If Animals Said I Love You
by Ann Whitford Paul, illustrated by David Walker

If animals said "I love you," how would they say it? Gorilla would pound her chest, whale would sing, and cheetah would purr. In this board book edition of If Animals Said I Love You, Ann Whitford Paul and David Walker imagine all the ways the members of the animal kingdom might express love. A perfect bedtime story for the youngest audience.

If Animals Kissed Good Night:

"There are probably not enough synonyms for 'cute' to cover this survey of hypothetical smooches between animal parents and offspring. . . . The characters radiate unconditional love." - Publishers Weekly, starred review

"The imaginative possibilities alone make this one stand out from the glut of sickly sweet bedtime books. Sure to send readers off to a gentle goodnight . . . after a kiss, of course." - Kirkus Reviews

"Lively rhythm, effective sound words, and an eclectic collection of toddler-pleasing animals all combine to create a charming bedtime book." - School Library Journal

Author Bio

Location: Ann Whitford Paul - Los Angeles, CA.; David Walker - Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Ann Whitford Paul and David Walker collaborated on If Animals Kissed Good Night and Little Monkey Says Good Night, a Bank Street Best Children's Book of the Year, which Kirkus Reviews praised as "a perfect good-night read." Ms. Paul lives in Los Angeles, California. Mr. Walker lives in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Learn more about them at annwhitfordpaul.com and davidwalkerstudios.com.
A Unicorn Named Sparkle
by Amy Young, illustrated by Amy Young

When Lucy sees an ad in the newspaper for a unicorn, she sends in her twenty-five cents and waits four to six long weeks for her very own unicorn to arrive. She imagines the flowers that she’ll braid into his beautiful pink mane, and she even picks the perfect name for him: Sparkle. But when Sparkle arrives, his ears are too long, his horn is too short, he smells funny—and oh, he has fleas. Lucy isn’t pleased, but in the end she warms up to Sparkle and realizes that even though he wasn’t exactly the unicorn she wanted, he might be just the one she needs.

"The pencil, pen, and watercolor illustrations, done in a simple, loose style, offer expressive, playful character poses. And Young hits all the visual beats, creating something likable and appealing. . . . A tale about coming to love someone—or something—for who they are and not what one hopes them to be: a pleasant addition to the odd-couple shelf." - Kirkus Reviews

A New Friend for Sparkle:

"Appealing illustrations, done in pen with pastel washes of color, are warm and inviting." - Kirkus Reviews

"She had to admit: sometimes he made her smile and sometimes he made her laugh," writes Young (Don’t Eat the Baby!), whose storytelling and watercolor cartooning are spot-on in their comic timing. Her message to readers is clear: Self-awareness and finding a soul mate don’t always come easily." - Publishers Weekly

Author Bio

Location: Amy Young - Spring Lake, Michigan; Amy Young - Spring Lake, Michigan

Amy Young was born in Boston, Massachusetts, and though she trained and practiced as a lawyer, she has always wanted to be an artist. Since then, she has written and illustrated many picture books. She lives in Spring Lake, Michigan, with her husband. amyyoungart.com
I’m a Truck Driver
by Jonathan London, illustrated by David Parkins

There are many different kinds of trucks to drive. You can dig up dirt with a power shovel, lift steel beams with a giant crane, flatten tar with a steamroller, and push away snow with a snowplow. Preschoolers will love watching the little boy and girl in the story as they sit in the driver's seat of twelve big trucks that *rumble and tumble* and go *clinka-vroom vroom*!

A Christy Ottaviano Book

"Truck fans will love the anthropomorphized trucks, each with its own clever face and personality. The amusing antics of the dog and cat, as well as their rather bad luck, provide comic relief. This is this is sure to come as a breath of fresh air to adults accustomed to the usual construction-truck fare." - Kirkus Reviews

"This is a wonderful picture book about trucks, from power shovels to street sweepers and more. . . . With expressive faces on the trucks, the pictures will draw young audiences into the story, reminding them of Jon Scieszka's *Truck Town*." - School Library Journal

"Chunky, rounded shapes (fans of Disney's *Cars* will recognize the style immediately), simple but accurate detailing, plenty of onomatopoeia, and just enough anthropomorphism to make it clear that these trucks revel in collaborating with humans." - Publishers Weekly

Author Bio

Location: Jonathan London - Graton, CA; David Parkins - Ontario, Canada

Jonathan London is the author of more than eighty books for young readers, including the ever-popular Froggy books, as well as *A Truck Goes Rattley-Bumpa* and *A Train Goes Clickety-Clack*. He lives in Graton, California.

David Parkins has illustrated many books for children including *Shhhhh! Everybody's Sleeping* and *The Adventures of Old Bo Bear*. He lives in Ontario, Canada.
How Many Hugs?
by Heather Swain, illustrated by Steven Henry

Centipedes, those crawliest bugs
have 300 legs for giving out hugs.
That's 150 on one side to grasp
and 150 on the other to clasp.

Hugs abound in this celebration of animals and multi-legged insects and their babies! And at the end of the day, human parents can give their little ones as many hugs as they want-with two arms.

Charming art and rhyming text make this a perfect companion to All Kinds of Kisses. Both have counting components that are fun and that encourage an appreciation of nature and its creatures.

Do more arms mean better hugs? That's the question raised in this lighthearted contemplation of animal intimacy, Swain and Henry's follow-up to All Kinds of Kisses . . . charming." - Publishers Weekly

Praise for All Kinds of Kisses:

"Swain invites readers to contemplate the types of kisses 11 animals might bestow on each other, based on their distinctive mouths, beaks, tongues, and jaws. . . . What is consistent is the tenderness between the adult animals and their offspring, as captured in Henry's (It's Raining Bats and Cats) rough-edged, mid-20th-century-retro portraits. A closing spread offers additional details about the sun bears, porpoises, chubsuckers, and other features creatures." - Publishers Weekly

Author Bio

Location: Steven Henry - Seattle, Washington

Heather Swain is the author of several previous books, including the adult fiction title Cold Feet ; the craft book Make These Toys ; and the YA novel Josie Griffin Is Not a Vampire . She lives in Brooklyn. heatherswainbooks.com

Steven Henry (né D'Amico) is the illustrator of the popular Ella the Elegant Elephant series, as well as It's Raining Bats and Frogs and All Kinds of Kisses for F&F. He lives in Seattle, Washington. stevenhenry.net
I Love You for Miles and Miles
by Alison Goldberg, illustrated by Mike Yamada

Now in accessible board book format, this I-love-you book is perfect for children who love vehicles that dig, carry, and lift. Love can be stronger than the strongest excavator, longer than the longest train, and taller than the tallest crane. With exciting imagery and engaging, lyrical text, Goldberg compares the abilities of vehicles like trains, planes, cars, boats, and construction equipment to the never-ending love a parent has for their child.

There's a mix of tenderness and action in nearly every scene, and Yamada sometimes creates space between the two bears in his cheery cartoons, letting the younger one pilot his own helicopter, jet, and tugboat in a way that hints at the push-and-pull between independence and intimacy. The repeating structure and gentle reassurances of Goldberg's verse cast a cozy, restful spell." - Publishers Weekly

Author Bio

Alison Goldberg lives with her family in Cambridge, Massachusetts. I Love You for Miles and Miles is her first picture book, inspired by her children's love of trucks and trains. alisongoldberg.com

Mike Yamada is a production designer at Walt Disney Animation and the illustrator of eight children's books. He currently resides in Los Angeles with his cat. myamada.com

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You and Me and the Wishing Tree
by Nancy Tillman

We woke up in the usual way, but it was not a usual day. Out on the lawn, plain as could be, stood an orange wishing tree. "I wish!" I said. "I wish!" said you. And so our double wishes grew.

Wishes are a magical part of childhood. Whether we wish on stars or blow out candles on a cake, our dreams matter. Nancy Tillman captures the wonder of wishes as only she can, with love.

You and Me and the Wishing Tree:

"Gorgeous, magical illustrations complement this ode to the love between a parent and child. The joyous excursion through the boy's imagination makes for a sweet bedtime read, giving both parent and child a chance to share wishes great and small. A delightful read for one-on-one sharing." - School Library Journal

I'd Know You Anywhere, My Love:

"Young children adore pretending to be animals, and Tillman's insight into the wish to turn into another creature powers this book." - Publishers Weekly

The Crown on Your Head:

"This is soothing, visually attractive, and makes for a comforting bedtime read-aloud." - Booklist

Author Bio

Location: Portland, Or

Nancy Tillman is the author and illustrator of the bestselling picture book On the Night You Were Born; its companion journal, The Wonder of You: A Book for Celebrating Baby's First Year; The Spirit of Christmas; The Heaven of Animals; You're Here for a Reason; and the New York Times bestsellers Wherever You Are, My Love Will Find You and The Crown on Your Head. She also created the mischievous cat Tumford in Tumford the Terrible and Tumford's Rude Noises, and illustrated It's Time to Sleep, My Love by Eric Metaxas.
12 Lucky Animals: A Bilingual Baby Book
by Vickie Lee, illustrated by Joey Chou

Using the twelve animals of the Chinese zodiac, this bright and appealing board book introduces the youngest of readers to the names of animals in both English and Chinese, using Chinese characters alongside their pinyin (romanized spelling). Rat, Ox, Tiger, Rabbit, Dragon, Snake, Dragon, Snake, Horse, Sheep, Monkey, Rooster, Dog, Pig-readers will love finding out which zodiac animal they are!

- GODWIN BOOKS -

Ruby's Chinese New Year:

"An inviting adventure about the Chinese New Year, and the importance of spending it with family and friends. Best shared one-on-one and in small groups." - School Library Journal

Author Bio

Location: Vickie Lee - New York City; Joey Chou - California

Vickie Lee is an acupuncturist and Chinese medicine practitioner. She was inspired by her daughter, Ruby, and their shared love of animals and of Chinese culture to write Ruby's Chinese New Year, her picture book debut. She lives with her daughter and her husband in Brooklyn, New York.

Joey Chou was born in Taiwan and moved to sunny California in his early teens. There he received his BFA from Art Center College of Design in Pasadena. Joey works by day as a visual development artist on feature animated films, and by night as a picture book illustrator. joeychouart.com
Woke Baby
by Theodore Taylor III and Mahogany L. Browne

Woke babies are up early. Woke babies raise their fists in the air. Woke babies cry out for justice. Woke babies grow up to change the world.

This lyrical and empowering book is both a celebration of what it means to be a baby and what it means to be woke. With bright playful art, Woke Baby is an anthem of hope of in a world where there is no limit to a skyscraper but more blue.

Author Bio

Location: Theodore Taylor III - Washington, D.C.; Mahogany L. Browne - Brooklyn, NY

Mahogany L. Browne is a California born, Brooklyn based writer, educator, activist, mentor, and curator. She has published several books of poetry, and she is an Urban Word NYC Artistic Director (as seen on HBO's Brave New Voices), founder of Women Writers of Color Reading Room, Director of BLM@Pratt Programming, and facilitates performance poetry and writing workshops throughout the country.

Theodore Taylor III is an artist, designer, and photographer. He is the winner of the John Steptoe Award for New Talent for his work in When the Beat Was Born. He lives in Richmond Virginia with his wife and his very own woke baby.
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Promotion
The Pout-Pout Fish and the Can’t-Sleep Blues
by Deborah Diesen, illustrated by Dan Hanna

One night in the ocean, the Pout-Pout Fish can’t get to sleep! He’s all ready for bed, but he just can’t catch a snooze. When he asks his friends for advice, they’re all sure they know what he should do-count sheep, use a pillow made of rocks, swim in circles—but nothing works. What to do when good advice isn’t good for everyone? Little guppies will love this bedtime story about learning from experience and doing what’s best for you!

The Pout-Pout Fish series:

"Younger kids will love the repetition of the verses in this tale of a pout-pout fish." - TIME magazine, from its Top 10 Childrens’ Books of 2008 List

"Winning artwork . . . Hanna's cartoonish undersea world swims with hilarious bug-eyed creatures that ooze personality." - Kirkus Reviews

"Appealing . . . The cartoon illustrations of undersea life are bright and clean and the protagonist's exaggerated expressions are entertaining." - School Library Journal

"Fans of this series will appreciate Diesen's rhythmic-and ultimately reassuring-text, and Hanna's sunny illustrations contain many clever details." - Booklist

Author Bio

Location: Deborah Diesen - Grand Lodge, Michigan; Dan Hanna - Oxnard, California

Deborah Diesen currently works for a nonprofit organization and has also worked as a librarian and a bookseller. She lives in Grand Ledge, Michigan. deborahdiesen.com

Dan Hanna has over ten years of experience in the animation industry, and his work has appeared on the Cartoon Network. He lives in Oxnard, California. danhanna.com
Pout-Pout Fish: Easter Surprise
by Deborah Diesen, illustrated by Dan Hanna

Celebrate Easter with the Pout-Pout Fish! At an affordable price point, and with two pages of stickers, this new format is fun and accessible for Mr. Fish's fans and newcomers alike.

Praise for the Pout-Pout Fish series:

"Winning artwork . . . Hanna's cartoonish undersea world swims with hilarious bug-eyed creatures that ooze personality." - Kirkus Reviews

"Appealing . . . the cartoon illustrations of undersea life are bright and clean and the protagonist's exaggerated expressions are entertaining." - School Library Journal

"The playful, rhyming verse is well matched with Hanna's funny cartoon illustrations." - School Library Journal

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Lost in the Library
A Story of Patience & Fortitude
by Josh Funk, illustrated by Stevie Lewis

Steadfast Fortitude and curious Patience are waiting every morning to greet visitors of the Library.

That is until, one early morning, when Fortitude finds Patience is missing. The city is about to awake, and the lions absolutely must be in their places before the sun rises. Now, Fortitude must abandon his own post to find his best friend in the Library's labyrinthine halls.

With clever rhyme and vibrant art, Lost in the Library introduces young readers to a pair of unforgettable lions, as well as the famed New York Public Library, and includes bonus material loaded with facts about Patience, Fortitude, and the NYPL's history.

Author Bio

Location: Josh Funk - Concord, MA; Stevie Lewis - Juneau, Alaska

Josh Funk is the author of several books including Lady Pancake & Sir French Toast, It's Not Jack and the Beanstalk, and How to Code a Sandcastle. Although he is allergic to cats, Patience and Fortitude have fur made of marble and caused no problems in the writing of this book.

joshfunkbooks.com

Stevie Lewis lives on the road, furthering her passion for climbing, art, and the outdoors. She gathers inspiration from a variety of places, be it climbing in the high desert in central Oregon, hiking in the wilderness of Alaska, or sharing laughs with fellow travelers around a campfire. After working for four years in animation, she now illustrates children's books and creates art based on her travels.

chocosweete.com
Me, Myselfie & I: A Cautionary Tale
by Jamie Lee Curtis, illustrated by Laura Cornell

When her mom becomes obsessed with selfies, a little girl takes matters into her own hands in this charming-and topical-picture book, that is sure to appeal to today's millennial parents.

Full of all the heart and humor we've come to expect from Jamie Lee Curtis, this book is sure to delight and will be relatable to both kids and parents.

_Selfies in dance class_
_selfies while sledding._

_She even took SELFIES at a stranger's WEDDING!_

"Move to my left, Hon, that's not my good side."
_My self-obsessed mom makes me want to hide._

_Million likes later! She's a selfie STAR_ 
_But I knew it had NOW gone way too far._

Author Bio

Location: Jamie Lee Curtis - Los Angeles; Laura Cornell - New York City

Jamie Lee Curtis is the New York Times-bestselling author of over ten picture books, including _Tell Me Again About The Night I Was Born, Today I Feel Silly, I'm Going To Like Me_, and, most recently, _My Brave Year of Firsts_. A mother, philanthropist, and award-winning actress, Jamie is a tireless promoter with a devoted following and a unique talent for writing for children.

Lauren Cornell has illustrated all of Jamie Lee Curtis's picture books, many of which were New York Times bestsellers. She lives in New York City with her daughter.
The all-animal touring concert event Zoola Palooza has come to town. With a motley crew of animals playing a variety of instruments, homographs abound. Homographs are words that are spelled the same but sound different and have different meanings. Billy the striped BASS opens the show wearing a big BOW tie. He gives a gracious BOW from the top of his BASS fiddle.

This terrific companion to Dear Deer: A Book of Homophones and The Bat Can Bat: A Book of True Homonyms brings homographs to the spotlight for a show-stopping good time.

"[Kids will] enjoy Barretta's wit and the atmosphere of controlled chaos in the high-energy watercolor illustrations." - Booklist Online

"Young readers should appreciate Barretta's ability to construct miniature story lines using the homographs, and while phrases sometimes hit clunky notes ("Fortunately, she wound up landing on the back of a jellyfish, wound-free"), they are well-served by his starry-eyed, crowd-surfing menagerie." - Publishers Weekly

"While teachers are sure to reach for this entertaining resource again and again, the humor, illustrations, wordplay and story are strong enough that casual readers will pick this up, chuckle and even (gasp!) learn." - Kirkus Reviews

Author Bio

Gene Barretta has written and illustrated many award-winning books, including two other books in this series on language: Deer Dear and The Bat Can Bat; as well as Lincoln and Kennedy: A Pair to Compare; Timeless Thomas: How Thomas Edison Changed Our Lives, winner of the Cook Prize Honor from Bank Street College of Education; Neo Leo: The Ageless Ideas of Leonardo da Vinci; and Now & Ben: The Modern Inventions of Benjamin Franklin. He lives in Wynnewood, Pennsylvania, with his son.
If Animals Celebrated Christmas
by Ann Whitford Paul, illustrated by David Walker

If animals said "Merry Christmas", how would they say it? Beaver would gnaw down trees with his teeth, Koala would decorate with Mama and Papa, and of course Polar Bear Santa would fly through the night! Following the success of If Animals Kissed Good Night this new installment is a celebration of the Christmas season, complete with the series's signature adorable animals.

If Animals Kissed Good Night:

"There are probably not enough synonyms for 'cute' to cover this survey of hypothetical smooches between animal parents and offspring. . . . The characters radiate unconditional love." - Publishers Weekly, starred review

"The imaginative possibilities alone make this one stand out from the glut of sickly sweet bedtime books. Sure to send readers off to a gentle goodnight . . . after a kiss, of course." - Kirkus Reviews

"Lively rhythm, effective sound words, and an eclectic collection of toddler-pleasing animals all combine to create a charming bedtime book." - School Library Journal

"Using soft colors Walker renders the nighttime rituals inventively, across pages and around panels, making this gentle book a satisfying bedtime selection." - Booklist

Author Bio

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A Unicorn Named Sparkle’s First Christmas
by Amy Young, illustrated by Amy Young

It’s Sparkle’s first Christmas and Lucy is showing him how to celebrate. Make a snowman. Check. Make a unicorn snowman. Check. Hang stockings, make cookies, and, of course-buy presents! (But don’t eat them.) Check. In pure Sparkle fashion, nothing goes as planned, but Lucy ends up learning that love—not presents—is what Christmas is all about.

"Young hits all the visual beats, creating something likable and appealing. A tale about coming to love someone—or something—for who they are and not what one hopes them to be: a pleasant addition to the odd-couple shelf." - Kirkus Reviews

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Promotion
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Author Bio

Location: Amy Young - Spring Lake, Michigan; Amy Young - Spring Lake, Michigan

Amy Young was born in Boston, Massachusetts, and though she trained and practiced as a lawyer, she has always wanted to be an artist. She is the author and illustrator of several picture books including A Unicorn Named Sparkle and A New Friend for Sparkle. She lives in Spring Lake, Michigan, with her husband. amyyoungart.com
Merry Christmas, Little Elliot
by Mike Curato, illustrated by Mike Curato

Little Elliot and Mouse are back for another adventure—and this time, they’re looking for Christmas spirit! Elliot isn’t quite sure what Christmas spirit is, but he suspects he doesn’t have it. Not even a visit to Santa Claus can put Elliot in the right mood. But when chance blows a letter for Santa into Elliot and Mouse’s path, the two friends discover what Christmas is all about—and make a new friend, too. A heartfelt celebration of the season of giving!

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"It’s a gorgeous vision of summer in the city, as well as of small steps with big payoffs." - Publishers Weekly, starred review

"A bravura celebration of the healing effects of acceptance and friendship." - Booklist, starred review

Little Elliot, Big Family:

"Young children will easily relate to Elliot’s experience of loneliness and his relief at inclusion, both convincingly captured in this elegant tale." - Kirkus Reviews, starred review

"Curato fleshes out Little Elliot’s personality in this installment—there are glimmers of a character with real depth beneath his cutie-pie visage—while continuing to come up with wonderful, Hopperesque images of a bygone New York." - Publishers Weekly, starred review

Notes

Promotion
National Author Tour
Appearances at Regional Trade Shows
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National Consumer Advertising Campaign
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MacKids Social Media Engagement Campaign
Dedicated Series Website at LittleElliotBooks.com
Promotion At National School And Library Conferences including ALSC Institute

Author Bio

Location: Mike Curato - Northampton, MA; Mike Curato - Northampton, MA

Mike Curato is an illustrator who loves small treasures. He has illustrated many books for children and is the author and illustrator of Little Elliot, Big Fun, Little Elliot, Big Family, and Little Elliot, Big City.
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Promotion
Tractor Mac Saves Christmas
by Billy Steers

Every year, the whole town looks forward to the Christmas tree lighting, but this year, a blizzard has struck. The snow starts to fall more and more heavily, and soon, Tractor Mac and his pals are snowed in at the barn. Farmer Bill and Sibley the horse are supposed to be on their way to the center of town with the tree, but when they get stuck in the blizzard and it looks like the ceremony will have to be called off, Tractor Mac saves them and the whole holiday celebration.

Tractor Mac Countdown to Christmas:
"Fans of the series will find much to enjoy on this holiday visit to Stony Meadow Farm." - School Library Journal

Tractor Mac Teamwork:
"Purchase as an additional picture book on character education and for fans of Thomas the Tank Engine, who might enjoy this series." - School Library Journal

Author Bio
Location: Roxbury, Connecticut

Billy Steers is an author, illustrator, and commercial pilot. In addition to the Tractor Mac series, he has worked on forty other children's books. Mr. Steers had horses and sheep on the farm where he grew up in Connecticut. Married with three sons, he still lives in Connecticut. tractormac.com
Tractor Mac Family Reunion
by Billy Steers

Tractor Mac loves that he is the only tractor in his farm family. Then one day, his friend Iron Dave the train brings him to a tractor dealership and shows him a whole lot full of big red tractors that look just like him. Are these tractors his real family? Tractor Mac is excited to find a place with so many familiar faces, but sad that he might have to leave the farm to be with them. Then all of the big red tractors in the lot help him to understand that his real home is with the family he’s found with the animals and machines on Stony Meadow Farm.

Praise for…

Tractor Mac New Friend:

The detailed illustrations reflect the artist's love of country life and antique machinery. A cheerful addition to transportation collections." - School Library Journal

"Positive, practical life lessons abound as popular character Tractor Mac returns in this light, new selection for vehicle-loving listeners and readers. The cheerful pace, chirpy dialogue, and satisfying ending are sure to please fans of the series." - Kirkus Reviews

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When a new red tractor named Daisy joins the team at Stony Meadow Farm, she has trouble adjusting to all of the different chores that must be done. She realizes that she has much to learn. Can she do all of the work on her own? Luckily, Tractor Mac and his friends chop, pull, haul, and drag alongside Daisy until she gets the hang of it. With the help of everyone on the farm, Daisy thinks she will fit right in!

Popular, practical life lessons abound as popular character Tractor Mac returns in this light, new selection for vehicle-loving listeners and readers . . . the cheerful pace, chirpy dialogue and satisfying ending are sure to please fans of the series." - Kirkus Reviews

"Like all of the" Tractor Mac" books, the story focuses on the importance of teamwork and friendship, and the message is clearly presented. The cheerful, detailed illustrations reflect the artist's love of the country life and antique machinery." - Sally James, South Hillsborough Elementary School, Hillsborough, CA, School Library Journal

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Once upon a time, while Fox was visiting the land of Holiday Treats, a little cookie—still warm from the bakery oven—burst out the front door looking sweet and ready to be devoured. But, as it turns out, Cookie is not as fast as he thinks and when Fox finally catches him, they’re both in for a big surprise: Sugar Cookie does not taste delicious—and he’s certainly not fit to be eaten.

What's an unsavory cookie to do? Is there another option for this not-so-sweet treat?

With echoes of Holt's bestselling Arnie the Doughnut and the folktale classic The Gingerbread Man, this inventive story celebrates the joy of being accepted for who we are.

A Christy Ottaviano Book

Field Guide to the Grumpasaurus:
"Grumpasaurus's transformation from prickly to huggable is totally toddlerlike and satisfying." - School Library Journal

"An effervescent how-to for the wrangling of fearsome, tantrum-prone beasties. . . . Kids will sympathize, parents will recognize, siblings will familiarize." - Kirkus Reviews

"The book's knowing sense of humor, entertaining oil paintings, and pseudoscientific conceit give the term grumpasaurus a good chance of making its way into many families' lexicons." - Publishers Weekly

Bad Apple:
"Charming. . . . Social norms force Mac and Will apart; surprisingly effective, fruit-related pathos ensues before the two friends decide to buck convention and like whom they like. Who cares what anyone thinks?"- The New York Times

"The story works very nicely as a gentle celebration of friendship."- Publishers Weekly

"Hemingway's story of friendship against the odds is sweet."- Kirkus Reviews

"Hemingway's oil illustrations are rich with autumn colors, and (…)

Author Bio
It's Grandma Beetle's birthday, and Señor Calavera (a skeleton from the Day of the Dead) doesn't know what to bring to her party. "Don't worry," says Zelmiro the Ghost. "You surely must know, the best present to give a friend is the thing she would love the most." So instead of choosing just one gift, Señor Calavera chooses: Un cordeón: An accordion for her to dance to. Bigotes: A mustache because she had none. Cosquillas: Tickles to make her laugh. Un chiflido: A whistle he trapped in a bag. And so on. . . .

This companion to Yuyi Morales's Pura Belpré award-winning trickster tale, Just a Minute, is a stunning picture book that functions both as a Spanish alphabet book and a marvelous story.

Just In Case:
"A perfect read aloud picture book for a birthday party celebration, grandmother's day, el Dia de los Muertos, or any time of the year. Highly recommended." - Reforma

"Part ghost story and part alphabet book, this trickster tale transcends both. Librarians will want to share it for the beautiful language, the spirited artwork, and the rightness of the ending." - School Library Journal

"[A] breezily told tale, rich in Spanish vocabulary and Mexican atmosphere. The alphabetically ordered collected presents are cleverly integrated into the double pages, each with a different color background. Each spread includes amusing details to study in the fantasy-like but clearly painted illustrations." - Children's Literature

Author Bio
Location: Yuyi Morales - San Francisco Bay Area, CA; Yuyi Morales - San Francisco Bay Area, CA

Yuyi Morales was born in Xalpa, Mexico, in 1968. She spent the first twenty-five years of her life in Mexico before moving to the United States with her husband and son. In 1997 she created a weekly children's radio program for KP of San Francisco, which ran for three years. At that time she began writing and illustrating her own children's stories and touring all over the country. Her books have won her countless awards and honors (including the Pura Belpré Award, the Christopher Award, and the James Addams Award. She is the author of Niño Wrestles the World, Rudas: Niño's Horrendous Hermanitas, Los Gatos Black on Halloween, Little Night/Nochecita, and Viva Frida
I Love You More
by Taye Diggs, illustrated by Shane W. Evans

My baby boy
I am not always with you as much as I'd like
but you are always in my mind
and my heart.

A father who doesn't live full-time with his son tells him all the ways he misses and loves him. Perfect for families of divorce, or where a parent travels for work, this message of love underscores the bond between parent and child in ways that little ones will understand.

Mixed Me!
"Mike's unerring sense of self ('I'm a beautiful blend of dark and light') and the powerful love that surrounds him make this a rewarding, valuable read for families of any makeup." - Publishers Weekly, starred review

"[A] well-written, fun story of acceptance, friendship, and love. The text, colors, and design make this a good choice for read-alouds, but there are many details in the artwork . . . that make it good for one-on-one sharing." - School Library Journal, starred review

"Mike's confidence in his own appearance and coolness as well as the way he proudly embodies diversity, including a certain level of androgyny, make (...)"

Author Bio

Location: Taye Diggs - Los Angeles and New York; Shane W. Evans - Kansas City, MO

Taye Diggs is an actor whose credits include motion pictures (How Stella Got Her Groove Back, Chicago), stage (Rent, Wicked), and television (Private Practice, The Good Wife, Murder in the First, Empire). He is also the author of Mixed Me! and Chocolate Me!, both published by F&F. He lives in Los Angeles and New York City with his son.

Shane W. Evans is the illustrator of numerous award-winning books for children, including We March, Underground, Mixed Me!, and Chocolate Me! He lives with his family in Kansas City, Missouri, where he also runs an art and community events studio. shaneevans.com
**Wild Orca**
The Oldest, Wisest Whale in the World
by Brenda Peterson, illustrated by Wendell Minor

On the longest day of summer light,
Mia waits for Granny to join them for Orca Sing.

In spare, beautiful words and evocative illustrations, environmental activist Brenda Peterson and award-winning illustrator Wendell Minor pay tribute to Granny, the world's oldest-known orca whale who lived to be one hundred and five. Told from the perspective of young Mia and her family on a whale-watching excursion in the San Juan Islands, this intimate and informative story celebrates the importance of nature, tradition, communication, and family in both human and orca communities, all while answering essential questions about how these intelligent animals live. For animal enthusiasts and future environmentalists.

A Christy Ottaviano Book

Leopard & Silkie:
"Use this book to show a program in which children are actively involved and to encourage volunteerism." - School Library Journal

"Lindsey's excellent photographs show why humans can't stay away: Leopard's large, dark eyes and expressive mug seem to be smiling right at the viewer, and his furry, floppy body just calls out for a hug." - Horn Book Magazine

"Although photos of the adorable seal pups steal this nicely designed picture book, kids will likely find Miles - someone who is much like them - to be inspiring, and his efforts may spark an interest in animal rights." - Booklist

**Author Bio**

Location: Brenda Peterson - Seattle, WA; Wendell Minor - Washington, CT


Wendell Minor is the illustrator of many award-winning picture books for children, including Robert Burleigh's *Abraham Lincoln Comes Home*, *If You Spend a Day with Thoreau at Walden Pond*, and *Edward Hopper Paints His World*, as well as the New York Times-bestselling *Reaching for the Moon* by
Blue
by Laura Vaccaro Seeger

How many shades of blue are there?

There’s the soft blue of a baby’s cherished blanket, the ocean blue of a romp in the waves, the chilly blue of a cold winter’s walk in the snow, and the true blue of the bond that exists between children and animals.

In this simple, sumptuously illustrated companion to Caldecott Honor Book Green, award-winning artist Laura Vaccaro Seeger turns her attention to the ways in which color evokes emotion, and in doing so tells the story of one special and enduring friendship.

Green, a Caldecott Honor Book:

"The reader who settles down and slowly pages through its gorgeous acrylic paintings or, better yet, reads it aloud to a young child, will find rich rewards. Each spread describes a particular shade of green-forest green, sea green, lime green, pea green, jungle green-and the list actually does go on and on." - New York Times

"Seeger’s skill at creating simple yet wonderfully effective concept books, as well as her mastery of die-cuts that delight in unexpected and ingenious ways, are in full evidence in this salute to the color green." - Publishers Weekly, starred review

"An enticing project in color exploration and language" - BCCB

"This is a book for turning pages, pointing, looking, talking - fun!" - Booklist, Starred

"A triumph of artistic problem-solving." - Horn Book, Starred

"lovely, inventive, engrossing and interactive." - Kirkus, Starred

Author Bio

Location: Rockville Centre, NY

Among Laura Vaccaro Seeger’s many acclaimed books for young readers are the First the Egg, a Caldecott Honor Book and Geisel Honor Book; One Boy, a Geisel Honor Book; Dog and Bear: Two Friends, Three Stories, winner of the Boston Globe-Horn Book Award, and Green, a Caldecott Honor Book. Laura lives on Long Island with her husband, Chris, their two sons, Drew and
King Alice
by Matthew Cordell, edited by Liz Szabla

What is there to do on a snow day when the whole family is stuck indoors? Write a book, that’s what!

Alice does just that, and makes herself the king of her story. Best of all, the story lasts till the lights go out at bedtime.

Matthew Cordell, author and illustrator of the Caldecott award-winning book Wolf in the Snow, celebrates reading and the imaginative way one family handles being housebound. Whether it’s a snow day, a sick day, or simply a day that no one can organize going out, families with young children will relish and relate to this charming picture book.

Wolf in the Snow:
Winner of the 2018 Caldecott Medal

"Beautifully paced . . . ultimately reassuring." - Wall Street Journal

"Shows the power of kindness and bravery. Reminiscent of William Steig's Brave Irene, Cordell's book is a perfect choice for the dark days of winter." - IndieBound

"The girl's story is a hero's journey, and Cordell tells it with skill and heart." - Publishers Weekly, starred review

"This nearly wordless picture book is a tender, never precious story of kindness and cooperation. The ink and watercolor illustrations, though simple, are packed with emotion. . . . Expect this wintry tale to bring only warmth." - Booklist, starred review

"A (...)"

Author Bio

Location: Gurnee, Illinois

Matthew Cordell is author and illustrator of Wolf in the Snow, winner of the Caldecott Medal, Trouble Gum, Another Brother, hello! hello!, and Wish. He has illustrated the books of renowned authors including Philip Stead (Special Delivery), Rachel Vail (the Justin Case series), and Gail Carson Levine (Forgive Me, I Meant To Do It). He lives outside of Chicago with his wife, the novelist Julie Halpern, and their two children. matthewcordell.com
Juno Valentine and the Magical Shoes
by Eva Chen, illustrated by Ellen Shi

Juno Valentine’s favorite shoes aren't flashy, but they are comfy, and perfect for jumping in mud puddles. There's just one thing wrong with them... they're missing! Juno searches her room top to bottom, but instead of finding her shoes, she finds something much more amazing: a gigantic magical room FULL of every kind of shoe she could imagine!

From there she goes on an incredible adventure, meeting Frida Kahlo, Gloria Steinem, Sally Ride, and other influential women—and their shoes! As Juno tries on each new pair of colorful shoes, she learns something new about herself.

Parents and children alike will adore Instagram superstar Eva Chen's precocious debut picture book—and wish they had a pair of magic shoes of their own.

Author Bio

Location: Eva Chen - New York, NY

Eva Chen grew up in New York City. Her parents, who are from Taipei and Shanghai, own a consulting textile import-export business, and Chen attributes her early love of fashion to her mother's influence. In college, she interned for Harper's Bazaar and after graduation Anna Wintour brought Chen onboard as a consultant to Lucky Magazine. Within two months, Wintour hired her as editor-in-chief making her the youngest editor-in-chief in the magazine's history. Since then she has been the beauty director at Teen Vogue, an editor at Elle, a contributing editor at Vogue China, a contributor at Good Morning America, and a fashion correspondent at Entertainment Tonight. She is currently the head of fashion partnerships at Instagram. She lives in New York. Juno Valentine and the Magical Shoes is her debut picture book.

Ellen Shi was raised in the suburbs of New Jersey and went on to get her BFA in illustration from The Rhode Island School of Design. Children's books are her calling. When she's not working on her art you can find her listening to podcasts, watching movies or looking at shoe displays.
Potato Pants!
by Laurie Keller, illustrated by Laurie Keller

Potato is excited. He's excited because today—for one day only—Lance Vance's Fancy Pants store is selling POTATO PANTS! Potato rushes over early, and just as he's about to walk in, who does he see inside? Mean, pushy eggplant who was rude to him the other day. Now potato is in a pickle. Can he stand up to eggplant in order to get his new stripey pants? Can these vegetable rivals make peace in the name of fashion? Find out in this one-of-a-kind story about forgiveness and making amends by the one-of-a-kind picture book creator Laurie Keller. For fans of Peter Brown, Lane Smith, Bob Shea, and Marla Frazee.

A Christy Ottaviano Book

Laurie Keller:
"Arnie takes destiny into his own hands with vastly entertaining results." - Publishers Weekly, starred review

"Laurie Keller is a goofball. She's a genius. She's a goofball genius." - New York Times Book Review

"A perfect gift for the dentist who has everything. Every waiting room (and library) needs a copy." - School Library Journal, starred review

"It's hard to imagine a more engaging (or comical) way to learn the fifty states and their locations than in this auspicious debut from Keller." - Publishers Weekly, starred review

A New York Times Book Review "Notable Book"
A Publisher's Weekly "Editor's Pick"
A Publisher's Weekly "Best Children's Book"
An Amazon.com Editor's Top 10 Pick
A Nick Jr. Magazine "Best Book of the Year"
A Chicago Public Library "Best of the Best"
A Chicago Tribune precinct pick for the holidays
A Great Lakes Great Books 2nd and 3rd Grade Winner
A Colorado Children's Book Award (CCIRA)
A CCBC Choice
A Parent's Choice Award Winner
An IRA Young Adult Choice
An IRA-CBC Children's (...)

Author Bio
Potato Pants! 8-Copy Signed Counter Display
by Laurie Keller

Includes
- (8) copies of POTATO PANTS! (9781250107237)
Moon River
by Johnny, Henry Mercer, Mancini, illustrated by Tim Hopgood

Two drifters, off to see the world / There's such a lot of world to see
We're after the same rainbow's end, waiting, round the bend / My Huckleberry Friend, Moon River, and me

Follow a girl (accompanied by her teddy bear-"two drifters") as she dreams about the wide and wonderful world. Cozy scenes of pajamas and bedtime make this a perfect story to share at the end of the night.

Godwin Books

What a Wonderful World:

"Hopgood interprets this beloved ballad, written by Thiele and Weiss and made famous by Louis Armstrong. His colorful mixed-media collages present a hopeful world, filled with summery trees, sunny blue skies, and pastoral scenes from around the globe. . . . An upbeat story-hour selection." - Booklist

Wow! Said the Owl:

"With a satisfying night-to-day-to-night cycle, the book not only reinforces the concepts of colors but also provides a sense of security of the way things are supposed to be in the world. The repeated refrain of 'Wow!' throughout the book will elicit a chorus among young listeners at storytime." - Booklist

"Straightforward and flowing, this title makes a satisfying introduction to the colors of the day."
- School Library Journal

Author Bio

Location: Tim Hopgood - North Yorkshire, England

Tim Hopgood is the illustrator of What a Wonderful World, Walking in a Winter Wonderland, Hooray for Happy!, Wow! Said the Owl, and many other popular picture books. He lives with his family in North Yorkshire, England.
timhopgood.com
Everybody's Favorite Book
by Mike Allegra, illustrated by Claire Almon

Anyone who says, "You can't please everybody," isn't trying hard enough. At least, that's what the cheeky narrator of this book thinks!

A "good" book may have a spaceman or a ninja or a cowboy, but Everybody’s Favorite Book has something better: a Space Ninja Cow. And that's only the beginning. You like princesses? We got 'em. Prefer a mystery? No sweat. Want the definition of “gallimaufry”? A good poop joke? A giant, carnivorous guinea pig? Check, check, and check. And there's more! Much more! This book has everything, for everybody!

Here's hoping things don't go awry. (Spoiler, they do.)

Okay then, here's hoping it's still your favorite book anyway.

Author Bio

Mike Allegra is the author of the picture book, Sarah Gives Thanks. Under the pseudonym Roy L. Hinuss, Mike not-so secretly pens the Prince Not-So Charming chapter book series. He was the winner of the 2014 Highlights for Children Fiction Contest, a recipient of an Individual Artist Fellowship from the New Jersey State Council for the Arts, and a nominee for a 2017 Pushcart Prize. Check out his blog at mikeallegra.com.

Claire Almon lives in Atlanta. She holds a BFA in illustration from Ringling College of Art and Design and an MFA in animation from Savannah College of Art and Design. She has experience working for clients including Netflix and Cartoon Network, among others. clairealmon.carbonmade.com
Lucy Fell Down the Mountain
by Kevin Cornell, illustrated by Kevin Cornell

Lucy is having a terrible day. She’s falling down a mountain. As she passes various characters—a mountain man, a bungeeing duck, and a pile of shuffling bears—she tries to ask for help. But everyone misinterprets her requests. As Lucy gains velocity, the story grows in silliness. Ending eventually in a giant, rolling snowball that lands Lucy safely at a hot-chocolate chalet. No harm done!

With a perfect blend of Looney Tunes-style comedy and breezy short text, Lucy Fell Down the Mountain offers a simple solution to bad days: Just roll with it!

In the tradition of When Sophie Gets Angry and Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible . . . Very Bad Day, Lucy’s ability to face the day head-on—and then move on—will prove itself a new classic.

Author Bio

Location: Kevin Cornell - Philadelphia, PA; Kevin Cornell - Philadelphia, PA

Kevin Cornell is known for his humor and has illustrated many books, websites, and comics such as The Chicken Squad, Count the Monkeys, The Terrible Two, and Mustache! He spends his time in Philadelphia drawing made-up things. bearskinrug.co.uk
Eleanor Wyatt, Princess and Pirate
by Rachael MacFarlane, illustrated by Spencer Laudiero

I am a princess, I like to drink tea, 
And I am a pirate, who sails the high sea. 
I can be anything that I want to be, 
I'm a princess, a pirate, and I'm also just me!

Equal parts glitter and grit, Eleanor Wyatt, Princess and Pirate follows a day in a young girl's life as she plays make-believe. Eleanor pretends that she is a knight, a queen, a ninja, and a ballerina—she's not into just "boy" things or "girl" things, she's into everything so long as it's fun!

With Eleanor Wyatt, girls and boys everywhere will feel empowered and learn there is no wrong way to use your imagination!

Author Bio

Rachael MacFarlane has been giving a voice to animated characters for nearly sixteen years, on shows such as Disney's Sofia the First and The Tom & Jerry Show. She is widely known for her role as Hayley Smith on the popular animated sitcom American Dad. She is also a recording artist.

Spencer Laudiero is a graduate of the University of the Arts and has been working in the animation industry for almost twenty years. He is currently a TV animation director, working on such shows as Comedy Central's Brickleberry, Disney's Sheriff Callie, and Fox's Family Guy.

When they're not working, Rachael and Spencer spend their time with their two little princess/pirates. They live in LA with a menagerie of rescued animals.
Loved to Bits
by Teresa Heapy, illustrated by Katie Cleminson

Ted and his boy do everything together.
They fight beasts and have feasts.
They tickle monsters then flee on rafts,
They search, explore, escape... and laugh.

But sometimes things get rough, and Teddy loses an ear.
He’s still got his best one though, never fear!
And an eye? PING!
It’s nothing—he didn’t feel a thing!
A leg, then the other. An arm, and then the next.
What do you do with a broken Ted?

You lay down with him at night and snuggle in bed.

Author Bio


Katie Cleminson is an author-illustrator living in Devon, England. Her picture books including ‘Otto the Book Bear’ have won three awards, and have been translated into ten languages. Katie’s work has been exhibited in London, Poland, Italy, Japan and Korea. Katie draws with an ink pipette, and often uses charcoal and watercolor paint in her work.
Case of the Missing Chalk Drawings, The
by Richard Byrne

The chalks are drawing flowers on the chalkboard, but someone keeps stealing their artwork! Who could the thief be? Fortunately, Sergeant Blue is on the case and determined to solve the crime. It's a fun and funny read-aloud mystery with a colorful cast of characters, from This book just ate my dog! author-illustrator Richard Byrne.

Godwin Books

This book just ate my dog!:

"Byrne's pacing is skillful and his humor sweet-tempered." - Publishers Weekly

"This book gives new meaning to pictures being lost in the gutter. . . . A good one-on-one reading, giving children an opportunity to save the day." - School Library Journal

Author Bio

Location: Richard Byrne - Chichester, UK; Richard Byrne - Chichester, UK

Richard Byrne is the author and illustrator of This book just ate my dog!, We're in the wrong book!, and This book is out of control! He grew up in Brighton, England, and worked in graphic design before discovering his true passion in children's books.
"Wake up!" says Rufus, a large and very hungry owl. "It's time to catch the fearsome mouse. I'm in a mood for a bowl of mouse soup for breakfast."

Pip, who's better at sleeping than swooping, leaps from the nest and lands right on top of that fearsome mouse whose name, he learns, is Theodore.

Is it time for breakfast... or friendship?

Find out in this clever and classic picture book about two owls, a mouse, a banana, and an unlikely friendship

**Author Bio**

Denys Cazet is the author and illustrator of more than twenty-five books for young readers including *Never Spit On Your Shoes* and the Minnie and Moo early-readers series. Mr. Cazet lives with his family in California. *What's For Breakfast?* is his first book for Roaring Brook Press.
Make a Wish, Henry Bear
by Liam Francis Walsh

Henry Bear has very unusual parents. They encourage him to stay up all night, eat chocolate cake at every meal, and get into trouble with his teacher.

Why? Find out in this droll tale about making wishes with unanticipated consequences written and illustrated by New Yorker cartoonist Liam Francis Walsh, author of Fish, which Kirkus Reviews, in a starred review, called “full-bodied” and “rewarding.

Author Bio

Liam Francis Walsh is a cartoonist, writer and illustrator who is originally from Wisconsin. His cartoons frequently appear in The New Yorker. Liam is also the creator of Fish, published by Roaring Brook Press. He currently lives in Switzerland.
Is That You, Eleanor Sue?
by Tricia Tusa, illustrated by Tricia Tusa

Saturdays are dress-up days when Eleanor Sue

Climbs out the window . . .
Tiptoes over to the front door . . .
And rings the doorbell.

Ding dong.

When her mother answers, she doesn't see Eleanor Sue. She sees

A cranky old neighbor.
Or a hungry witch.
Or a white-bearded wizard.

Eleanor Sue is a master of disguise, but, when her mother gets in on the act, along with Grandma, anything can happen in this whimsical picture book by award-winning author/illustrator Tricia Tusa.

Author Bio

Tricia Tusa is an award-winning writer and illustrator of over forty books for young readers, including In a Blue Room by Jim Averbeck, The Magic Hat by Mem Fox, and Follow Me, which she wrote and illustrated. She loves to make things, draw, paint, and print. This is Tricia's first book for Roaring Brook Press. She lives in New Mexico.
Robot in Love
by T. L. McBeth, illustrated by T. L. McBeth

When a shiny, beautiful stranger catches Robot's eye, he knows she's the one. He thinks about her all the time. He even makes her a gift. But will he be able to keep his circuits from overheating and work up the courage to talk to her? T. L. McBeth spins a funny and heartwarming story of love-perfect for sharing at Valentine's!

Author Bio

Location: T. L. McBeth - New York, NY; T. L. McBeth - New York, NY

T. L. McBeth is an author and illustrator living in New York City. He made his picture book debut illustrating Bridget Heos's Stegothesaurus. tlmcbeth.com

Notes

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Featured at Applicable School, Library, and Bookseller Conferences and Conventions
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So Tall Within
Sojourner Truth's Long Walk Toward Freedom
by Gary D. Schmidt, illustrated by Daniel Minter

Sojourner Truth was born into slavery but possessed a mind and a vision that knew no bounds. So Tall Within traces her life from her painful childhood through her remarkable emancipation to her incredible leadership in the movement for rights for both women and African Americans. Her story is told with lyricism and pathos by Gary D. Schmidt, one of the most celebrated writers for children in the twenty-first century, and brought to life by award winning and fine artist Daniel Minter. This combination of talent is just right for introducing this legendary figure to a new generation of children.

Author Bio

Location: Gary D. Schmidt - Alto, Michigan; Daniel Minter - Portland, ME

Gary D. Schmidt is the author of more than fifteen books for children and young adults including Lizzie Bright and the Buckminster Boy, which received both a Newbery Honor and a Printz Honor, and The Wednesday Wars, which received a Newbery Honor. He lives in Alto, Michigan.

Daniel Minter has illustrated eleven books for children including Ellen's Broom, which received a Coretta Scott King Illustration Honor. He lives in Portland, Maine.

Notes

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Pocket Bios: Anne Frank
by Al Berenger, illustrated by Al Berenger

Born into a Jewish family in Frankfurt, Germany, in 1929, Anne Frank was only thirteen years old when her family went into hiding to escape persecution during the Holocaust. Anne kept a diary detailing their years spent living in a concealed room behind a bookcase prior to their arrest—a diary so widely published following her death that it is one of the period’s most influential books.

These colorful, pocket-size biographies are full of personality, introducing readers to fascinating figures from history with simple storytelling and cheerful illustrations. Pocket Bios titles include men and women from history, exploration, the sciences, the arts, the ancient world, and more.
Pocket Bios: Frida Kahlo
by Al Berenger, illustrated by Al Berenger

Frida Kahlo remains one of the most celebrated painters of her time for her exploration of themes of feminism, gender, class, and race in her artwork and frequent self-portraits. From her childhood struggle with polio, to the traffic accident that left her with chronic pain, to her artistic exploration of herself and her identity, follow this extraordinary woman’s life and accomplishments.

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Pocket Bios: Gandhi
by Al Berenger

Mahatma Gandhi was the celebrated leader of the Indian independence movement, and an inspiration for many similar movements around the world. Gandhi began his push for nonviolent civil disobedience as an expatriate lawyer in South Africa, eventually bringing the practice to India where he led the Indian National Congress. He is referred to as the Father of the Nation, and remains a symbol of freedom and nonviolence to this day.

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Pocket Bios: Isaac Newton
by Al Berenger, illustrated by Al Berenger

Best known for "discovering gravity" and formulating the laws of motion, Isaac Newton is often hailed as one of the most influential physicists of all time. From the apple incident that lead to his famous mathematical description of gravity, to the invention of the first reflecting telescope, and beyond, follow this extraordinary man's life and accomplishments.

These colorful, pocket-size biographies are full of personality, introducing readers to fascinating figures from history with simple storytelling and cheerful illustrations. Pocket Bios titles include men and women from history, exploration, the sciences, the arts, the ancient world, and more.
Pocket Bios: Martin Luther King, Jr.
by Al Berenger

Martin Luther King, Jr., one of the most prominent leaders of the civil rights movement, is best known for his dedication to nonviolent resistance and civil disobedience. He received the Nobel Peace Prize for his efforts in combating racial inequality and organized many notable events such as the Montgomery bus boycott and Selma-to-Montgomery marches. He posthumously received the Presidential Medal of Freedom and Congressional Gold Medal, and is an international icon to this day.

These colorful, pocket-size biographies are full of personality, introducing readers to fascinating figures from history with simple storytelling and cheerful illustrations. Pocket Bios titles include men and women from history, exploration, the sciences, the arts, the ancient world, and more.
Muhammad Ali remains one of the most inspiring and celebrated sports figures today. A gold-medal Olympian and multi-title winning boxer, Ali was an important civil rights activist. From his childhood growing up in Louisville Kentucky, to his amateur boxing training beginning at the age of 12, to his achievements within the professional boxing ring and beyond as a conscientious objector, follow this extraordinary man’s life and accomplishments.

These colorful, pocket-size biographies are full of personality, introducing readers to fascinating figures from history with simple storytelling and cheerful illustrations. Pocket Bios titles include men and women from history, exploration, the sciences, the arts, the ancient world, and more.
Meet Sun: He's a star! And not just any star—he's one in a billion. He lights up our solar system and makes life possible. With characteristic humor and charm, Stacy McAnulty channels the voice of Sun in this next celestial "autobiography." Rich with kid-friendly facts and beautifully brought to life by Stevie Lewis, this is an equally charming and irresistible companion to *Earth! My First 4.54 Billion Years*.

A Junior Library Guild Selection

"McAnulty and Litchfield cast planet Earth as an exuberant celestial body with bright brown eyes and a broad smile, who couldn't be happier to share its life story. . . . Terrifically entertaining." — *Publishers Weekly*, starred review

"A humorous approach to planetary facts for the elementary grades." — *School Library Journal Review*

**Author Bio**

Location: Stevie Lewis - Juneau, Alaska

Stacy McAnulty is the author of several picture books, including *Earth! My First 4.54 Billion Years*, illustrated by David Litchfield; *Excellent Ed*, illustrated by Julia Sarcone-Roach; and *Beautiful*, illustrated by Joanne Lew-Vriethoff. She lives in North Carolina with her husband, three children, and two dogs. stacymcanulty.com

Stevie Lewis lives on the road, furthering her passion for climbing, art, and the outdoors. She gathers inspiration from a variety of places, be it climbing in the high desert in central Oregon, hiking in the wilderness of Alaska, or sharing laughs with fellow travelers around a campfire. After working for four years in animation, she now illustrates children’s books and creates art based on her travels. chocosweete.com
Carlos Santana grew up surrounded by music. His father, a beloved mariachi performer, taught young Carlos how to play the violin when he was only six years old. But when Carlos discovers American blues, he is captivated by the raw honesty of the music and grows disinterested in the traditional violin and mariachi music he had been playing. Soon Carlos receives his first guitar and finds new musical inspiration.

From his early exposure to mariachi to his experimentation in jazz, here is the childhood story of a legendary musician. Both a biography and a celebration of rich Mexican-American culture, this picture book is ideal for fans of Viva Frida by Yuyi Morales and Tito Puente, Mambo King by Monica Brown.

A Christy Ottaviano Book

"Golio's lyrical text sings with delicious description"
- School Library Journal, Starred Review

"Outstanding in every way"
- Kirkus Reviews, Starred Review

Praise for When Bob Met Woody:
- 2012 National Parenting Publications Award
- Children's Cooperative Book Center Best Books of the Year
- 2012 Bank Street College Best Children's Books of the Year

"Golio produces another sensitively written, meticulously researched picture biography, this time capturing the intense ambition of the young Bob Dylan."
- Kirkus Reviews

"Golio excels at portraying Zimmerman's angst as he flounders for (...)

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Did you know that an elephant's tusks never stop growing?
Did you know that elephants can sometimes purr like giant cats?
And that they use six sets of teeth throughout their lives?

Impress your friends and teachers with these facts and more in this wildly entertaining (not to mention hilarious) nonfiction picture book offering everything you want to know about elephants.

Author Bio
Maxwell Eaton III is a highly tolerated author and illustrator of numerous books for children. When he isn't drawing talking animals he can be found in a canoe with his wife and daughter in the Adirondack Mountains of New York state.
You Are Loved
Welcome Wishes for New Babies
by Nancy Tillman

Perfect for baby showers, gender reveal parties, and first birthdays, this edition extends the sentiments in the bestseller On the Night You Were Born and tells children they are loved. With space and prompts for writing personal messages in the book, this volume is sure to be a special keepsake.

Praise for Nancy Tillman:

Her potent combination of unapologetic sentiment, fantasy, photorealism, and painterliness has an undeniable allure." - Publishers Weekly

"Tillman's latest celebration of children's unique qualities and talents pictures kids in various pursuits, joined by animals that often take part in the fun. ... Tillman emphasizes the importance of perseverance in discovering and honing one's skills. ... She provides an ethnically diverse cast of children, and includes a young swimmer with a developmental disability." - Publishers Weekly on You're All Kinds of Wonderful

"This is one of those rare baby books that should make both skeptics and sentimentalists of all ages happy." - Publishers Weekly on On the Night You Were Born:

"Young children adore pretending to be animals, and Tillman's insight into the wish to turn into another creature powers this book." - Publishers Weekly on I'd Know You Anywhere, My Love:

Author Bio

Location: Portland, Or

With over 10 million copies in print, Nancy Tillman’s books are must-have additions to every child's library. Nancy lives in Portland, Oregon.
In Drake City, where magic and technology meet, four girls are brought together by an ancient prophecy. Princess Arkayna, her friend Em, and street kids Zarya and Piper are transformed into the Mysticons-heroes with incredible magic powers.

Now a new prophecy foretells an attack by a terrible dragon—and reveals that Arkayna has a secret twin sister! But will the true identity of this secret sister tear the Mysticons apart? And who will save Drake City from the dragon if the Mysticons don't work together?

This junior novelization retells storylines from many episodes of the hit new show Mysticons!

Author Bio

Sadie Chesterfield is the author of dozens of novels for children and teens, including the media tie-in books Mysticons: Prophecy of Evil, Mysticons: Quest for the Codex, My Little Pony: The Movie: The Stormy Road to Camelot, and Minions: The Junior Novel. She lives in California. When she isn't writing, she loves traveling the world, eating delicious food, and hiking in the mountains with her pitbull mix, Ralph.
Mysticon Ranger Zarya meets an extraordinary magician—but then her new friend steals her powers. Without her abilities, Zarya no longer feels like part of the Mysticons—and she refuses to let the team help. Zarya got herself in this mess; she'll get her powers back on her own.

But as the forces of evil close in on Drake City, the Mysticons need their Ranger. Zarya will have to rely on her friends—or risk losing her Mysticon powers forever!

This original novel is based on the hit new show Mysticons, and tells a brand-new adventure for our heroes!

Author Bio

Liz Marsham began her storytelling career as an editor for DC Comics and Disney Publishing. She lives in Los Angeles with her husband, a cat who thinks she is a princess, and a cat who thinks he is a dog. She is the author of Mysticons: The Stolen Magic.
The students of Ms. Maybee's class used to think history was boring, but that was before time started to get twisted! When a spaceship carrying Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin inexplicably lands in 1869 Texas, cowboy Nat Love decides to trade in his horse for a trip to the moon. It's up to siblings Doc and Abby to untwist history and get these historical figures back where they belong.

Using his in-depth knowledge of American history, Sheinkin creates exciting adventures through time with historical figures going AWOL and true fun facts about each person. History will never be boring again!

"Mixing history, humor, and cartoon illustrations, Sheinkin's new series for young readers blends the appeal of Scieszka's Time Warp Trio, Osborne's Magic Tree House, and Kinney's Diary of a Wimpy Kid series." - Booklist

"A historical home run!" - Dav Pilkey, bestselling author of Captain Underpants

"If you want to have fun while simultaneously learning some truly valuable lessons about history, then you absolutely MUST read these books." - Nick Bruel, New York Times-bestselling author of the Bad Kitty series


Author Bio

Steve Sheinkin is the acclaimed author of fast-paced, cinematic nonfiction histories for young readers, including Bomb, Undefeated, Most Dangerous, The Port Chicago 50, and The Notorious Benedict Arnold. His accolades include a Newbery Honor, three Boston Globe-Horn Book Awards, a Sibert Medal, and three National Book Award finalist honors. Sheinkin lives in Saratoga Springs, New York, with his wife and two children.

Neil Swaab is a New York City-based illustrator, designer, and author. His work has graced the covers and interiors of numerous books for children including the New York Times bestseller Big Fat Liar by James Patterson and Neil's own series, The Secrets to Ruling School. He has also animated for TV and enjoys teaching at Parsons School of Design.
A Prickly Problem: Calpurnia Tate, Girl Vet
by Jacqueline Kelly

When the Tate family dog, Ajax, has a run-in with a porcupine, things get prickly-and dangerous-quickly. It'll take Callie's quick thinking and doctoring, along with a little help from Dr. Pritzker, to make things right. Will Ajax learn to leave other critters alone?

Godwin Books

Skunked!: Calpurnia Tate, Girl Vet:

"Readers need not have read Kelly's The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate to enjoy this charming selection. Young readers will find Cal and Travis's exploits entertaining, humorous, and informative." - School Library Journal

"Expect a fresh crop of Calpurnia readers to simply enjoy this on its own considerable merits." - Booklist

The Curious World of Calpurnia Tate:

"Animal lovers will revel in the abundant anecdotes about the benevolent country vet and Travis' mangy strays. . . . A warm, welcome stand-alone companion to Kelly's lauded debut." - Kirkus Reviews, starred review

"Well worth waiting for. . . . Readers will flock to this sequel for the pleasure of revisiting this beloved character and her world." - Booklist, starred review

"Humor and little heartbreaks abound as Callie learns animal care. . . . Recommended for fans of the original novel and strong readers who enjoy character-driven narratives." - School Library Journal, starred review

Author Bio

Location: Austin, TX

Jacqueline Kelly is the author of the Calpurnia Tate, Girl Vet series, The Curious World of Calpurnia Tate, Return to the Willows, and Newbery Honor winner The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate. Born in New Zealand, she now lives with her husband and too many cats and dogs in Austin, Texas.

jacquelinekelly.com
Spy Penguins
by Samantha Hay, illustrated by Marek Jagucki

Adventure-loving penguin Jackson dreams of being a secret agent like his Uncle Bryn, who works for the Frosty Bureau of Investigation. Jackson and his gadget-inventing best friend Quigley might officially be too young to join the FBI, but they aren't going to let that stop them! They just need to come up with the right plan to prove that they are worthy.

But when one of Q's inventions goes dangerously wrong, Jackson suddenly finds himself dropped right in the middle off an FBI stakeout. There's fishy business afoot at the city's aquarium; rare fish are vanishing and not even the FBI can work out what's going on. It's up to Jackson and Quigley to solve the crime!

Author Bio

Location: Samantha Hay - Wales

Sam Hay is the author of over thirty books for children including the Undead Pets series and Stella and the Night Spirits. Sam trained as a journalist in Edinburgh. After starting out in newspapers, Sam moved to London where she worked for BBC television for ten years. She still believes working on daily live television is the perfect brain-trainer for life! Sam became a full-time writer when her first baby was born and now lives in Wales with her husband and two children who provide the inspiration for many of her stories.
samhayauthor.com

Marek Jagucki is a graduate of Falmouth School of Art and Design. He is a full-time illustrator and graphic designer based in Yorkshire, UK. mjcartoons.com
Hello Ruby: Expedition to the Internet
by Linda Liukas

What exactly is the Internet? Is it a cloud? A network of wires? How does the information travel online? Learn all this and more with Ruby!

In Ruby's world anything is possible if you put your mind to it—even building the Internet out of snow! But before you can build something, you need to understand what it is and how it works. Join Ruby and her friends in their quest to build the most amazing Snow Internet ever, while learning real life facts along the way. Then, future kid coders can put their knowledge and imaginations to the test with the fun and creative exercises included in the activity book section.

Hello Ruby: Adventures in Coding:

"Hello Ruby by Linda Liukas is half picture book and half activity book rolled into one adorable package. What I love about it is that it introduces programming without requiring a computer at all. The point of the book isn't to teach you a programming language, but programming concepts." - GeekMom.com

"Hello Ruby is way more than a children's book." - Fast Company

"Getting girls into programming, one children's book at a time." - TechCrunch

"[Linda Liukas] wants kids to understand and embrace basic computer logic so that they later formulate code in the same effortless and creative way they build structures with LEGO." - The Wall Street Journal

Author Bio

Location: Helsinki, Finland

Linda Liukas, author of the Hello Ruby books, is a programmer, storyteller, and illustrator from Helsinki, Finland. She is a central figure in the world of programming who worked on edutech before it was even called that. Linda is the founder of Rails Girls, a global phenomenon teaching the basics of programming to young women all over the world. She has studied in business, design, and engineering at Aalto University and product engineering at Stanford University. She was selected as the 2013 Ruby Hero (the most notable prize within the Ruby programming community) and she's the Digital Champion of Finland, appointed by EU commissioner Neelie Kroes.
Super Happy Party Bears Boxed Set #2
by Marcie Colleen, illustrated by Steve James

Four Super Happy Party Bears adventures in one set!

In *Bat to the Bone*, a bat punk rock band stops at the Grumpy Woods for midnight performances. It's up to Opal Owl to return some peace and quiet to the woods.

In *The Jitterbug*, the bears become mentors when they meet Butter, a groovy caterpillar who loves to dance.

In *Tiny Prancer*, the critters of Grumpy Woods are completely snowed in at the Grumpy Bog. Can the bears convince Dawn the Fawn to help them pull a sleigh to rescue their neighbors and save the holiday?

In *Cruising for a Snoozing*, a group of sloths comes to the Grumpy River for a synchronized swimming contest. Can the bears keep the sloths awake long enough to actually compete?

Illustrated in full color.

*Super Happy Party Bears: Knock Knock on Wood*:

"The pure delight of the story will easily draw youngsters in and probably turn a few grumpy frowns upside down." - *The Bulletin*

**Author Bio**

Location: Marcie Colleen - San Diego, CA

Marcie Colleen is the author of *Love, Triangle* (Fall 2017) and *The Adventure of the Penguinaut* (Fall 2018). She's a former classroom teacher and current educational consultant for the Picture Book Month initiative. She also creates teacher's guides for picture books and middle-grade novels, and is a huge advocate for using children's fictional literature in the classroom. thisismarciecolleen.com

Steve James has a decade of experience in the art industry, including animation, greeting cards, and video game artwork. The Super Happy Party Bears books are his first children's books. Steve's art is influenced by *Adventure Time*, Oliver Jeffers, and walks in the countryside. He lives near Leeds, a city in the United Kingdom.
Bunjitsu Bunny vs. Bunjitsu Bunny
by John Himmelman, illustrated by John Himmelman

Isabel is the best bunjitsu artist in her class. She can throw farther, kick higher, and hit harder than any bunny else. But her strongest weapon is her mind.

This fourth Bunjitsu Bunny book follows Isabel as she makes friends, faces her fears, and fights her toughest opponent yet - herself!

Tales of Bunjitsu Bunny:
“Cleverly wrapped in an entertaining package, the zen-type morals are edifying but not preachy and serve to genuinely enrich the stories.” - The Horn Book, starred review

“A series of Zen lessons touched with gentle humor.” - Kirkus Reviews


Bunjitsu Bunny Jumps to the Moon:
“Isabel does a good job of approaching every challenge with spunk and determination, and manages to do the right things under the circumstances. . . . As part of the Bunjitsu Bunny series, this book is appropriate for children who are beginning to read chapter books, and the stories are fun to read aloud to younger children.” - Children's Literature

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Promotion
Bonus Material Included in Back-Of-Book
Dedicated Title Page on Macmillan.com
Available as an E-Book

Author Bio
Location: John Himmelman - Killingworth, CT; John Himmelman - Killingworth, CT

John Himmelman is the author and illustrator of more than seventy-five books for children, including the Bunjitsu Bunny books, The Cow Said Meow, Chickens to the Rescue, and Duck to the Rescue. As a martial arts student and instructor, he has a lot of experience with the human version of bunjitsu. He lives in Connecticut with his artist wife, Betsy.
Night of the Living Zombie Bugs
by Dave Coverly, illustrated by Dave Coverly

Speed Bump and Slingshot investigate a potential zombie outbreak in their neck of the forest. As newly minted members of the Eagle Scouts, they're doing their best to be brave, but when a creepy crow confirms their suspicions, these chicken-hearted birds lose their cool. To make matters worse-they're not just zombie birds, they're ZOMBIE BUGS! Can these hesitant heroes cast their fears aside and face the cicadas newly risen from the underworld? Or will the zombie bugs conquer all and transform Speed Bump and Slingshot into the undead?

Find out in Book 3 of this hilarious next installment of this chapter book series, perfect for fans of Dragonbreath, Lunch Lady, and Dav Pilkey's Dog Man.

A Christy Ottaviano Book

Night of the Living Worms:
An Amazon Editor's Top Pick for Best Book of the Month

"Coverly's drawings are full of visual jokes, and the narrative is packed with playful language. . . . Clever, imaginative, and precisely targeted to its audience, this new series is sure to please." - Booklist

"Both [pictures and text] are liberally festooned with gags, sight gags . . . and puns." - Kirkus Reviews

"Filled with subtle irony, wordplay, and gentle pokes at life. . . . This story will have students laughing out loud and reluctant readers asking for the sequel." - School Library Journal

Night of the Living Shadows:

"Overall a lighter-than-air escapade with just a light wash of satire." - Kirkus Reviews

"This misadventure from a bird's perspective is hilarious, light, and clever and may provide fun reading and a new favorite." - Children's Literature

Author Bio

Location: Dave Coverly - Ann Arbor, MI; Dave Coverly - Ann Arbor, MI

Square Fish
On Sale: Oct 23/18
5.50 x 8 • 144 pages
b/w illustrations throughout
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Juvenile Fiction / Humorous Stories • Ages 7-10 years
Series: Speed Bump & Slingshot Misadventure

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Bonus Material Included in Back-Of-Book
Dedicated Title Page on Macmillan.com
Available as an E-Book
Prince Carlos Charles Charming isn't the most princeliest of princes. But with his talent for fart jokes, he might be the funniest.

Unfortunately, being hilarious isn't much help at the most important event of Carlos's young life: a nearby kingdom is having a party. But everyone has to be on their best behavior—because if they mess things up, it's time for war.

Unfortunately, Carlos, his friend Inky, the princess, and Smudge, the dragon aren't very good at following the rules. Can they keep the party from turning into a disaster? Of course they can't! The real question is: After setting the dance floor on fire, will they get off it alive?

The fourth entry in this cute and funny new chapter book series is for every kid worried about how they'll survive their next party.

Author Bio

Roy L. Hinuss is the authorized biographer of the Charming royal family. He is also fond of the occasional fart joke. When he isn't writing about Prince Carlos Charles Charming's many adventures, he can be found in his basement laboratory making batches of homemade Brussels sprout ice cream.
Prince Carlos Charles Charming has a secret: He'd much rather tell jokes than be a prince. But when you're the heir to Faraway Kingdom, you don't always get what you want.

Which is why his father (aka the king) is furious when Carlos does his comedy routine for a crowd of thousands. This is not princely behavior. And that's why Carlos is assigned to learn jousting. Whacking people with pointy sticks is much more appropriate.

Carlos is surprisingly great at jousting, from spearing haystacks to smashing watermelons. But when a tournament rolls around, suddenly Carlos realizes he has to actually point his stick at real opponents.

The third in a hilarious new chapter book series, *The Dork Knight* shows kids the best way to win a competition can be embracing your own dorkiness.

**Author Bio**

Roy L. Hinuss is the authorized biographer of the Charming royal family. He is also fond of the occasional fart joke. When he isn't writing about Prince Carlos Charles Charming's many adventures, he can be found in his basement laboratory making batches of homemade Brussels sprout ice cream.
King Flashypants and the Toys of Terror
by Andy Riley, illustrated by Andy Riley

Something strange is afoot in Edwinland-King Edwin's arch nemesis Emperor Nurbison isn't acting like himself. He's smiling. He's cheerful. He's even making toys for the peasants! King Edwin knows he must be up to something. But what?

Dangerous dolls and dastardly plots await in this latest rib-tickling adventure.

King Flashypants and the Creature from Crong:

"Laugh-out-loud funny." -Sue Perkins, comedian, writer, and cohost of The Great British Bake Off

King Flashypants and the Evil Emperor:

"Pikey, Krosoczka, and Walliams fans will be instant fans of this royal romp." - The Bulletin

"With super funny illustrations, the silly yet thrilling story line is sure to tickle." - School Library Journal

"Brilliantly original and hilarious. It's nearly as good as one of my books." - David Walliams, comedian, actor, and author of Gangsta Grandma

Author Bio


Andy Riley is a cartoonist and Emmy Award-winning comedy writer whose film and television credits include Gnomeo and Juliet, The Pirates!, and Veep. Andy is the author of the mega-popular Bunny Suicides books. King Flashypants is his first series for children.
When You Grow Up to Vote
How Our Government Works for You
by Eleanor Roosevelt and Michelle Markel, illustrated by Grace Lin

In the voice of one of the most iconic and beloved political figures of the twentieth century comes a book on citizenship for the future voters of the twenty-first century. Eleanor Roosevelt published the original edition of *When You Grow Up to Vote* in 1932, the same year her husband was elected president. The new edition has updated information and back matter as well as fresh, bold art from award-winning artist Grace Lin. Beginning with government workers like, firefighters and garbage collectors, and moving up through local government to the national stage, this book explains that the people in government work for the voter.

Fresh, contemporary, and even fun, *When You Grow Up to Vote* is the book parents and teachers need to talk to children about how our government is designed to work.

**Author Bio**

Location: Eleanor Roosevelt - Allison: Woods Hole, Massachusetts
Gediman: Louisville, Kentucky; Michelle Markel - West Hills, CA; Grace Lin - Florence, MA

Eleanor Roosevelt was the First Lady of the United States from 1933 to 1945. She also served as First Lady of New York, on the United Nations Commission on Human Rights, and on the Presidential Commission on the Status of Women. She died in 1962.

Grace Lin is a *New York Times*-bestselling author and illustrator. She was recognized at the White House as a Champion of Change for Asian American and Pacific Islander Art and Storytelling. She lives in Florence, Massachusetts.

Michelle Markel has written many picture books for children including *Brave Girl: Clara and the Shirtwaist Makers' Strike of 1909* and *Hillary Rodham Clinton: Some Girls Are Born to Lead*. She lives in West Hills, California.
Mavis Jeeter is fearless and bold, but she has never lived in one place long enough to have a real best friend. Her flighty mother has uprooted them again to another new home and taken a job as a housekeeper for the Tully family. Mavis wants this home to be permanent—which means finding herself a best friend. Rose Tully is a worrier who feels like she doesn't quite fit in with the other girls in her neighborhood. Her closest friend is Mr. Duffy, but he hasn't been himself since his dog died. Rose may have to break a few of her mother's many rules to help Mr. Duffy—and find someone who really understands her. And then there's Henry, a dog that has run away from home. But he craves kindness and comfort—and doesn't know where to look for them. When Mavis and Rose hatch a scheme to find Mr. Duffy a new dog, their lives and Henry's intersect as they find friendship in places they never expected.

Praise for Wish:

"Will keep youngsters totally engaged. This novel's gentle storytelling carries a theme of love and emphasizes what is really right in the world." - School Library Journal, starred review

"A suspenseful and achingly realistic story." - Kirkus Reviews

"O'Connor knows how to spin a touching story, and reading this novel is its own reward." - The Horn Book

"O'Connor once again smoothly balances challenging themes with her heroine's strength and sense of humor." - Publishers Weekly

Author Bio

Location: Duxbury, Massachusetts

Barbara O'Connor was born and raised in Greenville, South Carolina. She has written many award-winning books for children, including Wish, How to Steal a Dog, and The Fantastic Secret of Owen Jester. barbaraocconnor.com
Wonderland 9-Copy Floor Display
by Barbara O'Connor

Includes
- (9) copies of WONDERLAND (9780374310608)
The Story Collector
A New York Public Library Book
by Kristin O'Donnell Tubb, illustrated by Iacopo Bruno

Eleven-year-old Viviani Fedeler grew up surrounded by books, but now she's ready for her own story to begin. As the daughter of the Library superintendent, Viviani has explored every nook, cranny, and room—except the ones her father keeps locked.

When Viviani suspects that the Library is haunted, she decides to spook her friends and new girl Merit Mubarak with a harmless little prank. But what begins as a joke quickly gets out of hand. Soon Viviani and her friends have to solve two big mysteries: Is there really a ghost in the Library? And who stole the expensive stamp collection?

The Story Collector is the first middle grade novel in Macmillan's partnership with the New York Public Library.

Author Bio

Location: Kristin O'Donnell Tubb - Tennessee; Iacopo Bruno - Italy

Kristin Tubb is the author of several middle-grade novels, including A Dog Like Daisy, Autumn Winifred Oliver Does Things Different, Selling Hope, and The 13th Sign. She lives in Tennessee with her family. Learn more at kristintubb.com.
Missy Piggle-Wiggle and the Sticky-Fingers Cure
by Ann M. Martin and Annie Parnell, illustrated by Ben Hatke

Once in a generation, the Effluvia strikes and it affects everyone differently. Missy wakes one morning to find the upside-down house is . . . right-side up? It's not long before Missy has to quarantine the house. Meanwhile she's still fielding calls from worried parents, and Louie can't keep his sticky fingers from taking other people's things! But Missy's magic cure might just do the trick, and even teach some valuable lessons along the way.

This delightful middle-grade series will be sure to draw in readers both new and old to this revitalization of a classic series.

"Betty MacDonald's beloved Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle always had one-of-a-kind ways to remedy children of their annoying or impolite habits. Now, nearly seventy years later, her singular magic can enchant a new generation, thanks to this delightful contemporary follow-up." - Publishers Weekly, starred review

Rain Reign:

"If you can read, you'll love this book. . . . It's about love and fealty, fear, hope, the release from burdens, and what kids—all kids—need but often don't get." - The New York Times Book Review

"Newbery Honor author Martin is extremely successful in capturing Rose's perspective and personality. . . . Filled (....)

Author Bio

Location: Ann M. Martin - New York; Ben Hatke - The Shenandoah Valley

Ann M. Martin is the New York Times-bestselling author of Rain Reign and many other award-winning novels and series, including the much-loved Baby-Sitters Club. She lives in upstate New York.

Annie Parnell worked for nearly a decade with some of the most successful editors in publishing at Scholastic before burning that path, and now she does freelance editing and book design around the world.
Missy Piggle-Wiggle and the Won’t-Walk-the-Dog Cure
by Ann M. Martin and Annie Parnell, illustrated by Ben Hatke

Missy Piggle-Wiggle is finally starting to feel settled in at the upside-down house, and the families in town have come to trust her magical cures for all sorts of childhood (mis)behavior, just like her great-aunt. But right when everything is going so well, a terrible storm blasts through Little Spring Valley, damaging the upside-down house. Now the house is in need of repair (and isn’t happy about it one bit), and money is becoming pretty tight for Missy. On top of that, the children of Little Spring Valley continue to need Missy’s inventive cures, such as the Interrupter Cure and the Won’t-Walk-the-Dog Cure. Luckily, Missy knows just what to do!

Missy Piggle-Wiggle and the Whatever Cure:

"Betty MacDonald's beloved Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle always had one-of-a-kind ways to remedy children of their annoying or impolite habits. Now, nearly seventy years later, her singular magic can enchant a new generation, thanks to this delightful contemporary follow-up." - Publishers Weekly, starred review

Rain Reign:

A New York Times Bestseller
A New York Times Notable Book
A Horn Book Best of 2014 Pick
A Kirkus Review Best of 2014 Pick
A School Library Journal Best of 2014 Pick
A Publishers Weekly best of 2014 Pick
A Booklist Best Book of 2014 Pick
A Shelf Awareness Best of 2014 Pick
An Amazon.com Best Book of 2014

"If you can read, you’ll love this book... It’s about love and fealty, fear, hope, the release from burdens, and what kids-all kids-need but often don’t get." - The New York Times Book Review

"Simplicity, clarity, and emotional resonance are hallmarks of Rose's first-person narrative, which offers an unflinching view of her world (...)"

Author Bio

Location: Ann M. Martin - New York; Ben Hatke - The Shenandoah Valley

Ann M. Martin is the New York Times bestselling author of Rain Reign and many other award-winning novels and series, including the much-loved Baby-Sitters Club and Gothic Academy.
Snazzy Cat Capers
by Deanna Kent, illustrated by Neil Hooson

Ophelia von Hairball is on a mission to be the world's most famous cat burglar!

In order to win the prestigious Top Burglar Award from the Furry Feline Burglary Institute (FFBI), Ophelia must steal the giant Himalayan diamond. But her ne-fur-ious cousin Pierre will stop at nothing to thwart her plans. Determined to get her paws on the prize, Ophelia reluctantly enlists the help of Oscar F. Gold, a goldfish who invents nifty gadgets.

They embark on a globe-trotting mission to pull off Ophelia's most daring heist yet!

Fun adventure, adorable black-and-white illustrations throughout, and sharp wit make this a go-to choice for upper chapter book readers.

I want to be Ophelia when I grow up!! And I want Oscar to be my BFF - Best Fishy Friend!

Snazzy Cat Capers is fabulous, funny and fin-tastic fun with illustrations that pounce off the page." - Mo O'Hara, New York Times bestselling author of the My Big Fat Zombie Goldfish series"

Author Bio

Location: Deanna Kent - Kelowna, Canada; Neil Hooson - Kelowna, Canada

Deanna Kent and Neil Hooson have worked on books, brand and marketing campaigns, and interactive experiences. Deanna loves twinkle lights, black licorice, Edna Mode, and may be the only person on the planet who says, "team work makes the dream work " without a hint of sarcasm. Neil is king of a Les Paul guitar, makes killer enchiladas, and really wants aliens to land in his backyard. By far, their greatest creative challenge is raising four (very busy, very amazing) boys. Snazzy Cat Capers is their first chapter book series.
They say you can't get something for nothing, but nothing is all Sami has. When his grandfather's most-prized possession—a traditional Afghan instrument called a rebab—is stolen, Sami resolves to get it back. He finds it at a music store, but it costs $700, and Sami doesn't have even one penny. What he does have is a keychain that has caught the eye of his classmate. If he trades the keychain for something more valuable, could he keep trading until he has $700? Sami is about to find out.

*The Eleventh Trade* is both a classic middle school story and a story about being a refugee. Like Katherine Applegate, author of *Wishtree*, Alyssa Hollingsworth tackles a big issue with a light touch.

**Author Bio**

Location: Hampton, VA

Alyssa Hollingsworth was born in Florida and studied Writing for Young People at Bath Spa University. *The Eleventh Trade* is her debut novel. She lives in Hampton, Virginia.

**Notes**

**Promotion**

Advance Materials Mailings to Key Reviewers, Media, and School and Library Contacts
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Digital Review Copies Available for Download on Netgalley and Edelweiss
Available as an E-Book
The Complete Jungle Book
by Rudyard Kipling, illustrated by Stuart Tresilian

You know The Jungle Book - but you've never seen it quite like this!


More than a century after Macmillan's publication of The Jungle Book in 1894, we are delighted to introduce a new generation of readers to these wonderful stories and characters. Bonus content, including behind-the-scenes materials from our archives, will make The Complete Jungle Book an irresistible treat for all ages.

Author Bio

Rudyard Kipling was born in India in 1865. Although he moved to England at age six, he retained his love for his country of birth and returned ten years later. This inspired him to write The Jungle Book, published by Macmillan in 1894, The Second Jungle Book (1895), and Just So Stories (1902). In 1907, Kipling was the first English-language writer to receive the Nobel Prize for Literature.

Stuart Tresilian was born in 1881. An English artist, he was commissioned in the 1930s to illustrate two collections of stories from the Jungle Books: Animal Stories and All the Mowgli Stories. Tresilian is also known for illustrating Enid Blyton's Adventure series.
Batneezer
The Creature From My Closet
by Obert Skye, illustrated by Obert Skye

For the first time, Rob Burnside knows when his closet is about to open—but he's not prepared for what emerges. A mash-up of Ebenezer Scrooge and Lego Batman, this new visitor's unusual antics are only one of Rob's problems. While enduring visits by the ghosts of books past, present, and future, Rob learns some shocking news: A battle is brewing, and his school needs a hero. What he gets is so much more. (Spoiler alert: All the creatures from past books come visit!)

Obert Skye doesn't let his fans down in the hilarious final installment in the Creature from My Closet series.

A Christy Ottaviano Book
An Amazon Editors' Fall Reading List Selection

The Creature from My Closet series:
"Highly amusing new series starter. . . . Skye gives Rob a self-deprecating charm and highlights the pleasures of books both subtly and effectively." - Booklist

"Skye captures all the silly action in the winning text-plus-cartoons format. . . . Rob's dry commentary on his family, school, and social life is sure to provoke laughs." - Publishers Weekly

"Filled with spot-on commentary and a wince-inducing supporting cast, middle grade guys won't be able to keep Wonkenstein to themselves. . . . should appeal to reluctant readers, not to mention the legion Wimpy Kid fans." - Shelf Awareness

"Original and hilarious." - School Library Journal

Author Bio
Location: Obert Skye - Mesa, AZ; Obert Skye - Mesa, AZ

Obert Skye is the author and illustrator of the bestselling Creature from My Closet series, including Wonkenstein, Potterwookie, Pinocula, Katfish, and Lord of the Hat, and the author of the new series Witherwood Reform School. He has also written the bestselling children's fantasy adventure series Leven
The Extraordinary Colors of Auden Dare
by Zillah Bethell

Auden Dare is colorblind and lives in a world where water is scarce and families must live on a weekly, allocated supply.

When Auden's uncle, the scientist Dr. Bloom, suddenly dies, he leaves a note to Auden and to his classmate Vivi Rookmini. Together, the notes lead them to Paragon—a robot.

As Auden, Vivi, and Paragon try to uncover Paragon's purpose and put together the clues Dr. Bloom left behind, they find out that Dr. Bloom's death was anything but innocent, that powerful people are searching for Paragon—and that it's up to Auden and Vivi to stop them.

A Whisper of Horses:

"In this densely plotted dystopian novel, newly orphaned twelve-year-old Serendipity sets out in search of supposedly extinct horses. . . . Bethell's inventive heroine propels an action-packed adventure." - Publishers Weekly

"Bethell turns all the old formulas on their head. . . . As with all good fantasy, there is a strong requisite of reality . . . the narrative is driven by the skillfully articulated sentiments of a horse-obsessed girl." - The Telegraph (U.K.), five stars

"This debut offers up a solid dose of middle-grade adventure." - Booklist

Author Bio

Location: Wales

Zillah Bethell was born in a leprosy hospital in Papua New Guinea, spent her childhood barefoot playing in the jungle, and didn't own a pair of shoes until she came to the United Kingdom when she was eight years old. She was educated at Oxford University and lives in Wales with her family. A Whisper of Horses was her first children's book. She is also the author of The Extraordinary Colors of Auden Dare.
The Train to Impossible Places: A Cursed Delivery
by P. G. Bell

A train that travels through impossible places. A boy trapped in a snow globe. And a girl who's about to go on the adventure of a lifetime.

Suzy Smith believes in science. Then the Impossible Postal Express comes roaring through her living room and her world turns upside down. After sneaking on board, Suzy suddenly finds herself Deputy Post Master aboard the train, and faced with her first delivery—to the evil Lady Crepuscula.

Then, the package itself begs Suzy not to deliver him. A talking snow globe, Frederick has information Crepuscula could use to take over the entire Union of Impossible Places. But when protecting Frederick means putting her friends in danger, Suzy has to make a difficult choice—with the fate of the entire Union at stake.

Hand to fans of Serafina and the Black Cloak and The School for Good vs. Evil

Author Bio

Location: Newport, South Wales, UK

P. G. Bell is a native of south Wales, where he was raised on a diet of Greek mythology, ghost stories, and Doctor Who. He's had all sorts of jobs over the years, from lifeguard to roller coaster operator, but has always wanted to write stories for a living. He currently works as a library assistant for Cardiff University and lives in Wales with his wife, Anna, and their two children.
The Train to Impossible Places 5-Copy Counter Display
by P.G. Bell

Includes
- (5) copies of THE TRAIN TO IMPOSSIBLE PLACES (9781250189509)
Greetings from Witness Protection!
by Jake Burt

Nicki Demere is an orphan and a pickpocket. She also happens to be the U. S. Marshals’ best bet to keep a family alive. . . .

The marshals are looking for the perfect girl to join a mother, father, and son on the run from the nation's most notorious criminals. After all, the bad guys are searching for a family with one kid, not two. Adding a streetwise girl who knows a little something about hiding things may be just what the marshals need.

Nicki swears she can keep the Trevor family safe, but to do so she’ll have to dodge hitmen, cyberbullies, and standardized testing, all while maintaining her marshal-mandated B-minus average. Nicki learns that the biggest threats to her family's security might not lurk on the road from New York to North Carolina, but rather in her own past.

Greetings from Witness Protection! :
"Jake Burt is a storytelling magician. . . . Nicki relates her unusual experiences with humor and with a commitment that melted my heart and made me wish I'd known her when I was in seventh grade." -Ann M. Martin, New York Times -bestselling author of Rain Reign and the Baby-Sitters Club series

"What do you get when you mix a snarky city girl with a shady past and lightning reflexes with a seemingly typical suburban family she's just met? A funny, action-packed novel about the trials of school, parental arguments, and sibling rivalry. . . .

[Readers] will relish the action and fast-paced plot as well as the engaging and competent Nicki." - School Library Journal

"This inventive, clever story has a lot of heart at its center. Jake Burt's debut is utterly rewarding." -Wendy Mass, New York Times -bestselling author of The Candymakers and Jeremy Fink and the Meaning of Life

Author Bio

Location: Hamden, CT

Jake Burt teaches the fifth grade in Connecticut. He lives with his wife and their daughter in Hamden, Connecticut. Greetings from Witness Protection! is his fiction debut.
The Right Hook of Devin Velma
by Jake Burt

Addison Gerhardt's best friend, Devin Velma, wants to achieve social media fame by pulling a stunt at a national basketball game, and he needs his help. Addi knows he's doomed. Doing anything in front of anybody except Devin and their families is difficult for Addison, an introvert who suffers from anxiety. Devin, on the other hand, can't resist an opportunity to become a viral sensation.

Addi's not sure why Devin is hellbent on pulling off this stunt. Maybe it has something to do with Devin's dad's hospital bills. Or maybe it's Devin's way of helping Addison overcome his "freezing"—his anxiety. Either way, the stunt will change both boys and their friendship.

With memorable protagonists and a wonderful supporting cast, Burt's work is perfect for fans of Chris Grabenstein, Shannon Hale, and Adam Gidwitz.

Greetings from Witness Protection!

"Jake Burt is a storytelling magician. Part coming of age tale and part spy thriller, Greetings from Witness Protection! could be a collaboration between Judy Blume and Ian Fleming. Nicki relates her unusual experiences with humor and with a commitment that melted my heart and made me wish I'd known her when I was in seventh grade." -Ann M. Martin, New York Times - bestselling author of Rain Reign and the Baby-Sitters Club series

"This inventive, clever story has a lot of heart at its center. Jake Burt's debut is utterly rewarding." - Wendy Mass, New York Times - bestselling author of The Candymakers and Jeremy Fink and the Meaning of Life

"A funny, action-packed novel about the trials of school, parental arguments, and sibling rivalry—all (...)"

Author Bio

Location: Hamden, CT

Jake Burt’s debut middle-grade novel, Greetings from Witness Protection! was named a Fall 2017 Indies Introduce title. A fifth-grade classroom teacher, Jake lives with his family in Hamden, Connecticut.
**Sticker Girl and the Cupcake Contest**
by Janet Tashjian, illustrated by Inga Wilmink

A mischievous bracelet. A rampant ant farm. A mini trampoline. These are just a few of the new stickers ready to be peeled off Martina Rivera's sticker sheet and come to life. Student council is keeping Martina busy with a bake sale and cupcake-savvy Bev is excited to help out. The girls advertise their delicious creations on social media and are thrilled to be invited to the prestigious Cupcake Camp. As Martina soon discovers, student council and baking competitions are a lot to handle, especially when her new sticker friends stir up trouble at home. A magical new adventure awaits with Sticker Girl!

Bonus feature: Sticker sheet featuring the magic stickers from Book 3 packaged with the book!

A Christy Ottaviano Book

Sticker Girl series:
"With humor, delicacy, and creativity, Tashjian folds in cultural and socioeconomic references to develop Martina and her family while also inserting fun and informative scientific facts gleaned from Martina's lessons at school. . . . Readers will be eager for the follow-up adventures of Sticker Girl."
- *Kirkus Reviews*

"Readers will want to stick with future episodes of this a-PEEL-ling and accessible series." - *Kirkus Reviews*

The My Life series:
A Bank Street Best Children's Book of the Year

"Give this to kids who think they don't like reading. It might change their minds." - *Booklist*, starred review

"A kinder, gentler Wimpy Kid with all the fun and more plot." - *Kirkus Reviews*, starred review

"Another fun, emotionally resonant read for the Wimpy Kid set and beyond." - *Kirkus Reviews*

"Fans of the first will be utterly delighted by this sequel and anxious to see what Jake will turn up as next." - *The Bulletin*

"This is a great package for kids, especially those like Derek who don't (…"

**Author Bio**
After a break-in at their London home, Kat Wolfe and her veterinarian mum decide it's time to move to the country. Dr. Wolfe's new job on England's Jurassic Coast comes with a condition: They have to adopt Tiny, a huge Savannah who resists Kat's best attempts at cat whispering. Kat starts a pet-sitting agency to make pocket money, but then the owner of her first client, an Amazon parrot, vanishes from his gadget-filled mansion. Only one person shares Kat's conviction that he's the victim of foul play: Harper Lamb, an American girl laid up with two broken legs thanks to her racehorse. Kat and Harper team up, but what starts out as mystery-solving fun turns deadly for the duo. When all clues point to a nearby army base, can they count on their unruly animal friends to save the day-and their lives?

"Full of adventure and mystery. . . . One of those books that you really don't want to put down." - The Guardian

"Another cracking adventure. . . . The Caribbean locations sparkle." - The Telegraph

"A fast-paced mystery with an underlying conservation theme. Tween readers will be absorbed by the adventure, the animals, and the African setting." - School Library Journal

"Captivating." - School Library Journal

Lauren St. John was born in Rhodesia, now Zimbabwe. After studying journalism in Harare, she relocated to England. She is the author of numerous books including the multi award-winning White Giraffe children's series, the bestselling One Dollar Horse series, and the Laura Marlin Mysteries.

laurenstjohn.com
Ellie Charles is the smartest, prettiest, best-dressed, and most popular kid at Lincoln Heights Middle School. She’s also the meanest. She knows it, and she uses her reputation to keep herself at the top of the food chain. But one night, just before her school’s winter dance, she encounters a ghost who might change everything. This ghost—of a girl dressed all in black—leads Ellie through her past, present, and future. Can what Ellie sees change her ways—or even save her life?

*If I Were You:*

"Margolis uses a light touch as she navigates the challenges of growing up and changing friendships. Her characters are fully formed and sympathetic in a fresh take on the age-old idea that there's no place like home." - *Publishers Weekly*

"Katie and Melody are sympathetic characters, and tween readers will relate to the envy that twines its way through their friendship. . . . Readers looking for a summertime read with boys and best friends will enjoy it." - *School Library Journal*

"Margolis movingly captures the aches of tween life, all in an appealingly sun-drenched California setting. This will be a great fit for fans of Wendy Mass’ fantasy-tinged Willow Falls series." - *Booklist*

**Author Bio**

Location: Los Angeles, CA

We Are Party People
by Leslie Margolis

Shy twelve-year-old Pixie is the opposite of her gregarious parents, owners of the top party planning company in town. When Pixie's mom has to go away to support her ailing grandmother, it falls on Pixie to help out with the family business and step into the spotlight-and mermaid costume-her worst nightmare. Along the way she learns important life lessons, like maybe her family isn't so bad after all and that stepping out of her comfort zone might not be as scary as she thought. With a little help from her friends, she discovers her courage and faces her fears.

We Are Party People:
"The strongest chapters are the lively accounts of how Pixie and Dan organize and run parties without Mom . . . Middle school angst tempered by humorous insights." - Kirkus Reviews

"Pixie's first-person perspective is endearing. . . . Give this to fans of gentle, realistic fiction. A solid purchase." - School Library Journal

"Pixie's friends, Lola and Sophie, provide an excellent example of what good friends should be, and their relationship will show young readers that good friends help and support each other. . . . A fun, fast-paced read." - Booklist

"Shy middle schoolers who tend to downplay their talents will find inspiration to be brave and maybe ideas for planning an amazing party as well." - VOYA

Author Bio

Location: Los Angeles, CA

Leslie Margolis is the author of many books for young readers, including If I Were You, the Maggie Brooklyn Mysteries, and the Annabelle Unleashed series. Leslie lives in Los Angeles with her family. lesliemargolis.com
Thundercluck!
by Paul Tillery, illustrated by Paul Tillery and Meg Wittwer

When danger calls . . . BAGAW! calls back!

When the evil Under Chef faces off against the god Thor, a hen’s egg is caught in the crossfire, hatching into powerful chick called Thundercluck, beloved by the gods but a target for evildoers everywhere. For his own safety, the young chicken must fly the coop and hide out on Earth. But when the Under Chef returns and threatens to turn the hens of Valhalla into rotisserie, Thundercluck scrambles to reclaim the power of thunder and hatch a plan to defeat him.

Thundercluck! Half mortal. Half god. All-natural chicken.

Author Bio

Paul Tillery IV was born in Raleigh, North Carolina. He’s always loved drawing, storytelling, and off-kilter comedy. He earned his MFA in animation from SCAD-Atlanta in 2014 and taught animation at SCAD in Savannah, Georgia. He lives in Los Angeles, California. thundercluck.com

Co-illustrator Meg Wittwer was born in Fort Wayne, Indiana. She enjoys drawing and communicating with others through art and collaboration. She also digs birds (especially chickens). Meg earned her BFA in illustration from SCAD in 2016, and she now works as an illustrator in Los Angeles, California. megillustration.com

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Extensive Outreach To Key Educators And Library Contacts

Notes
Having solved the case of the missing mascot, sister-brother duo Moxie and Milton form their own detective agency.

They get their first case when Moxie's best friend Emily receives a nice letter signed with nothing but a mysterious purple squiggle. Who sent it and why? Tenacious Moxie investigates; thoughtful Milton puts together the clues. They're the perfect team. If only they knew that.

Convinced their detective styles are too different, the siblings split up to form their own agencies. But as more students receive letters, Moxie and Milton realize they must work together to find out who is behind this purple squiggle. The answer will warm your heart.

Told in Moxie's singular voice, *Two's a Crowd* delivers clever storytelling in an irresistible, richly illustrated package.

*The Real McCoys:*

"Readers will breeze through this ingenious combination of text and art, eager for Moxie and Milton's next case." - *School Library Journal*, starred review

"Swanson's witty text is enhanced exponentially by Behr's bold, original artwork to create a uniquely told whodunit with wide appeal. . . . An exceptional book." - *Booklist*, starred review

"Delightfully topsy-turvy. . . . Readers will hope to see more of both siblings soon." - *Publishers Weekly*, starred review

"An exceptional middle-grade read packed with giggles for young sleuths who love to explore a little off the beaten path." - *Kirkus Reviews*

"Swanson and Behr have created a gem. . . . Hilarious." - *The Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books*

"Clever, funny, delightful." -Andrea Beaty, #1 (...) 

**Author Bio**

Location: Matthew Swanson - Maryland

Matthew Swanson and Robbi Behr are the author-illustrator, husband-wife duo behind *Ten Thousand Stories; Babies Ruin Everything; Everywhere, Wonder, The Real McCoys;* and more than sixty illustrated books for children and adults alike. Matthew lives in Maryland and Robbi lives in Portland, Oregon.
Her name's Moxie. Moxie McCoy. Bold, opinionated, and haplessly self-confident, she's the world's greatest fourth-grade detective! When someone kidnaps the beloved school mascot, Eddie the Owl, Moxie is on the case—but she is forced to fly solo since her best friend (and crime-solving partner) has recently moved away. Moxie must interview her classmates—both as potential new best friends, and as possible suspects. She finds clues and points fingers but can't save the owl on her own. Enter Moxie's little brother, Milton. Quiet and cautious, he listens carefully and helps connects the dots. Can the Real McCoys form an unlikely alliance and solve the crime of the century?

The Real McCoys delivers clever storytelling and heartwarming insight in an irresistible package.

"This clever, funny, delightful book is just what the world needs. The surprising and inventive interaction between text and illustration shows that two brains are, indeed, better than one—especially when they belong to Matthew Swanson and Robbi Behr." —Andrea Beaty, #1 New York Times bestselling author of Ada Twist, Scientist

"Swanson's fanciful and whimsical exploration of the meeting of imagination and story is strengthened by the jewel-toned colors and sheer scope of Behr's illustrations." —Kirkus Reviews

"Babies Ruin Everything speaks to that older brother or sister, telling them, simply: 'I hear you. This is hard.' This is a wonderfully empathetic and funny book that doesn't talk down to older siblings and their real struggles having their world turned upside (…)"

Author Bio
The Road to Ever After
by Moira Young

Davy David, an orphan, lives by his wits in a dead-end town. When a stray dog named George turns Davy’s life upside down just days before Christmas, he sets in motion a chain of events that forces them to flee.

A mischievous wind blows the two of them to a boarded-up museum on the outskirts of town where they meet the elderly recluse, Miss Flint. She has planned one last adventure before her time is up and hires the reluctant Davy and George to escort her. As they travel, the most peculiar thing happens—Miss Flint begins to get younger and younger with each mile they travel.

A magical and moving adventure about an unlikely friendship and an unforgettable journey.

The Road to Ever After:
"Gorgeous writing combines with a hauntingly bleak near-future setting, a whiff of holiday magic, and a transcendent story arc to make this novel feel like the classic it deserves to become." - Publishers Weekly, starred review

"A charming adventure with a hero (and his dog) who will warm your heart." - Booklist

Author Bio

Moira Young is from Vancouver. She moved to the UK to attend drama school, and so began a performing career that took her from London’s alternative comedy circuit to the West End as a tap-dancing chorus girl. She is the author of the Dustlands trilogy, now published in over thirty countries. Her debut novel, Blood Red Road, the first in the trilogy, was optioned for film by Ridley Scott. moirayoung.com
Welcome to Oddity, New Mexico, where normal is odd and odd is normal.

Ada Roundtree is no stranger to dodging carnivorous dumpsters, distracting zombie rabbits with marshmallows, and instigating games of alien punkball. But things haven't been the same since her twin sister, Pearl, won the town's yearly Sweepstakes and disappeared. Along with her best friend, Raymond, and new-kid-from-Chicago Cayden, Ada leads a self-given quest to discover Oddity's secrets, even evading the invisible Blumonster terrorizing the outskirts of town.

But one of their missions goes sideways, revealing something hinky with the Sweepstakes . . . and Ada can't let it go. Because, if the Sweepstakes is bad, then what happened to Pearl?

Oddity:
"Utterly endearing. A charming, enjoyable thrill ride with memorable characters, crazy creatures, and a theme about the importance of family." - Booklist

"Featuring a diverse cast of characters, this fantasy is chock-full of adventure and agency, making it a must-buy and a must-read for most middle graders." - School Library Journal

"This book grabbed me from page one. Wild, whacky, and yet utterly believable. You will love Ada and Oddity!" - Sage Blackwood, author of Jinx

"I've never read anything like this wonderful book. An infinite number of monkeys with an infinite number of typewriters have a story they want to share with you, and they're going by the name Sarah Cannon so as to be inconspicuous. Do yourself a favor and take Oddity from their (...)"

Author Bio
Sarah Cannon, author of Oddity, has lived all over the U.S., but right now she calls Indiana home. She has a husband, three kids, and a misguided dog. Sarah holds a BS in education. She's a nerdy, knitting gardener who drinks a lot of coffee and eats a lot of raspberries. She is probably human.
In the Country of Queens
by Cari Best

A shy and sheltered girl learns to stand up for herself, and rights several wrongs in her life, in this timeless middle-grade novel.

Eleven-year-old Shirley Alice Burns lives with her domineering mother, Hurricane Anna, and loving Grandmother. One day she unexpectedly discovers that her beloved father isn’t in Absentia as her family would have her believe, but dead. And she understands all too well why they haven’t told her; she’s always been shy and quiet, and Anna has always been protective of her. But if Shirley doesn’t start speaking up, she isn’t going to be able to do the things she wants todo: go on vacation to Lake Winnipesaukee with her cousins, stop taking ballet lessons, and talk about her father. Through the help of a mouse, her hero Pippi Loingstocking, and her cousin Phillie, Shirley finds the strength to give her dreams a voice and convince everyone, even Hurricane Anna, that she doesn’t need to be sheltered, especially from the truth.

In the Country of Queens is the debut novel from acclaimed picture-book author Cari Best.

Praise for In the Country of Queens:

"Picture-book author Best's first middle-grade novel sparkles and pops like a Fourth of July firecracker." - Kirkus Reviews, starred review

"Will tug at readers' heartstrings." - School Library Journal

"An engaging story . . . Best does a good job of capturing a time and place and showing readers how confidence builds - Shirley's and perhaps their own." - Booklist

"Period details bring Shirley's world to life. [She] is an honest and relatable narrator." - Publishers Weekly

Praise for In the (...) 

Author Bio

Cari Best has written many award-winning picture books, including Sally Jean, the Bicycle Queen, a School Library Journal Best Book of the Year; and My Three Best Friends and Me, described by the New York Times as 'breathtaking.'
Wishtree  
by Katherine Applegate  

*Trees can’t tell jokes, but they can certainly tell stories.* . . .

Red is an oak tree who is many rings old. Red is the neighborhood "wishtree"—people write their wishes on pieces of cloth and tie them to Red’s branches. Along with a crow named Bongo and other animals who seek refuge in Red’s hollows, this wishtree watches over the neighborhood.

You might say Red has seen it all.

Until a new family moves in. Not everyone is welcoming, and Red’s experience as a wishtree is more important than ever.

Funny, deep, warm, and nuanced, this is Katherine Applegate at her very best-writing from the heart, and from a completely unexpected point of view.

*wishtree:*

*A NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER!*
*A New York Times Notable Book, 2017*
*A National Public Radio Best Book of 2017*
*A Publishers Weekly Bestseller*
*A Washington Post Best Book of 2017*
*A Chicago Public Library Best Book of 2017*
*A Publishers Weekly Best Book of 2017*
*San Francisco Chronicle 2017 Gift Guide*
*Los Angeles Times 2017 Gift Guide*
*Autumn 2017 Kids’ Indie Next List “Top Pick” Title*

*A beautifully written, morally bracing story that will leave its (...)*

**Author Bio**

Location: Northern California

Katherine Applegate is the author of *The One and Only Ivan*, winner of the Newbery Medal. Her most recent novel for F&F, *Crenshaw*, spent over twenty weeks on the *New York Times* children’s bestseller list, and her first middle-grade stand-alone novel, *Home of the Brave* (also F&F) continues to be included on state reading lists, summer reading lists, and class reading lists. Katherine Applegate lives in Tiburon, California, with her family.
Back at the Winterhouse hotel for another holiday season, Elizabeth and Freddy dig deeper into an investigation of Riley S. Granger, a friend of Winterhouse's founder and the creator of a set of odd artifacts left in the hotel—one of which was a magical book that Gracella Winters attempted to use the year before to gain destructive power over the entire Falls lineage. The two friends follow a trail of documents and clues, inadvertently attracting the attention of a suspicious new girl along the way: Elana Vesper. Now the clock is ticking as Elizabeth and Freddy struggle to figure out whether Elana is merely a pawn or a player in the plot to revive the spirit of evil Gracella. For fans of the *Book Scavenger* series and *The Mysterious Benedict Society*. 

A Christy Ottaviano Book

Praise for *Winterhouse*:

An Indies Next List Pick

"Guterson provides readers a treat: mean caregivers à la the Dursleys; a vast, luxurious hotel where oddities abound; a new word-puzzle-loving friend; a shrouded history for Winterhouse; and sinister circumstances... . . Clever and captivating." - *Kirkus Reviews*

"Filled with puzzles and magic, Guterson’s debut keeps suspense high as the secrets of Elizabeth’s past unwind. This satisfying mystery leaves just enough unanswered questions to have readers eager for the next book in this planned trilogy." - *Publishers Weekly*

Author Bio

Ben Guterson was born and raised in Seattle. Before working at Microsoft as a Program Manager, Ben spent a decade teaching public school on the Navajo Reservation in New Mexico and in rural Colorado. He has written features and book reviews for newspapers, magazines, and websites, as well as a nature-travel guide to the Southwest. Ben and his family live in the foothills of the Cascades east of Seattle. *Winterhouse* is his first book. benguterson.com
There's terrible news in the neighborhood next to Kitty's! A conflict there is growing worse and worse. It started as an argument and has now turned into a full-fledged fight. Houses are being destroyed, streets are being ripped up. It's not safe to go outside!

Kitty's family decides it's time to do something to help. Their idea: foster as many displaced kittens as possible.

Kitty won't mind, right?

Well.. not exactly. Kitty does seem to mind. She minds A LOT.

Will our favorite bad-tempered friend learn to share her space, her food, and (GASP!) her toys?

Find out in this hilarious and poignant addition to the Bad Kitty series.

**Author Bio**

Location: Nick Bruel - Tarrytown, NY; Nick Bruel - Tarrytown, NY

Nick Bruel is the author and illustrator of the phenomenally successful Bad Kitty series, including the 2012 and 2013 CBC Children's Choice Book Award winners *Bad Kitty Meets the Baby* and *Bad Kitty for President*. He has also written and illustrated popular picture books including *Who is Melvin Bubble?* and *Bob and Otto*. Nick lives with his wife and daughter in Westchester, New York. Visit him at nickbruel.com.
Sacred Geniuses
by Michael Dante DiMartino

After a showdown with the evil emperor Nerezza in the Indian-inspired world of Rachana, the band of young artists and their Geniuses is broken. Giacomo has been captured, his mind under Nerezza's control. Knowing that Nerezza is on the hunt for the Pencil, the third Sacred Tool, the daring Milena, Savino, and Aaminah head to Katunga, an African-inspired empire known for their powerful intellect. There, Aaminah confronts her heritage, making a shocking discovery when she finds out the leader of the Katungans is her father, a man she barely remembers. Meanwhile, the rebel artists must unlock the power behind the Sacred Tools to stop and destroy Nerezza once and for all - but does that mean they have to end Giacomo's life too?

Emotions erupt, powers clash, and battles ensue in this thrilling conclusion to the Rebel Geniuses series!

Warrior Genius:

"[A]n excellent spark to learning more about both in the real world." - Kirkus Reviews

"Readers who enjoy detailed battles will demand this book." - Booklist

Rebel Genius:

"Giacomo's lush and intricate world does not disappoint. . . . Give this one to fans of Lisa McMann's The Unwanteds." - School Library Journal

"Inspired worldbuilding and nonstop action should hook readers." - Kirkus Reviews

"DiMartino keeps it fresh with a richly imagined setting, a fast-paced storyline, and numerous deftly sketched illustrations." - Publishers Weekly

"A natural extension of Michael Dante DiMartino's work on Avatar: The Last Airbender: charming young heroes, magical creatures, an innovative magic system, and mysteries galore. There is so much to love about this book!" - Gene Yang, author of American Born Chinese

"DiMartino masterfully weaves a thrilling action-adventure epic into an imaginative and terrifying world." - Bryan Konietzko, co-creator of Avatar: The Last Airbender and The Legend (...)
Bad Kitty Camp Daze
by Nick Bruel

Kitty’s life is really hard. Like really, REALLY hard. All she asks for is twenty-two hours a day to sleep and food to be delivered morning and night. But does she get it? No. And when Puppy and Baby get a little rambunctious during her naptime, Kitty gets bonked on the head and starts to believe she’s . . . a dog.

This new dynamic freaks out Puppy, so he’s sent away to Uncle Murray’s Camp for Stressed-Out Dogs to relax with other canine campers.

But guess who sneaks along?

Still believing she’s a dog, Kitty fits right in. That is until she and Uncle Murray encounter a bear, and then the feline claws come out.

Perfect for any kid with or without camping experience.

Praise for Bad Kitty chapter books:

"The illustrations are a delightful addition to a hilarious text and add charm and wit to an already beloved character. . . . Die-hard fans of this naughty feline will love this new story, and newcomers will be in for a treat. Even the most reluctant reader will have trouble putting this one down." - School Library Journal

"With dialogue and illustrations that range from droll to madcap, this book seems sure to turn devoted dog-lovers into Bad Kitty series fans." - Booklist on Bad Kitty: Puppy’s Big Day (...)

Author Bio

Location: Tarrytown, NY

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Snow Lane
by Josie Angelini

Fifth grader Annie is just like every other girl in her small suburban town. Except she’s starting to realize that she isn’t.

Annie is the youngest of nine children. Instead of being condemned to the bottom of the pecking order, she wants to carve out place for herself in the world. But it’s hard to find your destiny when the only thing you’re good at is being cheerful. Annie is learning that it’s difficult to be Annie, period, and not just because her clothes are worn-out hand-me-downs, and her dyslexia causes problems, but also because there are secrets in her life no one in her family is willing to face.

Josie Angelini presents a story about a resilient girl who, in spite of many hardships, can still find light in the darkest of places.

Trial by Fire:

"A must-read romance. It has everything a book should have: action, adventure, violence, and a butt-kicking heroine and one hot hero." - USA Today

"Readers will be swept into the inner workings of crucibles and witches and left eager for more. . . . A richly drawn world of keenly devised magic." - Kirkus Reviews

Firewalker:

"Angelini takes readers on a high-stakes and fast-paced ride once again. The author blends fantasy, science fiction, mythology, and light romance seamlessly . . . A satisfying series installment that will leave teens anxious for the next title, especially after the cliff-hanger ending." - School Library Journal

"Lily is a female character that teen girls can find something of themselves in, no matter who they are. Her transformation, great power, and humility (...)

Author Bio
In Book 2 of this breathtakingly action-packed series, warriors clash in an ultimate face-off between enemy empires, but both sides share an equal enemy: Giacomo.

Giacomo, his fellow artists, and their teacher are on the run after a showdown with Nerezza, the emperor of Zizzola, who has vowed to destroy them and their precious Geniuses. They flee to Rachana, a South Asian-inspired world where it's the most powerful warriors, not artists, who possess Geniuses.

The power-hungry Rachanan leader is more than happy to have Giacomo and his team—he's eager to find the next Sacred Tool, the Straightedge, and believes it's hidden somewhere in his empire. Meanwhile, Nerezza has devised a plan to control Giacomo and bend him to her will. But she'll have to start an all-out war to get to him.

Rebel Genius:
"Giacomo's lush and intricate world does not disappoint. . . . Give this one to fans of Lisa McMann's The Unwanteds." - School Library Journal

"Inspired worldbuilding and nonstop action should hook readers, and they may find themselves spurred to try their own hands at creating." - Kirkus Reviews

"DiMartino keeps it fresh with a richly imagined setting, a fast-paced story line, and numerous deftly sketched illustrations." - Publishers Weekly

"A natural extension of Michael Dante DiMartino's work on Avatar: The Last Airbender: charming young heroes, magical creatures, an innovative magic system, and mysteries galore. There is so much to love about this book!" - Gene (...)

Author Bio

Michael Dante DiMartino is a graduate of the Rhode Island School of Design and the co-creator of the award-winning animated Nickelodeon series Avatar: The Last Airbender and its sequel, The Legend of Korra. He lives in Los Angeles with his wife. His Rebel Geniuses series is his debut prose work. michaeldantedimartino.tumblr.com
Betty Before X
by Ilyasah Shabazz and Renee Watson

In Detroit, 1945, eleven-year-old Betty's house doesn't quite feel like home. She believes her mother loves her, but she can't shake the feeling that her mother doesn't want her. Church helps those worries fade, if only for a little while. The singing, the preaching, the speeches from guest activists like Paul Robeson and Thurgood Marshall stir African Americans in her community to stand up for their rights. Betty quickly finds confidence and purpose in volunteering for the Housewives League, an organization that supports black-owned businesses. Soon, the American civil rights icon we now know as Dr. Betty Shabazz is born.

Inspired by Betty's real life - but expanded upon and fictionalized through collaboration with novelist Renée Watson - Ilyasah Shabazz illuminates four poignant years in her mother's childhood with this book, painting an inspiring portrait of a girl overcoming the challenges of self-acceptance and belonging that will resonate with young readers today.

Backmatter included.

"[A] heart-rending imagining of Shabazz's personal challenges as well as a rare, intimate look at the complex roots of the American civil rights movement." - Kirkus Reviews, starred review

"History comes alive in this illuminating portrayal of the early life of this civil rights activist, which is bolstered by substantial endnotes." - Publishers Weekly, starred review

Author Bio

Location: Renée Watson - New York, NY

Ilyasah Shabazz, third daughter of Malcolm X and Dr. Betty Shabazz, is an educator, activist, motivational speaker, and author of multiple award-winning publications, including her latest book, X: A Novel. She is also an active advocacy worker and an adjunct professor at John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York City. ilyasahshabazz.com

Renée Watson is the author of This Side of Home, which was nominated for the Best Fiction for Young Adults by the American Library Association. Her picture book Harlem's Little Blackbird: The Story of Florence Mills received an ALA Notable Children's Book Award. reneewatsonbooks.com
Winterhouse
by Ben Guterson, illustrated by Chloe Bristol

Orphan Elizabeth Somers's malevolent guardians ship her away over the holiday break to the Winterhouse Hotel owned by the mysterious Norbridge Falls. Upon arrival, Elizabeth quickly discovers that Winterhouse has many charms—most notably its massive library. It's not long before she locates a magical book of puzzles that will unlock a mystery involving Norbridge, his sinister family, and a fateful curse. As fate would have it, Elizabeth is the only person who can break the curse. But will it be at the cost of losing the people she has come to care for, and even Winterhouse itself?

Set against an enchanting backdrop, this magical adventure marks an auspicious debut.

A Christy Ottaviano Book

Winterhouse:
An Indie Next List Pick
"Clever and captivating." - Kirkus Reviews

"Filled with puzzles and magic, Guterson's debut keeps suspense high as the secrets of Elizabeth's past unwind. This satisfying mystery leaves just enough unanswered questions to have readers eager for the next book in this planned trilogy." - Publishers Weekly

Author Bio

Ben Guterson was born and raised in Seattle. Before working at Microsoft as a program manager, Ben spent a decade teaching public school on the Navajo Reservation in New Mexico and in rural Colorado. He has written features and book reviews for newspapers, magazines, and websites, as well as a nature-travel guide to the Southwest. Ben and his family live in the foothills of the Cascades east of Seattle. Winterhouse is his first book.
Brandon Webb is a Navy SEAL on a mission with his platoon. As the SEALs explore a network of caves in Afghanistan, they happen upon enemy soldiers. Outnumbered and with few resources at their disposal, Brandon and his team must call on their training to complete their operation—and to stay alive.

Packed with photos, maps, and sidebars to provide context and background, the Special Operations Files series will provide insight into the most elite forces in the U.S. military. These uniquely trained soldiers do what no one else can do: employ high-tech weaponry and old-fashioned bravery to get the job done!

The Making of a Navy SEAL:

“Webb's story makes for a breathless read for the many who will never encounter anything remotely as mentally and physically challenging as the endless training exercises to make it into the SEAL teams.” - Booklist

The Red Circle:

“What you're about to read is not just the making of a Navy SEAL sniper, but the story of one guy who went on to help shape the lives of hundreds of elite Special Operations warriors. Brandon has a great story to tell, and it is living proof that you can achieve anything you put your mind to.” - Marcus Luttrell, Navy SEAL and bestselling author of Lone Survivor

"Brandon's story hits center mass! If you want to know what makes up the DNA of a Navy SEAL and have a behind-the-scenes look at the best sniper program in the world, then 'hold 1 right for wind' and read The Red Circle." - Chris Kyle, SEAL Team (…)

Author Bio
Navy SEALs: Mission at the Caves
by Brandon Webb and Thea Feldman

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Most Dangerous
Daniel Ellsberg and the Secret History of the Vietnam War by Steve Sheinkin

From Steve Sheinkin comes a tense, exciting exploration of what the New York Times deemed "the greatest story of the century": how Daniel Ellsberg transformed from obscure government analyst into "the most dangerous man in America." On June 13, 1971, the front page of the New York Times announced the existence of a 7,000-page collection of documents containing a secret history of the Vietnam War. Known as the Pentagon Papers, they revealed a decades-long pattern of deception that forever changed the relationship between American citizens and the politicians claiming to represent their interests. A provocative book that interrogates the meanings of patriotism, freedom, and integrity, Most Dangerous further establishes Steve Sheinkin as a leader in children's nonfiction.

Most Dangerous:
- A National Book Award Finalist
- Winner of the 2016 Boston Globe-Horn Book Award for Excellence in Children's Literature
- YALSA Excellence in Nonfiction Award Finalist
- New York Times Notable Book
- Publishers Weekly Best Book of the Year
- Booklist Editor's Choice
- School Library Journal Best Book of the Year
- Kirkus Best Book of the Year
- Horn Book Fanfare Best Book of the Year
- BookPage Best Book of the Year

"Easily the best study of the Vietnam War available for teen readers." - Kirkus Reviews, starred review

"A concise, accessible, and riveting account of history . . . will keep readers racing forward." - Publishers Weekly, starred review

"Powerful and thought-provoking." - Booklist, starred review

"Fast-paced and fascinating . . . backed up by meticulous research." - VOYA, starred review

"Thoroughly researched, thoughtfully produced, and beautifully written . . . timely and extraordinary." - School & Library Journal, starred review

"Immediate and compelling . . . Here, [Sheinkin] has outdone even himself." - Horn Book, starred review
Missing
Mysterious Cases of People Gone Missing Through the Centuries
by Brenda Z. Guiberson

Jimmy Hoffa, Barbara Follett, Amelia Earhart, D. B. Cooper—they all disappeared. Throughout history, individuals have gone missing without a trace; their disappearances haunt us. In this companion to *Disasters: Natural and Man-Made Catastrophes through the Centuries*, Brenda Guiberson explores the stories of seven individuals who have disappeared mysteriously. Thoroughly researched and illustrated with photographs and line drawings, this is exciting middle grade nonfiction.

Godwin Books

Author Bio

Location: Seattle, Washington

Brenda Z. Guiberson is the author of many books for children, including *When I Was a Turkey, The Deadliest Creature in the World, Frog Song, Life in the Boreal Forest, Moon Bear, The Emperor Lays an Egg*, and the bestselling *Cactus Hotel*. She lives near Seattle, Washington. brendazguiberson.com

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The In-Betweener: More Stories about Growing Up in Marshfield
by Ralph Fletcher

As the oldest of ten kids, Ralph was often cast as another parent to his siblings rather than an older brother. Teetering between these two conflicting roles, Ralph longed to be home alone on a sick day, but hated the emptiness of feeling left behind. He loved to play marbles with the neighborhood boys but resented the skillful victories of his little brother Jimmy. Thrust into the expectations of impending adolescence, Ralph was curious about girls, but repelled by the improper kissing advances of his first cousin. This satisfying memoir offers a snapshot of the pivotal moments between boyhood and adolescence, all while further tracing the roots of Ralph Fletcher's acclaimed storytelling. For fans of Jon Scieszka's memoir *Knucklehead*.

A Christy Ottaviano Book

Marshfield Dreams:
"Written with sagacious eloquence and gentle humor, this work stands strong in the ranks of authors' memoirs and autobiographies." - *School Library Journal*

"Boisterously good times... For readers who enjoy imagining what it was like to be a kid in days of yore, this has a certain charm." - *Booklist*

"Charming... Sensitive glimpses of a close-knit, traditional family." - *VOYA*

"This scrapbook of family moments is an amusing, charming and heartwarming memoir about a close family - close in terms of both small house space and their feelings for each other. A snapshot of small-world life that will open readers' eyes to the bonds of a peerless time and simpler lifestyle." - *Kirkus Reviews*

Author Bio

Location: Lee, New Hampshire

Ralph Fletcher is the author of a wide range of books for young readers from picture books through novels including the bestselling *Marshfield Dreams*. He also teaches workshops on poetry and writing. Mr. Fletcher lives with his family in Lee, New Hampshire. ralphfletcher.com
Bernie Sanders Guide to Political Revolution
by Bernie Sanders

Throughout the Presidential campaign, Bernie Sanders galvanized voters with his progressive platform and vision for America. In this book, Sanders shares his ideas for continuing a political revolution to fight for a progressive economic, environmental, racial and social justice agenda that create jobs, raises wages, protects the environment and provides health care for all. Geared toward teen readers, this is both a practical and inspiring guide to effecting change in today's world.

Guide to Political Revolution:
"The most refreshing thing about the Bernie Sanders Guide is the most refreshing thing about Bernie Sanders the politician: a seemingly total lack of condescension." - The Slate Book Review

"Sanders's passion for the political process is evident . . . a must-have for every collection." - VOYA, starred review

"Guide To Political Revolution works as a quick reference, with full-page infographics and statistics giving readers instant access to facts (also nicely categorized in the index), or as an engaging narrative on the current political climate. . . . Sanders's passion for the political process is evident, giving this fact-heavy read a personal touch, and it is a must-have for every collection." - VOYA

Author Bio

Location: Burlington, VT, and Washington, D.C.

Bernie Sanders was a Democratic candidate for President of the United States. He is serving his second term in the U.S. Senate after winning re-election in 2012 with 71 percent of the vote. Sanders previously served as mayor of Vermont's largest city for eight years before defeating an incumbent Republican to be the sole congressperson for the state in the U.S. House of Representatives. He lives in Burlington, Vermont with his wife Jane and has four children and seven grandchildren.
The Forgotten Book
by Mechthild Glaser

Emma is used to things going her way. Her father is headmaster of her prestigious boarding school, her friends take her advice as gospel, and she's convinced that a relationship with her long-time crush is on the horizon.

As it turns out, Emma hasn't seen anything yet. When she finds an old book in an abandoned library, things really start going Emma's way: anything she writes in the book comes true.

But the power of the book is not without consequences, and Emma soon realizes that she isn't the only one who knows about it. Someone is determined to take it from her—and they'll stop at nothing to succeed.

A new boy in school—the arrogant, aloof, and irritatingly handsome Darcy de Winter—becomes Emma's unlikely ally as secrets are revealed and danger creeps ever closer.

The Forgotten Book German Edition:

"Gläser writes in the tradition of beloved YA writers, such as Enid Blyton, Roald Dahl, Susan Cooper and J. K. Rowling. Her style is light and witty, and she is able to create a self-contained world that every reader will long to visit. . . . Jane Austen's Pride and Prejudice may have been the starting point for Gläser, but she has turned the old material of enemies-turned-lovers into a charming new story. This book is an unexpected delight and a true page-turner." - New Books in German

The Book Jumper US Edition:

"The lore of the (...)"

Author Bio

Location: Germany

Mechthild Gläser is an award-winning author in her native Germany. The Book Jumper was her first book to be translated into English.
The Prodigy
A Novel
by John Feinstein

Seventeen-year-old Frank Baker is a golfing sensation. He's set to earn a full-ride scholarship to the university of his choice, but his single dad has very different plans for him in mind: He wants his son to skip college and turn pro. To protect this gifted player from his own father's bad decisions, Frank's coach enlists a former-professional-golfer-turned-journalist to become Frank's secret adviser. Pressure mounts when after reaching the final of the U.S. Amateur Championship, the prodigy wins himself an automatic invitation to the Masters Tournament. And when the highschool senior, against all odds, starts tearing up the course at Augusta National, sponsors are desperate for a chance to attach his name to their products. But Frank's entry in the Masters hinges on maintaining his standing as an amateur. Can he and his secret adviser-who has his own conflicts-keep his dad at bay long enough to bring home the legendary green jacket?

Backfield Boys:
"An intriguing look at racism in contemporary sports and the power private schools have in shaping sports and upholding racist traditions." - Booklist
"A strong football hook will draw in most sports fans . . . The boys' driving quest for the truth will keep readers engaged." - School Library Journal

Foul Trouble:
"Thorough and suspenseful; a must-read for those interested in basketball and the dealings surrounding the sport." - Kirkus Reviews, starred review
"A riveting, cautionary tale about behind-the-scenes, big-money pressures confronting talented high school athletes. . . . Timely hot topics are embedded in this action-packed sports story. Readers will breathlessly await Terrell's final decision." - School Library Journal, starred review

Author Bio
Location: Potomac, Maryland

John Feinstein is the author of more than thirty books, including two #1 New York Times bestsellers, A Season on the Brink and A Good Walk Spoiled. He is also the author of numerous books for young readers including the mystery Last Shot, which won the Edgar Allen Poe Award. John is also a frequent contributor to The Washington Post, CBS Sports Radio, Sirius XM Radio, and
Backfield Boys
A Football Mystery in Black and White
by John Feinstein

Two freshman footballers are a perfect pair: Jason Roddin is a blazing-fast wide receiver, while his best friend Tom Jefferson has a quarterback's arm. After football camp at an elite sports-focused boarding school, the boys are thrilled to return with full-ride scholarships. But on day one of practice, they're shocked when the renowned coaching staff make Tom—a black kid—a receiver and Jason—a white kid—a quarterback. Suspecting deep-seated racial bias, the boys speak out, risking their scholarships and chances to play. As tensions mount with coaches and other players, local newspaper reporters begin a secret investigation, and Tom and Jason must soon decide how much they're willing to risk losing to help expose the ugly truths about a place eager to protect its reputation for winning.

"The best writer of sports books in America today." - The Boston Globe

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The Equals
by Daniel Sweren-Becker

After the fallout in book one, the Ones—the one percent of the population who were genetically engineered in vitro—are rounded up and subjected to a vaccine that will reduce their brain function just enough to level the playing field.

Cody, heartbroken over a recent discovery, grows closer to a radical group of Ones who’ve fled to a compound in the woods. But once she’s welcomed into the trusted inner circle of rebels, she slowly uncovers clues that point to the existence of a mysterious genetic program—and a conspiracy that runs deeper than she could’ve imagined. Torn between loyalty to her first love and the exciting rebel who shares her cause, Cody will have to choose how to forge a new world.

With breakneck action and high stakes, The Equals is a page-turner until its dramatic conclusion.

The Ones:

"Chilling and frighteningly real, The Ones leads us down a dark rabbit hole of scientific possibilities, fractured morality, and brutal consequences. It forces the question: If perfection becomes a liability, how far are we willing to go in the pursuit of it—or to stop it?" -Kami Garcia, #1 New York Times-bestselling co-author of Beautiful Creatures and author of The Lovely Reckless

"Like watching your favorite TV show, The Ones is a thrill ride with a new shock at every turn. You won’t believe what happens next, and yet, you should. Because this reality is all too possible." -Melissa de la Cruz, #1 New York Times-bestselling author of Isle of the Lost and Something In Between

"A gripping and (...)" 

Author Bio

Location: Los Angeles, CA

Daniel Sweren-Becker is an author, television writer, and playwright. Born and raised in Manhattan, he now resides in Los Angeles. The Ones is his first series.
Unclaimed Baggage
by Jen Doll

Doris—a lone liberal in a conservative small town—has mostly kept to herself since the terrible waterslide incident a few years ago. Nell had to leave behind her best friends, perfect life, and too-good-to-be-true boyfriend in Chicago to move to Alabama. Grant was the star quarterback and epitome of "Mr. Popular" whose drinking problem has all but destroyed his life. What do these three have in common? A summer job working in a store called Unclaimed Baggage cataloging and selling other people's lost luggage. Together they find that through friendship, they can unpack some of their own emotional baggage and move on into the future.

Author Bio

Moxie
A Novel
by Jennifer Mathieu

MOXIE GIRLS FIGHT BACK!

Vivian Carter's mom was a Riot Grrrl in the 1990s, but now she and Viv live a pretty quiet life in a small Texas town. When Viv witnesses a series of sexist incidents at her high school, she takes a page from her mom’s past and makes a feminist zine that she distributes anonymously to her classmates. Viv is just blowing off steam, but before she knows it, she’s started a revolution.

The latest novel from Jennifer Mathieu offers everything fans love about her writing—a relatable protagonist with a distinct voice, a conflict relevant to current events, and ultimately a story that is both heartbreaking and hopeful.

"Moxie is sweet, funny, and fierce. Read this and then join the fight." -Amy Poehler

"With a story that's equal parts heart and instruction manual, Mathieu has captured the movement of a generation-warts and all-and shone a light forward for the next one." -E. K. Johnston, #1 New York Times-bestselling author of Exit Pursued By a Bear

"Vivian Carter and Moxie are strong and smart and so, so inspiring. She is my new hero and this is my new favorite book. I'm proud to be a Moxie girl." -Jennifer Niven, New York Times-bestselling author of All the Bright Places and Holding Up the Universe

"From its soul-deep girl friendships to its swoony love story to its smart, gutsy heroine, Moxie is a (...)"

Author Bio

Location: Houston, TX

Jennifer Mathieu is the author of Devoted, Afterward, and The Truth About Alice, the winner of the Children's Choice Book Awards' Teen Choice Debut Author Award. She teaches high school English in Texas, where she lives in the Houston area with her husband and son. jennifermathieu.com
What the Woods Keep
by Katya de Becerra

On her eighteenth birthday, Hayden inherits her childhood home-on the condition that she uncover the dark secrets in the Colorado woods that surround it.

Hayden's tried to put her past behind her. She lives in a comfy Brooklyn apartment with her best friend Del. But it's all coming back for Hayden: her mother's inexplicable disappearance a decade before, her father's crackpot theories, and Hayden's own dark dreams of strange rituals in the woods.

Now Hayden and Del must confront the secrets of Hayden's past in a house that holds all the mysteries of her childhood-and might be the last protection against the dark powers in the surrounding woods.

This YA supernatural mystery with dark fantasy elements features a strong female friendship, a sizzling romance, and terrifying plot twists.

Author Bio

Katya de Becerra was born in Russia, studied in California, lived in Peru, and then stayed in Australia long enough to become a local. She was going to be an Egyptologist when she grew up, but instead she earned a PhD in anthropology. What The Woods Keep is her first novel.
Unbroken
13 Stories Starring Disabled Teens
by Marieke Nijkamp

This anthology explores disability in fictional tales told from the viewpoint of disabled characters, written by disabled creators. With stories in various genres about first loves, friendship, war, travel, and more, Unbroken will offer today's teen readers a glimpse into the lives of disabled people in the past, present, and future.

The contributing authors are awardwinners, bestsellers, and newcomers including Kody Keplinger, Kristine Wyllys, Francisco X. Stork, William Alexander, Corinne Duyvis, Marieke Nijkamp, Dhonielle Clayton, Heidi Heilig, Katherine Locke, Karuna Riazi, Kayla Whaley, Keah Brown, and Fox Benwell. Each author identifies as disabled along a physical, mental, or neurodiverse axis-and their characters reflect this diversity.

Author Bio

Location: The Netherlands

Marieke Nijkamp is the #1 New York Times - bestselling author of This Is Where It Ends. She is a storyteller, dreamer, globe-trotter, and geek. She currently resides in her home country, the Netherlands. mariekenijkamp.com
American Road Trip
by Patrick Flores-Scott

With a strong, loving family, an incredibly loyal best friend, and a budding romance with the girl of his dreams, life shows promise for seventeen-year-old Teodoro "T" Avila. But he takes some hard hits the summer before his senior year when his nearly perfect brother Manny returns from a tour in Iraq with a devastating case of PTSD. In a desperate effort to save Manny from himself and pull their family back together, T's fiery sister Xochitl hoodwinks her brothers into a road trip with many stops along the road to visit loved ones from their past. Told in T's raw voice, this is a candid exploration of mental illness, socio-economic pressures, and the many inescapable anxieties that come with growing up, including falling in love. For fans of Mexican Whiteboy by Matt De la Pena, the New York Times - bestseller I Am Not Your Perfect Mexican Daughter by Erika L. Sanchez and Elizabeth Acevedo's The Poet X.

A Christy Ottaviano Book

Jumped In:
Walden Award Finalist
YALSA Best Fiction Pick for Young Adults
IRA Favorite Book of the Year
Bank Street Best Book of the Year
Washington State Book Award Winner
Evergreen Teen Choice Award Finalist
An ABA's Indies Debut Author
TAYSHAS Reading List Selection
Indie Next List Selection

"Moving." - Kirkus Reviews

"A poignant and powerful novel of friendship and courage." - School Library Journal

Author Bio

Location: Seattle

Patrick Flores-Scott is the author of the award-winning novel Jumped In. He currently teaches struggling elementary readers and math students. He's written for theater and the slam poetry stage. He lives in Ann Arbor, Michigan, with his family.
Finding You
by Lydia Albano

Isla is kidnapped from a train platform in broad daylight, and thrust into a nightmare when she is sold to a sadistic aristocrat. Locked in a dungeon with a dozen other girls, her only comfort is a locket and the memory of the boy she loves. But as the days pass and more girls disappear, she realizes that help is not coming, and if they're going to survive, they'll have to escape on their own.

Finding You:

"The overriding themes of survival, independence, and resilience are demonstrated throughout . . . a timely reminder that female subjugation must always be fought." - VOYA

"Isla's determination to reunite with her beloved Tam will captivate romance fans, and all will cheer her newfound self-reliance." - Booklist

"This is a story that will give you chills and keep you turning pages until the very end. I know it did that for me. The world needs more books like this one." - Samantha Chaffin, reader on SwoonReads.com

"Through this experience, these girls—especially Isla—grow and become stronger . . . despite never thinking they could be anything but weak. Girls can be smart, strong, and badass." - Chen Yan Chang, reader on SwoonReads.com

"So many times while reading this book I read the same sentences over and over again because I loved the word choices and the imagery they crafted. Beautifully and thoughtfully written, suspenseful, engaging, and wonderfully substantive." - Suellen Foreman, reader on SwoonReads.com

Author Bio

Location: Boston, Massachusetts

Lydia Albano is a (self-proclaimed) Bunburyist living in Cambridge, Massachusetts, where she promotes Oxford commas, spends her money on musical theater, and demands the Myers-Briggs letters of everyone she meets. Finding You is her debut novel. lydiaalbano.com/blog
The Tomb
by S. A. Bodeen

Nothing is as it seems.

These are the first words Kiva's best friend Seth says, after three years of silence.

Kiva thought she was growing up in ancient Alexandria. That's what she and all her classmates had been led to believe by their parents. It turns out she was living in virtual reality, in a sleep chamber in deep space, and three years ago, Seth woke up. Now it's her turn to join him.

Together, Kiva and Seth must take an escape shuttle to search for the engine part their home ship needs to keep running. But it's been a long time since the Krakatoa has communicated with any of the other three ships harboring human civilization.

Hand this to fans of high-concept science fiction and heart-pounding thrillers à la Ender's Game and Passengers.

The Compound:

A YALSA Quick Pick for Reluctant Readers

"A high-wire act of a first novel. . . . The audience will feel the pressure closing in on them as they, like the characters, race through hairpin turns in the plot toward a breathless climax." - Publishers Weekly, starred review

"... Suspenseful and riveting, this debut novel raises serious issues about what it means to survive." - Kirkus Reviews

Praise for THE GARDENER:

A YALSA Quick Pick for Reluctant Readers

"Enjoyable, escapist fare that many readers will enjoy." - Kirkus

Bodeen has laced this sci-fi-tinged page-turner with thoughtful commentary on world hunger...plus several high-speed chases and a believable budding romance. - Bookpage

Author Bio

Location: Hudson, Wisconsin
Combining the whimsy of its source material with the ass-kicking of *Buffy the Vampire Slayer*, *A Blade So Black* is a modern-day *Alice in Wonderland* retelling with a black teen heroine. Alice comes from a long line of warriors who battle Nightmares in the dark and terrifying dream realm known as Wonderland.

When her trainer, the handsome but enigmatic Hatta, is inflicted with "the madness," Alice must embark on a dangerous journey-deeper into Wonderland than she has ever gone before.

**Author Bio**

L.L. McKinney is writer, poet, and active member of the kidlit community. She's the creator and host of the biannual Pitch Slam contest, and spent time in the slush by serving as a reader for agents and participating as a judge in various online writing contests. *A Blade So Black* is her debut novel.
The Summoner's Handbook
by Taran Matharu

"The ability to summon is passed down through the blood…"

Summoner: One who is gifted with the ability to summon demonic creatures that are emotionally connected to their human counterparts. As brought to life in the bestselling Summoner series, the magic of summoning is also an art, with a story of its own. The Summoner's Handbook reveals the story of James Baker - the epic journal that inspired the series hero, Fletcher, to discover his own summoning abilities. Along with a complete demonology, a guide to the basics of summoning, and glorious artwork from the world of the Hominum Empire, this is the volume that fans of the acclaimed and bestselling series must own.

The Novice:

"A young orphan makes friends (and enemies) at a magic school in this solid series opener. Fletcher is appealing precisely because of his Everyman qualities: He is not the smartest or the strongest, but he is a loyal friend and a fierce fighter against injustice." - Kirkus Reviews

"The appealing characters, fast-paced plot, focus on racial politics, and interesting demon varieties (demonology addendum included) make this an enjoyable read." - School Library Journal

The Inquisition:

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The Battlemage:

A New York Times Bestseller (YA series list

Author Bio

Location: London

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The Boneless Mercies
by April Genevieve Tucholke

Frey, Ovie, Juniper, and Runa are the Boneless Mercies-girls hired to kill quickly, quietly, and mercifully. But Frey is weary of the death trade and, having been raised on the heroic sagas of her people, dreams of a bigger life.

When she hears of an unstoppable monster ravaging a nearby town, Frey decides this is the Mercies' one chance out. The fame and fortune of bringing down such a beast would ensure a new future for all the Mercies. In fact, her actions may change the story arc of women everywhere.

Full of fierce girls, bloodlust, tenuous alliances, and unapologetic quests for glory, this elegantly spun tale challenges the power of storytelling-and who gets to be the storyteller. Perfect for fans of Maggie Stiefvater, V.E. Schwab, and Heidi Heilig.

Author Bio

Location: Bend, Oregon

April Tucholke is the author of Between the Devil and the Deep Blue Sea, Between the Spark and the Burn, and Wink Poppy Midnight. She currently lives in Oregon with her husband. apriltucholke.com

Notes

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Princess Sepora and King Tarik have formed an uneasy truce between their kingdoms and one another. But there are traitors among them who seek to undermine their political-and romantic-alliance. The twists and turns of how Sepora and Tarik navigate their bond will thrill and surprise readers.

Ally:
"Readers will be anxiously turning pages toward the end while they appreciate a few humorous moments along the way." - Booklist

Nemesis:
"If you have readers begging for fantasy or romance, toss this their way. Then stand back and say, "You're welcome." - VOYA, starred review

"This combination fantasy-romance novel touches on issues of trust, allegiance, priorities, and self-sacrifice and ends in a bit of a cliff-hanger. . . . Nemesis will leave readers wanting more." - Booklist

"With a lush weaving of magical cultures, war, romance, truth, and lies, Banks has created a unique, fascinating world brimming with intrigue." - Mary Pearson, New York Times - bestselling author of the Remnant Chronicles

Author Bio
Location: Crestview, FL

Anna Banks is the author of Nemesis, the companion book to Ally published in Fall 2016, as well as the New York Times - bestselling Syrena Legacy (Of Poseidon, Of Triton, Of Neptune) and a veteran of the Fierce Reads tour. She lives in Crestview, on the Florida Panhandle, with her husband and their daughter. byannabanks.blogspot.com
Brysen and Kylee are twins but they couldn’t be more different. Brysen wears his heart on his sleeve and strives to be a falconer like his late father.

Kylee has no time for love and runs their family’s business to make end’s meet. She wants nothing to do with falconry even though she may have a power hidden deep inside that begs otherwise.

Together they embark on a journey—Brysen to save the boy he loves, and Kylee to save Brysen from getting killed into the treacherous Uztari mountains. They are hunting the legendary Ghost Eagle, a beast deadly enough to sway the tides in a territorial war about to ravage their village.

Alex London weaves a gripping tale to begin this trilogy about the power of communal memory, genocide, and the bonds of blood.

*Black Wings Beating* takes the fantasy genre to soaring new heights with its epic thrills, heart-punching romance, and a marvel of a hero. —Adam Silvera, *New York Times* bestselling-author of *They Both Die at the End*

"Enter the gritty culture of cutthroat falconry in Alexander London’s *Black Wings Beating* and prepare to be riveted. This book has so much to recommend that I don’t know where to begin: clever writing; boisterous, endearing characters; and threats coming from every direction, be they dark wings in the sky or a band of nomadic zealots with a reputation for slaughter. You’ll be caught up in the (...)"

**Author Bio**

Alex London is the beloved author of the middle-grade series *Tides of War, Dog Tags, and The Wild Ones*. His YA novel, *Proxy*, was an ALA Top Ten Quick Pick for Reluctant Readers and included in their 2014 Best Fiction for Young Adults List. He lives in Philadelphia. calexanderlondon.com
Blanca & Roja
by Anna-Marie McLemore

The Cerceta girls have never just been sisters; they're also rivals. They know that one day, they'll find themselves drawn into a dangerous game to determine which sister will stay a girl and which will be cursed to live as a swan.

But when two of their childhood friends become drawn into the game, the curse threatens to decide the fate not just of the sisters, but of all four of them. Blanca & Roja is the captivating story of sisters, friendship, love, hatred, and the price we pay to protect our hearts for fans of magical realism, gorgeous writing, and sister stories.

Advance Praise:

"Mesmerizing and absolutely beautiful. McLemore has created a fairy tale for the modern age."
- April Tucholke, author of Wink Poppy Midnight

Wild Beauty:

"No one does magical realism quite like McLemore. . . . Sheer magic: fierce, bright, and blazing with possibility." - Booklist, starred review

"McLemore weaves an intricate tale of family, love, loss, and flowers." - School Library Journal, starred review

When the Moon Was Ours:

"Lovely, necessary, and true." - Booklist, starred review

Author Bio

Location: Sacramento, California

Anna-Marie McLemore was born in the foothills of the San Gabriel Mountains. She is the author of Morris Award Finalist The Weight of Feathers, the Stonewall Honor Book When the Moon Was Ours, which was longlisted for the National Book Award in Young People's Literature, and Wild Beauty.
Wild Beauty
A Novel
by Anna-Marie McLemore

For nearly a century, the Nomeolvides women have tended the grounds of La Pradera, the lush estate gardens that enchant guests from around the world. They've also hidden a tragic legacy: If they fall in love too deeply, their lovers vanish. But a strange boy appears in the gardens, a boy neither Estrella, the girl who finds him, nor her family know anything about.

The grandmothers treat him like a lost son. The mothers hope he's a sign that their vanished loves might reappear. Estrella's cousins worry his presence is a warning none of them yet understand. However much the boy is an enigma to them, he's even more a mystery to himself. As Estrella tries to help him piece together his unknown past, La Pradera leads them to secrets as dangerous as they are magical in this stunning exploration of love, loss, and family.

Wild Beauty:

"A garden is the perfect setting for McLemore's plush, sensuous prose, which unspools the story with delicious languor. Part mystery, part love story, this evocative, lush novel is a delight for sophisticated readers." - Kirkus Reviews, starred review

"Relying on lyrical prose, McLemore weaves an intricate tale of family, love, loss, and flowers. . . . This fantastical tale will delight her fans and entice a new audience." - School Library Journal, starred review

When the Moon Was Ours:

"McLemore dances deftly across genres, uniquely weaving glistening strands of culture, myth, dream, mystery, love, and gender identity to create a tale that resonated to my core . . . [the] kind of book that you want to read slowly, deliciously, savoring every exquisite sentence." - Laura (...)

Author Bio

Location: Sacramento, California

Anna-Marie McLemore was born in the foothills of the San Gabriel Mountains and grew up in a Mexican-American family. She is the author of When the Moon Was Ours (long-listed for the National Book Award) and The Weight of Feathers (finalist for the Morris Award)
Carols and Chaos

by Cindy Anstey

1817. The happy chaos of the Yuletide season has descended upon the country estate of Shackleford Park in full force, but lady’s maid Kate Darby barely has the time to notice. Between her household duties, caring for her ailing mother, and saving up money to someday own a dress shop, her hands are quite full. Matt Harlow is also rather busy. He’s performing double-duty, acting as valet for both of the Steeple brothers, two of the estate's holiday guests.

Falling in love would be a disaster for either of them. But staving off their feelings for each other becomes the least of their problems when a devious counterfeiting scheme reaches the gates of Shackleford Park, and Kate and Matt are unwittingly swept up in the intrigue. Full of sweetness, charm, and holiday shenanigans, Carols and Chaos is perfect for fans of Jane Austen and Downton Abbey.

Duels & Deception:

"Delightful . . . It is Jane Austen spiced with action, suspense, and humor." - VOYA, starred review

"Jane Austen fans in need of a good new book, look no further. Cindy Anstey’s new YA novel, Duels & Deception, is your next regency romance treat." - Entertainment Weekly

"A great introduction to historical romance novels for younger YA readers. . . . Anstey's novel is a wonderful coming-of-age journey." - School Library Journal

"If you love Jane Austen and Downton Abbey, you’ll definitely want to pick up a copy of this #girlboss book ASAP." - Brit + Co

Love, Lies and Spies:

"It's Jane Austen meets Jane Foster in Anstey's debut novel, which serves up a delightful combination of Regency romance, scientific curiosity, and spy (...)

Author Bio

Location: Nova Scotia, Canada

Cindy Anstey spends her days painting with words, flowers, threads, and watercolors. Whenever not sitting at the computer, she can be found-or rather, not found-traveling near and far. After many years living as an expat in Europe, Cindy now calls Nova Scotia home, where she lives with her husband and two children.
Berserker
by Emmy Laybourne

Are Hanne’s powers a gift from the old Norse gods, or a curse?

It’s not Hanne Hemstad’s brother Stieg’s fault that their father is dead, their mother has left, and their brother Knut has been accused of a crime he didn’t commit. The fault lies with Hanne and her inability to control her murderous “gift”—she is a Berserker. When someone she loves is threatened, she flies into a killing state. The siblings must leave Norway for America or risk being brought to justice. Aided by a young cowboy who agrees to be their guide, Hanne and her siblings use their powers to survive the perilous trail. Will they be able to reach their uncle, the one man Hanne believes may be able to teach her how to control her drive to kill?

Berserker:
”[Hanne’s] internal struggle with her brutal nature as a berserker is intensely real and will resonate with readers who feel beset by forces outside of their control. A bloody and fast-paced genre mash-up.” - Publishers Weekly

"Berserker embraces the beautiful brutality of both Viking lore and Frontier tales, and it does so without resorting to tired tropes or toxic masculinity. . . . A brilliantly unexpected fusion of cowboys and old gods, intense and gritty and yet surprisingly tender. . . . The real strength of Emmy Laybourne’s writing is that, for all their superhuman abilities, her characters are so very human.” - William Ritter, author of the New York Times-bestselling Jackaby series

"Rich in description and compulsively readable.” - Booklist

Author Bio

Location: Pearl River, NY

Emmy Laybourne, author of Sweet and the Monument 14 trilogy, is a writer and actress. She lives in upstate New York with her husband, two kids, and a flock of six nifty chickens. emmylaybourne.com
Lauren has always been naïve. She has a disorder that makes her believe everything that everyone tells her—too the point that she often puts herself in danger. When she has the opportunity to have an operation to correct her disorder, she and her family are thrilled. Now Lauren can live a normal life. But after the surgery Lauren grows more and more paranoid, convinced that she’s part of a government conspiracy that only she can uncover.

Told in journal entries and therapy-session transcripts, *The Innocence Treatment* is a collection of Lauren's papers, annotated by her sister long after the events of the novel. Some would call this book speculative fiction, but it could just as well be a shocking tell-all of genetic engineering and government secrets.

*The Innocence Treatment*:

"Readers who enjoy the moral cartwheels of a nation flooded by fear and the chill of a troublingly plausible future punctuated by opportunistic and insidiously innovative scientists will find all the frissons they could ask for here." - *Kirkus Reviews*

**Author Bio**

Ari Goelman is the author of the middle-grade novel *The Path of Names*. He lives in Vancouver, British Columbia, with his family.
The Lunar Chronicles Boxed Set
Cinder, Scarlet, Cress, Fairest, Stars Above, Winter
by Marissa Meyer

In Cinder, a teenage cyborg (half human, half machine) must deal with a wicked stepmother, start a rebellion against the evil Queen Levana, and decide how she feels about a handsome prince. Cinder forges alliances with Scarlet, a spaceship pilot; a magnetic street fighter named Wolf; Cress, a computer hacker who is imprisoned by Queen Levana; and Winter, a princess who's in love with a commoner, and who discovers that Cinder, Scarlet, and Cress may hold the key to saving her kingdom-and the world.

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The Midnight Dance
by Nikki Katz

Seventeen-year-old Penny is a lead dancer at the Grande Teatro, a finishing school where she and eleven other young women are training to become the finest ballerinas in Italy. Tucked deep into the woods, the school is overseen by a mysterious and handsome young master who keeps the girls ensconced in the estate.

But when flashes of memories of a life very different from the one she thinks she’s been leading start to appear, Penny begins to question the world around her. With a kind and attractive kitchen boy, Cricket, at her side, Penny vows to escape the confines of her school and the strict rules she has to follow. But at every turn, the Master finds a way to stop her, and Penny must find a way to escape the school and uncover the secrets of her past before it’s too late.

"A beautifully written story of Penelope and her desire to find out who she is and the secrets behind her beautiful and terrible world where these girls/dancers are controlled by the mysterious and creepy 'puppeteer.'" - Chen Yan Chang, Swoon Reader

"This is such a fun, well-written, twisted story. . . . The writing is superb. I love the premise and the Gothic feel to it." - Angie Taylor, Swoon Reader

"So imaginative and unique! This was a joy to read." - Anna S., Swoon Reader

Author Bio

Location: San Diego

Nikki Katz is a managing editor and ex-rocket scientist living in sunny San Diego with her husband and three children. She has a BS in aerospace engineering, and The Midnight Dance is her debut novel.
The Wicker King
by K. Ancrum

Written in vivid micro-fiction with a stream-of-consciousness feel and multimedia elements, The Wicker King explores a codependent friendship fraught with madness, love, and darkness.

When August learns that his best friend, Jack, shows signs of degenerative hallucinatory disorder, he is determined to help Jack cope. Jack’s vivid and long-term visions take the form of an elaborate fantasy world layered over our own—a world ruled by the Wicker King. As Jack leads them on a quest to fulfill a dark prophecy in this alternate world, even August begins to question what is real and what is not.

August and Jack struggle to keep afloat as they teeter between fantasy and their own emotions. In the end, each must choose his own truth.

The Wicker King:

"An eerie piece of realistic fiction whose characters revel in intense emotions."
- Kirkus Reviews

"An eerie and mesmerizing thriller that questions the space where reality and perception overlap, The Wicker King is a spine-tingling read that will have you riveted." - Caleb Roehrig, author of Last Seen Leaving and White Rabbit

Author Bio

Location: Chicago, IL

K. Ancrum grew up in Chicago, Illinois, under the illusory rigor of the Chicago public school system. She attended Dominican University to study fashion merchandising, but was lured into getting an English degree after spending too many nights experimenting with hard literary criticism and hanging out with unsavory types, like poetry students. Currently, she lives in Andersonville and writes books at work when no one is looking.
Renegades
by Marissa Meyer

From #1 New York Times-bestselling author Marissa Meyer comes a high-stakes tale of adventure, passion, danger, and betrayal.

Secret Identities.
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She wants vengeance. He wants justice.

The Renegades are a syndicate of prodigies—humans with extraordinary abilities—who emerged from the ruins of a crumbled society and established peace and order where chaos reigned. As champions of justice, they remain a symbol of hope and courage to everyone . . . except the villains they once overthrew.

Nova has a reason to hate the Renegades, and she is on a mission for vengeance. As she gets closer to her target, she meets Adrian, a Renegade boy who believes in justice—and in Nova. But Nova's allegiance is to a villain who has the power to end them both.

Renegades:
"Meyer celebrates and subverts popular superhero tropes while mining the gray area between malevolence and virtue. . . .

Beyond the capes and masks is a strikingly grounded story of star-crossed would-be lovers, deception, and the recognition that most of humanity exists between the extremes of good and evil." - Publishers Weekly, starred review

"Tackles a familiar genre in a brand new way." - Hypable.com

"A fully realized new world with compelling characters and just enough edge-of-your-seat action to rival the biggest on-screen adaptation." - Bustle

"Exciting. . . . perfect for your Fall #TBR list." - PopSugar.com

"Even reluctant fans of hero fantasies will fall for the smart plot and wonderful world-building. Prepare to fangirl." - Justine Magazine

Author Bio

Location: Tacoma, Washington

Marissa Meyer is the #1 New York Times-bestselling author of the Lunar Chronicles series, as well as the graphic novel Wires and Nerve: Vol. 1.
Archenemies
by Marissa Meyer


Are Nova and Adrian each other’s worst nightmare?

In Renegades, Nova and Adrian (aka Insomnia and Sketch) fought the battle of their lives against the Anarchist known as the Detonator. It was a short-lived victory.

The Anarchists still have a secret weapon, one that Nova believes will protect her. The Renegades also have a strategy for overpowering the Anarchists, but both Nova and Adrian understand that it could mean the end of Gatlon City - and the world - as they know it.

Praise for RENEGADES

A NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER!!

A Winter 2017-2018 Kids’ Indie Next List Selection

"In a vividly dark and fully imagined universe where special abilities are feared unless they can be strictly controlled and labeled, Meyer celebrates and subverts popular superhero tropes while mining the gray area between malevolence and virtue. Third-person narration builds suspense as it shifts between Nova and Adrian, a Renegade with his own secrets; the worldbuilding details and many combat sequences will captivate devotees of superhero comics. Beyond the capes and masks is a strikingly grounded story of star (...)"

Author Bio

Location: Tacoma, Washington

Marissa Meyer is the #1 New York Times-bestselling author of Renegades, The Lunar Chronicles series, as well as the graphic novel Wires and Nerve: Vol. 1 and The Lunar Chronicles Coloring Book. Her first standalone novel, Heartless, was also a #1 New York Times bestseller. She lives in Tacoma, Washington, with her husband and their two daughters. marissameyer.com
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In the third and final book of the Devil's Engine series, Marlow and Pan are in hell. Literally in hell. Faced with the awful truth of being trapped in the underworld for an eternity—of Pan being trapped—Marlow makes a final deal with the Devil, a deal to go home. But when Marlow and Pan return to Earth, they cannot close the door behind them. And all hell breaks loose. It is a war to end all wars—demonic creatures spill into the streets of New York, monsters haunt the shadows. Only the Hellraisers stand in their way, and they're not sure this is a battle they can win. They have no powers, they have no weapons. But they have one another, and they have hope, and they know how to kick ass.

Only one thing's for sure: One way or another, it all ends here.

The Devil's Engine: Hellfighters:

"Smith takes readers on another twisted, twisting journey and—to paraphrase the narrative—leaves readers with 'images that belong in the sickest of horror movies.' . . . This brings the same fear, fire, and comic relief as its predecessor, and readers will be happy enough with this sequel to the first Faustian tale to look forward to the next one." - Kirkus Reviews

The Devil's Engine: Hellraisers:

"This Faustian tale is a hit for horror fans looking for a world of mystery, the macabre, and lots of fire and fighting." - Kirkus Reviews, starred review

Author Bio

Location: Norwich, England

Alexander Gordon Smith lives in Norwich, England. He is the author of The Fury and the Escape from Furnace series, which has sold nearly half a million copies. alexandergordonsmith.com
When fifteen-year-old Jules Mathis comes home from school to find a strange girl, her mother explains that Mae is one of her patients at the hospital and will be staying with their family for a few days. But shortly after, Mae is wearing Jules's clothes, sleeping in her bedroom, edging her out of her position on the school paper, and kissing Jules's crush. Then things get weird.

Jules walks in on a half-dressed Mae, she's startled to see a pentagram carved into her back. Soon white roses start turning up on the front porch, a rabid dog bites one of Jules's sisters, and Jules's parents, who never fight, start arguing behind closed doors.

Jules pieces clues together and discovers that Mae might be a survivor of the strange cult that has taken over a nearby town. And they will stop at nothing to get Mae back.

"Polatin weaves a thrilling and suspenseful story in her debut, inspired by true events. . . . Eager readers will keep turning pages to discover Mae's secrets and her connection to the Mathis family." - Booklist

"This story is sometimes difficult to read—but sometimes the most important stories are the most challenging." - VOYA

"Devil in Ohio will grip you with its frightening twists and turns, but it is its tenderness that will stay with you. Daria Polatin brings humor and heart to a story that shines some much-needed light on the darkness of our world." —Abdi Nazemian, author of People Magazine’s Teen Pick The Authentics and The Walk-In Closet.

"Deeply thoughtful, funny and (...)"

Author Bio

Daria Polatin is an award-winning playwright and TV writer, and ghostwrote two books for Alloy's New York Times-bestselling series The Clique. As a playwright, Daria's work has been presented internationally, including at the Kennedy Center in DC, and in New York, London, and Hong Kong. She is a founding member of the Kilroys, the advocacy group for female and trans writers, promoting gender parity on the American stage. She lives in Los Angeles.
**Kids Like Us**
by Hilary Reyl

Martin is an American teen on the autism spectrum living in France with his mom and sister for the summer. He falls for a French girl who he thinks is a real-life incarnation of a character in his favorite book. Over time Martin comes to realize she is a real person and not a character in a novel while at the same time learning that love is not out of his reach just because he is autistic.

*Kids Like Us:*

"The most original voice since *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime* tells the most radiantly human love story since *Eleanor & Park*. . . . this is one of those rare books that reaches in deep and writes you back." - Margaret Stohl, co-author of the #1 *New York Times* and international bestseller *Beautiful Creatures*

"There has never been a romantic hero like Martin, but there has also never been a living, breathing, heartbreaking teen not like him. . . . Weaves together a truly atypical love story. . . . always with the rare, luminous humanity that makes a true teen anthem." - Melissa de la Cruz, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *Blue Bloods* and *Witches of East End*

"Martin's childhood memories, such as his parents' early distress at his diagnosis. . . blend seamlessly into the narrative. . . . Martin's reflections on 'the neurodiversity movement,' and efforts to 'cure' autism raise thought-provoking ethical questions." - *Publishers Weekly*, starred review

"Reyl movingly captures the point of view of a person who sees the world in a completely different way. Her (...)"

**Author Bio**

Hilary Reyl has a PhD in French literature from NYU and has spent several years working and studying in France. She lives in New York City with her husband and three daughters. hilaryreyl.com
Ready to Fall
A Novel
by Marcella Pixley

A young adult novel about a teen who finds hope and a fresh start after a terrible loss, and learns that being strong means letting go.

When Max Friedman’s mother dies of cancer, instead of facing his loss, Max imagines that her tumor has taken up residence in his brain. It’s a terrible tenant - isolating him from family, distracting him in school, and taunting him mercilessly about his manhood. With the tumor in charge, Max implodes, slipping farther and farther away from reality.

Finally, Max is sent to the artsy, off-beat Baldwin School to regain his footing. He joins a group of theater misfits in a steam-punk production of *Hamlet* where he becomes friends with Fish, a girl with pink hair and a troubled past, and The Monk, an edgy upperclassman who refuses to let go of the things he loves. For a while, Max almost feels happy. But his tumor is always lurking in the wings - until one night it knocks him down and Max is forced to face the truth, not just about the tumor, but about how hard it is to let go of the past.

At turns lyrical, haunting, and triumphant, *Ready to Fall* is a story of grief, love, rebellion and starting fresh from acclaimed author Marcella Pixley.

Praise for *Ready to Fall*:

Lyrical prose, fresh and compelling images, and unforgettable characters create an experience that will stay with readers far past the (…)

Author Bio

Marcella Pixley is a middle school language arts teacher and a writer. Her poetry has been published in various literary journals, and she has been nominated for a Pushcart Prize. Her first book, *Freak*, received four starred reviews and was named a Kirkus Best Book of the Year. She lives in Westford, Massachusetts, with her husband and two sons.
Wilder
by Andrew Simonet

Jason Wilder was in permanent in-school suspension for his own protection. Meili Wen got there by breaking Laura Fenton’s middle finger. Deemed a pyromaniac and social pariah after retaliating against a group of bullies that were tormenting him, Jason is totally isolated from his peers and his family—until he meets Meili, a transfer student from Hong Kong. She has a complicated and dangerous past of her own from which she’d like to escape. But when the two meet, more than sparks fly. Is this love, lust, co-dependence, or all of the above?

Author Bio

Andrew Simonet is a choreographer and debut YA writer in Philadelphia. He co-directed Headlong Dance Theater for twenty years and founded Artists U, an incubator for helping artists make sustainable lives. He lives in West Philly with his wife, Elizabeth, and their two sons, Jesse Tiger and Nico Wolf.
Ready for It
by Chusita Fashion Fever

Written in a wholly relatable voice, Ready For It offers relationship advice and medically accurate sex information for curious teenagers and adults alike. Debut author Chusita Fashion Fever is a famous Spanish YouTube star who based much of the book’s content on questions viewers asked on her channel.

The bold package features comic illustrations and “fun facts” sections, while the text is refreshingly honest and non-judgmental. Sidebars debunk myths and taboos, and explain slang and jargon in a straightforward way. Readers learn not only about the logistics of sex, but about the consent, respect, and the intuition needed to make mature sexual decisions. Every message circles back to self-care, and finding the confidence to assert what you want and when you want it.

Author Bio

Chusita is a Spanish vlogger who lives in Madrid. “Chusita Fashion Fever” is her YouTube channel, and she creates video content on all aspects of culture—fashion, music, sex, and relationships. She started her channel in 2008 and has 250,000 subscribers.
**History vs Women: The Defiant Lives that They Don't Want You to Know**

by Anita Sarkeesian and Ebony Adams

Rebels, rulers, scientists, artists, warriors and villains. Women are, and have always been, all these things and more.

Looking through the ages and across the globe, Anita Sarkeesian, founder of Feminist Frequency, along with Ebony Adams PhD, have reclaimed the stories of twenty-five remarkable women who dared to defy history and change the world around them. From Mongolian wrestlers to Chinese pirates, Native American ballerinas to Egyptian scientists, Japanese novelists to British prime ministers, *History vs Women* will reframe the history that you thought you knew.

Featuring beautiful full-color illustrations of each woman and a bold graphic design, this standout nonfiction title is the perfect read for teens (or adults!) who want the true stories of phenomenal women from around the world and across generations whose lives and accomplishments impacted both their societies and our own.

**Author Bio**

Anita Sarkeesian is an award-winning media critic and the creator and executive director of Feminist Frequency, an educational nonprofit that explores the representations of women in pop culture narratives. Best known as the creator and host of Feminist Frequency's highly influential series *Tropes vs. Women in Video Games*, Anita lectures at universities, conferences, and game development studios around the world. Anita dreams of owning a life-size replica of Buffy's scythe.

Ebony Adams, PhD, is an author, activist, and former college educator whose work foregrounds the lives and work of black women in the diaspora. She lives in Los Angeles with a steadily increasing collection of Doctor Who memorabilia. She writes widely on film criticism, social justice, and pop culture.
Attucks!
Oscar Robertson and the Basketball Team That Awakened a City
by Phillip Hoose

A rousing rags-to-riches episode, a tale of youth power, and a scarcely told chapter in African-American history, Attucks! charts the rise of the legendary Crispus Attucks High School Tigers in the 1950s. By winning the Indiana state high school basketball boys’ championship in 1955, ten teens from a school meant to be the centerpiece of racially segregated education in Indiana shattered the myth of their own inferiority. Their brilliant coach had fashioned an unbeatable team from a group of boys born in the South and raised in poverty, anchored by the astonishing player Oscar “The Big O” Robertson. The Crispus Attucks Tigers went down in history as the first state champions from the city of Indianapolis and the first all-black team in U.S. history to win a racially open championship tournament.

The Boys Who Challenged Hitler:

"Hoose tells this largely unknown story with passion and clarity. . . . A superbly told, remarkable true story." - Kirkus Reviews, starred review

Claudette Colvin: Twice Toward Justice:

"Hoose's book-based in part on interviews with Colvin and people who knew her-finally gives her the credit she deserves." - The New York Times Book Review

"[This] evenhanded account investigates Colvin's motives and influences, and carefully establishes the historical context so that readers can appreciate both Colvin's maturity and bravery and the boycott leadership's pragmatism." - Publishers Weekly, starred review

Author Bio

Location: Portland, Maine

Phillip M. Hoose is the author of Claudette Colvin: Twice Toward Justice, a National Book Award winner and a Newbery Honor Book. His other books include Moonbird: A Year on the Wind with the Great Survivor B95, also a Robert F. Sibert Honor Book; The Boys Who Challenged Hitler, a Sibert Honor and Boston Globe-Horn Book Nonfiction Honor Winner; and We Were There, Too!, a National Book Award finalist. Mr. Hoose lives in Portland, Maine. philliphoose.com
Unpresidented
A Biography of the Infamous Donald Trump
by Martha Brockenbrough

Born into a family of privilege and wealth, he was sent to military school at the age of 13 because of an incident with a switchblade. After an unremarkable academic career, he joined the family business in real estate. His personal brand: sex, money and power. From unabashedly crass reality TV star to unlikely candidate, Donald J. Trump rose to the highest political office: President of the United States of America.

Discover the incredible true story of America's 45th President: his unprecedented rise to power; his shocking political and personal conduct, which threatens American democratic principles today; his salacious and scandalous personal life; his own undoing.

Richly informed by original research and illustrated throughout with photographs and documents, Unpresidented is a gripping and important read.

Alexander Hamilton, Revolutionary:

"A highly enjoyable, well-researched biography of Alexander Hamilton that both applauds his significant accomplishments and highlights his flaws." - School Library Journal, starred review

"Brockenbrough's ambitious and impressively researched project gives equal weight to Alexander Hamilton's personal and professional lives and to the history of the founding and early years of the United States." - Publishers Weekly

"The musical Hamilton has unleashed a crop of young Hamiltonians on the world, but where are they to go if they're looking for some biographical expansion without tackling Ron Chernow's adult work? Brockenbrough . . . comes to the rescue with this lively and affectionate treatment of the subject." - The Bulletin

"Hamilton's life is an inspiration, a fact that Brockenbrough captures nicely in a well-written biography . . . Expect wide reader interest." - Booklist

"Brockenbrough takes the reader on a chronological journey through his life ("

Author Bio
Dear Heartbreak
YA Authors and Teens on the Dark Side of Love
by Heather Demetrios

In this powerful collection, well-known YA authors answer real letters from teens all over the country about the dark side of love: dating violence, breakups, cheating, betrayals, and more. A no-holds-barred, raw outpouring of the wisdom these authors have culled over their years mining their own hearts for the fiction they write, their responses are autobiographical, unflinching, and filled with love and hope for the anonymous teen writers. Love may hurt—but no one should have to go through it alone.


Author Bio

Location: New York, NY

Heather Demetrios is the author of several critically acclaimed novels including Something Real, I'll Meet You There, and Bad Romance. She is a recipient of the PEN New England Susan P. Bloom Discovery Award and has an MFA in Writing for Children and Young Adults from Vermont College of Fine Arts. When she isn't traipsing around the world or spending time in imaginary places, she lives with her husband in New York City. heatherdemetrios.com

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Seraphin and his crew, which includes the King of Bavaria, have barely escaped the treacherous chamberlain with their lives. They are now stowaways on the magnificent aethership, but their respite is short-lived. To save the king's throne and prove his sanity, they must push the aethership even farther out of the sky . . . and into the stars!

In the exquisitely illustrated Castle in the Stars series, Alex Alice delivers a fantastical adventure set in a world where man journeyed into space in 1869, not 1969, and he marries this compelling high-concept premise with intricate, breathtaking art.

"In a word, glorious." - Fantasy Literature

"It's a terrific adventure story." - Kirkus Reviews, starred review

"Lushly painted scenes, an abundance of banter among the young heroes, and plenty of action and gadgetry make for an engrossing tale of discovery and betrayal, which builds to a cliffhanger ending to set up the second and final volume." - Publishers Weekly, starred review

Author Bio

Location: Paris, France

Alex Alice is a French graphic novelist whose works have been translated into more than fifteen languages. His comics in English include the esoteric thriller The Third Testament and the operatic fantasy Siegfried. In Castle in the Stars, he draws on Jules Verne and nineteenth-century romanticism to create a watercolor world of adventure and wonder.
Can you be too cute for your own good? Sadly, the answer is yes. In a world where kittens and humans coexist, several talented kittens with skills in architecture, construction, engineering, and plumbing have discovered that nobody will take them seriously in the workplace because they are just too darned adorable.

So the kittens take matters into their own hands, and form their own all-feline firm: the Kitten Construction Company! They’re going to build the best mayor’s mansion the city has ever seen . . . just as soon as they can stop chasing laser pointers.

With adorable art and a hilarious, pun-filled story, *Kitten Construction Company* is the latest kid-friendly comic from *Hippopotamister* author-illustrator John Patrick Green.

**Hippopotamister**

“*At its core, Hippopotamister* is a touching friendship tale in the tradition of *Frog and Toad* and *Robot Dreams*. But this book will also serve as the perfect roadway for those kids looking for a path from picture books to graphic novels.” - Nick Bruel, creator of the Bad Kitty series

“Green’s (*Teen Boat!* ) characters burst with personality, his comedic sense shines, and his visual storytelling skills are solid.” - *Publishers Weekly*, starred review

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John Patrick Green has worked on comics for DC Comics, Nickelodeon, DreamWorks, and Scholastic Graphix. *Kitten Construction Company* is John’s second graphic novel as writer and artist, following 2016’s *Hippopotamister*, also published by First Second. John lives in Brooklyn with zero cats and way too many LEGOs. If he ever got around to updating his website, you’d be able to see more of his work at johngreenart.com.
Now that Charles has helped Margo Maloo close a case, he thinks he's an expert on things that go bump in the night. But Margo knows he still has a lot to learn about Echo City's hidden monster society—he doesn't even know the difference between a poltergeist and a wraith! So as long as he doesn't get in the way, she lets him tag along on her adventures.

As Margo's assistant, Charles meets a variety of monsters, from imps to vampires. And lately they all say the same thing: living secretly in Echo City is getting harder. Humans and their smartphones are encroaching on monster territory, eager to photograph paranormal activity and share it with the world. Some monsters are tired of hiding and ready to fight. Can Margo and Charles prevent all-out war between human and monsterkind?

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Charles just moved to Echo City, and some of his new neighbors give him the creeps. They sneak into his room, steal his toys, and occasionally, they try to eat him.

The place is teeming with monsters!

Lucky for Charles, Echo City has Margo Maloo, monster mediator. No matter who's causing trouble, Margo knows exactly what to do—the neighborhood kids say monsters are afraid of her. It's a good thing, because Echo City's trolls, ogres, and ghosts all have one thing in common: they don't like Charles very much.

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Gene Luen Yang was the National Ambassador for Young People's Literature for 2016-2017. He has written and drawn many graphic novels, including American Born Chinese, which was a National Book Award finalist, as well as the winner of the Printz Award and an Eisner Award. His graphic novel set Boxers and Saints won the Los Angeles Times Book Prize. He has also written for the hit comics Avatar: The Last Airbender and Superman.

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Mike Holmes has drawn for the comics series Bravest Warriors, Adventure Time, Secret Coders, and the viral art project Mikenesses. His books include the True Story collection, This American Drive, and Shenanigans. He lives with a cat named Ella, who is his best buddy.
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"By the end of Secret Coders, readers will learn the three major ways that code is organized, right alongside Hopper and Eni, not as something dry or rote, but something transformative." - Wired

Author Bio

Gene Luen Yang was the National Ambassador for Young People's Literature for 2016-2017. He has written and drawn many graphic novels, including American Born Chinese, which was a National Book Award finalist, as well as the winner of the Printz Award and an Eisner Award. His graphic novel set Boxers and Saints won the Los Angeles Times Book Prize. He has also written for the hit comics Avatar: The Last Airbender and Superman. geneyang.com

Mike Holmes has drawn for the comics series Bravest Warriors, Adventure Time, Secret Coders, and the viral art project Mikenesses. His books include the True Story collection, This American Drive, and Shenanigans. He lives with a cat named Ella, who is his best buddy.
Cucumber Quest: The Flower Kingdom
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Last Pick
by Jason Walz

An alien abduction has left behind only those younger than sixteen, older than sixty-five, or too "disabled" to work. In other words, people who weren't a threat until now. Twins Sam and Wyatt are ready to chuck their labels, break free from their captors, and inspire others to do the same. It's time for "the last picked" to step into the game.

Jason Walz pairs vivid world-building and a fast-paced adventure in a beautiful story of sibling devotion. With humor and action, Last Pick shares an empowering message about the dangers of labeling and writing people off.

Eisner-nominated Homesick:

"Head-and-shoulders above most debut efforts I've seen, including my own." - Gene Luen Yang, National Ambassador for Young People's Literature, 2016 -2017

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Jason Walz is a comic creator and teacher working in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Born in the south, he bounced around between Kentucky and Tennessee before working his way up north. He is best known for his debut graphic novel Homesick, which was nominated for a 2014 Eisner. jasonwwalz.com

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The Zita Trilogy Boxed Set
by Ben Hatke

Don a cape and follow the indomitable space explorer Zita from start to finish! From her unlikely origin as a humble earth girl to her wildest spacefaring adventures—robot doppelgängers, space whales, doomsday cults—it's all here in one deluxe package.

This sturdy boxed set includes the paperback editions of the three Zita the Spacegirl books and a free poster by New York Times-bestselling author/illustrator Ben Hatke.

The Zita the Spacegirl series:

"All the readers could want in their science fiction: adventurous, exciting, funny, and moving." - ICv2

"Marvelously inventive!" - Boing Boing

"Wonderful!" - Wired Geek Dad

"Simply amazing!" - Gene Luen Yang, author of American Born Chinese

"Be prepared to blast off." - Kirkus Reviews, starred review

Author Bio

Location: The Shenandoah Valley

Ben Hatke is the author and illustrator of the New York Times-bestselling Zita the Spacegirl trilogy, the picture books Julia's House for Lost Creatures and Nobody Likes a Goblin, and the graphic novels Little Robot, Mighty Jack, and Mighty Jack and the Goblin King. He lives and works in the Shenandoah Valley with his wife and their boisterous pack of daughters. benhatke.com
Science Comics: The Brain
The Ultimate Thinking Machine
by Tory Woollcott, illustrated by Alex Graudins

Every volume of Science Comics offers a complete introduction to a particular topic-dinosaurs, coral reefs, the solar system, volcanoes, bats, flying machines, and more. These gorgeously illustrated graphic novels offer wildly entertaining views of their subjects. Whether you’re a fourth grader doing a natural science unit at school or a thirty year old with a secret passion for airplanes, these books are for you!

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The Science Comics series:

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Author Bio

Location: Tory Woollcott - Toronto, Ontario; Alex Graudins - Wakefield, RI

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The Unsinkable Walker Bean and the Knights of the Waxing Moon
by Aaron Renier

Walker, Shiv, and Genoa are marooned on Plumb Island with the crew of the Jacklight, their ship in tatters. As they plan their escape, Walker corresponds with his grandfather using his sea-faring message jug. He learns that a gold-trimmed ship, billowed in storm clouds, has arrived in Winooski Bay. And one of its passengers is a clairvoyant woman who knows the secrets of Atlantis—and she looks exactly like Genoa.

Drawing from sources as disparate as Tintin, the Iliad, Kidnapped!, and Moby Dick, Renier has woven together a breathless tale that will leave readers with their ears ringing from the cannonshot, and their eyes dazzled from the glowing stares of seawitches.

The Unsinkable Walker Bean:

"So beautiful are the drawings, that I can smell the sea salt and feel the spray as giant creatures of the deep draw near the ocean's surface. Outrageous and wonderful!" - Jeff Smith, creator of Bone

"An easy crowd-pleaser, this book has something sure to enchant every reader." - Kirkus Reviews, starred review

"An adventure of a lifetime." - School Library Journal, starred review

Author Bio

Location: Chicago, IL

Aaron Renier is the Eisner award-winning author of Spiral-Bound and The Unsinkable Walker Bean, and one of the creative forces behind Infinite Corpse, an online collaborative comic with hundreds of contributors. He lives in Chicago. aaronrenier.com
Tiger is a lucky kid: She has a monster living under her bed. This monster arrived when Tiger was just a baby. It was supposed to scare her—after all, that's what monsters do. But Tiger was just too cute! Now, Tiger and Monster are best friends.

But Monster is a monster, and it needs to scare something. So every night, Monster stands guard and scares all of Tiger's nightmares away. This arrangement works out perfectly, until a nightmare arrives that's too big and scary for even Monster. Only teamwork and a lot of bravery can chase this nightmare away.

Author Bio

Emily Tetri is an artist currently living in Los Angeles who works as a background designer and painter for TV animation. She grew up in St. Louis, Missouri, where her childhood was mostly spent drawing, making up stories, and running feral outdoors. She went to USC and graduated with a degree in animation. Now she draws and makes up stories for a living and continues to run around outdoors with her dog every chance she gets.
Deogratias
A Tale of the Rwandan Genocide
by J.P. Stassen

Now with a new introduction by Beata Umubyeyi Mairesse.

The harrowing tale of the Tutsi genocide in Rwanda unfolds, as seen through the eyes of a boy named Deogratias. Stassen's tale takes us back and forth in time, showing only before and after the killings—and inexorably revealing the grip of madness they had on one boy and his country.

Deogratias is difficult, beautiful, honest, and heartbreaking, this is a major work by a masterful artist. And now as a reissue, it's getting a second chance to impact new readers.

Deogratias:

 "The uncluttered art, reminiscent of jewel-toned woodcuts, serves to underscore the erupting brutality. . . . The importance of the story and the heartbreaking beauty of its presentation make it an essential purchase." - Kirkus Reviews, starred review

 "This book vividly shows the power of fiction to introduce fact." - Booklist

 "Stassen is a journalist who lives in Rwanda, and his art is bold and clear, using different color palettes to seamlessly shift between before and after. There is no catharsis, only the realization that even justice turns its champion into a monster." - Publishers Weekly

Author Bio

Location: Paris

J.P. Stassen was born and raised in Belgium. His books have been published in multiple languages, and his remarkable artistry has won him many awards. After living in various places including Latin America, Mozambique, and Rwanda, he settled in Paris, where he lives today.
Alphaprints First Words
by Roger Priddy

This casebound board book has over forty first words to learn, accompanied by the quirky Alphaprints animals and objects created using fingerprints and photographs of everyday objects. Each spread is themed-pets, park, vehicles, toys, farm, food, colors, and animals—and the fingerprints are embossed for lots of see-touch-feel fun.

This is the latest addition to the Alphaprints series, which has sold over 1,000,000 copies in the U.S. alone, and is published around the world in thirteen languages.

Author Bio

Location: London

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P is for Puppy
by Roger Priddy

Following on from the bestselling Priddy classic, B is for Bear, this sturdy board book is sure to be a new baby favorite.

Each cuddly puppy is accompanied with gentle, rhyming text, which will engage your little one as you share the book together. Every page also features a soft, furry, touch-and-feel texture for baby to explore—great for stimulating your little one’s senses and developing early motor skills.

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The 12 Days of Christmas
A lift-the-tab book
by Roger Priddy

With touches of gold foil throughout, this stunning book is a real Christmas treat. The cumulative song is fun to learn and sing, and children will love to count each of the gifts—from one partridge in a pear tree to twelve drummers drumming. The tabbed pages make page turning easy, and each tab has a number for more counting practice. It’s a joyful book to share at Christmas time.

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Maze Book: Follow Me Santa
by Roger Priddy

Follow Santa through colorful, festive scenes on his Christmas Eve journey as he collects the presents, then his reindeer, and travels across the world delivering gifts. Children will love exploring the paths with their fingertips to trace each maze from hole to hole, and meet festive friends along the way! From gifts, to penguins and decorated trees, there is lots to search for and find. The tracing element is great for developing fine motor skills and the search-and-find activity throughout will help with spacial awareness.

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Maze Book: Follow Me Santa (large edition)
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Santa Street Chunky Set
by Roger Priddy

Step into Santa Street with this set of festive books, which lets kids create a mini North Pole on their bookshelf! Children will love to open each book to explore inside the miniature houses. They can visit the ice-skating penguins in Snowflake House; join the elves making toys in Santa’s Workshop; and find some tasty holiday treats in Gingerbread House.

With bright illustrations and magical surprises to find, Santa Street is a great stocking stuffer—sure to make an attractive, festive addition to any child’s bookshelf.

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My First Words Matching Set
by Roger Priddy

This colorfully illustrated set is a great way to build your toddler's speaking, matching, and memory skills. With thirty-two chunky cards, four game boards, and the instructions for how to play three different games: Bingo, Go Fish, and Matching, the simple game play will reinforce learning. The bold text and adorable illustrations in the book will help you introduce your child to everyday words. The cards can also be used for picture/word recognition activities and many more memory games.

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First 100 Christmas Words
by Roger Priddy

Babies and toddlers will love to learn 100 Christmas words with this bright board book. There are colorful photographs to look at and talk about, and labels to read and learn, too. The pages are made from tough board for hours of fun reading, and the cover is softly padded for little hands to hold.

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See, Touch, Feel
A First Sensory Book
by Roger Priddy

Each page has a colorful picture activity that invites baby to touch and explore, with raised, textured pages to feel, finger trails to follow, and a shiny mirror to look into. These simple activities encourage baby to interact with the book through sight, sound, and touch. Can they follow the swirl on the snail’s shell? Can they tap the drum?

As your baby grows, See, Touch, Feel will help your child develop early-language recognition and motor skills, as they learn to interact with the book in new ways. With lots of bright pictures and engaging novelties to explore together, See, Touch, Feel is the perfect first book to share with your baby.

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Space: Board Book
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From the solar system to the Space Shuttle, astronauts to satellites, the simple facts, infographics, and bold imagery in this little book are easy to digest. Aimed at young readers, this first look at space is perfect for preschoolers who love exploring new things. The small format means that it is an ideal size for youngsters to hold and the board pages are durable and easy to turn.

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Noisy Tractor Sound Book
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Each spread focuses on a different farm vehicle—from a tractor to a combine harvester, an ATV to a forklift truck—with exciting engine *vroom* sounds and other noises to hear on the press of each button. Lift the flaps and read the simple text to learn about the unique features on each vehicle, and there’s a simple matching activity for additional fun.

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Noisy Fire Truck Sound Book
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Maze Book: Follow My Heart
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Follow each animal through the adorable, illustrated scenes on a journey to find their perfect match in this fun-size maze book. Children will love exploring the paths with their fingertips to trace the grooved mazes from hole to hole. There is lots to see on every page along with animal couples such as bees, penguins, bunnies, and bears. The tracing element is great for developing fine motor skills and the search-and-find activity throughout will help with spatial awareness.

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A Caboodle of Cuddles is the sixth title in the Picture Fit series, with raised shapes to touch, feel, and explore that neatly tuck into the shaped spaces on the opposite page. With gorgeously illustrated animal babies on one page that cleverly slot into their parents on the other, this format offers a heart-warming, tactile, and visual experience, and a caboodle of cuddling creatures at the end.

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Let's Pretend Chef's Kitchen
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With a whisk, a frying pan, flour, eggs, and other utensils and food, children will have fun rustling up a pretend meal for mom or dad. The illustrated board book shows chef in the kitchen using utensils and making meals, with fun details to spot in the illustrations. There’s information, too, about what each utensil or foodstuff can be used for.

Let’s Pretend Chef’s Kitchen joins other hugely successful Let’s Pretend sets: Builders Tool Kit; Firefighter; Race Driver Set; Princess Party Set; and Animal Rescue, with sales totalling over 370,000 copies to date.

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