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Pinocchio
by Carlo Collodi, illustrated by Peter Bailey, translated by Stephen Parkin

The story of a naughty wooden puppet who has a penchant for lying and dreams of becoming a real boy, The Adventures of Pinocchio has entered our collective imagination and fascinated generations of young and adult readers since its first publication in 1883. Part fable, part coming-of-age novel, part cautionary tale, Pinocchio's rollicking exploits through an unforgiving and often incomprehensible world - populated by unforgettable characters such as the Talking Cricket, Candlewick, Mangiafuoco and the Fairy with Turquoise Hair - have had a profound impact on our culture and attained universal significance as a mirror of the human condition.

Here presented in a brand-new and lively translation by Stephen Parkin and illustrated beautifully by Peter Bailey, this edition of The Adventures of Pinocchio brings extra sparkle to one of the greatest and most celebrated works of children's literature.

Author Bio

Carlo Collodi (born Carlo Lorenzini in Florence, 1826) was an Italian children's writer and most famous for his children's novel The Adventures of Pinocchio. Involved in political matters, he wrote satires during the Wars of Independence, going on to found a satirical newspaper Il Lampione (The Streetlight). He won fame with a novel, In Vapore, before focusing on children's literature as a way to explore political allegory. He began writing Storia di un burattino (Story of a Marionette), serialised in Il Giornale dei Bambine (The Children's Newspaper). This story would later come to be known as The Adventures of Pinnochio. Collodi died in his native city in 1890, aged 63.

Peter Bailey was born in India and grew up in London. Since graduating from the Brighton School of Art, his extraordinary career has seen him illustrate books by some of Britain's best-known authors and poets, including Allan Ahlberg and Alexander McCall Smith. For twenty years he also taught illustration at the Liverpool School of Art.
After Dark with Roxie Clark
by Brooke Lauren Davis

The history of the Clark family is full of untimely deaths and disappearances; many believe they are cursed. But instead of cowering from her family’s past, Roxie Clark is fascinated by it. Using her flare for performance, she’s weaved her ancestors’ history into a lucrative ghost tour. But six months ago, tragedy struck closer to home when her sister Skylar’s boyfriend was found stabbed in the woods. Skylar is distraught, and Roxie is desperate to help her find answers and closure. Instead, Skylar becomes obsessed with finding the killer. As the sisters dig, Roxie realizes that everyone in town may hiding something… and are some secrets best left untold? Brooke Lauren Davis offers another thought-provoking and eerily satisfying tale for fans of Kara Thomas and Cruel Summer.
Defend the Dawn
by Brigid Kemmerer

New York Times bestselling author Brigid Kemmerer continues her electrifying series with more intrigue, romance, and heart-stopping adventure.

The kingdom of Kandala narrowly avoided catastrophe, but the embers of revolution still simmer. While King Harristan seeks a new way to lead, Tessa and Prince Corrick attempt to foster unity between rebels and royals.

But the consuls who control the Moonflower will not back down, and Corrick realizes he must find a new source for the lifesaving Elixir. When an emissary from the neighboring kingdom of Ostriary arrives with an intriguing offer, Tessa and Corrick set out on an uncertain journey as they attempt to mend their own fractured relationship. This could be their only chance to keep the peace and bring relief to the people of Kandala, but danger strikes during the journey to Ostriary, and no one is who they claimed to be...

Brigid Kemmerer has woven her compelling heroine into a kinetic tale of the tension between duty, love and trust." - Cassandra Clare, #1 New York Times bestselling author of THE LAST HOURS on DEFY THE NIGHT

"Immersive and engaging, Defy the Night is a romantic epic that blends magic and politics with a deft hand." - Adrienne Young, New York Times Bestselling author of FABLE on DEFY THE NIGHT

" Defy the Night is a twisty, edge-of-your-seat fantasy that has it all - outlaws, court intrigue, rebellions, and romance. Addicting from page one!" - #1 New York (…)

Author Bio

Brigid Kemmerer is the author of the New York Times bestselling Cursebreaker series, which includes A Curse So Dark and Lonely, A Heart So Fierce and Broken, and A Vow So Bold and Deadly. She has also written the contemporary young adult romances Call It What You Want, More Than We Can Tell, and Letters to the Lost, as well as paranormal young adult stories, including the Elemental series and Thicker Than Water. A full-time writer, Brigid lives in the Baltimore area with her family.

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Notes

Promotion
Extensive independent bookseller campaign, including early mailings, downloadable assets on Edelweiss, and email outreach, Major national trade and consumer advertising campaign, National 3-5 city author tour, including trade shows and festivals, National media campaign, including targeted outreach to teen/trade/women’s/SFF media, Targeted influencer outreach across all platforms, Pre-order gift incentive, Consumer email outreach, Extensive social media promotion, including title and cover reveal and global readalong, Activation of 5000+ member author street team, Extensive school and library promotion, including conference appearances
Don’t Hate the Player
by Alexis Nedd

Refreshingly voice-y, wildly smart, and genuinely hilarious.” - Casey McQuiston, New York Times bestselling author of Red, White & Royal Blue

From an exciting new voice comes a funny and heartfelt YA romance set in the world of competitive gaming, perfect for fans of Opposite of Always and Slay.

Emilia Romero is living a double life. By day, she’s a field hockey star with a flawless report card. But by night, she’s kicking virtual ass as the only female member of a highly competitive eSports team. Emilia has mastered the art of keeping her two worlds thriving, which hinges on them staying completely separate. That’s in part to keep her real-life persona, but also for her own safety, since girl gamers are often threatened and harassed.

When a major eSports tournament comes to her city, Emilia is determined to prove herself to her team and the male-dominated gaming community. But her perfectly balanced life is thrown for a loop when a member of a rival team recognizes her . . .

Jake Hooper has had a crush on Emilia since he was ten years old. When his underdog eSports team makes it into the tournament, he’s floored to discover she’s been leading a double life. The fates bring Jake and Emilia together as they work to keep her secret, even as the pressures of the tournament and their non-gaming world threaten to pull everything apart.

Debut author Alexis Nedd has crafted (…)

Author Bio

Alexis Nedd is a Brooklyn-based pop culture fanthropologist” who has only ever loved things in a big, obsessive way. As the Senior Entertainment Reporter at Mashable.com, she covers television, movies, and video games with a focus on sci-fi and fantasy universes like Game of Thrones and the Marvel Cinematic Universe. When she’s not writing for money, she’s writing for no money on Twitter, where her feed consists of deep dives on weird history (Hamilton and messed-up royal lineages are favorites) and analyzing pop culture as an artifact of society. Her writing has also appeared in Elle, Cosmopolitan, Marie Claire, and BuzzFeed. This is her debut novel. 

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Eat Well and Feel Great!
The Teenager’s Guide to Nutrition and Health
by Tina Lond-Caulk

This easy-to-use and friendly handbook for teenagers will help you learn how to develop a healthy and loving relationship with your body and food. Packed with helpful tips and advice, in an easy to digest format.

In no time at all you can dramatically improve the way you feel by making better choices in terms of both food and lifestyle habits. This will improve not only how you feel, but also your confidence and sense of wellbeing.

The Teenage Health and Wellness Guide shapes the health, wellbeing, and self-esteem of current and future generations. It explains how simple changes have a profound effect on how you feel every day including your ability to focus and learn, reduce levels of stress and anxiety, improve sleep, increase confidence, optimise your wellbeing, maintain a healthy weight and longer term prevent diseases.

There are case studies from the author’s clinical work that make it easy to understand how the smallest, simplest changes can have profound effects on your brain optimisation (focus/concentration), improve mood, decrease stress levels, reduce anxiety, help you maintain a healthy weight, improve sleep, skin health and can even improve your IQ by simply stabilising your blood sugar.

Author Bio

Tina Lond-Caulk has worked as a nutritionist for over 20 years, working with a number of high-profile medical practices in Harley Street and the world renowned Lanserhof Medical Clinic. She speaks to over 20,000 students every year. In addition to her first class BSc Honours degree in Nutrition, she has post-graduate training in behavioural psychology and eating disorders and a specialist interest in nutrigenomics.

Alongside her clinical work she is the founder of the nationwide Food for Life programme - an educational programme for schools that hosts motivational talks and workshops to students and parents.
Five Little Easter Bunnies
From the million-copy bestselling series
by Martha Mumford, illustrated by Sarah Jennings

A lift-the-flap springtime adventure full of adorable bunnies and perfect for Easter!

Join five little Easter bunnies as they set off on an exciting lift-the-flap Easter egg hunt. Help the bunnies find and count five delicious eggs as they climb trees, peek into nests, and look under leaves. Young readers will need to lift the flaps to find the tasty prizes, and there might be some surprises along the way too!

This joyful, interactive book is packed with adorable bunnies, lambs, chicks, and ducklings. Get ready for non-stop Easter fun in this beautifully illustrated read-aloud full of springtime joy.

The interactive nature and simple story line will appeal to young readers." - School Library Journal

"Colorful, ink-spattered illustrations by Hughes imbue the text with energy. . . . Lift-the-flap action, onomatopoeic chants, and an array of charming animals have a sweet spring appeal." - Publishers Weekly on HOP LITTLE BUNNIES

"Vibrant . . . Intriguing illustrations, classic story structure, and irresistible rabbits add up to a winning Easter-themed treat." - Kirkus Reviews, starred review, on WE'RE GOING ON AN EGG HUNT

"Young listeners will be entertained by the recognizable pattern from the classic bear hunt and the holiday-adjacent material." - School Library Journal on WE'RE GOING ON AN EGG HUNT

Author Bio

Martha Mumford has loved children's books forever. Shhh! Don't Wake the Royal Baby is her first children's picture book and she is delighted to be working with Bloomsbury. Martha loves baking, patchwork and has a mild obsession with interiors magazines (although she freely admits that the ideas she has found therein have yet to be translated to the interior of her own home!). Martha lives in Berkshire with her husband and young daughter. At a very young age Sarah discovered a love of drawing and has been scribbling in a sketchbook ever since! Since graduating in 2013 she has worked on a variety of books. Sarah works from her home studio in the company of her
Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix
by J.K. Rowling, illustrated by Jim Kay and Neil Packer

As the Order of the Phoenix keeps watch over Harry Potter, troubled times have come to Hogwarts in a year filled with secrets, subterfuge and suspicion. The deliciously dark fifth instalment of Jim Kay's inspired reimagining of J.K. Rowling's classic series is an epic artistic achievement, featuring over 160 illustrations in an astonishing range of visual styles.

Now an exciting new collaboration brings together two virtuoso artistic talents, as Kate Greenaway Medal winner Jim Kay is joined by acclaimed guest illustrator Neil Packer, winner of the 2021 BolognaRagazzi Award for non-fiction. Prepare to be enchanted once again as Jim Kay depicts J.K. Rowling's wizarding world with the dazzling artistic alchemy fans around the globe have come to know and love, perfectly complemented by Neil Packer's own unique and eclectic illustrations, skilfully woven into the heart of the story.

This is a stunning visual feast of a book, filled with dark magical delights for both fans and new readers alike. Breathtaking scenes, iconic locations and unforgettable characters await inside - Luna Lovegood, Professor Umbridge, Grawp the giant, and many more - as Harry Potter and Dumbledore's Army prepare for the coming battle against Lord Voldemort. Perfect for Potterheads of all ages!

Picture the Magic

*Fully illustrated. Completely spellbinding.*

Seeing Jim Kay's illustrations moved me profoundly. I love his interpretation of Harry Potter's world, and I feel honoured and grateful that he has lent his talent to it" - J.K. Rowling

"Kay's illustrated edition of Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone is a triumph - a book so alive it seems to jump, explode and slither out of your hands (...)"

Author Bio

J.K. Rowling is best known as the author of the seven Harry Potter books, which were published between 1997 and 2007. The enduringly popular adventures of Harry, Ron and Hermione have gone on to sell over 500 million copies, be translated into over 80 languages and made into eight blockbuster films. Alongside the Harry Potter series, she also wrote three short companion volumes for charity: *Quidditch Through the Ages* and *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them*.
Prepare to be spellbound by the stunning illustration inside this new collector's edition of *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix*. Troubled times have come to Hogwarts in a year filled with secrets, subterfuge and suspicion. The deliciously dark fifth instalment of Jim Kay's inspired reimagining of J.K. Rowling's Harry Potter series is an epic artistic achievement, featuring over 160 illustrations in an astonishing range of visual styles.

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This beautiful, deluxe edition features an opulent page size and intricate gold foiled line art set on a jet-black cloth cover and slipcase; gilt edges on premium grade paper; head and tail bands and two ribbon markers. Each copy is also accompanied by an exclusive fold-out souvenir poster to keep and enjoy. This is the ultimate must-have edition for any Potter fan, collector or bibliophile.

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Lotus Bloom and the Afro Revolution  
by Sherri Winston

From the beloved author of President of the Whole Fifth Grade, a story about a young Black girl who summons the courage to fight against a racist dress code—and stand up for herself.

Twelve-year-old Lotus Bloom is a free spirit with a mega-‘fro she’s affectionately named the wooly mammoth." A talented violinist, she just switched from her inner-city school to a fancy arts academy. Her best friend Rebel is quick to point out the funding disparities between schools, and urges Lotus to help her protest, but Lotus isn’t sure; if she’s going to be in the spotlight, she’d rather it be for her music.

But then a classroom prank - boys thinking it’s hilarious to throw wads of paper into Lotus’s hair - escalates after she reports it to the administration and shockingly finds herself facing suspension. Lotus must choose whether to stay quiet and risk everything she’s worked so hard for, or fight back. Is this school really where she belongs?

Inspired by stories of real Black girls advocating against unjust, racist school dress codes across the country, beloved middle grade author Sherri Winston introduces another memorable character who decides to speak up for what’s right, no matter what it takes.

A sweet confection for middle graders... will be a hit with readers who like Wendy Mass and Lauren Myracle." - Booklist on President of the Whole Fifth Grade

"Brianna’s determination and follow-through make her a great role model, but the true value here is the very real depiction of the ebb and flow of middle-school friendships and the (...)"

Author Bio

Sherri Winston is the author of President of the Whole Fifth Grade (a Sunshine State Young Readers Award selection), President of the Whole Sixth Grade (a Kids’ Indie Next pick), President of the Whole Sixth Grade: Girl Code, The Sweetest Sound (a Kirkus Best Book of the Year), Jada Sly: Artist & Spy, and The Kayla Chronicles. Before Sherri was an author, she was a longtime newspaper writer and columnist. She grew up in Michigan and now lives in Orlando, Florida.

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My Second Impression of You
by Michelle I. Mason

Perfect for fans of Tweet Cute and Instant Karma, this YA romcom is a heartfelt story about a girl who thinks she knows everything about love - until she relives a day and discovers she had it all wrong.

Sixteen-year-old Maggie Scott is a little dramatic. Both in the over-the-top sense and in the involved-in-every-possible-performing-arts-activity sense. Life is just more fun when you’re always putting on a show! But apparently her boyfriend, Theo, disagrees, because he unexpectedly dumps her. She’s so distressed she breaks her foot, has to be rescued by the most obnoxious boy in school, Carson, and can no longer star in the school play.

Now everything is terrible and Maggie doesn’t understand where it all went wrong. So when she gets a mysterious text from an unknown number offering her a chance to relive the day when she and Theo met, Maggie can’t help clicking (even though she knows what they say about suspicious links and clicking). Suddenly, she finds herself transported from her worst day ever to her best day ever—but on second review, Maggie realizes there are some details she overlooked. Maybe she was so focused on starring in the Maggie show that she didn’t pay enough attention. Maybe Maggie doesn’t know the people around her as well as she thought—particularly Carson. And maybe her worst day ever isn’t quite as terrible as it seems.

In this funny and relatable YA romcom, Michelle I. Mason explores how there’s always another way of looking at the situations we find (…)

Author Bio

Michelle I. Mason lives in St. Louis with her family. She spent ten years as a PR manager before shifting her focus to fictional stories. When she isn’t writing novels, she enjoys reading, baking amazing brownies, playing the violin, watching her kids perform, and stockpiling best days with her family.

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Pegasus Princesses 5: Rosie's Rhythm
by Emily Bliss, illustrated by Sydney Hanson

From the author of Unicorn Princesses, a high-flying chapter book series about a girl who goes on magical adventures with the Pegasus Princesses.

When Clara Griffin is playing in the forest near her home, she's thrilled to discover a magical silver feather and a flying armchair that transport her to the Wing Realm, the land of the Pegasus Princesses!

Princess Rosie is preparing for the Garden Orchestra's annual concert, and she invites Clara to join the percussion section. Clara, who is delighted to bring her new rescue puppy along to Feather Palace, can't wait to perform with the pegasus princess - but she wishes her puppy could help with the concert too. Luckily, Princess Rosie knows just how to communicate with Clara's pup. But when a mishap in the garden causes chaos to bloom, it looks like the whole concert might be cancelled! Can Clara come up with a solution in time to save the musical fun?

Featuring adorable black-and-white illustrations throughout, and eye-catching, sparkly covers, this magical series is another must-have for chapter book readers.

Author Bio

Emily Bliss lives just down the street from a forest. From her living room window, she can see a big oak tree with a magic keyhole. Like Cressida Jenkins, she knows that unicorns are real. Sydney Hanson was raised in Minnesota alongside numerous pets and brothers. In addition to her traditional illustrations, Sydney is an experienced 2D and 3D production artist and has worked for several animation shops, including Nickelodeon and Disney Interactive. In her spare time she enjoys traveling and spending time outside with her adopted brother, a Labrador retriever named Cash. She is the illustrator of the Unicorn Princesses series and the picture book, Next to You. Sydney lives in Los Angeles.

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Pegasus Princesses 6: Snow’s Slide
by Emily Bliss, illustrated by Sydney Hanson

From the author of Unicorn Princesses, a high-flying chapter book series about a girl who goes on magical adventures with the Pegasus Princesses.

When Clara Griffin is playing in the forest near her home, she's thrilled to discover a magical silver feather and a flying armchair that transport her to the Wing Realm, the land of the pegasus princesses! Princess Snow and her sisters are preparing for the Pegasus Winter Games - a day of magical sledding with their magical friends from the Snow Realm! Lucinda is in charge of the invitations, and when she accidentally invites the glow leopards to the games instead of the snow leopards, all the snow and ice is melted! Can Clara come up with a solution to help her friends beat the heat and restore the snowy fun?

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Pegasus Princesses Bind-up Books 4-6
Star’s Gaze, Rosie’s Rhythm, and Snow’s Slide
by Emily Bliss, illustrated by Sydney Hanson

Fly into a magical chapter book series by the creator of Unicorn Princesses with this hardcover collection of books four through six!

Welcome to the Wing Realm, the magical land of the Pegasus Princesses!

When Clara Griffin is playing in the forest near her home, she’s thrilled to discover a magical silver feather and a flying armchair that transport her to the Wing Realm! Clara finds herself in Feather Palace, home to eight pegasus sisters who each have a unique magic power. The princesses are delighted to meet Clara - they rarely meet any creature without wings!

Featuring adorable black-and-white illustrations throughout, this magical series is full of sparkle, fun, and friendship. Keep your silver feather close and take flight with the Pegasus Princesses!

This bind-up includes books four through six in the delightful Pegasus Princesses series: Star’s Gaze, Rosie’s Rhythm, and Snow’s Slide.

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Penguin and Penelope
by Salina Yoon

Geisel Honor-winning author/illustrator Salina Yoon reintroduces readers to a beloved character and a delightful new character in this 10th Anniversary year.

The magic of friendship connects us.

When Penguin finds a new friend, Penelope, he does everything he can to help. Let's get you home," says Penguin. But the elephant herd is out of reach, across a too-big ravine, Penguin stays with the little elephant, keeping her company and looking for a way home. As they go, Penelope grows, and so does their friendship! Soon they learn what they have in common - how they both can fly - and their new perspective brings a way home for Penelope. But they won't part for long!

Salina Yoon's spare text and bright, energetic illustrations bring to life this endearing story celebrating unlikely friendships, the challenges of growing up, and finding your own way.

A sweet, visually striking story of friendship and acceptance." - Booklist, starred review, on BE A FRIEND

"A delightful story about the celebration of individuality and friendship." - Kirkus Reviews on BE A FRIEND

"Yoon's confident storytelling and appealingly chunky artwork create an emotionally resonant tale with some well-handled moments of levity." - Publishers Weekly on BEAR'S BIG DAY

"A thoughtful, flawlessly executed exploration of theory of mind and emotional intelligence." - Publishers Weekly, starred review, on FOUND

"A winning tale about finding new friends." - Kirkus Reviews on FOUND

Author Bio

Salina Yoon is an award-winning author-illustrator of nearly two hundred books for children, including Duck, Duck, Porcupine!, the Penguin series, the Bear and Floppy series, and Be a Friend. She studied art and design at the Art Center College of Design in Pasadena, California, and now lives in San Diego with her family.

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Penguin and Pinecone
by Salina Yoon

When you give love... it grows.

When curious little Penguin finds a lost pinecone in the snow, their friendship grows into something extraordinary! But Grandpa reminds Penguin that pinecones can't live in the snow - they belong in the warm forest far away. Can Penguin help Pinecone get home? And can they stay friends, even if they're miles apart?

Prolific author/illustrator Salina Yoon's spare text and bright, energetic illustrations bring to life this endearing story celebrating friendships lost and found, and overcoming the odds to be with the one you love. This sweetly quirky friendship story will warm your heart!

Don't miss these other books from Salina Yoon!

The Penguin series
Penguin and Penelope
Penguin on Vacation
Penguin in Love
Penguin and Pumpkin
Penguin’s Big Adventure
Penguin’s Christmas Wish

The Bear series
Found
Stormy Night
Bear’s Big Day

The Duck, Duck, Porcupine series
Duck, Duck, Porcupine
My Kite is Stuck! And Other Stories
That’s My Book! And Other Stories

Be a Friend

Yoon's cute, boldly lined characters and graphic compositions tell the story in a series of spots, full-page images, and thought bubbles. This picture book, like many before it, proves that love comes in many forms.” - Booklist

"Crisp illustrations that capture a genuinely loving heart... a strong if whimsical choice for those separated from loved ones." - Kirkus Reviews
Remind Me to Hate You Later
by Lizzy Mason

Natalie has only barely begun to grieve her best friend Jules' death three months ago when Jules' mom Britt, a parenting and lifestyle influencer, announces her plans to publish a memoir that will dissect Jules' life and death. But Natalie knows the truth behind Britt's "perfect" Instagram feed – that Jules's death was... not entirely out of the blue. Nat knew better than anyone else that Jules had been struggling with depression for years. And Nat holds some guilt in her pain – maybe she could have, should have done more to help. But maybe if it's Jules' mom's fault, it won't be hers. Determined to expose Britt as a fraud, Natalie joins forces with Jules's grieving boyfriend, and the two ultimately search for connection and truth in a world distorted by celebrity and the manipulations of social media.
Revver the Speedway Squirrel: The Big Race Home

by Sherri Duskey Rinker and Alex Willan

I love this little squirrel!” - Katherine Applegate, Newbery Award winning author of THE ONE AND ONLY IVAN on REVVER THE SPEEDWAY SQUIRREL

The author of the bestselling Goodnight, Goodnight Construction Site picture books continues her fun, illustrated middle grade series that’s perfect for fans of Beverly Cleary’s The Mouse and the Motorcycle.

Revver is a little squirrel with big plans . . . to drive a race car! Now that he has secured his place on the race squad, there are so many new things to see and explore - and so many lessons to learn.

Tire-changer Bill and his team have grown very fond of Revver, despite his accidental troublemaking. But when the team travels to the airport for a faraway race, Revver’s intense curiosity gets himself lost in the terminal, and the plane takes off without him! Will Revver find his way back to the team in time? And if he does, will they still accept him, or has he worn out his welcome as the very first speedway squirrel?

Sherri Duskey Rinker offers another hilarious and heartwarming story about this memorable character, perfect for fans of Ralph S. Mouse.

This warm, funny, and action-packed tale stars Revver, an endearing squirrel with big dreams and an even bigger heart. Perfect for a family or classroom read (…)

Notes

Promotion

Sherri Duskey Rinker is the author of #1 New York Times bestsellers Goodnight, Goodnight, Construction Site; Mighty, Mighty Construction Site; Steam Train, Dream Train; and The 12 Sleighb of Christmas. She loves cooking, gardening, and old oil paintings. Revver was inspired by Sherri’s husband (who took her to watch sprint car racing on one of their first dates), her brilliant-but-impulsive oldest son, and her kart-racing, speed-obsessed youngest son.

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Alex Willan the author and illustrator of Unicorns are the Worst and the Jasper & Ollie series. He grew up in Louisville, Kentucky, where he was seldom seen without his sketchbook in hand. His love of drawing led him to earn a BFA in illustration from Savannah College of Art and Design. Alex has
Shades of Rust and Ruin
by A. G. Howard

New York Times bestselling author A.G. Howard launches a dark and compelling new YA fantasy series about a girl whose family is cursed by Halloween, perfect for fans of Caraval.

Phoenix Nix* Loring knows her family is under a Halloween curse. When she was three, her parents tragically died on October 31st. Eleven years later, her twin sister Lark suffered a similar fate.

Ever since, Nix has battled survivor guilt. She can't even find comfort in Clarey, Lark's boyfriend and the one person who understands her pain, because Nix's hidden feelings for him go far beyond friendship. All that remains are her sketches, where she finds solace among the goblins and faeries in her imaginary world of Mystiquel. When her depression starts affecting her ability to see color, Nix all but gives up on her art, until her uncle goes missing on Halloween day. Hot on his trail, Nix and Clarey step through a portal, becoming trapped inside a decaying version of their town filled with Nix's own sketches come to life.

As Nix and Clarey search for her uncle within the sinister and dangerous world of Mystiquel, Nix discovers there's more to her family curse and otherworldly artwork than she ever imagined—and unless she can solve the Goblin King's maze before the clock strikes midnight, her life won't be the only one the curse claims next.


Author Bio
A. G. Howard is the #1 New York Times and international bestselling author of young adult retellings and adult gothic paranormal romances. Her dark Alice in Wonderland series, Splintered, has been published in over a dozen languages and hit the New York Times series list and her Phantom of the Opera retelling Roseblood was a #1 New York Times bestseller.
Thank You for the Little Things
by Caryl Hart, illustrated by Emily Hamilton

Whenever I am feeling sad or life feels hard or wrong or bad, I focus for a little while on little things that make me smile . . . What are the things that make YOU feel happy? From swinging high on playground swings to licking melting ice cream, there are lots of small things that can cheer up a grey day. This reassuring, uplifting picture book celebrates the little things that bring us joy and happiness. We all have bad days and sad days, but sometimes it’s the smallest things that make us smile!

Author Bio

Caryl Hart writes picture books and young fiction and loves walking her dog and sitting in cafes and libraries. She runs creative literacy workshops for schools and libraries. She has written Whiffy Wilson, How to Catch a Dragon, Welcome to Alien School, How to Catch a Dinosaur, Supermarket Zoo, The Princess and the Peas, The Princess and the Presents, Catch That Rat, and Big Box Little Box. She lives in Derbyshire with her husband and two daughters. Emily is an artist & illustrator based in North Devon, UK. She works from her studio at home and likes fine black pens, ocean dips and a good mug for tea. Emily has drawn, coloured, painted and created since she could pick up a pencil. She studied art to A Level, followed by English at the University of St Andrews, Scotland (with 2 years of art history thrown in for good measure) and from then on, has been a self taught illustrator. She fell into the world of illustration in 2008 whilst living Australia where she stumbled across a job drawing illustrations for history books, and has continued happily from there! Nowadays she loves to transport herself into the world of children’s books so she can do things like fly with unicorns, hang out in a magic garden and decide how many jellyfish you could fit inside a handbag. You’ll find Emily’s work in books, magazines, on cards, products, fabric and the occasional surfboard and wall.
The Firebird Song
by Arnee Flores

Debut author Arnee Flores spins an exciting and original tale about hope in even the darkest of places, perfect for fans of Shannon Hale.

The Kingdom of Lyrica was once warm and thriving, kept safe by the Firebird, whose feather and song was a blessing of peace and prosperity. But the Firebird disappeared, and Lyrica is now terrorized by the evil Spectress who wields her powers from within a volcano. All that remains is a mysterious message scrawled on the castle wall in the Queen's own hand: Wind. Woman. Thief.

Young Prewitt has only known time without the Firebird, a life of constant cold, as his village is afraid to tempt the volcano monsters with even the feeblest fire. But he has heard whispers that the kingdom's princess survived the attack . . . and he is certain that if he can find her, together they can save Lyrica.

Princess Calliope has no memories beyond living on her barge on the underground lake. But as she nears her twelfth birthday, she is certain there is more to life than the walls of a cave. When Prewitt finds her, he realizes that she is the missing princess: the only hope for Lyrica. Determined to decipher the meaning of her mother's strange message and find the Firebird, Calliope and Prewitt set off on a quest that puts them in more danger than either of them ever anticipated.

Inviting young readers to journey into their own (…)

Author Bio

Arnee Flores is a Vietnamese-American transracial adoptee. She has been a classical pianist, a Montessori preschool teacher, a waitress, and a student. She currently lives in Seattle with her family. This is her debut novel. www.arneeflores.com
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The Hollow Inside
by Brooke Lauren Davis

Sadie meets The Glass Castle in a smart, gripping, and twisty YA debut about a girl seeking to reveal the truth about her mother—and herself.

Seventeen-year-old Phoenix has spent much of her life drifting from town to town with her mom Nina, using their charms to swindle and steal to get by. Now they’ve made it to their ultimate destination, Mom’s hometown of Jasper Hollow. The plan: bring down Ellis Bowman, the man who ruined Nina’s life.

When Phoenix gets caught spying on Ellis, she spins a convincing story that inadvertently gives her full access to the Bowman family. As she digs deeper into their secrets (and begins to fall for daughter Melody), she finds herself entrenched in the tale of a death and a disappearance that doesn’t entirely line up with what Mom has told her.

But there’s even more to this story Phoenix doesn’t know. Who, if anyone, is telling the whole truth about what happened? Debut author Brooke Lauren Davis explores the murkiness of right and wrong, of choices and consequences, of heroes and villains, in an eerily compelling and thought-provoking small-town saga.

The Hollow Inside is a haunting debut, as thrilling as it is lyrical. Steeped in small town secrets and layered mysteries that unfold with perfect pacing, Brooke Lauren Davis delivers a powerful story about the lengths we’re willing to go to for family, and the price we pay when (…)

Author Bio

Brooke Lauren Davis grew up in rural Southern Ohio. Now she lives in Louisville, Kentucky, where spends her time dreaming up more stories about small towns with big secrets. This is her debut novel, and she is also the author of After Dark with Roxie Clark.
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The hope spread by the Firebird Song was supposed to change everything. Although nature has returned to balance, the Kingdom of Lyrica suffered for too long, and remains afraid. Worse yet, Princess Calliope has begun to hear sounds - horrible shrieks and cries from across the sea that keep her awake at night - and she seems to be the only one hearing them. How can she lead her kingdom if everyone is so afraid?

When Calliope's friend Ilsbeth is kidnapped, Calliope and the Bargeboy, Prewitt, embark on a secret quest to save her - but before she can rescue her friend, Calliope must find the confidence to act like the Queen she knows she is destined to be.

This imaginative, heart-warming tale brings truths of our own world to the surface, and shows readers that out of sorrow emerges joy, out of fear arises courage.

Inviting young readers to journey into their own 'Age of Hope,' The Firebird Song shows how forgiveness and friendship offer light in even the darkest of times. A timely and beautiful tale. - Christiane M. Andrews, author of Spindlefish and Stars on THE FIREBIRD SONG

"A rich and empowering story of young heroes brave enough to choose hope over fear, challenge the despair of others and change their world." - Deva Fagan, author of Nightingale and The Mirrorwood on THE FIREBIRD SONG

" The Firebird Song is for anyone with a love of adventure, a heart full of hope, and the belief that one person can make a difference. Powerful, fast-paced, and unforgettable." - Gillian McDunn, author of Caterpillar Summer and Honestly Elliott (…)

Author Bio

Arnee Flores is the author of The Firebird Song and is a Vietnamese American transracial adoptee. She has been a classical pianist, a Montessori preschool teacher, a waitress, and a student. She currently lives in Seattle with her family.

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The Storm Keepers’ Battle
by Catherine Doyle

In the thrilling conclusion to the acclaimed Storm Keeper’s Island series, evil sorceress Morrigan rises, and Fionn and his friends must use their wits to save Arranmore Island’s future.

Fans of Harry Potter or Percy Jackson can add Fionn Boyle as a generous and brave hero from the Emerald Isle." - School Library Connection on The Storm Keeper’s Island

Fionn Boyle, Storm Keeper of Arranmore, is facing the fight of his life. The terrifying, all-powerful sorceress Morrigan has risen from the dead and has sealed off the island from all outside help.

Fionn is the only thing that stands between her and a dark future. He’s got to find a way to defeat her. But there are some terrible choices in store as the dark sorcerer begins to take his nearest and dearest for her own. With only two magic candles left to burn, will Fionn master his powers in time to stop her? The race is on to save the island from the clutches of evil, before the tide turns on Arranmore for good.

Catherine Doyle brings the Storm Keeper’s Island series to a thrilling close with another magical, heart-stopping tale.

Doyle’s writing glows, with the pitch-perfect barbs the young people sling at each other, the atmospheric weather events, her masterfully delineated characters (...)

Author Bio

Catherine Doyle grew up beside the Atlantic Ocean in the west of Ireland. Her love of reading began with great Irish myths and legends, and fostered in her an ambition to one day write her own. She holds a first class BA in Psychology and a first class MA in Publishing from the National University of Ireland, Galway, and is the author of the YA Blood for Blood trilogy. The Storm Keeper’s Island is her debut middle-grade novel and was inspired by her real-life ancestral home of Arranmore Island, where her grandparents grew up, and the adventures of her many seafaring ancestors. After living in Dublin City for two years, Catherine is now based in Galway but spends a lot of her time in London and the US.
Twelve-year-old Malika Boog* Wilson and her best friends have grown up idolizing The Vanquishers, a group of masked vampire hunters who wiped out the last hoard of the undead decades ago. For kids today, vampires feel more like fun comic book fodder than real life, and the days of garlic wreaths and early curfews are long gone.

But when a new student, Aaron, joins Boog’s crew, and goes missing after a school fundraiser, the kids suspect a vampire was involved. Boog is convinced their school counselor, Mr. Rupert, is hiding something and she is determined to save Aaron. No one ever expected The Vanquishers to return, but if their town needs protection from the undead, they know who to call.

Inspired by *Buffy the Vampire Slayer* and *The Watchmen*, this adventure launches readers into an exciting new series.

**Author Bio**

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

Should you save a world that doesn’t want to save you?
Award-winning author Lilliam Rivera explores the haunting story of an alien invasion from the perspective of three Latinx teens.

Pedro, Luna, and Rafa may attend Fairfax High School together in Los Angeles, but they run in separate spheres. Pedro is often told that he’s too much and seeks refuge from his home life in a local drag bar. Luna is pretending to go along with the popular crowd but is still grieving the unexpected passing of her beloved cousin Tasha. Then there’s Rafa, the quiet new kid who is hiding the fact that his family is homeless.

But Pedro, Luna, and Rafa find themselves thrown together when an extraterrestrial visitor lands in their city and takes the form of Luna’s cousin Tasha. As the Visitor causes destruction wherever it goes, the three teens struggle to survive and warn others of what’s coming - because this Visitor is only the first of many. But who is their true enemy - this alien, or their fellow humans?

Pura Belpre Honor-winning author Lilliam Rivera examines the days before a War of the Worlds-inspired alien invasion in this captivating and chilling new novel.

A brilliant, powerful, and yet tender and healing story. . . . Lilliam’s words filled me with hope and light, even in the darkest times.” - Yamile Saied Mendez, author of the Pura Belpre Award-winning novel FURIA

"This book is for right now, especially for teenagers navigating losses from COVID-19, seeing the injustices of our (...)"

Author Bio

Lilliam Rivera is an award-winning writer and author of the young adult novels Never Look Back, a Pura Belpre Honor winner, Dealing in Dreams, and The Education of Margot Sanchez, as well as the middle grade Goldie Vance series. Her work has appeared in The Washington Post, The New York Times, and Elle, to name a few. Lilliam grew up in the Bronx and currently lives in Los Angeles.

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We're Going on a Sleigh Ride
A Lift-the-Flap Adventure
by Martha Mumford, illustrated by Cherie Zamazing

A fun, festive Christmas read aloud from the author of Hop Little Bunnies and We're Going on an Egg Hunt— with more than a dozen exciting flaps to lift!

We're going on a sleigh ride,
Ho, ho ho!
Can you find the hidden gifts?
Whoosh! OFF WE GO!

Santa and his helpers are delivering Christmas gifts around the world, and they need YOUR help! There are ten presents to find and count—but watch out for obstacles along the way!

With a merry refrain and more than a dozen hidden flaps to lift, this story is perfect for reading aloud. Get in the festive spirit as you hunt for gifts with Santa and his helpers!

Author Bio

Martha Mumford has loved children's books forever. Shhh! Don't Wake the Royal Baby is her first children's picture book and she is delighted to be working with Bloomsbury. Martha loves baking, patchwork and has a mild obsession with interiors magazines (although she freely admits that the ideas she has found therein have yet to be translated to the interior of her own home!). Martha lives in Berkshire with her husband and young daughter.
Cherish
by Tracy Wolff

Don't miss the next book in the #1 New York Times bestselling series that's become a global phenomenon.

Don't miss a single book in the series that spawned a phenomenon! The Crave series is best enjoyed in order:
Crave
Crush
Covet
Court
Charm
Cherish

Author Bio

New York Times and USA Today bestselling author Tracy Wolff wrote her first short story—something with a rainbow and a prince—in second grade. By ten, she'd read everything in the young adult and classics sections of her local bookstore. A one-time English professor with more than fifty novels to her name, she now devotes most of her time to writing and dreaming up heroes. She also writes under the name Tracy Deebs and lives in Austin, Texas, with her family. Visit her online at tracywolffbooks.com.

Notes

Promotion
<br>Pre-order campaign launching Summer 2022 with swag promo<br>, <br>Cover reveal with leading influencer(s) and media SUMMER 2022<br>, <br>Extensive advertising campaign: SLJ, PW, BookRiot, Goodreads and more<br>, <br>Custom ARC box to top influencers and book bloggers including custom merchandise<br>, <br>Custom ARC giveaway eblasts: Shelf Awareness<br>, <br>Author signings and events: YALLWEST, Texas Bookfest and more<br>, <br>Skype visits with schools and libraries<br>, <br>Early galley promotions on Goodreads.com, Netgalley, and Edelweiss<br>
Crown of Bones
by A.K. Wilder


In a world on the brink of the next Great Dying, no amount of training can prepare us for what is to come. . .

A young heir will raise the most powerful phantom in all of Baiseen. A dangerous High Savant will do anything to control the nine realms. A mysterious and deadly Mar race will steal children into the sea. And a handsome guide with far too many secrets will make me fall in love.

My name is Ash. A lowly scribe meant to observe and record. And yet I think I’m destined to surprise us all.

Author Bio

A. K. Wilder is an established fantasy writer under the name Kim Falconer. Born on the Wilder Ranch in California, she now lives on the far east coast of Australia. She is an astrologer and tarot reader, like her father before her, and holds multiple degrees, from horseshoeing, herbal medicine, and veterinary nursing, to a masters degree in writing. Storytelling is her first love, with passions for reading, organic gardening, yoga, Spanish guitar, meditation, weight training, and the sea. Her writing is done in the early hours of the morning, when the dragons are still asleep. akwilder.com
Ending Eleven
by Jerri Chisholm

This is where it ends. Victory at all costs in this thrilling conclusion to the Eleven Trilogy by Jerri Chisholm.

The Eleven trilogy is best enjoyed in order.
Reading Order:
Book #1 Escaping Eleven
Book #2 Unraveling Eleven
Book #3 Ending Eleven

Author Bio

Jerri Chisholm is a YA author, a distance runner, and a chocolate addict. Her childhood was spent largely in solitude with only her imagination and a pet parrot for company. Following that she completed a master’s degree in public policy and then became a lawyer, but ultimately decided to focus exclusively on the more imaginative and avian-friendly pursuit of writing. She lives with her husband and three children, but, alas, no parrot in Toronto, Canada. www.jerrichisholm.com

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Last of the Talons
by Sophie Kim

In this thrilling and unique fantasy based on Korean legend, a teen assassin has to save her gang's leader when he gets abducted by a cunning immortal goblin emperor.

Author Bio

Based in her home state of Texas, Sophie Kim spends her days both studying at her university and writing her novels, which are strongly influenced by her firm belief that diversity and non-stereotypical representation in the world of literature are vastly important. Blessed (or cursed) with an impressively voracious appetite for all things bookish, Sophie can often be found wandering the aisles of a bookstore or curled up with a precariously balancing stack of books.
A Book, Too, Can Be a Star
by Charlotte Jones Voiklis and Jennifer Adams, illustrated by Adelina Lirius


When Madeleine L'Engle was very small, she often found herself awake at night, marveling at the stars. They guided her throughout her life, making her feel part of a big and exciting world, even when she felt alone. They made her want to ask big questions - Why are we here? What is my place in the universe? - and let her imagination take flight. Books, too, were like stars - asking questions and proposing answers. Books kept Madeleine company, and soon, she began to write and share her own. But would other people see the wonder she found in the world?

Written by Madeleine's granddaughter Charlotte Jones Voiklis and bestselling picture-book author Jennifer Adams, A Book, Too, Can Be a Star follows the life of one of the world's greatest creators - and gives children encouragement to lead a creative, inquisitive life.

Author Bio
Charlotte Jones Voiklis manages her late grandmother Madeleine L'Engle's literary business. She lived with her grandmother during college and graduate school, co-hosting dinner parties, helping answer readers' letters, and earning a Ph.D. in Comparative Literature. Charlotte has worked in academia, nonprofit communications and fundraising, and philanthropy. She lives in New York City with her husband and two children. Jennifer Adams is the author of 50 books, including the best-selling BabyLit series, which introduces small children to the world of classic literature and has sold more than 2 million copies. Jennifer edits the children's book line at Sounds True and works weekends at her local independent bookstore The King's English. Adelina Lirius is an illustrator based in Stockholm, Sweden. She loves painting imaginary scenes, portraying nature, and depicting the different cultures she grew up with. Adelina is the illustrator of a picture book adaptation of The Secret Garden and The Fort.
Adrift
by Tanya Guerrero

From the author of All You Knead Is Love and How to Make Friends with the Sea, an upper middle grade contemporary story of survival and grief about two biracial Filipino cousins whose resilience is tested when one of them is lost at sea.

Cousins Coral and Isa are so close that they're practically siblings; their mothers are sisters, and the two girls grew up on the same small island. When Coral and her parents leave on a months-long sea voyage amid the islands of Indonesia, Isa is devastated that they'll be kept apart, and the two vow to write to each other no matter what.

Then the unthinkable happens, and Coral's boat capsizes at sea, where her parents vanish. Washed up on a deserted island, alone and wracked by grief, she must find the strength within to survive, and find her way back home. Meanwhile, Isa is still on Pebble Island, the only one holding out hope that her beloved cousin is still alive.

Told in alternating points of view, this is a powerful story of loss and hope, love and family - and the unexpected resilience of the human spirit.

Author Bio

Tanya Guerrero is Filipino and Spanish by birth, but has been fortunate enough to call three countries home: the Philippines, Spain, and the United States. Currently, she lives in a shipping container home in the suburbs of Manila with her husband, daughter, and a menagerie of rescued cats and dogs. In her free time, she grows her own food, bakes bread, and reads. How to Make Friends with the Sea is her debut novel.
Brown Is Beautiful
by Supriya Kelkar, illustrated by Noor Sofi

For fans of Hair Love and Eyes that Kiss in the Corners, here is an empowering picture book about recognizing the beauty around you and within you by award-winning author Supriya Kelkar and rising star illustrator Noor Sofi.

Brown is beautiful.

On a hike with her grandparents, a young Indian-American girl makes note of all the things in nature that are brown, too. From a nurturing mother bear, to the steadiness of deep twisting roots, to the beauty of a wild mustang, brown is everywhere! On her way, the girl collects the beautiful brown things she encounters as mementos for a scrapbook to share with a very special new addition to her family - a baby brother!

Brown is you.
Brown is me.

Author Bio

Supriya Kelkar is an author, illustrator, and screenwriter who grew up in the Midwest, where she learned Hindi as a child by watching three Hindi movies a week. Winner of the New Visions Award for her middle grade novel Ahimsa, Supriya has worked on the writing teams for several Hindi films, including Lage Raho Munna Bhai and Eklavya: The Royal Guard, India’s entry into the 2007 Academy Awards. supriyakelkar.com Noor Sofi is a Kashmiri-American Visual Development artist who works in Burbank, California at Taiko Animation Studios. She loves coming up with stories, wandering around art galleries, and hanging with her cat, Momo.
Call Him Jack
by Yohuru Williams and Michael G. Long

An enthralling, eye-opening portrayal of this barrier-breaking American hero as a lifelong, relentlessly proud fighter for Black justice and civil rights.

According to Martin Luther King, Jr., Jackie Robinson was a sit-inner before the sit-ins, a freedom rider before the Freedom Rides. "According to Hank Aaron, Robinson was a leader of the Black Power movement before there was a Black Power movement. According to his wife, Rachel Robinson, he was always Jack, not Jackie - the diminutive form of his name bestowed on him in college by white sports writers. And throughout his whole life, Jack Robinson was a fighter for justice, an advocate for equality, and an inspiration beyond just baseball.

From two prominent Robinson scholars comes this exciting biography that recovers the real person behind the legend, reanimating this famed figure's legacy for new generations, widening our focus from the sportsman to the man as a whole, and deepening our appreciation for his achievements on the playing field in the process.

Author Bio

Yohuru Williams is a professor at St. Thomas University, and Chief Historian for the Jackie Robinson Foundation and Museum in New York, NY. He is the author of Black Politics/White Power: Civil Rights, Black Power and the Black Panthers in New Haven and Teaching U.S. History Beyond the Textbook: Six Investigative Strategies, Grades 5-12, as well as editor and co-editor on numerous projects and publications. He lives in Minnesota. Michael G. Long is the author or editor of books on civil rights, religion, and politics, including Jackie Robinson: A Spiritual Biography, which was selected as a best book of the year by Publishers' Weekly; Gay Is Good: The Life and Letters of Gay Rights Pioneer Franklin Kameny; Beyond Home Plate: Jackie Robinson on Life after Baseball; Martin Luther King, Jr., Homosexuality, and the Early Gay Rights Movement; and Marshalling Justice: The Early Civil Rights Letters of Thurgood Marshall. Long also served as an expert historian for Ken Burns's documentary on Jackie Robinson. He lives in Pennsylvania with his family.
Cuba in My Pocket (Spanish Edition)  
by Adrianna Cuevas, translated by Alexis Romay

By the author of 2021 PuraBelpre Honor Book The Total Eclipse of Nestor Lopez, a sweeping, emotional middle grade historical novel about a twelve-year-old boy who leaves his family in Cuba to immigrate to the U.S. by himself, based on the author’s family history.

I don’t remember. Tell me everything, Pepito. Tell me about Cuba.”

When the failed Bay of Pigs invasion in 1961 solidifies Castro's power in Cuba, twelve-year-old Cumba’s family makes the difficult decision to send him to Florida alone. Faced with the prospect of living in another country by himself, Cumba tries to remember the sound of his father’s clarinet, the smell of his mother’s lavender perfume.

Life in the United States presents a whole new set of challenges. Lost in a sea of English speakers, Cumba has to navigate a new city, a new school, and new freedom all on his own. With each day, Cumba feels more confident in his new surroundings, but he continues to wonder: Will his family ever be whole again? Or will they remain just out of reach, ninety miles across the sea?

A Kirkus Best Children’s Book of the Year

"...Cuevas' latest is a triumph of the heart... A compassionate, emotionally astute portrait of a young Cuban in exile." - Kirkus, STARRED REVIEW

"Cuevas' intense and immersive account of a Cuban boy's experience after the failed Bay of Pigs Invasion brings a specific point in history alive.

Author Bio

Adrianna Cuevas is the author of The Total Eclipse of Nestor Lopez (FSG BYR, 2020) and Cuba in My Pocket (FSG BYR, 2021). She is a first-generation Cuban-American originally from Miami, Florida. After teaching Spanish and ESOL for sixteen years, she decided to pursue her passion for storytelling. Adrianna currently resides outside of Austin, TX with her husband and son where they enjoy hiking, traveling, and cooking lots of Cuban food.
I want life.

After a deadly attack in South Sudan left six-year-old Achut Deng without a family, she lived in refugee camps for ten years, until a refugee relocation program gave her the opportunity to move to the United States. When asked why she should be given a chance to leave the camp, Achut simply told the interviewer: I want life.

But the chance at starting a new life in a new country came with a different set of challenges. Some of them equally deadly. Taught by the strong women in her life not to look back, Achut kept moving forward, overcoming one obstacle after another, facing each day with hope and faith in her future. Yet, just as Achut began to think of the US as her home, a tie to her old life resurfaced, and for the first time, she had no choice but to remember her past.

In this powerful, and propulsive memoir, Achut Deng and Keely Hutton tell a harrowing and inspiring story showing both the ugliness and the beauty of humanity, and the power of not giving up.

Author Bio

Achut Deng was born in South Sudan and came to America as a refugee when she was sixteen years old. She is now an American citizen and works in human resources at a meat-packing plant in South Dakota, where she also resides. She is the mother of three sons. Keely Hutton is a novelist, educational journalist, and former teacher. She is the recipient of the Highlights Foundation Writers Workshop scholarship at Chautauqua. She has worked closely with Ricky Richard Anywar to tell his story in her first novel, Soldier Boy.
Duet
by Phillip Hoose

The story of the impactful partnership between humans and mockingbirds, both scientifically and culturally over the centuries, written for young adults by award-winning nonfiction powerhouse Phil Hoose.

Over the past fifty years, North America has seen its bird population decline by 50%. Yet in spite of exploitation, near-extinction, and a changing climate, the Northern mockingbird has survived - singing its distinct songs through it all. What has allowed this species to stand trial after trial? The answer lies in the remarkable alliance this bird has formed with humanity: the mockingbird has adapted uniquely to our evolution, our developments, our worst mistakes, our highest art. In the meantime, the Mockingbird has become a cultural touchstone and a scientific marvel.

DUET is the story of this little-known partnership between humans and mockingbirds. It gives name and voice to forgotten players in the mockingbird's story. And it is a case study in courage, resiliency, and the power of song.

Author Bio

Phillip Hoose is an award-winning author of books, essays, stories, songs and articles. Although he first wrote for adults, he turned his attention to children and young adults in part to keep up with his own daughters. His book Claudette Colvin won a National Book Award and was dubbed a Publisher's Weekly Best Book of 2009. He is also the author of Hey, Little Ant, co-authored by his daughter, Hannah; It's Our World, Too; The Race to Save the Lord God Bird; The Boys Who Challenged Hitler; and We Were There, Too!, a National Book Award finalist. He has received a Jane Addams Children's Book Award, a Christopher Award, a Boston Globe-Horn Book Award, and multiple Robert F. Sibert Honor Awards, among numerous honors. He was born in South Bend, Indiana, and grew up in the towns of South Bend, Angola, and Speedway, Indiana. He was educated at Indiana University and the Yale School of Forestry. He lives in Portland, Maine. phillphoose.com
In this magical middle-grade debut novel from Adrianna Cuevas, *The Total Eclipse of Nestor Lopez*, a Cuban American boy must use his secret ability to communicate with animals to save the inhabitants of his town when they are threatened by a tule vieja, a witch that transforms into animals.

All Nestor Lopez wants is to live in one place for more than a few months and have dinner with his dad.

When he and his mother move to a new town to live with his grandmother after his dad's latest deployment, Nestor plans to lay low. He definitely doesn't want to anyone find out his deepest secret: that he can talk to animals.

But when the animals in his new town start disappearing, Nestor's grandmother becomes the prime suspect after she is spotted in the woods where they were last seen. As Nestor investigates the source of the disappearances, he learns that they are being seized by a tule vieja - a witch who can absorb an animal's powers by biting it during a (...)

**Author Bio**

Adrianna Cuevas is the author of *The Total Eclipse of Nestor Lopez* (FSG BYR, 2020) and *Cuba in My Pocket* (FSG BYR, 2021). She is a first-generation Cuban-American originally from Miami, Florida. After teaching Spanish and ESOL for sixteen years, she decided to pursue her passion for storytelling. Adrianna currently resides outside of Austin, TX with her husband and son where they enjoy hiking, traveling, and cooking lots of Cuban food.
Here with Me
by David Walker

David Walker's sweet and reassuring writer-illustrator debut Here with Me, about the everlasting bonds of love is sure to be a modern children's classic.

If you could be a different kind of you, what would you wish to be?
A monkey in a tree?
Would you be a fluffy fox?
A slow-moving sloth?

Or maybe, if you had the choice, you wouldn't be different at all... because maybe, right here with the ones you love is the best place in the world to be.

Author Bio

David Walker has illustrated many books for children, including Victoria Adler's Baby, Come Away and Ann Whitford Paul's Little Monkey Says Good Night and If Animals Kissed Good Night. He lives in Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

Notes

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Featured at Select School, Library, and Bookseller Conferences and Conventions
Digital ARE Available on Edelweiss
House of Yesterday
by Deeba Zargarpur

Taking inspiration from the author’s own Afghan-Uzbek heritage, this contemporary YA debut is a breathtaking journey into the grief that lingers through generations of immigrant families, and what it means to confront the ghosts of your past.

Struggling to deal with the pain of her parents’ impending divorce, fifteen-year-old Sara is facing a world of unknowns and uncertainties. Unfortunately, the one person she could always lean on when things got hard, her beloved Bibi Jan, has become a mere echo of the grandmother she once was. And so Sara retreats into the family business, hoping a summer working on her mom’s latest home renovation project will provide a distraction from her fracturing world.

But the house holds more than plaster and stone. It holds secrets that have her clinging desperately to the memories of her old life. Secrets that only her Bibi Jan could have untangled. Secrets Sara is powerless to ignore as the dark truths of her family’s history rise in ghostly apparitions - and with it, the realization that as much as she wants to hold onto her old life, nothing will ever be the same.

Told in lush, sweeping prose, this story of secrets, summer, and family sacrifice will chill you to the bone as the house that wraps Sara in warmth of her past becomes the one thing she cannot escape.

Author Bio
Deeba Zargarpur is an Afghan-Uzbek American. She credits her love of literature across various languages to her immigrant parents, whose eerie tales haunted her well into the night. If given the choice, Deeba would spend her days getting lost in spooky towns with nothing but a notebook and eye for adventure to guide her. The Song We Lost is her debut novel. She lives in Philadelphia.
I Am Picky
by Kristen Tracy, illustrated by Erin Kraan

A laugh-out-loud picture book about a self-proclaimed picky eater of a raccoon - perfect for human picky eaters!

Don't look at this raccoon and think she'll eat just anything. Oh, no. She is picky! She's been choosy forever - and listen, it's a tough life. It's not as though the perfect snacks just fall from the sky (except when they do). You've got to work to find the sourest milk, the crunchiest bumblebees, and the most delicious trash. Snacking while picky is a real challenge sometimes... but you never know where you'll find the tastiest treats to try!

From children's author Kristen Tracy and rising star illustrator Erin Kraan, I AM PICKY is sure to delight even the choosiest of eaters - and readers

Author Bio

Kristen Tracy is a former teacher, poet, and author of numerous books for children, among them A Cub Story, A Kit Story, and Project (Un)Popular. She is also the winner of the Emily Dickinson First Book Award from the Poetry Foundation. She lives in Los Angeles with her family. Learn more at kristentracy.com. Erin Kraan is a children's book illustrator, woodcutter, and printmaker. She loves the process of carving her characters into wood and seeing how their quirky and whimsical identities come to life through the ink in the prints. You can often find her doodling while drinking coffee and wearing cozy socks that are usually inside out or backwards. Something's Wrong! is her debut picture book. She lives in Vancouver, British Columbia.
With more than 130,000 copies sold, this award-winning chapter-book series starring a spunky Japanese American heroine returns with four new standalone books set on a family vacation in Japan!

Toothbrush? Check. Her special journal? Check! Eight-year-old Jasmine Toguchi - flamingo fan, tree climber, and top-notch messmaker - can hardly wait for her family vacation to Japan, and by the time their plane finally touches down, she's ready to dive into their new adventure. There are so many things to see in Tokyo: Ramen Street, which she learns is not a whole street made of ramen; old temples with fancy gates; and Tokyo Tower, where you can even spot Mount Fuji on a good day.

But when they arrive, Jasmine finds herself unable to get away from her older sister Sophie's crabby attitude. Plus there's so much about Japan she didn't know, and she seems to be getting in trouble right and left. Will Jasmine be able to cheer up her sister AND find her footing in a new country?

With her trademark humor and warmth, Debbi Michiko Florence weaves family drama and a fun introduction of Japanese culture into this delightful next chapter in Jasmine's world.

Debbi Michiko Florence is a third generation Japanese American, and the author of the Jasmine Toguchi series and Keep It Together, Keiko Carter (Scholastic). Debbi lives in Connecticut. Elizabet Vukovic received her MFA from the Academy of Art University in San Francisco, California. She specializes in children's book illustration, but enjoys experimenting with character design, concept art, fashion illustration, and decorative art. She currently resides in Rotterdam, the Netherlands. She illustrates the Jasmine Toguchi series, including Jasmine Toguchi, Mochi Queen and Jasmine Toguchi, Super Sleuth.
**Love, Escargot**<br>by Dashka Slater, illustrated by Sydney Hanson

*Bonjour!* Escargot is back, with a magnifique beret and a special invitation.

**From New York Times**-bestselling author Dashka Slater, *Love, Escargot* is the third hilarious book in the award-winning Escargot picture book series; perfect for - but not limited to - Valentine's Day!

Today is Snailentine's Day, and Escargot is on his way to a party. Will his Snailentine be there? Maybe he will find another snail who also likes to read books and eat salad with a light vinaigrette.

But when he arrives at the party, Escargot is greeted not by a snail, but by a vole. Mon dieu! This is not a Snailentine's Day party at all. It is at a Volentine's Day party! At first, Escargot wants to hide in his shell, but in the end, he finds a surprising new friend.

**Author Bio**

**Dashka Slater** is the *New York Times*-bestselling author of *The 57 Bus*, which won the Stonewall Book Award and was a YALSA nonfiction finalist. Her fiction includes *The Book of Fatal Errors* which was an Amazon Best book of the Month, the picture book *Escargot*, which won the Wanda Gag Book Award; *Baby Shoes; The Antlered Ship*, which was a Junior Library Guild Selection and received four starred reviews; and *Dangerously Ever After*. She is also an award-winning journalist whose articles have appeared in *Newsweek*, *Salon*, *The New York Times Magazine*, and *Mother Jones*. She lives in California. **Sydney Hanson** was raised in Minnesota alongside numerous pets and brothers. In addition to her traditional illustrations, Sydney is an experienced 2D and 3D production artist and has worked for several animation shops, including Nickelodeon and Disney Interactive. In her spare time she enjoys traveling and spending time outside with her adopted brother, a Labrador retriever named Cash. She is the illustrator of the Unicorn Princesses series and the picture book, *Next to You*. Sydney lives in Los Angeles.<br>www.sydwiki.tumblr.com
Marikit and the Ocean of Stars
by Caris Avendano Cruz

A magical middle grade debut, inspired by Filipino folklore, about a ten-year-old girl who embarks on a quest in the world of gods and spirits to save her and her family from a sinister shadow god. Perfect for fans of The Girl Who Drank the Moon and When You Trap a Tiger.

Marikit is used to wearing recycled clothes. Her mother, the best seamstress in the barrio, has become an expert at making do ever since Marikit's father and brother were lost at sea. But for her tenth birthday, all Marikit wants is something new. So when her mother gifts her a patchwork dress stitched together with leftover scraps from her workshop, Marikit vows to never wear it. That is, until the eve of her birthday, when shadow creatures creep into their home, attempt to take Marikit away, and upend the very life she knew.

When she's swept away from the human world, Marikit discovers that her dress is a map, one lovingly crafted to lead her to safety in the magical lands of the Engkantos. She trudges through the enchanted lands of mythical creatures, making friends out of monsters and challenging gods. With the help of her friends, including an exuberant firefly and a cursed boy, Marikit journeys through the land of the Engkantos to find the key to saving her family, all without being eaten alive.

Author Bio

Caris Avendano Cruz works as a copywriter for internet brands and cool businesses, but her favorite things to write, however, are magical stories featuring kids of color. Marikit Wears the Map to the Engkantos is her debut novel.
Ruby Finley vs. the Interstellar Invasion
by K. Tempest Bradford

This backyard adventure-mystery by debut children's author K. Tempest Bradford is perfect for fans of Clean Getaway, The Last Last Day of Summer, and Sideways School.

Eleven-year-old Ruby is a Black girl who loves studying insects and would do just about anything to be an entomologist, much to the grossed-out dismay of her Gramma. Ruby knows everything there is to know about insects so when she finds the weirdest bug she's ever seen in her front yard, she makes sure no one is looking and captures it for further study.

But then Ruby realizes that the creature isn't just a regular bug. And it has promptly burned a hole through her window and disappeared. Soon, random things around the neighborhood go missing, and no one's heard from the old lady down the street for a week. Ruby and her friends will have to recover the strange bug before the feds do.

Ruby is the science hero we've all been waiting for!

Author Bio

K. Tempest Bradford is a science fiction and fantasy writer, writing instructor, media critic, reviewer, and podcaster. Her short fiction has appeared in multiple anthologies and magazines. She's the host of ORIGINality, a podcast about the roots of creative genius. Her media criticism and reviews can be found on NPR, io9, and in books about Time Lords. When not writing, she teaches classes on writing inclusive fiction through LitReactor and WritingtheOther.com. Ruby Finley vs. the Interstellar Invasion is her children's debut.
Season of Light
by Jess Redman, illustrated by Ramona Kaulitzki

A luminous picture book about Christmas traditions that make the season a time of joy, love, faith, and light.

Under star-filled winter skies, with homes and trees aglow, with candles lit and hearts so full, our love will shine and grow.

From paper snowflakes to silver bells, reindeer to wise men, Christmas is a season of faith and song, giving and serving, loved ones and light that can last the whole year through. With Jess Redman’s beautiful poetic text and Ramona Kaulitzki’s luminous illustrations, Season of Light is sure to be a holiday favorite for years to come.

Author Bio

Jess Redman is the author of The Miraculous, Quintessence, and The Adventures is Now. She currently lives in Florida, with her family. Learn more about her at jessredman.com. Ramona Kaulitzki is the illustrator of numerous children’s books, among them Sisters First, by former first daughters Jenna Hagar Bush and Barbara Pierce Bush; Wonderful You; and Fly, Firefly! She lives in Germany. Visit her at ramonakaulitzkiart.com.

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The Christmas Book Flood
by Emily Kilgore, illustrated by Kitty Moss

This lovely and lyrical picture book, based on a real Icelandic tradition, brings all the sparkle and anticipation of Christmas - and of the joys of reading - to the page.

The northern lights dance, snow blankets the ground, it's the Christmas season - so the Book Flood begins!

People plan and they dream, and they visit the shops for books to give loved ones, and families, and friends.

And when Christmas Eve comes, they'll share magical stories, curl up by the fire, and read, read, read, read. . .

With gorgeous artwork and a diverse cast of characters, Emily Kilgore and Kitty Moss's The Christmas Book Flood is a surefire holiday classic.

Author Bio

Emily Kilgore is a teacher and the author of the picture book The Whatifs. She wrote The Christmas Book Flood by candlelight while in Sweden. She lives in Minnesota. Visit her website to learn more. Kitty Moss is an artist, and the author and illustrator of Where Bone? She lives in Ireland. Visit her website to learn more.
The Hunger Between Us
by Marina Scott

For fans of Elizabeth Wein and Ruta Sepetys, an absorbing, fast-paced YA debut novel about a girl’s determination to survive during the Nazi siege of Leningrad - and to save her best friend from a horrible fate.

There are some lines that should never be crossed - even in a city ruled by hunger. The black market is Liza's lifeline, where she barters her family heirlooms and steals whatever she can get her hands on just for enough food to survive. Morality, after all, has become a fluid thing while her city has been cut off from the world for over a year by the Nazis. But when Liza's best friend Aka proposes that they go to the secret police, rumored to give young women food in exchange for entertainment,” Liza thinks there surely must be some other way. Then Aka disappears and Liza resolves to rescue her no matter the cost, entangling herself in an increasingly deadly web with two former classmates, one a policeman, the other forced to live underground.

*The Hunger Between Us* is an absorbing novel about being trapped with impossible choices, and the bonds of love that are tested along dangerous paths

Author Bio

Marina Scott was born and raised behind the Iron Curtain in Vilnius, Lithuania. She graduated from a local university with a Master’s degree in library science, but a short stint in a Soviet library changed her mind about being a librarian. She immigrated to the U.S. in 2000 and now resides in Salt Lake City, where she works as City Treasurer.
Seollal, the Korean Lunar New Year, is Mina’s favorite day of the year. Mina can’t wait to share the customs of Seollal with all of her friends at school. She will show her classmates her colorful hanbok, demonstrate how to do sebae, and then everyone will make tasty tteokguk in the cooking room. Yum! Her little brother may even join in on the fun... if he can find a way out of his bad mood.

In this joyful book about sharing age-old cultural celebrations with new friends, Aram Kim has created a must-have book for the New Year’s season. A glossary of Korean terms, with pronunciation guide, is included.

Author Bio

Aram Kim is an author illustrator whose other books include Sunday Funday in Koreatown, a Junior Library Guild Selection; Let's go to Taekwondo and No Kimchi for Me, both Junior Library Guild Selections and Bank Street College Best Children’s Books of the Year; and Cat on the Bus. She was born in Ohio, raised in South Korea, and now lives in Queens, NY, happily surrounded by diverse food and culture. aramkim.com
What's Up, Pup?
by Kersten Hamilton, illustrated by Lili Chin

If you watch very closely, you'll see your pup talk in this wonderful picture book, What's Up, Pup?

Dogs are communicating with us all the time—even without words, they can tell us that they want to play, get scritches, or say I love you! From sniffers and ears to muzzles and rears, from tail wags to tongue flicks and everything in between, what is your pup trying to say?

This rollicking rhyming picture book by Kersten Hamilton, with lively illustrations from Lili Chin, explores all the ways that dogs express themselves, perfect for pup lovers of all ages.

Author Bio

Kersten Hamilton is the author of numerous books for children, including the picture books Red Truck, Yellow Copter, and Blue Boat. She lives in New Mexico. Visit her website for more information! Lili Chin is an illustrator best known for her pet-centric art and gift products as well as her dog body language infographics, which are popular with dog owners and relied on by renowned animal behavior experts and advocacy organizations around the world. She also authored and illustrated Doggie Language: A Dog Lover's Guide to Understanding Your Best Friend, which is being translated into multiple languages. She lives in Los Angeles and is the parent of Boogie the Boston Terrier and two rescue cats, Mambo and Shimmy. Visit her website and follow her on Instagram and Twitter.
Where the Lost Ones Go
by Akemi Dawn Bowman

In this middle grade contemporary fantasy by critically acclaimed author Akemi Dawn Bowman, a twelve-year-old biracial Japanese American girl grieves the loss of her beloved grandma and attempts to contact her beyond the grave.

Eliot is grieving Babung, her paternal grandmother who just passed away, and she feels like she's the only one. She's less than excited to move to her new house, which smells like lemons and deception, and is searching for a sign, any sign, that ghosts are real. Because if ghosts are real, it means she can find a way back to Babung.

When Eliot chases the promise of paranormal activity to the presumably haunted Honeyfield Hall, she finds her proof of spirits. But these ghosts are losing their memory, stuck between this world and the next, waiting to cross over. With the help of Hazel, the granddaughter of Honeyfield's owner (and Eliot's new crush), she attempts to uncover the mystery behind Honeyfield Hall and the ghosts residing within.

And as Eliot fits the pieces together, she may just be able to help the spirits remember their pasts, and hold on to her grandmother's memory.

Author Bio

Akemi Dawn Bowman is a critically-acclaimed author who writes across genres. Her novels have received multiple accolades and award nominations, and her debut novel, Starfish, was a William C. Morris Award Finalist. She has a BA in social sciences from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, and currently lives in Scotland with her husband and two children. She overthinks everything, including this bio. Visit Akemi online at her website or on Instagram.
Celebrate!
by Janet Lawler, illustrated by Brittany Baugus

Our first words, our first steps, these and so much more are things we celebrate!

But when a bird flaps its wings for the first time, or a kitten makes its first climb - do they also celebrate?

Celebrate! is a sweet and joyous rhyming picture book about life's milestones, how we celebrate, and wondering what else we might accomplish in our lives as we grow!

Author Bio

Janet Lawler is a widely-published and award-winning author in both trade and educational markets. Much of her work has been translated into multiple languages. She is the author of If Kisses Were Colors, Snowzilla, Fright School, Walrus Song, and many more. Janetlawler.com. Brittany Baugus is a children's book illustrator from Atlanta, Georgia. She currently spends her days concepting and creating colorful, textured, and story-driven illustrations. Inspiration for Brittany's work comes from her fascination with nature, animals, and animated films.

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Con Pollo
A Bilingual Playtime Adventure
by Jimmy Fallon and Jennifer Lopez, illustrated by Andrea Campos

Con Pollo: A Bilingual Playtime Adventure is an engaging and hilarious picture book that serves young readers as an introduction to basic Spanish vocabulary, brought to life by superstar team-up Jimmy Fallon and Jennifer Lopez.

Meet Pollo, a friendly little chicken who just wants to play. And play, and play, and play all day!

Pollo makes any activity more fun. Why just go to the beach when you could go to la playa con Pollo?

Do you want to play soccer, or play futbol con Pollo?

Do you want to go dancing, or bailar con Pollo?

Whatever you decide to do, you're in for a busy, adventurous day with your new friend, Pollo!

Praise for 5 More Sleeps ‘til Christmas:
#1 New York Times bestseller!
An ABA Indies Bestseller!
A Publishers Weekly Bestseller!

The vivid colors and expressive illustrations in this book place the reader inside the pages of the story, empathizing with the boy's impatience as the story progresses. . . . The short, rhyming text is enjoyable for both children and adults; balanced (…)

Author Bio

Host of The Tonight Show Jimmy Fallon pays tribute to all of the NANAs out there. Whether you call her Grandma, Gram, Gammy, GiGi, Meemaw, Abuela or Bubbie - there's nothing like a NANA's love.

Jimmy Fallon lives in New York with his wife Nancy, daughters Winnie and Franny and their dog Gary. His previous books in the series, Your Baby's First Word Will be DADA, Everything Is MAMA and This is BABY were #1 New York Times bestsellers and his most recent #1 bestselling children's book 5 More Sleeps ‘til Christmas has quickly become a new holiday tradition.

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Promotion
Cursed
by Marissa Meyer

New York Times bestselling author Marissa Meyer concludes her young adult retelling of Rumpelstiltskin in Cursed, the sequel to Gilded.

Serilda and Gild attempt to break the curses that tether their spirits to Adalheid's haunted castle before the Endless Moon, when the Erlking means to capture one of the seven gods and make a wish to return his lover, Perchta, from the underworld. But as the story progresses, it becomes clear he doesn't want just one god - he wants to capture all seven, and force them to bring down the veil that keeps the Dark Ones separate from the land of the mortals. Serilda and Gild must try to thwart his plans, all while solving the mystery of Gild's forgotten name, freeing his younger sister who is trapped inside Gravenstone Castle, and trying to protect their unborn child.

Romance, adventure, and Serilda's journey to finding her power as a woman, a mother, and a partner make this a retelling that Meyer fans - old and new - will treasure.

Author Bio

Marissa Meyer is the #1 New York Times bestselling author of the Renegades Trilogy, The Lunar Chronicles series, the Wires and Nerve graphic novels, and The Lunar Chronicles Coloring Book. Her first standalone novel, Heartless, was also a #1 New York Times bestseller. Marissa created and hosts a podcast called The Happy Writer. She lives in Tacoma, Washington, with her husband and their two daughters.
Glam Prix Racers: Fast to the Finish!
by Deanna Kent, illustrated by Neil Hooson

Wacky Races meets Candy Crush... Fizzes with fast-paced fun!" - Mo O'Hara, New York Times bestselling author of the My Big Fat Zombie Goldfish series

From creative team Deanna Kent and Neil Hooson comes Glam Prix Racers: Fast to the Finish!, the third full-color adventure in their young graphic novel trilogy about a team of fantasy creatures and their magical vehicles who use speed, smarts, and friendship to race their way to the top!

It's the third and final race of the Glam Prix Cup on Glittergear Island! This time the racers and their motos are off to the twisty, turn-y tracks of Diamond Sands, where they will have to use every last trick up their sleeves to slide through diamond dust dunes and serpentine stunt challenges.

Mio the mermaid, her monster truck Mudwick, and their team are tied for first place with the Vroombot crew, and whoever wins this last race will claim the Glam Prix Cup! Can the Glam Prix Racers work together to best the bots and come out on top?

Praise for Glam Prix Racers:

"Wacky Races meets Candy Crush with mermaids and monster trucks! It's impossible NOT to smile as you read. ... Glam Prix Racers fizzes with fast-paced fun!" - Mo O'Hara, New York Times bestselling author of the My Big Fat Zombie Goldfish series

"With ample nods to video games, including character cards filled with stats, an anthropomorphic cast, and the occasional (...)"

Author Bio

Deanna Kent and Neil Hooson have worked on books, brand and marketing campaigns, and interactive experiences. Deanna loves twinkle string lights, black licorice, and Edna Mode, and may be the only person on the planet who says teamwork makes the dream work" without a hint of sarcasm.

By far, their greatest creative challenge is raising four (very busy, very amazing) boys. Snazzy Cat Capers is their first chapter book series. With Deanna Kent, Neil Hooson has worked on books, brand and marketing campaigns, and interactive experiences. He is king of a Les Paul guitar, makes killer enchiladas, and really wants aliens to land in his backyard.
In the City of Time
by Gwendolyn Clare

From the author of the highly acclaimed Ink, Iron, and Glass series, this YA duology sends three science prodigies on a time-traveling adventure to save the Earth - if they don't accidentally destroy it first - in Gwendolyn Clare's In the City of Time.

In 1891, Willa Marconi's life falls apart when her mentor at the University of Bologna unexpectedly dies. She loses her laboratory access and her stipend, but she refuses to let anyone take her research away. While testing her prototype radio equipment, she detects a mysterious signal and pursues its origin.

In 2034, a cataclysmic event has rendered the Earth uninhabitable, and humankind survives by living inside of artificial worlds. Riley would do anything for Jaideep, who lost his parents in the collapse of the Bay Area pocket universe - and anything includes building a time machine so they can travel back to the 19th century, prevent the destabilization of the planet, and rewrite history.

But the experiment goes wrong, accidentally pulling Willa forward in time and stranding the three of them in a strange, seemingly abandoned city. Now they've got a glitchy time machine, a scary android time cop hot on their trail, and some tangled temporal mechanics to unravel. Can they save the Earth when the Continuity Agency is dead-set on preserving the current timeline?

Praise for the Ink, Iron, and Glass Duology

The novel samples historical figures the way a hip-hop album might sample (...)

Author Bio

Gwendolyn Clare teaches college biology in central Pennsylvania, where she lives with too many cats and never enough books. Her short stories can be found in Fantasy & Science Fiction, Asimov's, Analog, Clarkesworld, and Beneath Ceaseless Skies. Her debut novel was Ink, Iron, and Glass
Jimmy Fallon’s DADA, MAMA, and BABY Board Book Boxed Set
by Jimmy Fallon, illustrated by Miguel Ordonez, edited by Anna Roberto

Fans new and old can discover Jimmy Fallon’s bestselling trio of board books, Your Baby's First Word Will Be Dada, Everything Is Mama, and This is Baby all over again with this charming boxed set. Jimmy Fallon, one of the most popular entertainers in the world and NBC's Tonight Show host, was on a mission with his first children's book to have every baby's first word be DADA. And it worked! A lot of babies’ first words were DADA. However, everything after that was MAMA. And then came BABY! Now for the first time, Jimmy's three New York Times–bestselling titles, Your Baby's First Word Will Be Dada, Everything Is Mama, and This is Baby are available together—in board book—in an adorable boxed set. A perfect gift for new parents!

Author Bio

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Fall 2022 MAC Omnibus Kids

Kobe Eats Pizza!
by Ashley Wian, illustrated by Joy Ang

Based on the internet sensation Kobe Eats, Kobe pulls together all the ingredients to help make dinner for his family in this humorous picture book, Kobe Eats Pizza!

Chef Kobe is the star of the kitchen! With his signature red apron and red chef's hat, Kobe is ready to make another meal--PIZZA! He uses only the finest ingredients, never spills, and is very patient when waiting for the timer to go off . . .

While cooking is super fun, Chef Kobe always remembers the last, most important step: eating together as a family!

Based on the viral sensation KOBE EATS, this story is as animated and sweet as the popular videos of him cooking online for his family. Joy Ang's illustrations bring Kobe to life, filling the pages with love and humor.

Author Bio

Kobe, Ashley Wian, and family went viral in early 2020 when they started filming young Kobe helping his mom, Ashley, cook in the kitchen. He quickly gained a huge following, and they continue to post quick videos of him making smoothies, sandwiches, and more with the help of his parents and new younger brother, Kodi. Find Kobe on Instagram @kobe_yn. Joy Ang has illustrated many picture books, including the Mustache Baby books and the New York Times-bestselling The Atlas Obscura Explorer's Guide for the World's Most Adventurous Kid. She lives in Bellevue, Washington.

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Madame Alexander: The Creator of the Iconic American Doll
by Susan Goldman Rubin, illustrated by Sarah Dvojack

An inspiring, uplifting picture book biography about iconic doll creator, Madame Alexander, whose love for dolls and bringing joy to others began at a young age and only continued to grow.

Someday, she thought, I will make dolls that don't break so children will never be unhappy.

Beatrice Alexander's family ran a doll hospital in their home in New York's Lower East Side, where she grew to love fixing and making dolls. Beatrice dreamed of becoming an artist, but her family couldn't afford to send her to sculpting school. She never stopped dreaming, even as she stayed home, graduated from high school, and got married. When World War I broke out, she came up with the idea to make unbreakable, cloth dolls modeled after nurses to support the war effort and help keep children happy. After the war, Beatrice founded Madame Alexander and redefined the doll industry, creating some of the first plastic and collectible dolls, dolls that never break.

With beautiful, vivid art by Sarah Dvojack, author Susan Goldman Rubin tells the powerful story of savvy, feminist entrepreneur Beatrice Alexander, who founded the Madame Alexander Doll Company and became one of America's most celebrated toy makers.

Author Bio

Susan Goldman Rubin grew up in the Bronx and dreamed of becoming an artist. She attended the High School of Music & Art in New York, then Oberlin College in Ohio. As a young woman she illustrated her own stories, then turned to writing nonfiction for all ages. She is the author of many highly praised biographies for young readers including Degas, Painter of Ballerinas, and Mary Seacole Bound for the Battlefield. Rubin lives in Malibu, California. Sarah Dvojack grew up in Washington State, where she developed a passion for all things history, circus, and Irish dance. She graduated from Seattle's Cornish College of the Arts with a degree in Graphic Design and went on to study in the School of Visual Arts' MFA Illustration as Visual Essay program. She currently works as a book designer and lives in New York. She is the author-illustrator of Rosie the Riveter and the illustrator of Madame Alexander: The Creator of the Iconic American Doll.
Odder
by Katherine Applegate

A touching and lyrical tale about a remarkable sea otter, from Newbery Medalist Katherine Applegate, author of Wishtree.

Meet Odder, the Queen of Play:

Nobody has her moves.
She doesn't just swim to the bottom,
she dive-bombs.
She doesn't just somersault,
she triple-doughnuts.
She doesn't just ride the waves,
she makes them.

Odder spends her days off the coast of central California, practicing her underwater acrobatics and spinning the quirky stories for which she's known. She's a fearless daredevil, curious to a fault. But when Odder comes face-to-face with a hungry great white shark, her life takes a dramatic turn, one that will challenge everything she believes about herself - and about the humans who hope to save her.

Inspired by the true story of a Monterey Bay Aquarium program that pairs orphaned otter pups with surrogate mothers, this poignant and humorous tale told in free verse examines bravery and healing through the eyes of one of nature's most beloved and charming animals.

Author Bio

Katherine Applegate is the author of several best-selling young adult series, including Animorphs and Roscoe Riley Rules. Home of the Brave, her first standalone novel, received the SCBWI 2008 Golden Kite Award for Best Fiction and the Bank Street 2008 Josette Frank Award. She lives with her family in Irvine, California.
Opening My Eyes Underwater
by Ashley Woodfolk

Inspired by the life and quotations of former first lady Michelle Obama, Opening My Eyes Underwater is a collection of essays penned by bestselling author Ashley Woodfolk.

Essays of bullying, heartbreak, racism, and confidence, Ashley taps into her own past and shares those stories that made her who she is today as she seamlessly weaves in parallel experiences that both she and Mrs. Obama have faced in their separate childhoods as well as their adult lives.

Open, searing, and honest, these are stories readers will feel seen with. Readers who are growing and learning as they move forward through life's triumphs and pitfalls will undoubtedly gravitate to and find comfort within its pages.

Author Bio

Ashley Woodfolk has loved reading and writing for as long as she can remember. She graduated from Rutgers University and worked in children's book publishing for over a decade. Now a full-time mom and writer, Ashley lives in a sunny Brooklyn apartment with her cute husband, her cuter dog, and the cutest baby in the world. Her books include The Beauty That Remains, When You Were Everything, Blackout, Nothing Burns As Bright As You and the Flyy Girls Series.

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Princess of Souls
by Alexandra Christo

From the author of To Kill a Kingdom comes a Rapunzel-inspired YA fantasy romance about a teen witch groomed to steal souls for an immortal king and the reckless, rebellious boy to whom her fate is tied.

For sixteen years, Selestra has been trapped in her tower on the Floating Mountain, preparing to take her mother's place as the King's Witch, who foretells deaths in the Festival of Predictions. Outrunning your fate earns a wish and the chance to steal the King's immortality. But die and your soul is forfeit. And though thousands have tried, nobody has ever beaten death.

A soldier in the King's army, Nox is an unlikely candidate for the Festival, but, driven by revenge, he is determined to steal the King's immortality and kill the entirety of his court, starting with Selestra.

Yet when Selestra touches Nox in her very first prediction, their fates become entwined, and death seeks to take both their souls. Only by working together can they survive long enough to escape the dark fate and the immortal King that now hunts them.

For To Kill a Kingdom:

With well-crafted fight scenes and vivid descriptions, Christo has created a world of beauty and monstrosity that will draw readers in. --Publishers Weekly

"Stellar world building and nonstop action will keep readers hooked on this twisted reimagining of 'The Little Mermaid.' --Booklist Online

"Fantasy fans will like the idea of sirens and piratelike (...)"

Author Bio

Alexandra Christo is a British author whose characters are always funnier and far more deadly than she is. She studied Creative Writing at university and graduated with the desire to never stop letting her imagination run wild. She currently lives in Hertfordshire with a rapidly growing garden and a never-ending stack of books. Her debut novel To Kill a Kingdom is an international bestseller and her Young Adult fantasy books have been translated into over a dozen languages worldwide.
Self-Made Boys: A Great Gatsby Remix
by Anna-Marie McLemore


New York City, 1922. Nicolas Caraveo, a 17-year-old transgender boy from Wisconsin, has no interest in the city's glamor. Going to New York is all about establishing himself as a young professional, which could set up his future - and his life as a man - and benefit his family.

Nick rents a small house in West Egg from his 18-year-old cousin, Daisy Fabrega, who lives in fashionable East Egg near her wealthy fiance, Tom - and Nick is shocked to find that his cousin now goes by Daisy Fay, has erased all signs of her Latina heritage, and now passes seamlessly as white.

Nick's neighbor in West Egg is a mysterious young man named Jay Gatsby, whose castle-like mansion is the stage for parties so extravagant that they both dazzle and terrify Nick. At one of these parties, Nick learns that the spectacle is all for the benefit of impressing a girl from Jay's past - Daisy. And he learns something else: Jay is also transgender.

As Nick is pulled deeper into the glittery culture of decadence, he spends more time with Jay, aiming to help his new friend reconnect with his lost love. But Nick's feelings grow more complicated when he (…)

Author Bio

Anna-Marie McLemore was born in the foothills of the San Gabriel Mountains and taught by their family to hear la llorona in the Santa Ana winds. They are the author of The Weight of Feathers, a 2016 William C. Morris YA Debut Award Finalist; 2017 Stonewall Honor Book When the Moon Was Ours, which was longlisted for the National Book Award in Young People's Literature; Wild Beauty, a Kirkus, School Library Journal, and Booklist best book of 2017; Blanca & Roja, a New York Times Book Review Editors' Choice; Dark and Deepest Red, a Winter 2020 Indie Next List title; and The Mirror Season, which was longlisted for the National Book Award in Young People's Literature.
Stolen City
by Elisa A. Bonnin

Twin thieves attempt to pull off a daring heist in Stolen City, the sophomore fantasy novel from Dauntless author Elisa A. Bonnin.

The city of Leithon is under Imperial occupation and Arian Athensor has made it her playground.

In stealing magical artifacts for the Resistance, bounding over rooftops to evade Imperial soldiers, and establishing herself as the darling thief of the underground, Arian lives a life wrapped in danger and trained towards survival. She'll steal anything for the right price, and if she runs fast enough, she can almost escape the fact that her mother is dead, her father is missing, and her brother, Liam, is tamping down a wealth of power in a city that has outlawed magic.

But then the mysterious Cavar comes to town with a job for the twins: to steal an artifact capable of ripping the souls from the living - the same artifact that used to hang around the neck of Arian's mother. Suddenly, her past is no longer buried under adrenaline but intimately tied to the mission at hand, and Arian must face her guilt and pain head-on in order to pull off the heist.

As Arian and Cavar infiltrate the strongest fortress in Leithon and Liam joins the Resistance as their resident mage, the twins find themselves embroiled in court politics and family secrets, and the mission becomes more than just another artifact theft. The target is now the Imperial rule, and (…)

Author Bio

Elisa A. Bonnin was born and raised in the Philippines, after which she moved to the United States to study chemistry and later oceanography. After completing her doctorate, she moved to Germany to work as a postdoctoral scientist. A lifelong learner, Elisa is always convinced that she should maybe take a class in something and as a result, has amassed an eclectic collection of hobbies. But writing will always be her true love. Publishing a book has been her dream since she was eight years old, and she is thrilled to finally be able to share her stories. She is the author of Dauntless and Stolen City.
Tales from the Treehouse
by Andy Griffiths, illustrated by Terry Denton

International author-illustrator superstar duo Andy Griffiths and Terry Denton are back, and this time they've cooked up a hilarious book of 13 standalone stories to complement their beloved chapter book series.

A lot of stuff happens in our ever-expanding treehouse.

Not everything gets into the books.

These are some other things that happened to us. . .

Surreal, funny and supremely silly - all with the spirit of the Treehouse - come on up to hear some Tales from the Treehouse

Author Bio

Andy Griffiths is the New York Times bestselling author of The Day My Butt Went Psycho!, Zombie Butts from Uranus!, and Butt Wars! The Final Conflict, as well as the Treehouse Series and Killer Koalas from Outer Space. In 2007, he became the first Australian author to win six children's choice awards in one year for Just Shocking! He is passionate about inspiring a love of books in his young readers, and works as an ambassador for the Indigenous Literacy Project, which provides books and literacy resources to remote indigenous communities around Australia. Andy is a big fan of Dr. Seuss and of cauliflower. He lives in Melbourne, Australia, and is Australia's most popular children's writer. Terry Denton is known for his humorous illustration style and has worked with Andy Griffiths on the Treehouse series and the JUST! books among others. He lives by the sea in Australia with his wife, three kids, and a pop-up toaster that only toasts on one side.
The Awesome! Box Set: A is for Awesome!, 3 2 1 Awesome!, and Colors of Awesome!
by Eva Chen, illustrated by Derek Desierto

New York Times-bestselling author Eva Chen’s three feminist board books are now available in one AWESOME collection, a must-have for every little feminist’s library.

A Is for Awesome! provides an ABC of amazing women from throughout history, 3 2 1 Awesome! counts down some of their most amazing accomplishments, and Colors of Awesome! pairs groundbreaking feminist icons with all the colors of the rainbow and beyond, featuring 67 sheroes from throughout history, from Kamala Harris to Beyonce, Megan Rapinoe to Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

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Praise for Roxy the Last Unisaurus Rex:
Eva Chen has really hit the mark with her Juno Valentine series, but is branching out into children’s literature in a huge way with Roxy the Last Unisaurus Rex. . . It’s not often you can find a children’s book that pleases both the child and the parent reading it 800 times, but ROXY feels like a good fit. And any picture book that makes me want to wallpaper my house with its pages is more than OK by me.” --Romper

Praise for 3 2 1 Awesome:
"Counting down from 20, this charming board book profiles strong contemporary and historical women . . . The choices are solid and represent a diverse range of women and professions.” --Booklist

Praise for A Is (…)

Author Bio

Eva Chen is a first-generation Chinese-American who grew up in New York City. She blames her deviation from pre-med at Johns Hopkins University on a love of fashion and beauty instilled in her by her mother, whose perfect bob and lipstick made a permanent imprint on her impressionable young mind. Previously the editor in chief of Lucky, Eva has also written for ELLE, Vogue, Teen Vogue, Vogue China, the New York Times, and the Wall Street Journal.
Welcome to The Sunbearer Trials, where teen semidioses compete in a series of challenges with the highest of stakes, in this electric new Mexican-inspired fantasy from Aiden Thomas, the New York Times bestselling author of Cemetery Boys.

Only the most powerful and honorable semidioses get chosen. I'm just a Jade. I'm not a real hero."

As each new decade begins, the Sun's power must be replenished so that Sol can keep traveling along the sky and keep the chaotic Obsidian gods at bay. Sol selects ten of the most worthy semidioses to compete in the Sunbearer Trials. The winner carries light and life to all the temples of Reino del Sol, but the loser has the greatest honor of all - they will be sacrificed to Sol, their body melted down to refuel the Sun Stones, protecting the world for another ten years.

Teo, a seventeen-year-old Jade semidios and the trans son of the goddess of birds, isn't worried about the Trials . . . at least, not for himself. His best friend, Niya is a Gold semidios and a shoo-in for the Trials, and while he trusts her abilities, the odds of becoming the sacrifice is one-in-ten.

But then, for the first time in over a century, the impossible happens. Sol chooses not one, but two Jade competitors. Teo, and Xio, the thirteen-year-old (...

Author Bio

Aiden Thomas, author of Cemetery Boys, received their MFA in Creative Writing from Mills College. Born in Oakland, California, Aiden often haunted Mountain View Cemetery like a second home during their misspent youth. As a queer, trans Latinx, Aiden advocates strongly for diverse representation in all media. Aiden is notorious among their friends for always being surprised by twist endings to books/movies and organizing their bookshelves by color. When not writing, Aiden enjoys exploring the outdoors with their dog, Ronan. Their cat, Figaro, prefers to support their indoor hobbies, like reading and drinking too much coffee.
We Are the Scribes
by Randi Pink

A young adult novel by Randi Pink about a teenage activist who is visited by the ghost of Harriet Jacobs, an enslaved woman.

Ruth Fitz is surrounded by activism. Her mother is a senator who frequently appears on CNN as a powerful Black voice fighting for legislative social change within the Black community. Her father, a professor of African American history, is a walking encyclopedia, spouting off random dates and events. And her beloved older sister, Virginia, is a natural activist, steadily gaining notoriety within the community and on social media. Ruth, on the other hand, would rather sit quietly reading or writing in her journal.

When her family is rocked by tragedy, Ruth stops writing. As life goes on, Ruth's mother is presented with a political opportunity she can't refuse. Just as Senator Fitz is more absent, Ruth begins receiving parchment letters with a seal reading WE ARE THE SCRIBES, sent by Harriet Jacobs, the author of the autobiography and 1861 American classic, Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl.

Is Ruth dreaming? How has she been chosen as a scribe when she can barely put a sentence together? In a narrative that blends present with past, Randi Pink explores two extraordinary characters who channel their hopelessness and find their voices to make history.

Author Bio

Randi Pink grew up in the South and attended a mostly white high school. She lives with her husband and their two rescue dogs in Birmingham, Alabama, where she works for a branch of National Public Radio. Into White was her fiction debut.
You Matter to Me
by Doyin Richards, illustrated by Robert Paul Jr

In this picture book written by Doyin Richards and illustrated by Robert Paul Jr., *You Matter to Me*, a dog describes what it's like to go on walks with his Black owner and wishes that people would see his human as he does: with love.

Biscuit the dog is adopted from the shelter and loves his new home and his new human family. The dad, especially, takes good care of Biscuit and is the person who walks him the most.

But Biscuit soon realizes that not everyone shares his feelings about his human. His human is Black, and some people in the neighborhood are scared by that. Some people hold their purses closer, or tighten their grip on their children's hands.

With honest, age-appropriate storytelling, Doyin Richards starts a conversation about racism that is more important than ever. Here is a book that should be in every home, school, and library as a reminder that everyone matters.

**Author Bio**

Doyin Richards is a father, husband, writer, consultant, and public speaker inspiring mothers and fathers to think, laugh, and learn while evolving as parents and couples. He is the author of the popular parenting blog *Daddy Doin' Work*, and the book *Daddy Doin' Work: Empowering Mothers to Evolve Fatherhood*, and has appeared on nationally broadcast television shows including the Today show and Good Morning America. He lives in Los Angeles with his wife and their two daughters.
You're All Kinds of Wonderful
by Nancy Tillman, illustrated by Nancy Tillman

Once again, New York Times bestselling author and artist Nancy Tillman takes a universal truth and makes it accessible for readers young and old in You're All Kinds of Wonderful, now available in board book format!

We're not all the same. Thank goodness we're not. Life would be boring, and I mean... a lot.

And so, when we're born, we're supplied at the start with our own bells and whistles to set us apart.

Think of your bells as the things you do best things tucked away in your own treasure chest.

Part of growing up is discovering - and embracing - what makes us unique. From different abilities to different personalities, we are all wonderfully made with our own bells and whistles.

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 (...)

Author Bio

Frizzy
by Claribel A. Ortega, illustrated by Rose Bousamra

A middle grade graphic novel about Marlene, a young girl who stops straightening her hair and embraces her natural curls.

Marlene loves three things: books, her cool Tia Ruby and hanging out with her best friend Camila. But according to her mother, Paola, the only thing she needs to focus on is school and growing up. "That means straightening her hair every weekend so she could have "presentable", "good hair".

But Marlene hates being in the salon and doesn't understand why her curls are not considered pretty by those around her. With a few hiccups, a dash of embarrassment, and the much-needed help of Camila and Tia Ruby - she slowly starts a journey to learn to appreciate and proudly wear her curly hair.

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New York Times Bestselling and award-winning author Claribel Ortega went from journalism student, editing her classmates often hilarious ads and ramblings on the back page of SUNY Purchase's Independent Newspaper, to a small-town reporter, where she enjoyed going to board of ed meetings and texting the town mayors about the line at Starbucks.

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Claribel's debut middle grade novel Ghost Squad is a New York Times Bestseller and is being made into a feature film. Ghost Squad won Best in Middle Grade at the 2021 Ignyte Awards, was a Goodreads Choice Award finalist, and an International Latino book awards honorary mention for 2020. Her other titles include Witchlings (Scholastic) and the graphic novel Frizzy (First Second) with Rose Bousamra. claribelortega.com.

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InvestiGators: Heist and Seek
by John Patrick Green

New York Times bestsellers and sewer surfing super-sleuths Mango & Brash are back in InvestiGators: Heist and Seek, the sixth volume in John Patrick Green's smash hit series.

When rare paintings go missing, the InvestiGators are called on the scene. . .
the ART SCENE!

Mango and Brash go undercover and under canvas as internationally renowned painters to expose a crook who has truly mastered the art of CRIME! Can they recover the missing masterpieces and save the city art museum's fundraising gala before it's too late. . . and they run out of appetizers? Find out in this latest piece de resistance of action-packed illustrated fun.

Author Bio

John Patrick Green is a human with the human job of making books about animals with human jobs, such as Hippopotamister, Kitten Construction Company, and InvestiGators. John is definitely not just a bunch of animals wearing a human suit pretending to have a human job. He is also the artist and co-creator of the graphic novel series Teen Boat!, with writer Dave Roman. John lives in Brooklyn in an apartment that doesn't allow animals other than the ones living in his head.

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Kitty Sweet Tooth Makes a Movie
by Abby Denson, illustrated by Utomaru

In this sequel to an adorable and silly graphic novel for young readers, Kitty Sweet Tooth gets behind the camera and makes her own movie!

There’s just one thing Kitty Sweet Tooth loves more than going to the movies, and that’s eating delicious desserts. She’s combined her two passions in the Taste-O-Rama, a movie house where screenings are paired with tasty treats. But Kitty isn’t satisfied just watching movies. She wants to make one!

With a film crew that includes Dr. Battina and Walter Witch, Kitty embarks on a quest. Her mission: to find the world’s rarest and tastiest ingredients and capture it all on film. Will Kitty and her friends make the documentary of a lifetime, or will this film be a flop?

Author Bio

Abby Denson is the author of Cool Tokyo Guide, Cool Japan Guide, Dolltopia (which garnered an International Manga Award and a Moonbeam Children’s Book Award), and Tough Love: High School Confidential. She has written for many comics including Amazing Spider-Man Family, Powerpuff Girls Comics, Simpsons Comics, Sabrina The Teenage Witch, and Disney Adventures. She is a graduate of Parsons School of Design and Eugene Lang College and has taught and lectured at various venues including The New School, and Sophia University. She loves cats, movies, and desserts! Utomaru is a freelance illustrator, art director and graphic designer based in Tokyo, Japan. Her career as an illustrator started in high school, when she was asked to make a flyer and CD cover for a local musician. After, she studied graphic design at Tama Art University and developed her art style: bold lineart, vivid colors, and dynamic composition. Her main influences and inspirations arrive from both American and Japanese comics, animation and movie posters from 1960s -1980s, Betty Boop cartoon and the poster designs by Tadanori Yokoh. Utomaru is the illustrator of Abby Denson’s graphic novel for kids, Kitty Sweet Tooth.
Maker Comics: Design a Game!
by Bree Wolf and Jesse Fuchs, illustrated by Bree Wolf

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Prunella and the Cursed Skull Ring
by Matthew Loux

From *Time Museum* creator Matt Loux comes a sweet and gently macabre graphic novel for young readers.

There are whispers around the village that monsters are lurking outside the gates. Prunella doesn’t pay this talk much mind - until she unearths a strange skull-shaped ring in her garden. When she places it on her finger she’s transformed into a skeleton girl, terrifying her monster-fearing town! Exiled, Prunella wanders the wilderness, where she discovers that monsters aren’t as bad as she’s been led to believe.

With her new friends, undead pirate Captain Rip Skeleton and Francis, a floating, fiery skull, at her side, Prunella is sure to find a way to reverse this curse... but does she really want to?

Author Bio

Matthew Loux is author and artist of the graphic novels *The Time Museum* Vol. 1, published by First Second Books, *Sidescrollers*, and the five volume series *Salt Water Taffy* originally published by Oni Press. Matthew has also illustrated the graphic novels *F-Stop* and *Good Night Gabbaland* and has contributed cover artwork for the Comic Book Legal Defense Fund. Matthew resides in New York.
Science Comics Boxed Set: Coral Reefs, Sharks, and Whales
by Maris Wicks, Joe Flood and Casey Zakroff

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These three fan-favorite graphic novels are now available in a boxed set! Included are Science Comics: Coral Reefs, Science Comics: Sharks, and Science Comics: Whales. You’ll also get a full-color Science Comics poster perfect for the wall of a library, classroom, or a kid’s bedroom!

Author Bio

Maris Wicks lives in sunny Somerville, Massachusetts. She is the author behind Human Body Theater, as well as the illustrator of New York Times Bestselling Primates, with Jim Ottaviani. Wicks has also created comics for Spongebob Comics, DC and Marvel. When Maris is not drawing comics, she can be found prepping slides for her collection of vintage microscopes. Joe Flood is a comic book author and illustrator whose work includes Cellies, Pirates of the Caribbean and Orcs: Forged for War. For the Science Comics series, he collaborated on Dinosaurs: Fossils and Feathers with MK Reed and wrote and illustrated Sharks: Nature’s Perfect Hunter. He lives with his wife and daughter in New York’s Hudson Valley. Casey Zakroff is a marine ecophysicologist (he studies how animals’ bodies function and interact with their environment), researching how stress impacts marine invertebrates (especially squid and other cephalopods!). He is also an avid science communicator, and, now, comics author. Growing up on the coasts of Florida and Maine, he pursued a passion for the ocean, going tidepooling and whale watching, and eventually scuba diving in reefs across the world. He has a PhD in Biological Oceanography from MIT and Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI), which he was working on when he wrote Science Comics: Whales, his first graphic novel.
Shuna’s Journey
by Hayao Miyazaki

From legendary animator Hayao Miyazaki comes a new manga classic about a prince on a quest for a golden grain that would save his land, never before published in English!

Shuna, the prince of a poor land, watches in despair as his people work themselves to death harvesting the little grain that grows there. And so, when a traveler presents him with a sample of seeds from a mysterious western land, he sets out to find the source of the golden grain, dreaming of a better life for his subjects.

It is not long before he meets a proud girl named Thea. After freeing her from captivity, he is pursued by her enemies, and while Thea escapes north, Shuna continues toward the west, finally reaching the Land of the God-Folk.

Will Shuna ever see Thea again? And will he make it back home from his quest for the golden grain?

Author Bio

Born in 1941 in Tokyo, Japan, Hayao Miyazaki cofounded Studio Ghibli in 1985 with Isao Takahata. Among his eleven animated features, Spirited Away (2001) broke every box-office record in Japan, and won the Golden Bear at the 2002 Berlin International Film Festival and the 75th Academy Awards for Animated Feature Film. Howl’s Moving Castle (2004) received the Golden Osella award at the 2004 Venice International Film Festival. Miyazaki was awarded the Golden Lion for Lifetime Achievement at the 2005 Venice International Film Festival. The Wind Rises (2013) was nominated for the 86th Academy Award for Animated Feature Film. In 2014, the Board of Governors for the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences presented him with a Governors Award for lifetime achievement. He is currently working on a new production.
The Wondrous Wonders
by Camille Jourdy

From Camille Jourdy come a magical graphic novel filled with gentle, offbeat humor and gorgeous watercolor artwork, *The Wondrous Wonders*.

It's perfect weather for a family picnic, but Jo is in a bad mood. Hurt by her parents' recent divorce and struggling to accept her new stepmother and sisters, she decides to run away and make a new life for herself in the forest. She soon finds herself tumbling through a weird and wonderful landscape, in a realm ruled by an evil cat prince and the dream-logic of a child's imagination. She'll need courage, hope, and heart to overcome all the obstacles she encounters on this adventure.

Author Bio

Camille Jourdy grew up in Dole, and studied at the Beaux-Arts in Epinal and the School of Decorative Arts in Strasbourg. Her previous works include *Juliette: les fantômes reviennent au printemps* and *Rosalie Blum* which was adapted into a film. She also works as an illustrator on albums and games for Actes Sud, Albin Michel, and more.

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Promotion

Outreach to Key Reviewers, Media, and School and Library Contacts
E-galley Sent to Select Bloggers and Digital Influencers
Featured at Select School, Library, and Bookseller Conferences and Conventions
Featured at Select Consumer Shows and Comic-Cons
E-Galley Available for Download on NetGalley
Included in First Second Social Media Promotions
A First Second Title—Visit FirstSecondBooks.com to Learn More
At Midnight
by Dahlia Adler

A dazzling collection of original and retold fairy tales from fifteen acclaimed and bestselling YA writers

Fairy tales have been spun for thousands of years and remain among our most treasured stories. Weaving fresh tales with unexpected reimaginings, *At Midnight* brings together a diverse group of celebrated YA writers to breathe new life into a storied tradition. You'll discover . . .

Dahlia Adler reimagining *Rumpelstiltskin,*
Tracy Deonn, "The Nightingale,"
H. E. Edgmon, "Snow White,"
Hafsah Faizal, "Little Red Riding Hood,"
Stacey Lee, "The Little Matchstick Girl,"
Roselle Lim, "Hansel and Gretel,"
Darcie Little Badger, "Puss in Boots,"
Malinda Lo, "Frau Trude,"
Anna-Marie McLemore, "The Nutcracker,"
Rebecca Podos, "The Robber Bridegroom,"
Rory Power, "Sleeping Beauty,"
Meredith Russo, "The Little Mermaid,"
Gita Trelease, "Fitcher's Bird,"
and an all-new fairy tale by Melissa Albert.

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Promotion

National review campaign, in print and online, Outreach to print and online outlets for roundup and interview consideration, Radio and Podcast outreach for interview consideration, Outreach to Trades for review and feature attention, Extensive blog tour, Outreach to virtual festivals and conferences for speaking/panel slots, Events, best proposals (virtual and/or in-person), Outreach to independent bookstores, Social media advertising, Social media partnerships with tie-in merchandise sweepstakes, Email marketing, Social media preorder buzz campaign, including Adler Anthology Library Sweepstakes, Library marketing campaign

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Praise for HIS HIDEOUS HEART:

*IndieBound bestseller*  
Junior Library Guild selection

A superb collection [that] brims over with fierce delight and uncanny invention; the stories here vary in their effect nearly as much as Poe's do. And if you haven't read Poe before, *His Hideous Heart* works equally well (...)  

Author Bio

Dahlia Adler is an editor of mathematics by day, the overlord of LGBTQReads by night, and a Young Adult author at every spare moment in between. She is the editor of several anthologies and the author of many novels, including *Cool for the Summer* and *Home Field Advantage.* She lives in New York with her family and an obscene number of books.
The Ballad of Never After
by Stephanie Garber

The fiercely-anticipated sequel to the #1 New York Times bestseller Once Upon a Broken Heart, starring Evangeline Fox and the Prince of Hearts on a new journey of magic, mystery, and heartbreak

Not every love is meant to be.

After Jacks, the Prince of Hearts, betrays her, Evangeline Fox swears she’ll never trust him again. Now that she’s discovered her own magic, Evangeline believes she can use it to restore the chance at happily ever after that Jacks stole away.

But when a new terrifying curse is revealed, Evangeline finds herself entering into a tenuous partnership with the Prince of Hearts again. Only this time, the rules have changed. Jacks isn't the only force Evangeline needs to be wary of. In fact, he might be the only one she can trust, despite her desire to despise him.

Instead of a love spell wreaking havoc on Evangeline’s life, a murderous spell has been cast. To break it, Evangeline and Jacks will have to do battle with old friends, new foes, and a magic that plays with heads and hearts. Evangeline has always trusted her heart, but this time she’s not sure she can.

Author Bio

Stephanie Garber is the #1 New York Times and internationally bestselling author of Once Upon a Broken Heart and the Caraval trilogy. Her books have been translated into over thirty languages.
Marit Weisenberg’s *The Insomniacs* is a deeply beautiful story of yearning, heartache, trauma, and love” (Jennifer Niven, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *All the Bright Places*) about two teens who discover the secrets of their neighborhood after everyone else turns out the lights.

*Ingrid can't sleep.*
*She can't remember, either.*

A competitive diver, seventeen-year-old Ingrid is haunted by what she saw at the pool at a routine meet, before falling off the high dive and waking up concussed. The only thing she remembers about the moment before her dive is locking eyes with Van - her neighbor, former best friend, and forever crush - kissing his girlfriend on the sidelines. But that can't be all.

Then one sleepless night, she sees Van out her window. . . looking right back at her. They begin not sleeping together by night, still ignoring each other at school by day.

Ingrid tells herself this is just temporary, but soon, she and Van are up every night piecing her memory back together. As Van works through his own reasons for not being able to sleep, they're both pulled into a mystery that threatens to turn their quiet neighborhood into a darker place than they realized.

Nominated to ALA's Best Fiction for Young Adults List

This achingly mysterious romance delves into the complexities of trusting yourself after being betrayed by the person you (…)

**Author Bio**

*Marit Weisenberg* has a master's degree from UCLA in Cinema and Media Studies and worked as a film and television executive for a number of years. She currently lives in Austin, Texas, with her husband and two daughters. Her previous titles include *Select* and *Select Few*
Waking Romeo
by Kathryn Barker

Kathryn Barker’s Waking Romeo is a spectacularly genre-bending retelling of Romeo & Juliet asking the big questions about true love, fate, and time travel.


It's the end of the world. Literally. Time travel is possible, but only forward. And only a handful of families choose to remain in the now, "living off of the scraps left behind.

Among them are eighteen-year-old Juliet and the love of her life, Romeo. But things are far from rosy for Jules. Romeo lies in a coma and Jules is estranged from her friends and family, dealing with the very real fallout of their wild romance.

Then a mysterious time traveler, Ellis, impossibly arrives from the future with a mission that makes Juliet question everything she knows about life and love.

Can Jules wake Romeo - and rewrite her future?

A Most Anticipated Book of 2022 (Book Riot, Gizmodo, and more!)

This fast-paced, brilliantly futuristic Romeo and Juliet variation splits and swirls timelines, ecological collapse, and hope into a virtuoso five-act telling. This breathtaking, meticulously plotted adventure revitalizes a classic into a vital call to hope for the pandemic generation." - Publishers Weekly, starred review

"This dazzling, genre-defying novel offers a sublime mix of dystopian fantasy, time travel, suspense, and romance (...)

Author Bio

Kathryn Barker lives in Sydney, Australia, with her family. She has spent a lifetime exploring the magic of the universe through storytelling. Her first novel, In the Skin of a Monster, was published to high acclaim in Australia, winning the Aurealis Award for Best Young Adult Novel. Waking Romeo is Kathryn’s second novel, and the first to be published in the US.
Edited by The Bronx Is Reading founder Saraciea J. Fennell and featuring an all-star cast of Latinx contributors, *Wild Tongues Can't Be Tamed* is a ground-breaking anthology that will spark dialogue and inspire hope.

In *Wild Tongues Can't Be Tamed* bestselling and award-winning authors as well as up-and-coming voices interrogate the different myths and stereotypes about the Latinx diaspora. These fifteen original pieces delve into everything from ghost stories and superheroes, to memories in the kitchen and travels around the world, to addiction and grief, to identity and anti-Blackness, to finding love and speaking your truth. Full of both sorrow and joy, *Wild Tongues Can't Be Tamed* is an essential celebration of this rich and diverse community.

The bestselling and award-winning contributors include Elizabeth Acevedo, Cristina Arreola, Ingrid Rojas Contreras, Naima Coster, Natasha Diaz, Saraciea J. Fennell, Kahlil Haywood, Zakiya Jamal, Janel Martinez, Jasminne Mendez, Meg Medina, Mark Oshiro, Julian Randall, Lilliam Rivera, and Ibi Zoboi.


An Indie Next Pick

A standout . . . an inspiring book for those who will see their own struggles with identity and belonging reflected within these pages. Above all, it is a book that will make many feel seen, heard and empowered.” - Reyna Grande, San Francisco Chronicle

"A beautifully edited collection of reflections on the Latinx diaspora. With writers like Naima Coster, Kahlil Haywood, and Lilliam Rivera, it highlights a (...)”

**Author Bio**

Saraciea J. Fennell is a Black Honduran writer and the founder of The Bronx is Reading. She is also a book publicist who has worked with many award-winning and *New York Times* bestselling authors. Fennell sits on the board for Latinx in Publishing as well as on the Advisory Board of People of Color in
A Field Guide to Mermaids
by Emily B. Martin

For centuries, humankind has passed down stories of an aquatic creature that's equal parts human and fish. Known as "mermaids," the mythical subject has been featured in folklore that spans continents and cultures. But never in our long history has there been an explorer brave enough to catalog and study the many species of mermaids that may swim among us. That is, until now. With A Field Guide to Mermaids, Emily B. Martin invites readers into a fictionalized account of our real world. Combining real ecological facts about biomes across North America with imagined species of mermaids that have adapted to their surroundings, this book is a collectible for every folkloric enthusiast, as well as a primer for children interested in environmental science and the science of evolution.

Author Bio

Emily B. Martin is a park ranger, illustrator, and author of epic fantasy novels, including the Outlaw Road duology. She works seasonally with the National Park Service and has spent summers in Yellowstone and Great Smoky Mountains National Parks. An avid hiker and explorer, she always carries a watercolor sketchbook in the wild, and during off-seasons lives in South Carolina with her husband and two daughters.
A Song for the Unsung: Bayard Rustin, the Man Behind the 1963 March on Washington
by Carole Boston Weatherford and Rob Sanders, illustrated by Byron McCray


On August 28, 1963, a quarter of a million activists and demonstrators from every corner of America convened for the March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom. It was there and then that they raised their voices in unison for racial and economic justice for all Black Americans, to call out inequities, and, ultimately, to advance the Civil Rights Movement.

Every movement has its unsung heroes. Individuals in the background who work without praise and accolades, who toil and struggle without notice. One of those unsung heroes was at the center of some of the most important decisions and events of the Civil Rights Movement.

Credited with introducing Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. to the power of peaceful protest, for orchestrating the March on Washington, and for skillfully composing the program that placed Dr. King at the end of the list of speakers and musicians for what would become his historic "I Have a Dream" speech, this unsung hero will be celebrated for the first time in a picture book.

The unsung hero behind the movement was a quiet man. A gay, African American man. He was Bayard Rustin. On the heels of the sixtieth anniversary of this historic moment, two acclaimed picture book authors tell Bayard's inspiring story in an innovative and timeless (…)

Author Bio

Carole Boston Weatherford is the award-winning author of more than 50 books of poetry, nonfiction, and children's literature. She is the recipient of a Newbery Honor, Coretta Scott King Author Honor, two NAACP Image Awards, a WNDB Walter Award, and numerous other accolades. Her books include I, Matthew Henson; Jesse Owens: Fastest Man Alive; and Be a King. She resides in North Carolina where she teaches at Fayetteville State University. cbweatherford.com

Rob Sanders is an acclaimed writer who teaches, and a teacher who writes. He is the author of Cowboy Christmas, Crystal Kite-winner Outer Space
Afterlove
by Tanya Byrne

In this supernatural lesbian romance, a girl who becomes a grim reaper must figure out what the future holds - especially when it comes to the girlfriend she left behind.

In this powerful, all-encompassing YA love story, a girl who becomes a grim reaper must figure out what the future holds - especially when it comes to the girlfriend she left behind.

When Ashana Persaud meets Poppy Morgan on a school trip, she's sure it's too good to be true. Ash has never had much luck with girls, but Poppy proves different. Coffee dates turn to museum trips until, soon, the two girls can see a future together - one that's seemingly snatched from them when a hit-and-run takes Ash's life on New Year's Eve.

As the last person to die before midnight, Ash is bestowed the title of reaper, tasked with finding lost souls and helping them cross over. Only those close to death can perceive a reaper, so when Ash runs into Poppy one lonely night - and Poppy recognizes her - they can't be sure if it's the second chance they've so desperately wished for, or a tragedy lying in wait.

Author Bio

Tanya Byrne is an award-winning author and freelance journalist who lives in Brighton. She has written three young adult novels, including her first book, Heart-Shaped Bruise, which earned her a nomination for New Writer of the Year at the National Book Awards.
Dream with the/Suena con las Latinitas
by Juliet Menendez, illustrated by Juliet Menendez

Meet the Latinitas, whose big dreams paved the way for your little feet! With gorgeous, hand-painted illustrations, Juliet Menendez shines a spotlight on the power of childhood dreams.

Conoce a las Latinitas cuyos grandes sueños abrieron el camino para tus propios pasitos! Con hermosas ilustraciones, hechas a mano, Juliet Menendez pone en relieve el poder que tienen los sueños de la infancia.

Author Bio

Juliet Menendez is a Guatemalan American author and illustrator living between Guatemala City, Paris, and New York. While working as a bilingual teacher in New York City's public schools, Juliet noted the need for more books that depicted children like the ones in her classrooms. She studied design and illustration in Paris and now spends her days with her watercolors and notebook. Latinitas is her first children's book. Juliet Menendez is a Guatemalan American author and illustrator living between Guatemala City, Paris, and New York. While working as a bilingual teacher in New York City's public schools, Juliet noted the need for more books that depicted children like the ones in her classrooms. She studied design and illustration in Paris and now spends her days with her watercolors and notebook. Latinitas is her first children's book.
At the lake's edge, I made my promise. In the forest, I will fall.

The curse that haunted Lakesedge Estate has been broken, but at great cost. Violeta Graceling has sacrificed herself to end the Corruption.

To escape death, Leta makes a desperate bargain with the Lord Under, one that sees her living at his side in the land of the dead. And though he claims to have given her all he promised, Leta knows this world of souls and mists hides many secrets.

When she discovers she is still bound to Rowan, Leta goes to drastic lengths to reforge their connection. But her search for answers, and a path back home, will see her drawn into even more dangerous bargains, and struggling to resist the allure of a new, dark, power in Forestfall by Lyndall Clipstone.

Lyndall Clipstone returns to the gothic world of Lakesedge with a journey to the underworld, where Leta's struggle to reunite with her beloved Rowan will change her in ways she could not have imagined. With shades of Orpheus and Eurydice and a fresh twist on the classic love triangle, Forestfall is a worthy conclusion to the duology." - Kiersten Frost, Brookline Booksmith

"An exquisitely crafted tale of love in all its brutality and how far we are willing to fight (...)"

Author Bio

Lyndall Clipstone writes about monsters and the girls who like to kiss them. A former youth library who grew up running wild in the Barossa Ranges of South Australia, she currently lives in Adelaide, where she tends her own indoor secret garden. She has a Bachelors in Creative Writing and a Graduate Diploma in Library and Information Management. Lakesedge is her debut novel.
How to Be True
by Daisy May Johnson

In this delightfully zany yet heartwarming novel, a young girl and her friends take Paris by storm.

Edie Berger is a prankster, the daughter of activists, and a revolutionary in her own right. Paris is Edie's home and her favorite place in the world. But when her parents decide to travel the globe fighting for good causes, Edie is left in the care of Odette, her strict grandmother - and, ultimately, shipped off to boarding school in England.

A school trip finds Edie back in the streets of Paris, exploring with her friends and forced to confront the grandmother who sent her away. But is there more to Odette than Edie realizes? Featuring madcap adventures, pastries, macarons, an intrepid army of first-years, a secret underground network of nuns, a truly excellent art heist, and lots of bravery, this is a story about loving with your whole heart and standing up for what you believe in.

Author Bio

Daisy May Johnson is a debut author, writer, researcher, chartered librarian, and former A14 Writer In Residence with the University of Cambridge. She blogs about children’s literature at Did You Ever Stop to Think, and lives in the UK.
Me Gusta
by Angela Dominguez

Me gusta when we explore this spectacular world, el mundo, and gaze at all the stars, las estrellas. But most of all, me gusta that no matter where we are, I feel at home, en casa, when I’m with you. Te quiero. I love you. So concludes the affirmative and encouraging Me Gusta, a Spanish and English bilingual picture book by the prolific Angela Dominguez. Inspired by her childhood, the author has crafted a poetic and touching story of family, reminding us that through the adventures and the heartbreak, love conquers all and transcends language.

Author Bio

Angela Dominguez was born in Mexico City and grew up in the great state of Texas. She now resides on the east coast with her boyfriend, Kyle, and their petite dog, Petunia. She is also the author and illustrator of several books for children and a two-time recipient of Pura Belpre Illustration Honor. Her debut middle grade novel, Stella Diaz Has Something To Say, was a New York Public Library and a Chicago Public Library pick for Best Books for Kids, Sid Fleischman Award winner, and an ALA Notable. She recently illustrated Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor’s newest picture book, Just Help! How to Build a Better World. As a child, she loved reading books and making a mess creating pictures. She’s delighted to still be doing both.
Mihi Ever After
by Tae Keller

Newbery Medalist Tae Keller delivers a middle grade fantasy adventure in Mihi Ever After about three girls who fall into a fairy tale world. Should they stay forever, or find a way to escape?

Mihi Whan Park loves fairy tales. She wants to be a princess more than anything, but everyone tells her she’s not the princess type. But when she and her new friends, Savannah and Reese, discover a portal to a fairy tale realm inside the fridge in their school library, Mihi finally gets her shot: She and her friends can learn to be princesses! They just have to make it through a very rigorous training program first . . .

But princess training turns out to be more than Mihi bargained for, and the fairy tale world is not the wonderful place she imagined. Soon, Savannah and Reese decide they're ready to go home, and Mihi has to decide where her loyalties lie: With her friends and her future at home, or with her princess dreams?

Author Bio

Tae Keller grew up in Honolulu, Hawaii, where she subsisted on kimchi, purple rice, and stories. Now, she writes about biracial girls trying to find their voices, and lives in Seattle with her husband and a multitude of books. She is the author of The Science of Breakable Things and When You Trap a Tiger, winner of the Newbery Medal.

Geraldine Rodriguez is a Mexican illustrator and digital artist, animation enthusiast, and a big fan of great stories. She lives in Mexico.
Before borders were drawn, before treaties were signed, before wars were waged anew, the great kingdoms of the Remnant were even born and the world of old was only a hazy slate of memory told in story and legend, a girl and her family fought to survive. That girl’s name was Morrighan. And when she meets a boy from an enemy camp—the pair will set history in motion. Discover the origin story of the Remnant universe, spun by the New York Times-bestselling master storyteller Mary E. Pearson, in this stunning collector’s edition of the prequel novella to the Remnant Chronicles and the Dance of Thieves duology, featuring new bonus content, swoon-worthy romance, and magic that stirs the heart.

Author Bio

Mary E. Pearson is the author of The New York Times-bestselling Remnant Chronicles and other bestselling, award-winning novels for teens. The Miles Between was named a Kirkus Best Book of the Year. The Adoration of Jenna Fox was listed as a Bank Street Best Children's Book of the Year, an IRA Young Adult Choice, NYPL Stuff for the Teen Age, and a School Library Journal Best Book of the Year. She is also the author of A Room on Lorelei Street, David v. God, and Scribbler of Dreams.

Pearson studied art at Long Beach State University, and worked as an artist before earning her teaching credentials at San Diego State University. She writes full-time from her home in Carlsbad, California, where she lives with her husband and two dogs.
One White Crane
by Vickie Lee, illustrated by Joey Chou

One white crane, two black bears . . .

Simply told and beautifully rendered, this counting board book takes young readers through the months of the year. Each month focuses on a new animal, from seals in May to cicadas in September. Sweet, accessible text in English and Chinese pairs with eye-catching art for a wonderful repeat reading experience.

Author Bio

Vickie Lee is an acupuncturist and a Chinese medicine practitioner. Vickie graduated from Columbia University with a dual degree in East Asian studies and English literature. She is the author of Ruby’s Chinese New Year and 12 Lucky Animals. 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. He has illustrated such books as Group Hug, When the Snow Is Deeper Than My Boots Are Tall, Ruby’s Chinese New Year, Monster & Son, and Disney Parks Presents: It’s A Small World.
Randy, the Badly Drawn Reindeer!
by T. L. McBeth, illustrated by T. L. McBeth

The third book in the Randy, the Badly Drawn Horse series, in which Randy celebrates Christmas and finds out what all the reindeer fuss is about.

It's Christmas, and Randy is decked out in his holiday best. He can't wait to see the pretty lights on all the trees and eat a candy cane or two . . . but the most exciting part of Christmas has to be Santa and his reindeer.

Can a beautiful horse be a reindeer? It'll take snow, carrots, and maybe even a flying leap to see if Randy is cut out for these reindeer games!

Author Bio

T. L. McBeth is an author and illustrator living in Indiana. He is the creator of the Randy, the Badly Drawn Horse series and Robot in Love, and the illustrator of Stegothesaurus, Triceratopposite, Ogilvy, and Ducks! T. L. McBeth is an author and illustrator living in Indiana. He is the creator of the Randy, the Badly Drawn Horse series and Robot in Love, and the illustrator of Stegothesaurus, Triceratopposite, Ogilvy, and Ducks!

Notes

Promotion

Outreach to Key Reviewers, Media, and School and Library Contacts
Digital ARE sent to Select Bloggers and Digital Influencers
Included in MacKids Social Media Promotions
Featured at Select School, Library, and Bookseller Conferences and Conventions
Digital ARE Available on Edelweiss
Santa Jaws
by Bridget Heos, illustrated by Galia Bernstein

While kids write notes to Santa Claus, Sharks line up for Santa Jaws. / They tell him all their Christmas wishes. / Santa thinks they sound delicious!

With bouncy, delightful rhymes, Bridget Heos' Santa Jaws celebrates Christmas under the sea. Every year, Santa Jaws delivers presents to his fellow sharks, spreading cheer wherever he goes. Elfin sharks make toys, horn sharks trim the Christmas kelp, and cookiecutter sharks make sure Santa doesn't go hungry. Get ready for a ride on Santa's sled (pulled, of course, by hammerheads) in this joyful holiday tale!

An inviting, informational, and celebratory book for shark fans." - Publishers Weekly

Author Bio

Bridget Heos is the prolific author of Stegothesaurus; Mustache Baby; Mustache Baby Meets His Match; I, Fly; and more than one hundred other children's books. She lives in Kansas. Galia Bernstein is an illustrator and author who also works in textile design and ceramics. She is the creator of I Am a Cat and Leyla, and lives in Brooklyn, NY.
The Christmas Princess
by Mariah Carey and Michaela Angela Davis, illustrated by Fuuji Takashi

Inspired by Mariah Carey's childhood, The Christmas Princess is an unforgettable holiday story, told by the Queen of Christmas herself with Michaela Angela Davis and featuring beautiful illustrations by Fuuji Takashi.

The Queen of Christmas introduces . . . Little Mariah!

There was one time unlike any other, when everyone pitched in and helped one another . . .

CHRISTMAS TIME!

Mariah Carey, lovingly and aptly known as the Queen of Christmas, has brought forth a unique, heartwarming, and modern fairy tale with The Christmas Princess, starring Little Mariah! Like her historic, globally adored song All I Want for Christmas Is You,* this story is an instant and inclusive family holiday classic. While firmly placed in the tradition of Christmas storytelling, The Christmas Princess is infused with her one-of-a-kind festive Mariah magic and musicality.

Little Mariah doesn't have much and doesn't want a lot, but there is just one thing she longs for: a peaceful and joyous holiday season. Feeling outcast and alone, Little Mariah sets off on a wintry, wondrous journey, ultimately discovering the healing power of her voice to spread the spirit of Christmas at home and all around the world.

Author Bio

Mariah Carey is an American artist of Black and Irish ancestry.

She is an award-winning singer, songwriter, producer, actress, entrepreneur, and philanthropist. She has recorded fifteen studio albums and holds numerous industry records, including the most number one singles of any solo artist in history.

She has received many accolades, honors, and distinctions throughout her career, including the Congressional Award for her charitable work with youth through the Fresh Air Fund's Camp Mariah. She is an inductee into the Songwriters Hall of Fame. Carey remains forever thankful and fiercely loyal to her global family of fans.

Ms. Carey is the mother of two children, Moroccan and Monroe.
The Little Fire Truck
by Margery Cuyler, illustrated by Bob Kolar

Join firefighter Jill and her fearless little fire truck as they zip all over town to put out smoky fires and rescue those in need, with the help of the fire crew in this board book companion to The Little Dump Truck and The Little School Bus. There’s lots of challenging work to do, but this trusty team is always ready to rescue!

Author Bio

Margery Cuyler is the author of many books for children, including The Little Dump Truck, The Little School Bus, The Little Fire Truck, and That’s Good! That’s Bad! The idea for That’s Good! That’s Bad! was inspired by a conversation with her young son, Thomas, who asked, Can’t bad things change into good things?” The vehicle series was inspired by both her young sons who never tired of playing with cars, trucks, and trains. Margery Cuyler’s children have since grown up, so these days much of her inspiration comes from the children she meets on school visits. She and her husband recently moved to Lawrenceville, N.J. Bob Kolar has written and illustrated several picture books, including AlphaOops, Racer Dogs, and Hello, Fire Truck. He lives in Lee’s Summit, Missouri, with his family.
The Shadows of Rookhaven
by Padraig Kenny, illustrated by Annie Carbonneau-Leclerc

The exquisitely written sequel to The Monsters of Rookhaven, following the half-human and half-monster Mirabelle on a mission to protect the only home she’s ever known from a sinister new threat bent on eradicating her family, perfect for fans of Christian McKay Heidicker, Robert Beatty, and Victoria Schwab. Shadows are gathering over Rookhaven Village, and no human—or monster—is safe . . . In the wake of the shocking revelation that Mirabelle is part human and part monster, our heroine feels like an outsider, both at home and in the greater human world. She isn't quite like the rest of the monsters who raised her at Rookhaven Manor, but she also doesn't recognize herself in humanity, especially after witnessing the terrifying damage left by The Blitz. But as the Great Configuration, a once in a hundred years event, descends upon Rookhaven Village, there's barely enough time to think of herself. Humans and monsters are gathering from all over the country to take part in the festivities. Though, amid the guests is an insidious interloper: A young boy named Billy, who is desperate to protect his own, is working for someone who wants to destroy Mirabelle's family. When Billy steals something precious to Mirabelle, there's more than just her family at stake. Billy is being used for an experiment that could incite a disaster that will affect humans and monsters alike. With the fate of the world on her shoulders, Mirabelle must risk everything and everyone to save the people she loves most. A stunning gothic fantasy with a beating heart, The Shadows of Rookhaven concludes Pádraig Kenny’s duology with a masterful ending that reveals the crucial truth that family is much more than just a place—it’s the people you love and the home you find within yourself.

Author Bio
Padraig Kenny is an Irish writer who hails from Newbridge in County Kildare. His debut novel Tin was Waterstones Children’s Book of the Month. It has been nominated for the CILIP Carnegie Medal and several other awards. His second novel Pog was an Independent Bookseller's Book of the Month.
The Very Merry Poop Christmas
by Samantha Berger, illustrated by Manuel Galan

It's December, and you know what that means: Christmas is nigh! But this year, the North Pole is in for a surprise. Never in the history of this most joyous of holidays has poop been so popular . . . and children from all over have poop-ified their wish lists. When news reaches Santa Claus, the venerable saint of the season, he declares Christmas has officially gone down the toilet! Luckily, Mrs. Claus and the rest of the North Pole haven't lost their humor. And with a bit of convincing—and a strategically placed whoopie cushion—they believe Santa can be convinced that Christmas is not only a time for peace, joy, and love, but also for laughter. A Very Merry Poop Christmas is the pitch-perfect potty-humor-filled followup to the successful The Great Big Poop Party, just in time for the holidays!

Author Bio

Samantha Berger is the award-winning author of Crankenstein, What If . . ., The Great Big Poop Party, The Sharey Godmother, and over eighty books for young readers. She also writes cartoons and does voice-overs. Sam splits her time between New York City and sunny California. Manny Galan is an illustrator, an animator, and a comic book artist. He lives in Montclair, New Jersey, and The Great Big Poop Party is his debut picture book.
True Rescue 6: Rescue of the Bounty (Young Readers Edition)
by Michael J. Tougias and Douglas Campbell

Book six in the True Rescue series for young readers, this pulse-pounding account of disaster and survival at sea follows the *HMS Bounty* whose fateful course through Superstorm Sandy would lead to one of the most heroic Coast Guard rescue missions ever.

On October 23, 2012, with Superstorm Sandy fast approaching, Captain Robin Walbridge made the fateful decision to sail the *HMS Bounty* from New London, Connecticut to St. Petersburg, Florida, believing the wooden ship, a replica of the original, famous Bounty, would fare better at sea than at port. He told the crew that anyone who did not want to come on the voyage could leave the ship and there would be no hard feelings. No one took the captain up on his offer, and this decision would have fatal consequences.

Four days into the voyage, Superstorm Sandy made an almost direct hit on the *Bounty* - sending the crew tumbling into the ocean filled with crashing thirty-foot waves. Some were swept far from the ship, others found themselves tangled in the rigging, while others were trapped below the surface by the masts and spreaders. What ensued was one of the most complex, dangerous, and massive Coast Guard rescue missions in history. *Rescue of the Bounty* from authors Michael J. Tougias and Douglas Campbell is a gripping, inspiring, and unforgettable account - the perfect choice for young adventure-seekers, as well as fans of *I Survived*, *Torpedoed*, and *Grenade*.

**Author Bio**

**Michael J. Tougias** is the author of many award-winning true rescue stories, including the *New York Times* bestseller *The Finest Hours*, *A Storm Too Soon*, *Into the Blizzard*, and *Attacked at Sea*. He also published a memoir, *The Waters Between Us: A Boy, A Father, Outdoor Misadventures and the Healing Power of Nature*. A frequent lecturer on his work, Tougias splits his time between Massachusetts and Florida. **Douglas Campbell** is the author of non-fiction books for adults, including *The Sea’s Bitter Harvest* and *Eight Survived*. He has spent his career in journalism. For 25 years, he was a staff writer at the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, where two of his stories were nominated for the Pulitzer Prize. Later he won numerous awards as a Senior Writer at *Soundings Magazine*, covering all aspects of recreational boating. Doug began sailing on the Delaware River in 1979 and still keeps a small boat moored there. He and his wife Monica also sail a 32-foot blue water boat, Robin, with which they’ve competed in the bi-annual Bermuda 1-2 Race. Doug has placed third out of 39 boats on corrected time sailing the singlehanded leg of the race from Newport, Rhode Island to Bermuda.
Unbreakable: The Spies Who Cracked the Nazis’ Secret Code
by Rebecca E. F. Barone

The edge-of-your seat true story of the codebreakers, spies, and navy men who cracked the Nazis’ infamous Enigma encryption machine and turned the tide of World War II - perfect for fans of The Imitation Game.

As the Germans waged a brutal war across Europe, details of every Nazi plan, every attack, every troop movement were sent over radio. But to the Allied troops listening in - and they were always listening - the crucial messages sounded like gibberish. The communications were encoded with a powerful cipher, making all information utterly inaccessible . . . unless you could unlock the key to the secret code behind the German’s powerful Enigma machine.

Complete with more than sixty historical photos, Unbreakable tells the true story of one of the most dangerous war-time codebreaking efforts ever. While Hitler marched his troops across newly conquered lands and deadly wolfpacks* of German U-Boats prowled the open seas, a team of codebreakers, spies, and navy men raced against the clock to uncover the secrets that hid German messages in plain sight. Victory - or defeat - in World War II would hinge on their desperate attempts to crack the code.

Unbreakable is a groundbreaking work of narrative nonfiction from the author of Race to the Bottom of the Earth (recipient of four starred reviews) - perfect for fans of Bomb, The Boys Who Challenged Hitler, and The Nazi Hunters.

Praise for Unbreakable
" Unbreakable is the taut, suspenseful story of the World War II codebreakers who intercepted enemy messages. Here is a war that few people know, a race among brains with freedom at stake, brought (...)"

Author Bio
Rebecca E. F. Barone holds a Bachelor of Arts in English and a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from Bucknell University along with multiple graduate degrees in mechanical engineering. Her technical projects include injury analysis for the National Football League, and her short-form STEM writing has been published in the award-winning Muse magazine. She is passionate about serving and mentoring underrepresented populations in STEM and has continued to mentor in the kidlit arena with her participation in the #kidsneedmentors program. She is also the author of Race to the Bottom of the Earth: Surviving Antarctica (which received four starred reviews)
Amazing Machines: Big Bulldozers
by Tony Mitton, illustrated by Ant Parker

Amazing Machines: Big Bulldozers follows the animal team as they become bulldozer operators and help out on a building site. Each page is filled with details that machine-mad kids will love.

From airplanes to fire engines, the internationally bestselling Amazing Machines series is the perfect way for children to learn about all sorts of vehicles! Each book introduces a new vehicle and the many jobs it can do. Bright, engaging artwork and simple, rhyming text combine to make these fantastic books for young children. Kids will love getting to know the friendly, animal characters who feature throughout the series and reading about their fast-paced adventures!

Author Bio

TONY MITTON was born in Tripoli, North Africa, and grew up in Africa, Germany, Hong Kong, and England. He divides his time between teaching and writing children's books. He lives in Cambridge, England. Ant Parker studied drawing and printing at the Bath Academy of Art in England and has taught papermaking, printing and bookbinding workshops for children. Toddlers and parents around the globe have discovered the irresistible appeal of his wacky cartoon characters in Flashing Fire Engines, Terrific Trains, Dazzling Diggers, and Roaring Rockets. Other titles include Charlie the Chicken and Desmond the Dog.
Amazing Machines: Snow Machines
by Tony Mitton

Amazing Machines: Snow Machines follows the animal team as they wrap up warm and explore things that go in the snow! Each page is filled with details that machine-mad kids will love including zambonis, ice trucks, snow-making machines, snowgliders, and much more.

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

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An Arctic Story
by Jane Burnard

This beautiful book brings together facts about the Arctic, an evocative narrative, and breathtaking illustrations.

The story begins at the outer edge of the Arctic Circle, where the extraordinary wood frog is beginning to freeze, and then works its way inwards to the North Pole—through the tundra and into the sea and ice at the very center. Then the scenes work their way back outwards. As the book progresses, winter progresses. By the end we are back to the taiga, back to spring after the long winter, and back to the wood frog, who is now defrosting in anticipation of warmer weather.

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

Notes

Promotion
Inclusion in holiday gift guide round-ups, Feature in new titles e-newsletter to parents, librarians, and educators, Contests with educational and mommy blogs, Trade and educational press coverage.
Basher Mini: Chess
It's Got All the Best Moves!
by Simon Basher

What takes 2 people, 32 pieces, and 64 squares? It's chess, mate! How's that for an opening gambit? This game of strategy has been around for thousands of years and it gives your brain a real workout. But you don't have to be a brainiac to have fun playing chess, as Basher brings you his unique guide to the game that has experienced a huge surge in popularity in the last two years. Game on!

First, get the basics with clear explanations of the pieces and how they move. Then move on to read about rules, strategy, and famous games. You can also meet the world's chess greats, from the youngest-ever grand master, Abimanyu Mishra, to current stars Magnus Carlsen and Judit Polgar.

Author Bio

Artist and designer Simon Basher has fun playing in the world of contemporary character design. Inspired by a love of simple line work and a rich color palette, his characters fill the gap between edgy manga and the cuteness of Hello Kitty. He lives in England.
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Everyday STEM Engineering - Civil Engineering
by Jenny Jacoby

Discover how engineering is part of our daily lives with Everyday STEM Engineering - Civil Engineering.

Engineering is all around us, from the roads on which we travel to buildings and structures. It's even in space! Discover how civil and mechanical engineering helps us interact with society, witness how engineering is helping save the environment and meet the engineers whose designs continue to make our lives easier. A try this at home" section shows how readers how to create a building made out of spaghetti, plus much more.

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

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

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Everyday STEM Math--Amazing Math
Editors of Kingfisher

Discover how maths is part of our daily lives with Everyday STEM Math--Amazing Math.

Mathematics is not just working out sums and equations for school - it's all around us and used in everyday situations. From photography and cooking to ballet and flower - maths is the building blocks of everything! Discover how watching rabbits and bees developed into a famous sequence, witness the ancient Egyptians apply maths to pyramid building and meet the mathematicians who brought numbers and symbols to life. A try this at home section shows how readers how maths help you to read minds and how a sequence can turn you into an artist.

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Author Bio

Kingfisher is an award-winning publisher of non-fiction and fiction for children of all ages. Known around the world for its informative and engaging reference and early learning books, Kingfisher also receives widespread acclaim for its classic anthologies for five- to fourteen-year-olds and original picture books for very young children.
First Animal Picture Atlas
by Deborah Chancellor and Anthony Lewis

Beautifully illustrated by Anthony Lewis, First Animal Picture Atlas explains where animals come from and how they live in their habitats.

Travel around the globe and identify animals in an absorbing look-and-find game. Large, colorful maps show the world’s continents and introduce children to important map concepts such as grids, scales, and keys. Superb full-page illustrations take readers deeper into the different habitats to provide an early introduction to the basics of ecosystems. This atlas will delight young children and is the perfect reference book for both home and school.

Author Bio

Deborah Chancellor trained as an elementary school teacher before becoming an editor of children’s books. She has written more than thirty books for children, including Maps and Mapping and Planet Earth in the Kingfisher Young Knowledge series. Two-time Pulitzer-Prize-winning journalist Anthony Lewis is the author of Make No Law and the bestseller Gideon’s Trumpet. Among the highlights of his nearly five decades of writing and reporting for the New York Times, he served as the Times’s London bureau chief for eight years and contributes the twice-weekly Abroad at Home column to the paper’s op-ed page.
First Dinosaur Picture Atlas
by David Burnie, illustrated by Anthony Lewis

Beautifully illustrated by children’s artist Anthony Lewis, with lively age-appropriate text by zoologist and environmentalist David Burnie, the First Dinosaur Picture Atlas explains where dinosaurs came from and how they lived in different habitats across the world.

Travel around the globe and identify different species of dinosaur in this absorbing look-and-find book. In addition to the colorful maps showing the world’s continents, superb full-page illustrations take readers deeper into the different habitats of the prehistoric world to show how and where dinosaurs and other prehistoric creatures lived. This look-and-find atlas will delight young children and is the perfect first dinosaur reference book for both home and school.

Author Bio

David Burnie is an accomplished zoologist who was a nature reserve ranger before becoming a natural history author and editor. A prolific writer of many books, including several on dinosaurs, he has seen many of his titles win educational awards and science prizes. His titles for Kingfisher include Kingfisher Knowledge: Endangered Planet and The Kingfisher Illustrated Dinosaur Encyclopedia, which was nominated for the Aventis Prize for Science Books in 2002. Two-time Pulitzer-Prize-winning journalist Anthony Lewis is the author of Make No Law and the bestseller Gideon’s Trumpet. Among the highlights of his nearly five decades of writing and reporting for the New York Times, he served as the Times’s London bureau chief for eight years and contributes the twice-weekly Abroad at Home* column to the paper’s op-ed page.
First Picture Atlas
by Deborah Chancellor, illustrated by Anthony Lewis

Take an exciting journey around the world and explore every country on Earth. Beautifully illustrated by award-winning Anthony Lewis, the colorful maps, plus lively and informative text make this an essential atlas for younger readers.

Jet off to South America and discover the Amazon rainforest, journey to Scandinavia and visit a mermaid, then wrap up warm as you head south to Antarctica - the coldest place on Earth. Pictograms show where to find animals and places of interest: can you find the sunbathing walrus in Alaska? And the Tasmanian devil in Australia?

This atlas is the perfect first geography reference book for both home and school.

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The Backyard Box
by Judy Allen

The perennially popular Backyard Books wildlife series is now available in a charming, gift-edition box set. With 8 mini paperback editions inside, this collection is the perfect gift for any preschooler who loves creepy crawlies and wants to get an insect's-eye view of life in a busy backyard. Each book in the set introduces children to an insect that they can safely find in their own backyard, comparing its daily activities and life cycle to that of the reader. Beautiful picture-book style illustrations complement the engaging story text by the award-winning Judy Allen, which is ideal for reading aloud or as a first reader.

Titles in the boxset:
Are you an Ant?
Are you a Bee?
Are you a Butterfly?
Are you a Dragonfly?
Are you a Grasshopper?
Are you a Ladybug?
Are you a Snail?
Are you a Spider?

Author Bio

Judy Allen is an award-winning author whose novel Awaiting Developments was short-listed for the Whitbread Children's Novel Award.

Judy Allen, along with illustrator Tudor Humphries, created Kingfisher's award-winning Backyard Books series and many other successful books, including the Reading Rainbow selections Tiger and Seal.
The Iliad
illustrated by Victor G. Ambrus

A dramatic retelling of Homer's classic tale The Iliad.

When Helen is kidnapped by Paris, a Trojan prince, the Greek army lays siege to Troy. The Iliad tells of the nine-year war for revenge, thrillingly recounting the fierce battles between both armies' greatest warriors. This dramatic retelling of Homer's epic story retains all the excitement of the original.

Nick McCarty's fast-paced, lyrical retelling is perfectly pitched for grades 4 and above, while the evocative black-and-white artworks by legendary historical illustrator Victor Ambrus bring the dramatic tale to thrilling life.

Author Bio


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Promotion
The Kingfisher Soccer Encyclopedia
by Clive Gifford

The Kingfisher Soccer Encyclopedia has a brand-new look to tie in with the 2022 FIFA World Cup Qatar, which promises to be the biggest soccer tournament in history. What’s more, it includes a pullout results wallchart to fill in as the World Cup progresses.

With a fresh, contemporary design and all-new photographs throughout, the book now features expanded material on women’s soccer, one of the world’s fastest-growing sports. It’s packed with pictures and profiles of the world’s most skilful soccer players - old and new - from Megan Rapinoe to Lionel Messi, Pele to Cristiano Ronaldo, and Kylian Mbappe to Alex Morgan. Over 40 of the best sides to have lit up the game are covered in detail, including the U.S’s women’s and men’s teams, Brazil, Manchester City, and Real Madrid. Soccer fans will get the key information about the top tournaments and leagues around the world, including the National Women’s Soccer League, MLS, the Tokyo Olympics and EURO 2020.

All the drama of the beautiful game* is fully analyzed with dynamic full-spread photos and digital artworks that recreate famous moves and goals. Includes in-depth coverage of every aspect of soccer, including rules and skills; fans and the media; managers and tactics. Packed with the latest statistics and fully updated for this new edition, this is a superbly detailed reference book for all the family.

Author Bio

Clive Gifford is an award-winning author of more than fifty books on the subjects of sports and soccer. His previous titles for Kingfisher include The Kingfisher Soccer Encyclopedia, Soccer Skills, Summer Olympics, and Soccer.

Notes

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The Odyssey
by Robin Lister

A dramatic retelling of Homer's classic tale The Odyssey.

The Trojan War is over, and the battle-weary soldier Odysseus sets out for home. On his way Odysseus faces many dangers sent by the gods to test him. Will he outwit the one-eyed giant Cyclops, the cunning enchantress Circe, and the terrifying monsters Scylla and Charybdis? This dramatic retelling of Homer's epic story retains all the excitement of the original.

Robin Lister's fast-paced, lyrical retelling is perfectly pitched for grades 4 and above, while the evocative black-and-white artworks by best-selling illustrator Alan Baker bring the dramatic tale to thrilling life.

Author Bio

Robin Lister contributed to The Story of King Arthur from Kingfisher. Robin Lister contributed to The Odyssey from Kingfisher.
Wings
by Tracey Turner, illustrated by Fatti Burke

Wings takes readers on a fact-packed flight over a fascinating subject.

Written by Tracey Turner, it offers a bird's-eye view of the first airplanes, the fastest jet planes, beetles, birds, winged horses, flying dragons - even winged unicorns. There's fun, easy-to-read information on wings of all kinds, including plenty of STEM material, presented in a mixture of text and speech bubbles that's perfect for readers aged 7 plus.

With Fatti Burke's stylish and colorful illustrations, Wings is a wonderful journey of discovery
I'm the Girl
by Courtney Summers

This is Courtney Summers doing what she does better than anybody - revealing truths beneath the surface of what we think we know. *I'm the Girl* captures the glittering allure of beauty as power and the insatiable need of the powerful to possess beautiful things." - Angeline Boulley, #1 *New York Times* bestselling and Printz Award-winning author of *Firekeeper's Daughter*

"Scorchingly smart and on point, Courtney Summers' latest novel advances her even more fearlessly into the conversation about female autonomy, sexuality, and the damage wrought when young women try to win in a system rigged against them. Taut, unfiltered and unapologetically emotional, *I'm the Girl* digs in its nails and doesn't let go." - Paula McLain, author of *When the Stars Go Dark* and *The Paris Wife*

The new groundbreaking queer thriller from *New York Times* bestselling and Edgar-award Winning author Courtney Summers

When sixteen-year-old Georgia Avis discovers the dead body of thirteen-year-old Ashley James, she teams up with Ashley's older sister, Nora, to find and bring the killer to justice before he strikes again. But their investigation throws Georgia into a world of unimaginable privilege and wealth, without conscience or consequence, and as Ashley's killer closes in, Georgia will discover when money, power and beauty rule, it might not be a matter of who is guilty - but who is guiltiest.

A spiritual successor to the breakout hit *Sadie*, *I'm the Girl* is a masterfully written, bold, and unflinching account of how one young woman feels in her body as she struggles to navigate a deadly and predatory power structure while (...)

**Author Bio**

Courtney Summers is the bestselling and critically acclaimed author of several novels for young adults, including *Cracked Up to Be, All the Rage* and *Sadie*. Her work has been released to multiple starred reviews, received numerous awards and honors - including the Edgar Award, John Spray Mystery Award, Cybils Award and Odyssey Award - and has been recognized by many library, 'Best Of' and Readers' Choice lists. She lives and writes in Canada.
Opening My Eyes Underwater
Essays on Hope, Humanity, and Our Hero Michelle Obama
by Ashley Woodfolk

Inspired by the life and quotations of former first lady Michelle Obama, *Opening My Eyes Underwater* is a collection of essays penned by bestselling author Ashley Woodfolk.

Essays of bullying, heartbreak, racism, and confidence, Ashley taps into her own past and shares those stories that made her who she is today as she seamlessly weaves in parallel experiences that both she and Mrs. Obama have faced in their separate childhoods as well as their adult lives.

Open, searing, and honest, these are stories readers will feel seen with. Readers who are growing and learning as they move forward through life's triumphs and pitfalls will undoubtedly gravitate to and find comfort within its pages.

A Macmillan Audio production from Feiwel & Friends.

Author Bio

Ashley Woodfolk has loved reading and writing for as long as she can remember. She graduated from Rutgers University with a BA English and currently works in children's book publishing. She wrote her first book, *The Beauty That Remains*, from a sunny Brooklyn apartment where she lives with her cute husband and her cuter dog. *When You Were Everything* is her second novel. ashleywoodfolk.com.
The Unofficial Harry Potter Vegan Cookbook
by Imana Grashuis and Tylor Starr, introduction by Evanna Lynch

The Unofficial Harry Potter Vegan Cookbook is a stunning, visual delight that features more than 75 mouth-watering recipes certain to be enjoyed by vegans and non-vegans alike.

Created by Imana Grashuis, kitchen witch, recipe developer and photographer and Tylor Starr, founder of the Protego Foundation and the Chickpeeps podcast, the book is both an amazing recipe collection as well as an encouraging, uplifting invitation to the vegan lifestyle.

From Molly Weasley’s Breakfast Spread to Giant Pumpkin Patch Brownies, the authors imbue every recipe with text and imagery that capture the feel of the Wizarding World, with a bit of storytelling thrown in for good measure.

The book’s foreword is written by Harry Potter actor/icon Evanna Lynch, best-known for her role as Luna Lovegood.

Author Bio

IMANA GRASHUIS is the founder and soul behind magicalfooddepartment.com. A Dutch practicing Kitchen Witch obsessed with the wizarding world, Imana is a full-time food photographer, stylist and recipe developer. Emotions and scents have stuck in her memory from childhood and made her the Kitchen Witch she is today. Her love for her heritage and passion for witchcraft came together as one and forged a path where she creates dishes she wishes existed. This process has made for an explosion of work and creativity, a dream that nurtures her purpose to inspire others to try vegan food and heal the world through every recipe in an immersive way. To follow Imana’s work, visit magicalfooddepartment.com or her Instagram: @magicalfooddepartment.

TYLOR STARR is the world’s foremost expert on Animal Rights in the Wizarding World® fan activism, creator and co-founder of the wizarding-inspired animal rights charity The Protego Foundation, co-host of The ChickPeeps vegan podcast and producer of the Radicals & Revolutionaries podcast. Tylor’s full-time work in animal rights began in 2012 when he joined PETA working in youth outreach as a senior strategist to mobilize young people for animal liberation. He currently lives in his hometown of Greeley, Colorado, with his partner, Danielle and their beloved rescue pup, Roxy. To follow Tylor’s work, visit tylorstarr.com.

EVANNA LYNCH is an actress, writer and podcaster. Her professional career began at the age of 14 when she played the role of Luna Lovegood in the Harry Potter film series. A lifelong animal lover, Evanna went vegan in 2013.
African Elephant (Young Zoologist)
by Dr. Festus W. Ihwagi, illustrated by Nic Jones

A beautiful first guide to African elephants, part of an exciting new series of animal books.

Head on safari to the grasslands of Africa to study African elephants in this beautiful nonfiction field guide for kids.

You might know that African elephants are the largest land animals on Earth, but there's so much more to learn about these tusked creatures. Turn the pages to find out why the grandmother is in charge of an elephant family, and why big ears help elephants cool down! Meet a baby elephant as it takes its first steps, and discover how to tell the difference between an African elephant and an Asian elephant. The book also looks at the conservation challenges these iconic animals face due to climate change and ivory poaching.

Also available: Humpback Whale, Giant Panda, Emperor Penguin

Author Bio

Dr. Festus W. Ihwagi is a conservation biologist and elephant expert who works for Save the Elephants in Kenya.

Nic Jones is an illustrator from the North West of England who draws inspiration from the animal world, creating beautiful digital illustrations that evoke the tactile feel of fur and feathers through her use of painterly texture.
Aliens
by Joalda Morancy, illustrated by Amy Grimes

A beautiful nonfiction book showcasing the different ways scientists are trying to find alien life in the universe.

Do aliens exist? Are UFOs real? The race is on to discover alien life in the universe!

This book will sort myth from fact to bring you the real science behind the search for alien lifeforms. Space expert Joalda Morancy will take readers on a tour of the solar system (and beyond), onboard new NASA missions searching for the most likely alien hiding places--from icy moons of Jupiter to the clouds of Venus. Along the way kids will find out about:

* The robots sent to Mars to look for Martians
* What really goes on at Area 51
* Ways to spot an advanced alien civilization (hint--look for dim stars)

They may seem as fanciful as wizards and monsters, but this book will show that scientists not only believe that aliens exist--but that it's only a matter of time before we find them.

Author Bio

Joalda Morancy is an astrophysicist and space communicator who appears on Reach: A Space Podcast for Kids. Joalda loves doing science communication to the general public, especially younger kids. As someone who is Black, queer, transgender, and from a low-income background, Joalda wants to inspire kids and teens who come from similar backgrounds to want to do STEM, specifically space science, and at the same time believe in themselves to do it.

Amy Grimes is a London-based illustrator who takes a lot of inspiration from nature. Amy's work is mainly created digitally, using a variety of hand-painted textures, which are scanned and assembled in Photoshop into digital collages.
Emperor Penguin (Young Zoologist)
by Dr. Michelle LaRue and Neon Squid, illustrated by Pham Quang Phuc

A beautiful first guide to emperor penguins, part of an exciting new series of animal books.

Take to the Antarctic ice to study emperor penguins in this beautiful nonfiction field guide for kids.

You might know that emperor penguins are the largest penguin species, but there's so much more to learn about this flightless bird. Turn the pages to discover what makes them undertake epic journeys every year, and how scientists have spotted their poop from space! Filled with simple science and plenty of animal facts, this book also explains what makes emperor penguins such great ocean swimmers, and how their cute chicks manage to stay warm in freezing Antarctic conditions. It also looks at the conservation challenges these iconic animals face due to climate change and melting sea ice.

Also available: Humpback Whale, Giant Panda, African Elephant

Author Bio

Dr. Michelle LaRue is a penguin professor and science communicator who teaches Antarctic Marine Science at Te Whare Wananga o Waitaha (University of Canterbury) in New Zealand. As well as penguins, Dr. LaRue studies seals and cougars, as well as the substantial conservation challenges they face.

Pham Quang Phuc is an award-winning illustrator from Vietnam. His children’s books include The Book of Mythical Beasts and Magical Creatures (DK)

Promotion

Outreach to Key Reviewers, Media, and School and Library Contacts<br>Galley Sent to Select Bloggers and Digital Influencers<br>Included in MacKids Social Media Promotions<br>Featured at Select School, Library, and Bookseller Conferences and Conventions<br>A Neon Squid Title—Visit NeonSquidBooks.com to Learn More
Horses (A Day in the Life)
by Dr. Carly Anne York and Neon Squid, illustrated by Chaaya Prabhat

A beautifully illustrated nonfiction story following mustangs, zebras, donkeys, and ponies over the course of one day.

Set over a 24-hour period, meet fighting stallions, cute foals, and nosy ponies in this kids’ nonfiction book about the coolest wild horses in the world.

Race across prairies to follow horses as they whinny, neigh, and play their way through their day. Biology professor Carly Anne York tells the story of the wild horses in the style of a nature documentary, including gentle science explanations perfect for future biologists. Witness incredible moments including:

* A brumby searching for a drink in the Australian outback
* Przewalski’s horses exploring an abandoned city
* A zebra foal being born in the African savanna

Beautifully illustrated by Chaaya Prabhat and packed with facts, Horses (A Day in the Life) is a perfect book for horse-mad kids.

Also available: Bugs, Big Cats, Sharks

Author Bio

Carly Anne York is a biology professor, science communicator, and horse lover! She studies animal behavior, runs an animal sanctuary, and owns several horses.

Chaaya Prabhat is a graphic designer, illustrator, and lettering artist. After completing her M.A in Graphic Design from Savannah College of Art and Design, she now works in Chennai, India. She has worked with Snapchat, Facebook, Google, and The Obama Foundation.
Tales of the Prehistoric World
by Kallie Moore, illustrated by Becky Thorns

Exciting tales of amazing dinosaurs and intrepid paleontologists, written by YouTuber Kallie Moore.

Travel back to the land before time to discover real dinosaur stories from the world of paleontology? featuring T. rex, Stegosaurus, and Triceratops.

This is not just a dinosaur encyclopedia, but a collection of amazing tales of intrepid paleontologists making jaw-dropping discoveries. Written by fossil expert and YouTuber Kallie Moore, Tales of the Prehistoric World includes stories of incredible prehistoric beasts including:

* The dinosaurs that fossilized into gemstones
* The shark with a circular saw in its mouth
* The pterosaur the size of an airplane

Along the way you'll discover if you have what it takes to be a paleontologist!

Author Bio

Kallie Moore presents hit dino YouTube show PBS Eons on YouTube. Originally founded by Hank Green, it has almost two million subscribers, and its videos have been watched more than 280 million times. Kallie is also the Collections Manager of the University of Montana Paleontology Center.

Becky Thorns is an illustrator and lettering artist based in Cornwall, UK. Her book The World of Whales was shortlisted in the World Illustration Awards 2021.
365 Days of Play
by Megan Hewes Butler, illustrated by Emily Balsley

It’s time to start your ULTIMATE year of games with 365 Days of Play!

This go-to activity book for kids ages 4-8 includes 265 pages of games, crafts, recipes, experiments, projects, jokes, songs, guides, skills, tricks, hacks, challenges, and everything else in the canon of kid. Follow the step-by-step instructions and illustrations to create a game wherever you are and with whatever you have - swing a pendulum, launch a parachute, shoot a confetti cannon, or throw a boomerang. Tie a square knot or untangle a human knot. Make an egg you can float, bounce, or keep forever.

With an activity for every day of the year, any day is a great day to explore, learn, and create something new!

This hardcover package looks stunning on the shelf, toy chest, and coffee table, but will be well-loved by kids everywhere.

Author Bio

Megan Hewes Butler, who has written several TinkerActive Workbooks, is a writer and producer who has been creating children's curriculum, games, and books for over 15 years. Megan lives, writes, and plays in Park Slope, Brooklyn with her husband and two sons.
Keepsake Crafts for Grandma and Me
by Megan Hewes Butler, illustrated by Francesca De Luca

Make the most of every moment and enjoy special time with your grandkiddo with Keepsake Crafts for Grandma and Me!

Includes 42 crafts to create and share with each other. So get together, pick a craft, gather your materials, and follow the easy step-by-step instructions to make your keepsake! Use the included cardstock sheets and stickers in the back of the book to enhance your special project. Your grandkiddo will enjoy every moment with you as you craft together! Cherish your special creations forever, or give them as gifts to keep spreading the love.

Projects included:
- Favorite Memories Mobile
- Together Forever Jar
- Family Handprint Tree
- Grandma-and-Me Dolls
- and 38 other crafts to make together!

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Juvenile Nonfiction / Crafts & Hobbies • Ages 3-6 years

Notes
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Show-How Guides: Gingerbread Houses
by Renee Kurilla, illustrated by Keith Zoo

Show-How Guides: Gingerbread Houses is a primer for curious minds with a clear, fun graphic style that invites any kid to get started designing their gingerbread houses.

This pocket-sized 101 includes a curated collection of 8 essential designs and recipes. Every step is illustrated, allowing kids to easily master the basics, regardless of how they learn.

Readers will learn to create, bake, and decorate gingerbread houses in both classic and unique styles.

Show-How Guides is a collectible, visual, step-by-step series that teaches the skills every kid should know, at a shockingly affordable price. They’re the perfect stocking stuffer, birthday gift, or impulse buy.

Author Bio

Renee Kurilla has illustrated many books for children, including Margarita Engle’s Orangutanka; the Ada Lace chapter books; and her own graphic novel, The Flower Garden. She, her husband, and their fluffy cat, Timmy, can be found in Boston, Massachusetts, approximately 9,410 miles from the Borneo rain forest. Keith Zoo is an illustrator living near Boston, MA. For the past decade, he’s been the Lead Artist at FableVision Studios, working on a full range of things, from character design to animation layout, interactivity, and design. When he’s not there, he loves spending his time drawing monsters, goblins, and other silly things. To check out more of Keith’s work, head on over to his website.

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2/c line art
9781250793072 • $8.99 • pb
Juvenile Nonfiction / Activity Books • Ages 6-11 years
Series: Show-How Guides

Notes

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Show-How Guides: Pop-Up Cards
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This pocket-sized 101 includes a curated collection of 12 essential designs. Every step is illustrated, allowing kids to easily master the basics, regardless of how they learn.

Readers will learn to design, fold, and decorate pop-up cards in both classic and unique styles.

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Sticker Countdown: Christmas
by Odd Dot, illustrated by Teo Skaffa

Countdown the days to the jolliest day of the year with Sticker Countdown Christmas

Each day leading up to December 25th, open a different window and pop out a secret, cheery sticker to place inside the tri-fold Santa's workshop. Then explore every charming room - the vibrant toy factory, the cozy hearth, the grand tree entryway, and more! Stand it up to make it the BEST sticker advent calendar you've ever seen.

Designed to fit on a mantel, table, or bookshelf, this Christmas book also becomes holiday decor!

Author Bio

Odd Dot is an imprint of Macmillan Children's Publishing Group dedicated to creating joyful books for curious minds. Our mission is to develop interactive and substantive gift books that explore categories and formats never seen before. We are a proudly odd mix of makers, creators, and engineers, guided by the priorities of innovation, education, and play. Teo Skaffa has lived in many places but is currently in Istanbul. He grew up in a small town you've probably never heard of in the Netherlands.

Besides making art he likes video games, the color pink and weird electronic music. He does NOT like room-temperature watermelon.

He uses simple shapes filled with texture and detail to tell a story. He is grateful that he's able to make a living by drawing, especially since he's not particularly good at anything else.
Brina the Cat #3
by Giorgio Salati

Brina the Cat is an average city cat who enjoys the finer things in life—such as cuddling with her owners Margaret and Samuel, taking cat naps, getting fed the finest kibble, and exploring with her parrot friend, Oliver. Brina has even taken a new cat on the block, Zola, under her wing. But all that changes when Brina is catnapped and prepped to be sold in another city. Can Oliver and Zola save their friend? The latest thrilling installment of this best-selling series.

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On Sale: Oct 4/22
6.5 x 9 • 152 pages
9781545809686 • $19.99 • pb
Juvenile Fiction / Comics & Graphic Novels/Animal •
Ages 7-12 years
Series: Brina

Notes

Promotion
Strong push on social media. Promotion on Papercutz newsletter, GoodReads, and NetGalley. Targeted advertising campaigns on Facebook and IG.
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Casagrandes 3 in 1 #1
by The Loud House Creative Team

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Author Bio

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Notes

Promotion
Review copies on NetGalley, GoodReads and Edelweiss+, Extensive on-going social media push including support from the massive Nick platforms, Cross promotion with other NICKELODEON licensees
Chloe 3-in-1 #1
by Greg Tessier

The digital best-sellers return in a print collection! Tween Chloe Blin is growing up fast. Now at a new middle school, Chloe is retiring her childhood nickname (Misty), trying to fit in with the popular girls, and also getting some attention from boys. She is met with second-hand embarrassment from her family, being the victim of cruel pranks, and growing pressure of classes, teachers, and the general student body. Not to mention the complications of trying to build a relationship with the boy she likes. Witness as Chloe tries to figure it all out, with the help of her friends, and even some wise lessons from her family (even if they still call her Misty some times, so embarrassing!). Chloe is the strong tween girl protagonist everyone longs to get to know! Featuring six complete spice-of-life coming of age DRAMATIC adventures!

Notes

Promotion
Trade advertising in PW and School Library Journal.,
Continued targeted social media push.
Geronimo Stilton is so busy as the editor-in-chief of The Rodent's Gazette, competing for scoops with rival Sally Ratmousen and her Daily Rat newspaper, and always being dragged into unexpected zany adventures, that he has neglected a bit of his housework. His nephew Benjamin suggests that Geronimo hire some help to clean up around his home. Enter: Professor Cheesewheel and his plan to fully automate Geronimo's house with all the bells, whistles, and technology that money can buy. But will the technology become too much to handle? Geronimo may have to pick up the pace, and even a broom, to clean up this mess! Based on the hit animated series!
Geronimo Stilton Reporter 3 in 1 #1
by Geronimo Stilton

Geronimo Stilton would be more than happy to spend his days behind his desk working, reading, or playing a relaxing game of chess with his family. But, adventure always seems to come knocking on his door and Stilton is launched paw-first into capers in the underbelly of New Mouse City or in exotic locals around the world. Never one to miss out on an opportunity for a scoop for his newspaper, The Rodents' Gazette, Geronimo Stilton is the mouse for the job! These three Geronimo Stilton Adventures "Operation Shufongfong," "It's My Scoop," and "Stop Acting Around" bring Geronimo, Trap, Benjamin, and Thea Stilton to the far off jungle to interview an elusive prince, all over New Mouse City to stop a troublemaker who looks suspiciously like Geronimo, and finally to a film set to get his big break or his big scoop! Based on the hit animated series!

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Juvenile Fiction / Comics & Graphic Novels /
Humorous • Ages 7-12 years
Series: Geronimo Stilton Reporter Graphic Novels

Notes

Promotion
Targeted digital ad campaign, Aggressive social media promo on all Papercutz channels, Promotion on GoodReads/NetGalley, Cross-promotions with new merchandise
Loud House 3 in 1 Boxed Set
by The Loud House Creative Team

A new boxed set full of great LOUD HOUSE adventures!

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Notes

Promotion
Promote on Nickelodeon's Loud House Social Media, Extensive on-going social media push including support from the massive Nick platforms, Cross promotion with other NICKELODEON licensees
Modern-day kids Annie and Nico go on a magical history tour to understand one of society’s lowest points: Slavery. The right of ownership over individuals found in all major societies, exploiting masses of people and contributing to the wealth and power of privileged civilizations. From the oriental slave trade to transatlantic slave trade that pillaged Africa of its peoples and riches, Annie and Nico explain this tragic phenomenon with compassion, clarity, and the keys to how we can reconcile with history’s tragic past in this important pocket-sized book, perfect for classrooms and libraries.
Queen’s Favorite Witch #2
by Benjamin Dickson

The colorful trinkets, flat backgrounds, and lax line-work provide a fun, simple atmosphere for Daisy to explore, and while the introduction provides historical context, even readers uninterested in Elizabethan England will enjoy following this young, likable witch on her daring adventure

-Booklist
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-Professor Ronald E Hutton
Professor of History, Department of History (Historical Studies)
Early Modern Studies

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6 x 9 • 112 pages
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Juvenile Fiction / Comics & Graphic Novels / Fantasy • Ages 7-12 years

Notes

Promotion
Newsletter star promotion to thousands of librarians, booksellers and reviewers, Netgalley and Good Reads pushes, Heavy preview promo and reveals through IG, FB and Twitter
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by Lewis Trondheim

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Smurfs 3-in-1 #7
by Peyo

Collecting timeless smurfastic comic classics by Peyo that inspired hit movies and animated series. First, witness Jokey Smurf's turn to a life of crime when he becomes "The Jewel Smurfer," then three apples a day invites "Doctor Smurf" to stay as the latest medical craze sweeps into the Smurf Village. Finally, take a vine ride on the wild side as "The Wild Smurf" is discovered! Is he friend or foe? These true blue stories are sure to be a must for any fan of the Smurfs. A perfect tie-into the all-new Smurfs animated series on Nickelodeon.
The Casagrandes #4
by The Loud House Creative Team

The Casagrandes return for another collection of great stories!

Author Bio

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Tie-In • Ages 7-12 years
Series: Loud House

Notes

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Tie-In • Ages 7-12 years
Series: Loud House

Notes

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The Loud House #17
by The Loud House Creative Team

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Juvenile Fiction / Comics & Graphic Novels / Media
Tie-In • Ages 7-12 years
Series: Loud House

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Younger sister Maureen has found the perfect replacement for when her sister Wendy is off hanging with her friends or having yucky smoochie time with her boyfriend Mason—another stuffed animal, of course. But as Maureen isn't always too careful with her things, or her sister's things, will this stuffed sister plan become spoiled before it even begins? Plus: more sibling rivalry, more pranks, more bonding time with the sisters who depending on the time of day may love each other or want to kill each other!
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The digital best-sellers returns now in a collected print format! Meet Wendy and Maureen, two sisters jam-packed with personality. But while they may love each other with all their hearts, it's not always easy for the two of them to be together. While Maureen may want to hang out with her older sister, nothing could be more embarrassing for Wendy. See how despite all odds, they still manage to get through each day without killing each other—well, at least so far! Featuring over 250 pages of gags, jokes, and sibling rivalry that is perfect for anyone who has ever had, or wanted, a sibling.
Join Papa Smurf, Smurfette, and rest of the lovable blue smurfs for classic, three-apple tall adventures, translated into English for the first time. Life in the Smurfs Village is not unlike what seems to be going on in the real world lately. There’s trouble breaking out all over the village! Papa Smurf is tired of always being the sole peacekeeper. He decides to create a Smurf Code and install some smurfs to regulate this “Smurf and Order,” but, will this power go to their heads? Also featuring the Smurfs’ friends Johan and Peewit in an adventure of their own. Johan, the royal page, and Peewit, the court jester, somehow summon “The Night of the Sorcerers,” with a bit of magic know-how from Papa Smurf. Plus: More Smurfs Gags—short comic-strip style Smurf mini-adventures—to keep the laughs coming! A perfect tie-in opportunity with the all-new SMURFS animated series on Nickelodeon!
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**Chunky Set: Little Cuties**

by Roger Priddy

*Chunky Set: Little Cuties* by Priddy Books is an eye-catching set of three chunky shaped board books that are sure to delight young children this Valentine's day.

**Author Bio**

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

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My Best Friend: is a Dinosaur
by Roger Priddy

My Best Friend is a: Dinosaur is a fantastic touch-and-feel title in a brand new series by Priddy Books.

With a padded, embroidered character on the cover and a unique touch-and-feel to discover on every spread, this sturdy board book is ideal for toddlers who love exploring the world with their hands. The simple rhyming text and playful artwork invites children to join the funny dinosaur and see all the silly scenarios he finds himself in.

Also available in this series: My Best Friend is a: Giraffe (Fall 2022)

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Night Night Books: Night Night Santa
by Roger Priddy

Young children will love joining Santa as he delivers presents in this calming board book from Priddy Books.

Watch as Santa visits lots of different homes, then turn the shaped pages to see the presents he leaves behind. Perfect for settling your little one into bed and ending with your own, quiet, Night, night."

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

Author Bio

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

Learn about all kinds of trucks with fact pages, then in the center of the book discover two pop-up backdrops which create a city scene. There are also press-out trucks to interact with the scenes, creating a unique play space. Once played with, the press-out pieces can be stored in the enclosed envelope so this book can be easily transported and enjoyed again and again. As well as an eye-catching cover, this book also has a board game at the end, so it makes a great gift for any preschooler! Also in the series: Pop-up Places: Farm

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Priddy Explorers: Space
by Roger Priddy

Explore the wonders of the space in Priddy Explorers: Space, in this exciting series from Priddy Books.

Children can learn about fascinating subjects in a fun and accessible way. Each book has a different Priddy Explorer, a child who guides the reader through the topic they are learning about.

This beautiful book is full of exciting information, fascinating photographs, and colorful illustrations of planets, stars, and the galaxy they lived in. Children can learn what is in our solar system, what stars are, what it's like to visit space, and much more. The specially commissioned illustrations and stunning photographs help children understand each topic and provide hours of fun.

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Slide Through: All Aboard the Busy Tractor
by Roger Priddy

Climb aboard the tractor and join Farmer Dylan on a busy day around the farmyard in this exciting, interactive book. With six play pieces including a large tractor and die-cut pages, this unique format encourages children to be part of the fun. Readers can collect the play pieces in each scene, slot them into the back of the tractor, then slide them through the die-hole to the next page to the next farm location. The chunky reusable play pieces are perfect for little hands to hold and can be safely stored in the embedded compartment in the cover, while the classic illustration style and imaginative format add extra gift appeal. Also in the series: Slide Through: All Aboard the Holiday Train.

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by Roger Priddy

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What Can You Hear?: Construction
by Roger Priddy

Young children will love being part of the action in What Can You Hear?: Construction - a fantastic new sound book series by Priddy Books.

From a noisy dump truck and wrecking ball, to a funky radio and more, there are 10 busy construction sounds to discover in this unique board book. Children will love pressing the diamond-shaped buttons and listening to the sounds as they spot lots of fun things on the construction site. Children can meet the different animals as they make build a house, paint a shop, and do lots of other fantastic things as they build the town!

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Amor Is to Love You
by Susie Jaramillo, illustrated by Susie Jaramillo

From the Emmy-nominated, award-winning bilingual preschool series Canticos, comes Amor Is to Love You, a special song book dedicated to the universal emotion that is love!

What is love?
Amor is to love you, amor is to care.
Amor in Spanish, love en inglés.
Amor in any language always means the same.

Sing and learn about what it means to love, in both English and Spanish. With bright and cheerful art featuring favorite Canticos characters, this book is a great way to make learning and singing with your little ones special and unique in not one, but two languages.

Author Bio

Susie Jaramillo serves as the President and Chief Creative Officer of Encantos, an award-winning entertainment-driven edtech company creating direct-to-learner family brands that both kids and parents love. Susie is also the creator of Canticos, the Emmy-nominated Latino-inspired bilingual nursery rhyme series which launched in 2016, and is also the author/illustrator of over 20 children’s books. Susie Jaramillo serves as the President and Chief Creative Officer of Encantos, an award-winning entertainment-driven edtech company creating direct-to-learner family brands that both kids and parents love. Susie is also the creator of Canticos, the Emmy-nominated Latino-inspired bilingual nursery rhyme series which launched in 2016, and is also the author/illustrator of over 20 children’s books.
Bad Kitty Does Not Like Valentine's Day
by Nick Bruel

*New York Times*-bestselling author/illustrator Nick Bruel's naughty feline is back in the holiday adventure *Bad Kitty Does Not Like Valentine's Day*.

Kitty does not like Valentine's Day. Because no one has given Kitty a Valentine. Maybe to get a Valentine, Kitty has to give a Valentine... But how? It's not easy.

*Roses are red, violets are blue, sugar is sweet, YOU SMELL BAD!*

But when Puppy notices Kitty's efforts, can he convince her Valentine's Day is not so bad

Author Bio

Nick Bruel is the author and illustrator of the phenomenally successful *New York Times* bestselling 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*. Nick has also written and illustrated popular picture books including *Who Is Melvin Bubble?*, *Bob and Otto*, and his most recent, *A Wonderful Year*. He lives with his wife and daughter in Westchester, New York.
Bad Kitty Drawn to Trouble (Graphic Novel)
by Nick Bruel

Zombies! Talking turnips! Puppy! Kitty takes 'em all on, in full color! But her mettle is really tested when she encounters none other than her creator.

In the latest full-color reissue of the New York Times-bestselling series, Kitty encounters what may be her most formidable foe yet: her creator! Kitty learns that feline manipulation works both ways—especially when you’re at the wrong end of your author’s pencil. Along the way, Nick shows kids how a book is created, despite the frequent interruptions from you-know-who.

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Bad Kitty School Daze (Graphic Novel)
by Nick Bruel

The world’s favorite feisty feline goes to school . . . obedience school. And Bad Kitty faces her toughest challenge yet, in full color!

In the latest full-color reissue of the New York Times -bestselling series, Kitty and Puppy are out of control! They're screaming, fighting, hissing, and drooling all over the house, and all of the commotion is upsetting Baby. Time for school - obedience school, that is. Can Kitty learn to follow the rules and make friends with the other students, or will she bring chaos to the classroom?

Find out in Bad Kitty's hilarious (mis)adventure!

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Bad Kitty: Supercat (Graphic Novel)
by Nick Bruel, illustrated by Nick Bruel

The phenomenally successful Bad Kitty series is purr-fect for fans of Dav Pilkey's Dog Man and Ben Clanton's Narwhal and Jelly series, reluctant readers, comic book fans, and cranky cats.

It's been a long time since Kitty has had a play date. So, her owners decide it's about time she interacts with some friends in Bad Kitty: Supercat, a full color chapter book in Nick Bruel's New York Times bestselling series.

But the play date takes a turn when Kitty and her friend, Strange Kitty, don their armor and become... Super Cat and Captain FantastiCat!

Together, they must go on a scavenger hunt across the world (their house and yard) and recover the Orbs of Destiny (some dog balls) in order to prevent the 92 universes from being turned into cheese by the nefarious Dr. Lagomorph.

Will they succeed in their mission? Or will the world as we know it descend into chaos and curds?

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Blurp’s Book of Manners
by Cindy Derby, illustrated by Cindy Derby

From Caldecott Honoree Cindy Derby comes an uproarious tale about an etiquette coach and the sentient paint blob that just might teach her proper manners.

When etiquette coach Ms. Picklepop teeters off her stool and spills a bucket of paint, a creature emerges. Not a scary one, or an evil one, or anything of the sort. Instead, what comes alive is . . .

BLURP!

She’ll have to carry on with her lesson, despite Blurp’s many, messy distractions. But paint splotches and burps aren’t all that disrupt Ms. Picklepop’s decorous class. Perhaps through an unlikely friendship, Ms. Picklepop will learn a thing or two about manners herself.

Fall in love with Cindy Derby’s newest adorable creation - Blurp - in this colorful, heartwarming, and laugh-out-loud funny tale.

Author Bio

Cindy Derby is an illustrator and author based out of San Francisco, California. She is a puppeteer and has performed all over the world. How To Walk An Ant is her first picture book. Cindy Derby is an illustrator and author based out of San Francisco, California. She is a puppeteer and has performed all over the world. How To Walk An Ant is her first picture book.
Demon in the Wood Graphic Novel
by Leigh Bardugo, illustrated by Dani Pendergast, Other Kyla Vanderklugt

Discover the start of a grand and sinister destiny in *Demon in the Wood*, the must-have graphic novel prequel to the bestselling series and international Netflix sensation *Shadow and Bone* from spectacular new talent Dani Pendergast and #1 *New York Times* bestselling author Leigh Bardugo.

Before he led Ravka’s Second Army, before he created the Fold, and long before he became the Darkling, he was just a lonely boy burdened by an extraordinary power.

Eryk and his mother, Lena, have spent their lives on the run. But they will never find a safe haven. They are not only Grisha - they are the deadliest and rarest of their kind. Feared by those who wish to destroy them and hunted by those who would exploit their gifts, they must hide their true abilities wherever they go. But sometimes deadly secrets have a way of revealing themselves.

Author Bio

Leigh Bardugo is a #1 *New York Times* bestselling author and the creator of the Grishaverse (now a Netflix original series) which spans the Shadow and Bone trilogy, the Six of Crows duology, *The Language of Thorns*, and *King of Scars* - with more to come. Her other works include *Wonder Woman: Warbringer* and *Ninth House* (Goodreads Choice Winner for Best Fantasy 2019), which is being developed for television by Amazon Studios. She lives in Los Angeles. Kyla Vanderklugt was born and raised in Toronto, Canada, where she graduated from OCAD University in 2008 with a Bachelor of Design. She currently freelances out of her studio in rural Ontario. Her comics work includes contributions to the Flight and Nobrow anthologies, Spera, Jim Henson’s Storyteller and Labyrinth properties, and various self-published shorts.
Descendant of the Crane
by Joan He

In New York Times– and Indie-bestselling author Joan He's debut novel, a determined and vulnerable young heroine struggles to do right in a world brimming with deception. This gorgeous, Chinese-inspired fantasy is packed with dizzying twists, complex characters, and intricate politics.

TREASON

For princess Hesina of Yan, the palace is her home, but her father is her world. He taught her how to defend against the corruption and excesses of the old kings, before revolutionaries purged them and their seers to establish the dynasty anew. He was supposed to teach her how to rule.

TRIAL

The imperial doctors say the king died a natural death, but Hesina believes he was murdered. She is determined to uncover the truth and bring the assassin to justice.

TRUTH

But in a broken system, ideals can kill. As the investigation quickly spins out of control, Hesina realizes that no one is innocent. Not the heroes in history, or the father she thought she knew. More blood will spill if she doesn't rein in the trial - her people's, her family's, and even her own.

Descendant of the Crane:

"Lyrical, romantic, politically complex." - Kristen Ciccarelli, internationally (...

Author Bio

Joan He was born and raised in Philadelphia but still, on occasion, loses her way. At a young age, she received classical instruction in oil painting before discovering that stories were her favorite kind of art. She studied psychology and Chinese history at the University of Pennsylvania and currently writes from a desk overlooking the city waterfront. She is the New York Times-bestselling author of The Ones We're Meant to Find and Descendant of the Crane, her young adult debut novel.
Doomed: Sacco, Vanzetti, and the End of the American Dream
by John Florio and Ouisie Shapiro

From John Florio and Emmy Award-winning writer Ouisie Shapiro comes a monumental YA nonfiction book about the heartbreaking case of Sacco and Vanzetti, two Italian immigrants who were wrongfully executed for murder.

In the early 1920s, a Red Scare gripped America. Many of those targeted were Italians, Eastern Europeans, and other immigrants.

When an armed robbery resulting in the death of two people broke headlines in Massachusetts, Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti - both Italian immigrants - were quick to be accused.

A heated trial ensued, but through it all, the two men maintained their innocence. The controversial case quickly rippled past borders as it became increasingly clear that Sacco and Vanzetti were fated for a death sentence. Protests sprang up around the world to fight for their lives.

Learn the tragic history we dare not repeat in Doomed: Sacco, Vanzetti, and the End of the American Dream, an action-packed, fast-paced nonfiction book filled with issues that still resonate today.

Author Bio

John Florio and Ouisie Shapiro are the authors of War in the Ring, One Nation Under Baseball, and One Punch from the Promised Land. They've written for The New York Times, The New Yorker, The Atlantic, The Nation, and ESPN. Florio, also a novelist, is on the faculty of the Stonecoast MFA creative writing program at the University of Southern Maine. Shapiro is a six-time Emmy-award winning writer of television documentaries. They are married and live in Brooklyn, NY.
When Estela Juarez’s mom is deported to Mexico, Estela knows she has to speak up for her family. Told in Estela’s own words, Until Someone Listens is a true story about a young girl finding her voice and using it to make change.

Estela’s family lives together in a happy home full of love. Or, at least, they used to... until their home was torn apart.

My mom had to go back, to the other side of the river, because she wasn’t born in this country.

For years her family fought and fought for permission for her to stay in the U.S. But no one listened. When Estela was eight, her mother was deported to Mexico.

Estela knew she had to do something. So she wrote letters: to local newspapers, Congress, the President, and anyone else who could help. She wrote and wrote and wrote until, finally... someone listened.

In this heart wrenching, autobiographical story, Estela Juarez’s letters take her from the local news all the way to the national stage, where she discovers the power in her words and pledges to keep using her voice until her family—and others like (...)
Hispanic Star: Celia Cruz
by Claudia Romo Edelman and William Alexander, illustrated by Alexandra Beguez

Before she became the reigning Queen of Salsa, Celia Cruz was just a girl from Havana who loved to sing. Her soulful voice, compelling charm, and unstoppable determination resulted in a meteoric rise to fame that opened the door for Latinx performers everywhere. Her booming career led to the rising popularity of salsa, a genre born of Cuban and Afro-Latin musical stylings. Six decades and seventy albums later, her influence still has an undeniable hold on today's music. Hispanic Star brings a new set of role models and heroes to the limelight, celebrating the Hispanic and Latinx community by showcasing the remarkable contribution of our community not only as an integral part of American culture, but also as an undeniable force in shaping its future, inspiring young readers to feel pride over their heritage.

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I Love My Mommy
by Susie Jaramillo, illustrated by Susie Jaramillo

From the Emmy-nominated, award-winning bilingual preschool series Canticos, comes I Love My Mommy / Te Quiero, Mama, part of the Canticos Nursery Rhymes collection.

Canticos resonates with parents who want to raise multilingual children through quality, appealing content.

Sing about loving and appreciating your mother, in both English and Spanish. Complete with beautiful illustrations, this book is a great way to make learning and singing with your little chickie special and unique in not one, but two languages.

Concept: Love, appreciation.

Format:
- Formatted with a unique magnetic closure.
- Accordion-fold style features reversible text with English on one side and Spanish on the other.
- Fun lift-the-flaps for more interactive learning and surprises.
- Beautiful art with brightly colored characters from the Emmy-nominated series.

Susie Jaramillo created a media company with an educational, cross-cultural, and intergenerational mission.” - School Library Journal

"Que hacer cuando los ninos no quieren dormir? La colección bilingüe Canticos de Susie Jaramillo reúne tiernas canciones de cuna de nuestra infancia." - People en Español

Children can also watch our bilingual videos (…)

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If Dinosaurs Had Hair
by Dan Marvin, illustrated by Lesley Vamos

This laugh-out-loud picture book by Dan Marvin, with tongue-in-cheek art by Lesley Vamos, is an irreverent exploration of what it might've looked like if dinosaurs had lusciously stylized 'dos.

What if dinosaurs had . . . hair?

Curled, crimped, feathered, and permed, this book imagines the wealth of colors, styles, and hair textures the Jurassic Period might have had to offer. As well as their epic hair warfare.

But as with any great battle, one hairstyle must have risen above the rest--one that literally blew these dinosaurs away . . .

Author Dan Marvin has crafted a hilariously escalating story that begs to be reread, and illustrator Lesley Vamos brings eye-catching dynamic color and personality to this picture book. If Dinosaurs Had Hair brings the dinosaurs back to life in full color.

Author Bio

Dan Marvin grew up in the Big Bangs period of the 1980s. These days, he can be found in Michigan, once known for its woolly mammoths. He shares a hairbrush with his wife, son and daughter. But not with their two dogs, even though they're woollier than mammoths. Lesley Vamos received a high distinction in BA Design at COFA with a special honorary award in animation, although she still holds a pencil incorrectly. She spends her time doodling, traveling, running her design and illustration business, and hanging out with her little family. She resides in Sydney, Australia. Lesley is the illustrator of Lou Lou and Pea and the Mural Mystery.
Never After: The Broken Mirror
by Melissa de la Cruz

Real life and fairy tales collide in Never After: The Broken Mirror, book three of the funny and thrilling series from #1 New York Times - bestselling author Melissa de la Cruz.

In the latest installment of the Chronicles of Never After, Filomena and Jack set off for Snow Country, but first they must rescue the beleaguered Sheriff of Nottingham from the evil clutches of Robin the Hood, who plagues the peaceful village with his thievery and barbarism.

Along with Alistair, Gretel, Beatrice, Ben Beastly, and their new friend Rose Red, Filomena and Jack form the League of the Seven - fearless warriors devoted to fighting the ogres at any cost.

But new dangers lurk around every corner . . . At the behest of her daughter, the evil Cinderella, Queen Olga has turned Prince Charming into a Frog after his wedding to beautiful Hortense! It's a race against time for the League of the Seven to reverse the spell if anyone is going to live happily-ever-after.

Author Bio

MELISSA DE LA CRUZ is the #1 New York Times, #1 Publisher's Weekly and #1 Indie Bound bestselling author of many critically acclaimed and award-winning novels for readers of all ages, and edited the inspiring anthology of true stories, Because I Was a Girl. She grew up in Manila and moved to San Francisco with her family, where she graduated high school salutatorian from The Convent of the Sacred Heart. At Columbia University, she majored in art history and English. Melissa de la Cruz lives in West Hollywood with her husband and daughter.
Nowhere Better Than Here
by Sarah Guillory

In a town slowly being destroyed by rising tides, one girl must fight to find a way to keep her community's spirit from drowning.

For thirteen-year-old Jillian Robichaux, three things are sacred: bayou sunsets, her grandmother Nonnie's stories, and the coastal Louisiana town of Boutin that she calls home.

When the worst flood in a century hits, Jillian and the rest of her community band together as they always do—but this time the damage may simply be too great. After the local school is padlocked and the bridges into town condemned, Jillian has no choice but to face the reality that she may be losing the only home she's ever had.

But even when all hope seems lost, Jillian is determined to find a way to keep Boutin and its indomitable spirit alive. With the help of friends new and old, a loveable golden retriever, and Nonnie's storytelling wisdom, Jillian does just that in this timely and heartfelt story of family, survival, and hope.

In her stunning debut middle grade novel, Sarah Guillory has written a lush story about an indomitable girl fighting against the effects of climate change.

Author Bio

Sarah Guillory has always had a passion for literature. Coming from a family of teachers, she learned to read before she'd even started school and has escaped into fictional worlds ever since. Sarah loves being outside, whether that's walking her dogs, sitting under a tree with a book, or running countless miles before the sun has even come up. She teaches high school English and lives in Louisiana with her husband.
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From New York Times bestselling illustrator Theodore Taylor III comes a vibrant ode to street art, a picture book about a child discovering all of the beauty - and art - her new neighborhood has to offer.

Shapes moving in every direction, letters weaving in and out, bright colors jumping off of the wall.

It was like a language from another planet that only I could understand.

Graffiti.

In this bright, colorful, and movement-filled picture book Off the Wall, a young girl moves with her family from the big city to a small town. She feels odd and out of place until a stroll down the street hits her with echoes from home: vibrant graffiti splashed against the wall. But when it's painted over that sense of belonging is lost, until an afternoon's adventure shows her that street art can be found everywhere - as well as a sense of home.

In his exceptional author-illustrated debut, Theodore Taylor III has crafted an ode to street art, a stunning celebration of a much-maligned art form and all the beauty it brings to a neighborhood.

Author Bio

Theodore Taylor III is a children's book author and illustrator living in Richmond, Virginia with his wife Sarah and son Theo. He is the illustrator of Woke, Woke Baby, and the New York Times bestselling C is for Country by Lil Was X. He also received the Coretta Scott King John Steptoe New Talent Award for his work on When The Beat Was Born: DJ Kool Herc and the Creation of Hip Hop. He is also the illustrator behind Shaquille O'Neal's Little Shaq Series. During the day he also works as a front-end web developer. His work is inspired by his love of music, comics, animation, video games, street art, and more. He is also a self-proclaimed pizza connoisseur.
Princess in the Piazza
by Ben Hatke

From #1 New York Times bestselling graphic novelist Ben Hatke comes a stunning debut novel - Princess in the Piazza

Author Bio

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 and Mighty Jack. He lives and works in the Shenandoah Valley with his wife and their boisterous pack of daughters.

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Secrets of Stone and Sea
by Allison K. Hymas

A summer visiting grandma turns into an epic life-or-death middle-grade adventure about twin brothers who must use their wits to keep the god of the sea from sinking their city.

Rise, the ocean rise,
Rise and greet the shore,
With red and bread, he feeds on the dead
And meets you at the door.

In Allison K. Hymas’s Secrets of Stone and Sea, twelve-year-old identical twins Peter and Kai are spending the summer in the town of Seaspire when ancient legends quickly pit the boys against a furious sea creature with the power to destroy worlds and sink cities. To prevent it from drowning the entire town of Seaspire, they'll have to solve a set of codes and puzzles with ties to the lost city of Atlantis.

Praise for The Explorer's Code:

"Full of puzzles and intrigue, this is a delectable treat for readers wanting a brainteaser or two in an intricately paced package." - Kirkus Reviews

"The Explorer's Code contains the perfect trifecta for middle-grade readers: buried secrets, puzzles to decode, and a dark, creepy old manor house to explore. A great addition to the adventure genre." - Suzanne Selfors, national bestselling author of The Imaginary Veterinary series and Braver

Author Bio

Allison K. Hymas was born on the anniversary of the day Amelia Earhart became the first woman to fly nonstop and solo across the Atlantic. She was born in Utah and raised in Virginia and Pennsylvania, where she enjoyed spending time in the mountains and forests. She currently lives in Provo, UT, where she teaches writing, visits national parks, and runs very long distances for fun.
Strike the Zither
by Joan He

In this epic YA fantasy about found family, rivals, and questions of identity, *New York Times* -bestselling author Joan He reimagines the *Three Kingdoms*, the first of the Four Classics of Chinese Literature.

Author Bio

Joan He was born and raised in Philadelphia but still, on occasion, loses her way. At a young age, she received classical instruction in oil painting before discovering that stories were her favorite kind of art. She studied psychology and Chinese history at the University of Pennsylvania and currently writes from a desk overlooking the city waterfront. She is the *New York Times*-bestselling author of *The Ones We’re Meant to Find* and *Descendant of the Crane*, her young adult debut novel.

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Te Quiero, Mama

by Susie Jaramillo, illustrated by Susie Jaramillo

Canticos, la serie prescolar bilingue, presenta Susie Jaramillo’s Te Quiero, Mama, un libro ilustrado para ninos pequenos, lleno de arte irresistible, rima inspiradora, y lift-the-flaps atractivos. Este libro es perfecto para el Dia de las Madres, el Dia de San Valentin, o cualquier ocasion que celebra el amor de nuestras madres.

Author Bio

Susie Jaramillo serves as the President and Chief Creative Officer of Encantos, an award-winning entertainment-driven edtech company creating direct-to-learner family brands that both kids and parents love. Susie is also the creator of Canticos, the Emmy-nominated Latino-inspired bilingual nursery rhyme series which launched in 2016, and is also the author/illustrator of over 20 children's books.

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Until Someone Listens
by Estela Juarez and Lissette Norman, illustrated by Teresa Martinez

When Estela Juarez’s mom is deported to Mexico, Estela knows she has to speak up for her family. Told in Estela's own words, Until Someone Listens is a true story about a young girl finding her voice and using it to make change.

Estela's family lives together in a happy home full of love. Or, at least, they used to... until their home was torn apart.

My mom had to go back, to the other side of the river, because she wasn't born in this country.

For years her family fought and fought for permission for her to stay in the U. S. But no one listened. When Estela was eight, her mother was deported to Mexico.

Estela knew she had to do something. So she wrote letters: to local newspapers, Congress, the President, and anyone else who could help. She wrote and wrote and wrote until, finally... someone listened.

In this heart wrenching, autobiographical story, Estela Juarez's letters take her from the local news all the way to the national stage, where she discovers the power in her words and pledges to keep using her voice until her family—and others like (...)

Author Bio

When Estela Juarez was 8 years old, her mother, Alejandra, was deported to Mexico. It was then that Estela transformed her love of writing in her diary into writing letters to her local newspaper, to Congress, and to the president. The momentum built, and her Congressman decided to step in to help. Estela's story was featured at the 2020 Democratic National Convention, inspiring the whole country. In 2021, her mother received temporary permission to return to her family. Nowadays, Estela still loves writing in her diary. She also enjoys making her family laugh, reading books from the library, going for long walks with her mom and dad, Cuauhtemoc, near their home in Florida, and hanging out with her big sister Pamela. Estela hopes to one day become an immigration lawyer and a Congresswoman to advocate for the unification of separated families. LISSETTE NORMAN lives in New York City. My Feet Are Laughing is her first book.
What Are You?
by Christian Trimmer, illustrated by Mike Curato

From Christian Trimmer and award-winning illustrator Mike Curato comes *What Are You?*, a brilliant, new early-reader picture book brimming with warmth and playfulness that explores questions of race and identity.

When a puggle meets two new poodle friends, there is a question the poodles feel they must ask.

What are you?
What am I?
Yes, what are you?
I am a dog.
No, what are you?

So begins a conversation about family and identity, and about the things we’re good at. . . and why we’re good at them.

Brimming with warmth and playfulness, *What Are You?* is an exemplary picture book for early readers. Equally funny and thoughtful, the book includes prompts to facilitate important first conversations about stereotypes and bias between child and adult.

**Author Bio**

Christian Trimmer is a children's book writer and editor. He is the author of *Simon's New Bed*, *Teddy's Favorite Toy*, and *Snow Pony and the Seven Miniature Ponies*. He lives with his husband in Brooklyn, New York, and Hillsdale, New York. Learn more at christiantrimmer.com. Mike Curato is the award-winning author and illustrator of the Little Elliot series and the graphic novel *Flamer*, and has illustrated a number of other books for children, including *What If. . .* (by Samantha Berger), *Worm Loves Worm*, and *All the Way to Havana*.
Alphabreaths Too
by Christopher Willard, PsyD

Teach children the basics of mindful breathing - along with their ABCs - in this playful and interactive picture book.

In Alphabreaths Too, children learn their ABCs along with the basics of mindfulness through fun exercises and illustrations they'll want to come back to again and again. Each letter of the alphabet teaches a simple mindfulness- or compassion-based practice to help kids focus their thoughts, feel calm, express gratitude, and hold positive feelings for others. A great standalone title or a companion volume to Alphabreaths: The ABCs of Mindful Breathing, this is a perfect book for the classroom or home library.

Breaths like Astronaut Breath and Fireworks Breath help children use their imaginations, while breaths like Gift Breath and Kite Breath help them fill their hearts with gratitude and send good wishes to others. They can breathe with a partner using Drawbridge Breath, relax with Ocean Breath, or get their wiggles out using Pirate Breath.

Alphabreaths offers a meaningful introduction to mindfulness for children, all while keeping them delighted with imaginative inspiration and hours of fun. It's as easy as A-B-C

Author Bio
CHRISTOPHER WILLARD, PSYD, is a clinical psychologist and consultant specializing in bringing mindfulness into education and psychotherapy. The author of Child's Mind (Parallax, 2010) and other books on the topic, Dr. Willard lives in Cambridge, Massachusetts and teaches at Harvard Medical School and Lesley University. For more, visit drchristopherwillard.com.
I Am Powerful
Affirmations to Inspire Boldness, Kindness, and Joy
by Holly Hatam

A delightfully illustrated card deck of affirmations, ideas, and practices to empower kids

Affirmations inspire confidence, help shift difficult emotions, and open children of all ages to new ideas and experiences. With I Am Powerful, popular author and illustrator Holly Hatam shares an inspiring deck of 46 affirmation cards for kids ages 8 and up.

“I have brilliant ideas,” “I sprinkle kindness like confetti,” and “My voice matters,” are just a few of the affirmations that encourage children to embody positivity, kindness, emotional intelligence, self-care, and more.

On the back of each card is an idea for putting the affirmation into practice. Prompts such as writing a thank-you note, planting a tree, or focusing on breath work will help kids internalize the affirmation and the positive quality it embodies. I Am Powerful makes a great gift and is perfect for a classroom or personal practice.

Author Bio
Holly Hatam is a picture book maker, greeting card designer, textile engineer, and the illustrator of the #1 New York Times bestselling. Her other books include What Matters, Tree Song, and Jack (Not Jackie). She lives in Whitby, Ontario. Learn more at hollyhatam.com.
Two intrepid girls hunt for a legendary treasure on the deadly high seas in this YA remix of the classic adventure novel *Treasure Island*.

1826. The sun is setting on the golden age of piracy, and the legendary Dragon Fleet, the scourge of the South China Sea, is no more. Its ruthless leader, a woman known only as the Head of the Dragon, is now only a story, like the ones Xiang has grown up with all her life. She desperately wants to prove her worth, especially to her mother, a shrewd businesswoman who never seems to have enough time for Xiang. Her father is also only a story, dead at sea before Xiang was born. Her single memento of him is a pendant she always wears, a simple but plain piece of gold jewelry.

But the pendant's true nature is revealed when a mysterious girl named Anh steals it, only to return it to Xiang in exchange for her help in decoding the tiny map scroll hidden inside. The revelation that Xiang's father sailed with the Dragon Fleet and tucked away this secret changes everything. Rumor has it that the legendary Head of the Dragon had one last treasure—the plunder of a thousand ports—that for decades has only been a myth, a fool's journey.

Xiang is convinced this map could lead to the fabled treasure. Captivated with the thrill of adventure, she joins Anh and her motley crew off in pursuit of the island. But the girls soon find that the sea—and especially those who sail it—are far more dangerous than (…)

**Author Bio**

C.B. Lee is a Lambda Literary Award nominated writer of young adult and middle grade fiction. Their works include *A Clash of Steel: A Treasure Island Remix* (Feiwel and Friends), the *Sidekick Squad* series (Duet Books), *Ben 10* graphic novels (Boom! Studios), *Out Now: Queer We Go Again* (HarperTeen), *Minecraft: The Shipwreck* (Del Rey Books), and *From A Certain Point Of View: The Empire Strikes Back* (Del Rey Books). Lee's work has been featured in *Teen Vogue*, *Wired Magazine*, *Hypable*, *Tor's Best of Fantasy and Sci Fi* and the American Library Association's Rainbow List.
All You Knead Is Love
by Tanya Guerrero

Tanya Guerrero’s *All You Knead Is Love* is a contemporary middle grade coming-of-age novel about a twelve-year-old multiracial Filipino and Spanish girl who goes to live with her grandmother for the summer, gaining confidence through a newly discovered passion for baking, perfect for fans of *Hello, Universe* and *Merci Suarez Changes Gears*.

Sometimes you find home where you least expect it.

Twelve-year-old Alba doesn't want to live with her estranged grandmother in Barcelona. She wants to stay with her mom, even if that means enduring her dad's cutting comments to them both.

But in her new home, Alba forms a close relationship with her grandmother, gains a supportive father figure and new friends, and even discovers a passion and talent for baking. And through getting to know the city her mother used to call home, Alba starts to understand her mother better - and may just be able to make their family whole again.

*All You Knead is Love* blended culture and cooking seamlessly into Alba's environment. Tanya Guerrero, does a beautiful job showcasing food's true purpose: connection, comfort, and creativity.” - Nikki Bidun, winner of *Top Chef Junior* and *Chopped Jr.*

"A heartwarming story about learning to love, trust, and thrive after trauma. This book transported me to Barcelona and made (...)"

**Author Bio**

Tanya Guerrero is Filipino and Spanish by birth, but has been fortunate enough to call three countries home: the Philippines, Spain, and the United States. Currently, she lives in a shipping container home in the suburbs of Manila with her husband, daughter, and a menagerie of rescued cats and dogs. In her free time, she grows her own food, bakes bread, and reads. *How to Make Friends with the Sea* is her debut novel.
Attacked at Sea
by Michael J. Tougias and Alison O'Leary

A riveting WWII account of survival at sea - Book 4 in the middle grade True Rescue series from Michael J. Tougias, the author of the New York Times bestseller The Finest Hours.

A Bank Street Best Book of the Year!

On May 19, 1942, during WWII, a U-boat in the Gulf of Mexico stalked its prey fifty miles from New Orleans. The submarine set its sights on the freighter Heredia. Most onboard were merchant seamen, but there were also civilians, including the Downs family: Ray and Ina, and their two children. Fast asleep in their berths, the Downs family had no idea that two torpedoes were heading their way. When the ship exploded, chaos ensued - and each family member had to find their own path to survival.

This inspiring historical narrative tells the story of the Downs family as they struggle against sharks, hypothermia, blinding oil, drowning, and dehydration in their effort to survive the aftermath of this deadly attack off the American coast.

Christy Ottaviano Books

New York Times bestselling author Michael J. Tougias adapts his histories of real life stories for young readers in his True Rescue Series, capturing the heroism and humanity of people on life-saving missions during maritime disasters.

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True Rescue: The Finest Hours
True Rescue: A Storm Too Soon

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The Finest Hours (Young Readers Edition)
A Storm Too Soon (Young Readers Edition (...)

Author Bio

Michael J. Tougias is the author of many award-winning true rescue stories, including the New York Times bestseller The Finest Hours, A Storm Too Soon, Into the Blizzard, and Attacked at Sea. He also published a memoir, The Waters Between Us: A Boy, A Father, Outdoor Misadventures and the Healing Power of Nature. A frequent lecturer on his work, Tougias splits his time between Massachusetts and Florida. Alison O'Leary is an award-winning journalist based in New England. She is a former correspondent for
Black Jack
by Charles R. Smith, illustrated by Shane W. Evans

This nonfiction picture book from author Charles R. Smith Jr and illustrated by Shane W. Evans tells the story of the world’s first black heavyweight champion, the charismatic Jack “Black Jack” Johnson.

Born as Arthur John Johnson in the southern state of Texas, Jack Johnson was one of the most renowned boxers of the twentieth century. Through hard work and persistence, he climbed the ranks, taking a swing and a jab and eventually busting the color barrier. As the first black man to win the Heavyweight Championship, there was more than a title on the line.

Published to commemorate the 100th anniversary of this history-making bout (July 4, 1910). This is an extraordinary marriage of poetry, fabulous collage artwork, and a splendid achievement in its own right.

This book is sure to be championed by reluctant readers with energy and restlessness just like Johnson’s, but it is a strong selection for library and classroom read-alouds as well. - School Library Journal, starred review

“An inspiring story, one that celebrates Johnson’s dignity, pride, and determination.” - Publishers Weekly, starred review

“The elegant simplicity and rat-a-tat rhythms land some stunners . . . enhanced by Evans’ lithe and swaggering artwork, which lends a tremendous visual charisma, grace, and grandeur.” - Booklist, starred review

“The poetry is interspersed with quotes of the time, and illustrator Evans uses oil paint and ink to depict the somber, determined fighter, with collage elements of newspaper articles, maps, and (…)

Author Bio

Charles R. Smith Jr. was born and raised in California. While living in Carson, California he attended elementary and junior high in Compton, California before moving to Duarte, California for high school. He currently lives in Poughkeepsie, New York with his wife Gillian and three kids, Sabine, Adrian and Sebastian. Shane W. Evans studied at Syracuse University School of Visual and Performing Arts and graduated in 1993 and began traveling the world. In addition to contract work in illustration, graphic design and web design for major companies, Evans has conceptualized and illustrated numerous children's books. Many of the books have been featured in the media such as The Oprah Winfrey Show, The Today Show, NBA Inside Stuff, Reading Rainbow and Late Night with David Letterman. Shane has
City of Spells
by Alexandra Christo

City of Spells, the follow-up to Alexandra Christo's gritty YA fantasy Into the Crooked Place, finds the world on the brink of war and four unlikely allies facing sacrifices they had never imagined.

After the loss of Wesley and the horrifying reveal that Zekia is helping the Kingpin of her own free will, Tavia, Saxony, and Karam flee to Saxony's home to rebuild their rebellion. Meanwhile, trapped in the Kingpin's darkness, Wesley must fight against the deadly magic that invades his mind and find a way back to his friends before it's too late.

As the Kingpin's dark magic spreads and his army conquers Creije, these four unlikely friends have to decide just how far they'll go--and how much they are willing to sacrifice--to win.

Praise for Into the Crooked Place:

"With its gangland details, creative magical caste system and surprisingly brutal characters, Into the Crooked Place is very much its own thing. And that thing will likely be a story you can't put down." --Culturess

Author Bio

Alexandra Christo is a British author whose characters are always funnier and far more deadly than she is. She studied Creative Writing at university and graduated with the desire to never stop letting her imagination run wild. She currently lives in Hertfordshire with a rapidly growing garden and a never-ending stack of books. Her debut novel To Kill a Kingdom is an international bestseller and her Young Adult fantasy books have been translated into over a dozen languages worldwide.
Cuba in My Pocket
by Adrianna Cuevas

By the author of 2021 PuraBelpre Honor Book The Total Eclipse of Nestor Lopez, a sweeping, emotional middle grade historical novel about a twelve-year-old boy who leaves his family in Cuba to immigrate to the U.S. by himself, based on the author’s family history.

I don’t remember. Tell me everything, Pepito. Tell me about Cuba.”

When the failed Bay of Pigs invasion in 1961 solidifies Castro's power in Cuba, twelve-year-old Cumba’s family makes the difficult decision to send him to Florida alone. Faced with the prospect of living in another country by himself, Cumba tries to remember the sound of his father’s clarinet, the smell of his mother’s lavender perfume.

Life in the United States presents a whole new set of challenges. Lost in a sea of English speakers, Cumba has to navigate a new city, a new school, and new freedom all on his own. With each day, Cumba feels more confident in his new surroundings, but he continues to wonder: Will his family ever be whole again? Or will they remain just out of reach, ninety miles across the sea?

Cuba in My Pocket is an authentic and moving portrayal of a tragic era in Cuban history, told with empathy and hope." - Margarita Engle, Newbery Honor-winning author and Young People’s Poet Laureate Emeritus

“Adrianna Cuevas has written a book that is a beautiful gift to the memory of her father, filled with love (…)"

Author Bio

Adrianna Cuevas is the author of The Total Eclipse of Nestor Lopez (FSG BYR, 2020) and Cuba in My Pocket (FSG BYR, 2021). She is a first-generation Cuban-American originally from Miami, Florida. After teaching Spanish and ESOL for sixteen years, she decided to pursue her passion for storytelling. Adrianna currently resides outside of Austin, TX with her husband and son where they enjoy hiking, traveling, and cooking lots of Cuban food.
Cuba in My Pocket (Spanish Edition)
by Adrianna Cuevas, translated by Alexis Romay

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In this magical middle-grade debut novel from Adrianna Cuevas, *The Total Eclipse of Nestor Lopez*, a Cuban American boy must use his secret ability to communicate with animals to save the inhabitants of his town when they are threatened by a tule vieja, a witch that transforms into animals.

All Nestor Lopez wants is to live in one place for more than a few months and have dinner with his dad. When he and his mother move to a new town to live with his grandmother after his dad's latest deployment, Nestor plans to lay low. He definitely doesn't want to anyone find out his deepest secret: that he can talk to animals.

But when the animals in his new town start disappearing, Nestor's grandmother becomes the prime suspect after she is spotted in the woods where they were last seen. As Nestor investigates the (…)

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Generation Misfits
by Akemi Dawn Bowman

"Generation Misfits by Akemi Dawn Bowman is a heartwarming, fish-out-of-water own voices story about an eleven-year-old Japanese-American girl who finds her true friends through the power of J-Pop!"

Millie is attending a real school for the first time, and she dreams of finally having friends and a little bit of freedom. She finds her chance when she joins an imitation band of her favorite J-Pop group, where she's thrilled to meet a group of misfits who quickly become a tightknit group of friends that are like family.

But Millie soon realizes that one of them is dealing with problems bigger than what notes to hit when it comes time for their performance. Can Millie help her friend, even when their problem feels too big to say out loud?

"A heart-warming story about friendship that will have readers cheering for Millie and her friends." - Debbi Michiko Florence, author of Keep It Together, Keiko Carter

"A rhythmic, melodic story of friendship and bravery. You'll not only root for Millie and her misfits - you'll want to join them." - Ashley Herring Blake, author of Stonewall Honor Book Ivy Aberdeen's Letter to the World

"Akemi Dawn Bowman’s debut middle grade novel hits all the right notes with this authentic, vulnerable, and triumphant tale of coming into your own space with courage and grace." - Jessica Kim, author of Stand Up, Yumi Chung

"This character-centered coming-of-age (...)"

Author Bio

Akemi Dawn Bowman is a critically-acclaimed author who writes across genres. Her novels have received multiple accolades and award nominations, and her debut novel, Starfish, was a William C. Morris Award Finalist. She has a BA in social sciences from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, and currently lives in Scotland with her husband and two children. She overthinks everything, including this bio. Visit Akemi online at her website or on Instagram.
Green grass is wide and fresh and clean for a family to play in, and brown dirt is perfect for digging a garden. But when gray buildings start to rise up and a whole city builds, can there be any room for green space? The neighborhood children think so, and they inspire the community to join together and build a garden for everyone to share in the middle of the city.

An attractive read-aloud for beginning lessons on gardening.” - Chelsea Couillard-Smith, School Library Journal

Author Bio

Marie Lamba is author of the contemporary young adult novel What I Meant... (Random House), which Publisher's Weekly called an impressive debut.” She is also author of the contemporary YA novel Over My Head and of the paranormal YA Drawn. Marie’s work appears in the short story anthology Liar Liar (Mendacity Press and Blackstone Audio), the anthology Call Me Okaasan: Adventures in Multicultural Mothering (Wyatt-MacKenzie Publishing), and her articles are in more than 100 publications including national magazines such as Writer's Digest, Garden Design, and RWR. She has worked as an editor, an award-winning public relations writer, and a book publicist, has taught classes on novel writing and on author promotion, and belongs to The Liars Club. Marie is also an Associate Literary Agent at The Jennifer De Chiara Literary Agency. She lives in Doylestown, Pennsylvania.

Baldev Lamba is Associate Professor of Landscape Architecture at Temple University and an award-winning landscape architect who is one of the designers of The First Ladies Water Garden on the National Mall in Washington, DC. His articles have appeared in numerous publications including Landscape Architecture Magazine, Garden Design Magazine and Hort Technology. A long-time advocate of sustainability, Baldev has presented this topic at conferences around the world. As principal of the landscape architecture firm Lamba Associates, Inc. he has worked with numerous inner city groups to create community gardens and urban parks, always with an eye toward sustainability. Among Baldev's recent projects was the PHS Pops Up Garden, which transformed a barren city block in Philadelphia into a lush urban oasis.

Sonia Sanchez is the illustrator of several books for children, including Here I Am, an Eisner award winner for illustration. Sonia lives in Barcelona, Spain.
Heart of the Impaler
by Alexander Delacroix

Alexander Delacroix's darkly romantic debut *Heart of the Impaler* is perfect for fans of Kiersten White's *And I Darken*.

Vlad Dracula has long lived in the shadows cast by his bloodthirsty father, the voivode, and his older brother, Mircea. Despite their cruelty, Vlad has yearned to prove himself worthy of the throne his whole life. In the cold halls of the voivode's palace, Vlad can only rely on his cousin and closest friend, Andrei Musat.

When Vlad and Andrei meet Ilona Csaki, the daughter of an influential boyar, they each find themselves inextricably drawn to her. But then Ilona is betrothed to Mircea as part of a political alliance, and Vlad's resentfulness of his brother begins to seethe into something far darker.

Ilona has no desire to marry the voivode's eldest son, but love and marriage are the least of her worries. The royal family's enemies have already tried to put an arrow through her back - and if anyone discovers her blossoming feelings for Andrei and Vlad, she may just wish they'd succeeded.

Beneath the shadow of impending war, the only battle that will be deadlier than the one for Ilona's life will be the one for her heart.

**Praise for *Heart of the Impaler*, from the Swoon Reads community:**

This book is the best . . . Andrei and Vlad are astounding foil characters, and their growth throughout the story is absolutely brilliant." - H. E. Dunkle

"I love the subject matter! It's the first YA historical I've read set in 1400s Transylvania. . . . I'm intrigued."
- Larissa Nash

"One of the best love triangles I've ever read . . . Like a historical *Shadow and Bone*." - Ember

**Author Bio**

Alexander Delacroix earned Masters degrees from Brigham Young University and Western Governors University. As an undergraduate he majored in French, Russian, and German but ultimately became a Language Arts teacher. In his spare time, he enjoys reading and writing. *Heart of the Impaler* is his debut novel.
How to Be Brave
by Daisy May Johnson

Daisy May Johnson's *How to Be Brave* is a delightfully zany yet heartwarming middle-grade novel about a young girl who bands together with her boarding school friends to find her missing mother.

Calla North and her mother Elizabeth live a quiet but happy life together. Elizabeth happens to be the world's leading expert on ducks - but unfortunately, being an expert on ducks doesn't always pay the bills (no pun intended).

When Elizabeth is offered a well-paid research trip to the Amazon, it's an opportunity too good to miss. But while her mother's off exploring, Calla winds up at boarding school. No adventures are likely to find her there - or so she thinks.

Then Calla receives the terrible news that her mother's plane has gone missing. Can Calla, her friends, and a motley crew of nuns defeat an evil new headmistress and find Elizabeth before it's too late?

Both the young and the young-at-heart will find delight in the traditional good vs. evil depicted in the form of the most villainous of villains and a host of spunky female characters who are persistent enough to save the day." - *School Library Journal*, starred review

"Fans of Eva Ibbotson, British baking shows, and boarding school stories will happily immerse themselves in this cozily familiar setting . . . . An entertaining and humorous adventure." - *Kirkus Reviews*

**Author Bio**

*Daisy May Johnson* is a debut author, writer, researcher, chartered librarian, and former A14 Writer In Residence with the University of Cambridge. She blogs about children's literature at *Did You Ever Stop to Think*, and lives in the UK.

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**Promotion**
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How to Find a Fox
by Nilah Magruder

Equipped with a camera and determination, a little girl sets out to track down an elusive red fox. But foxes are sneaky, and it proves more difficult than she thought.

Nilah Magruder’s debut picture book charmingly tells the story of what it means to not give up and how sometimes what you’re looking for is closer than you think.

Magruder’s protagonist displays an emotional range that matches the beats of the quest, from excitement and determination to anger, boredom, and dismay, and young children will feel them in tandem. Readers will want to put these instructions to use right away.” - Kirkus Reviews

“The illustrations vary and are very engaging, and there is just enough text to tell the story. A great read-aloud and a recommended purchase.” - School Library Journal

Author Bio

Nilah Magruder is an award-winning writer, illustrator, and storyboard artist. She received the inaugural Dwayne McDuffie Award for diversity, in recognition for her web comic M.F.K. In addition to comics, she has illustrated for children’s books, film, and commercial television as well as Disney and DreamWorks.
How to Train Your Dad
by Gary Paulsen

From the legendary author of Hatchet, a laugh-out-loud eco-friendly adventure about a boy, his free-thinking dad, and the puppy-training pamphlet that turns their summer upside down.

Twelve-year-old Carl is fed up with his father's single-minded pursuit of an off-the-grid existence. His dad may be brilliant, but dumpster-diving for food, scouring through trash for salvageable junk, and wearing clothes fully sourced from garage sales is getting old. Increasingly worried about what schoolmates and a certain girl at his new school might think of his circumstances - and encouraged by his off-kilter best friend - Carl adopts the principles set forth in a randomly discovered puppy-training pamphlet to retrain* his dad's mindset . . . a crackpot experiment that produces some very unintentional results.

This is a fierce and funny novel about family, green-living, and untangling some of the ties that bind from middle-grade master Gary Paulsen.

How to Train Your Dad:
Breezy and light, with a grounding touch of tenderness, this is both an entertaining solo read and a solid suggestion for family sharing.” - The Bulletin

"Newbery Honoree Paulsen, renowned for his tales of survival, revisits the humor and hijinks found in his Liar, Liar series. Carl's hang-dog descriptions of having to wear pink overalls and ride an 'original creation' bike are funny and endearing, and eternal optimist Pooder is the perfect sidekick to perpetually resigned Carl. And underneath the training mishaps is a sweet story about a kid who figures out that his life - and his dad - may not be so bad after (...)”

Author Bio

Gary Paulsen (1939-2021) wrote more than two hundred books for children and adults, including the father-son comedy How to Train Your Dad, and the survival adventure Northwind. Three of his novels - Hatchet, Dogsong, and The Winter Room - were Newbery Honor books. In 1997, he received the ALA's Margaret A. Edwards Award for his contribution to young adult literature. His books have sold over 35 million copies around the world.
I Want to Ride the Tap Tap
by Danielle Joseph, illustrated by Olivier Ganthier

Writer Danielle Joseph and illustrator Olivier Ganthier’s I Want to Ride the Tap Tap is a day-of-the-week picture book about a Black family who ride the taxi-bus service--called a tap tap--in Haiti, and the fascinating people they meet along the way, illustrated by a Haitian artist known for his vibrant street art.

Monday through Saturday, Claude and Manman walk Papa to the tap tap stop, where Claude meets all sorts of interesting people waiting for the tap tap. Claude wants to join Papa, but Claude has classes at school and chores at home. . .

On Sunday, Manman and Papa have a surprise for Claude--a ride on the tap tap! They go to the beach, where they meet a lady selling mangoes, a fisherman, a straw-hat maker, a steel drummer, and an artist. They show Claude how to fish, make hats, play the drums, and paint.

With Haitian Creole words sprinkled throughout and a glossary at the end, I Want to Ride the Tap Tap is a warm and lively portrayal of everyday life in Haiti.

This bright book about a Haitian child's special outing will have everyone wanting to ride the tap tap . . . Every young reader will resonate with Claude's happy day. Bon bagay!" --Kirkus Reviews

Author Bio

Danielle Joseph is the author of the young adult novels Shrinking Violet, Indigo Blues and Pure Red. When she's not writing, you can find Danielle relaxing with her family, traveling, or chasing after her dog, Ringo. Danielle was born in Cape Town, South Africa and currently lives in Maryland with her husband, who is from Haiti, and their three kids. Olivier Ganthier was born in Petion-ville, Haiti. He got his degree in fine arts from the National School of Arts (ENARTS) and is inspired by tropical urban life, Afro and Haitian culture. Olivier is art director at Les Ateliers Ganthier and the illustrator of Danielle Joseph's I Want to Ride the Tap Tap. He lives in Petionville, Haiti.
**Into the Dying Light**
by Katy Rose Pool

*In Into the Dying Light, the jaw-dropping conclusion to the Age of Darkness trilogy, hearts will shatter, cities will fall, and a god will rise.*

A successful ending to a brilliant trilogy about human hope and connection." - *Kirkus Reviews*, starred review and Best Book of the Month

"Solidifies Katy Rose Pool's status as one of the best fantasy writers of the 21st century." - *Popsugar on As the Shadow Rises*

Following the destruction of the City of Mercy, an ancient god has been resurrected and sealed inside Beru's body. Both are at the mercy of the Prophet Pallas, who wields the god's powers to subjugate the Six Prophetic Cities. But every day, the god grows stronger, threatening to break free and sow untold destruction.

Meanwhile, far away from Pallas Athos, Anton learns to harness his full powers as a Prophet. Armed with the truth about how the original Prophets killed the god, Anton leads Jude, Hassan, and Ephyra on a desperate quest to the edge of the world. With time running out, the group's tenuous alliance is beset by mounting danger, tumultuous romance, and most of all by a secret that Anton is hiding: a way to destroy the god at the price of (....)

**Author Bio**

Katy Rose Pool, author of the Age of Darkness trilogy, was born and raised in Los Angeles, California. After graduating from UC Berkeley with a degree in history, Katy spent a few years building websites by day and dreaming up prophecies by night. Currently, she resides in the San Francisco Bay Area, where she can be found eating breakfast sandwiches, rooting for the Golden State Warriors, and reading books that set her on fire.
Kind of a Big Deal
by Shannon Hale

So many strange and wonderful things happen at every twist and turn, you'll be happy to wander with Josie . . . Each book she descends into seems to teach her something, and even if it's not obvious where the story is going, we're in it for the long haul." - NPR

From Shannon Hale, bestselling author of Austenland, comes Kind of a Big Deal: a story that will suck you in - literally.

There's nothing worse than peaking in high school. Nobody knows that better than Josie Pie.

She was kind of a big deal - she dropped out of high school to be a star! But the bigger you are, the harder you fall. And Josie fell. Hard. Ouch. Broadway dream: dead.


Literally. She reads a book and suddenly she's inside it. And with each book, she's a different character: a post-apocalyptic heroine, the lead in a YA rom-com, a 17th century wench in a corset.

It's alarming. But also . . . kind of amazing?

It's the perfect way to live out her fantasies. Book after book, Josie the failed star finds a new way to shine. But the longer she stays in a story, the (...)

Author Bio

Shannon Hale is the New York Times bestselling author of over thirty books, including fantasy novels The Goose Girl and Book of a Thousand Days, science fiction novel Dangerous, Newbery Honor winner Princess Academy, graphic novel memoirs Real Friends and Best Friends (with LeUyen Pham), and romantic comedy Austenland (now a major motion picture starring Keri Russell). She lives in Utah with her husband and frequent collaborator Dean Hale, their four remarkable children, and two ridiculous cats named Misty Knight and Mike Hat.
Lakesedge
by Lyndall Clipstone

A lush, gothic fantasy from debut author Lyndall Clipstone about monsters and magic, set on the banks of a cursed lake, perfect for fans of Naomi Novik and Brigid Kemmerer.

When Violeta Graceling and her younger brother Arien arrive at the haunted Lakesedge estate, they expect to find a monster. Leta knows the terrifying rumors about Rowan Sylvanan, who drowned his entire family when he was a boy. But neither the estate nor the monster are what they seem.

As Leta falls for Rowan, she discovers he is bound to the Lord Under, the sinister death god lurking in the black waters of the lake. A creature to whom Leta is inexplicably drawn. Now, to save Rowan - and herself - Leta must confront the darkness in her past, including unraveling the mystery of her connection to the Lord Under.

Brooding and atmospheric. - Kirkus

"A linguistically lush fantasy." - Publishers Weekly

"Bloody, sumptuous, and as timeless as a fairy tale." - April Genevieve Tucholke, author of The Boneless Mercies

"A shadow-drenched fairytale that readers will happily devour. Lyndall Clipstone’s lush prose lends itself to a world both dark and elegant, brimming with monsters and a young woman brave enough to face them." - Emily Lloyd-Jones, author of The Bone Houses

"Lakesedge is an intense tale of mystery and magic that will have lovers of gothic romance eager for the next installment." - Juliet Marillier, author of the Blackthorn & Grim and Warrior Bards series

"This (...)"

Author Bio

Lyndall Clipstone writes about monsters and the girls who like to kiss them. A former youth librarian who grew up running wild in the Barossa Ranges of South Australia, she currently lives in Adelaide, where she tends her own indoor secret garden. She has a Bachelors in Creative Writing and a Graduate Diploma in Library and Information Management. Lakesedge is her debut novel.
**Little Thieves**
by Margaret Owen

A scrappy maid must outsmart both palace nobles and Low Gods in a new YA fantasy by Margaret Owen, author of the Merciful Crow series.

*Once upon a time, there was a horrible girl...*

Vanja Schmidt knows that no gift is freely given, not even a mother's love—and she's on the hook for one hell of a debt. Vanja, the adopted goddaughter of Death and Fortune, was Princess Gisele's dutiful servant up until a year ago. That was when Vanja's otherworldly mothers demanded a terrible price for their care, and Vanja decided to steal her future back... by stealing Gisele's life for herself.

The real Gisele is left a penniless nobody while Vanja uses an enchanted string of pearls to take her place. Now, Vanja leads a lonely but lucrative double life as princess and jewel thief, charming nobility while emptying their coffers to fund her great escape. Then, one heist away from freedom, Vanja crosses the wrong god and is cursed to an untimely end: turning into jewels, stone by stone, for her greed.

Vanja has just two weeks to figure out how to break her curse and make her getaway. And with a feral guardian half-god, Gisele's sinister fiance, and an overeager junior detective on Vanja's tail, she'll have to pull the (...)

**Author Bio**

Margaret Owen was born and raised at the end of the Oregon Trail and has worked in everything from thrift stores to presidential campaigns. The common thread between every job can be summed up as: lessons were learned. She now spends her days writing and negotiating a long-term hostage situation with her two monstrous cats. She is the author of the Merciful Crow series. In her free time, she enjoys exploring ill-advised travel destinations and raising money for social justice nonprofits through her illustrations. She resides in Seattle, Washington.
Never After: The Stolen Slippers
by Melissa de la Cruz

Real life and fairy tales collide in Never After: The Stolen Slippers, book two of the funny and thrilling middle grade Chronicles of Never After series from the #1 New York Times bestselling author of the Descendants series Melissa de la Cruz.

Tossed back into the not-so-familiar fairy-tale world of Never After, Filomena Jefferson-Cho and her friends set off on another adventure . . . this time in search of Cinderella's glass slipper. Or rather, glass slippers.

It turns out the classic story of Cinderella is full of lies - starting with how Cinderella herself is far from the innocent heroine everyone thinks she is. She is manipulative and cunning - willing to do anything to be the princess of Eastphalia. The real heroines of her story are her wicked* stepsisters, Hortense and Beatrice, who aren't actually wicked at all!

With the help of the dashing Jack Stalker, adorable Alastair, and glamorous Gretel, Filomena must track down the slippers, which may be the key to a certain mysterious prophecy . . . And when Filomena and Beatrice get tossed into the Beast's dungeon, all hope seems to be lost. Will the conniving Cinderella shatter everyone's hopes for a true un-twisted ending? Or will Filomena and her friends secure the happily ever after Cinderella's stepsisters deserve?

Never After: The Thirteenth Fairy:

Equal parts whimsical and adventure-packed, Filomena’s journey will entrance readers and have them rooting for the young, witty heroine . . . A refreshing twist (…)

Author Bio

MELISSA DE LA CRUZ is the #1 New York Times, #1 Publisher’s Weekly and #1 Indie Bound bestselling author of many critically acclaimed and award-winning novels for readers of all ages, and edited the inspiring anthology of true stories, Because I Was a Girl. She grew up in Manila and moved to San Francisco with her family, where she graduated high school salutatorian from The Convent of the Sacred Heart. At Columbia University, she majored in art history and English. Melissa de la Cruz lives in West Hollywood with her husband and daughter.
Ruby's Chinese New Year
by Vickie Lee, illustrated by Joey Chou

In this picture book celebrating Chinese New Year, animals from the Chinese zodiac help a little girl deliver a gift to her grandmother.

Ruby has a special card to give to her grandmother for Chinese New Year. But who will help her get to grandmother's house to deliver it? Will it be clever Rat, strong Ox, or cautious Rabbit? Ruby meets each of the twelve zodiac animals on her journey. This picture book includes back matter with a focus on the animals of the Chinese zodiac.

- GODWIN BOOKS

Author Bio

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 create Ruby's Chinese New Year. 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. He has illustrated such books as When the Snow Is Deeper Than My Boots Are Tall, Ruby's Chinese New Year, Monster & Son, and Disney Parks Presents: It's A Small World

Notes

Promotion

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So Many Beginnings: A Little Women Remix
by Bethany C. Morrow

Four young Black sisters come of age during the American Civil War in So Many Beginnings, a warm and powerful YA remix of the classic novel Little Women, by bestselling author Bethany C. Morrow.

North Carolina, 1863. As the American Civil War rages on, the Freedpeople’s Colony of Roanoke Island is blossoming, a haven for the recently emancipated. Black people have begun building a community of their own, a refuge from the shadow of the old life." It is where the March family has finally been able to safely put down roots with four young daughters:

Meg, a teacher who longs to find love and start a family of her own.

Jo, a writer whose words are too powerful to be contained.

Beth, a talented seamstress searching for a higher purpose.

Amy, a dancer eager to explore life outside her family's home.

As the four March sisters come into their own as independent young women, they will face first love, health struggles, heartbreak, and new horizons. But they will face it all together.

Praise for So Many Beginnings :

"Morrow's ability to take the lingering stain of slavery on American history and use it as a catalyst for unbreakable love and resilience is flawless. That she has remixed a canonical text to do so only further illuminates the need to critically question who holds the pen in telling our nation's story." - Booklist, starred review

"Bethany C. Morrow's prose is a sharpened (...)

Author Bio

Bethany C. Morrow is a national bestselling author. Her young adult novels include A Song Below Water, A Chorus Rises, and the Little Women remix, So Many Beginnings, and she is editor/contributor to the young adult anthology Take The Mic, which won the 2020 ILA Social Justice in Literature award. Her adult novels include Mem, and the forthcoming social horror, Cherish Farrah. Her work has been featured in The LA Times, Forbes, Bustle, Buzzfeed, and more. She is included on USA TODAY's list of 100 Black novelists and fiction writers you should read.
The Adventure Is Now
by Jess Redman

A fun-filled, action-packed middle grade novel about a boy who learns about protecting the environment, finding real friends, and living in the now while spending the summer on a remote island.

Sometimes it's hard to be Milton P. Greene. He says all the wrong things, his family is falling apart, and everyone at school avoids him because of the very embarrassing Bird Brain Incident. But when Milton plays his video game *Isle of Wild*, he becomes someone else - Sea Hawk, the brave and brilliant naturalist explorer who conquers danger at every turn.

Then Milton's parents ship him off to the remote Lone Island for the summer, where his uncle Evan is an environmentalist researcher. The island is chock-full of spectacular species, and Milton realizes this is his chance to become the brave and brilliant naturalist he's always wanted to be - and even meet some fellow explorers!

But as it turns out, the future of the Lone Island is in some pretty serious peril, and the only thing that can save it is a field guide full of cryptic clues. If Milton and his unexpected new friends are going to protect the island, they'll have to trust each other, discover new truths, and embark on a wild and wondrous adventure all their own.

*The Adventure is Now* is a dazzling, fun-filled story from Jess Redman.

A Roald Dahl-esque delight." - *Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books*

"The remote island filled with Dr. Dolittle-style flora and fauna helps (...)"

Author Bio

Jess Redman is the author of *The Miraculous, Quintessence*, and *The Adventures is Now*. She currently lives in Florida, with her family. Learn more about her at [jessredman.com](http://jessredman.com).
The Big Reveal
by Jen Larsen

*The Big Reveal* asks hard-hitting feminist questions while reveling in some of life's greatest joys: chasing your passions, falling in love, and embracing yourself exactly as you are.

Addie is a talented dancer, a true-blue friend, and a fat, fierce, and driven young woman. When she's accepted into the prestigious dance company of her dreams, she thinks nothing can bring her down - until she realizes she doesn't have enough money to go. Refusing to give up, Addie and her friends decide to put on a top-secret, invitation-only burlesque show to raise funds. But word soon gets out, and the slut- and body-shaming begin. Has Addie been resisting the patriarchy, or playing right into its hands?

Author Bio

Jen Larsen is the critically acclaimed author of multiple books, including the young adult novel *Future Perfect*. She lives in Vancouver, Canada, with her wife.
The Explorer's Code
by Allison K. Hymas

Three kids have everything they need to solve the decades-old mystery of Idlewood Manor, in this middle grade novel full of real ciphers, puzzles, riddles, and codes that Kirkus Reviews calls a worthy call to unravel a mystery."

Idlewood Manor has been uninhabited for decades, until now . . .

Math whiz Charlie won admission in a puzzle contest - and he's intrigued by the strange numbers he finds on Idlewood's walls. His restless sister Anna had to be dragged to the house - but then she discovers its hidden floor. Emily's parents brought her to the mansion on a secret mission - and she's determined to prove herself to them.

All three kids soon unlock clues to Idlewood's mysterious past and the famous female explorer who's connected to it - and the secret treasure she left behind. But the adults around them are also hunting for the treasure. Charlie, Anna, and Emily will have to overcome their differences and work as a team to solve Idlewood's puzzles before it's too late, in Allison K. Hymas's The Explorer's Code.

An Imprint Book

A Junior Library Guild Gold Standard Selection

Full of puzzles and intrigue, this is a delectable treat for readers wanting a brainteaser or two in an intricately paced package." - Kirkus Reviews

"The Explorer's Code contains the perfect trifecta for middle-grade readers: buried secrets, puzzles to decode, and a dark, creepy old manor house to explore. A great addition to the adventure genre.

Author Bio

Allison K. Hymas was born on the anniversary of the day Amelia Earhart became the first woman to fly nonstop and solo across the Atlantic. She was born in Utah and raised in Virginia and Pennsylvania, where she enjoyed spending time in the mountains and forests. She currently lives in Provo, UT, where she teaches writing, visits national parks, and runs very long distances for fun.
Intrigue, romance, and magic abound in *The Hollow Heart*, the heart-stopping conclusion to Marie Rutkoski's Forgotten Gods duology.

At the end of *The Midnight Lie*, Nirrim offered up her heart to the god of thieves in order to restore her people's memories of their city's history. The Half Kith who once lived imprisoned behind the city's wall now realize that many among them are powerful. Meanwhile, the person Nirrim once loved most, Sid, has returned to her home country of Herran, where she must navigate the politics of being a rogue princess who has finally agreed to do her duty.

In the Herrani court, rumors begin to grow of a new threat rising across the sea, of magic unleashed on the world, and of a cruel, black-haired queen who can push false memories into your mind, so that you believe your dearest friends to be your enemies.

Sid doesn't know that this queen is Nirrim, who seeks her revenge against a world that has wronged her. Can Sid save Nirrim from herself? Does Nirrim even want to be saved? As blood is shed and war begins, Sid and Nirrim find that it might not matter what they want... for the gods have their own plans.

*The Hollow Heart*:

A thrilling, frightening tale of intrigue and revenge, love and desire, affecting humans and gods alike. *The Hollow Heart* is a doorway to a world of magic, vengeance, and romance (...)

**Author Bio**

Born in Illinois, **Marie Rutkoski** is a graduate of the University of Iowa and Harvard University. She is a professor of English literature at Brooklyn College and a *New York Times* bestselling author of books for children and young adults. She lives in Brooklyn with her family.
The Monsters of Rookhaven
by Padraig Kenny

A stunning book. . . a brand new take on the monster story.” - Eoin Colfer, international bestselling author of the Artemis Fowl series

From award-winning author Padraig Kenny comes an action-packed middle grade fantasy about a family of monsters, perfect for fans of Jonathan Auxier and Victoria Schwab.

Mirabelle is part of a very unusual family. Between Uncle Bertram transforming into a ferocious grizzly bear and Aunt Eliza's body being made entirely of spiders, it's safe to say they are an extraordinary lot.

To the human residents of Rookhaven Village, the family is a threat. So long ago, a treaty was reached between them - in return for sundries and supplies, the monsters won't eat the townspeople - and an invisible glamour was set around the perimeter of the Manor to keep strangers out.

But the glamour serves a second purpose: to keep Mirabelle and her family hidden from those who would do them harm. When two orphans - siblings Jem and Tom - stumble upon a tear in the magical field and open a door that was meant to stay locked, Mirabelle and her family are put in grave danger. A very real monster has locked onto their scent, and he has a hunger for their kind.

At turns chilling and thought-provoking, and stunningly illustrated by Edward Bettison (…)

Author Bio

Padraig Kenny is an Irish writer who hails from Newbridge in County Kildare. His debut novel Tin was Waterstones Children's Book of the Month. It has been nominated for the CILIP Carnegie Medal and several other awards. His second novel Pog was an Independent Bookseller's Book of the Month.
The Other Side
by Juan Pablo Villalobos

Award-winning Mexican author Juan Pablo Villalobos explores illegal immigration with this emotionally raw and timely nonfiction book about ten Central American teens and their journeys to the United States.

You can't really tell what time it is when you're in the freezer.

Every year, thousands of migrant children and teens cross the U.S.-Mexico border. The journey is treacherous and sometimes deadly, but worth the risk for migrants who are escaping gang violence and poverty in their home countries. And for those refugees who do succeed? They face an immigration process that is as winding and multi-tiered as the journey that brought them here.

In this book, award-winning Mexican author Juan Pablo Villalobos strings together the diverse experiences of eleven real migrant teenagers, offering readers a beginning road map to issues facing the region. These timely accounts of courage, sacrifice, and survival - including two fourteen-year-old girls forming a tenuous friendship as they wait in a frigid holding cell, a boy in Chicago beginning to craft his future while piecing together his past in El Salvador, and cousins learning to lift each other up through angry waters - offer a rare and invaluable window into the U.S.-Central American refugee crisis.

In turns optimistic and heartbreaking, The Other Side balances the boundless hope at the center of immigration with the weight of its risks and repercussions. Here is a necessary read for young people on both sides of (...) 

Author Bio

Juan Pablo Villalobos was born in Guadalajara, Mexico, in 1973. He studied marketing and Spanish literature. He has researched such diverse topics as the influence of the avant-garde on the work of Cesar Aira and the flexibility of pipelines for electrical installations. He is the author of books including Down the Rabbit Hole and Quesadillas. He lives in Barcelona, Spain.
In the years leading up to WWII, an American boxing hero competed against a German champion in what would become a historic battle of the nations.

Joe Louis was born on an Alabama cotton patch and raised in a Detroit ghetto. Max Schmeling grew up in poverty in Hamburg, Germany. For both boys, boxing was a path out and a ladder up. Little did they know that they would one day face each other in a pair of matches that would capture the world’s attention.

Joe grew into a symbol of inspiration to a nation of Black Americans hoping to carve a slice of the ‘American Dream’ in a racially fractured country. Max, on the other hand, became a Nazi symbol for the superiority of the Aryan race.

The battles waged between Joe and Max still resonate, and the cultural implications of the international sensation continue to reverberate far past the ring.

Thoroughly sourced, Florio and Shapiro’s book celebrating Louis’ life is a knockout.” - Booklist

"Florio and Shapiro bring considerable skill to their lively telling of this multilayered slice of history . . . an honest account of the racism and anti-Semitism intertwined throughout and realistically portraying the complexities of Joe Louis and Max Schmeling]." - Kirkus Reviews

"Florio and Shapiro (One Nation Under Baseball) vividly recount the politically and racially charged rivalry between African-American boxing champion Joe Louis and white German boxer Max Schmeling" - Publishers Weekly

**Author Bio**

**John Florio** and Ouisie Shapiro are the authors of *One Nation Under Baseball*, and *One Punch from the Promised Land*. Together, they've written about sports for *The New York Times, The New Yorker, The Atlantic, VICE Sports*, and *Sports Illustrated*. They are married and live in Brooklyn. *War in the Ring* is their first book for young readers. **Ouisie Shapiro** and John Florio are the authors of *One Nation Under Baseball*, and *One Punch from the Promised Land*. Together, they've written about sports for *The New York Times, The New Yorker, The Atlantic, VICE Sports* and *Sports Illustrated*. 
We Free the Stars
by Hafsah Faizal

A New York Times bestseller!

The second book in the Sands of Arawiya duology by the masterful Hafsah Faizal - the follow-up to the smash New York Times bestselling novel We Hunt the Flame.

Darkness surged in his veins. Power bled from her bones.

The battle on Sharr is over. The Arz has fallen. Altair may be captive, but Zafira, Nasir, and Kifah are bound for Sultan's Keep, determined to finish the plan Altair set in motion: restoring the hearts of the Sisters of Old to the minarets of each caliphate, finally bringing magic to all of Arawiya. But they are low on resources and allies alike, and the kingdom teems with fear of the Lion of the Night's return.

As the zumra plots to overthrow Arawiya's darkest threat, Nasir fights to command the magic in his blood. He must learn to hone his power, to wield it against not only the Lion but his father as well, trapped under the Lion's control. Zafira battles a very different darkness festering in her through her bond with the Jawarat - it hums with voices, pushing her to the brink of sanity and to the edge of a chaos she dares not unleash. In spite of everything, Zafira and Nasir find themselves falling into a love they can't stand (…)

Author Bio

Hafsah Faizal is the New York Times bestselling author of We Hunt the Flame, and the founder of IceyDesigns, where she creates websites for authors and beauteous goodies for everyone else. When she's not writing, she can be found designing, deciding between Assassin's Creed and Skyrim, or traversing the world. Born in Florida and raised in California, she now resides in Texas with her family and a library of books waiting to be devoured. Visit her on her website!
Enola Holmes and the Black Barouche
by Nancy Springer

A young girl who is empowered, capable, and smart. . . the Enola Holmes book series convey an impactful message that you can do anything if you set your mind to it, and it does so in an exciting and adventurous way.” - Millie Bobby Brown

Enola Holmes is back! Nancy Springer's nationally bestselling series and breakout Netflix sensation returns to beguile readers young and old in *Enola Holmes and the Black Barouche*.

Enola Holmes is the much younger sister of her more famous brothers, Sherlock and Mycroft. But she has all the wits, skills, and sleuthing inclinations of them both. At fifteen, she's an independent young woman - after all, her name spelled backwards reads 'alone' - and living on her own in London. When a young professional woman, Miss Letitia Glover, shows up on Sherlock's doorstep, desperate to learn more about the fate of her twin sister, it is Enola who steps up. It seems her sister, the former Felicity Glover, married the Earl of Dunhench and per a curt note from the Earl, has died. But Letitia Glover is convinced this isn't the truth, that she'd know - she'd feel - if her twin had died.

The Earl's note is suspiciously vague and the death certificate is even more dubious, signed it seems by a John H. Watson, M.D. (who denies any knowledge of such). The only way forward is for Enola to go undercover - or so Enola decides at the vehement objection of (...)

Author Bio

NANCY SPRINGER is the author of the nationally bestselling Enola Holmes novels, including *The Case of the Missing Marques* s, which was made into the hit Netflix movie, Enola Holmes. She is the author of more than 50 other books for children and adults. She has won many awards, including two Edgar Awards, and has been published in more than thirty countries. She lives in Florida.
Enola Holmes and the Elegant Escapade
by Nancy Springer

Enola Holmes, Sherlock's much younger, and feistier, sister, returns in an adventure of a confused young Baronet's daughter who is on the run from her father's devious schemes in Nancy Springer's Enola Holmes and the Elegant Escapade

Author Bio

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If This Gets Out
by Sophie Gonzales and Cale Dietrich

Sophie Gonzales and Cale Dietrich's If This Gets Out is an absolute showstopper! Equal parts edgy and adorable, this bright, joyful book has everything I look for in a queer YA romance." - Phil Stamper, bestselling author of The Gravity of Us

Eighteen-year-olds Ruben Montez and Zach Knight are two members of the boy-band Saturday, one of the biggest acts in America. Along with their bandmates, Angel Phan and Jon Braxton, the four are teen heartthrobs in front of the cameras and best friends backstage.

But privately, the pressure to stay in the closet has Ruben confiding in Zach. On a whirlwind tour through Europe with an unrelenting schedule and minimal supervision, the two come to rely on each other more and more, and their already close friendship evolves into a romance. But when they decide they’re ready to tell their fans and live freely, Zach and Ruben realize they will never truly have the support they need.

How can they hold tight to each other when their whole world is coming apart?

If This Gets Out is an absolute showstopper! Equal parts edgy and adorable, this bright, joyful book has everything I look for in a queer YA romance - Sophie Gonzales and Cale Dietrich tell this story in perfect harmony." - Phil Stamper, bestselling (...)
I'm the Girl
by Courtney Summers

This is Courtney Summers doing what she does better than anybody - revealing truths beneath the surface of what we think we know. *I'm the Girl* captures the glittering allure of beauty as power and the insatiable need of the powerful to possess beautiful things." - Angeline Boulley, #1 *New York Times* bestselling and Printz Award-winning author of *Firekeeper's Daughter*

"Scorchingly smart and on point, Courtney Summers' latest novel advances her even more fearlessly into the conversation about female autonomy, sexuality, and the damage wrought when young women try to win in a system rigged against them. Taut, unfiltered and unapologetically emotional, *I'm the Girl* digs in its nails and doesn't let go." - Paula McLain, author of *When the Stars Go Dark* and *The Paris Wife*

The new groundbreaking queer thriller from *New York Times* bestselling and Edgar-award Winning author Courtney Summers

When sixteen-year-old Georgia Avis discovers the dead body of thirteen-year-old Ashley James, she teams up with Ashley's older sister, Nora, to find and bring the killer to justice before he strikes again. But their investigation throws Georgia into a world of unimaginable privilege and wealth, without conscience or consequence, and as Ashley's killer closes in, Georgia will discover when money, power and beauty rule, it might not be a matter of who is guilty - but who is guiltiest.

A spiritual successor to the breakout hit *Sadie, I'm the Girl* is a masterfully written, bold, and unflinching account of how one young woman feels in her body as she struggles to navigate a deadly and predatory power structure while (...)

**Author Bio**

Courtney Summers is the bestselling and critically acclaimed author of several novels for young adults, including *Cracked Up to Be, All the Rage* and *Sadie*. Her work has been released to multiple starred reviews, received numerous awards and honors - including the Edgar Award, John Spray Mystery Award, Cybils Award and Odyssey Award - and has been recognized by many library, 'Best Of' and Readers' Choice lists. She lives and writes in Canada.
Jasmine Zumideh Needs a Win
by Susan Azim Boyer

Told with biting insight and fierce humor, Susan Azim Boyer’s *Jasmine Zumideh Needs a Win* is a fresh, unforgettable story of one Iranian-American young woman’s experience navigating her identity, a budding romance, friendship, family, and her future, all set against life-changing historical events with present-day relevance.

It's 1979, and Jasmine Zumideh is ready to get the heck out of her stale, Southern California suburb and into her dream school, NYU, where she’ll major in journalism and cover New York City’s exploding music scene. There’s just one teeny problem: Due to a deadline snafu, she maaaaaaybe said she was Senior Class President-Elect on her application - before the election takes place. But honestly, she’s running against Gerald Thomas, a rigid rule-follower whose platform includes reinstating a dress code - there’s no way she can lose. And she better not, or NYU will rescind her application.

But then, an international incident turns the election upside down: a group of students in Iran, fed up with the U.S.’s interference in Iranian politics, takes the American Embassy in Tehran - and the people within it - hostage. And, as the Iran Hostage Crisis dominates the nightly news, her opponent seizes the opportunity to stir up anti-Iranian sentiment at school and turn the electorate against her - with the help of her outspoken brother, who never stops talking about it.

Now, as the white lie she told snowballs into an avalanche, Jasmine is (...)

**Author Bio**

Susan Azim Boyer writes young adult fiction featuring Iranian American heroines. She has a screenwriting certificate from UCLA, and wrote and directed the independent feature *All You Need*. Her scripts have finaled in several competitions, and she took first place in the YARWA Rosemary Awards for Historical Fiction. *Jasmine Zumideh Needs a Win* is her YA fiction debut. She lives in the Palm Springs area with her husband, Wayne, and her Pug mix, Teddy. Her son, Alec, lives in New York.
Never Ever Getting Back Together
by Sophie Gonzales

FROM NATIONALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY-BESTSELLING AND INDIE NEXT PICK AUTHOR Sophie Gonzales, for fans of American Royals and Anna K: a girl enters a reality dating competition to get revenge on her cheating, royal-adjacent ex-boyfriend, and ends up falling for another girl on the show - in fact, the girl he cheated on her with, in Never Ever Getting Back Together.

Wickedly funny [and] searingly sexy." - Kelly Quindlen, author of She Drives Me Crazy

It's been two years since Maya dumped her cheating ex-boyfriend Jordy, and she still can't escape him: his sister married the crown prince of a minor European country, and in the lead up to the wedding he captured hearts globally as the eligible younger brother. So, when Maya receives an invitation to be a contestant on Second Chance Romance, a new reality show in which the now-famous Jordy will re-date his ex-girlfriends in an effort to find "the one that got away," she isn’t interested . . . that is, until she realizes she can use this opportunity to exact her revenge. If she can make it to the finale, she can reject Jordy and publicly break his heart. As far as Maya's concerned, it's payback with interest: just what a guy like Jordy deserves.

But when she gets to the set, she's confronted with the one person she hasn't accounted for: Skye, the beautiful, charismatic girl Jordy cheated on Maya with. How is (...)

Author Bio

SOPHIE GONZALES is a YA contemporary author. She lives in Adelaide, Australia where she works within the field of mental health. When she isn't writing, she can be found ice skating, performing in musical theatre, and practicing the piano. She is the author of The Law of Inertia, Only Mostly Devastated, and Perfect on Paper
Night of the Raven, Dawn of the Dove
by Rati Mehrotra

To learn what she can become, she must first discover who she is.

Katyani’s role in the kingdom of Chandela has always been clear: becoming an advisor and protector of the crown prince, Ayan, when he ascends to the throne. Bound to the Queen of Chandela through a forbidden soul bond that saved her when she was a child. But when a series of assassination attempts threatens the royals, Katyani is sent to the gurukul of the famous Acharya Mahavir to protect the future heirs of Chandela. Nothing could annoy Katyani more than being stuck in a monastic school in the middle of a forest, except her run-ins with Daksh, the Acharya’s son, who can’t stop going on about the rules and whose gaze makes her feel like he can see into her soul.

But when Katyani and the princes are hurriedly summoned back to Chandela before their training is complete, tragedy strikes and Katyani is torn from the only life she has ever known. Alone and betrayed in a land infested by monsters, Katyani must discover who she is so she can save what she loves and forge her own destiny.

Bonds can be broken, but debts must be repaid.

A dazzling and intricately woven story that bites as fiercely as it dazzles. From its complex cast to its decadent world building, I couldn’t put this book down.” - Adalyn Grace, New York Times bestselling author of All the Stars and Teeth

"A sweeping adventure set in a lush world, full of political intrigue and relationships found and lost. I loved it!" - Lauren (...) 

Author Bio

Born and raised in India, Rati Mehrotra now lives and writes in Toronto, Canada. She is the author of the Asiana duology: Markswoman and its sequel Mahimata. Her short fiction has been shortlisted for The Sunburst Award and has appeared in multiple venues including The Magazine of Fantasy & Science Fiction, Lightspeed Magazine, Apex Magazine, and Podcastle. She loves to cook; when not writing, she is often to be found in the kitchen, experimenting with new recipes.
Saint
A Novel
by Adrienne Young

*New York Times* bestselling author Adrienne Young returns to the world of The Narrows with *Saint*, a captivating prequel to *Fable* and *Namesake*.

As a boy, Elias learned the hard way what happens when you don't heed the old tales.

Nine years after his lack of superstition got his father killed, he's grown into a young man of piety, with a deep reverence for the hallowed sea and her fickle favor. As stories of the fisherman's son who has managed to escape the most deadly of storms spreads from port to port, his devotion to the myths and creeds has given him the reputation of the luckiest bastard to sail the Narrows.

Now, he's mere days away from getting everything his father ever dreamed for him: a ship of his own, a crew, and a license that names him as one of the first Narrows-born traders. But when a young dredger from the Unnamed Sea with more than one secret crosses his path, Elias' faith will be tested like never before. The greater the pull he feels toward her, the farther he drifts from the things he's spent the last three years working for.

He is dangerously close to repeating his mistakes and he's seen first hand how vicious the jealous sea can be. If he's going to survive her retribution, he will have to decide which he wants more, the love of the girl who could change their (...) 

**Author Bio**

Adrienne Young is a foodie with a deep love of history and travel and a shameless addiction to coffee. When she's not writing, you can find her on her yoga mat, sipping wine over long dinners or disappearing into her favorite art museums. She lives with her documentary filmmaker husband and their four little wildlings in the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina. She is the author of the *New York Times* bestselling *Sky in the Deep* duology and the Fable duology.
The Dead and the Dark
by Courtney Gould

Imagine Riverdale crossing streams with Stephen King's The Outsider and you'll get a sense of this gripping supernatural mystery. Gould's debut begins as a snappy paranormal yarn and unspools into a profound story about the complex interplay between grief, guilt, and identity." - Oprah Daily

Courtney Gould's thrilling YA debut The Dead and the Dark is about the things that lurk in dark corners, the parts of you that can't remain hidden, and about finding home in places - and people - you didn't expect.

The Dark has been waiting - and it won't stay hidden any longer.

Something is wrong in Snakebite, Oregon. Teenagers are disappearing, some turning up dead, the weather isn't normal, and all fingers point to TV's most popular ghost hunters who have just come to town.

Logan Ortiz-Woodley, daughter of TV's ParaSpectors, has never been to Snakebite before. But the moment she and her dads arrive, she starts to get the feeling that there's more than ghosts plaguing this small town. Ashley Barton's boyfriend was the first teen to go missing, and she's felt his ghost following her ever since. Although everyone shuns the Ortiz-Woodleys, the mysterious Logan may be the only person who can help Ashley get some answers.

When Ashley and Logan team up to figure out who - or what - is (...)

Author Bio

Courtney Gould writes books about queer girls, ghosts, and things that go bump in the night. She graduated from Pacific Lutheran University in 2016 with a Bachelor's degree in Creative Writing and Publishing. Born and raised in Salem, OR, she now lives and writes in Tacoma, WA where she continues to write love letters to the haunted girls and rural, empty spaces. The Dead and the Dark is her debut novel.
Three Kisses, One Midnight
by Roshani Chokshi, Sandhya Menon and Evelyn Skye

Three New York Times bestselling authors - Roshani Chokshi, Sandhya Menon, and Evelyn Skye - craft a delicious concoction of storytelling about best friends who discover that love is the most powerful magic of all.

This Halloween, magic will reawaken in the town of Moon Ridge, and any love forged that night will last forever. At least, that's what the founder's fable says, and best friends Onny, Ash, and True - better known as The Coven" - aren't taking any chances.

After brewing a supposed love potion from a recipe passed down by Onny's grandmother, each member of The Coven sets off to try to charm the love of their life. One falls for an unexpected suitor. Another paints himself into a corner. And the third refuses to believe in magic at all . . . until true love proves her wrong.

To All the Boys I've Loved Before meets Gilmore Girls: Three Kisses, One Midnight will put you under its spell and keep you reading long past the witching hour!

Author Bio

Roshani Chokshi is the author of commercial and critically acclaimed books for middle grade and young adult readers that draw on world mythology and folklore. Her work has been nominated for the Locus and Nebula awards, and has frequently appeared on Best of The Year lists from Barnes and Noble, Forbes, Buzzfeed and more. Her New York Times bestselling series include The Star-Touched Queen duology, The Gilded Wolves, and Aru Shah and The End of Time, which has been optioned for film by Paramount Pictures.
Scattered Showers
Stories
by Rainbow Rowell

The first short-story collection from #1 New York Times bestselling author Rainbow Rowell

Author Bio

RAINBOW ROWELL lives in Omaha, Nebraska, with her family. She’s the author of Eleanor & Park, Fangirl, Attachments, Landline, Pumpkinheads, and the Simon Snow trilogy.
When Night Breaks
by Janella Angeles

In Janella Angeles’s *When Night Breaks*, the dramatic last act of the Kingdom of Cards duology, the stage is set, the spectacle awaits... and the show must finally come to an end.

The competition has come to a disastrous end, and Daron Demarco's fall from grace is front-page news. But little matters to him beyond Kallia, the contestant he fell for who is now missing and in the hands of a dangerous magician. Daron is willing to do whatever it takes to find her. Even if it means unearthing secrets that lead him on a treacherous journey, risking more than his life and with no promise of return.

After falling through the mirror, Kallia has never felt more lost, mourning everything she left behind and the boy she can't seem to forget. Only Jack, the magician who has all the answers but can't be trusted, remains at her side. Together, they must navigate a dazzling world where mirrors show memories and illusions shadow every corner, ruled by a powerful showman who's been waiting for Kallia to finally cross his stage. But beneath the glamour of dueling headliners and never-ending revelry, a sinister force falls like night over everyone, with the dark promise of more?more power beyond Kallia's wildest imagination, and at a devastating cost.

The truth will come out, a kingdom must fall, hearts will collide.

And the show must finally come to an end.

Praise for *When Night Breaks*:

* A KIRKUS BEST BOOK OF 2021

* EPIC READS, The 18 Most Anticipated YA Books to Read in October

* CULTURESS, “Exciting New (…)

Author Bio

JANELLA ANGELES is the Filipino-American bestselling author of *Where Dreams Descend*. She got her start in writing through consuming glorious amounts of fanfiction at a young age - which eventually led to creating original stories of her own. She currently resides in Massachusetts where she works in the business of publishing books on top of writing them, and is most likely to be found listening to musicals on repeat while daydreaming too much for her own good.
Where Echoes Die
by Courtney Gould

Two sisters travel to an isolated Arizona town to investigate its connection to their mother's death, but uncover more than they bargained for in this supernatural thriller from the author of The Dead and the Dark.

Beck Birsching has been adrift since the death of her mother, a brilliant but troubled investigative reporter. She finds herself unable to stop herself from slipping into memories of happier days, clamoring for a time when things were normal. So when a mysterious letter in her mother's handwriting arrives in the mail with the words Come and find me, pointing to a town called Backravel, Beck hopes that it may hold the answers.

But when Beck and her sister Riley arrive in Backravel, Arizona it's clear that there's something off about the town. There are no cars, no cemeteries, no churches. The town is a mix of dilapidated military structures and new, shiny buildings, all overseen by the town's gleaming treatment center high on a plateau. No one seems to remember when they got there, and the only people who seem to know more than they're letting on is the town's enigmatic leader and his daughter, Avery.

As the sisters search for answers about their mother, Beck and Avery become more drawn together, and their unexpected connection brings up emotions Beck has buried since her mother's death. Beck is desperate to hold onto the way things used to be, and when she starts losing herself in Backravel and its connection to her mother, will there be a way for Beck to pull herself out?

In Where Echoes Die (…)

Author Bio

Courtney Gould writes books about queer girls, ghosts, and things that go bump in the night. She graduated from Pacific Lutheran University in 2016 with a Bachelor's degree in Creative Writing and Publishing. Born and raised in Salem, OR, she now lives and writes in Tacoma, WA where she continues to write love letters to the haunted girls and rural, empty spaces. The Dead and the Dark is her debut novel.
All of Our Demise
by Amanda Foody and Christine Lynn Herman

All of Our Demise is the epic conclusion to Amanda Foody and Christine Lynn Herman's New York Times bestselling All of Us Villains duology.

I feel like I should warn you: this is going to be absolutely brutal."

For the first time in this ancient, bloodstained story, the tournament is breaking. The boundaries between the city of Ilvernath and the arena have fallen. Reporters swarm the historic battlegrounds. A dead boy now lives again. And a new champion has entered the fray, one who seeks to break the curse for good... no matter how many lives are sacrificed in the process.

As the curse teeters closer and closer to collapse, the surviving champions each face a choice: dismantle the tournament piece by piece, or fight to the death as this story was always intended.

Long-held alliances will be severed. Hearts will break. Lives will end. Because a tale as wicked as this one was never destined for happily ever after.

Praise for All of Us Villains
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER!
An Indie Bestseller!
An Indie Next Pick!

Magical, clever and cutthroat, All of Us Villains sets out to make it impossible to know who to root for. . . . A fun, twisty ride through a world full of spells and family secrets." --Kendare Blake, #1 New York Times bestselling author of (...)

Author Bio

AMANDA FOODY has always considered imagination to be our best attempt at magic. She is a New York Times and indie bestselling author of YA and children's fantasy novels, including the All of Us Villains duology, the Wilderlore series, The Shadow Game series, and more. You can find her on Instagram at @amandafoody or at amandafoody.com. CHRISTINE LYNN HERMAN is the New York Times and indie bestselling author of novels about magic, monsters, and growing up, including the All of Us Villains duology, The Devouring Gray duology, and The Drowning Summer. Writing updates (and cat pictures) can be found on Instagram at @christineexists or at christinelynnherman.com.
All of Us Villains
by Amanda Foody and Christine Lynn Herman

A NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER
An Indie Bestseller!
An Indie Next Pick!

The blockbuster co-writing debut of Amanda Foody and Christine Lynn Herman, All of Us Villains begins a dark tale of ambition and magick. . .

You Fell in Love with the Victors of the Hunger Games.
Now Prepare to Meet the Villains of the Blood Veil.


Every generation, at the coming of the Blood Moon, seven families in the remote city of Ilvernath each name a champion to compete in a tournament to the death.

The prize? Exclusive control over a secret wellspring of high magick, the most powerful resource in the world - one thought long depleted.

But this year a scandalous tell-all book has exposed the tournament and (...) 

Author Bio

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Bastille vs. the Evil Librarians
by Brandon Sanderson and Janci Patterson

From #1 New York Times bestselling authors Brandon Sanderson and Janci Patterson comes Bastille vs. the Evil Librarians, the thrilling conclusion to the Alcatraz vs. the Evil Librarians saga.

As a Knight of Crystallia, I, Bastille, swore to protect the Smedry clan from the Evil Librarians. (And believe me, screwups like them constantly need protecting.) But when Alcatraz Smedry got strapped to an altar of outdated encyclopedias to be sacrificed to the dark gods, I arrived too late - and instead his father took his place.

Now Alcatraz is a blubbering mess, so it's up to me lead the charge against his father's killer: Biblioden, founder of the Evil Librarians - I was sure he died centuries ago! - who's back to complete his goal of world domination. Now he's going to use the dark powers he gained from that sacrifice against everyone not under Evil Librarian control. Being burned up from the inside is not how I plan to die, so I'd better figure out some way to stop him or we're toast!

I know Alcatraz is wrong when he swears he's no hero. But when a hero falls short, that's the time for everyone else to step up and do what needs to be done.

Author Bio

Brandon Sanderson grew up in Lincoln, Nebraska. He lives in Utah with his wife and children and teaches creative writing at Brigham Young University. He is the author of such bestsellers as the Mistborn (Reg TM) trilogy and its sequels, The Alloy of Law, Shadows of Self, and The Bands of Mourning; the Stormlight Archive novels The Way of Kings and Words of Radiance; and other novels, including The Rithmatist and Steelheart. In 2013, he won a Hugo Award for Best Novella for The Emperor's Soul, set in the world of his acclaimed first novel, Elantris. Additionally, he was chosen to complete Robert Jordan's Wheel of Time (Reg TM) sequence. Janci Patterson received her Master of Arts in creative writing at Brigham Young University. She lives in Orem, Utah with her family. Chasing the Skip is her first novel.
Some Faraway Place
by Lauren Shippen

_Some Faraway Place_, the third Bright Sessions novel from creator Lauren Shippen, features Rose, who has her humdrum life flipped upside down when she starts to travel into dreams.

Rose's mother can see the future. Her father can move things with his mind. Her brother, Aaron, can read thoughts. And Rose, well... she makes a mean spaghetti bolognese.

Everyone else in her family is Atypical, which means they manifested an ability that defies the limits of the human experience. At nineteen, well past the average age of manifestation, Rose is stuck defending her decision not to go to college and instead work in the kitchen of a local restaurant, hoping to gain the experience she needs to become a chef.

When a Rollerblading accident sends her to the hospital, she meets a girl she can't forget, and she starts to feel like maybe her life isn't quite so small. But when she starts falling asleep mid-conversation, only to find herself in other peoples' dreams, she thinks, _Then again maybe I'm doomed to never have good things._

Rose should be happy - diving into dreams makes her a part of her family in the way she's always wanted. But the more time she spends in the dreamworld, the more complicated her ability becomes. Trying to balance her work, her power, and her girlfriend who doesn't know about Atypicals, Rose seeks help. But she soon discovers that dreamdiving comes with dangers she (...)

Author Bio

LAUREN SHIPPEN, author of _The Infinite Noise_, is a writer best known for her work in fiction podcasts. She is the creator and sole writer of the popular audio drama, _The Bright Sessions_. She went on to executive produce _The AM Archives_ and co-produce _Passenger List_ before founding Atypical Artists, a company dedicated to audio storytelling. She wrote _MARVELS_, an audio adaptation of the popular comic, released in 2019 by Marvel and Stitcher. Lauren was named one of _Forbes's_ 2018 30 Under 30 in Media and one of _MovieMaker Magazine's_ and Austin Film Festival's 25 Screenwriters to Watch. She was born in New York City and grew up in Bronxville, New York. She currently lives in Los Angeles but travels frequently to New York.
The Dark Talent
by Brandon Sanderson

Now in paperback for the first time, featuring all new covers, the Alcatraz vs. the Evil Librarians middle-grade series from #1 New York Times bestselling author Brandon Sanderson.

Alcatraz Smedry has successfully defeated the army of Evil Librarians and saved the kingdom of Mokia. Too bad he managed to break the Smedry Talents in the process. Even worse, his father is trying to enact a scheme that could ruin the world, and his friend, Bastille, is in a coma. To revive her, Alcatraz must infiltrate the Highbrary - known as The Library of Congress to Hushlanders - the seat of Evil Librarian power. Without his Talent to draw upon, can Alcatraz figure out a way to save Bastille and defeat the Evil Librarians once and for all?

The Dark Talent is the fifth book in this action-packed fantasy series for young readers.

This is an excellent choice to read aloud to the whole family. It's funny, exciting, and briskly paced. The message it gives young readers is that a person's flaws - being late, breaking things, etc. - can sometimes turn into useful talents.” - Nancy Pearl on NPR'S Morning Edition

"In this original, hysterical homage to fantasy literature, Sanderson's first novel for youth recalls the best in Artemis Fowl and A Series of Unfortunate Events." - VOYA

"A happily action-packed romp. . . and a cliffhanger ending that promises more of the same. Plus dinosaurs in tweed vests. Who could ask for more?" - Horn Book

Author Bio

Brandon Sanderson grew up in Lincoln, Nebraska. He lives in Utah with his wife and children and teaches creative writing at Brigham Young University. He is the author of such bestsellers as the Mistborn(TM) trilogy and its sequels, The Alloy of Law, Shadows of Self, and The Bands of Mourning; the Stormlight Archive novels The Way of Kings and Words of Radiance; and other novels, including The Rithmatist and Steelheart. In 2013, he won a Hugo Award for Best Novella for The Emperor's Soul, set in the world of his acclaimed first novel, Elantris. Additionally, he was chosen to complete Robert Jordan's Wheel of Time(TM) sequence.
The Luminaries
by Susan Dennard

From Susan Dennard, the New York Times bestselling author of the Witchlands series, comes a haunting and high-octane contemporary fantasy, about the magic it takes to face your fears in a nightmare-filled forest, and the mettle required to face the secrets hiding in the dark corners of your own family.

Hemlock Falls isn't like other towns. You won't find it on a map, your phone won't work here, and the forest outside town might just kill you. Only the Luminaries, a society of ancient guardians, stand between humanity and the nightmares of the forest that rise each night.

Winnie Wednesday, an exile from the Luminaries, is determined to restore her family’s good name by taking the deadly hunter trials on her sixteenth birthday. But when she turns to her ex best friend Jay Friday for help, they discover a danger lurking in the forest no one in Hemlock Falls is prepared for.

Not all monsters can be slain, and not all nightmares are confined to the dark.

You'll want to get lost in the world of The Luminaries again and again." - Leigh Bardugo, #1 New York Times bestselling author of Shadow & Bone and The Ninth House

Will draw you in and leave you begging for more. Rich with tension, atmosphere, and finesse,you'll want to get lost in the world of The Luminaries again and again." - Leigh Bardugo, #1 New York Times bestselling author of Shadow & Bone and The Ninth House

"I lost myself from (...)
Big Boned
by Jo Watson

Can she be herself in a one-size-fits-all world?

Lori Palmer is the new girl at Bay Water High, where students prize glossy hair, beach bodies, and thigh gaps above all else, which is so not her. She misses her old school, where her artistic talent was more important to her peers than a chia smoothie recipe ever was.

Uncomfortable in her own size-sixteen skin, Lori decides to survive senior year as best she can by blending into the background while she melts in the summer heat. But her plans go completely awry when she discovers popular jock Jake volunteering at her brother Zac's school. When her brother befriends Jake's sister, Lori is suddenly thrust into Jake's unfamiliar world of water polo, parties, and stargazing.

As she grows closer to Jake, and her relationship with her mother starts to deteriorate, Lori's old anxieties resurface and she throws herself into her art. It's a wildly new direction for Lori, and through it she realizes that finding her voice might get her into a world of trouble, but standing up for what she believes in is as important as standing up for herself.

Author Bio

Jo Watson is the award-winning author of contemporary romances for both adults and teens, including The Destination Love series and her YA debut Big Boned, a Publisher's Marketplace Buzz Book. A graduate of the arts and media school AFDA, Jo earned an honors degree in Live Performance and worked as a script writer, director, and producer before deciding to publish her stories on Wattpad, which catapulted her now full-time career as an author. To date, her stories have accumulated more than 50 million reads on the platform and she has become an international bestselling sensation, having sold over half-a-million books worldwide, and partnering with major publishers to bring her stories to bookshelves everywhere. She lives with her husband and son in South Africa.

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When love is an anchor, the sea can swallow you whole.

Csilla Abado has a full plate after becoming the first Queen of Bones. While leading Cerulia, sending fleets to hunt for Dominic Rove, and recruiting new crews to the cause, she must also find a way to mend the lingering crack between Limbo and the mortal realm. Otherworldly creatures are spilling through, threatening more than just the island kingdom. When Lorelei and Nara go missing, the crew takes sail once again to find them and stop the worst of the villains, Magnus, before he can slip through the crack. As their leader, Csilla takes every decision head-on, but her sister’s death weighs on her, and if she doesn’t learn to let go, she could end up alone in her fight.

After the events at Crossbones, Kane Blackwater is desperate to find the traitorous Dominic Rove, but when his desperation sends him to Death’s Cove, he’s met by creatures that should be locked away in Limbo. He returns to Cerulia with this knowledge and an evil, magic-laced wound that’s slowly seeping through his body. When Lorelei suddenly goes missing, he joins the search, but his time is running out and he must decide what’s more important to him: her life or his own.

Lorelei Storm isn’t the same since her return from the realm of Limbo. A menacing and powerful magic rests under her skin, and she fears it as much as she craves its potential. She tries to keep this secret from her found family, but when she accidentally hurts someone, she (…)

Author Bio

Kimberly Vale is a reader, a bit of a hopeless romantic, and started writing on Wattpad as a teen. In the years since then, she has accumulated millions of reads online and has volunteered her time to mentorship programs and other efforts in the writing community. With a BA in Education, Kimberly teaches remediation and dyslexia intervention in public schools and lives in Arkansas with her husband, two children, and two dogs. She also enjoys playing video games, trying new recipes, and coming up with ridiculous theories about her current tv-obsessions.
For goddess-touched girls, there is only one destiny: the Culling

From the moment Monroe Benson is born with a mark on her hand and the ability to summon fire from her fingertips, her life will never be her own. She's goddess-touched, which means she's destined to participate in the Culling, an age-old competition to determine the next queen of Erydia. For most of her seventeen years, her family has managed to keep Monroe - and her powers - hidden. But now, as Queen Viera calls for the Culling to start, and war looms on the horizon, Monroe can no longer hide. She must face her destiny whether she wants to or not.

For the ten goddess-touched girls, all with different powers, the inevitability of this fight to the death has always ruled their lives. The tradition is both barbaric and cruel, but to make matters worse - Monroe isn't prepared. She hasn't trained her whole life for this day. She doesn't want to be in the spotlight. She doesn't want the crown.

While Monroe struggles with her fate, a rebellion is brewing in the castle and in the country. A group called the Culled are banding together; their goal - to topple the monarchy. And the more they rise, the more merciless Viera is with her kingdom, recruiting younger and younger people from poorer and poorer places to fight in a war no one wants to be waging.

When Monroe finds herself on the front lines of the rebellion's inner circle, only one thing stands in her way: Cohen. The queen's son and the (...)

Author Bio

Brianna Joy Crump grew up on the outskirts of Raleigh, North Carolina. While attending Gardner-Webb University, she fell in love with small-town college life and writing books. After a stint teaching middle school and being a barista in Raleigh, Brianna moved back to GWU to continue her education and work as a residence hall director. Brianna currently lives in the middle of a dorm and spends her days writing, helping college students, and attending far too many zoom meetings. She has her BA and MA in English. Of Cages and Crowns is her debut novel.
Until We Break
by Matthew Dawkins

Dance like everyone’s watching. Because they are.

As the only Black student at her ballet academy, Naomi Morgan knows her feelings of isolation and artistic sacrifice are the price she has to pay in order to win the Youth American Grand Prix, the country’s most prestigious dance competition. Winning means access to a spot in a top ballet school and, ultimately, a place with The New York City Ballet. Nothing else matters.

But when Naomi’s dance instructor assigns her Odette’s variation from Swan Lake, Naomi’s world begins to fall apart. She doesn’t think she can dance the part - and her doubts become the loudest voice in her head. Her best friend, Jessica, used to be her sounding board, her support, her co-star - and even though Jessica died in a freak car accident, Naomi still sees and hears her everywhere.

She’s been burying her grief by focusing on her dancing. But when an injury steals that refuge, Naomi’s mental health deteriorates and she starts to seek answers outside of her carefully constructed reality. Then one night, she meets Saint, a street artist, and he opens up an entirely new world for her. A world that’s not connected to dance.

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In the sequel to Down World, Marina is lured back through the doors by a mysterious man.

"Time after time I come back to this cold brick door. Sealed, as it has been for over a year now, as I know it must remain forever. I don't know why I keep doing this to myself. I know I can never open the door to Yesterday again. I can never have Kieren back. Never talk to Brady about the things we saw under the lake all those months ago. And never tell my brother Robbie how my heart broke every day that he was trapped in the abyss lurking behind those immovable bricks.

Maybe I come to this room the way some people visit gravestones. The three doors are all I have left of my loved ones now. The rough, hard rectangles and their merciless mortar, staring back at me. Yesterday. Today. Tomorrow.

And me in the waiting room.

To open any of these doors is to open a pathway to death. I know this. And yet, they call to me."

Eighteen months have passed since Marina O'Connell first discovered the doors, and her life changed forever. She's a senior now. And she's living in a plane of reality with her stepmom and her dad, while Robbie and her mom are in Oregon. She and her best friend Christy are making plans for college. They're crushing on Mr. Martel, the new (...

Author Bio

Rebecca Phelps is an actress, screenwriter, and novelist based in Los Angeles. As an actress, she has appeared in films that premiered at Austin International Film Festival and the Toronto International Comedy Festival, and she was the joint recipient of the best ensemble award at the Breckenridge and Ashland Independent Film Festivals. As a writer, her screenplays have been finalists in Project Greenlight, Fade-In, and Austin International Film Festival, and her adaption of Mary Downing Hahn's The Doll in the Garden (co-written with screenwriter husband Steffen Phelps) was optioned by Cole-Abitt Productions. She is the co-creator of the website novel2screen.net which analyzes film and television adapted from other material and her debut novel, Down World, is the recipient of the Watty Award for Best Young Adult Fiction for 2019.
Goats for Christmas: Calpurnia Tate, Girl Vet
by Jacqueline Kelly, illustrated by Jennifer L. Meyer

Featuring the charming characters from Jacqueline Kelly's Newbery Honor Book The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate, this exciting chapter book series introduces young readers to Callie Vee and the rough-and-tumble world of turn-of-the-century Texas.

Callie and Travis need sheep for the town Christmas pageant. Travis is playing the shepherd in the Nativity scene, and what's a shepherd without his flock? Unfortunately, Fentress is low on sheep - but not on goats.

When Callie and Travis decide to borrow two goats from their neighbor, they don't know what they're in for. As it turns out, the main trouble with goats is that they'll eat just about anything. This will be one Christmas pageant Fentress won't forget!

Author Bio

Jacqueline Kelly won the Newbery Honor for her first book, The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate. She was born in New Zealand and raised in Canada, in the dense rainforests of Vancouver Island. Her family then moved to El Paso, Texas, and Kelly attended college in El Paso, then went on to medical school in Galveston. After practicing medicine for many years, she went to law school at the University of Texas, and after several years of law practice, realized she wanted to write fiction. Her first story was published in the Mississippi Review in 2001. She now makes her home with her husband and various cats and dogs in Austin and Fentress, Texas. Jennifer L. Meyer is an award-winning artist whose work has been featured multiple times in the Best in Contemporary Fantastic Art annual, Spectrum. Born into a fantasy-loving military family, she grew up a big fan of comics, reading, and drawing animals (especially bunnies). Jennifer's art has appeared in comic books, children's books, graphic novels, and other media. She is the illustrator of the Calpurnia Tate, Girl Vet series by Jacqueline Kelly.
The Kingfisher History Encyclopedia
Editors of Kingfisher

Kingfisher's encyclopedias are award-winning, information-packed reference books for all the family. The new, updated editions are beautiful versions of these trusted favorites - perfect for gifts and reference alike. If you want one history encyclopedia, this is it!

History leaps from the page in this completely revised and updated edition of the critically acclaimed Kingfisher History Encyclopedia. From humankind's earliest history right through to the technological and social revolutions of the current day - including the fight for equality, the threat of climate change, the COVID-19 crisis, and the latest space exploration - this trusted reference provides a one-stop source for research, and is the perfect companion to any study of world history. The encyclopedia is organized chronologically and then thematically within each time period. A timeline runs across the top of each page for context.

Each section includes biographies of important people and key features on the art, architecture, and technology of the period. No more hunting and pecking all over the internet for incomplete or un-vetted information. With 3,500 indexed references and more than 2,000 full-color illustrations, photographs, and source materials, as well as research-friendly back matter and index, this encyclopedia provides a beautiful, authoritative reference that is essential for any home, school, or library.

This revised and updated edition is packed with facts, illustrations, photos, and concise articles spanning the beginning of time to the present day. Organized chronologically then broken down thematically, each unit includes incredible photos and illustrations, a running timeline across the top of the page, key dates, biographies, and features on art, architecture (…)

Author Bio

Kingfisher is an award-winning publisher of non-fiction and fiction for children of all ages. Known around the world for its informative and engaging reference and early learning books, Kingfisher also receives widespread acclaim for its classic anthologies for five- to fourteen-year-olds and original picture books for very young children.

Notes

Promotion
Feature in new titles e-newsletter to parents, educators and librarians
Wild City
by Ben Hoare, illustrated by Lucy Rose

Take an unforgettable tour around the world to meet the creatures that share our city spaces - from bears to bats, penguins to opossums - and learn about how they have adapted and thrived in this gorgeously illustrated gift book written by award-winning natural history journalist Ben Hoare.

Wild City travels the globe, exploring how animals have adapted to live alongside humans, in busy cities including New York, Rio de Janeiro, Berlin, Stockholm, London, Alexandria, Singapore, and Mumbai. Discover hawks by a world-famous shopping street, snakes slithering through city sewers, and penguins waiting patiently to cross the road. Feature spreads take a closer look at the animals, showing how some wander in plain sight while others hide away in our homes, and we meet wildlife heroes from around the world - ordinary people doing extraordinary things to make our wild neighbors feel welcome.

Lyrical and factual text written by the award-winning Ben Hoare is perfectly complemented by Lucy Rose’s stunning illustrations. The beautiful cityscapes are full of detail with something new to discover with every look.

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Promotion
Feature in new titles e-newsletter
When Jenny boards her flight back from New York, the biggest things on her mind are applying to Columbia and reuniting with her brand-new boyfriend. But when she and the other passengers disembark in St. Louis, they're told that their plane disappeared twenty-five years ago. Everyone thought they were dead.

The world has fast-forwarded. Three of her grandparents are gone, her parents are old, and her little brother is now an adult. There's so much she's missed out on, not the least iPhones, social media, and pop culture. When some surprising information comes to light, Jenny feels betrayed by her family and once-best friend. She's also fighting her attraction to Dylan, a cute and kind classmate who has an unusual connection to her past. And then there's the growing contingent of conspiracy theorists determined to prove that Flight 237 hides a sinister truth. Will Jenny figure out how to move forward, or will she always be stuck in the past?

Debut author Michelle I. Mason offers a smart and funny high-concept debut about the most unbelievable of life changes—and the parts of yourself that can always stay the same.

With its intriguing premise and approachable first-person narrative, this page-turner encourages readers to appreciate the now. — Publishers Weekly

Author Bio

Michelle I. Mason lives in St. Louis with her family. She spent ten years as a PR manager (she hasn't covered time travel-yet-but has promoted everything from forklift rodeos to hotel olympics) before shifting her focus to fictional stories. When she isn't writing novels, she enjoys reading, watching too much TV, cross-stitching, baking amazing brownies, playing the violin, and remembering her favorite pop culture moments from 1995.

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Tiny Travelers Australia Treasure Quest
by Steven Wolfe Pereira and Susie Jaramillo

Inspire children to fall in love with the world they live in with Tiny Travelers!

The Tiny Travelers Treasure Quest Series takes its readers on a fun-filled journey to discover what makes each country special with search-and-find features on every spread.

Each illustrated spread invites children to discover hidden treasures—icons, animals, statues, instruments and more—that make up incredible Australia.

"Most kids today are told that it's a small world, when in fact it's a really big world," says Encantos CEO and Tiny Travelers creator and author Steven Wolfe Pereira. "And because the world is so big, there are many countries, cities, and cultures that have yet to be discovered and explored by kids. We created Tiny Travelers to foster curiosity, empathy, and understanding by learning what makes people and places so special."

"A+ educational content. . . . Wonderful. . . . to share with young kids - to broaden their horizons and discover new places of interest!" - Common Sense Media

"Purpose is at the core of the Tiny Travelers launch. . . . The goal is to expose kids to the vastness and diversity of the world beyond their backyards, engendering empathy for different cultures, geographies and languages at a time when people all over the world are more connected than ever via digital platforms." - Forbes

"The books are full (...

Author Bio

Steven Wolfe Pereira is the Chairman and Co-Founder of Encantos. A Dominican-American born in New York, Steven has been inspired by a world of cultures ever since he was an International Relations major at Tufts University. An avid traveler, Steven has lived all over the world from France to Japan to Mexico and has visited more than 50 countries. A Fulbright scholar, Steven is a proud father of two tiny travelers and lives with his wife Nuria in Los Angeles.

Susie Jaramillo is a mom, an artist and a creative director raising 2 tiny travelers in Brooklyn, NY. She attended Pratt Institute in Brooklyn where she majored in painting and illustration. She worked for many years in advertising with titles like Unilever and Holcim. Currently, Susie lives...
Fart Quest: The Troll's Toe Cheese
by Aaron Reynolds, illustrated by Cam Kendell

Fart Quest: The Troll's Toe Cheese is the fourth book in a hilarious Dungeons & Dragons inspired series by New York Times bestselling author Aaron Reynolds.

They've destroyed an evil creature with stink gas, collected barf from a truly hideous monster, and dug through a dragon’s dookie for magical treasure. Now, Fart, Pan, Moxie, and TickTock are facing their scariest challenge yet - an angry mom!

The Great and Powerful Kevin has promised Pan, who lost her mother when she was a baby, that she could see her mom one last time. But instead, she sees a distorted spirit of her mother, transformed into an evil creature bent on revenge against those who caused her death.

Meanwhile, some new information comes to light, and Fart and friends head out on a rescue mission. Deep within the goblin caves, they search for evidence of their long lost masters, facing goblins, fire rats, floor fiends, and a troll with some seriously disgusting toenails along the way.

In this epic addition to the Fart Quest series, our adventurers discover that a true hero is not measured in the sum of their mistakes - but in the difference they make in spite of them

Author Bio
Aaron Reynolds is a New York Times bestselling author of many highly acclaimed books for kids, including Carnivores, Chicks and Salsa, Joey Fly, Nerdy Birdy, and the Caldecott Honor winning Creepy Carrots! He lives in the Chicago area with his wife, two kids, four cats, and between three and ten fish, depending on the day. Cam Kendell is the creator of such comics as Choose Your Gnome Adventure, Mortimer B. Radley: the Case of the Missing Monkey Skull, and Flopnar the Bunbarian and artist for board games like D&D’s Dungeon Mayhem: Monster Madness and 5-Minute Mystery. When not drawing gnomes and/or goblins Cam enjoys birding, rocking on the accordion, loosing at board games, and hiking in the beautiful Utah mountains with his wife and four children, hoping to see a black bear... from a safe distance.
Ways to Share Joy
by Renee Watson, illustrated by Nina Mata

Newbery Honor and Coretta Scott King Author Award winner Renee Watson continues her charming young middle grade series starring Ryan Hart, a girl who is pure spirit and sunshine.

Ryan Hart is caught in the middle. She has an older brother and a new baby sister, and she's in a friendship tug-of-war with two friends each wanting to be her best best friend. But it's hard to be cheery when her brother, Ray, pulls the ultimate prank and ruins her latest baking project for Grandma's birthday. And who can think about being kind to a classmate who is relentless with his teasing? With all that's going on, Ryan still looks for a way to see the bright side of things and not let anything steal her joy.

Grow and shine and share with Ryan Hart in this series that brings ever more humor, more love, and more fun.

Acclaim for Ways to Make Sunshine:
A New York Times Best Children’s Book of the Year A Parents Magazine Best Book of the Year A School Library Journal Best Book of the Year A Kirkus Reviews Best Book of the Year A Publishers Weekly Best Book of the Year A WORLD Magazine Best Book of the Year A Amazon Best Book of the Year

Move over Ramona Quimby, Portland has another neighbor you have to meet!” - Kirkus Reviews, starred review, on WAYS TO MAKE SUNSHINE

"Watson warmly weaves together slice-of-life moments that capture youthful doubt alongside moments of loss and joy, showing a tight-knit family navigating difficulties with plenty of courage (...)

Author Bio

Renee Watson is the New York Times bestselling, Newbery Honor Book, and Coretta Scott King Award-winning author of Piecing Me Together, This Side of Home, What Momma Left Me, and Betty Before X, co-written with Ilyasah Shabazz, as well as two acclaimed picture books: A Place Where Hurricanes Happen and Harlem’s Little Blackbird, which was nominated for an NAACP Image Award. She is the founder of I, Too, Arts Collective, a nonprofit committed to nurturing underrepresented voices in the creative arts, and currently lives in New York City.

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Looking for Grace
by Pamela Varnado

My brother is gone. My mom is too stuck in her own grief to see me, and my dad thinks pain isn't something to ever be discussed. Even my boyfriend has let me down over and over again. It feels like there is only one way forward, only one way out. Just when I'm ready to end my own life, something sucks me back in. One note. One sweet song to keep me going. Those melodic melodies sweetly singing in my ears give me hope.

Each morning, I figure, what's one day more? One more day for someone to see me. To hear me. To save me. But can they? Will they?

Find out how you can be the one to help save a life at bethe1to.com.

Author Bio

Pamela Varnado is an award-winning author who enjoys life and looks forward to spending every precious moment with her family. A Georgia transplant, she spends her days writing, gardening, and traveling with friends and family.
pamelavarnado.com

Notes

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Early Galley Promotions on Goodreads, Netgalley, and Edelweiss, Extensive Outreach To Key Educators And Library Contacts, Send to librarians and award committees like YALSA, ARC distribution to major reviewers and trade publications including PW, Kirkus, SLJ, Booklist etc., Giveaways and events with social media influencers, tastemakers and bookstagrammers, Ad campaign with PW, Shelf Awareness, SLJ, Goodreads, Outreach to Teen Book Clubs, Select Author Appearances
Crafting Change
by Jessica Vitkus

An informative and inspiring exploration of craftivism -- the intersection of handicraft and activism -- designed to encourage young creators while providing meaningful historical context.

You don’t have to be old enough to vote to drive political change.

In Crafting Change, author, TV producer, and craftivist Jessica Vitkus explores the rich lineage of craftivism, with profiles of craftivist icons, many of whom are women and people of color. This YA non-fiction book shines a light on artist-driven projects like This Is Not a Gun - workshops where people sculpt objects the police have mistaken for a gun in fatal shootings -- alongside creative movements that mobilized entire communities, like the AIDS Memorial Quilt and the Pussyhat project for the 2017 Women’s March. This engaging narrative combines compelling artist interviews with full-color photos of creators and crafts alike.

A perfect book for teens who want to channel their creativity into political action, with ideas for simple projects sure to appeal to budding craftivists.

Author Bio

Jessica Vitkus is a writer and television producer living in New York City. She has written craft stories and developed craft projects for Martha Stewart magazines and television, and has worked as a writer/producer for MTV News, Pop-Up Video, The Daily Show with Jon Stewart, and Late Night with Stephen Colbert.
Bestselling author Danielle Paige puts a dark spin on fairy godmothers in a new YA series for fans of Brigid Kemmerer and Maleficent.

For centuries, the enchanted members of the Entente have worked in tandem with the Three Fates—the Present, the Past, and the Future—to maintain destiny across the Thirteen Queendoms. But when Queen Magrit learns of her untimely demise from Hecate, Fate of the Future, Magrit burns Hecate at the stake and decrees death to all Entente in order to live forever. But some survive, including sixteen-year-old Farrow, who hatches a dangerous plan to seek revenge. Along the way, she finds herself falling for the one person who could ruin everything. With life and love hanging in the balance, she must decide who to trust and what's most important: living in the past or forging a new future.

Bestselling author Danielle Paige launches a brand-new fairy godmother origin story full of intrigue, magic, and romance.

**Author Bio**

Danielle Paige is the author of *Stealing Snow* and its prequel novellas *Before the Snow* and *Queen Rising*, as well as the *New York Times* best-selling *Dorothy Must Die* series: *Dorothy Must Die*, *The Wicked Will Rise*, *Yellow Brick War*, and seven prequel novellas. Before turning to young adult literature, she worked in the television industry, where she received a Writers Guild of America Award and was nominated for several Daytime Emmys. She is a graduate of Columbia University and currently lives in New York City.

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My whole world changed when I stepped inside the academy. Nothing is right about this place or the other students in it. Here I am, a mere mortal among gods. . . or monsters. I still can't decide which of these warring factions I belong to, if I belong at all. I only know the one thing that unites them is their hatred of me.

Then there's Jaxon Vega. A vampire with deadly secrets who hasn't felt anything for a hundred years. But there's something about him that calls to me, something broken in him that somehow fits with what's broken in me. Which could spell death for us all.

Because Jaxon walled himself off for a reason. And now someone wants to wake a sleeping monster, and I'm wondering if I was brought here intentionally--as the bait.

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New York Times and USA Today bestselling author Tracy Wolff is a lover of vampires, dragons, and all things that go bump in the night. A onetime English professor, she now devotes all her time to writing dark and romantic stories with tortured heroes and kick-butt heroines. She has written all her sixty-plus...
She Sang for India
by Suma Subramaniam, illustrated by Shreya Gupta

A picture book biography about M.S. Subbulakshmi, a powerful Indian singer who advocated for justice and peace through song.

Author Bio

Suma Subramaniam is an Indian American author and volunteer for We Need Diverse Books. She is a contributing author for The Hero Next Door (Penguin Random House) and the author of Namaste Is A Greeting (Candlewick). She has an MFA in Writing from Vermont College Of Fine Arts. She Sang For India is her nonfiction picture book debut.

Shreya Gupta is an illustrator and book designer. She is originally from India, but her passion for illustration brought her to the United States, where she pursued an MFA in Illustration as Visual Essay from the School of Visual Arts. Her work has been featured as a Google Doodle* logo, in the New York Times, Asia Society magazine and in various major publications. She currently lives in New York, NY.

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The Real McCoys: Wonder Undercover
by Matthew Swanson, illustrated by Robbi Behr

In the third book in the critically acclaimed middle-grade series about mystery-solving siblings, Moxie McCoy, fourth grade detective, goes undercover.

Moxie joins the Wonder Scouts to investigate a suspected saboteur in the badge competition. She's never liked the Wonder Scouts, but once she joins the group, Moxie becomes enchanted with earning badges herself!

Meanwhile, someone has broken into Tiddlywhump's Local House of History, and it's up to Moxie's little brother, Milton, to begin his own investigation.

Can this irrepressible detective duo crack two different cases?

Richly illustrated and laugh-out-loud funny Matthew Swanson and Robbi Behr's Wonder Undercover is a must-have for young readers.

There are more mysteries in The Real McCoys series:
The Real McCoys
The Real McCoys: Two's a Crowd
The Real McCoys: Wonder Undercover

An Imprint Book

Praise for The Real McCoys:

A Junior Library Guild Selection

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

Praise for The Real McCoys: Two's a Crowd

"An outstanding, truly unique reading experience." - Booklist

The Real McCoys: Two's a Crowd:

A marvelous standalone sequel (…)

Author Bio

When Matthew Swanson and Robbi Behr aren’t making books (Babies Ruin Everything; Everywhere, Wonder; and the Real McCoys series) and raising
We Deserve Monuments
by Jas Hammonds

Family secrets, a swoon-worthy romance, and a slow-burn mystery collide in We Deserve Monuments, a YA debut from Jas Hammonds that explores how racial violence can ripple down through generations.

What’s more important? Knowing the truth or keeping the peace?

Seventeen-year-old Avery Anderson is convinced her senior year is ruined when she’s uprooted from her life in DC and forced into the hostile home of her terminally ill grandmother, Mama Letty. The tension between Avery’s mom and Mama Letty makes for a frosty arrival and unearths past drama they refuse to talk about. Every time Avery tries to look deeper, she’s turned away, leaving her desperate to learn the secrets that split her family in two.

While tempers flare in her avoidant family, Avery finds friendship in unexpected places: in Simone Cole, her captivating next-door neighbor, and Jade Oliver, daughter of the town’s most prominent family - whose mother’s murder remains unsolved.

As the three girls grow closer - Avery and Simone’s friendship blossoming into romance - the sharp-edged opinions of their small southern town begin to hint at something insidious underneath. The racist history of Bardell, Georgia is rooted in Avery’s family in ways she can’t even imagine. With Mama Letty’s health dwindling every day, Avery must decide if digging for the truth is worth toppling the delicate relationships she’s built in Bardell - or if some things are better left buried.

A gripping portrayal of the South’s (…)

Author Bio

Jas Hammonds was raised in many cities and in-between the pages of many books. They have received support for their writing from Lambda Literary, Sundress Academy of the Arts, and the Highlights Foundation. They are also a grateful recipient of a MacDowell James Baldwin Fellowship. We Deserve Monuments is their debut novel.
Perfect on Paper
by Sophie Gonzales

Perfectly wonderful.” - Becky Albertalli, *New York Times*-bestselling author of *Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens Agenda*

"An electrifying love story." - *Booklist*

From nationally and internationally bestselling and Indie Next Pick author Sophie Gonzales comes *Perfect on Paper*: Leah on the Offbeat meets To All the Boys I've Loved Before in this YA romcom, where a bisexual girl who gives anonymous love advice to her classmates is hired by the hot guy to help him get his ex back.

*Her advice, spot on. Her love life, way off.*

Darcy Phillips:
- Can give you the solution to any of your relationship woes - for a fee.
- Uses her power for good. Most of the time.
- Really cannot stand Alexander Brougham.
- Has maybe not the best judgement when it comes to her best friend, Brooke... who is in love with someone else.
- Does not appreciate being blackmailed.

However, when Brougham catches her in the act of collecting letters from locker 89 - out of which she's been running her questionably legal, anonymous relationship advice service - that's exactly what happens. In exchange (...)

Author Bio

SOPHIE GONZALES is a YA contemporary author. She lives in Adelaide, Australia where she works within the field of mental health. When she isn't writing, she can be found ice skating, performing in musical theatre, and practicing the piano. She is the author of *The Law of Inertia*, *Only Mostly Devastated*, and *Perfect on Paper*. 
A Taste of Magic

by J. Elle

An enchanting adventure that will leave readers hungry for more.” - Kwame Mbalia, #1 New York Times bestselling author

New York Times bestselling author J. Elle makes her middle grade debut in this magical new series about a Black girl who learns she's a witch and must save her inner-city magic school from closing, perfect for fans of Wendy Mass.

Twelve-year-old Kyana has just found out the family secret - she's the first witch in her family for generations! Which means mandatory lessons every Saturday at Park Row Magic Academy - a learning center hidden in the back of the local beauty shop. Kyana can’t wait to learn some spells to help out at home. The only downside is having to keep her magic a secret from her connected-at-the-hip BFF Nae. But then the magic school loses their funding, forcing the students to pay a hefty tuition at the school across town or have their magic stripped. Determined not to let that happen, Kyana enters a baking competition with a huge cash prize. After all, she’s learned how to make the best desserts from her Memaw. But will Kyana be able to keep up her grades in both magic school and real school while preparing for the competition and without revealing her magic? And what happens when a little taste of magic works its way into her cupcakes in the first round of competition?

J. Elle combines (...)

Author Bio

J. Elle is the New York Times bestselling author of the YA novel Wings of Ebony and Ashes of Gold and is an advocate for marginalized voices in both publishing and her community. Born in Houston, Texas, Jess is a first-generation college student with a Bachelor of Journalism and Master of Arts in Educational Administration and Human Development. Her passion for empowering youth dates back before writing to her first career in education. She’s worked as a Preschool Director, Middle School Teacher, and High School Creative Writing Mentor. In her spare time you'll find her volunteering at an alternative school, providing feedback for aspiring writers, cooking up some dish true to her Texas and Louisiana roots. authorjelle.com @AuthorJ_Elle
The Liar’s Crown
by Abigail Owen

An addictive, action-packed, scorcher of a read!” #1 New York Times bestselling author Alyson Noel

Beauty and the Beast meets Snow White in this upper YA fantasy where a black heart is disguised by beauty, the purest soul is hidden within a beast, and a gift of hope is laced with death.

Author Bio

Multi-award-winning author Abigail Owen writes adult paranormal romance and upper YA fantasy romance. She loves plots that move hot and fast, feisty heroines with sass, heroes with heart, a dash of snark, and oodles of HEAs! Other titles include wife, mother, Star Wars geek, ex-competitive skydiver, spreadsheet lover, eMBA, organizational guru, Texan, Aggie, and chocoholic.

Abigail currently resides in Austin, Texas, with her own swoon-worthy hero husband and their angelic (mostly) kids, who are growing up way too fast.

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My Football Family
by Andy Holloway, illustrated by Honee Jang

From the host of the #1 fantasy football podcast, The Fantasy Footballers, Andy Holloway presents his heartwarming debut picture book - an ode to family, fandom, and football.

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We knew
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And I always thought of you.

Because I love football
Not for the ups and downs,
The wins and losses... .
But for the team.

And you are a keeper.

With appealing, commercial art and a deep heart, MY FOOTBALL FAMILY is perfect for anyone who loves the game and, most of all, celebrating it with family and friends!

Author Bio

Andy Holloway hosts the award-winning Fantasy Footballers podcast and lives in Phoenix, Arizona with his wife, Bri, and their three children Caleb, Nathan, and Alyssa. A lifelong entrepreneur and ice cream lover, Andy and the rest of The Fantasy Footballers work to make fantasy sports and football accessible to the whole family, combining analysis and entertainment in a unique way that has garnered hundreds of thousands of fans around the globe.

Honee Jang is a Korean-American illustrator and designer for children's books based in London. Her passion lies in evoking curiosity in young readers to understand their emotions and surroundings better. When she is not making art, Honee spends her time reading books and documentaries, writing letters, and planning where to travel next.

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