONS

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SPECIFICATIONS

○ Color illustrations
○ 96 pages • 279 × 229 mm

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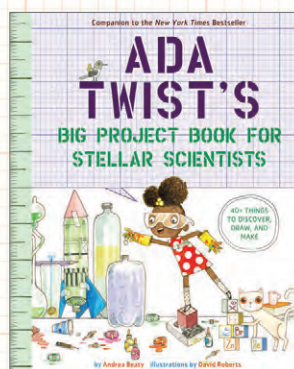
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Ada Twist's Big Project Book for Stellar Scientists



SPECIFICATIONS

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○ 96 pages • 279 × 229 mm

○ **Paperback with flaps**

PUB MONTH: **APRIL 2018**

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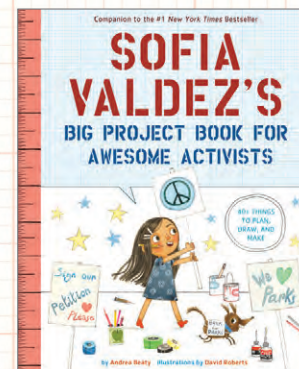
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SPECIFICATIONS

○ Color illustrations
○ 96 pages • 279 × 229 mm

○ **Paperback with flaps**

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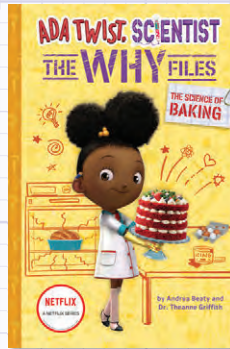


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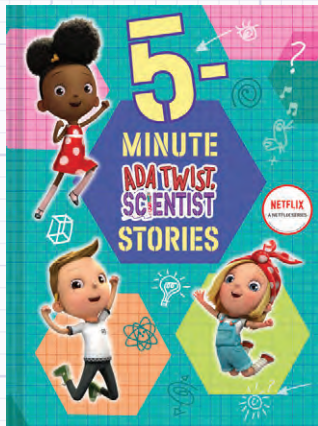
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SPECIFICATIONS

- Color illustrations throughout
- 229 × 152 mm
- Page Count: 80
- Hardcover

*The Why Files: Exploring Flight!*PUB MONTH: **DECEMBER 2021**RIGHTS SOLD: **SPANISH (PRHGE)***The Why Files: All About Plants!*PUB MONTH: **JULY 2022**RIGHTS SOLD: **SPANISH (PRHGE)***The Why Files:**The Science of Baking!*PUB MONTH: **SEPTEMBER 2022**RIGHTS SOLD: **SPANISH (PRHGE)***The Why Files: Bug Bonanza!*PUB MONTH: **MARCH 2023**

SPECIFICATIONS

- Color illustrations throughout
- 267 × 197 mm
- Page Count: 176
- Hardcover

*5-Minute Ada Twist, Scientist Stories*PUB MONTH: **OCTOBER 2022**

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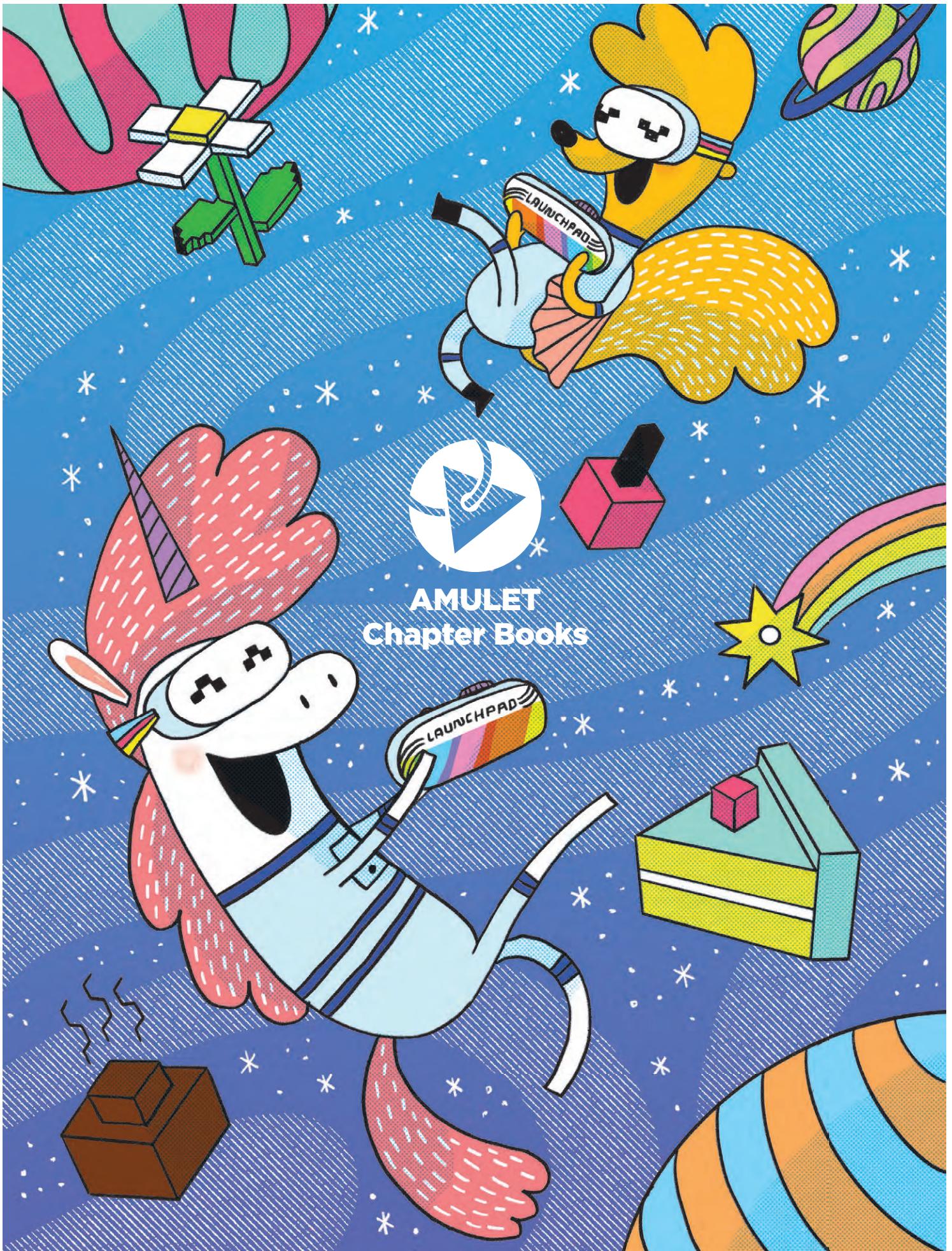
- Color illustrations throughout
- 235 × 235 mm
- Page Count: 32
- Hardcover

*Ada Twist, Scientist:**Show Me the Bunny*PUB MONTH: **FEBRUARY 2022**RIGHTS SOLD: **FRENCH (HACHETTE)***Ada Twist, Scientist:**Ghost Busted*PUB MONTH: **AUGUST 2022**RIGHTS SOLD: **FRENCH (HACHETTE)**

SPECIFICATIONS

- Color illustrations throughout
- 267 × 203 mm
- Page Count: 76
- Paperback Activity book

*Ada Twist, Scientist:**Brainstorm Book*PUB MONTH: **FEBRUARY 2022**RIGHTS SOLD: **FRENCH (HACHETTE)**



BATCAT#1

Batcat

● BY MEGGIE RAMM

A new graphic novel series for emerging readers about accepting yourself and others from author-illustrator Meggie Ramm



Batcat loves being all alone in their home on Spooky Island. Up in their tree house, they pass the time playing video games and watching TV. But when Batcat suddenly finds themselves haunted by an annoying, ice cream-stealing ghost, they visit the local Island Witch for a spell to remove their ghostly guest permanently!

With their Ghost-B-Gone spell in hand, Batcat travels across Spooky Island to gather ingredients—to the Cavernous Caves where the bats tell them they're too round to be a bat, and to the Whispering Cemetery where the cats will help only if they commit to being a true cat. But Batcat is neither and that's what makes them special, right?

From up-and-coming author Meggie Ramm comes a sweet and fun story about accepting yourself when you're perfectly in-between here and there.

Meggie Ramm (they/them) is a non-binary cartoonist from Michigan. They spent their twenties teaching comics to kids in Oakland, California, and it was the best job in the whole world. They've had work in the *New Yorker*, *Everyday Feminism*, and *Silver Sprocket*, and have a limerick-based comic strip called *The Littlest Dungeon Guard* distributed through Sunday HaHa. They love rhymes, reading gay sci-fi and fantasy, and comics.



FOREIGN RIGHTS SOLD

Dutch (Leopold)

SELLING POINTS

GROWING FORMAT: Early graphic novels are on the rise with the success of Fox & Rabbit (over 31,000 gross sales across formats), InvestiGators (over 142,000 copies sold on Bookscan), and Pea, Bee, & Jay (over 16,000 copies sold across formats on Bookscan), with no signs of slowing down.

STORY WITH HEART: Focusing on acceptance of yourself and others, *Batcat* teaches young readers an important lesson with simple panels, humor, and colorful art.

NEW TALENT: With a current strip in the Sunday HaHa newsletter, and work featured in the *New Yorker* and *Everyday Feminism*, and as one-half of the comics podcast "Pop! Whiz! Bang!," Ramm continues to grow in the comics community with their bold but simple style.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 96 pages

* WIDTH: 6" - 152mm

* HEIGHT: 8 1/4" - 210mm

* Hardcover POB

PUB MONTH: MARCH 2023

AGES 6 to 9

GRAPHIC NOVELS

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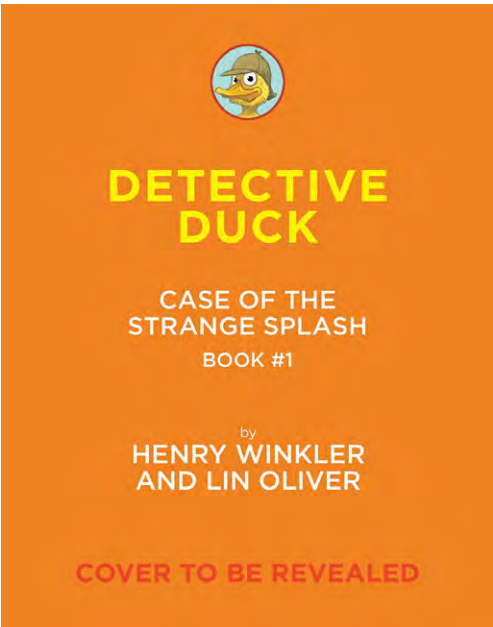
US \$13.99

DETECTIVE DUCK

Detective Duck: The Case of the Strange Splash (Detective Duck #1)

● BY HENRY WINKLER AND LIN OLIVER, ILLUSTRATED BY DAN SANTAT

A full-color chapter book adventure about a young duck detective, from the bestselling creators Henry Winkler, Lin Oliver, and Dan Santat



Willow Feathers McBeaver, aka Detective Duck, is a crime-solving (and very precocious) little duck. She and her animal pals live on Willow Pond, a beautiful pond in New England adjacent to Lazy Days, a human campground. Willow Pond has always been a pristine spot with clear water, abundant wildlife, and shady willow trees, but now it is encountering puzzling problems—mysteries that arise from human-caused disruptions in nature, such as water pollution, refuse, warming climate, and human encroachment.

Fortunately, Detective Duck is on the job, solving these puzzling mysteries before they get out of hand and destroy their habitat! Armed with her ever-present satchel for collecting clues, her logical mind, and endless curiosity, she boldly goes where no pond creature has before, determined to unravel the mysteries and solve any problem that besets her beloved Willow Pond!



Henry Winkler is an Emmy Award-winning actor, writer, director, and producer who has created some of the most iconic TV roles, including Arthur “the Fonz” Fonzarelli on *Happy Days* and Gene Cousineau on *Barry*.



Lin Oliver is a children’s book writer and a writer and producer for both TV and film. She is currently the executive director of the Society of Children’s Book Writers and Illustrators (SCBWI). They both live in Los Angeles. **Dan Santat** is the *New York Times* bestselling author of more than 100 books for children, including *Are We There Yet*, *After the Fall*, and *The Adventures of Beekle: The Unimaginary Friend*, for which he won the Caldecott Medal. He lives in Southern California with his wife, two kids, and many, many pets.



SELLING POINTS

BESTSELLING TEAM: Winkler and Oliver’s *Alien Superstar* was an instant *New York Times* bestseller, and Santat has numerous bestselling and award-winning picture books and comics.

CHARMING READ: With hilarious text and full-color illustrations throughout, this new chapter book series is perfect for fans of *Princess in Black* or *Mercy Watson*.

ENVIRONMENTAL HOOK: Each mystery includes a light environmental message and discusses the impact that humans are having on the environment and the animals who call it home.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 80 pages

* WIDTH: 6 1/2" - 165mm
* HEIGHT: 8 1/4" - 210mm

* Hardcover POB

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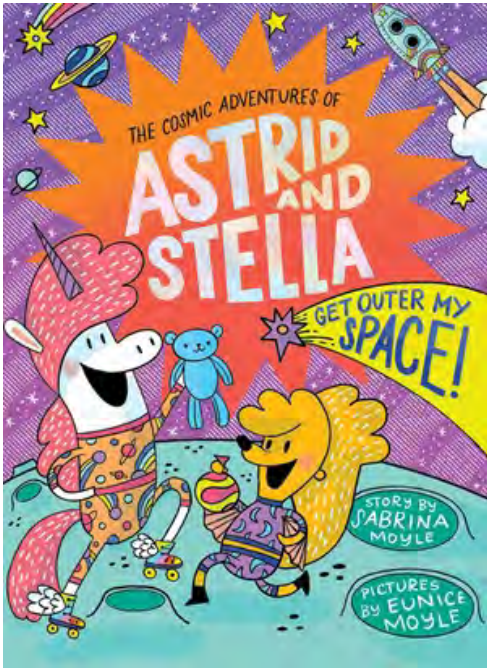
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A HELLO!LUCKY BOOK

Get Outer My Space! (The Cosmic Adventures of Astrid and Stella Book #3 (A Hello!Lucky Book))

● BY SABRINA MOYLE, ILLUSTRATED BY EUNICE MOYLE

Blast off with Astrid & Stella in the graphic novel series from bestselling creators Hello!Lucky, perfect for fans of Narwhal and Jelly



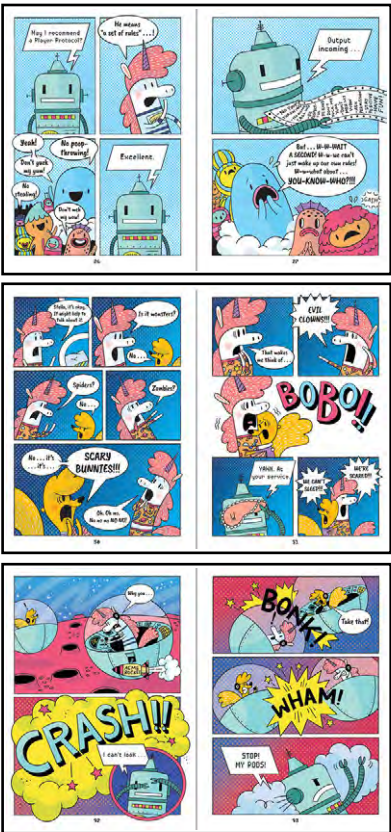
Fire up the turbo pumps, best friends Astrid and Stella are off on another high-flying adventure!

When the wifi goes out on the Friend Ship, Astrid and Stella make an emergency landing on the only planet that still has Internet to spare. There, they dive into video game fun until they realize something is terribly wrong—the games have no rules and everything falls into chaos. But this is nothing the dynamic duo can't solve! From there, Astrid and Stella visit planet Wink 40 to find tools to conquer their worst nightmares—nightmares that have kept them (and their trusty assistant Bobo) up for nights on end. They also take a detour to help an alien neighbor out of a tight spot.

With a focus on social-emotional learning and hilarious storytelling from the bestselling Hello!Lucky team, the third book in The Cosmic Adventures of Astrid & Stella series is perfect for emerging readers and graphic novel fans.



Hello!Lucky is all about using creativity to spread joy, fun, and kindness. Founded by sisters Eunice and Sabrina Moyle in 2003, Hello!Lucky is an award-winning letterpress greeting card and design studio working with dozens of partners to create products, including Abrams' pun-derful children's books: *My Mom Is Magical!*, *My Dad Is Amazing!*, *Super Pooper* and *Whizz Kid: Potty Power!*, *Kindness Rules!*, *Christmas Is Awesome!*, *Sloth and Smell the Roses*, *Go Get 'Em, Tiger!*, and *Thanks a Ton!* They also offer bedding, ceramics, socks, stationery, custom photo albums, and more. Hello!Lucky is based in San Francisco.



SELLING POINTS

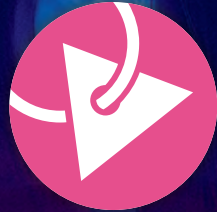
BESTSELLING TEAM: Sabrina and Eunice Moyle are the team behind Hello!Lucky. Their books have sold nearly 1.5 million copies across formats, and they boast nearly 78,000 followers on Instagram.

HIGH-DEMAND FORMAT: Graphic novels for emerging readers are an in-demand category that's only growing. With three easily digestible stories per book, this new series is sure to satisfy.

EVERGREEN THEMES: Friendship, consent, teamwork, communication, and more make an appearance in the pages of this latest outing from the social-emotional learning pros behind Hello!Lucky.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 112 pages
- * WIDTH: 6" - 152mm
- * HEIGHT: 8 1/4" - 210mm
- * **Hardcover POB**
- PUB MONTH: **SEPTEMBER 2023**
- AGES **6 to 9**
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- ISBN **978-1-4197-6643-5**
- US \$12.99



AMULET
Middle Grade

Adventuregame Comics: The Beyond (Book 2)

● BY JASON SHIGA

Make decisions and pick your path to the perfect afterlife in this new addition to the innovative, interactive graphic novel series from the award-winning creator of *Meanwhile*

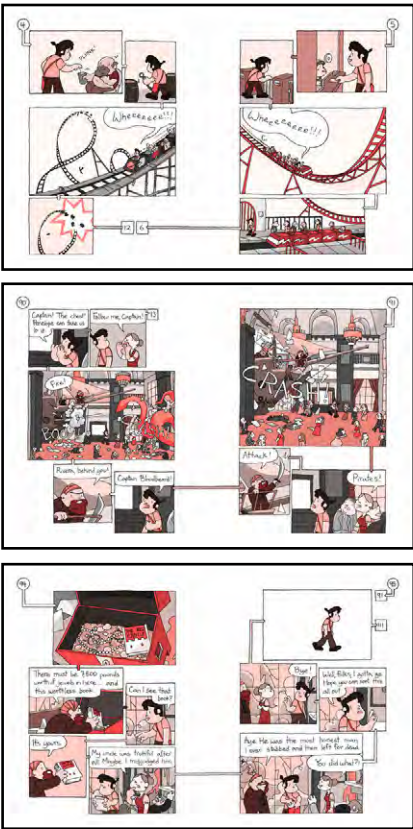


Adventuregame Comics is a new series of interactive graphic novels in the vein of Jason Shiga's hit graphic novel *Meanwhile*. Readers follow the story from panel to panel, using tubes that connect them, and sometimes the path will split, giving readers the chance to choose how the story unfolds.

The Beyond takes place in some sort of afterlife. You don't know much when you begin, save that you're dead and that you've ended up in a room that includes a door, a window, and a table with some books. You need to get out, so you try the door. And then the window. And then you finally turn to the books—and when you open them, you're pulled into the worlds of those pages. Could these fictional worlds hold the key to your escape? Or is there more to this room than first meets the eye?



Jason Shiga is a cartoonist from Oakland, California. His comics have a geeky side and often feature exciting uses of math, mazes, puzzles, and unconventional narrative techniques. In his 25-year career, Shiga has created eight graphic novels, 20 comic books, more than a dozen magazine and newspaper strips, and the world's second-largest interactive comic. He has won two Eisner awards and two Ignatz awards, and his work has been featured as an official selection for the Comics Festival in Angoulême.



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French (Editions Cambourakis)
Spanish (Editorial Hidra)

SELLING POINTS

RAVE REVIEWS: The first book in the series, *Leviathan*, received some great praise, including being named *SLJ* best of the year, featured in the *New York Times* holiday gift guide, and receiving starred reviews from *Publishers Weekly*, *School Library Journal*, and *Booklist*, who said that "Shiga captures the thrill of limitless possibility in this choose-your-own-path style maze of a comic book wonder."

AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR:

Shiga has won two Eisner Awards, two Ignatz Awards, and a Stumptown Trophy Award. His graphic novel *Meanwhile* has sold more than 100,000 copies, and Gene Luen Yang called it "the best that the cartoonists of Earth had to offer the universe."

UNIQUE FORMAT: Middle-grade graphic novels are hugely popular, and this interactive format is unlike anything else out there.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Two-color illustrations throughout
- * 136 pages
- * WIDTH: 5 1/2" - 140mm
- * HEIGHT: 7" - 178mm
- * Hardcover POB

PUB MONTH: **AUGUST 2023**
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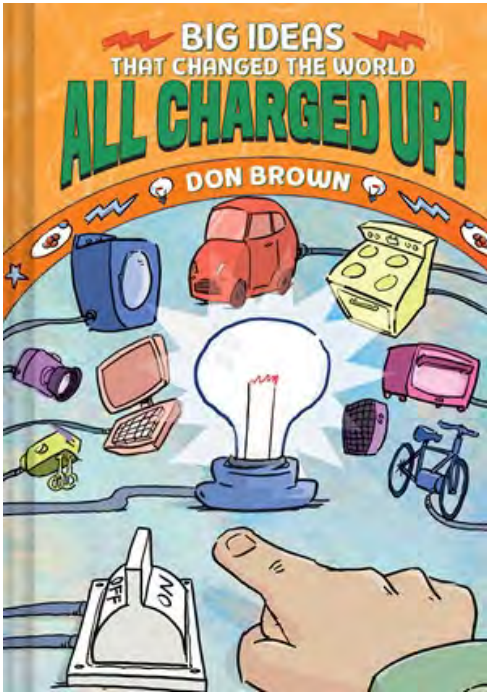
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All Charged Up!

BIG IDEAS THAT CHANGED THE WORLD #5

WRITTEN AND ILLUSTRATED BY DON BROWN

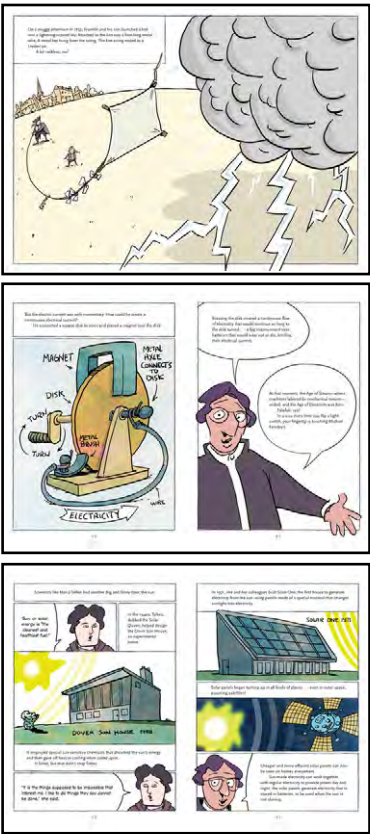
Award-winning author Don Brown explores the history of electricity in this installment of the Big Ideas That Changed the World series



From phones to lightbulbs to electric cars, electricity is something we can't live without! Breaking down concepts like atoms, current, and magnetism, acclaimed author-illustrator Don Brown demonstrates how our world became connected by electricity. Brown highlights key inventors and scientific breakthroughs, including Benjamin Franklin's famous experiment using a kite as a lightning rod (don't try it at home!), the dramatic rivalry behind the creation of the first battery (which inspired Frankenstein), and Nikola Tesla and Thomas Edison's War of the Currents. Narrated by Jagadish Chandra Bose, a pioneer in radio technology, *All Charged Up!* is the fascinating story of tireless experimentation, accidental discovery, and inspiring human progress.



Don Brown is the award-winning author and illustrator of many nonfiction graphic novels and picture books. His books have been called "masterful" and "a must for youth graphic collections." Brown has received an Eisner nomination, two Sibert Honors, a Boston Globe-Horn Book Award honor, a YALSA Excellence in Nonfiction for Young Adults Award, and multiple starred reviews, among other awards and notices. He lives in the Hudson Valley in New York with his family.



SELLING POINTS

CELEBRATED AUTHOR: Brown is an award-winning author-illustrator well known to booksellers, teachers, and librarians. His graphic novel *The Unwanted* was a Sibert Honor Medalist and a YALSA Excellence in Nonfiction winner.

SERIES PRAISE: Books 1-4 in the series have received multiple starred reviews, and *Rocket to the Moon!* was chosen for the Texas Bluebonnet Award Master List.

CLASSROOM APPEAL: A must-have for science and history curricula.

POPULAR FORMAT: The graphic novel genre remains wildly popular with kids, especially in nonfiction, where Brown is a master.

RICH BACK MATTER: Includes more information about electrons, a timeline, narrator biography, author's note, bibliography, and endnotes.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 128 pages
- * WIDTH: 5 1/2" - 140mm
- * HEIGHT: 8" - 203mm
- * Hardcover POB

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A Shot in the Arm!

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Billie Blaster and the Robot Army from Outer Space

● BY LAINI TAYLOR AND JIM DI BARTOLO

An out-of-this-world new middle-grade graphic novel about a genius scientist and her evil nemesis—from *New York Times* bestselling author Laini Taylor and cartoonist Jim Di Bartolo



Don't you hate it when your archenemy launches your latest invention into space, accidentally creating a robot army that falls into the clutches of an evil alien emperor? Well, that's how Billie Blaster's day is going!

The genius child of two famous scientists, Billie is an inventor extraordinaire and the star of the annual science fair, much to the disgust of her nemesis, Tiny Hector Glum. But now their rivalry has gone too far, and the fate of the galaxy hangs in the balance. Can Billie prevent an intergalactic war that's kind of totally her fault? With her pet goat, Lucy, a giant robot head, and a toilet weasel from a distant planet, she might just stand a chance. Join them on their perilous adventure, in a spaceship without a bathroom.



Laini Taylor is a *New York Times* bestselling author whose work has received numerous awards including a Cybils Award, a National Book Award finalist, and a Printz Honor Book. Her work includes the *Daughter of Smoke & Bone* series and the *Strange the Dreamer* series. She lives with her husband, Jim Di Bartolo, in Portland. **Jim Di Bartolo** is a mixed-media illustrator, painter, and visual storyteller. In his freelance career, he has illustrated novels, comic books, and role-playing games.



SELLING POINTS

OUT-OF-THIS-WORLD

AUTHOR: Taylor is a National Book Award finalist and *New York Times* bestselling author whose books have sold nearly 400,000 copies. She's well-known in the YA world and has more than 65,000 followers on social media. This book would break her out into the middle-grade and graphic novel market.

KID-FRIENDLY ART: Di Bartolo's lively, vibrant art has brought Billie's wondrous world and all her incredible inventions to life.

POPULAR FORMAT:

Action-packed, humorous graphic novels are popular with young readers, and this one has a strong sci-fi and STEM hook as well.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 208 pages
- * WIDTH: 6" - 152mm
- * HEIGHT: 9" - 229mm
- * Hardcover POB

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WILD THING

Is There Anybody Out There? (A Wild Thing Book)

THE SEARCH FOR EXTRATERRESTRIAL LIFE, FROM AMOEBAS TO ALIENS

● BY LAURA KRANTZ

Inspired by her popular *Wild Thing* podcast, journalist Laura Krantz incorporates the scientific method and her journalistic skills to determine if aliens might exist



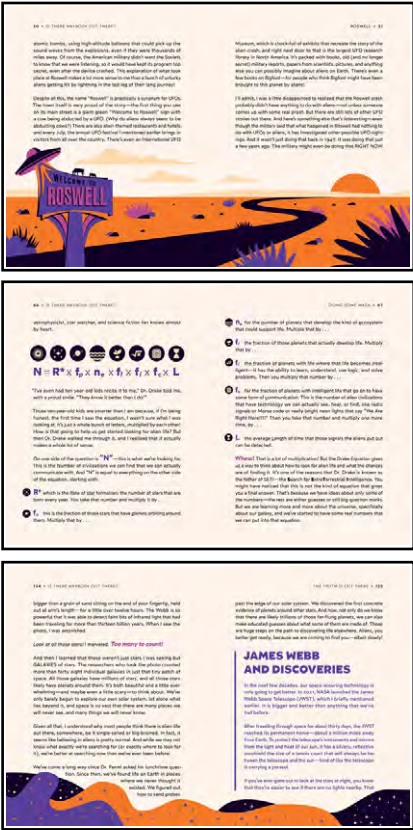
How likely is it that humans aren't alone in the universe?

Reports of strange lights, UFO sightings, and alien encounters abound—and some (like recent accounts from US Navy pilots) even sound credible. And in recent years, armed with state-of-the-art technology and better information, the search for extraterrestrials overflows with exciting possibilities. Within our own solar system, astrobiologists search for the biochemical building blocks that might sustain microbes, astronomers discover far-flung stars, orbited by planets that could be teeming with life, and astrophysicists point sophisticated telescopes toward the deep reaches of the universe, looking for anything out of the ordinary.

Is There Anybody Out There? turns our collective gaze skyward: What's the likelihood of life on other planets? Or that aliens have already made the trip to visit us? How would they get here? Why do we want to find them? And what does it mean if we do (or don't)? Teaching readers to challenge their gut assumptions and open their minds to new possibilities, using critical thinking and the scientific method, journalist Laura Krantz investigates the science, culture, and philosophy of a universe where we're not alone—and why the idea of alien life has abducted our imaginations.



Laura Krantz is a print and audio journalist whose critically acclaimed podcast *Wild Thing* explores the intersection between science and society. She spent ten years as an editor and producer with NPR in Washington, DC, and KPCC in Los Angeles, and her work has appeared in *Smithsonian*, *Outside*, and *Popular Science*. An Idaho native, Krantz received her BA from Whitman College and her MA from the Johns Hopkins University's School of Advanced International Studies. She lives in Denver with her husband, *New York Times* bestselling author Scott Carney, and their two cats.



SELLING POINTS

PODCAST POPULARITY: With over five million downloads across the adult podcasts and numerous best-of accolades, Krantz's narrative podcast *Wild Thing* is a wild success. Whereas season 1 and *The Search for Sasquatch* focused on Bigfoot, season 2 and this book turn to aliens, giving fans brand-new content. (The subject of Fall 2024's Book 3 is TBD.)

SERIES SUCCESS: *The Search for Sasquatch* (Oct. 2022) was recognized as a Summer/Fall 2022 ABA Indies Introduce pick and early bookseller buzz.

FRESH CLASSROOM OFFERING: Discusses the scientific method, investigative research, and problem-solving.

CAPTIVATING SUBJECT: Aliens are fascinating to readers of all ages.

FOR RELUCTANT READERS: Accessible nonfiction, with a high-interest topic and a humorous yet respectful tone.

THOROUGHLY RESEARCHED: Krantz treats myth with the fact-based, deep-dive investigative tactics of a seasoned journalist.

BOLD PACKAGE: With the same playful, graphic art style seen in *Sasquatch*.

PHOTOGRAPHS: Includes several images from NASA's James Webb Space Telescope.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations and photographs throughout
- * 176 pages
- * WIDTH: 7" - 178mm
- * HEIGHT: 9" - 229mm
- * Hardcover POB

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The Search for Sasquatch (A Wild Thing Book)
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ONCE UPON A HORSE

The Jockey & Her Horse (Once Upon a Horse #2)

INSPIRED BY THE TRUE STORY OF THE FIRST BLACK FEMALE JOCKEY, CHERYL WHITE

● BY SARAH MASLIN NIR & RAYMOND WHITE JR.; ART BY LAYLIE FRAZIER

Following in the hoofprints of *The Flying Horse*, this second title in the Once Upon a Horse series is inspired by the true story of the first Black female jockey, Cheryl White, who raced to the finish line on her horse, Jetolara



Cheryl loves horses. She's been studying thoroughbreds at her family's horse racing stables since she was old enough to ride on the shoulders of her father, a famous horse trainer. Cheryl wants to be a jockey. One problem—she is a girl, and there has never been a Black female jockey in history! Jetolara is a young thoroughbred finding his place in the herd. When Cheryl literally falls onto his back, and Jeto sprints off across the pasture, Cheryl discovers that she doesn't just want to be a jockey, she *is* a jockey—and she and Jeto were born to race. Together girl and horse make history and show everyone that once you learn to love yourself, the world is yours.



Sarah Maslin Nir is a *New York Times* reporter, Pulitzer Prize finalist, and the author of *Horse Crazy: The Story of a Woman and a World in Love with an Animal* and *The Flying Horse*, published by Cameron Kids. She lives and works in New York City. Ohio-based **Raymond White Jr.** hails from a family of racehorse professionals and has held almost every job there is in the racing world—jockeys' agent, exercise rider, assistant trainer, groom—except for jockey, like his sister, Cheryl, because he was too tall! *The Jockey and Her Horse* is his first book. **Laylie Frazier** is a fine artist and illustrator inspired by the natural world. She lives in Houston, Texas.



SELLING POINTS

STAND-ALONE STORY: The second title in the series, after *The Flying Horse*, is an independent, soon-to-be classic, in addition to being a solid companion title.

BLACK EQUESTRIAN HISTORY: This book touches on the history of trailblazing Black jockeys who initially dominated horse racing—and with increased media interest bringing this history back to the forefront, younger readers are sure to be curious about this unsung American history.

ESTABLISHED AUTHOR: This series is written by a respected *New York Times* reporter, Pulitzer Prize finalist, and equestrian, alongside Cheryl White's brother.

HORSE POWER: Horse lovers are everywhere, so this book is perfect for actual and aspirational horse lovers—and especially for equestrians of color, for whom there are very few books.

MODERN CLASSIC: Paper-over-board design and horse-focused spot gloss combined with sweet and stylish art create an appealing package.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Black-and-white line drawings throughout
- * 208 pages
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Lost Kites and Other Treasures

● BY CATHY CARR

A moving and heartfelt new middle-grade novel about mental illness, the transformative power of art, and the ever-evolving complications and joys of family life



Twelve-year-old Franny Petroski never lets anyone know how often she thinks of the charismatic, troubled mom who left her years ago any more than she talks about the unaccountable things Mom did while she was still in the picture. Life with Nana is safe and secure, and Franny’s innovative art projects fill in any lonesome times. But when Nana has an accident and Franny’s estranged uncle comes home to help out for a while, some long-guarded family secrets come to light. Franny has to use all of her courage, as well as all of her art skills, to come to terms with the discoveries she makes about her mother—and herself.



Cathy Carr was born in western Nebraska and grew up in Wisconsin. Since high school, she has lived in four different US states, plus overseas, and worked a variety of jobs, from burger flipping to technical writing. Wherever she goes, her observations of the natural world give her inspiration. Her debut novel, *365 Days to Alaska*, was called “a wonderful debut novel about compassion, belonging, and finding your way home” by Lynne Kelly. Carr now lives in the New Jersey suburbs with her family and a semi-feral cat named Barnaby. Visit her online at cathycarrwrites.com.

SELLING POINTS

DEBUT SUCCESS: Carr’s debut, *365 Days to Alaska*, was a Bank Street Best Book, a CCBC Choices Best of the Year, and a JLG selection. It sold more than 9,000 copies and is in its fourth printing. It also received great blurbs from John David Anderson, Francisco X. Stork, Lynne Kelly, Carrie Jones, and Bethany Hegedus.

IMPORTANT THEMES: The story discusses themes of parental mental health, healing, and untraditional family structures, while also telling an emotional and heartfelt story.

STRONG PROSE: Carr writes with an accessible but literary style and crafts a story that many young readers will relate to and feel seen by.

SPECIFICATIONS

* 272 pages

* WIDTH: 5 1/2" - 140mm

* HEIGHT: 8" - 203mm

* Hardcover with jacket

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MIDDLE-GRADE FICTION

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365 Days to Alaska

ISBN 978-1-4197-4380-1

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Sea of Gold

● BY GREGORY MONE

In the tradition of *Treasure Island*, an unlikely young pirate races a band of devious rogues for hidden gold in the start of a new middle-grade series by bestselling author Gregory Mone



Twelve-year-old Fish—nicknamed for his skill as a swimmer—never intended to become a pirate. For starters, he’s just a kid from a poor farming family, and second, he absolutely hates to fight. But after his parents send him to work as a courier, one of his deliveries is stolen, and as Fish hurries to get it back, he’s captured by a ship of scalawags. And the mysterious package? It’s the key to locating the Chain of Chuacar, a legendary treasure. Swabbing the deck of the Scurvy Mistress, Fish will have to earn the trust of the fortune-obsessed captain and learn the ropes from the rest of the crew, including a boy encyclopedia on all things piracy, a tough-as-nails young thief, and a fearless girl with knives up her sleeves. Yet with mutiny on the horizon and a ruthless first mate testing him at every turn, Fish isn’t sure he’ll survive, let alone find the Chain. Armed only with wit, courage and determination, Fish leads his new friends in the fight of their young lives and a hunt for the hidden gold.



Gregory Mone is the author of several bestselling works of fiction and nonfiction for both adults and children, including the *New York Times* bestsellers *Bill Nye’s Great Big World of Science*, the Jack and the Geniuses series (with Bill Nye), and *Astrophysics for Young People in a Hurry* (with Neil DeGrasse Tyson), along with *Atlantis: The Accidental Invasion* and *Atlantis: The Brink of War*. He is a contributing editor at *Popular Science* and an award-winning science writer. A graduate of Harvard College, he lives with his family on Martha’s Vineyard.

SELLING POINTS

NYT BESTSELLING AUTHOR: Mone is co-author of the *New York Times* bestselling Jack and the Geniuses series, and the author of other middle-grade series including *Atlantis* and the first two *He-Man* and the *Masters of the Universe* books.

SERIES LAUNCH: Initially published by Scholastic as a standalone in 2010 (under the title *Fish*, which sold more than 125,000 copies via fairs), this book is being relaunched as the start of a new series (with a sequel to come in Fall 2024) after the rights reverted to Mone in 2018. The manuscript has been heavily revised to include new story elements, and with a fresh cover and the addition of interior spot illustrations, this is a brand-new book with an Abrams package rather than a mere reissue.

MIDDLE-GRADE VOICE: With instantly likable protagonists, immersive world-building, action-packed plots, fast pacing, and surprising twists, Mone knows exactly how to connect with middle grade readers.

ARR, MATEY!: Pirates are a pop culture mainstay and innately kid-friendly.

DIVERSE CAST: Fish’s fellow shipmates, including girls and kids of color, are main characters.

ILLUSTRATED: Includes approximately 12 black-and-white line drawings and a map of Fish’s world.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Black-and-white illustrations throughout
* 256 pages

* WIDTH: 5 1/2" - 140mm

* HEIGHT: 8" - 203mm

* Hardcover POB

PUB MONTH: **AUGUST 2023**

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(Atlantis Book #1)

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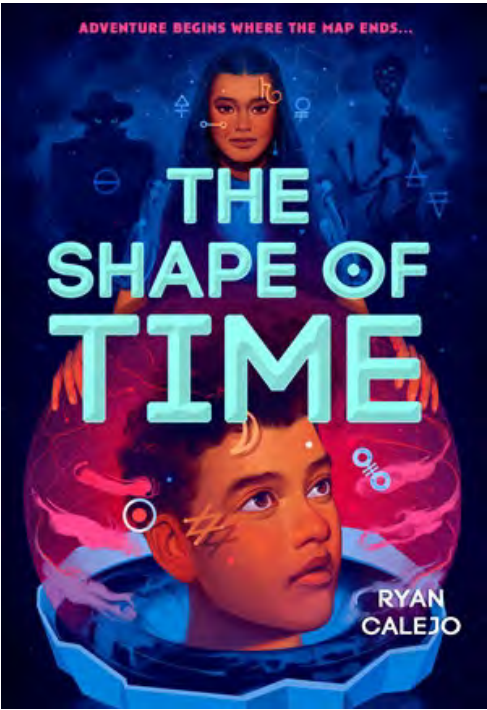
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RYMWORLD ARCANA

The Shape of Time (Rymworld Arcana Book One)

● BY RYAN CALEJO

A new middle-grade mind-bending adventure from award-winning author Ryan Calejo, destined to be an instant classic

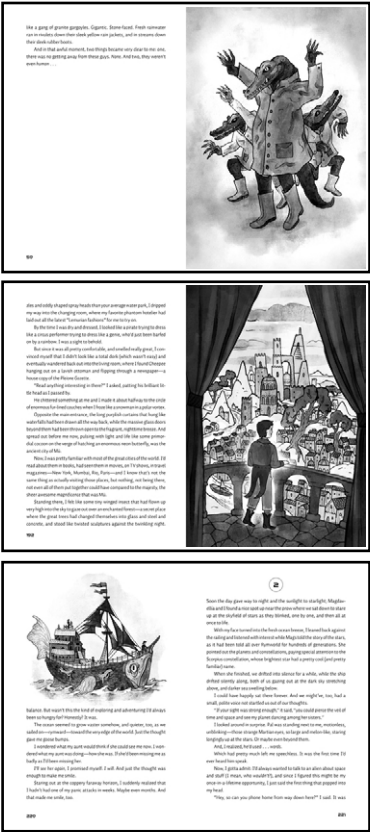


Fourteen-year-old Antares De La Vega is a natural born adventurer. He dreams of journeying across burning deserts, trekking through wild and uncharted jungles, sailing the furthest reaches of the seas—and yet, he's never even stepped foot outside of South Florida . . . But that all changes when strange creatures come leaping out of lightning bolts to kidnap him. Locked away in a secret prison in the middle of the Bermuda Triangle, Antares meets fourteen-year-old Magdavellia, a mysterious and iron-willed girl who opens his eyes to a shocking truth: that this world is a far different place than he's been led to believe. He learns of the existence of The Flat Earth Society, an ancient secret order, whose main function is to keep the world beyond the great Ice Wall a mystery—a land known as Rymworld. But Rymworld is in trouble. Led by a nameless evil, a sinister group of mystics seek to seize control over its only true resource: time itself.

Antares and Magdavellia must set out beyond the edges of any map to discover the undiscoverable: a lost and forgotten island where there is rumored to exist a legendary artifact: a mythical compass that just might hold the key to foiling the mystics' plans. Following a series of intricately concealed clues left behind by Magdavellia's parents (clues Antares seems to be the key to unlocking), they must wield both geometry and alchemy, outsmart molemen and mermaids, and outrun fiendish outer space aliens—all while attempting to solve a riddle as old and mystifying as the sun.



Ryan Calejo is an award-winning author born and raised in sunny south Florida. His critically acclaimed Charlie Hernández series has been featured in half a dozen state reading lists and has earned starred reviews from *Booklist* and *Kirkus*, was a Texas Bluebonnet Master List Selection, and won an International Latino Book Award, a Sunshine State Young Readers Award, and a Florida Book Award (Gold Medal). He lives in Miami.



SELLING POINTS

AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR:

Calejo's Charlie Hernández series received two starred reviews and won a Texas Bluebonnet Award, an International Latino Book Award, and a Florida Book Award. He also has a new book out with George Lopez, *ChupaCarter*, which award-winning author Zoraida Córdia called "an uproariously good time."

LATINX REPRESENTATION:

Calejo is passionate about showing young Latinx kids that they can be the heroes of the story, and this series centers Latinx characters and puts them in a blockbuster, commercial adventure.

EXCITING NEW SERIES:

With humor, action, and lots of kid appeal, this is the start of a new middle-grade series that's perfect for fans of *Sal and Gabi Break the Universe* and *The Last Last-Day-of-Summer*.

INTERIOR ILLUSTRATIONS:

The book will feature beautiful interior illustrations from Julia Iredale, which will help bring the story to life for young readers.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Black-and-white illustrations throughout
- * 320 pages
- * WIDTH: 5 1/2" - 140mm
- * HEIGHT: 8" - 203mm
- * Hardcover with jacket

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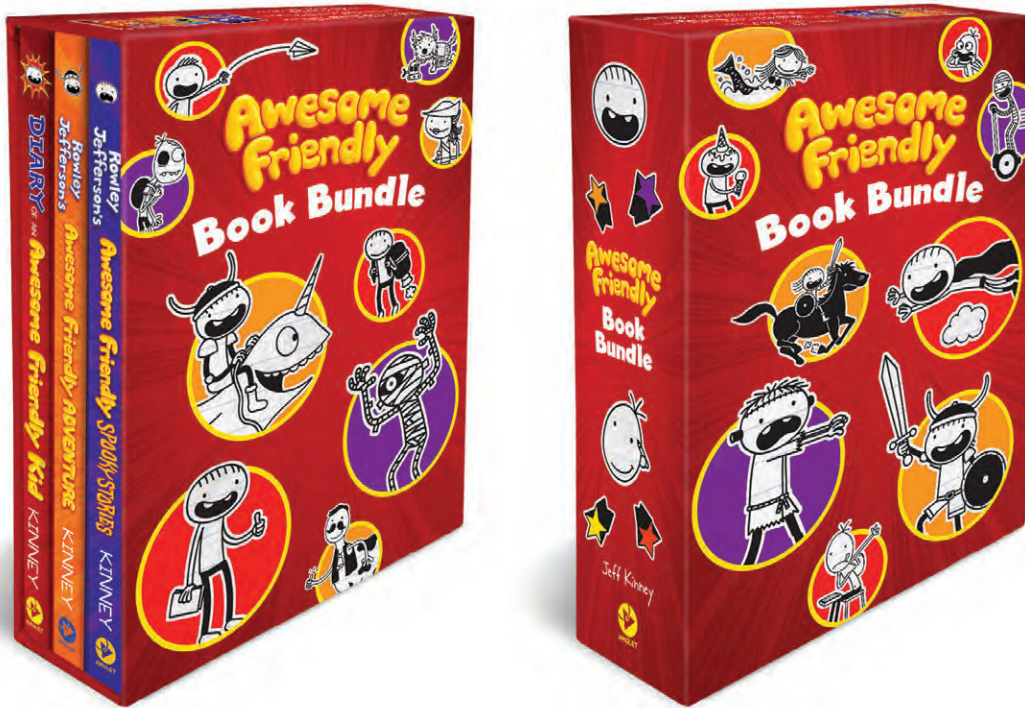
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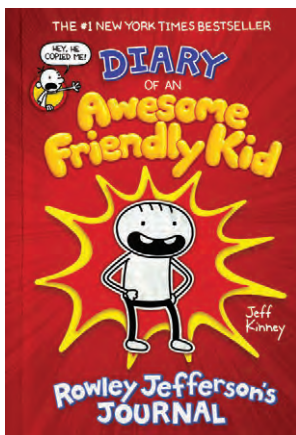
Awesome Friendly Book Bundle

• BY JEFF KINNEY

There are two sides to every story, and this collection allows you enjoy the world of Wimpy Kid like you've never seen it before. This collectible boxed set comes in a specially designed package—a must-have gift for fans new and old.



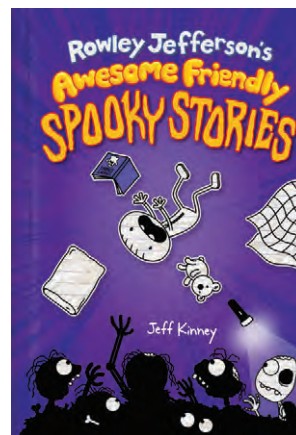
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Jeff Kinney is a #1 New York Times bestselling author of the Diary of a Wimpy Kid series and the Awesome Friendly Kid series. He is a six-time Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Award winner for Favorite Book and has been named one of Time magazine's 100 Most Influential People in the World. He spent his childhood in the Washington, D.C., area and moved to New England, where he and his wife own a bookstore named An Unlikely Story.

Specifications

- Black-and-white illustrations throughout
- 224 pages
- 203 × 140 mm
- Hardcover
- PUB MONTH: **MARCH 2022**

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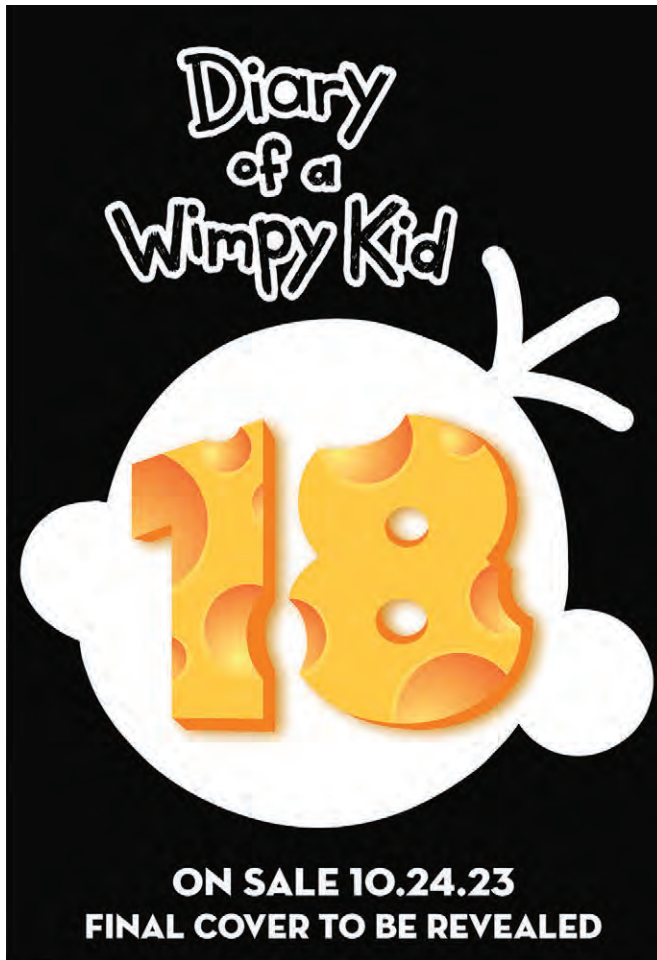
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FROM #1 INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLING AUTHOR Jeff Kinney

Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Book 18

• BY JEFF KINNEY



New from #1 international bestselling author Jeff Kinney—official cover reveal coming soon!

In the newest installment of the Wimpy Kid series, Greg is up to his eyeballs in stress. Overdue homework assignments, flaky study partners, and at least one all-nighter put Greg to the test. You'll be laughing along as Greg hilariously muddles his way through middle school.

Jeff Kinney is a #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of the Diary of a Wimpy Kid series and the Awesome Friendly Kid series. He is a six-time Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Award winner for Favorite Book and has been named one of *Time* magazine's 100 Most Influential People in the World. He spent his childhood in the Washington, D.C., area and moved to New England, where he and his wife own a bookstore named An Unlikely Story.

Selling Points

- **GLOBAL PHENOMENON:** With over 275 million books sold around the world in 84 editions in 69 languages, Wimpy Kid has turned millions of kids into readers. The series is one of the top-five bestselling book series—adult and kids—of all time.
- **MEGA BESTSELLING SERIES:** A consistent fixture on the *New York Times* bestseller list for over 750 weeks—longer than any other kids' series! Wimpy Kid is also a #1 bestseller on the *USA Today*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Publishers Weekly*, and *IndieBound* bestseller lists.
- **NOW A MAJOR DISNEY MOVIE FRANCHISE:** Wimpy Kid has a brand-new animated movie on Disney+! *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* premiered on December 3, 2021, to instant success. The second animated adventure, *Rodrick Rules*, released on December 2, 2022.
- **WIDE SOCIAL MEDIA REACH:** Nearly 5 million fans across Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram, over 1.4 billion TikTok views for #diaryofawimpykid, 20+ million YouTube views, and 1.1 billion views on GIPHY.

Specifications

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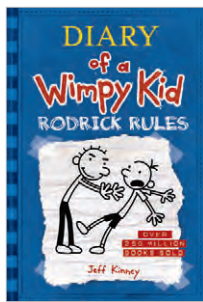
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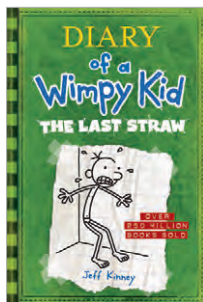
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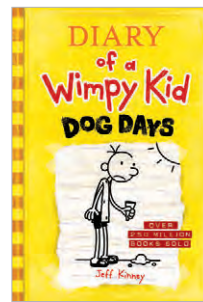
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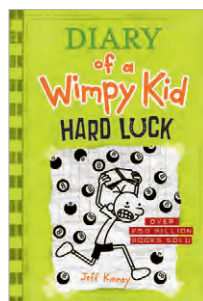
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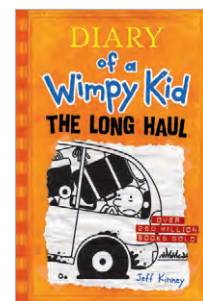
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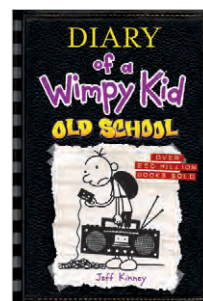
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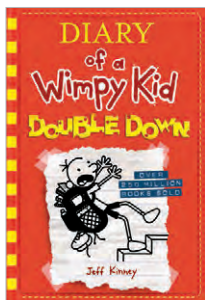
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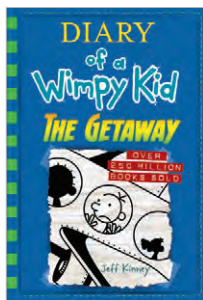
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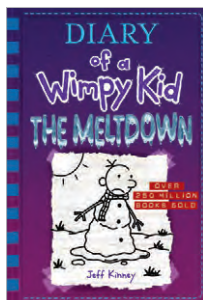
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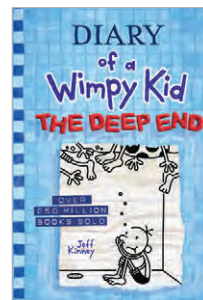
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All the Fighting Parts

● BY HANNAH V. SAWYERR

In the vein of *Grown* and *The Poet X*, a searing and defiant novel in verse about a sexual assault within a church community



Sixteen-year-old Amina Conteh has always believed in using her tongue as her weapon—even when it gets her into trouble. After cursing at a classmate, her father forces her to volunteer at their church. And then Amina is sexually assaulted by Pastor Johnson.

After that, she stops using her voice altogether. Her life starts to fall apart: Her father is frustrated that her grades are slipping, and her friends don't understand Amina's sudden isolation. When Pastor Johnson is arrested for sexual assault of another girl, the community is shaken and divided. Some call him a predator and others blame the girl who named him. Amina is terrified that she'll find herself connected with Pastor Johnson's assault, but she also desperately wants to speak up.

To regain not only her voice but her sense of self, Amina must find the power to confront her abuser—in the courtroom and her heart—and learn to use all the fighting parts that she's been given.



Hannah V. Sawyer was recognized as the Youth Poet Laureate of Baltimore in 2016. Her spoken word has been featured on the BBC's *World Have Your Say* program, as well as the National Education Association's "Do You Hear Us?" campaign. Her written word has been included in *gal-dem*, *Rookie*, and *xoNecole*. She holds a BA in English from Morgan State University and an MFA in creative writing from The New School. Elizabeth Acevedo has said "her poems harness momentum and barrel across the page with equal doses of grace and take-no-prisoners confidence." Sawyer lives in Los Angeles.

SELLING POINTS

#METOO: This story documents an assault in a moving and realistic way, showing a young woman dealing with the aftermath and taking back her power.

NOVEL IN VERSE: YA novels in verse have done well in the market and provide an accessible way to discuss difficult topics.

MOVING DEBUT: Sawyer is an exciting new voice in YA and an up-and-coming poet whose work has been featured on the BBC and the National Education Association and received praise from Elizabeth Acevedo.

SPECIFICATIONS

* 400 pages

* WIDTH: 5 1/2" - 140mm

* HEIGHT: 8 1/4" - 210mm

* Hardcover with jacket

PUB MONTH: **SEPTEMBER 2023**

AGES 14 and up

YOUNG ADULT, POETRY

ISBN 978-1-4197-6261-1

US \$18.99

Look No Further

● BY RIOGHNACH ROBINSON AND SIOFRA ROBINSON

The Parent Trap meets *The Vanishing Half* in this gripping YA novel about estranged siblings who meet for the first time at art camp and confront their differing experiences of race and identity



When 17-year-old Niko and 15-year-old Ali meet at Ogilvy Summer Art Institute, a selective camp for art students in New York City, they seem like complete opposites. Ali comes across as standoffish to laid-back Niko, who feels like a fish out of water surrounded by so many type-A peers. So when a teacher assigns them as pairs for a genealogy project, Ali and Niko are shocked to find they have a lot more in common than they bargained for.

As the pair embark on a quest to uncover their shared history, Ali finds herself falling for her roommate—who may have already fallen for another girl at Ogilvy—and surfer-bro Niko struggles to find his footing in the glamorous NYC art scene. Soon they're both questioning their preconceptions about the world and each other. But only when they face real heartbreak can they accept the most transformative revelation of all: The best art is what you make, not just what you see.



Riognach Robinson is the author of *Seven Ways We Lie*, *Final Draft*, and *Noteworthy*, which was named a best teen book of 2017 by *Kirkus* and the New York Public Library. She lives and writes in Chicago. **Siofra Robinson** is an MBA candidate at the University of Chicago Booth School of Business. *Look No Further* is her first novel.



SELLING POINTS

FRESH APPROACH TO

TOPICAL THEMES: This novel depicts two different lived experiences, as a chance encounter leads twins who were previously strangers to question their preconceptions.

RISING STAR AUTHOR:

Riognach's books with Abrams, published under the pseudonym Riley Redgate, have experienced commercial and critical success, including three starred reviews for *Noteworthy* and one for *Final Draft*; her newest novel, *Alone Out Here* (Disney-Hyperion), was released in Spring 2022.

SIBLING HOOK: This compelling story from sisters Riognach and Siofra Robinson draws from their lived experiences as biracial siblings.

SPECIFICATIONS

* 336 pages

* WIDTH: 5 1/2" - 140mm

* HEIGHT: 8 1/4" - 210mm

* Hardcover with jacket

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Seven Ways We Lie

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● MARIANNA BAER

Desperate for money and stability, a teenage girl begins secretly forging paintings, plunging her into a dark and dangerous imaginary world



Indigo is the daughter of famous reclusive artist Zoe Serra, who made a splash in the '90s art world. But since her mom's breakdown, the two have been barely scraping by. When a gallery owner offers Zoe a revival show for her blockbuster Wolfwood series—which Zoe never finished—Indigo sees it as a chance to finally regain stability. However, Zoe refuses to work on the paintings, saying that she can't return to Wolfwood, so Indigo decides to take up the brush herself.

As she begins to work in the studio, Indigo has a vision that she's actually *inside* Wolfwood. She wanders through the grotesque jungle and discovers that an army of monstrous creatures are torturing the women in the painting. Indigo convinces herself that she's just hallucinating because of stress or exhaustion, but when she comes out of her trance, she finds a new section of the painting has been completed. Indigo returns to the Wolfwood again and again as she works to complete the series, but when she gets to the final painting, Indigo realizes the true nature of the monsters she's been fighting—and fears that these monsters might win.



Marianna Baer is the author of *The Inconceivable Life of Quinn*, which earned a starred review from PW, who called it “a delicate, complicated, and engrossing exploration of the collision between real life and the inexplicable.” She’s a graduate of Vermont College of Fine Arts with an MFA in Writing for Children and Young Adults. She lives in Brooklyn, New York.

SELLING POINTS

INTRIGUE AND MAGIC: The glamor of the New York art world mixes with the danger of the magical Wolfwood, creating a story perfect for fans of books like *The Hazel Wood*.

STRONG AUTHOR REVIEWS: *The Inconceivable Life of Quinn* earned a starred review from PW. *Booklist* praised, “Quinn’s determined struggle to piece together the puzzle compellingly drives the narrative onward, and readers on board for something thought-provoking will be hooked.”

STRONG FEMALE RELATIONSHIPS: *Wolfwood* revolves around the relationship between a young female artist and her mother and how trauma reverberates through generations.

SPECIFICATIONS

* 384 pages

* WIDTH: 5 1/2" - 140mm

* HEIGHT: 8 1/4" - 210mm

* Hardcover with jacket

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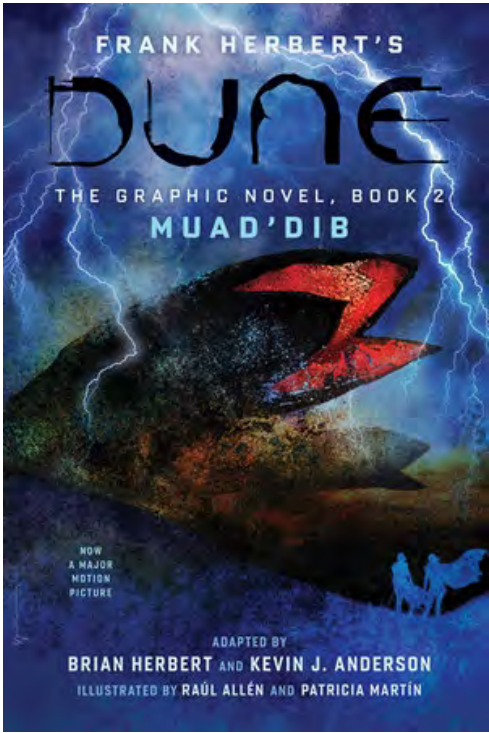


DUNE: THE GRAPHIC NOVEL

DUNE: The Graphic Novel, Book 2: Muad'Dib

- WRITTEN BY BRIAN HERBERT AND KEVIN J. ANDERSON; ORIGINAL NOVEL BY FRANK HERBERT; COVER BY BILL SIENKIEWICZ; ILLUSTRATED BY RAÚL ALLÉN

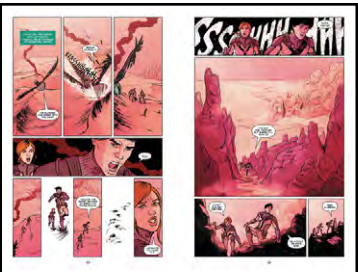
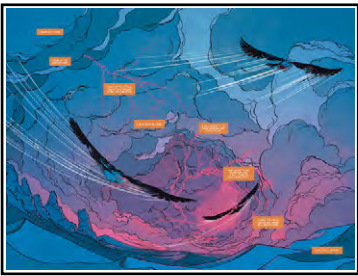
The second volume of the graphic novel adaptation of *Dune*, the groundbreaking science-fiction classic by Frank Herbert



In *DUNE: The Graphic Novel, Book 2: Muad'Dib*, the second of three volumes adapting Frank Herbert's *Dune*, young Paul Atreides and his mother, the lady Jessica, find themselves stranded in the deep desert of Arrakis. Betrayed by one of their own and destroyed by their greatest enemy, Paul and Jessica must find the mysterious Fremen, or perish.

This faithful adaptation of the 1965 novel, *Dune*, by Brian Herbert, son of Frank Herbert, and *New York Times* bestselling author Kevin J. Anderson, continues to explore Paul's journey as he evolves from boy to mysterious messiah. Illustrated by Raúl Allén and Patricia Martín, this spectacular blend of adventure and spirituality, environmentalism, and politics is a groundbreaking look into our universe and is transformed by the graphic novel format into a powerful, fantastical tale for a new generation of readers.

Frank Herbert (1920–86) was an American science-fiction writer best known for his novel *Dune* and its subsequent five sequels. **Brian Herbert**, the son of Frank Herbert, has written a moving biography of his father, *Dreamer of Dune*. Brian is also known for his collaborations with author Kevin J. Anderson, with whom he has written multiple sequels and prequels to his father's landmark 1965 science-fiction novel *Dune*. **Kevin J. Anderson** is the author of more than fifty bestsellers. He has written spin-off novels for *Star Wars*, *StarCraft*, and *The X-Files* and, with Brian Herbert, is the co-author of the *Dune* prequel series. **Raúl Allén** and **Patricia Martín** are artists living in Valladolid, Spain. Allén and Martín have worked for Marvel Comics, Valiant, and DC Comics with writers such as Matt Fraction, Jeff Lemire, Matt Kindt, and Peter Milligan. **Bill Sienkiewicz** is an Eisner-winning, Emmy-nominated artist best known for revamping the style of comic and graphic novel illustration, most notably with Marvel Comics and DC Comics.



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- Russian (Exmo)
- Slovak (Premedia)
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- Turkish (Ithaki)
- Ukrainian (Ridna Mova)

SELLING POINTS

INSTANT MASTERPIECE:

Dune was first published in 1965 and won the first Nebula Award, shared the Hugo Award, and formed the basis of what is considered the grandest epic in science fiction. It has sold more than 20 million copies.

BLOCKBUSTER FILM:

The first installment of Legendary Entertainment's live-action feature of *Dune*, directed by Denis Villeneuve, starring Timothée Chalamet, Zendaya, and others, will be released in October 2021.

ICONIC COVER ART:

Comics legend Bill Sienkiewicz continues his work on the series with the second piece in his triptych of original art that stretches across the covers of all three books.

PUBLISHING PLAN:

The second of three volumes adapting Herbert's work, with the final volume publishing in Fall 2023, following the huge success of the first book and a subsequent Deluxe Collector's Edition.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 176 pages
- * Hardcover with jacket

PUB MONTH: AUGUST 2022

GRAPHIC NOVELS, COMICS, SCIENCE FICTION & FANTASY

ISBN 978-1-4197-4946-9

US \$24.99

A MIGHTY MARVEL TEAM-UP

Spider-Man: Animals Assemble! (A Mighty Marvel Team-Up)

● WRITTEN AND ILLUSTRATED BY MIKE MAIHACK

Spider-Man is the friendly neighborhood pet sitter in this all new graphic novel for early readers!



When the Avengers are assembled to contain a super threat in New York City, Spider-Man is given the most important job of all: to make sure all the Avengers' super pets are safe! Spider-Man wants in on the bad guy fighting action, but with great power comes great pet sitting. Featuring fan favorite Avengers like Captain America, Captain Marvel, and Black Panther, this fun and funny original graphic novel sees the mighty web-slinger teaming up with the most unlikely of heroes to save the day!

Mike Maihack is a cartoonist best known for his Cleopatra in Space graphic novels published by Scholastic's Graphix. The six-book series has earned a Florida Book Award, a YALSA Quick Pick for Reluctant Young Adult Readers selection, a starred review from School Library Journal and later produced as a children's animated series by DreamWorks Television. Mike lives in Land o' Lakes, Florida, with his wife, two boys, and two cats. More of his work can be found online at operationspacecat.com.

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Bulgarian, Turkish, Greek

SELLING POINTS

MIGHTY BRAND: Marvel Comics continues to be one of the most recognizable and biggest brands worldwide with Spider-Man being one of the most popular characters in their stable.

EXCITING FORMAT: Graphic novels continue to experience tremendous growth, especially in the children's market. Currently no early-reader graphic novels exist from Marvel, so Abrams will be filling an important gap in the market.

ALL-STAR TALENT: Author-artist Mike Maihack is an incredible talent and has already had a successful young readers series with Cleopatra in Space. His accessible art style and humorous storytelling will appeal to both younger audiences and older fans of the brand.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 96 pages
- * WIDTH: 6" - 152mm
- * HEIGHT: 8 1/2" - 216mm

* Hardcover POB

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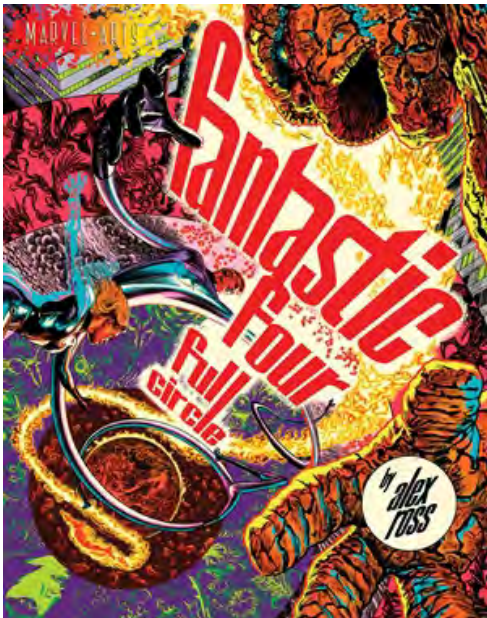
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US \$12.99

Fantastic Four: Full Circle

● WRITTEN AND ILLUSTRATED BY ALEX ROSS

An all-new Marvel Comics graphic novel starring the Fantastic Four, written and illustrated by renowned artist Alex Ross



It's a rainy night in Manhattan and not a creature is stirring except for . . . Ben Grimm. When an intruder suddenly appears inside the Baxter Building, the Fantastic Four—Mister Fantastic (Reed Richards), the Invisible Woman (Susan Storm Richards), the Human Torch (Johnny Storm), and the Thing (Ben Grimm)—find themselves surrounded by a swarm of invading parasites. These carrion creatures composed of Negative Energy come to Earth using a human host as a delivery system. But for what purpose? And who is behind this untimely invasion?

The Fantastic Four have no choice but to journey into the Negative Zone, an alien universe composed entirely of anti-matter, risking not just their own lives but the fate of the cosmos!

Fantastic Four: Full Circle is the first longform work written and illustrated by acclaimed artist Alex Ross, who revisits a classic Stan Lee–Jack Kirby story from the 1960s and introduces the storyline for a new generation of readers. With bold, vivid colors and his trademark visual storytelling, Ross takes Marvel's first team of super heroes to places only he can illustrate.



Alex Ross studied at the American Academy of Art in Chicago, then honed his craft as a storyboard artist before entering the field of comics. In 1993 *Marvels*—his groundbreaking miniseries with writer Kurt Busiek—created a wider acceptance for painted comics. In 1996 he and writer Mark Waid produced the equally successful *Kingdom Come* for DC Comics, and Ross followed those up with an extensive series of work including magazine and album covers, as well as a poster for the Academy Awards. Ross has also been the subject of two monographs written and designed by Chip Kidd—*Mythology: The DC Comics Art of Alex Ross* and *Marvelosity: The Marvel Comics Art of Alex Ross*. His latest book is *The Alex Ross Marvel Comics Poster Book* (Abrams ComicArts, spring 2021).

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Praise for *Fantastic Four: Full Circle*

"Alex Ross has somehow brilliantly conjured the spirits of the original creators of the Fantastic Four and blended them with his own to bring forth a completely unique storytelling experience. . . . This masterfully executed mind worm stays with you long after you read/experience it."
—Brian Michael Bendis

"There were few more seismic events in comics in the 1990s than *Marvels*, the cleverly conceived and beautifully painted graphic novel serialized by artist Alex Ross and writer Kurt Busiek. Suddenly, a new standard of realism was set for the world of comic books, soon carried over to DC Comics as well. In the past nigh-three decades, Alex Ross has gone from strength to strength, and *Fantastic Four: Full Circle* from Abrams ComicArts is the latest milestone along that road of excellence." —Roy Thomas



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Bulgarian, Croatian, Czech, Dutch, French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Italian, Polish, Portuguese (EU), Portuguese (SA), Russian, Serbian, Slovakian, Spanish, Turkish

SELLING POINTS

NOTABLE CREATOR: Ross is one of the world's most respected comics creators. He has won every major award in the industry and has more than 150,000 followers on Twitter and 700,000 followers on Instagram. *Fantastic Four: Full Circle* is the first graphic novel Ross has both written and illustrated in his 30-year career.

LARGE FORMAT AND BONUS

POSTER: The front flap of the jacket unfolds into a mini-poster featuring an all-new fully painted origin story of the Fantastic Four.

BROAD AUDIENCE: A standalone title for both new readers and longtime fans.

NEW LINE OF BOOKS: *Fantastic Four: Full Circle* is the first title in a new line of graphic novels by Marvel Comics and Abrams ComicArts called Marvel Arts.

MIGHTY BRAND: Marvel Comics celebrated its 80th anniversary in 2019 and is one of the most recognizable brands worldwide. In November 2021, Marvel began its celebration of the Fantastic Four's 60th anniversary.

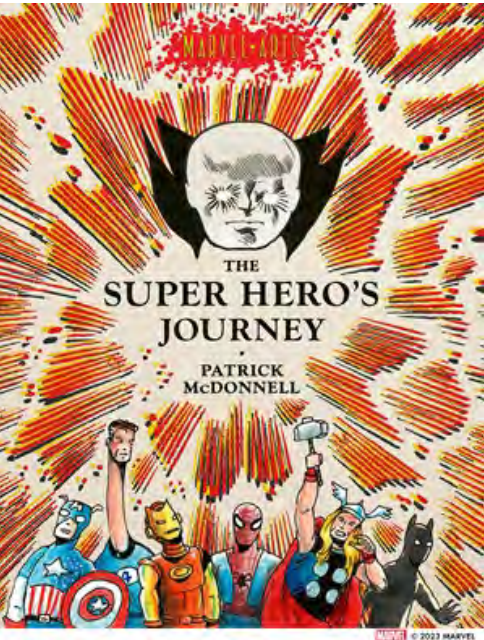
SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 64 pages
- * WIDTH: 8 1/2" - 216mm
- * HEIGHT: 11" - 279mm
- * Hardcover with jacket
- PUB MONTH: SEPTEMBER 2022
- GRAPHIC NOVELS, ENTERTAINMENT
- ISBN 978-1-4197-6167-6
- US \$24.99

The Super Hero's Journey

● WRITTEN AND ILLUSTRATED BY PATRICK MCDONNELL AND MARVEL ENTERTAINMENT

The second book in our Marvel Arts line, featuring the work of beloved *Mutts* creator Patrick McDonnell and the greatest super heroes of the Marvel Universe



Praise for *The Super Hero's Journey*

"*The Super Hero's Journey* is thrilling, hilarious, mind-blowing, weird and poignant—just like the stories that inspired it. Patrick McDonnell flexes the same artistic muscle that drew Kirby to collage (and TikTok users to StemDrop), mashing up childhood memories, Silver Age stories, and his own works of fine art, fueling an explosion of creativity, wonder, and beauty. When I finished the first time, I immediately read it again to re-experience its generous heartbeat. After my own journey, all I can say is Make Mine McDonnell!" —Glen David Gold, author of *Carter Beats the Devil* and *I Will Be Complete*

"*The Super Hero's Journey* is a powerful argument for how the comic book art form makes a positive impact in our lives. Patrick McDonnell weaves the work of Jack Kirby and other Marvel artists together with his own to create a remarkable view into the wonder he felt as a young reader first experiencing these classic comics. It is a genuinely moving treatise on the inspiration we can take from others, and an antidote for cynicism." —Alex Ross, author of *Fantastic Four: Full Circle*

The Super Hero's Journey is an adventure unlike any you have ever read. Imbued with the creativity, artwork, and heart of Patrick McDonnell, the beloved creator of the comic strip *Mutts*, this all-new graphic novel love letter features the classic Marvel super heroes including the Fantastic Four, the Incredible Hulk, Captain America, Black Panther, and Spider-Man, and is the synthesis of McDonnell's positive, inspirational sensibility and Marvel's blockbuster brand. Using the Marvel Universe as avatars, McDonnell muses on how comics changed his life and inspired him to become a cartoonist, instilling a moral sensibility that he carries through his work and his life.

Visually striking—*The Super Hero's Journey* incorporates panels from classic Marvel comics as a tribute by McDonnell to his heroes—Stan Lee, Jack Kirby, Steve Ditko, and the other creators of the Marvel Universe—alongside inspirational quotes from Eckhart Tolle, Thoreau, and others.

Patrick McDonnell is the bestselling author, illustrator, playwright, painter, and creator of the comic strip *Mutts*, which appears in more than 700 newspapers around the world. He has received numerous awards internationally, including a Caldecott Honor and the Reuben, the highest honor given by the National Cartoonists Society. *The Art of Nothing*, a career-spanning monograph, was published by Abrams ComicArts in 2019. He lives in New Jersey. **Marvel Entertainment, LLC**, a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Walt Disney Company, is one of the world's most prominent character-based entertainment companies, built on a proven library of more than 8,000 characters featured in a variety of media over 80 years. Marvel utilizes its character franchises in entertainment, licensing, publishing, games, and digital media. For more information visit marvel.com.

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SELLING POINTS

UNIQUE FORMAT: *The Super Hero's Journey* is a love letter from McDonnell to the comic book stories from his childhood, incorporating seminal panels from classic Marvel Comics with McDonnell's art.

ARTIST PROFILE: Patrick McDonnell's most recent work is *Heart to Heart: A Conversation on Love and Hope for Our Precious Planet*, a collaboration with His Holiness the Dalai Lama. *The Super Hero's Journey* is the follow-up to that book, showcasing the philosophical approach that McDonnell weaves into all his work and his incredible flexibility as a creator.

MIGHTY LINE: The second book in the Marvel Arts line, following national bestseller *Fantastic Four: Full Circle* by Alex Ross.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 112 pages
- * WIDTH: 8 1/2" - 216mm
- * HEIGHT: 11" - 279mm
- * Hardcover with jacket

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**GRAPHIC NOVELS,
ENTERTAINMENT**

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US \$29.99

A Fright to Remember (Monster High #1)

● BY ADRIANNA CUEVAS

The first book in a fangtastic new series inspired by Nickelodeon’s animated show *Monster High*!



As Monster High prepares for its annual talent show, Frankie Stein is left wondering what they could perform. When Torelei Stripe mocks Frankie’s music playing abilities, Frankie is left even more confused about which of their brain parts is exciting enough for the talent show. Luckily, Headmistress Bloodgood presents Frankie with new information about their brain that might hold the answer. Except Frankie discovers that their brain part is from a disgraced scientist accused of unethical experiments. Plagued by dreams from the scientist’s life, Frankie teams up with Draculaura and Clawdeen to discover the truth about their past—and save Monster High in the process.



Adrianna Cuevas is the author of the Pura Belpré honor book *The Total Eclipse of Nestor Lopez, Cuba in My Pocket, The Ghosts of Rancho Espanto, and Mari and the Curse of El Cocodrilo*. She is a first-generation Cuban–American originally from Miami, Florida. A former Spanish and ESOL teacher, Adrianna currently resides in Austin, Texas with her husband and son. When not working with TOEFL students, wrangling multiple pets including an axolotl, and practicing fencing with her son, she is writing her next middle grade novel.

SELLING POINTS

POPULAR BRAND: Since launching Monster High, Mattel has sold more than 150 million dolls, including a 2020 collector’s edition that sold out almost immediately. The brand is still just as relevant today, with loyal fans who grew up with the show generating more than three billion views on TikTok and ranking it as the #7 toy brand on Instagram.

MULTIMEDIA RELAUNCH: In addition to a brand–new animated show, Mattel and Nickelodeon have partnered on a new live–action Monster High film, released on October 6th 2022. The show and film draws new fans of all ages to the books, as well as older fans revisiting their favorite characters.

INCLUSIVE STORYTELLING: Monster High believes strongly in embracing one’s true, unique self. Mattel has updated its storytelling and branding to represent a more diverse and inclusive cast of characters, all while staying true to their original hook.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Black-and-white illustrations throughout
- * 256 pages
- * WIDTH: 5 1/2" - 140mm
- * HEIGHT: 8" - 203mm
- * **Hardcover POB**
- PUB MONTH: **OCTOBER 2023**
- AGES 10 to 14**
- MIDDLE-GRADE FICTION, KIDS SERIES, FICTION, SCIENCE FICTION & FANTASY**

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US \$14.99

OUTER BANKS

Outer Banks: Dead Break

● BY JAY COLES

The Pogues hit the beach in another action-packed original YA novel based on the hit Netflix show, *Outer Banks*



It's summer and there's a big surfing competition coming to the OBX. Kiara plans to participate alongside Kooks like Rafe and Touron (tourist + moron), athletes who are flooding into the island's hotels from all over the world. Meanwhile, a storm has brought massive waves to the waters off the island, making for perfect—yet challenging—surfing conditions. When Kiara strikes up a flirtation with one of the surfers, Pope, John B, and JJ can't help but get jealous. Not only was Kiara at another school last year (a Kook school, to be specific), now she's spending her summer vacation with these out-of-towners, too?! Meanwhile, the surfers are treating Pope's dad like some kind of hero, and Heyward won't explain why. When one of the professional surfers washes up dead, everyone assumes he got crushed by a wave. But Pope and Kiara aren't so sure . . . Told from the alternating perspectives of Pope and Kiara, this follow-up to *Outer Banks: Lights Out* features a pulse-pounding mystery that will keep readers glued to the page.



Jay Coles is the author of critically acclaimed *Tyler Johnson Was Here* and *Things We Couldn't Say*, a composer with ASCAP, and a professional musician residing in Muncie, Indiana. He is a graduate of Vincennes University and Ball State University and holds degrees in English and liberal arts. When he's not writing diverse books, he's advocating for them, serving with The Revolution church, and composing music for various music publishers.

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SELLING POINTS

HOT SERIES: *Outer Banks* has been a fan favorite since its first season in 2020 and continued to make waves in 2021 with its release of season two. The first novel sold nearly 40,000 copies, setting up this second novel for success in the lead-up to season three, airing in February 2023.

ORIGINAL STORY AND POVS:

This all-new novel presents an untold story from Kiara and Pope's points of view.

COMMERCIAL PREMISE: Like *Outer Banks: Lights Out* and the Netflix series itself, this second novelization will be an original, propulsive mystery.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * 304 pages
- * WIDTH: 5 1/2" - mm
- * HEIGHT: 8 1/4" - mm
- * Hardcover with jacket

PUB MONTH: **NOVEMBER 2023**

[AGES 13 and up](#)

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US \$18.99

ALSO AVAILABLE

Outer Banks: Lights Out

ISBN 978-1-4197-5806-5

US \$18.99 CAN \$23.99

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5-Minute Princess Power Stories

● BY ELISE ALLEN

A charming storybook collection of inspiring tales based on the Netflix series *Princess Power*—perfect for read alouds or bedtime!



Based on the bestselling *Princesses Wear Pants* picture books, revisit some of your favorite episodes of the Netflix series *Princess Power*, in print for the first time, with this gifty storybook collection. Each of the 12 stories retells a beloved episode from the show, making it perfect for group read alouds or when it's time to settle down for bed.

Elise Allen is a screenwriter and author of YA and middle-grade novels, including *Twinchantment* and the Gabby Duran and the Unsittables series. She is the showrunner of the Netflix show *Princess Power* and lives in Los Angeles.

SELLING POINTS
POPULAR FORMAT: Five-minute story collections are perennial bestsellers. This one follows the structure of the highly anticipated *5-Minute Ada Twist, Scientist Stories* collection.

NEVER-BEFORE-PUBLISHED STORIES: These 12 stories based on the *Princess Power* Netflix show are available in print for the first time.

BESTSELLING SERIES: The *Princesses Wear Pants* picture books by Savannah Guthrie and Allison Oppenheim were instant *New York Times* bestsellers, and the potential to expand on those characters in the Netflix series is huge.

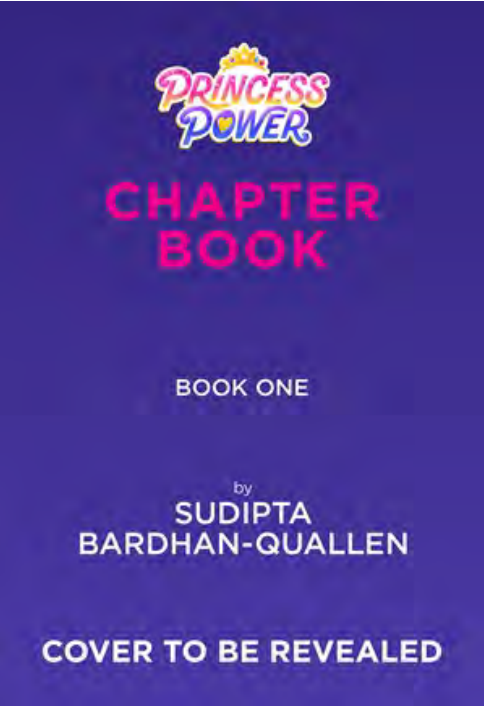
NETFLIX TIE-IN: Season 1 of the Netflix show *Princess Power*, based on Abrams' bestselling *Princesses Wear Pants* books, launches in Spring 2023, drawing in readers to the original books and our forthcoming titles.

SPECIFICATIONS
* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 176 pages
* WIDTH: 7 3/4" - 197mm
* HEIGHT: 10 1/2" - 267mm
* **Hardcover POB**
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Princess Power Chapter Book #1

● BY SUDIPTA BARDHAN-QUALLEN

An empowering, all–new chapter book adventure about girl power, self–expression, and friendship, based on the Netflix series *Princess Power* and inspired by the #1 *New York Times* bestselling picture book *Princesses Wear Pants* (from *TODAY* show coanchor Savannah Guthrie and educator Alli Oppenheim)



Return to the four fruitdoms with Penny Pineapple, Kira Kiwi, Rita Raspberry, and Bea Blueberry! This original illustrated tale features beloved characters and explores the world of *Princess Power*, a new children's Netflix series inspired by the instant #1 bestselling picture books *Princesses Wear Pants* and *Princesses Save the World*.

These curious, kindhearted, can–do princesses learn that as long as they stay true to themselves and work together, there's no challenge they can't face—and there's nothing sweeter than friendship!



Sudipta Bardhan–Quallen is the author of many children's books, including the chapter book series *Purrmaids* and *Mermicorns*, as well as the picture books *Tyrannosaurus Wrecks!*, *Quackenstein Hatches a Family*, *Chicks Rule!*, *Chicks Rock!*, and *Roxie Loves Adventure*. She lives in New Jersey with her family.

SELLING POINTS

NETFLIX SERIES: *Princess Power* launches Jan. 30, 2023. Alli Oppenheim helped develop the show, while Savannah Guthrie produces alongside Drew Barrymore.

NEW PUBLISHING PROGRAM: This young chapter book succeeds *Princess Power 5–Minute Stories* in Abrams' new tie–in program.

BESTSELLING INSPIRATION: *Princesses Wear Pants* and *Princesses Save the World* were instant #1 *New York Times* bestsellers.

KIDS' BOOK PRO: Bardhan–Quallen (*Purrmaids* and *Mermicorns*—over 450,000 copies sold combined!) speaks directly to kids and infuses her stories with heart.

GIRL POWER: Features fan–favorite princesses—empowering role models who are smart, kind, strong, and resilient role models.

FRIENDSHIP & PROBLEM SOLVING: Redefining “princess” as a verb, these supportive friends collaborate to solve problems and make the world a better place.

DIVERSE CAST: Highlights diverse cultural traditions, family structures, and abilities.

ACCESSIBLE READ: Perfect for emerging and reluctant readers.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Two-color spot illustrations throughout
- * 80 pages
- * WIDTH: 5 1/4" - 133mm
- * HEIGHT: 7 5/8" - 194mm

* **Paperback**
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AGES 4 to 8
CHAPTER BOOK,
ENTERTAINMENT

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US \$7.99

The Simpsons Treehouse of Horror Ominous Omnibus Vol. 2: Deadtime Stories for Boos & Ghouls

● BY MATT GROENING. INTRODUCTION BY LISA SIMPSON.

The second of three volumes collecting the complete *Simpsons Treehouse of Horror* comics by creator Matt Groening—packaged in a deluxe, die-cut slipcase that glows in the dark



The *Treehouse of Horror* started as an annual Halloween tradition on *The Simpsons*, beginning during the second season in 1990. In 1995, the first of 23 comics were produced by Bongo, and while some adapted the TV episodes, most told new stories written and illustrated by some of the biggest names in comics, including Kyle Baker, Ian Boothby, Dan Brereton, Gerry Duggan, Pia Guerra, Peter Kuper, Carol Lay, Nina Matsumoto, Terry Moore, Steve Niles, Brian Posehn, James Robinson, Tone Rodriguez, Scott Shaw!, and Jim Woodring. Collected for the first time in a deluxe hardcover slipcase with an all-new die-cut cover, these award-winning comics place the world's most beloved animated family in exciting horror, science fiction, and supernatural settings, making this series the perfect gift for the Halloween season and Simpsons fans of all ages. This second volume in the trilogy is the perfect addition to any *Simpsons* collection. The volume also includes an introduction by Lisa Simpson.

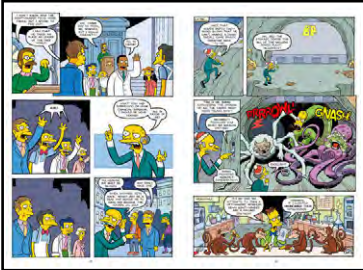
Matt Groening is the creator and executive producer of the Emmy Award-winning series *The Simpsons*, as well as the creator of the animated television series *Futurama* and *Disenchantment*. In addition to supervising the ongoing production of his television series, he wrote and illustrated "Life in Hell," a weekly syndicated comic strip from 1977 to 2012. Groening lives in Los Angeles.

Praise for *The Simpsons Treehouse of Horror Ominous Omnibus Vol. 1*

"Fans of horror, comics, the *Simpsons*, or even a wacky good time will adore this slice of comic history."
—AIPComics.com

"[There are] 400 winking, colorful pages of *Simpsons* comics, some drawn by Chicago's Jeffrey Brown and Jill Thompson, some written by Mark Hamill and Patton Oswalt." —*Chicago Tribune*

"The ideal gift for any *Simpsons* superfan, Scary Tales has plenty of laughs, gags, and big-name authors from comics (Gail Simone, Stan Sakai, Mike Allred) and the wider entertainment world." —AV Club, Holiday Gift Guide 2022



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SELLING POINTS

ENDURING PROPERTY: *The Simpsons* has been on the air for more than 30 years and has won 34 Primetime Emmy Awards, 34 Annie Awards, and a Peabody Award.

DELUXE PACKAGE: This hardcover collection is beautifully designed and packaged in a deluxe, glow-in-the-dark, die-cut slipcase that matches the format of the first volume of *The Treehouse of Horror* (Fall 2022), as well as *The Simpsons Futurama Crossover Crisis* (Spring 2010).

PRAISE FOR THE SERIES: *The Comics Journal* listed the first volume of *The Treehouse of Horror* as one of the best comics of 2022.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 400 pages
- * WIDTH: 8 1/8" - 206mm
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- * Hardcover POB
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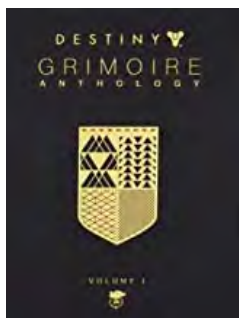
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HUGE FAN BASE: More than 167 million Guardians have joined the ranks within the **Destiny** universe. **Destiny 2** has a large and very engaged fan base who are eagerly anticipating what's next with the franchise.

CONTINUED DEMAND: Since the first game in the franchise launched in 2014, more than 9 billion hours have been spent to date by Guardians exploring **Destiny's** worlds through the core game's free entry point and many popular expansions.

AWARD-WINNING BRAND: **Destiny** was GamesRadar's 2014 Game of the Year and it received the BAFTA Award for Best Game at the 2014 British Academy Video Games Awards. More than 500 awards won over life of game.

STRONGER THAN EVER: More than ONE MILLION **Destiny** players pre-ordered **Destiny 2: The Witch Queen**, making it the most pre-ordered expansion in **Destiny 2** history.

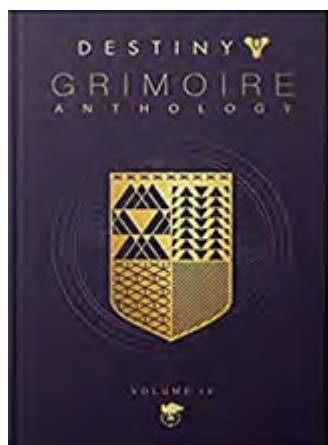


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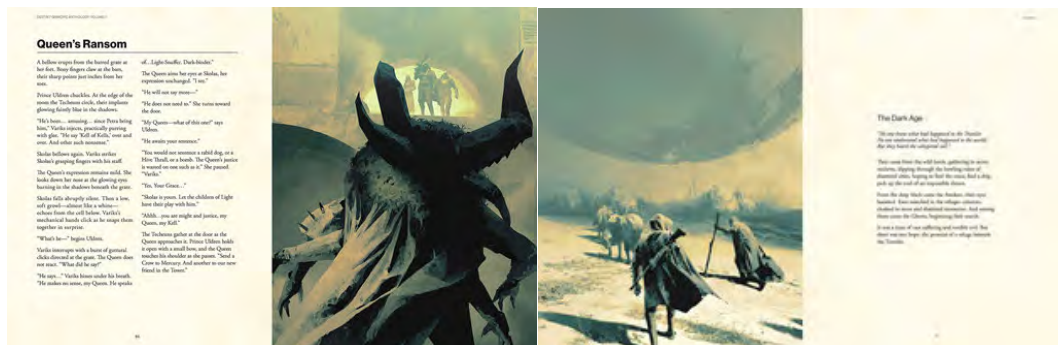


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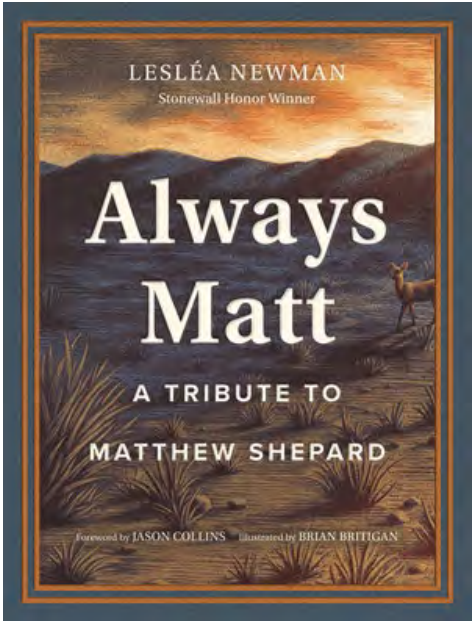


Always Matt

A TRIBUTE TO MATTHEW SHEPARD

- FOREWORD BY JASON COLLINS; WRITTEN BY LESLÉA NEWMAN; ILLUSTRATED BY BRIAN BRITIGAN

A poignant tribute to the life of Matthew Shepard and his legacy in the fight for LGBTQ+ rights, published on the 25th anniversary of the formation of the Matthew Shepard Foundation



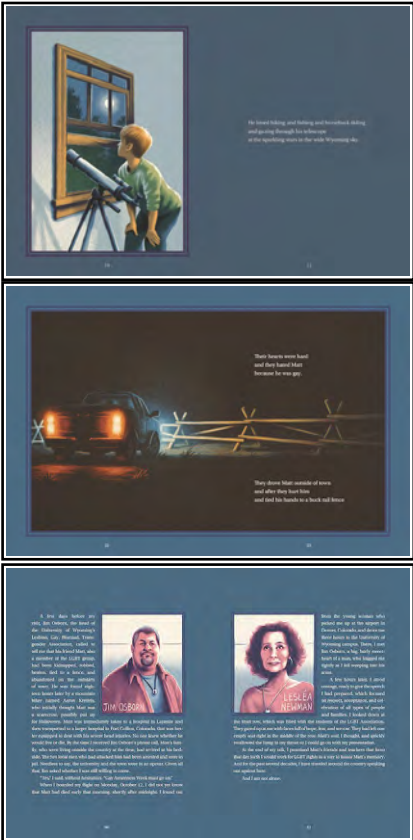
"Loud and long expressions of gratitude and praise to Lesléa and Brian for showing Matt as he truly was: someone who was gentle and kind, accepting everyone at face value, always wanting to make a new friend, and who had plans to make the world a better place for everyone." —Judy and Dennis Shepard

On the night of October 6, 1998, in Laramie, Wyoming, Matthew Shepard was kidnapped, beaten, tied to a fence, and left to die by two men who committed this horrendous hate crime simply because Matt was gay. This brutal, shocking murder became a rallying cry for the LGBTQ+ rights movement, inspiring the Matthew Shepard and James Byrd Jr. Hate Crimes Prevention Act.

With lyrical prose and spare, poignant drawings, *Always Matt* is a moving tribute that celebrates Matt's life and legacy, and a call for a brighter future that upholds the dignity and equality of all people. Twenty-five years after the creation of the Matthew Shepard Foundation, which dedicates its mission to erasing hate, Matt's story needs to be told to every generation.



Jason Collins is a former professional basketball player who was a center for 13 seasons and also the first openly gay, active player in the NBA. He lives in Los Angeles. **Lesléa Newman** is the author of 80 books for readers of all ages including the novel-in-verse *October Mourning: A Song for Matthew Shepard* and the children's classic *Heather Has Two Mommies*. Her awards include the Matthew Shepard Foundation Making a Difference Award, a National Endowment for the Arts Poetry Fellowship, two Stonewall Honors, two National Jewish Book Awards, and a Massachusetts Book Award. Newman lives in Holyoke, Massachusetts. **Brian Britigan** earned an MFA in illustration from the School of Visual Arts in New York City and received a Gold Medal from the Society of Illustrators. His illustrations have appeared in numerous print and online publications, such as the *New York Times*, the *Star Tribune*, and the *Progressive*. Britigan is an instructor and mentor at the Minneapolis College of Art and Design. He and his partner live in Minneapolis.



SELLING POINTS

GROUNDBREAKING LGBTQ+

AUTHOR: The perfect writer to amplify Matt's story, Newman is a two-time Stonewall Honor-winning author who has dedicated her career to pioneering portrayals of gay and lesbian families, including the bestselling *Heather Has Two Mommies*, one of the earliest LGBTQ+ children's books.

FOREWORD: Jason Collins (the first openly gay, active player in the NBA) shares how Matthew Shepard, only two years older than him, was a big part of his personal journey.

CELEBRATORY: Presents a holistic view of Matt's life rather than focusing just on his murder.

SHEPARD FAMILY-APPROVED: Matt's parents blessed this story. Newman received the Matthew Shepard Foundation Making A Difference Award and previously wrote *October Mourning*, a nonfiction book about Matt, which won a Stonewall Honor.

CROSSOVER POTENTIAL: While this speaks directly to adults, the simple, poetic prose also offers caregivers of younger readers a gentle way to discuss discrimination and violence.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 104 pages
- * WIDTH: 6" - 152mm
- * HEIGHT: 8" - 203mm
- * Hardcover with jacket

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Fall Through

● BY NATE POWELL

Love and Rockets meets *Russian Doll* in this all-new graphic novel about an underground punk band caught in a loop of an eternally repeating tour—from National Book Award–winning cartoonist Nate Powell

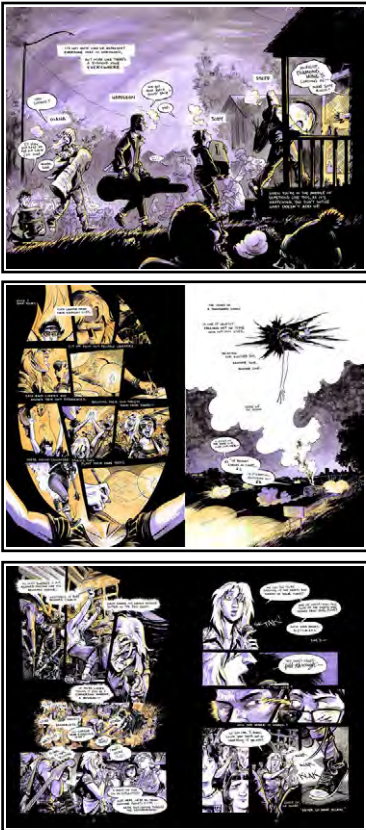


At first glance, Diamond Mine seems to have emerged in 1979 as Arkansas' first punk band. Instead, this quartet is revealed to be interdimensional travelers from 1994, guided—largely against their will—by vocalist Diana's powerful spell embedded into their song "Fall Through."

As Diamond Mine tours the country, each performance of the song triggers a fracturing of space–time perceptible only by the band members as they're transported to alternate worlds in which they've never existed, but their band's legend has. That is, until Jody, the band's bassist and the story's protagonist, finds herself disrupting Diana's sorcery, even at the cost of her own beloved work and legacy. While some band members perpetually seek the free space offered by the underground punk scene to escape from their mundane or traumatic lives, others work toward it as a means of expression, connection, and growth—even if that means inevitably outgrowing their beloved band—family altogether.

Master cartoonist Nate Powell has crafted a graphic novel that serves as both a brilliant example of circular storytelling, reminiscent of Netflix's *Russian Doll*, and a love letter to the spirit of punk communities. *Fall Through* will stay with the reader long after they've turned the last page, asking the impossible question: Would you burn down everything you love in order to save it all?

Nate Powell is a National Book Award–winning cartoonist whose work includes *Save It for Later*; civil rights icon John Lewis's March trilogy and its follow-up *Run: Book One*; *Come Again*; *Two Dead*; *Any Empire*; and *Swallow Me Whole*. Powell's work has received four Eisner Awards, two Ignatz Awards, the Comic-Con International Inkpot Award, and multiple ALA and YALSA distinctions. As for his music career, Powell was introduced to the hardcore punk community in 1991, and played in various bands, including underground legends Soophie Nun Squad and Universe. Learn more at www.nate-powell.com.



SELLING POINTS

ACCLAIMED CREATOR: Powell is a National Book Award–winning cartoonist whose work on the historic March trilogy and *Run: Book 1* has garnered him national attention both within and outside the comics industry.

AUTHENTIC VOICE: Powell is a longtime veteran of the punk music scene and masterfully delivers a character study that comes both from a place of love for the counterculture and from experience.

PUNK CONNECTIONS: Powell's connections in the music scene ensure that the book will be blurb-ed by members of high-profile bands including Black Flag, Bikini Kill, and more.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 192 pages

* WIDTH: 6 1/2" - 165mm

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* Hardcover with jacket

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GRAND SLAM ROMANCE

Grand Slam Romance (Grand Slam Romance Book 1)

● BY EMMA OOSTERHOUS AND OLLIE HICKS

A queer graphic novel where the balls are fast, the smooches are spicy, and the girls . . . magical



In this queer graphic novel that's equal parts romance, softball, and magical girl drama, Mickey Monsoon and Astra Maxima are best friends . . . and maybe more. That is, until Astra unceremoniously dumps Mickey to become a softball wunderkind at a private girl's school in Switzerland. Years later, Mickey is the hotshot pitcher for the Belle City Broads, and their team is poised to sweep the league this season. But Micky is thrown off their game when Astra shows up to catch for the Gaiety Gals, the Broads' fiercest rival. Astra is flirty, arrogant, and reckless on the field—everything the rule-abiding Mickey hates.

Astra thinks Mickey's cute and wants to fool around, even despite their rocky history and the trail of jilted softballers that Astra leaves in her wake. Too bad the only thing Mickey wants is vengeance for their broken heart and wounded pride! But even they have to admit—Astra is a certified babe. And that's not all: Astra isn't just a softball superstar, she's a full-fledged magical girl.

The only way for Mickey to defeat Astra is to betray the Broads and join the Danger Dames, a secret elite team, and start dating Astra's ex! OK, that last bit wasn't part of the plan . . . Mickey's rapidly getting in too deep, but is she just in trouble or is she actually in love? Full of wet mitts, hard hits, and a bevy of softball-playing babes, *Grand Slam Romance: Book 1* is a flawless home run that is sure to knock readers out of the park.

Ollie Hicks is a Black British comics creator and editor who lives in the UK and has Jamaican heritage. They have a PhD in comics studies—focused on 20th-century British and American girls' comics—from the University of Dundee, which is gently gathering dust. They like to write funny gay stories with their funny gay wife, Emma Oosterhous. *Grand Slam Romance* is their debut graphic novel.

Emma Oosterhous is a cartoonist, animal enthusiast, and lesbian from Colorado. In 2018, she earned a Marshall Scholarship and then an MDes in comics and graphic novels from the University of Dundee. She now lives in the UK, where she makes comics with her wife, Ollie Hicks. *Grand Slam Romance* is her debut graphic novel.



SELLING POINTS

QUEER ROMANCE FOR

ADULTS: Perfect for adult readers who grew up on manga and books like *Heartstopper*, *Fence!*, and *Check, Please!* but are looking for a story with more mature themes

FIRST SURELY SERIES: *Grand Slam Romance: Book 1* is the first volume in the first series on the Surely Books imprint. There are at least two more volumes in the works.

LGBTQIA+ CREATORS: Hicks and Oosterhous are a powerhouse queer creative team focused on hugely entertaining storytelling with a diverse cast of characters.

SOFTBALL SPOTLIGHT: Softball is one of the most popular sports in the United States. An estimated 40 million Americans will play at least one softball game annually, and softball's largest sanction body, the Amateur Softball Associate of America (ASA) has more than 3.5 million registered players.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 240 pages

* WIDTH: 6" - 152mm
* HEIGHT: 8 1/2" - 216mm

* Hardcover with jacket

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SILVER

Silver: Of Hunters and Prey (Silver Book #2)

● BY STEPHAN FRANCK

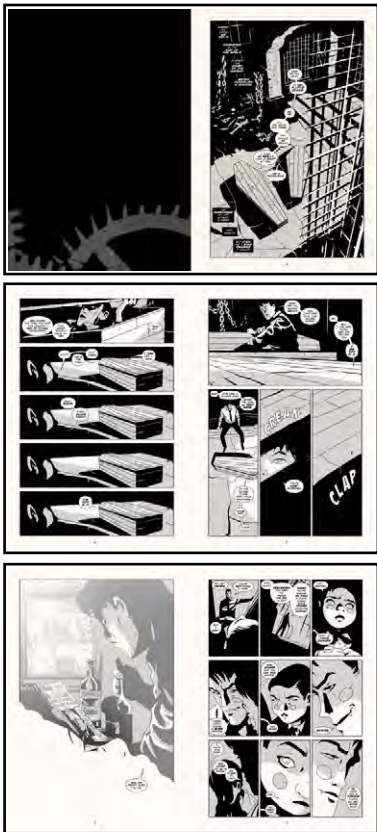
More intense, suspenseful, and gothic than ever, the thrilling *Silver* saga concludes in this epic finale, complete with wry humor, compelling characters, and deep secrets



Deep undercover in a castle full of vampires, charismatic conman James Finnigan and his motley group of grifters must stay one step ahead of the undead in order to *steal* the famed treasure called the Silver Dragon, and live to tell the tale. Will the team crack under pressure? And has Sledge been honest about her involvement? As the last of the Van Helsing, slaying vampires is in her blood, *and merely stealing* from them may just not be enough.

Set in the noir-pulp era of the 1930s, Stephan Franck's *Silver* is a rip-roaring, genre-bending graphic novel that draws on the best of gothic horror and heist tropes to tell a story that is pure adventure. *Silver* offers the captivating dynamics of an ensemble cast of misfits, while inviting us into a world where Bram Stoker's *Dracula* is more fact than fiction. The result is a smart, innovative story complete with world-class visuals and sharply drawn characters that's equal parts action, humor, and heart.

Stephan Franck is an award-nominated animator/writer/director/comic book creator who supervised the animation of Marvel Studio's *What If...?* season 1, and he is currently directing new episodes of the series. He was a supervising animator on the cult classic *The Iron Giant* and contributed story to *Despicable Me*. He co-created the animated TV series *Cornell & Bernie* (Nicktoons – Hub Network), received an Annie Award nomination for best director in a TV program for the featurette *Smurfs: The Legend of Smurfy Hollow*. Equally active in comics, Franck founded the comic book publishing company Dark Planet. His graphic novel debut, *Silver*, earned a nomination for the prestigious Russ Manning Award at San Diego Comic-Con's Eisner Awards, and it is now published by Abrams ComicArts. He lives in Los Angeles.



SELLING POINTS

AWARD-WINNER: *Silver*, Franck's graphic novel debut under the Dark Planet imprint, earned a nomination for the prestigious Russ Manning Award at San Diego Comic-Con in 2014 and a 2015 Geekie Award nomination for best comic/graphic novel. *Silver* also landed on ComiXology's Essential Reads list.

HIGH-PROFILE TALENT: Franck supervised the animation of Marvel Studio's *What If...?* season 1 and is currently directing new episodes of the series. He has worked on cult classics and beloved franchises alike—from *The Iron Giant* and *Space Jam* to the Despicable Me franchise and *Spiderman: Into the Spider-Verse*.

MODERN TWIST ON A CLASSIC: Franck takes Bram Stoker's classic novel *Dracula* and wonders, "what if?" What if vampires still existed? And what if they were guarding a massive treasure? What if a scrappy band of misfits could grift ancient vampires? What if literal bloodsuckers were swindled by figurative bloodsuckers?

POPULAR CATEGORY: Sure to appeal to fans of the League of Extraordinary Gentlemen, Umbrella Academy, and Locke & Key.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Black-and-white illustrations throughout
- * 320 pages
- * WIDTH: 7" - 178mm
- * HEIGHT: 10" - 254mm
- * Hardcover with jacket
- PUB MONTH: OCTOBER 2023
- AGES 14 and up
- GRAPHIC NOVELS, FICTION

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Three Rocks

THE STORY OF ERNIE BUSHMILLER: THE MAN WHO CREATED NANCY

● BY BILL GRIFFITH

From Bill Griffith, the acclaimed creator of *Zippy the Pinhead*, comes a history of comics as told through the life story of Ernie Bushmiller and his iconic comic strip *Nancy*



From Bill Griffith, creator of *Zippy the Pinhead* and *Nobody's Fool*, comes *Three Rocks*, a biography of cartoonist Ernie Bushmiller, creator of the iconic comic strip *Nancy*. But this graphic novel is about more than a single comic book artist. It is the story of this American art form, tracing its inception in 1895 with the *Yellow Kid*, the creation of *Nancy* in 1933, and all the strips that followed, including *Peanuts* and *The Far Side*. When Bushmiller died in 1982, *Nancy* was running in almost 900 daily newspapers—a number few syndicated cartoonists ever achieve.

Nancy is hailed as the “perfect” comic strip by fans and cartoonists alike. The title *Three Rocks* refers to the trope of three hemispherical rocks often seen in a Bushmiller landscape—just enough to communicate environment to the reader. This distillation is exemplary of the iconic, diagrammatic look of *Nancy*, a comic strip about the nature of what it means to be a comic strip—the perfect avatar for Griffith to expand upon his philosophy of creating comics.

Bill Griffith is the creator of the syndicated daily comic strip *Zippy* and the author of *Nobody's Fool: The Life and Times of Schlitzie the Pinhead*. Griffith's prolific output has been included in such publications as the *Village Voice*, *National Lampoon*, and *The New Yorker*. According to Bartlett, Griffith coined the popular phrase, “Are we having fun yet?” He lives in Hadlyme, Connecticut.

Praise for *Three Rocks*

“As the widest-ranging cartoon chronicler of American absurdity in our time, Bill Griffith has topped himself. This is an instant comic-strip classic!” —Matt Groening

“For many years, I've devoured Bill Griffith's work. It's always inspiring and engrossing. As it never fails to do, Griffith's brilliance and consummate drawing chops shine through. *Three Rocks* is amazing!” —Emil Ferris

“A page-turning, standard-setting, must-have work of biographical art.” —Chris Ware



SELLING POINTS

CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED

AUTHOR: Griffith's previous graphic novel, *Nobody's Fool* (Abrams ComicArts, spring 2019) received starred reviews from *Booklist* and *Publishers Weekly*.

DICTIONARY DEFINITION:

The American Heritage Dictionary defines “comic strip” as “a narrative series of cartoons,” and illustrates this with a “Nancy” cartoon. An eye-tracking survey by the syndicates determined that *Nancy* was the first strip most people viewed on a newspaper comics page.

UNTOLD HISTORY:

In *Three Rocks*, Bill Griffith paints a compelling history of both Ernie Bushmiller and of the oft-forgotten culture of newspaper comics of that era which both shaped his career and held a mirror to society.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Black-and-white illustrations throughout
- * 272 pages
- * Hardcover with jacket

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We Are Not Strangers

● BY JOSH TUININGA

Inspired by a true story, this graphic novel follows a Jewish immigrant's efforts to help his Japanese neighbors while they are incarcerated during World War II



Marco Calvo always knew his grandfather, affectionately called Papoo, was a good man. But when Papoo peacefully passes away, Marco is surprised to see among his close family and friends are mourners he doesn't recognize—Japanese American families. How did these strangers know his grandfather so well?

Set in the multicultural Central District of Seattle during World War II and inspired by author Josh Tuininga's family experiences, *We Are Not Strangers* explores a unique situation of Japanese and Jewish Americans living side by side in a country at war. Following Papoo's perspective, we learn of his life as a Sephardic Jewish immigrant and his friendship with Sam Akiyama, a Japanese man whose life is upended by Executive Order 9066, which authorized the incarceration of nearly all Japanese Americans and residents of Japanese ancestry. Determined to keep Sam's business afloat while he and his family are unjustly imprisoned, Papoo creates a plan that not only changes the lives of the Akiyamas, but of Seattle's entire Japanese community.

An evocative and beautifully illustrated historical fiction graphic novel revealing the truth of one man's extraordinary efforts, *We Are Not Strangers* converges two perspectives into a single portrait of a community's struggle with race, responsibility, and what it truly means to be an American.

Josh Tuininga is an author, artist, and designer living in North Bend, Washington. After studying fine art at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, he founded an art and design agency, where he continues to work as its creative director. Tuininga is the author of two children's books: *Why Blue?* (Xist Publishing, 2014) and *Dream On* (Indiegogo campaign, 2019). *We Are Not Strangers*, which has been awarded a 4Culture Heritage Grant, is his first graphic novel.

Praise for *We Are Not Strangers*

"A powerful book about advocating for friends and neighbors during times of great division. An important addition to literature about the internment of Japanese Americans during World War II." —Kazu Kibuishi, author of the Amulet series

"*We are Not Strangers* inspires readers to treat fellow human beings with fairness and dignity. Tuininga wonderfully succeeds in showing and telling a real story with real people in a real time." —Sharon Hashimoto, author of *The Crane Wife* and *More American*



SELLING POINTS

POPULAR THEMES: *We Are Not Strangers* showcases universal themes of community, lost history, and social responsibility, which are subjects now more crucial than ever. The treatment of Japanese-American people during World War II, in particular, is a subject that has experienced a resurgence of public interest and discussion in recent years.

UNIQUE PERSPECTIVE: Told from the point of view of a Jewish immigrant, Tuininga reveals a completely new and untold side of the internment of Japanese-Americans during World War II.

TOPICAL: As the issues of racist law making and displacement remain all too relevant, *We Are Not Strangers* sheds a spotlight on how one man's actions can change the course of history for a community.

EDUCATIONAL CONTENT: The book includes a foreword by celebrated author and Seattle resident Ken Mochizuki, an afterword by noted scholar Devin Naar, and back matter that adds depth and context.

INCREDIBLE COMPS: *The Best We Could Do* and *They Called Us Enemy* are both excellent comps to this story, and given the enormous success of both those titles, we expect to see similar enthusiasm for this work.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 208 pages
- * WIDTH: 6 1/2" - 165mm
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- * Hardcover with jacket
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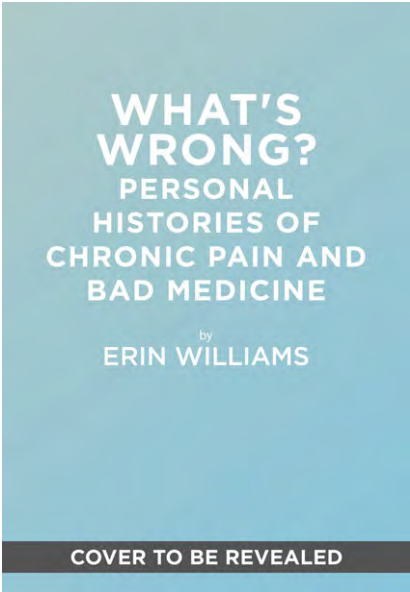
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What's Wrong?

PERSONAL HISTORIES OF CHRONIC PAIN AND BAD MEDICINE

● BY ERIN WILLIAMS

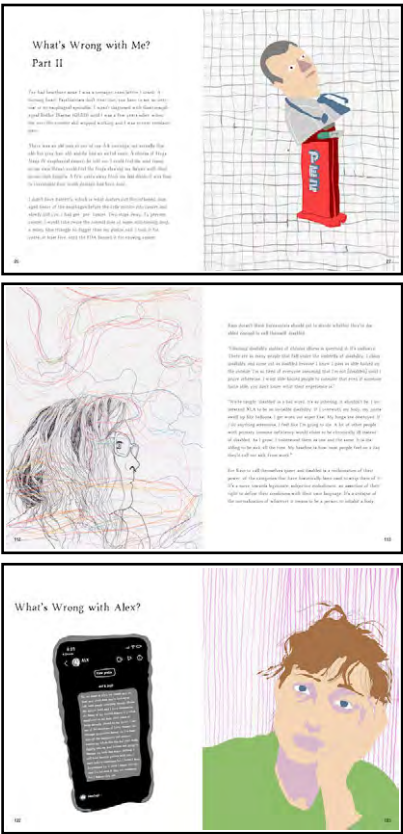
A gorgeously illustrated critique of how the American healthcare system fails women, people of color, and nonbinary individuals—perfect for fans of *Invisible Women*



What's Wrong? is author, illustrator, and scientific researcher Erin Williams's graphic exploration of how the American healthcare system has failed both her and the rest of us. Focusing on poignant, raw, and complex firsthand accounts from four patients, plus Williams' own personal story, this book addresses identifiable illnesses such as bladder cancer, alcoholism, postpartum depression, abuse, and endometriosis. More broadly, it peels back the layers on the invisible illnesses that come from trauma, often perpetuated by the broken healthcare system.

Western medicine, which is intended to cure illness and pain, often causes more loss, abuse, and suffering, especially for those Americans who do not fit within the narrow definition of "normal," meaning white, male, and heterosexual. The book explores the many ways in which those receiving medical treatments are often overlooked, unseen, and doubted by their doctors due to their race, gender, and unconventional social circumstances. Despite this, *What's Wrong?* remains a beautiful celebration of and declaration by those who were able to find various ways of healing and receiving care, ways where they were not just viewed as collections of parts to be taken apart and reassembled but as people.

Erin Williams is a writer, illustrator, and researcher living in New York. She is the author of *Commute* and co-author of *The Big Fat Activity Book for Pregnant People* and *The Big Activity Book for Anxious People*.



SELLING POINTS

STRONG CATEGORY: The ideal next book for the many people helped by Stephanie Foo's *What My Bones Know*, a memoir about Complex–PTSD, and *The Body Keeps the Score* by Bessel van der Kolk—people who live with pain and trauma every day.

FEMINIST PERSPECTIVE: *What's Wrong?* will join the successful ranks of books that look at societal biases and how they harm marginalized people, such as *Invisible Women* and Rebecca Traister's *Good and Mad*, both of which sold more than 55,000 copies each.

CRITICAL TOPIC: With *Roe v. Wade* being overturned and fears of not having access to safe healthcare opportunities, this book is more important now than ever as it investigates how minorities are disregarded, ignored, and lost in today's American healthcare system.

EVOCATIVE ILLUSTRATION STYLE: Williams's visceral illustration style perfectly reflects the themes, complexities, emotions, and psychological effects of illnesses and healing.

UPLIFTING AND UNIFYING MESSAGE: While Williams tells stories filled with pain and trauma, the message is one of community and connection. We can lessen our isolation by sharing our stories and heavy burdens.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 256 pages
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