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## PICTURE BOOKS

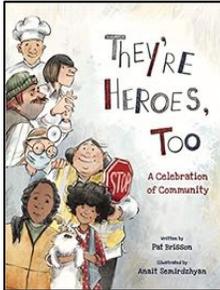
### Tilbury House

#### THEY'RE HEROES TOO

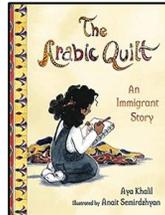
By Pat Brisson; illustrated by Anait Semirdzhyan

A picture-book celebration of the ordinary people—grownups and kids—who hold our world together by going about their daily lives and work: cops, firefighters, and soldiers, but also teachers, bus drivers, grocery clerks, mail carriers, and kids who are kind and brave and help each other. Anait Semirdzhyan is the illustrator of our award-winning picture book *The Arabic Quilt* and of *The Cottonwood Tree*.

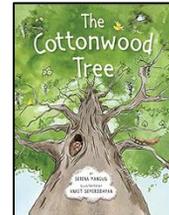
Tilbury House \* July 2022 \* Picture Book \* 32 pages \* Ages 5 – 8



*Also illustrated by Anait Semirdzhyan from Tilbury House:*



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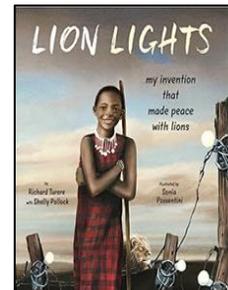
#### LION LIGHTS

By Richard Turere and Shelly Pollock; illustrated by Sonia Possentini

*"Since Richard invented his Lion Lights system, lions have never killed our livestock, and the tension between the Kenya Wildlife Service and local communities has been reduced." - Dr. Charles Musyoki*

At age 12 in Kenya, Massai cattle herder Richard Turere used salvaged components and \$10 to devise a brilliantly simple system of blinking lights to keep prowling lions away from his family's farm at night. His invention, Lion Lights, is now used in Africa, Asia, and South America to protect farm animals from predators. He is recognized as Kenya's youngest patent inventor and the Anzisha prize award in 2018. In 2020 he became a Young Natgeo explorer, and he was a finalist at Future for Nature awards in 2021. Author Pollock is a retired teacher; Possentini is an award-winning fine artist and illustrator in Modena, Italy.

Tilbury House \* August 2022 \* Nonfiction Picture Book \* Ages 5 – 8

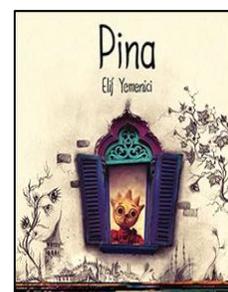


#### PINA

By Elif Yemenici; translated by Sidney West

Pina's fear of venturing out of his little house into the big scary world will resonate with timid kids, imaginative kids. The techniques he uses to overcome his fear—mindful breathing, thinking of his favorite things, carrying a familiar, comforting object with him when he leaves the house—will prove useful to many children. It took the author two years to sculpt little Pina, build his shadow-box home, photograph the book's scenes, and add Photoshop layers to create the book's arresting illustrations. Elif Yemenici has illustrated eighty picture books and has a powerful ability to capture a child's imagination.

Tilbury House \* June 2022 \* Picture Book \* 64 pages \* Ages 5-8



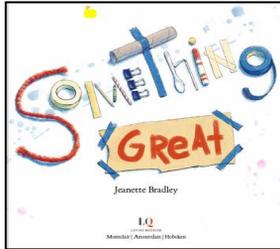
**SOMETHING GREAT**

*(World English & World Dutch)*

**By Jeanette Bradley**

Quietly profound, this sweet tale and its mixed-media illustrations blends STEM activities with casual nonconformity in a picture book about Quinn who invents Something Great! But nobody seems to understand exactly what it is...until the new kid asks to play with Quinn and Something Great. Together they discover that Something Great can be an elevator, a bug catcher, a stick lifter...or a friend finder! Bradley is author and illustrator of *Love, Mama* (Roaring Brook, 2018) and illustrator of *When the Babies Came to Stay* (Viking, 2020)

**Levine Querido \* Picture Book \* 40 pages \* Ages 4 – 8 \* September 2022**



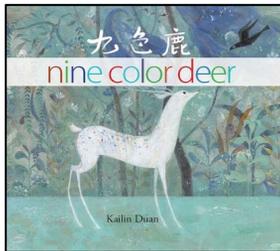
**NINE COLOR DEER**

*(World English, World Spanish & World Dutch)*

**By Kailin Duan; translated by Jeremy Tiang**

From China a gorgeous story about generosity and gratitude, adapted from a traditional Buddhist tale. Deep in the Kunlun Hills lives a legendary deer whose fur has nine colors. When she rescues a drowning man who asks he can repay her kindness, the Nine Color Deer asks that he never reveal her whereabouts. But will this promise survive the bounty offered by a King and Queen who seek the magic deer for their kingdom? Kailin Duan's illustrations evoke artwork contemporary to the story's origins – artwork found in the Mogao caves located at a religious and cultural crossroads on the Silk Road, in Gansu province, China. Duan was shortlisted for the Bologna Illustrators Exhibition 2021; was longlisted for a 2021 PEN America Literary Award for his rendering of *Faraway* by Lo Yi-Chin.

**Levine Querido \* Picture Book \* 48 pages; Ages 4-8 \* September 2022**



**THE LITTLE TOYMAKER by Cat Min**

*(World English & World Dutch)*

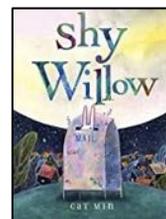
**By Cat Min**

Move over Santa: what if the world's toymaker was a little boy who makes wonderful toys not just for children but for their grandparents and other older folks – who like toys, too. One morning, an old woman brings the little Toymaker a candy tin she played with as a girl; the Toymaker transforms it into a sparkling new toy for her. But it seems that what she truly wants was lost a long time ago. And it will take all the Toymaker's skill, magic, and empathy to bring it back for her. A new holiday classic! Cat Min, author of *Shy Willow*, is an illustrator, animator, and writer who grew up as a shy kid in Hong Kong

**Levine Querido \* Picture Book \* Ages 4-8; 40 pages; October 2022**



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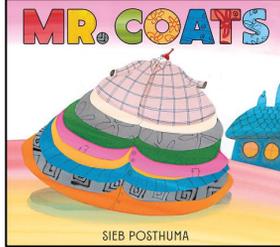
## MR. COATS

(World English)

By Sieb Posthuma; translated by David Colmer

Mr. Coats is freezing cold. No matter how many heaters, blankets, or layers of clothing, he can never get warm, and it's pretty lonely. Mr. Coats thinks he'll be alone in the cold forever, but he's wrong. There's someone out there just like him in a nearby town. When they meet it's clear that there's nothing like the power of love and friendship to warm you up and help you shed those layers! Posthuma was an award-winning Dutch illustrator whose work has been published internationally and adapted into television shows, theater, opera, and shown in numerous expositions. Colmer has translated more than 60 book-length works of Dutch-language literature and has won many prizes for his translations, including the PEN Translation Prize for his body of work, and the Dutch Foundation for Literature Oeuvre Prize.

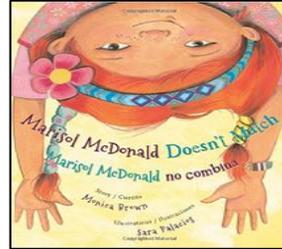
Levine Querido \* Picture Book \* Ages 4-8 \* 32 pages \* August 2022



**MARISOL MCDONALD DOESN'T MATCH****By Monica Brown; Illustrated by Sara Palacios**

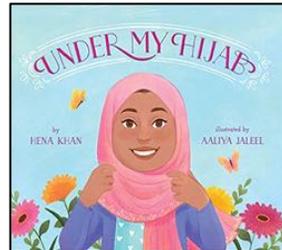
- *Starred Review, Kirkus Reviews*
- *Junior Library Guild Selection*
- *Pura Belpré Illustrator Award Honor*

A mestiza Peruvian American of European, Jewish, and Amerindian heritage, renowned author Monica Brown's acclaimed story brings her own experience of being mismatched to life with gorgeous mixed-media illustrations. Marisol McDonald has flaming red hair and nut-brown skin, pairs polka dots with stripes, and prefers peanut butter and jelly in her burritos. Makes perfect sense to Marisol, so people who wrinkle their nose in confusion at Marisol—can't she just choose one or the other?—need to stop trying to put that girl in a box! A bilingual English/Spanish edition.

**Lee & Low \* Picture Book \* 32 pages \* Ages 4 – 8****UNDER MY HIJAB****By Hena Khan; Illustrated by Aaliya Jaleel**

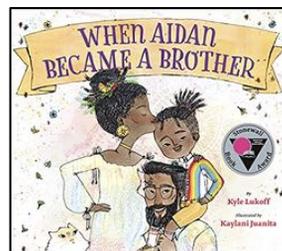
- *Starred Review, Foreword Reviews*
- *Starred Review, School Library Journal*
- *Best Children's Books of the Year, Bank Street College of Education*
- *Amelia Bloomer Project - Feminist Task Force, American Library Association (ALA)*

This timely story breaks down stereotypes and negative feelings about hijabs, reinforces religious freedoms, self-expression, and inspires readers to accept everyone just the way they are. An affirming and positive message for Muslim girls hesitant to wear a hijab because they worry about being ridiculed or rejected in society. For non-Muslim readers, it demystifies the issue with answers to questions like “Do you wear hijab at home?” “Do you sleep in hijab?” and more.

**Lee & Low \* Picture Book \* 32 pages \* Ages 4 - 8 \* available now****WHEN AIDAN BECAME A BROTHER****By Kyle Lukoff; Illustrated by Kaylani Juanita**

- *Best Books - Kirkus Reviews*
- *Best Children's Books of the Year - Bank Street College of Education*
- *Rainbow List, GLBTQ Round Table - American Library Association (ALA)*
- *Lasting Connection Title - Book Links*
- *Starred Review - School Library Journal*
- *Starred Review -Booklist*
- *Book of the Month Program – Anti-Defamation League*
- *2020 Stonewall Book Award*
- *2020 White Raven Selection*

A heartwarming book that will resonate with transgender children, reassure any child concerned about becoming an older sibling, and celebrate the many transitions a family can experience.

**Lee & Low \* Picture Book \* 32 pages \* ages 4 – 8 \* available now**

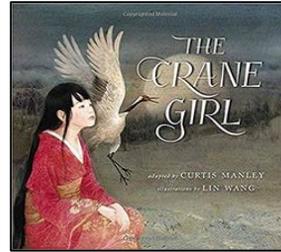
## CRANE GIRL

By Curtis Manley; illustrated by Lin Wang

- *Starred Review, Kirkus Reviews*
- *Top 10 Favorites, New York Public Library*

A stunning version of a popular Japanese folk tale in which a crane pays back an obligation by becoming human, retold with an unusual ending and with haiku-sprinkled prose which changes color to indicate the narrator.

Lee & Low \* Picture Book \* Ages 4 - 8 \* 32 pages \* available now



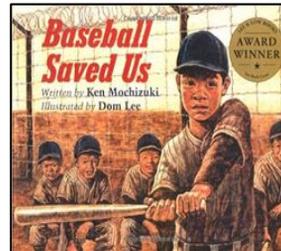
## BASEBALL SAVED US

By Ken Mochizuki; illustrated by Dom Lee

- *Best Multicultural Title - Cuffies Award, Publisher's Weekly*
- *Choices, Cooperative Children's Book Center (CCBC)*
- *Editor's Choice, San Francisco Chronicle*
- *Not Just for Children Anymore Selection, Children's Book Council*

Twenty-five years ago, this modern classic changed the picture-book landscape with its honest story of a Japanese American boy in an internment camp during World War II – a moving tale of hope and courage that reveals a long-hidden and ugly part of the American past.

Lee & Low \* Picture Book \* 32 pages \* ages 4 – 8 \* available now



## THE STORY I'LL TELL

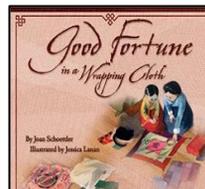
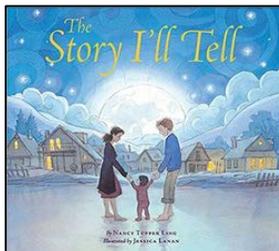
By Nancy Tupper-Ling; illustrated by Jessica Lanan

- *Booklist Starred Review*
- *Publishers Weekly Starred Review*
- *Huffington Post Best Books of the Year*

A gentle and moving story of adoption. When a young child asks his mother to tell the story of where he came from, she tells him he came from a land far away in a hot air balloon. Or maybe it was a lark—and not a stork—that brought him. Or perhaps he was rescued from a dragon! Each fantastic tale contains a small kernel of truth that pieces together the baby's journey across a wide ocean into his new mother's arms. Ling is the winner of the Writer's Digest Grand Prize and the Pat Parnell Poetry Award and is the founder of Fine Line Poets.

Lee & Low Books \* Picture Book/Ages 4 – 8 \* 32 pages \* available now

Also illustrated by Jessica Lanan and available from Lee and Low:



## GIVING THANKS

By Chief Jake Swamp; illustrated by Erwin Printup, Jr.

- *Reading Rainbow Selection, PBS Kids*
- *Editor's Choice, Booklist*
- *Choices, Cooperative Children's Book Center (CCBC)*

This traditional Iroquois celebration of the beauty and the spirit of Mother Earth has been adapted especially for children by a contemporary Mohawk Chief. For as long as anyone can remember, Mohawk parents have taught their children to start each day by giving thanks to Mother Earth. The "Thanksgiving Address" is based on the simple belief that the natural world is a precious and rare gift. Chief Jake Swamp's efforts to share this timeless celebration of the spirit of nature take him all over the world.

Lee & Low \* Picture Book \* Ages 5 – 9 \* 24 pages \* available now

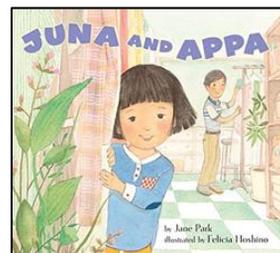


## JUNA AND APPA

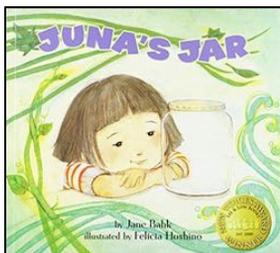
By Jane Park; illustrated by Felisha Hoshino

From the creators of the award-winning picture book *Juna's Jar*, comes a tender ode to fathers and to the many families working behind shop counters. On Saturdays Juna helps her father in their dry-cleaning shop and it's their special time together. One day a customer yells at Appa about a lost jacket. Juna has never seen her father look so worried! Determined to help, she sets off on a magical journey in search of the jacket, and along the way meets remarkable animals that show her the different ways that fathers care for their young. Park's won Lee & Low's New Voices Award (and many others) for her first picture book, *Juna's Jar*. Hoshino is an award-winning illustrator of picture books, among them Lee & Low's *A Place Where Sunflowers Grow* and *Little Sap and Monsieur Rodin*.

Lee & Low \* Picture Book/ages 4 – 8 \* 32 pages \* May 2022

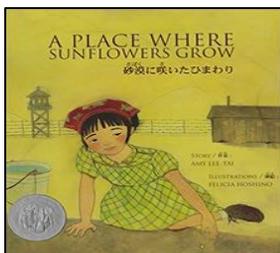


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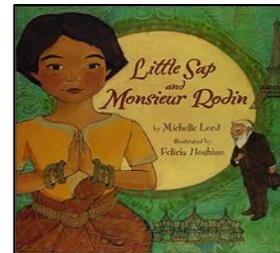


- *New Voices Award*
- *Notable Books for a Global Society (IRA)*
- *Asian/Pacific American Award for Literature*
- *Huffington Post Best Books of the Year*
- *Best Book – Center for the Study of Multicultural Children's Books*
- *Top 2015 Mighty Girl Books for Young Children*

Illustrated by Felicia Hoshino:



- *Jane Addams Children's Book Award*
- *Kirkus Star*
- *School Library Journal Star*
- *Publishers Weekly Star*



- *Society of Illustrators Award*
- *Foreword Magazine Star*
- *School Library Journal Star*
- *Kirkus Star*
- *Booklist Star*
- *Publishers Weekly Star*

## CHAPTER BOOKS & MIDDLE GRADE

### Levine Querido

PHALAINA

*(World English)*

By Alice Brière-Haquet; translated by Emma Ramadan

An unputdownable middle grade historical science fiction thriller from French writer Alice Brière-Haquet. London, 1881: Manon is not like the other girls at the orphanage. Maybe it's her red eyes, or her silence. Maybe it's the series of violent deaths that seem to follow her. Most recently, a scientist died under mysterious circumstances; he had been questioning whether natural selection left humans at the top of the pyramid of life after all. Manon is being hunted, and in order to stay alive she must untangle the mystery of her origins, and perhaps the origins of humanity as well. Ramadan has won a PEN Translation Prize, the Albertine Prize, an NEA Fellowship, and a Fulbright for her translation work.

Levine Querido \* Middle Grade Fiction \* Ages 10-18 \* 320 pages \* September 2022



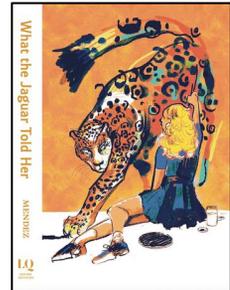
WHAT THE JAGUAR TOLD HER

*(World English, World Dutch)*

By Alex V. Méndez

A literary magical realism debut about growing up in the midst of change, and a magical cultural homecoming. Jade O'Callaghan is starting the 8th grade friendless in a new city. And on the path through the woods on her way to school Jade meets an extraordinary person who exists between dreams and reality: an elderly jaguar-shaman named Itztli. He tells Jade Mexican stories from before the Europeans came, weaving together indigenous strands from his life and hers, teaching Jade patience and strength that it takes to "be jaguar," the magic of stories and art. Soon, she feels the stirrings of an ancient power awakening within her as Jade's fingertips itch for her paintbrushes for the first time in forever. Méndez is a writer, teacher, and scholar who grew up bilingual in Decatur, Georgia, roots in Mexico and Mississippi. She graduated from Harvard and earned doctorate in Latin American and Iberian Cultures from Columbia.

Levine Querido \* Middle Grade Fiction \* 336 pages \* ages 8 – 12 \* October 2022



POPCORN BOB #3: In America

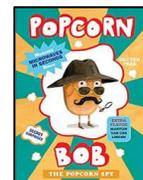
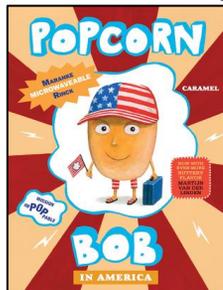
*(World English)*

By Maranke Rinck & Martijn van der Linden; translated by Nancy Forest-Flier

The third installment to this chapter book series serves up more zaniness, a new cross-continental adventure, and lots more friends. Ellis, Dante, and Popcorn Bob are on an important top-secret mission in America because Bob has learned that there are more live popcorn kernels in America — just like him! But they're trapped in a chicken coop at Popcorn & Co., so our gang needs to free Bob's newfound family from Coraline Corn's evil clutches. Rinck and van der Linden are an award-winning author/illustrator team; Forest-Flier has translated for many British, American, and Dutch museums, museums and institutes including the Anne Frank House.

Levine Querido \* Chapter Book-Fiction \* 205 pages \* Ages 7 – 12 \* August 2022

*Also available by Rinck & van der Linden from Levine Querido:*



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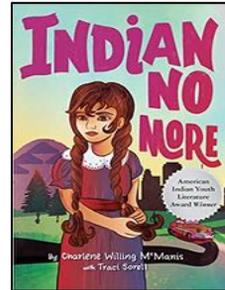
**INDIAN NO MORE**

By Charlene Willing McManis, with Traci Sorell

- *Starred Review, School Library Journal*
- *Starred Review, Booklist*
- *Notable Children's Book, American Library Association (ALA)*
- *Editor's Choice, Booklist*
- *Notable Books for a Global Society, International Reading Association (IRA)*
- *Amelia Bloomer Project - Feminist Task Force, American Library Association (ALA)*

When the government enacts a law that says her tribe no longer exists, Regina Petit becomes "Indian no more" overnight--even though she lives with her tribe and practices tribal customs, and even though her ancestors were Indian for countless generations. In this moving middle-grade novel drawing upon the author's own tribal history, Regina must find out: Exactly who is Regina Petit?

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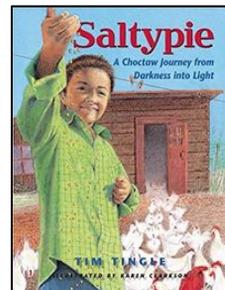
**SALTYPIE**

By Tim Tingle

- *Skipping Stones Honor Award*
- *Storytelling World Honor Award*

A powerful family saga about the Tingle family's move from Oklahoma Choctaw country to Pasadena, TX that echoes the problems encountered by his Choctaw grandmother--from her orphan days at an Indian boarding school to hardships encountered in her new home on the Gulf Coast. Through the innocent eyes of a young boy, we witness one family's generational efforts to honor their past while struggling to gain a foothold in modern America. Tingle is an Oklahoma Choctaw and award-winning author of twenty books. In 1993, he retraced the Trail of Tears to Choctaw homelands in Mississippi and began recording stories of tribal elders. Clarkson is a Choctaw artist and tribal member.

Lee & Low \* Middle Grade Fiction/Ages 9 – 12

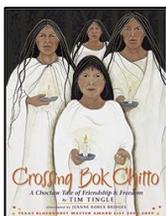


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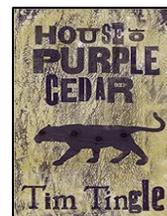


- *Bank Street Best Book of the Year*
- *Booklist Star*
- *Publishers Weekly Star*
- *Kirkus Star*

Also available by Tim Tingle from Lee & Low Books:



- *Texas Bluebonnet Masterlist*
- *Jane Addams Children's Book Award Honor Book*
- *ALA Notable Book*
- *Patterson Prize for Books for Young People*
- *Skipping Stones Honor Award*
- *Prairie Pasque Award*



## YOUNG ADULT

### Levine Querido

#### THE PRINCE AND THE COYOTE

(World English)

By David Bowles; illustrated by Amanda Mijangos

Pre-Columbian Mexico, 1418: 15-year-old crown prince Acolmiztli wants his city-state of Tetzco to thrive and shine. But a family power struggle forces him into exile. He seeks refuge and help from a coyote, taking on a new name – Nezahualcoytl, biding his time, falling in love. But will the empire he dreams of in Tetzco ever come to life? Can he risk those he loves to make it happen? Pura Belpré honoree Bowles' Young Adult epic includes of poems by Nezahualcoytl himself - one of the greatest minds of the Americas (honored to this day on Mexico's 100-peso bill). Bowles is the founder of Dignidad Literaria, organized to fight for the literary and cultural dignity of Latinx people in US publishing & education. Mijangos founded illustration studio Cuarto para las 3.

Levine Querido \* Young Adult Fiction \* 336 pages \* ages 12 – 18 \* September 2022

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#### MY GOOD MAN

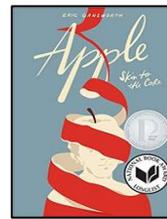
(World English & Full Translation)

By Eric Gansworth

Brian is a 20-something reporter on the *Niagara Cascade's* City Desk, navigating life as the only Indigenous writer in the newsroom, reporting on stereotypical stories that homogenize his community on the nearby Tuscarora reservation. But a car accident under mysterious circumstances leads Brian to pick up the threads of a life that he's abandoned. He recalls for us a childhood through slice of life stories from the reservation as he attempts to balance himself between his Native heritage and American life. Gansworth is an Onondaga writer and visual artist, raised at the Tuscarora Nation. His award-winning books include *If I Ever Get Out of Here*, *Give Me Some Truth*, *Extra Indians*, and *Apple (Skin to the Core)*.

Young Adult Fiction \* Ages 14-18 \* 384 pages \* November 2022

[Also available by Eric Gansworth from Levine Querido:](#)



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#### WHEN THE ANGELS LEFT THE OLD COUNTRY

(World English)

By Sacha Lamb

Uriel the angel and Little Ash (short for Ashmedai) are the only two supernatural creatures in their tiny shtetl, studying together for centuries, but pogroms and the promise of a better life have drawn all the young people from their village to America. When one of those young emigrants goes missing, the angel and the demon set off to find her. But there are obstacles ahead of them as difficult as what they've left behind: medical exams (and demons) at Ellis Island, corrupt officials, cruel mob bosses, murderers, poverty, and other wretched souls they must help along the way. With cinematic sweep and tender observation, Lamb presents a totally original drama about individual purpose, the fluid nature of identity, and the power of love. Lamb is a 2018 Lambda Literary Fellow in young adult fiction..

Levine Querido \* Young Adult Fiction\* 356 pages \* ages 12-18 \* October 2022



## MAN-MADE MONSTERS

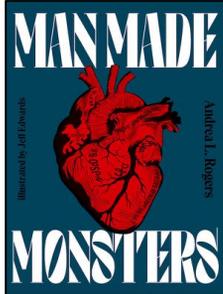
*(World English, World Dutch)*

**By Andrea Rogers; illustrated by Jeff Edwards**

*"Andrea Rogers writes like the house is on fire and her words are the only thing that can put it out."- Stephen Graham Jones, *The Only Good Indians* and *My Heart is a Chainsaw**

Horror fans will get their fill of thrills in this collection – from werewolves to vampires to zombies –but including predators of a distinctly American variety – the horrors of empire, of intimate partner violence, of dispossession. And so too the monsters of Rogers' imagination, that draw upon long-told Cherokee stories – of Deer Woman, fantastical sea creatures, and more. Cherokee writer Andrea L. Rogers takes her place as one of the most striking voices of the horror renaissance that has swept the last decade. Edwards is an award-winning Cherokee graphic artist who has worked for the Cherokee Nation for over 20 years.

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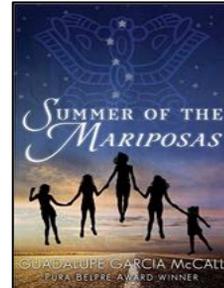
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