

# BLAUGI

## LITERARY MANAGEMENT

FRANKFURT BOOK FAIR 2026  
BOOKS FOR YOUNG READERS

- **PICTURE BOOKS**
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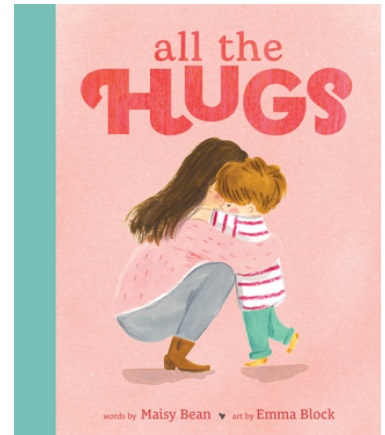
## PICTURE BOOKS

### **ALL THE HUGS**

**By Maisy Bean**

In this sweet and stylish ode to affection, a child moves through their day discovering all kinds of hugs—air hugs, bear hugs, side hugs, and scared hugs and learning that while each one looks a little different, all hugs mean "I care." Bean is a debut author. Block is a UK-based illustrated and author whose previous books include *The Adventures of Miss Petitfour* series (Tundra).

**Ulysses Press \* January 2027\* 32 pages \* Ages 2-5**

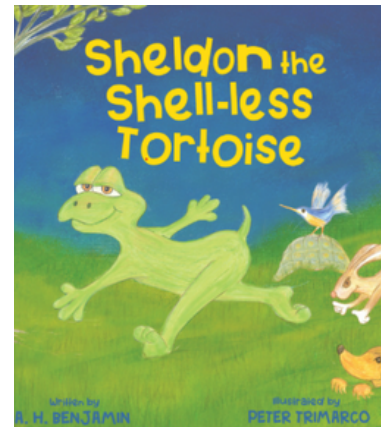


### **SHELDON THE SHELL-LESS TORTOISE**

**By A.H. Benjamin, illustrated by Peter Trimarco**

Sheldon is a tortoise who wishes he could be as fast as a hare, as nimble as a squirrel, or as graceful as a kingfisher. Along the way, he learns that true happiness comes from appreciating who you are. A.H. Benjamin is an international children's author who has been published by Andersen Press, O.U.P, Little Tiger Press, Franklin Watts, Q.E.D, and Tiger Tales (Penguin Random House). He has written over 30 books which have sold worldwide with more than 25 translations. Peter Trimarco has illustrated numerous children's picture books, winning several IBPA Benjamin Franklin Awards, in addition to honors from Foreword Indies, and multiple Moonbeam and IndieReader Discovery Awards.

**Notable Kids \* March 2027\* 32 pages \* Ages 3-7**



### **I SEE JESUS: A Lift-the-Flap Book**

**By Katie Bishop**

Is He in the boat with His friends? Standing among the crowd? Welcoming children with a smile? Little ones will love searching for Jesus in scenes inspired by favorite Bible stories. Bishop is a pastor whose books help children explore kindness, compassion, and hope.

**Bushel & Peck \* January 2027\* 20 pages \* Ages 1-5**



### **S IS FOR SOUL FOOD**

**By Devon Blow**

From black-eyed peas to mac n' cheese, the alphabet has never tasted so good. This ABC book is a joyful celebration of African American cuisine! Social justice artist Blow introduces little readers to the foods at the heart of African American cuisine, one letter and one dish at a time. Blow is the author of *You Deserve Flowers*, *Life's Best Bits* and illustrator of *Make Good Trouble*.

**Gloo \* February 2027\* 40 pages \* Ages 3-6**

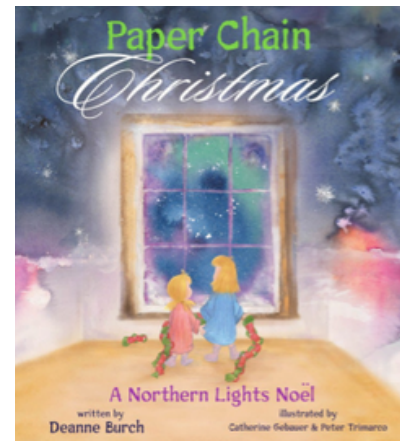


## PAPER CHAIN CHRISTMAS: A Northern Lights Noël

By Deanne Burch, illustrated by Catherine Gebauer and Peter Trimarco

Living among the native villagers of Kotzebue, Alaska in very rural conditions, two little sisters worry that Santa might not find their tiny village. The story reveals other magical tidings of joy at work as they relish a truly hand-made Christmas. Burch's experiences living above the Arctic Circle in the land of the midnight sun and Northern Lights inspired this debut picture book.

**Notable Kids \* September 2026\* 46 pages \* Ages 4-8**

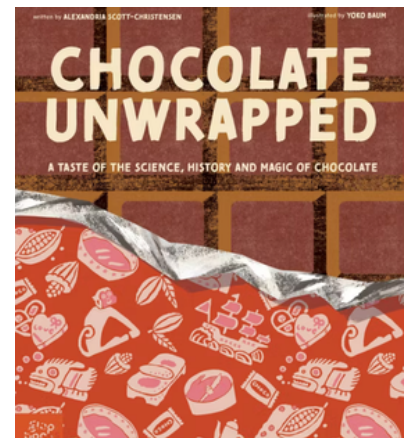


## CHOCOLATE UNWRAPPED

By Alexandria Christensen, illustrated by Yoko Baum

A global journey through the history, science, and culture of chocolate that begins in the rainforest, where cacao grows, and traces its path through Mesoamerican civilizations, colonization, and modern industry. The book explains how cacao becomes chocolate, how different cultures use it, and why this fruit has shaped economies and traditions worldwide. Bright illustrations, fun facts, and a decolonized lens make complex topics accessible to young readers. Debut author Scott-Christensen is a freelance writer. Yoko Baum is the illustrator of *The Eater Cookbook* (Abrams) and *A Very Asian Guide to Japanese Food* (Gloo Books)

**Gloo \* July 2026\* 32 pages \* Ages 6-10**



## ONE SPARK

By Melissa Coffey, illustrated Bernadett Urbanovics

This heart-warming picture book that helps children discover the powerful light that shines inside them. What begins as a quiet flicker grows into imagination, kindness, courage, and the ability to make the world better. A luminous gift for children and any adult who believes that even the smallest light can brighten the world. Coffey is the award-winning author of *Fridge-opolis* (Little Bee Books). Urbanovics is a Hungarian illustrator, watercolor artist, and surface pattern designer known for her nature-inspired artwork.

**Bushel & Peck \* September 2026\* 32 pages \* Ages 1-5**

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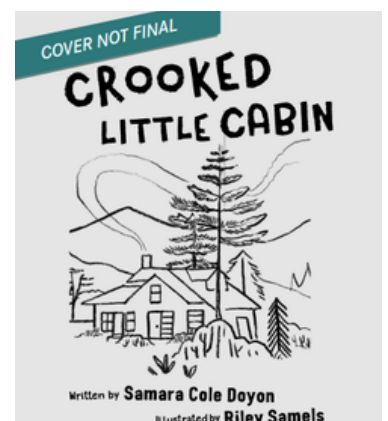


## CROOKED LITTLE CABIN

By Samara Cole Doyon, illustrated by Riley Samuels

Little readers join the friends and family who arrive for the summer at the crooked little cabin nestled in the tall pine woods by the lake, at the foot of the mountains. So begins a lush season of joyful play, sun-soaked naps, adventure, art, and storytelling - the joyous nostalgia of idyllic summer days and nights. Doyon is the award-winning author of *Magnificent Homespun Browne*. Samuels is an illustrator in both the children's book and greeting card industries.

**Tilbury House \* April 2027\* 40 pages \* Ages 4-8**

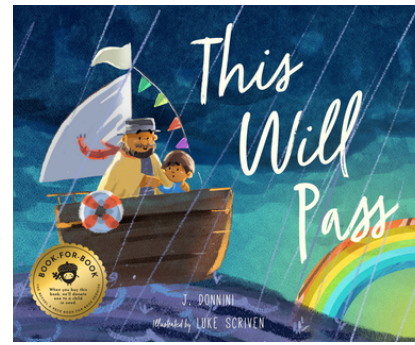


## THIS WILL PASS

**By J. Donnini, illustrated by Luke Scriven**

A young boy and his Uncle Ollie set sail for the magical island of Mashore, but storms and uncertainty soon rise around them. With every crashing wave, Ollie offers the same steady reminder: "Be calm, it will pass". The journey becomes a quiet lesson in resilience, showing children that anxiety is a real feeling, but not a permanent one; difficult moments do not last forever. Donnini is the author of *Ruby Lee*, *Echoes*, *Fireflies*, *The Spirit Bunnies*, and *Rock and the Fly*. Scriven's art, influenced by Maurice Sendak and Tove Jansson, has graced many books including *The Little Fear* and *Maybe Later Georgie*--both published by Harper Collins.

**Bushel & Peck \* April 2027\* 40 pages \* Ages 4-8**



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## BACKYARD SERIES

**By Christin Farley**

These delightful guides introduce kids to the fascinating creatures that live in backyards, parks, and neighborhoods all around us. Filled with engaging facts, fun discoveries, and breathtaking vintage natural history illustrations, *Backyard Animals*, *Backyard Birds*, and *Backyard Bugs* help young readers better understand the wildlife they see every day. Farley is a California-based freelance author.

**Bushel & Peck \* January 2027\* 32 pages \* Ages 7-10**



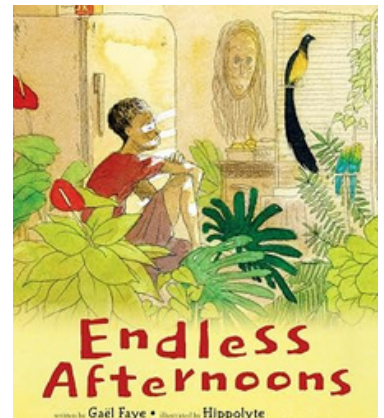
## ENDLESS AFTERNOONS

**By Gaël Faye, illustrated by Hippolyte, translated by Irene Vasquez**

*(English language rights only)*

From award-winning Rwandan-French author, rapper, and musician Gaël Faye comes a moving ode to the hidden beauty of boredom on long afternoons growing up in Burundi. Faye is the author of *Small Country*, a bestseller in France, awarded the Prix Goncourt des Lycéens, and was published in thirty countries worldwide. Hippolyte is a French author and illustrator of graphic novels. Irene Vázquez's translation of *Aiko and the Planet of Dogs* was awarded the Prix Albertine Jeunesse.

**Levine Queirido \* December 2026\* 32 pages \* Ages 4-8**



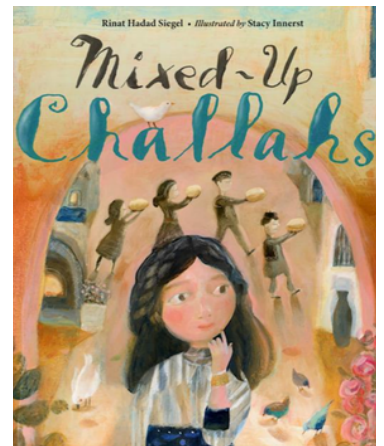
## MIXED UP CHALLAHS

**By Rinat Hadad Siegal, illustrated by Stacy Innerst**

*(English language rights only)*

Long ago, in the faraway city of Tripoli, mothers and daughters baked fresh challahs to celebrate the Sabbath, singing prayers, kneading in notes of hope, adding their deepest wishes. But when everyone's everyone's challahs (and prayers) get mixed up, an imaginative girl named Misah comes up with a beautiful solution for everyone! Siegal is a children's book author and a former educator. *Mixed-Up Challahs* is her debut picture book. Innerst is the illustrator of many award-winning books for children, including *Joan Mitchell Paints a Symphony*.

**Levine Queirido \* November 2026\* 32 pages \* Ages 4-8**



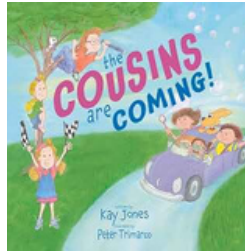
## THE COUSINS ARE COMING FOR CHRISTMAS

By Kay Jones, illustrated by Peter Trimarco

Sliding and sledding, snowballs and tinsel, caroling and gingerbread baking, and a sprinkling of coming-of-age moments, the cousins' holiday reunion is a nostalgic celebration among the best of friends. Jones is the author of *The Cousins Are Coming*, which has sold 7,000 copies. Peter Trimarco has illustrated numerous children's picture books, winning several IBPA Benjamin Franklin Awards, in addition to honors from Foreword Indies, and multiple Moonbeam and IndieReader Discovery Awards.

**Notable Kids \* September 2026\* 32 pages \* Ages 4-10**

Also available:



## THE JERUSALEM DONKEY

By Patricia Kreiser

A retelling of the Palm Sunday story through the eyes of a young donkey who never expects to be part of something so important. As he carries Jesus into Jerusalem, he experiences cheering crowds, waving palm branches, and a day he will never forget. Kreiser is the author of *Always Together* (Picture Window Books).

**Bushel & Peck \* January 2027\* 32 pages \* Ages 3-10**



## THE PRINCESS AND THE PIÑATA

By Cynthia Leonor Garza, illustrated by Gonzalo Alvarez

(English language rights only)

For fans of *The Princess and the Pony* and *Gustavo the Shy Ghost* comes a riotously wonderful picture book celebration of the origin of piñatas. Garza is the author of *Lucía the Luchadora*, named a Best Book of the Year by *Kirkus*, *NPR*, the *Chicago Public Library*. Alvarez is an illustrator, game designer, and author of the upcoming fantasy adventure graphic novel *Polloman* (2027, HarperAlley). Also available in Spanish!

**Levine Querido \* May 2027\* 40 pages \* Ages 4-8**



## I AM WIND

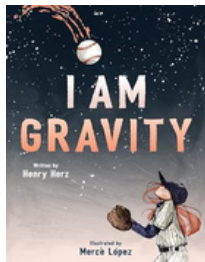
By Henry Herz, illustrated by Mercè López

What can you smell, hear, and feel but never see? Soft as a feather or strong as a storm? Bringing comfort and delight or chaos and destruction? Told in lyrical, riddling first-person narrative, Wind boasts of its essential role in life as we know it--from carving the Earth's face to spreading seeds and pollen. Henry Herz has authored many picture books including *I Am Smoke* and *I Am Gravity*. His children's short stories have been published in Highlights for Children, Ladybug Magazine, and innumerable anthologies. Mercè López has illustrated twenty children's books for Spanish and international book publishers. Her 2019 title *Lion of the Sky: Haiku for All Seasons* by Laura Purdie Salas received multiple starred reviews and was named a Center for Children's Books Gryphon Honor Book, an NCTE Notable Poetry Book, a Kirkus Best Picture Book, and a Parents Magazine Best Kids' Book, among other accolades.

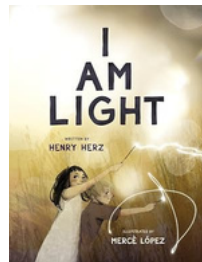
**Tilbury House \* September 2026\* 40 pages \* Ages 4-8**



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## WOODS: A Peek-A-Who Book

By Lynn Horrabin

Who could it be? This playful animal-guessing book invites toddlers to shout out their predictions as they turn each page. Little readers build observation skills, descriptive vocabulary, and early animal recognition while having a blast guessing what comes next. Lynn Horrabin is based in the UK. Her previous titles include *ABC You* (Bushel & Peck) and *Grandma's Garden* (Little Genius Books).

**Bushel & Peck \* October 2026\* 20 pages \* Ages 1-5**



## BIRDS: A Peek-A-Who Book

By Lynn Horrabin

From a long-legged pink flamingo, to a fantailed peacock, to a waddling penguin, each page introduces children to the joy of observing different birds. Lynn Horrabin is based in the UK. Her previous titles include *ABC You* (Bushel & Peck) and *Grandma's Garden* (Little Genius Books).

**Bushel & Peck \* October 2026\* 20 pages \* Ages 1-5**



## A BIKE IS NOT JUST A BIKE

By Brenna Jeanneret, illustrated by Michelle Pereira

This read-aloud for families, classrooms, and young changemakers is the true story of how the bicycle became a symbol of freedom for women and girls. In the late-19th-century moment riding was considered improper for girls; brave riders challenged those limits and each turn of the pedal forward was a move toward greater independence for women. Brenna Jeanneret is a podcaster and author who lives in Colorado. Michelle Pereira is an illustrator and artist based in Australia

**Gloo \* July 2026\* 32 pages \* Ages 6-10**



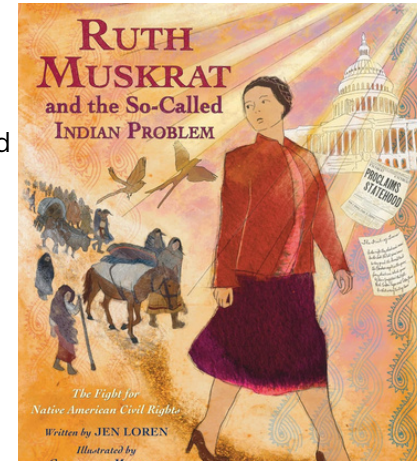
## RUTH MUSKRAT AND THE "INDIAN PROBLEM"

By Jen Loren, illustrated by Rebecca Lee Kunz

*(English language rights only)*

Ruth Muskrat, citizen of the Cherokee nation, knew that Native Americans could and should fight for their civil rights while still retaining their tribal identities. The authors are Muskrat's nieces and have produced a sweeping biography of the woman at the heart of the movement for Native American civil rights. Jen Loren (Cherokee Nation) is an Emmy Award-winning TV host and filmmaker. Kunz (Cherokee Nation) is an artist whose first LQ book, *Chooch Helped*, won the Caldecott Medal.

**Levine Querido \* October 2026\* 88 pages \* Ages 4-8**



## YINGCHENG'S TWO HATS

By Erica Lyons; Illustrated by Sally Deng

*(English language rights only)*

The true story of a 17th-century boy who uncompromisingly embraced all his parts and became a hero to all. Zhou Yingcheng, also known as Moshe ben Avram, was the highest-ranking Chinese Jew in the Imperial system. In the 1600s, he conquered rebels, sponsored schools, and rebuilt his synagogue, representing the best of both of his identities and becoming a hero to all. Lyons is a Hong Kong-based National Book Award finalist, chair of the Hong Kong Jewish Historical Society and also the Hong Kong Delegate to World Jewish Congress. Deng's art has been recognized and exhibited in galleries worldwide.

**Levine Querido \* March 2027\* 32 pages \* Ages 4-8**

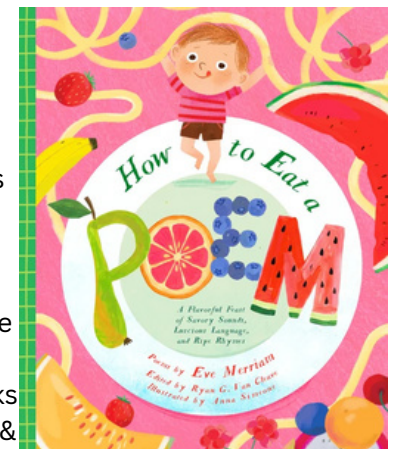


## HOW TO EAT A POEM

By Eve Merriam and Ryan Van Cleave, illustrated by Anna Simeone

A joyful, read-aloud collection that invites children to dive headfirst into the sheer fun of language. It is a playful feast where words twist, tumble, splash, and sing. Riddles, counting poems, and sound-soaked verses turn ordinary moments into lively adventures. Perfect for shared laughter, classroom exploration, and building a young reader's ear for rhythm. Eve Merriam (1916-1992) was an American poet, playwright, and celebrated children's author. Winner of the Yale Younger Poets Prize and the NCTE Award for Excellence in Children's Poetry, she championed wordplay, rhythm, and social commentary, publishing widely for both young readers and adults. Ryan van Cleave has authored over twenty books including *Unlocked* (Walker Books) and *Decide and Survive: The Titanic* (Bushel & Peck). Anna Simeone is a Polish children's illustrator.

**Bushel & Peck \* November 2026\* 40 pages \* Ages 3-8**



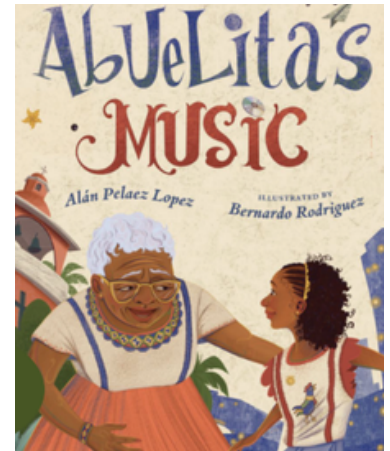
## ABUELITA'S MUSIC

By Alan Pelaez Lopez; illustrated by Bernardo Rodriguez

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In Boston, Nayeli misses her grandmother; her Abuelita is back home in Oaxaca. Some days only music can help. When the vallenatos and boleros are playing, their apartment becomes their own country - where no one is undocumented or alone. A transporting tale of migration, memory, and the power of music to break down the borders that seek to separate us from those we love. Lopez is an AfroZapotec scholar of migration, poetics, and settler colonialism, and an interdisciplinary artist. Rodriguez is a Dominican artist whose work is rooted in questions of land, memory, and migration. Also available in Spanish!

Levine Querido \* April 2027\* 40 pages \* Ages 3-8



## DRAW WITH MOM: Doodle Adventures

By Gina Perry

Dive into the next chapter of the *Draw With Mom* sensation with this full-color, side-by-side doodle book for moms and their kids get creative together using 100 fully-illustrated prompt pages, to create robots, fairy houses, gardens full of bugs and butterflies, and more! Perry is an author and illustrator. Her debut picture book as author and illustrator, *Small* (little bee) was on the Bank Street Best Book list in 2018. *Too Much! Not Enough!* (Tundra) was selected for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library.

Bushel & Peck \* March 2027\* 104 pages \* Ages 4-10

Also available:



## THE MAGIC COIN

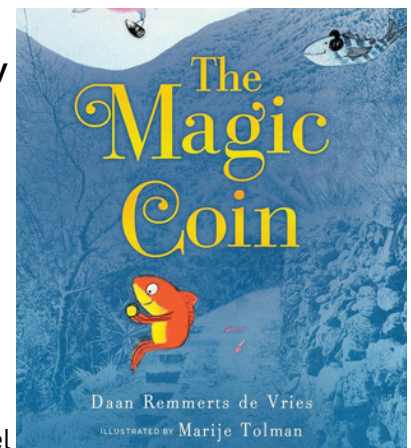
By Daan Remmerts de Vries, illustrated by Marije Tolman, translated by Nancy Forest-Flier

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**Kirkus:** "Gift and goodness bookend this clever examination of what it is we value."

Sneaky-Al Caponefish steals a quarter from Oyster's shop, then convinces Gentleman Johnny the sea turtle that it's a magic quarter, worth well over twenty-five cents. On and on the cycle goes until Goldfish brings it home. Tolman's (*Little Fox, Quill the Forest Keeper*) signature, vibrant, mixed-media risographs give life to de Vries's modern fable. Remmerts de Vries is a celebrated Dutch author and illustrator who won the prestigious Gouden Griffel award for his acclaimed 2002 children's book, *Godje*. Marije Tolman's picture books are published in many countries, including Denmark, Brazil, Italy, France, Portugal, South Africa, Mexico, South Korea, Qatar, Japan, and China.

Levine Querido \* September 2026 \* 64 pages \* Ages 6-9



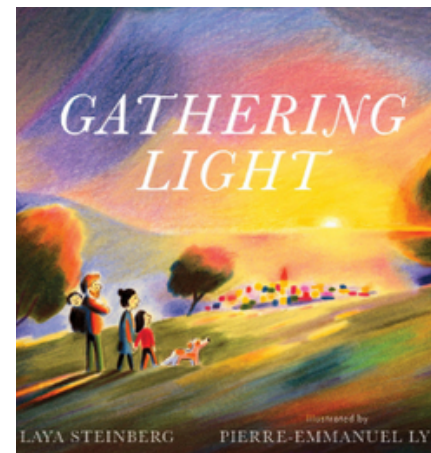
## GATHERING LIGHT

By Laya Steinberg, illustrated by Pierre-Emmanuel Lyet

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When a storm knocks out power in Orly's neighborhood, her family plays with flashlights and eat the melting ice cream - until Orly remembers it's Friday night, and shares the perfect way to light up everyone's spirits - Shabat! Steinberg is the author of *Thesaurus Rex*; Lyet has illustrated covers for *The New Yorker*.

Levine Querido \* May 2027\* 40 pages \* Ages 4-8



## SHIBU'S NEW FRIEND

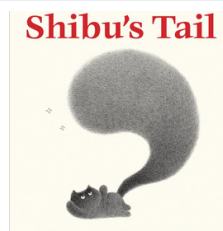
By Tess Thomas; illustrated by Kamwei Fong

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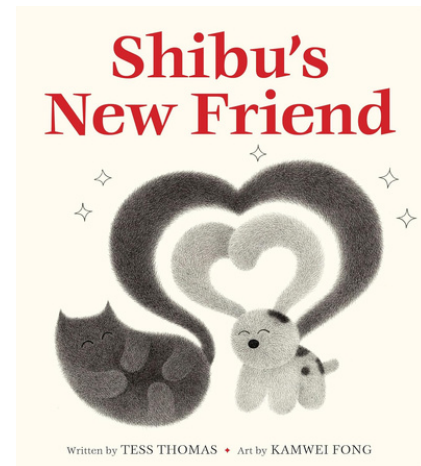
Shibu and Dottie are as different as cats and dogs – but discover they have more in common than they first thought in this charming sequel to the international hit *Shibu's Tail*! Fong has won awards at the Salon des Beaux Arts in Paris and has appeared in international art fairs, solo exhibitions, and art collaborations across Europe, Asia, and the United States.

Levine Querido \* September 2026\* 48 pages \* Ages 4-8

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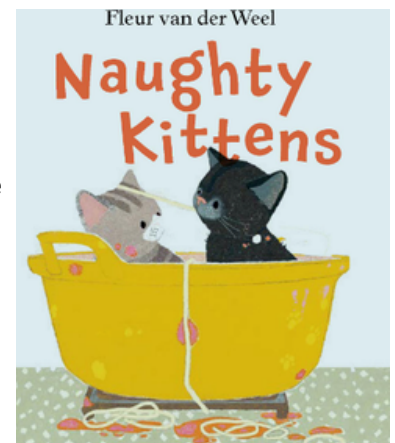
## NAUGHTY KITTENS

By Fleur van der Weel; translated by David Colmer

(English language rights only)

Tabby Ellie and all-black Max love to make as much mess as possible. Join them in 96 gorgeously illustrated pages of hijinks that playfully incorporate the essential elements of early childhood: opposites, colors, numbers, search and find... and even a glossary of meows! Van der Weel is a prize-winning Dutch author/illustrator.

Levine Querido \* February 2027\* 96 pages \* Ages 6-9



## GREEN HOMES, HAPPY PLANET

By Mia Wenjen; illustrated by Ash Green

Sustainable homes come in all shapes and sizes: yurts, homes made from plastic bottles, existing structures repurposed in fresh ways, and more. This book takes the reader around the world and discover all of them, how they were built, and what exactly makes them sustainable. Back matter includes ideas for sustainable living. Wenjen is the author of award-winning children's books; Green is an illustrator and ceramicist based in Australia.

Tilbury House \* March 2027\* 40 pages \* Ages 6-12

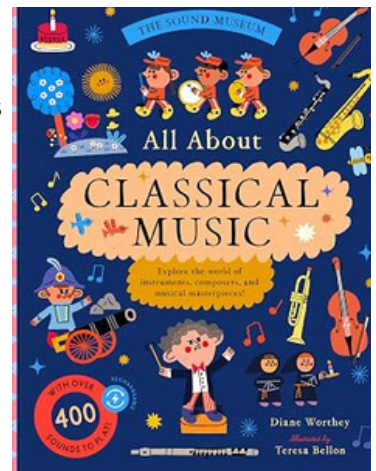


## THE SOUND MUSEUM: Classical Music

By Diane Worthey, translated by Teresa Bellón

With over 400 individual push-button sounds, this one-of-a-kind book lets kids hear classical music burst to life as they explore instruments, composers, and famous works like never before. Kids will also learn the rich vocabulary of music theory—from tempo to dynamics and beyond—with sound clips that illustrate every adagio, a cappella, and more. Packed with vivid illustrations, engaging facts, and an orchestra's worth of sound at your fingertips, this book is perfect for budding musicians. Worthey is an award-winning author of *Rise Up With A Song* (Bushel & Peck). Bellón was the illustrator for *My First Lift the Flap World Atlas* (Lonely Planet).

**Bushel & Peck \* February 2027\* 26 pages \* Ages 4-8**



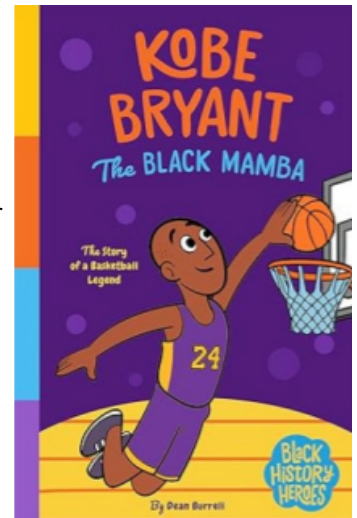
## EARLY READER

### **BLACK HISTORY HEROES: Kobe Bryant**

**By Dean Burrell**

Step onto the court with NBA superstar Kobe Bryant, a basketball player whose focus, creativity, and fierce dedication reshaped the game. Burrell is a Bay Area-based children's book author, editor, and lifelong sports fan who has spent over 30 years in the publishing industry creating engaging biographies for young readers, including *Baseball Biographies for Kids* (Callisto Kids).

**Bushel & Peck \* January 2027\* 96 pages \* Ages 7-10**



### **THE GOOD GUYS AGENCY: Super Like Stan Lee**

**By Nick Esposito; illustrated by Ricardo Tokumoto**

The Good Guys Agency is a time-traveling, laugh-filled, hero-powered series where four friends meet real-life legends and learn what it truly means to make a difference. Packed with history, humor, comic-style art, and nonstop adventure, it's perfect for fans of *Captain Underpants* and *Dog Man*. Esposito is an educator and author of the *Good Guys Agency* series as well as the *Game Changers* series. Tokumoto is a Brazilian illustrator and comic artist.

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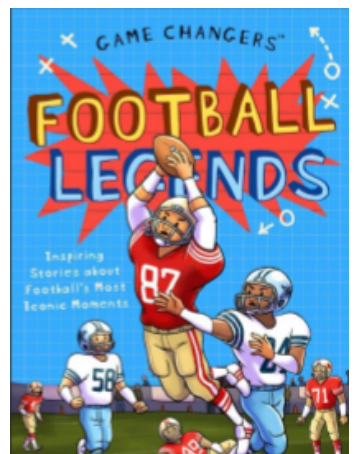


### **GAME CHANGERS: Football Legends**

**By Nick Esposito; illustrated by Ricardo Tokumoto**

A powerful, play-by-play journey through the moments that made football legendary. The book brings kids onto the field, into the huddle, and straight into the heart of the sport's most defining stories. Esposito is an educator and author of the *Good Guys Agency* series as well as the *Game Changers* series. Tokumoto is a Brazilian illustrator and comic artist.

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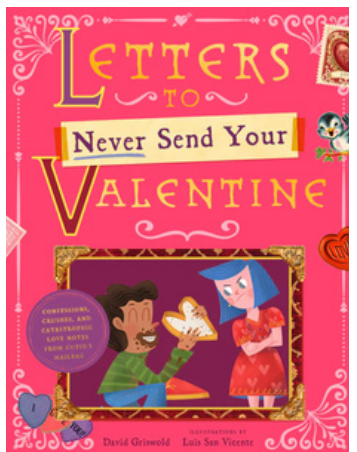


### **LETTERS TO NEVER SEND YOUR VALENTINE**

**By David Griswold; illustrated by Luis San Vicente**

This sweet, silly, and giggle-packed collection is just the right amount of ridiculous to turn even the most reluctant reader into somebody who can't wait to read bits aloud to anyone within earshot! Griswold is the author of *My Zoo*, *A Book of Feelings*, *Mother, What is the Moon?* and *Letters to Never Send Santa*. Vicente is an award-winning Mexican illustrator of more than 70 titles including *The Festival of Bones* and *Body Music: Poems About the Noises Your Body Makes*.

**Bushel & Peck \* December 2026\* 48 pages \* Ages 8-11**



## **LET'S GO BIRDING: An Interactive Beginner's Guide to Birdwatching**

**By Monta Hernon; illustrated by Darcie Olley**

Packed with 45 interactive activities, this book turns backyards and parks into wild places waiting to be explored. With games and crafts, every page invites kids to observe, wonder, and connect with nature. Hernon is a freelance writer who focuses on business, technology, and culture. Illustrator Olley is a UK-based illustrator. Here previous books include *Why Can't Dogs Fly?* and *Why Don't Things Fall Up?*

**Bushel & Peck \* March 2027\* 128 pages \* Ages 6-10**



## **BLACK HISTORY HEROES: Michelle Obama**

**By Jael Jackson**

This engaging biography traces Michelle Obama's journey from Chicago's South Side to Princeton, Harvard Law School, and the White House, showing how education, perseverance, and service shaped her impact. Jael Jackson is an author, illustrator, and designer who creates engaging historical adventures and children's biographies, including *Decide and Survive: The Oregon Trail*.

**Bushel & Peck \* April 2027\* 96 pages \* Ages 7-10**



## **BLACK HISTORY HEROES: Rosa Parks**

**By Jael Jackson**

A powerful, kid-friendly journey into the life of Rosa Parks and the day that changed American history. Young readers take a seat beside Rosa as an ordinary bus ride becomes an extraordinary turning point. Inspiring, accessible, and empowering. Jael Jackson is an author, illustrator, and designer who creates engaging historical adventures and children's biographies, including *Decide and Survive: The Oregon Trail*.

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## **WICKED WEBS: The Secret Science of Spider Silk**

**By David and Julie Lavender, illustrated by Vlad Stankovic**

Curious kids learn the incredible ways spiders use silk to survive. They'll meet master web builders, sneaky ambush hunters, and clever predators that create some of the most ingenious structures in nature. David Lavender served in the Navy as an entomologist before working as a wildlife biologist for the Army. Julie Lavender is a childhood educator.

**Bushel & Peck \* December 2026\* 48 pages \* Ages 7-10**



## CUSUMBO IN THE JUNGLE

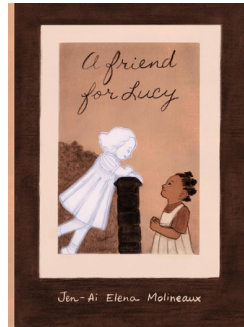
By Jen-Ai Elena Molineaux

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For fans of *Little Shrew* and *Cornbread & Poppy*. Cusumbo is happy on his own: baking, visiting the library, breathing the fresh jungle air, shopping at the market, and watching the moon rise over the mountains behind his home. No scary surprises, no disruptions to his routine, everything just how he likes it. Six charming stories teach Cusumbo how wonderfully surprising life can be when it's shared! Jen-Ai Elena Molineaux is a Colombian children's author and illustrator. Her debut picture book, *A Friend for Lucy*, was published in 2025. Also available in Spanish.

Levine Querido \* March 2027\* 96 pages \* Ages 6-9

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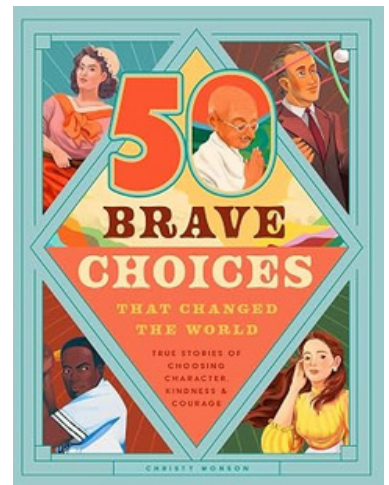


## 50 BRAVE CHOICES THAT CHANGED THE WORLD

By Christy Monson

Meet fifty remarkable heroes who chose courage, compassion, curiosity, and perseverance to shape the world around them. Jackie Robinson, Harriet Tubman, Fred Rogers, Jane Goodall, Malala Yousafzai, Lin-Manuel Miranda, and many more. Monson is children's author who writes uplifting, educational, and emotionally supportive books for young readers, including *Love, Hugs, and Hope: When Scary Things Happen*.

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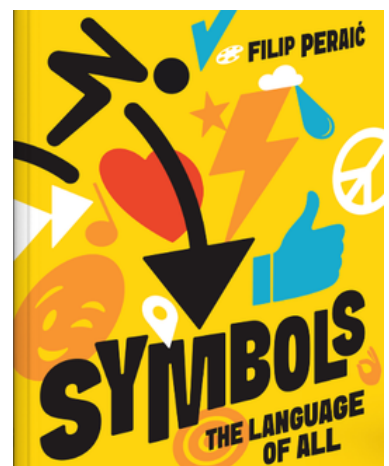
## SYMBOLS: The Language of All

By Filip Peraic

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Symbols are the one method of communication more powerful than any other, used since the dawn of history, and one that cuts across humanity's divides. This concept-driven visual debut from Croat artist and designer Peraic will open young readers' eyes to the world of signs and symbols all around us. Peraic has collaborated with brands including Nike, Adidas, IBM, Columbia Records, and *The Wall Street Journal*.

Levine Querido \* February 2027\* 64 pages \* Ages 7-10



## THE INTERACTIVE BEEHIVE

**By Lucy Van Cleave, illustrated by Lucy Hook**

Young readers buzz straight into the heart of a working bee colony, where every page reveals a new hands-on discovery. Lift flaps, explore touch-and-feel elements, make a bee perform the famous waggle dance, learn how bees make honey, care for their young, communicate with one another, and pollinate the plants that help our world thrive. Van Cleave's previous books include *The Bubble Trouble* and *The Roller Rink Romp*. Hook is a Yorkshire-based illustrator with a background in surface pattern design from Leeds Arts University.

**Bushel & Peck \* March 2027\* 16 pages \* Ages 7-10**

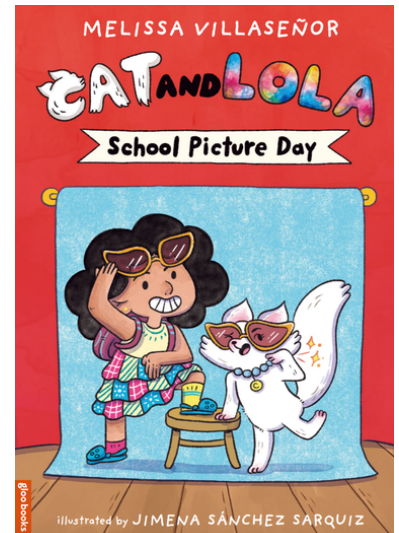


## CAT AND LOLA: School Picture Day

**By Melissa Villaseñor, illustrated by Jimena Sánchez Sarquiz**

This early-reader graphic novel from comedian and 'Saturday Night Live' alum Villaseñor follows two mismatched best friends: loud, messy Lola and confident Cat, who knows how to strike a pose. Villaseñor delivers laugh-out-loud humor, heartfelt moments, and a message every child needs: the coolest thing you can be is yourself.

**Gloo \* September 2026\* 62 pages \* Ages 6-10**



## MIDDLE GRADE

### **BEASTS 2: Nowhere to Run**

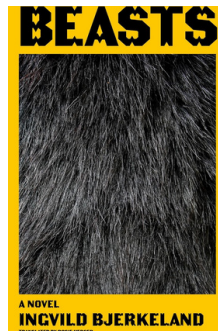
**By Ingvid Bjerkeland; translated by Rosie Hedger**

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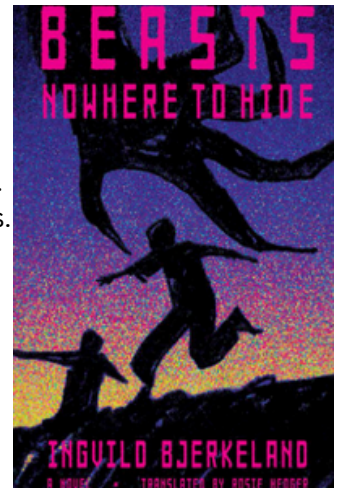
In this sequel to the international horror hit *Beasts*, Abdi and Alva are on the edge of survival, fleeing on a small boat out to sea with the beasts on their heels. When they are rescued by a ship and taken to the Shetland Islands, hope blooms. But when the beasts attack from the mainland and Abdi and Alva are on the run again, headed for another human encampment to warn them - and keep searching for their dad. Ingvid Bjerkeland is an author of picture books and novels for children and young adults. Her novel, *Beasts*, was nominated for the Nordic Council Children and YA Prize.

**Levine Querido \* June 2027 \* 128 pages \* Ages 10-14**

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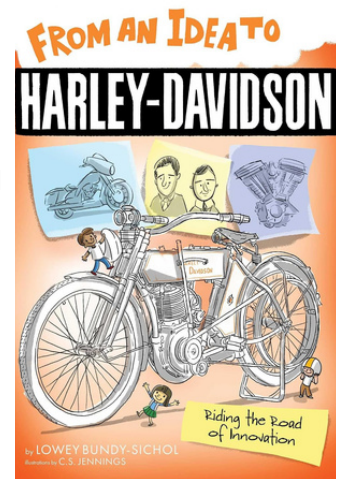


### **FROM AN IDEA TO HARLEY-DAVIDSON: Riding the Road to Innovation**

**By Lowey Bundy-Sichol**

A fascinating, illustrated look at how the world's most famous motorcycle became a global icon. Two inventive friends, Harley and Davidson, built a brand that survived fierce competition, near collapse, and more than a century of change. Strong STEM hooks, clear storytelling, and a proven series track record: the 4 previous titles in this series were published by Houghton Mifflin and have sold nearly 60,000 copies.

**She Writes Press \* January 2027 \* 128 pages \* Ages 8-12**

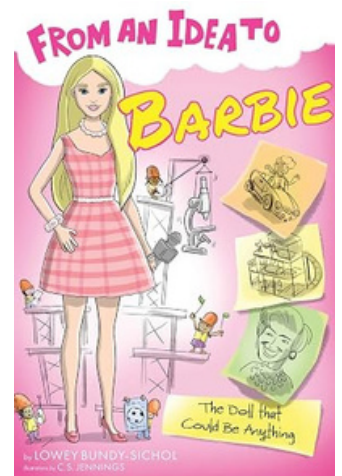


### **FROM AN IDEA TO BARBIE: The Doll That Could Be Anything**

**By Lowey Bundy-Sichol**

This illustrated biography shows young readers how creativity, persistence, and smart problem-solving shaped Barbie's rise from a kitchen-table concept to an international brand. Short chapters, kid-friendly art, and clear business breakouts make innovation feel fun and accessible. Trusted by educators and librarians, the award-winning From an Idea to ...series blends STEM, invention, and entrepreneurship with exceptional clarity.

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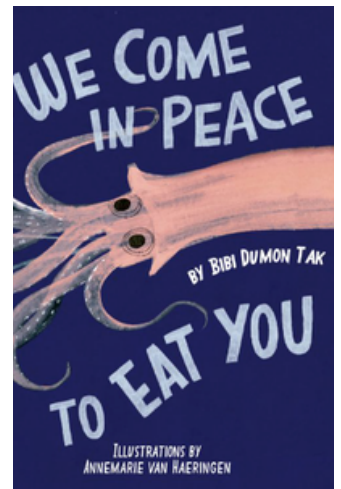
## WE COME IN PEACE TO EAT YOU: A Journey Through the Food Chain

By Bibi Dumon Tak; illustrated by Annemarie van Haeringen; translated by Nancy Forest-Flier

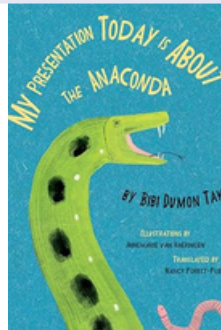
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From the creators of the acclaimed *My Presentation Today is About the Anaconda* comes another illustrated nonfiction book— this time about the food chain under the sea! Krill, herrings, octopuses, smelts, gray gurnards, puffins, seals, orcas, and many more all feel that humans don't play by the rules and don't respect the balance of the food chain. Maybe children can help adults solve the problem? After all, the fish know children spend time in schools, so they must be smart. Dumon Tak has won the Gouden Griffel as well as the Theo Thijssen Prize, the highest honor for authors.

Levine Querido \* April 2027 \* 256 pages \* Ages 8-12



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## THE ANIMAL LOVER'S GUIDE TO SAVING THE WILD FOR KIDS

By Stephanie Feldstein

Each chapter features a different wild species so young readers can plug in where they're most interested and also learn about wildlife they may be less familiar with. Feldstein works at the Center for Biological Diversity.

Tilbury House \* March 2027 \* 160 pages \* Ages 8-12

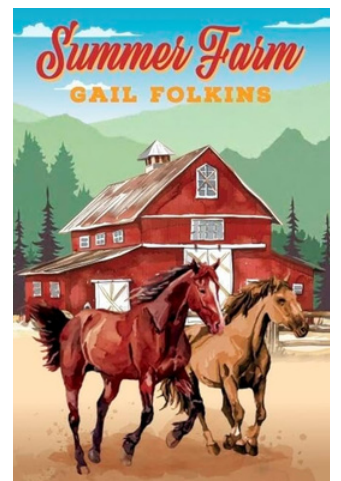


## SUMMER FARM

By Gail Folkins

Fourteen-year-old Kim Silva finds her voice when Cascade Farm - the only place she feels comfortable - is threatened by commercial development. As she trains a gentle lesson horse, rallies a fractured group of riders, and leads a bold protest ride, Kim discovers courage she didn't know she had. This is a vivid, character-driven novel for Middle Grade readers who love horses, outdoor adventure, and stories of girls claiming their power. Folkins is an award-winning creative nonfiction author. *Summer Farm* is her middle grade debut.

Trafalgar Square Books \* January 2027 \* 176 pages \* Ages 11-14



## MISTLAND

By Maggie Heinze

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Equal parts Kate DiCamillo, William Blake, and Susan Cooper, Heinze's debut is a fully-illustrated Middle Grade fantasy infused with Irish mythology. Hanlon Philomena Hughes has lived her whole life under the sad shadow of her archeologist parents who disappeared in a terrible storm right after Hanlon was born. When she discovers her parents are alive, Hanlon and a ragtag team of explorers must voyage to a Mistland full of creatures, heroes, and monsters to bring them home. Heinze is a teacher, author, and illustrator

**Levine Querido \* May 2027 \* 272 pages \* Ages 8-12**



## BOON ON THE MOON

By John Huddles

Ten-year-old Byron "Boon" Barnett heads to the lunar colony of Cosmopolis expecting low gravity antics and high-tech marvels. Instead, a catastrophic disaster levels the colony before lunch. Boon believes he knows how to survive and save others but he's known for his over-active imagination. Boon must decide who he really is: a boy who daydreams, or the one person brave enough to jump into action when it counts. Huddles is a screenwriter, film director, and novelist. His YA fantasy novel, *Asha of the Air*, was published in 2022.

**Notable Kids \* September 2026 \* 216 pages \* Ages 9-12**



## THE INKLINGS

By Morgan E. Iverson

When fourteen-year-old Ethan Ross arrives at Oxford, he stumbles into the Inklings, a hidden society made up of the greatest storytellers in history—Shakespeare, Jane Austen, Emily Dickinson, C. S. Lewis, J. R. R. Tolkien—authors who have secretly protected the timeline for centuries. But the timeline is coming apart. Strange rifts called Tears are spreading, wiping out stories and the people who wrote them. Ethan discovers that to stop the collapse, he must trust the one thing he's never believed in: his own ability to write something that matters. *The Inklings* is Iverson's debut.

**Bushel & Peck \* October 2026 \* 275 pages \* Ages 10-13**



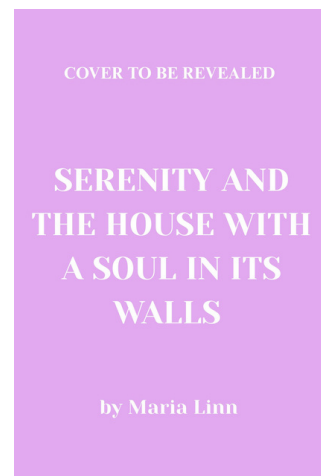
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## SERENITY AND THE HOUSE WITH A SOUL IN ITS WALLS

By Maria Linn

Ren can hear the souls of buildings - and the spirit of her grandmother's rundown beach motel is calling to her from inside the walls. With her sharp-eyed sister and a ghost-hunting neighbor, Ren uncovers the motel's history must help its spirit heal before they lose the motel for good. For fans of *Nicholas Quick and the Man from the Chaos Dimension*. *Serenity and the House With a Soul in Its Walls* is Linn's debut.

**Bushel & Peck \* February 2027 \* 208 pages \* Ages 7-12**



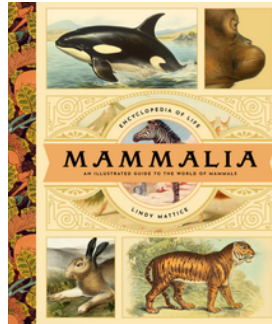
## OCEANUS: An Illustrated Guide to Creatures of the Deep

By Lindy Mattice

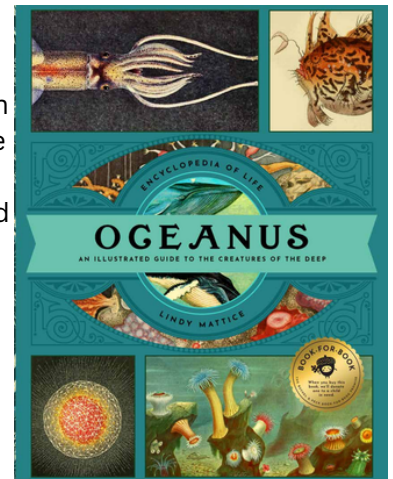
A breathtaking visual encyclopedia celebrating the incredible diversity of ocean creatures. Featuring more than 125 fascinating species and hundreds of vintage zoological illustrations, this stunning guide brings the beauty and science of aquatic life to your fingertips. Mattice is the author of *How to Speak Animal* and *Mammalia*.

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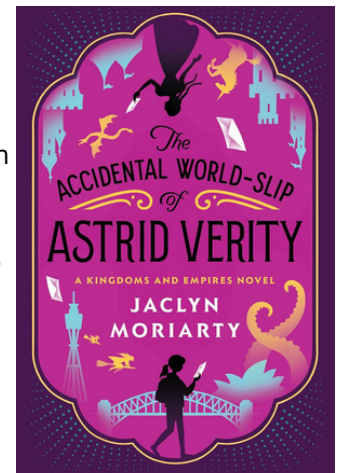
## THE ACCIDENTAL WORLD-SLIP OF ASTRID VERITY

By Jaclyn Moriarty

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Astrid hails from the land of Kingdoms and Empires with a special talent: she can tell when people are telling the truth. When Astrid's world and our world both begin to unravel, her friends must work together to make a bridge of magic to bring Astrid home, and save the universe(s). Moriarty is an award winning middle grade novelist, whose previous titles include *The Secret of Lillian Velvet*.

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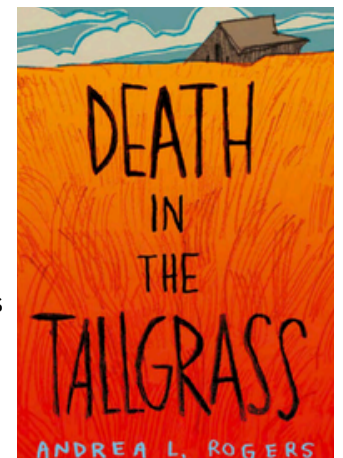
## DEATH IN THE TALL GRASS

By Andrea L. Rogers

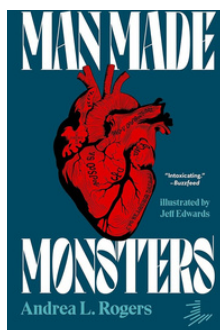
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Days on the ranch in Oklahoma would be more lively if it wasn't for Diane's unpredictable and irritable Grandfather Wilson. Diane would rather move to Tulsa with her sister and parents. When sudden questions about the past arise, Diane digs into family secrets and reconnects with her Cherokee heritage. Rogers is a citizen of the Cherokee Nation. Her Levine Querido books have won the Caldecott Medal, won the Walter Dean Myers Award, and garnered SIX starred reviews.

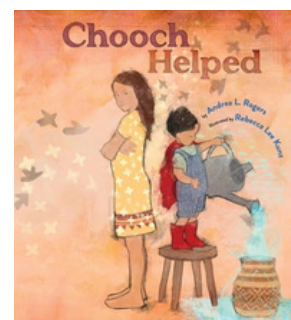
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## THE LITTLE WIZARD

By Mariana Ruiz Johnson

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Little Wizard is not going to let an evil witch imprison him - or the other creatures trapped in her castle. Armed with nothing but a mysterious bell and plenty of tricks, our little hero liberates skeletons, mermaids, ogres, gnomes, and others in a symphony of freedom and the liveliest dance party you've ever seen. Buenos Aires native Ruiz Johnson illustrated *Xolo* by Donna Barba Higuera, which had its artwork praised as "impeccable, resplendent," and "irresistible." Also available in SPANISH as *Pequeño Mago*.

Levine Querido \*April 2027 \* 80 pages \* Ages 7-10



## SURVIVORS: 25 Stories of Everyday People Who Triumphed Over the Impossible

By Kaileia Suvannamaccha

This high-impact nonfiction collection delivers 25 true survival stories from every continent. Each chapter drops kids into a real crisis and shows the exact decisions, teamwork, and quick thinking that made survival possible. Bold full-color art, sharp sidebars, and skill-building keep the stakes immediate and understandable. Suvannamaccha's short stories, poems, articles, and essays have won contests and appear in both print and online publications, including *Sarasota SCENE Magazine* and *The Unsealed*. *Survivors* is Suvannamaccha's middle grade debut.

Bushel & Peck \*April 2027 \* 80 pages \* Ages 9-11



## DECIDE & SURVIVE: The California Gold Rush

By Ryan Van Cleave

A fast-paced, interactive adventure series for kids, featuring death-defying moments in history. This time it's the Gold Rush in 1849 San Francisco, and eleven-year-old Clara is struggling to keep her uncle's boardinghouse running after he mysteriously disappears. Clara and her friend Jin head into the heart of Gold Rush country to find him, uncover the truth, and change California's fate forever. Along the way, readers must make decisions that shape the story's outcome. Packed with multiple endings, historical detail, and fascinating nonfiction back matter, *Decide & Survive: The California Gold Rush* turns history into an immersive interactive adventure. Van Cleave is the author of more than 100 books for children, including *Decide and Survive: The Titanic*.

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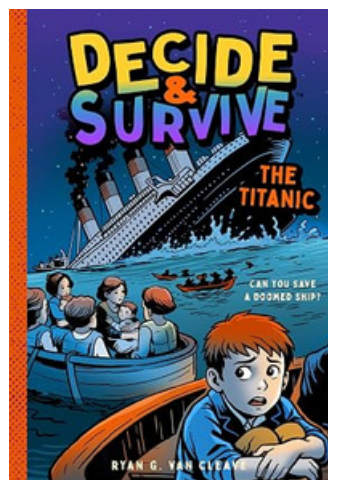


## DECIDE & SURVIVE: The Titanic

By Ryan Van Cleave

Young readers make decisions and determine their own survival by joining twelve-year-old Alexander Hale aboard the doomed ocean liner in *Decide & Survive: The Titanic*. With each page turn YOU decide which way the story unravels. This book challenges puzzle-solving readers and ignites a love of history for life. Van Cleave is the author of more than 100 books for children, including *Decide and Survive: The Titanic*.

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## YOUNG ADULT

### The Gifted Mage 2: A SHADOW DARK AND DARING

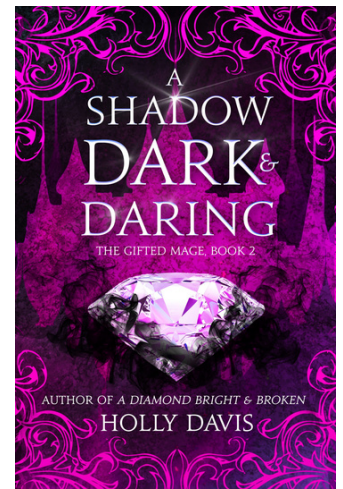
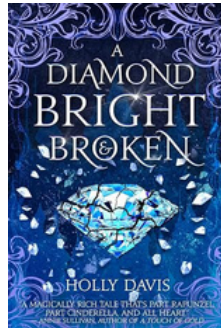
By Holly Davis

**Kirkus on *A Diamond Bright and Broken*:** “Touching...inspirational...unusual”

Returning to the magically rich world of *A Diamond Bright and Broken*, this sequel finds Cadence, Raven, and Allegra needing prove they have what it takes to step out of the shadows and defend their Everyfolk by training forces to protect the innocent and stop the bloodshed. Featuring disability and LGBT representation, the conclusion to this YA fantasy duology is not to be missed. *A Diamond Bright and Broken*, the first book in *The Gifted Mage* series, is Davis’ debut novel.

**Inimitable Books \* April 2027 \* 300 pages \* Ages 12-18**

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### THEN COMES JULY

By Sarah Jung

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The stunningly illustrated story of Vanessa, a Korean-American kid from a family that struggles with poverty and violence, who triumphs with the power of sisterhood and determination. Filled with risk and raw emotion, this is a story of desperate bravery and the sometimes fraught but always unbreakable bond between siblings. Jung is the author of *When Father Comes Home* and illustrator of *Our World of Dumplings*; this is her debut graphic novel.

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### TRAITOR'S ALCHEMY

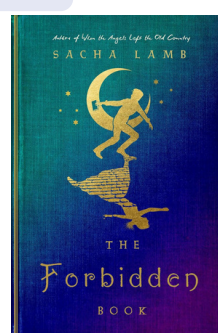
By Sacha Lamb

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*Game of Thrones* meets *Shadow and Bone* in this thrilling medieval mystery from master storyteller Sacha Lamb, featuring a girl determined to become an alchemist to heal her mother, a grand lady with designs on the throne, and a shape-shifting apprentice with priceless blood. Lamb’s debut novel, *When The Angels Left The Old Country*, was named a Printz Honor Book, a Sydney Taylor Award winner and a Stonewall Book Award winner.

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## AINSLEY VS. THE PACT

By **Andrea A. Lewis**

At Northersley Academy, Ainsley is everyone's friend, but even she is not safe from the school's toxic mean-girl "Pacts"—cliques of kids who viciously control the social scene by casting out and bullying innocent classmates, often seemingly at random. Ainsley, with help from friends and a handful of surprise upstanders and allies, must learn how to harness the strength within and become her own hero. This book tackles the pressures kids face today: toxic friendship drama, cyberbullying, and the fast-moving social rules of middle school. Direct, relatable, and grounded in everyday experience, this story gives readers clear validation, practical insight, and hope-making it ideal for families, educators, and school discussion groups worldwide. Lewis is an award-winning corporate executive turned advocate for inspiring young people to navigate life with self-worth and resilience. This is her debut novel.

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## CHILDREN OF OWL

By **Darcie Little Badger**

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From the peerless master of contemporary fantasy comes a tale of three cousins and the dark swirl of creatures, ghosts, and murderers that surrounds their trailer park. Illustrated throughout with comics pages! Darcie Little Badger is a member of the Lipan Apache Tribe of Texas. Her Locus Award-winning debut novel, *Elatsoe*, was a National Indie Bestseller, named to over a dozen best-of-year lists, and cited as one of the Best 100 Fantasy Novels of All Time by *TIME*. Her second novel, *A Snake Falls to Earth* was longlisted for the National Book Award for Young People's Literature and received a Newbery Award Honor.

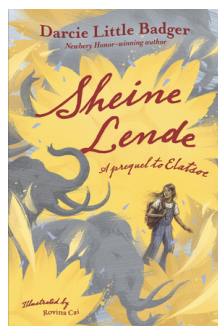
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## WHAT HAPPENED IN BEULAH

By Christy Scott Cashman

**Joyce Carol Oates on *The Truth About Horses*:** "Irresistibly readable."

**Colum McCann, author of *Apeiogon* and *Let the Great World Spin*:** "A poignant novel of ghosts present and ghosts past; the everywhere of guilt and consequence."

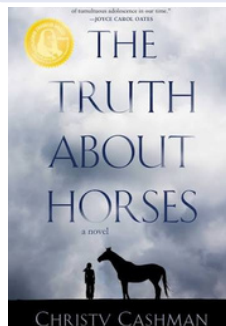
For fans of *Where the Crawdads Sing*, a teenage girl searches for a missing classmate and uncovers the very dark secrets of her Smoky Mountain town in this gripping coming-of-age mystery. Cashman is an American author, actress, and producer who has appeared in more than twenty films, including *American Hustle* and *The Descendants*. Her debut Young Adult novel, *The Truth About Horses* was a 2024 IBPA Benjamin Franklin Awards Gold Winner in Fiction.

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