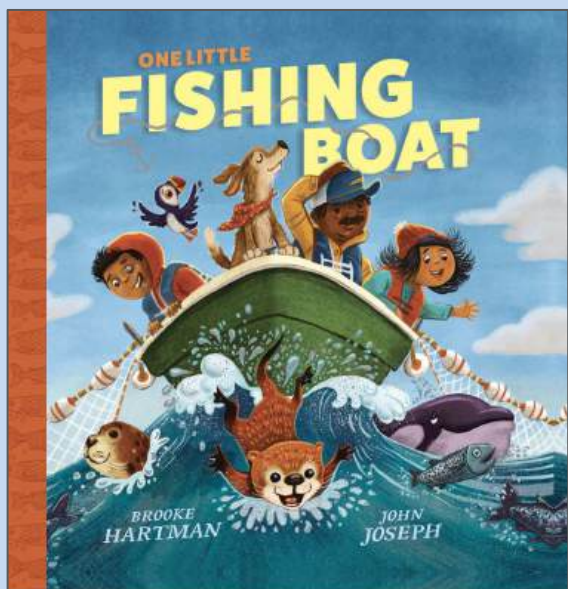


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**NEW!**

## One Little Fishing Boat

By BROOKE HARTMAN

Illustrated by JOHN JOSEPH

A small fishing boat sets out across Alaska's waters on a lively, rhyming adventure. Along the way, puffins, otters, seals, and even a mighty orca appear in a playful, cumulative tale.

As waves rise and clouds gather, the family holds steady—proving that even the littlest boat can be strong and safe. With dynamic art and rich back matter, this story celebrates marine life and sustainable fishing traditions.

**Themes:** Animals/Wildlife, Family, Alaska, Fishing

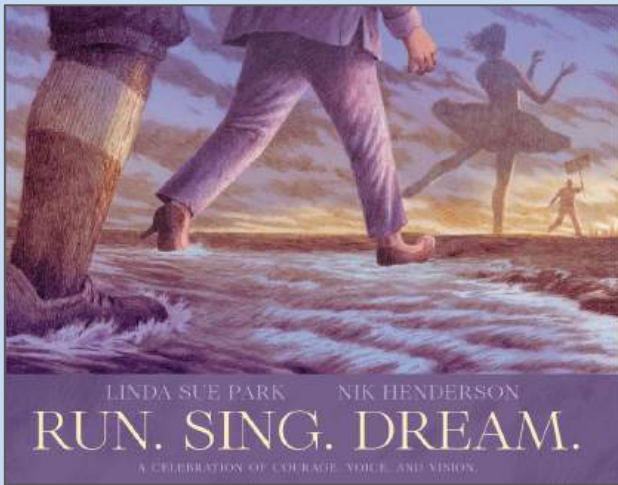
Ages 4-8 | Hardcover | 40 pages | 254mm x 254mm

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**Brooke Hartman** is an award-winning children's author known for lyrical storytelling and richly researched nonfiction. Her books, including *Dreaming of You*, *The Littlest Airplane*, and *All Aboard the Alaska Train*, blend rhythm, heart, and educational depth. She lives in Alaska, where the landscapes and wildlife often inspire her work. [brookehartman.com](http://brookehartman.com)

**John Joseph** is an illustrator whose bold, energetic artwork brings animals, vehicles, and wild landscapes vividly to life. His dynamic compositions and expressive characters have earned praise in picture books including *All Aboard the Alaska Train*. He lives and works in Denver, Colorado. [johnjosephart.com](http://johnjosephart.com)



**NEW!**

## Run. Sing. Dream.

By LINDA SUE PARK

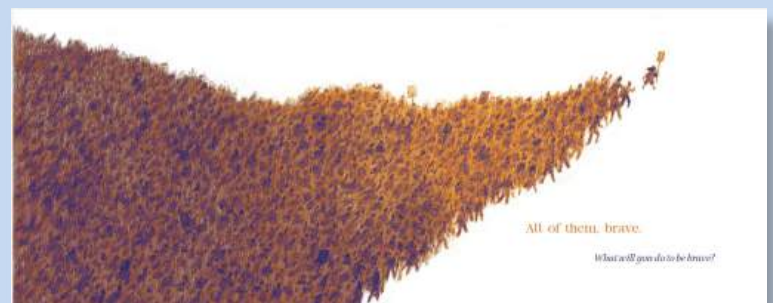
Illustrated by NIK HENDERSON

*Run. Sing. Dream.* is an inspiring picture book about finding your voice, following your passion, and daring to imagine a bigger future. Through rhythmic text and vibrant art, it celebrates perseverance, creativity, and the courage to chase your dreams and find your way to speak up and be heard.

**Themes:** Activism & Social Justice,  
Emotions & Feelings, Diversity &  
Multicultural

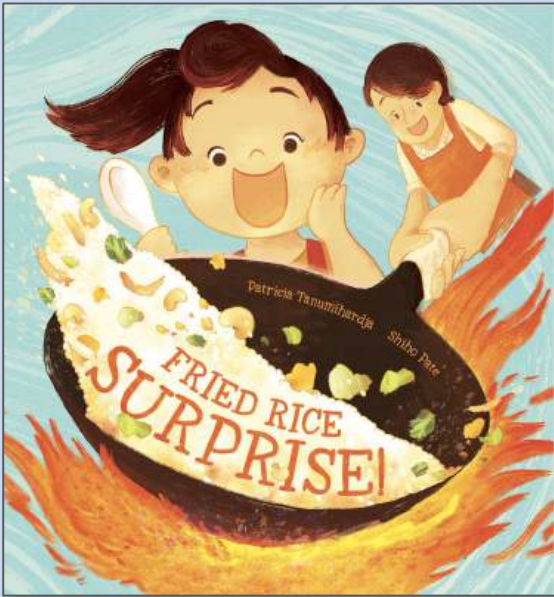
Ages 7-10 | Hardcover | 44 pages | 304mm x  
243mm landscape

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**Linda Sue Park** is a Newbery Medal-winning author whose books for young readers include the acclaimed novel *A Single Shard*. Her work often explores history, identity, and the Korean American experience. She lives in upstate New York. [lindasuepark.com](http://lindasuepark.com)

**Nik Henderson** is an illustrator and designer known for bold, expressive artwork that blends storytelling with cultural depth. His dynamic visual style brings emotional resonance and energy to picture books and literary projects. [instagram.com/henderson\\_nik](https://www.instagram.com/henderson_nik)



**NEW!**

## Fried Rice Surprise

By PAT TANUMIHARDJA

Illustrated by SHIHO PATE

*Fried Rice Surprise* is a warm and joyful story about family, food, and unexpected delights. As a simple meal comes together, love, laughter, and a sweet surprise remind everyone that the best ingredients are the ones shared around the table with friends and family.

**Themes:** Food, friendship, diversity, community, multicultural

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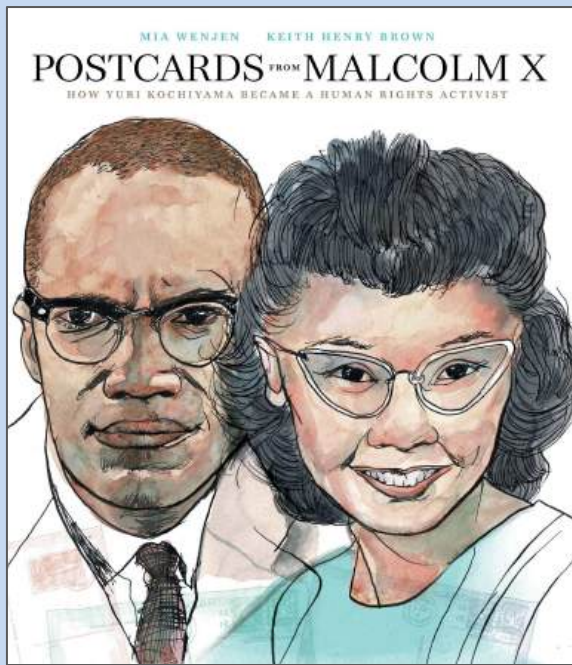


**Pat Tanumihardja** is an Indonesian American author and food writer whose work celebrates culture, family, and the stories we share through meals. She brings warmth and authenticity to her books for young readers. [ediblewords.com](http://ediblewords.com)

**Shiho Pate** is a Japanese-born children's book illustrator known for her gentle, expressive artwork and inviting color palettes. Her illustrations beautifully capture everyday moments filled with heart and connection. She now lives in Southern California. [shihopate.com](http://shihopate.com)

Together, Pat Tanumihardja and Shiho Pate published the sister title *Ramen for Everyone* with Simon & Schuster.





**NEW!**

## Postcards from Malcolm X

By MIA WENJEN

Illustrated by Keith Henry Brown

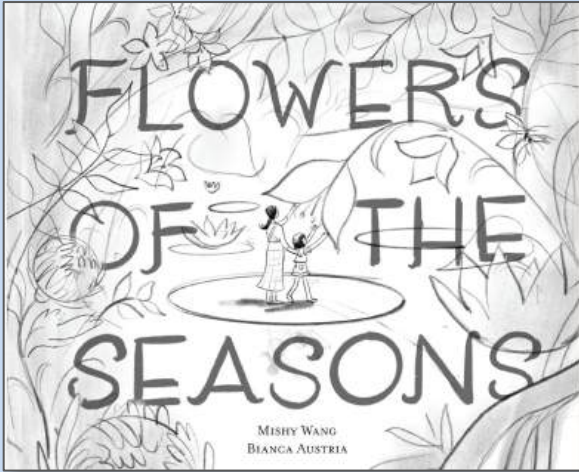
When Yuri Kochiyama met Malcolm X in 1963, a powerful friendship rooted in justice and solidarity began. This compelling picture book traces Kochiyama's journey from wartime incarceration to lifelong activism, revealing how her experiences shaped her commitment to civil rights. Through evocative storytelling and art, it highlights an extraordinary cross-cultural friendship and the shared vision of equality that united two remarkable leaders.

**Themes:** Biography, US History, Activism and Social Justice, Prejudice & Racism  
**Ages 8-12 | Hardcover | 48 pages | 228mm x 279mm landscape**  
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**Mia Wenjen** is a writer and diversity advocate who cofounded Multicultural Children's Book Day/Read Your World, a nonprofit promoting inclusive stories in schools and libraries. Author of several picture books, she celebrates cultural heritage and underrepresented voices. *Postcards from Malcolm X* reflects her passion for sharing untold histories. She lives in the Boston area with her family. [pragmaticmom.com](http://pragmaticmom.com)

**Keith Henry Brown** is an illustrator, designer, and former art director for Jazz at Lincoln Center whose work celebrates music, culture, and history. A jazz enthusiast, he has created artwork for icons such as Miles Davis and John Coltrane and illustrated several acclaimed picture books. He lives in Brooklyn, New York. [keithhenrybrown.com](http://keithhenrybrown.com)





**NEW!**

## Flowers of the Season

By MISHY WANG

Illustrated by BIANCA AUSTRIA

A young girl learns to navigate her beloved aunt's terminal illness through the wisdom of flowers across the four seasons. As spring turns to winter, orchids, lotus blossoms, chrysanthemums, and plum blossoms offer gentle lessons in breathing, finding joy, waiting, and hoping. This tender, lyrical picture book explores grief, love, and healing, showing how memories—and gardens—continue to bloom even after loss.

**Themes:** Grief & Loss, Hope and Renewal, Cultural Heritage & Symbolism  
Ages 4-8 | Hardcover | 40 pages | 228mm x 279mm

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Full-color art TK



**Mishy Wang** is a Chinese American children's author whose stories explore family, heritage, and emotional resilience. *Flowers of the Seasons* is her debut picture book. She lives in Minnesota, where she enjoys tea, knitting, and caring for her bunnies. [mishywang.com](http://mishywang.com)

**Bianca Austria** is an illustrator and designer whose work is shaped by her cross-cultural upbringing between Los Angeles and the Philippines. Her art celebrates nature, memory, and quiet everyday moments through a whimsical, expressive style. [biancaustria.art](http://biancaustria.art)





**NEW!**

## A Gentle Light

By SHIRIN SHAMSI

Illustrated by TARA ANAND

This moving picture-book biography tells the true story of Noor Inayat Khan—writer, radio operator, and spy. Sent into occupied France during World War II, she risked everything to fight for the allied forces. Her calm courage reminds us that even the gentlest light can change the world.

**Themes:** Biography, WWII history, women's history, resilience, prejudice & racism

Ages 6-10 | Hardcover | 48 pages | 216mm x 280mm

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**Shirin Shamsi** is a children's book author whose stories explore courage, empathy, and quiet resilience. Inspired by history and lived experience, she writes to help young readers see how even gentle voices can shape the world.

**Tara Anand** is an illustrator known for her expressive line work and atmospheric use of light and shadow. Her art brings emotional depth and sensitivity to historical and character-driven stories.



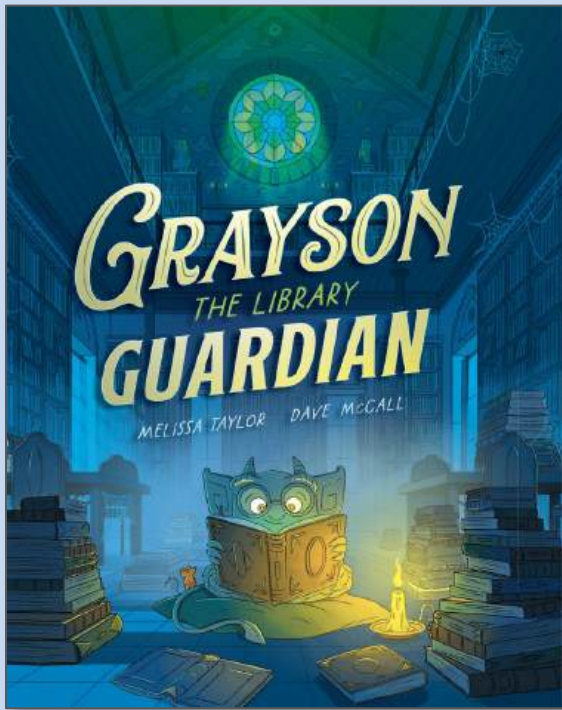
**NEW!**

## Grayson the Library Guardian

By MELISSA TAYLOR

Illustrated by DAVE MCCALL

*Grayson the Library Guardian* is a heartwarming story about a watchful gargoyle perched high above a quiet library. When Grayson notices that fewer people are coming through the doors, he takes matters into his own stone hands—hatching a clever plan to bring the community back and save the library he loves.



**Themes:** Books & libraries, community & civic engagement, humorous stories, friendship

Ages 4-8 | Hardcover | 40 pages | 222mm x 269mm

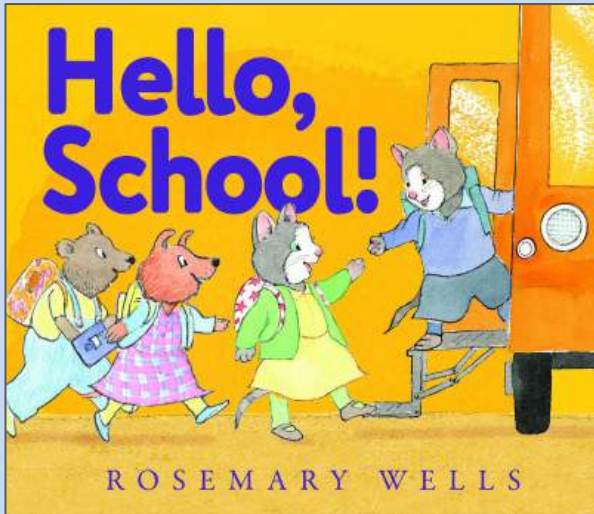
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**Melissa Taylor** is a children's author and educator passionate about inspiring young readers. She is the author of the debut picture book *Tova's Sweet Solution*, published by Red Comet Press, and shares her love of books and literacy with families and teachers nationwide. She is the founder of [imaginationssoup.com](http://imaginationssoup.com)

**Dave McCall** is an illustrator and visual storyteller whose expressive, character-driven artwork brings warmth and humor to picture books. His dynamic style and keen sense of emotion make stories feel lively, relatable, and full of heart. [davemccallart.com](http://davemccallart.com)





**NEW!**

## Hello, School

By ROSEMARY WELLS

Moving to a new house means starting at a brand-new school—and for Eva, that feels both exciting and scary. With the help of her kind neighbor Milo and a welcoming classroom, Eva explores Sunnyside School—from the library and science lab to music, makerspace, and the playground. By the end of the day, what once felt overwhelming becomes full of possibility, as Eva discovers that the very best part of school is finding new friends.

**Themes:** School stories, anxiety, kindness, friendship

Ages 4-8 | Hardcover | 52 pages | 241mm x 229mm landscape

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**ROSEMARY WELLS** is the author and illustrator of more than 120 beloved books for children and the creator of classic characters including Max and Ruby, Yoko, Noisy Nora, and Shy Charles. Her warm, timeless stories have captivated generations of readers. Her most recent picture book, *If You Believe in Me*, published by Red Comet Press, is a tender reflection on love, trust, and growing up. Rosemary Wells lives in Connecticut. [rosemarywells.com](http://rosemarywells.com)



**NEW!**

## The White Raven By KATHRYN OTOSHI

From celebrated author Kathryn Otoshi comes a stunning, emotional and poignant story of self-acceptance, belonging and the courage to rise above rejection to find light, love and home.

**Themes:** Diversity, kindness, acceptance, resilience, self-discovery, emotional intelligence

Ages 4-8 | Hardcover | 40 pages | 241mm x 229mm landscape

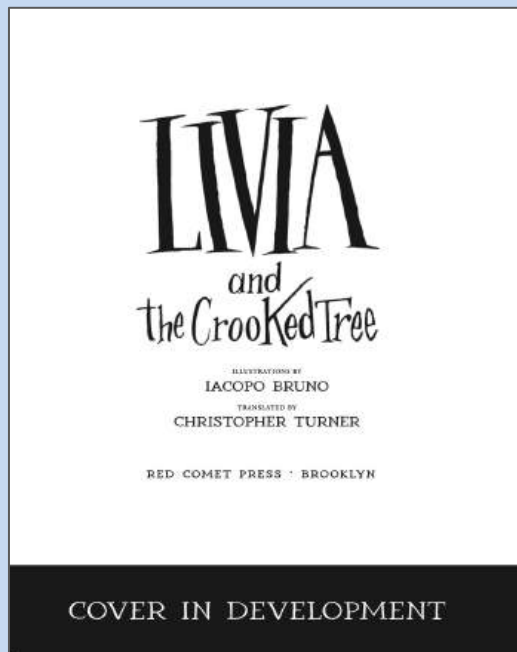
**Rights Sold:** Estonian

★ *“Luminous, uplifting, and thought provoking.”*

—Kirkus Reviews, Starred Review



**KATHRYN OTOSHI** is an award-winning author, illustrator, and speaker best known for her groundbreaking picture books *One*, *Zero*, and *Two*, which have garnered numerous accolades and are widely used in schools and homes to spark conversations about character development, inclusion, and emotional literacy. She is passionate about empowering children to embrace their individuality, stand up for others, and find strength in kindness. Otoshi lives in Southern California.



**NEW!**

## Livia & the Crooked Tree An illustrated novella

By ELISA SABATINELLI

With illustrations by Iacopo Bruno

In a remote Italian village shaped by olive groves and superstition, ten-year-old Daniele's childhood is disrupted by Livia, a brace-wearing outsider living beside a barren, crooked olive tree. As fear spreads and crops fail, Daniele must choose between silence and loyalty. A lyrical novel about otherness, memory, and moral awakening.

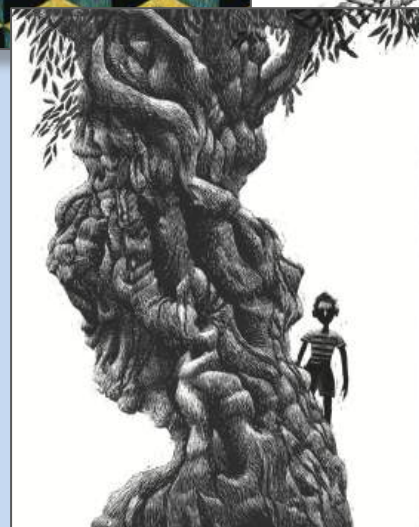
**Themes:** Otherness, moral awakening, memory and loss of innocence  
Ages 8-12 | Hardcover | 188 pages | 165mm x 216mm

**Rights Sold:** Italian (first refusal option)

**Elisa Sabatinelli** is an Italian author and screenwriter whose stories for children and young readers explore imagination, memory, and the emotional landscapes of growing up. She lives and works in Milan.

**Iacopo Bruno** is an award-winning Italian illustrator known for his richly atmospheric artwork in books for children and young adults. His work has been published internationally, and he lives on the coast of Liguria, Italy..

They previously collaborated on the bestselling illustrated novel, *The Secret of the Magic Pearl*, also published by Red Comet Press.



# What Do You Do When Your Dog Grows Old?



A POEM BY JACKIE SHORT  
ILLUSTRATIONS BY LUCY PICKETT

## NEW!

## What Do You Do When Your Dog Grows Old?

A Poem

By JACKIE SHORT

Illustrated by Lucy Pickett

**Themes:** Dogs, pet ownership, unconditional love, compassion, grief.

All Ages | POB | 32 pages | 170mm x 210mm

**Rights Sold:** Italian

*A tender, poetic tribute to the dogs who've walked beside us through the seasons of life. With soft, heartfelt verse and emotional depth, Jackie Short gently guides readers through the bittersweet journey of loving—and eventually letting go of—an aging dog.*

**JACKIE SHORT** resides in Pennsylvania with her award-winning German Shepherd dogs and two beloved cats. Her free time is spent training dogs and writing music, poetry, and short stories. *When Your Dog Gets Old* is her debut book.

**LUCY PICKETT** is originally from the Southwest of England but now lives in London.

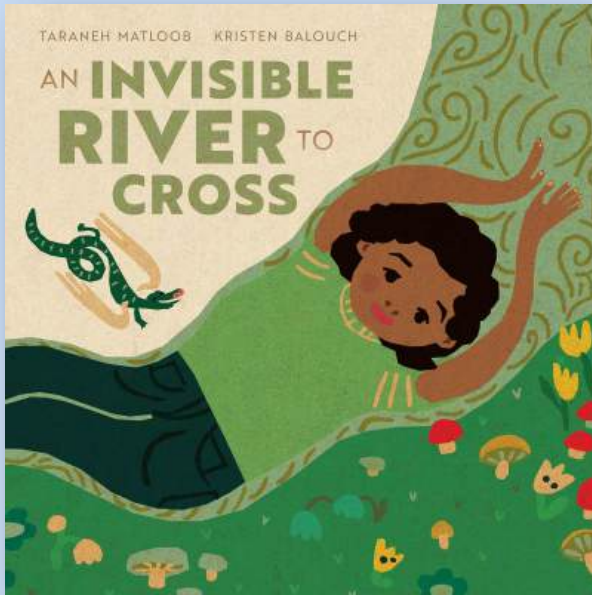


What do you  
do when your dog  
grows old?

When their feet  
are tired and their  
pads are worn,



You praise them  
louder and harder;  
you show them  
your pride.



**NEW!**

## An Invisible River to Cross

By TARANEH MATLOOB

Illustrated by KRISTEN BALOUCH

In a world of unfamiliar words and new beginnings, Afsi discovers that imagination, kindness, and art can help her cross the invisible river of language and find her voice.

**Themes:** Immigrations | language barriers | cultural adjustment

Ages 6-10 | Jacketed Hardcover | 40 pages | 230mm x 230 mm

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*English surrounds Afsi like an invisible river, swift and wide, that she must somehow find a way to cross. Through art, she discovers a powerful way to express her emotions and connect with others.*

**TARANEH MATLOOB** is an associate professor of children's literature at the University of Northern Iowa. Matloob has published several picture books in Persian, and her first book in English, *Dear New Friend*, was also published by Red Comet Press. Matloob was born in Tehran, Iran, and now makes her home in Cedar Falls, Iowa.

**KRISTEN BALOUCH** is a designer, author, and illustrator of more than a dozen award-winning books for children. Balouch lives and works in Upstate New York.





**NEW!**

## Barbed Wire Between Us

By MIA WENJEN

Illustrated by VIOLETA ENCARNACIÓN

A powerful reverso poem that tells two deeply resonant stories across time. With haunting symmetry and striking parallels, *Barbed Wire Between Us* is a moving meditation on justice, memory, and the echoes of history that still shape our present.

**Themes:** Social Justice, Immigration, Civil Liberties

Ages 7-11 | Jacketed Hardcover | 48 pages | 279mm x 228mm

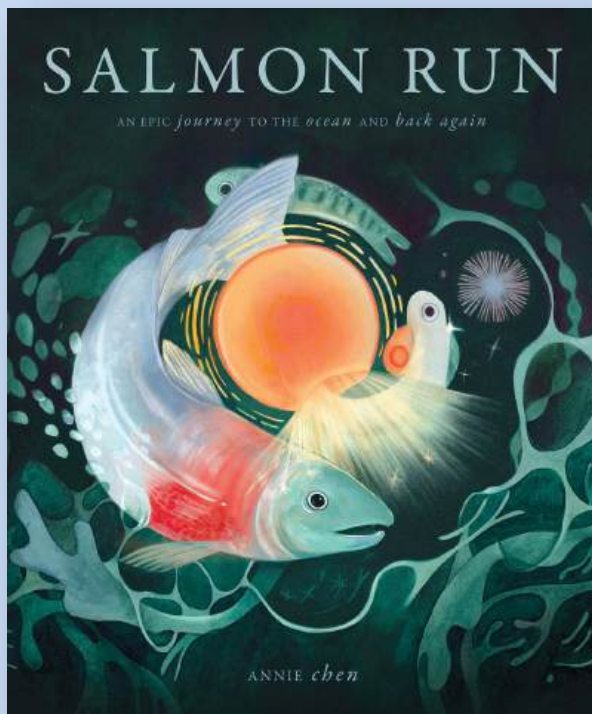
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**MIA WENJEN** blogs about parenting, children's books, and education at [pragmaticmom.com](http://pragmaticmom.com). She is the co-creator of Multicultural Children's Book Day/Read Your World. She is the author of several illustrated children's books, including *We Sing from the Heart*, *The Traveling Taco*, and *Fortune Cookies for Everyone*. Mia Wenjen lives in Boston.

**VIOLETA ENCARNACIÓN** is an award-winning Cuban illustrator based in Brooklyn.





**NEW!**

**Salmon Run:**  
An epic journey to the  
ocean and back  
By ANNIE CHEN

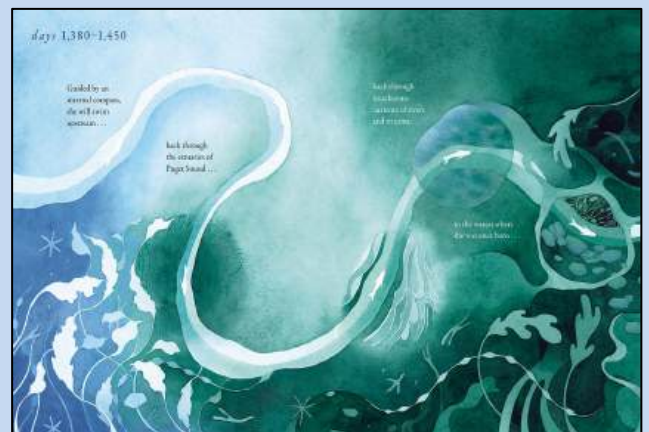
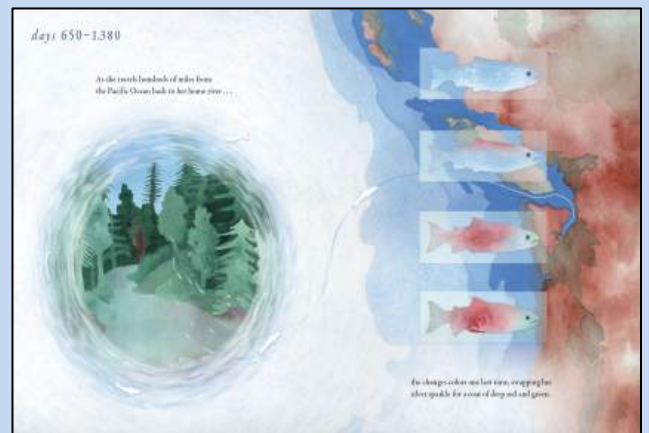
**Themes:** STEM, Science & Nature, Life Cycles,  
Sea life

Ages 4-8 | Hardcover | 36 pages | 220mm x  
275mm

**All Rights Available**

*A beautifully illustrated  
book tracing the epic  
journey of one of nature’s  
most fascinating animals.*

**ANNIE CHEN** is a designer, illustrator, and scientist who recently graduated with a dual degree in biology from Brown University and industrial design from the Rhode Island School of Design. She grew up among the magical mountains, forests, and streams of northern Georgia and currently resides in Providence, Rhode Island. *Salmon Run* is her debut children’s book. She loves salmon and hopes you will too after reading this book! You can find more about her at [anniechen.earth..](http://anniechen.earth..)





**NEW!**

## Tova's Sweet Solution

By MELISSA TAYLOR

Illustrated by AURELIE LISE-ANNE

**Themes:** Food allergies, problem solving, healthy eating, positive outcomes

Ages 4-8 | Hardcover | 36 pages | 280mm x 216mm

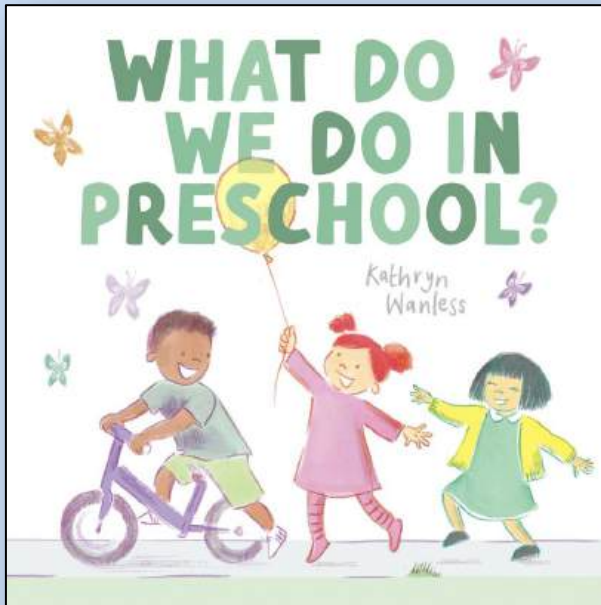
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A 'sweet' relatable tale of food allergies resolved through trial and error to great satisfaction. Melissa Taylor has tackled a common topic for children rarely depicted in picture books.



**MELISSA TAYLOR, MA**, is an allergy mom, writer, award-winning teacher, children's book reviewer, parent, and dog mom from Denver, Colorado. *Tova's Sweet Solution* is Melissa Taylor's debut children's book. Connect with Melissa on social media @imaginationssoup and her websites [imaginationssoup.net](http://imaginationssoup.net) and [melissataylor.net](http://melissataylor.net).

**AURÉLIE LISE-ANNE** is a Belgian artist working in children's book illustration and animation. You can find her on instagram @aurelieliseanne or at her website aurelieliseanne.com.



**NEW!**

## What Do We Do in Preschool?

By KATHRYN WANLESS

A reassuring introduction for those precious first days of school by a teacher who yearned for a book like this to share with her students.

**Themes:** First day of school, anxiety, making friends, routines

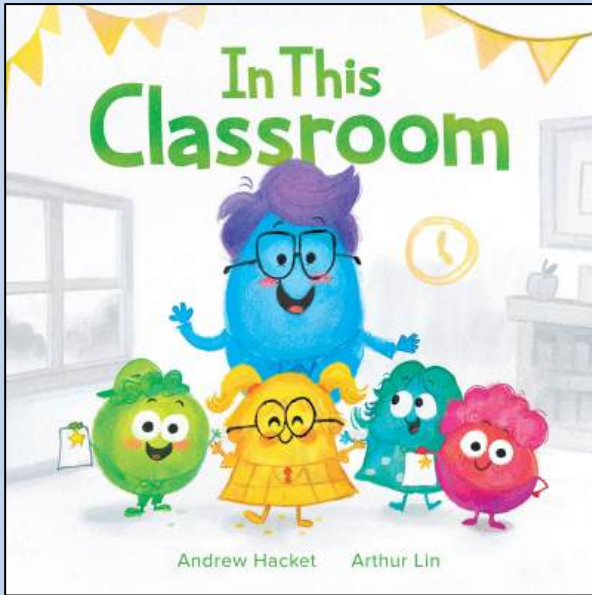
Ages 4-8 | POB | 36 pages | 228mm x 228mm

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**KATHRYN WANLESS** has a bachelor's degree in Linguistics from University College London and a Master's in Children's Book Illustration from Cambridge School of Art. She lives near Stamford, Lincolnshire, UK where she teaches Art. This is her debut picture book. Visit her at [kathrynwanless.com](http://kathrynwanless.com).





**NEW!**

## In This Classroom

By ANDREW HACKETT

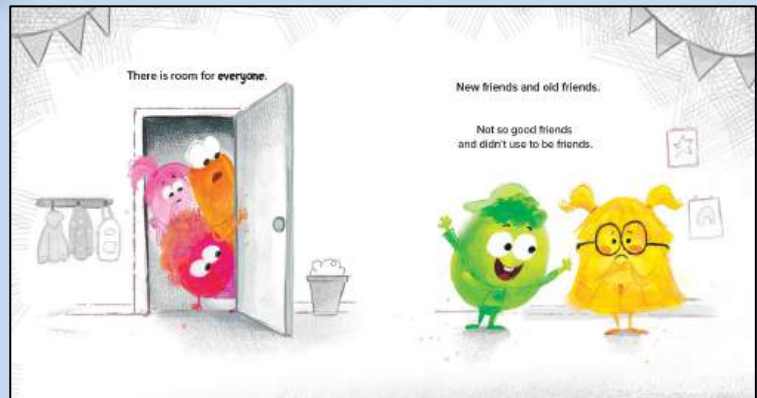
Illustrated by ARTHUR LIN

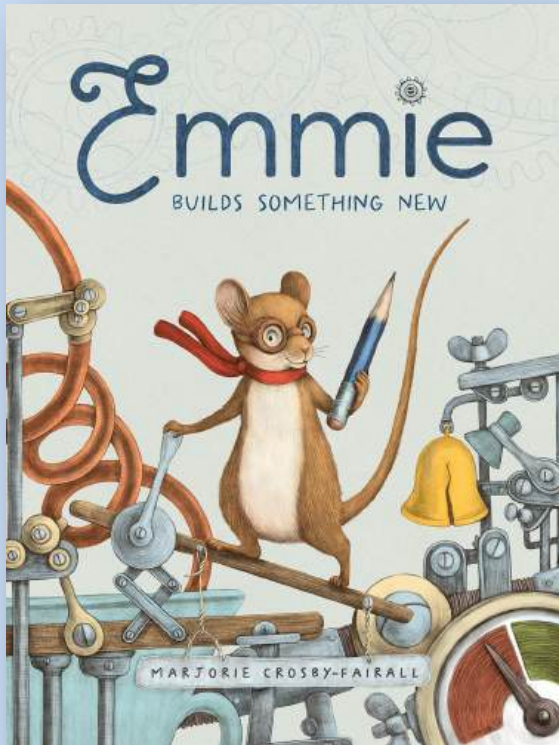
**Themes:** First Day of School, inclusivity, setting expectations, making friends  
Ages 4-7 | POB | 36 pages | 228mm x 228mm  
**Rights Sold:** Estonian

*What better way to start the year than to prepare them to be ready to learn?*

**ANDREW HACKETT** is a writer, second-grade teacher, and father of three. He has had three previously published picture books. Andrew and his family live in near Worcester in Massachusetts. In *This Classroom* is the book Andrew has always wished existed and now he gets to use it with his students at the beginning of every school year. Visit Andrew at [andrewhackett.com](http://andrewhackett.com).

**ARTHUR LIN** is a San Francisco based illustrator. A graduate of the Academy of Art University, Arthur's work has been published by a variety of children's media companies. He currently resides in San Francisco with his growing family. Visit him at [arthurdrawing.com](http://arthurdrawing.com)





## Emmie Builds Something New

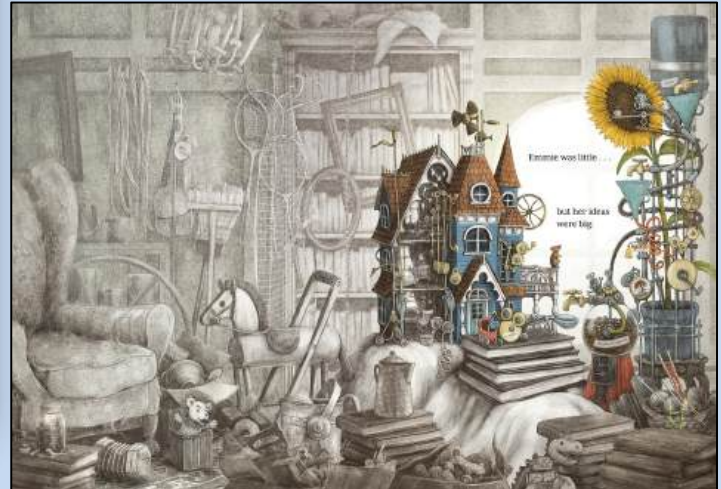
By MARJORIE CROSBY-FAIRALL

An entertaining cat and mouse caper with a surprise twist at the end

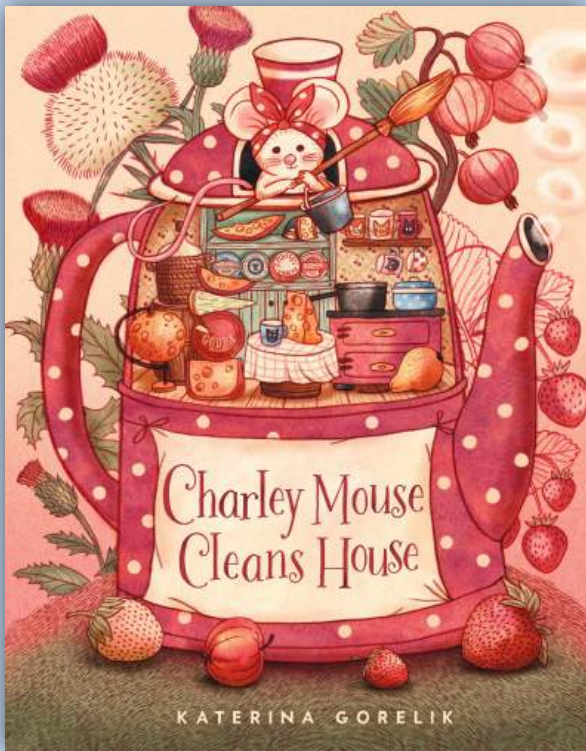
**Themes:** STEM, imagination, critical thinking, creative play, friendship, empathy

Ages 5-8 | Hardcover | 32 pages | 228mm x 305mm

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**MARJORIE CROSBY-FAIRALL** has illustrated over twenty children's books and won several awards. *Emmie Builds Something New* is the first book she has both written and illustrated. Born in the United States, Marjorie now lives in Sydney, Australia. Visit her at [www.crosby-fairall.com](http://www.crosby-fairall.com)



# Charley Mouse Cleans House

By KATERINA GORELIK

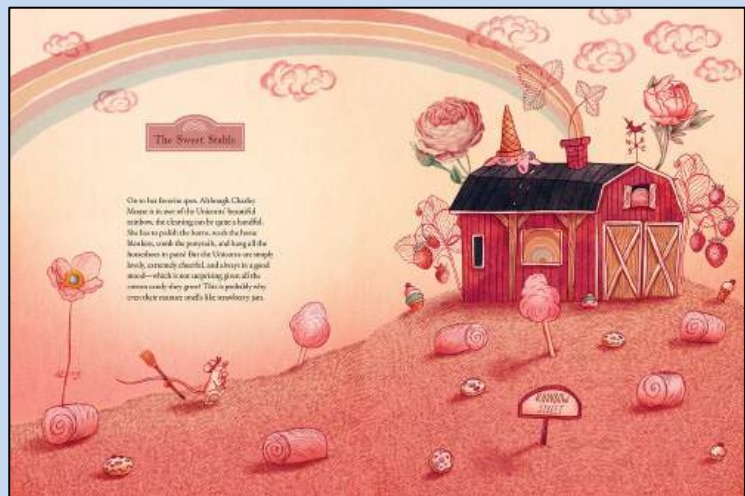
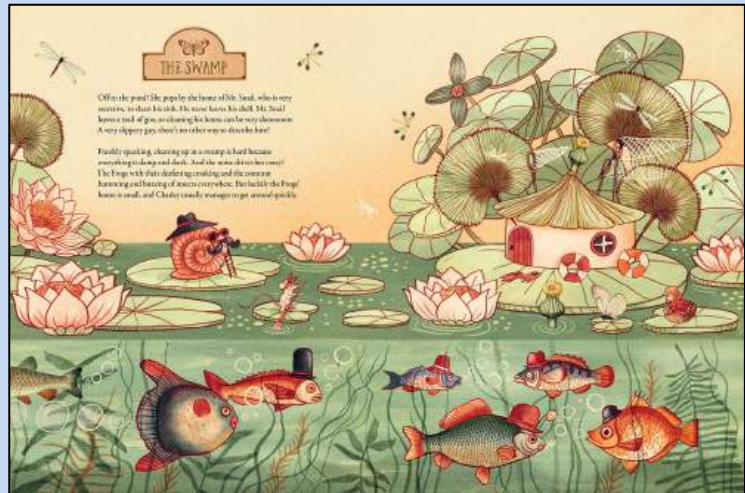
**Themes:** Fairy tales, seek & find, humor

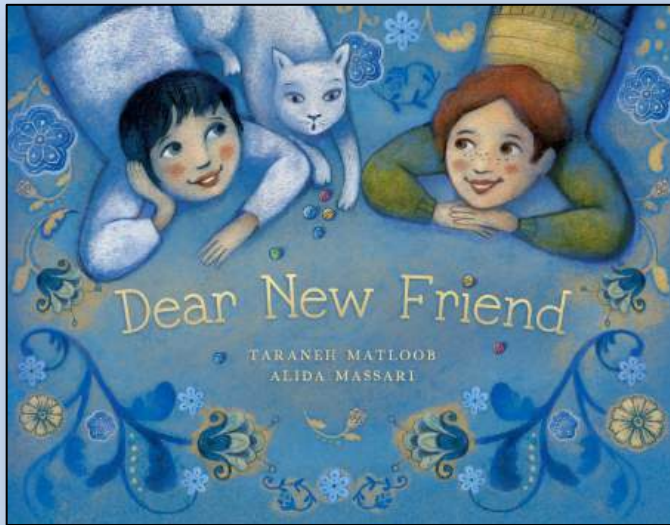
Ages 4-8 | Hardcover | 32 pages | 228mm x 305mm

**Rights Sold:** French, Korean, Russian, Italian, Thai, Complex Chinese/Taiwan, Portuguese (Brazil-pending), German, Georgian.

Beautiful intricate illustrations burst with details and humor which fill the pages of this entertaining book. Each house has its own personality perfectly suited to its owner and readers will spend hours seeking out all the little secrets hidden in the artwork.

**KATERINA GORELIK** studied to be lawyer and worked in the profession until 2011 when she graduated in Art and Design. Since then, she has been working as an illustrator. In 2015 she started creating children's picture books. Her books have won numerous awards including a White Ravens selection, World illustration Awards and featured in the Bologna Illustrators Exhibition. Her books have been translated into more than 18 languages. She lives and works in London, England.





## Dear New Friend

By TARANEH MATLOOB

Illustrated by ALIDA MASSARI

A young Persian boy extends a welcoming invitation to a friend to visit his home in the hopes of finding friendship and acceptance

**TARANEH MATLOOB** is an associate professor of children's literature specializing in creative writing and multicultural children's literature, at the University of Northern Iowa.

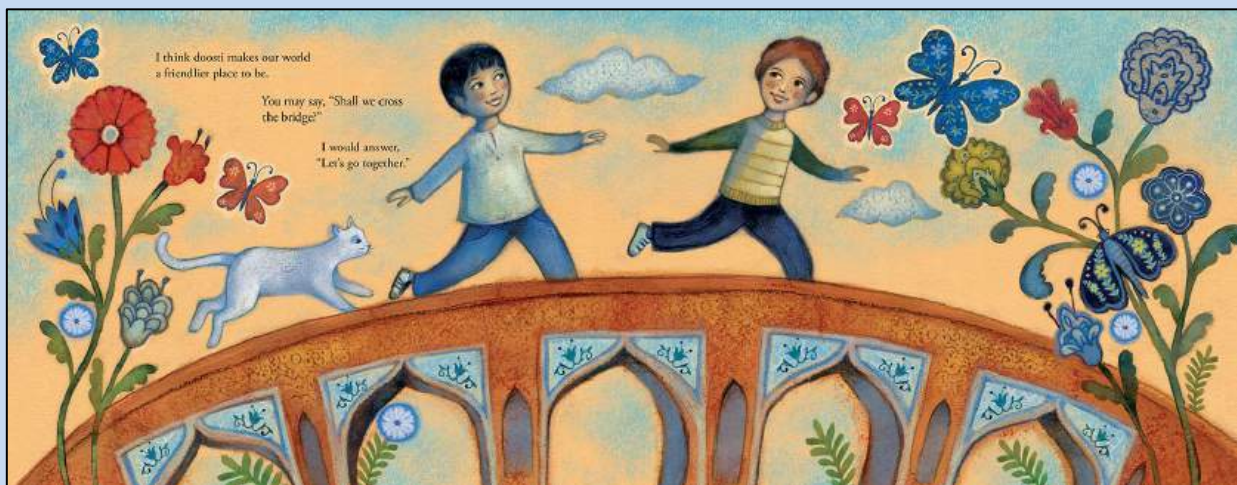
**ALIDA MASSARI** is an Italian artist specializing in illustration for children including picture books and other children's publishing. She lives and works in Rome, Italy. Follow her on Instagram @alidamassari.

**Themes:** Cultures and customs, friendship, home  
 Ages 4-8 | Hardcover | 36 pages | 220mm x 275mm  
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When you come over, you will meet my grandma. She does not know English, but she'll love to meet you.

My grandma likes to burn old Persian songs. She burns when she cooks. Her best dish is roasted chicken with dried cherry and saffron rice.



I think doosi makes our world a friendlier place to be.

You may say, "Shall we cross the bridge?"

I would answer, "Let's go together."



**NEW!**

## Fortune Cookies for Everyone!

### The Surprising Story of the Tasty Treat We Love to Eat

By MIA WENJEN

illustrated by COLLEEN KONG-SAVAGE

An investigative picture book that cracks open the surprising mystery of the fortune cookie. As Grandma Miyako shares its story, readers explore the debate over who really invented this iconic treat and where it began in California. Blending food history, immigration, and a touch of rivalry, this engaging nonfiction tale celebrates cultural roots and the American dream—one crunchy bite at a time.

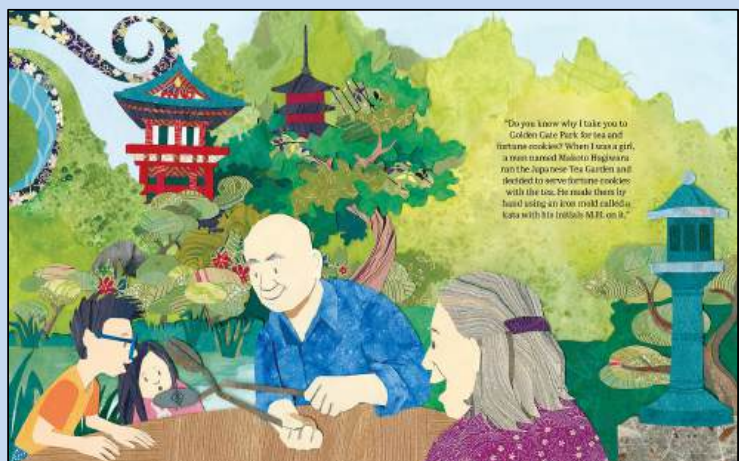
**Themes:** Nonfiction, Food, history, Asian American, immigration

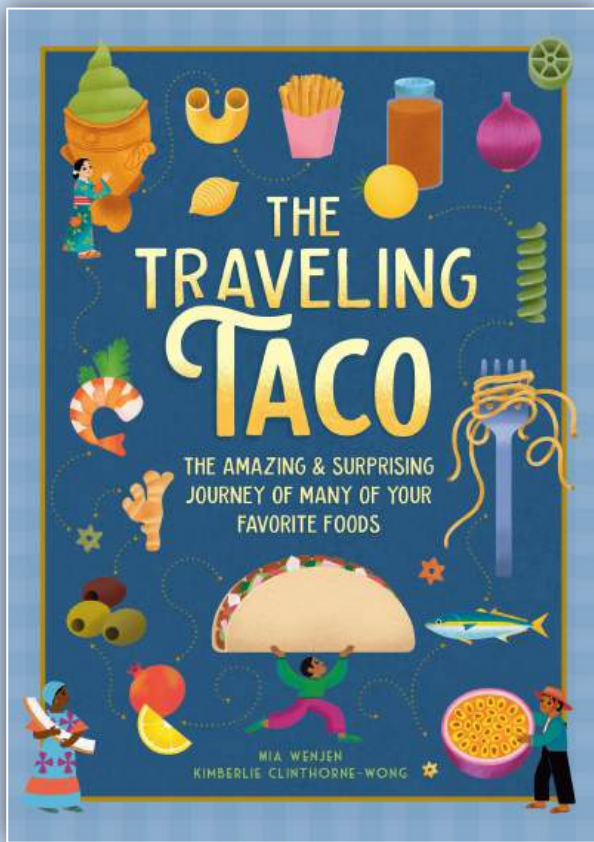
Ages 4-7 | Hardcover | 32 pages | 228mm x 305mm

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**MIA WENJEN** blogs about parenting, children’s books, and education at PragmaticMom.com and is the co-creator of Read Your World celebrating Multicultural Children’s Book Day. She is the author of several illustrated non-fiction children’s books. Mia Wenjen lives in Boston, Massachusetts. Follow her at #PragmaticMom on Twitter, Instagram, & Pinterest

**COLLEEN KONG-SAVAGE** is a graphic artist and illustrator who also creates murals. She has illustrated two picture books, including *Piano Wants to Play*, for which she was also the author. Having lived in places across the globe such as Japan, Malaysia, Taiwan, Philippines, and Zambia, Kong-Savage now makes her home in Queens, New York.





## The Traveling Taco

### The Amazing & Surprising Journey of Your Favorite Foods

By MIA WENJEN

Illustrated by KIMBERLIE CLINTHORNE-WONG

A mouthwatering exploration of the surprising history behind kids' favorite foods from around the world.

From pizza and pasta to ice cream and French fries, many beloved dishes have traveled far from where they began. Did you know al pastor tacos trace back to Lebanon, French fries originated in Belgium, and pasta reached Italy long before Marco Polo?

With lively rhyming text and fascinating facts, this nonfiction adventure celebrates food, migration, and the global journeys behind every bite.

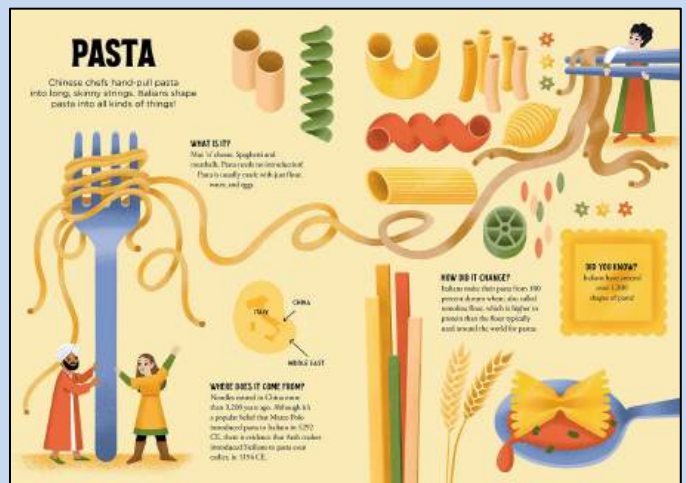
**Themes:** Food, geography, history

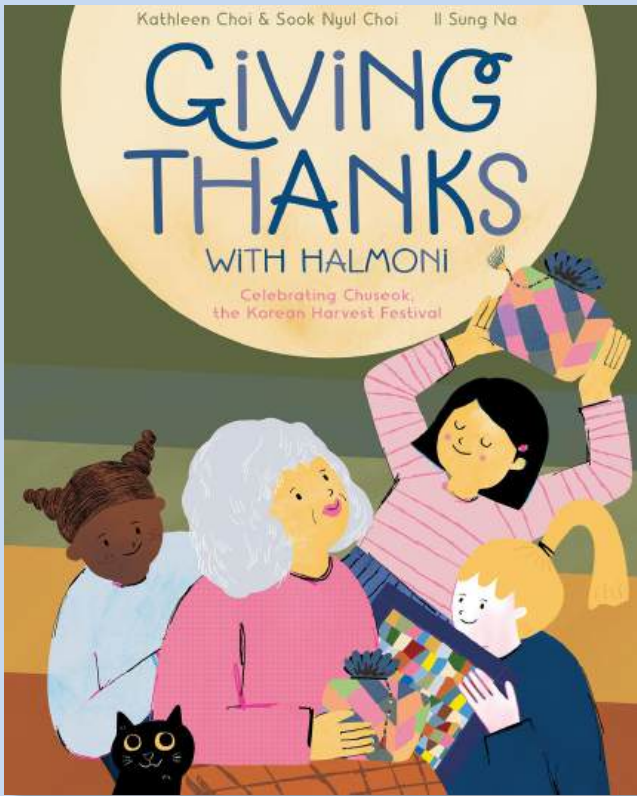
Ages 6-10 | Hardcover | 32 pages | 228mm x 305mm

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**KIMBERLIE CLINTHORNE-WONG** is an Asian American illustrator, designer, and ceramicist from Hawaii who now resides in Michigan. Clinthorne-Wong's diverse range of work includes everything from conceptual editorials to whimsically surreal and playfully imagined worlds for children's illustrations. Visit her at Kimberliewong.com





**Themes:** Food, history, Asian American  
**Ages** 4-7 | **Hardcover** | 32 pages | 228mm x 305mm  
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## Giving Thanks with Halmoni Celebrating Chuseok, the Korean Harvest Festival

By KATHLEEN CHOI & SOOK NYUL CHOI  
 illustrated by IL SUNG NA

A warm and inviting picture book celebrating Chuseok, Korea's harvest moon festival. As Su-Jin helps her halmoni prepare for this special day, she shares the traditions—food, games, and honoring ancestors—with her friends. This joyful story highlights family, gratitude, and the beauty of cultural exchange.

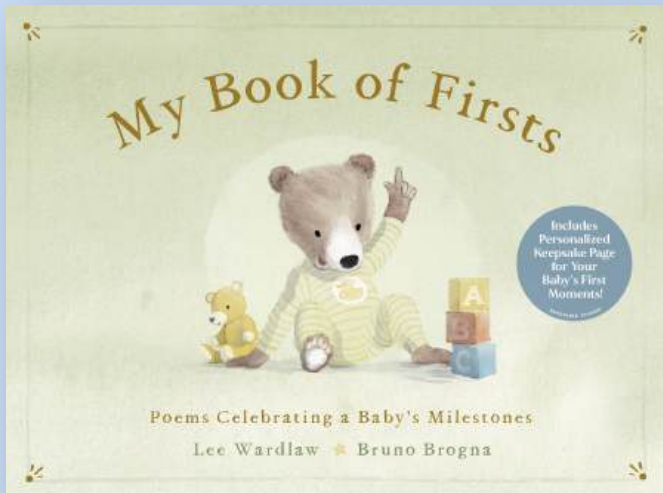


**KATHLEEN CHOI** has collaborated with her mother, Sook Nyul Choi, on her many books for children and young adults.

**SOOK NYUL CHOI** is the author of the award-winning *Year of Impossible Goodbyes*, an autobiographically based novel telling her dramatic escape from North Korea to South Korea.

**IL SUNG NA** is the author-illustrator of many books for children. He recently illustrated *Beautiful Noise*, *The Music of John Cage* written by Lisa Rogers. *The New York Times* noted that Na "brings fresh energy to the familiar."





## My Book of Firsts Poems Celebrating a Baby's Milestones

By LEE WARDLAW

Illustrations by BRUNO BROGNA

**A perfect keepsake book of poems to mark milestones in a baby's first year**

**LEE WARDLAW** is the author of 30 books for young readers, including the multi award-winning poetry titles *Won Ton - A Cat Tale Told in Haiku* and *Won Ton and Chopstick*, both illustrated by Eugene Yelchin.

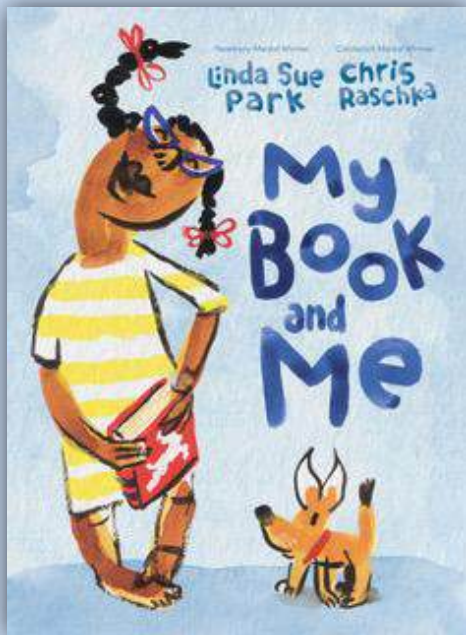
**BRUNO BROGNA** had a long and distinguished career working on award-winning Hallmark Cards. *My Book of Firsts* is a first for Bruno – his debut as a picture book artist.

**Themes:** Poetry, first experiences, newborns, keepsake

Ages 0-3 | Padded POB | 28 pages | 292mm x 216mm

**Rights Sold:** Italian





## My Book and Me

By LINDA SUE PARK

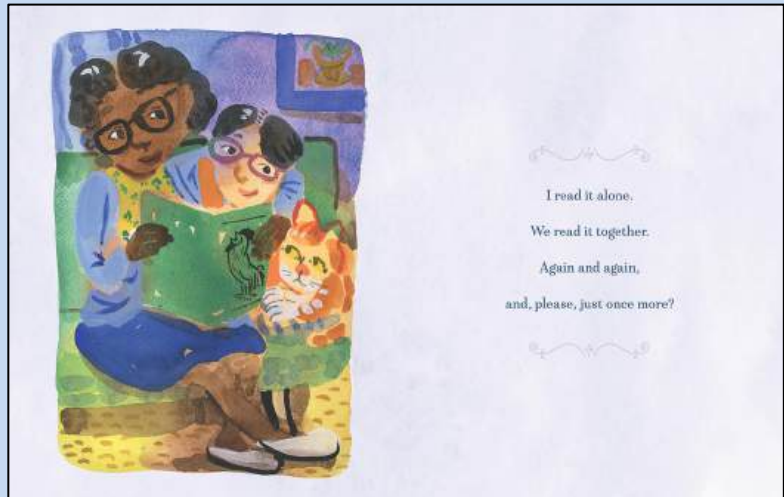
Illustrated by CHRIS RASCHKA

celebration of books and reading from Newbery medal winner Linda Sue Park and illustrated by two-time Caldecott medal winner, Chris Raschka.

**Themes:** Books and reading, diversity, poetry, imagination & play

Ages 4-8 | Hardcover | 36 pages | 220mm x 275mm

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## Eighteen Flowers for Grandma

A Gift of Chai

By ALISON GOLDBERG

Illustrated by JESSE WHITE

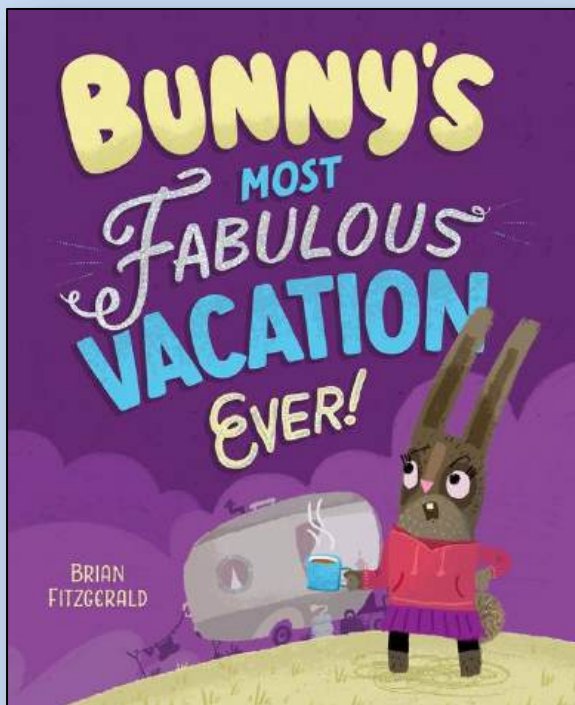
A trans-generational picture book about sharing a love of art and Jewish traditions.

**Themes:** Art, Jewish traditions, intergenerational relationships, graduation

Ages 4-7 | Hardcover | 52 pages | 260mm x 260mm

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## Bunny's Most Fabulous Vacation Ever!

By BRIAN FITZGERALD

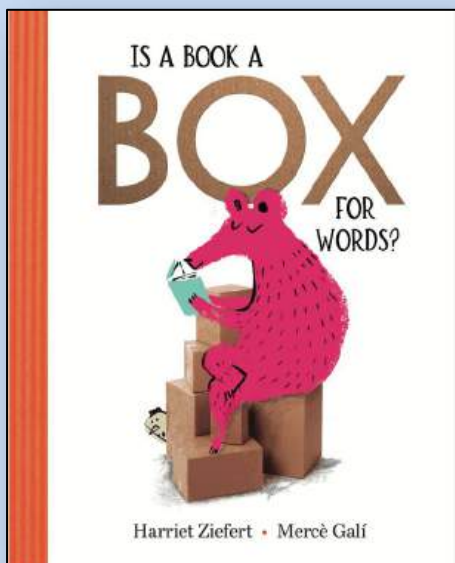
Bunny's plans for a perfect vacation are wrecked by an unwelcome holidaymaker who changes her life in a most surprising way.



**Themes:** Summer holidays, tolerance, friendship, LGBTQ, empathy

Ages 4-8 | Hardcover | 36 pages | 285mm x 235mm

**Rights Sold:** English, UK



## Is a Book a Box for words?

By HARRIET ZIEFERT

Illustrated by MERCÈ GALÍ

An imaginative look at boxes and what they are for that will inspire young learners to explore the world around them.

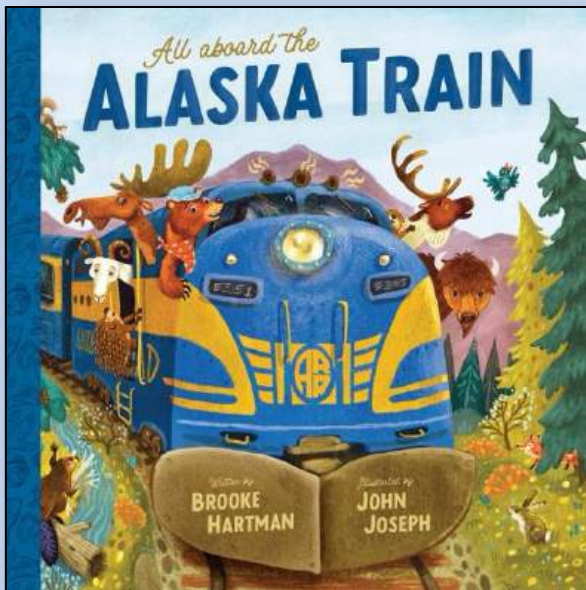


**Themes:** Scientific inquiry, imagination, critical thinking, creative play

Ages 5-8 | Hardcover | 34 pages | 235mm x 235mm

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## All Aboard the Alaska Train

By BROOKE HARTMAN

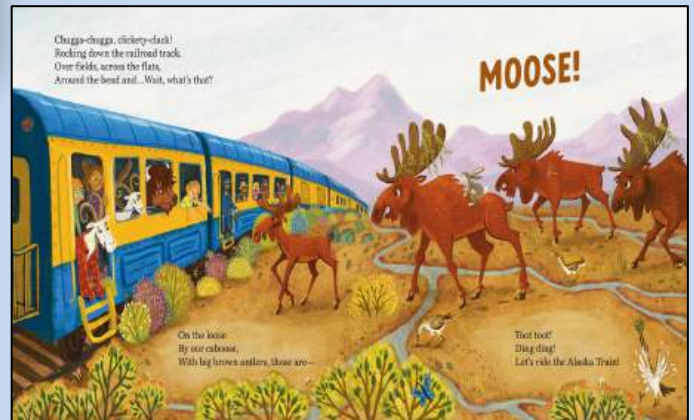
Illustrated by JOHN JOSEPH

★ “It's hard to imagine a more appealing picture book for introducing young children to the varied landscapes and wild animals of Alaska.”– *Booklist*

**Themes:** Alaska, wild animals, trains, geography, maps, animal sounds

Ages 4-7 | Hardcover | 36 pages | 260mm x 260mm

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## Aloha Everything

By KAYLIN MELIA GEORGE

Illustrated by MAE WAITE

*Aloha Everything*, is a magical story that will take you on a thrilling journey through the breathtaking islands of Hawai'i!

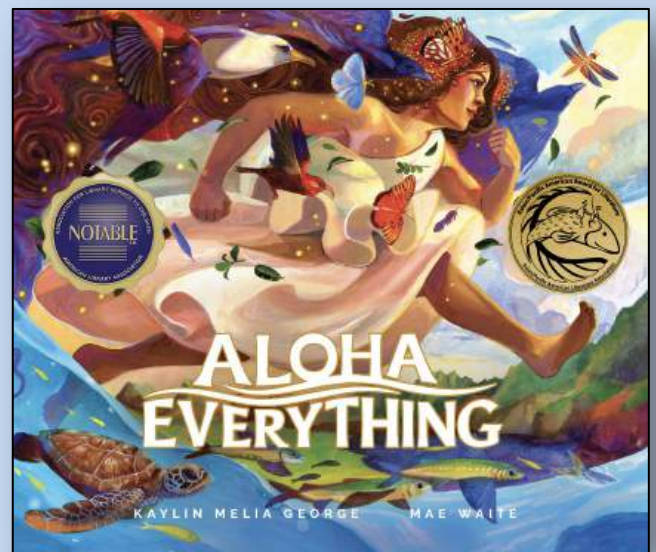
★ “A stunning tribute to Hawaiian culture and identity.” – *Kirkus Reviews*

2025 APALA Award Winner and an ALSC Notable Children's Book

**Themes:** Hawaii, natural history, folklore, poetry, landscapes, Hawaiian language

Ages 4-8 | Hardcover | 40 pages | 250mm x 285mm

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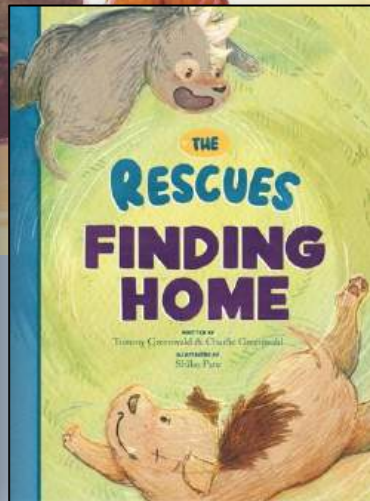


## The Rescues Series

By TOMMY & CHARLIE GREENWALD

Illustrated by SHIHO PATE

Two shelter dogs and a cat are adopted into a forever family in this early reader series about friendship, family, and home.



**NEW!**

**Themes:** Adoption, friendship, family, humor

Ages 5-7 | Hardcover | 48 pages | 170mm x 235mm

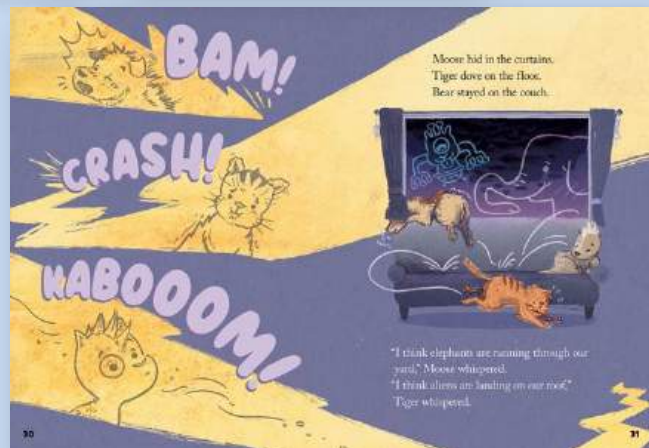
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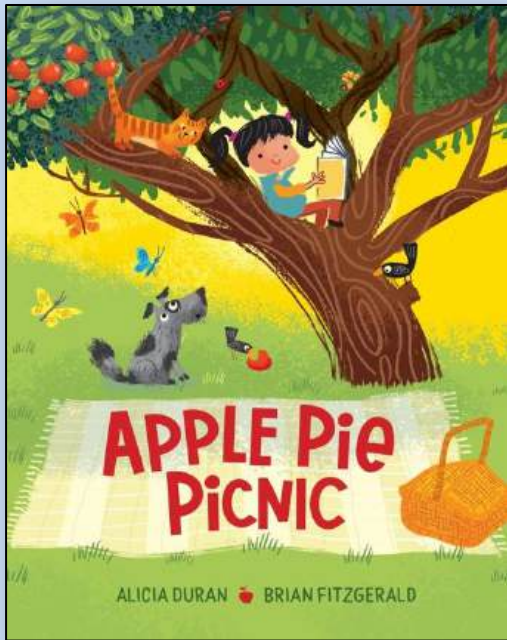
A total of four titles are planned.

**TOMMY GREENWALD** is the author of many popular books for children, including picture books, novels for middle grade readers and The Rescues, his first series for emerging readers.

**CHARLIE GREENWALD** is a copywriter by profession and a co-author with his dad on this children's book series. The Greenwald family has had four rescue dogs—Moose, Coco, Abby, and Momo—who inspired this series.

**SHIHO PATE** is a California-based illustrator with experience in the gaming field. She is passionate about children's book illustration and has published several books including *Ramen for Everyone* and the Chi-Chi and Pey-Pey series.





# Apple Pie Picnic

By ALICIA DURAN

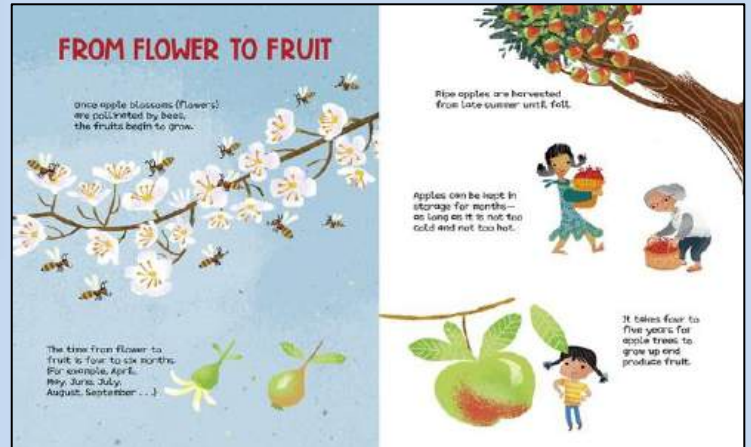
Illustrated by BRIAN FITZGERALD

Meet Rosa and her family in this celebration of her favorite tree

"This is the apple tree, *el manzano*, that grows near the house where Rosa lives."

**Themes:** Apples, STEM, plant life, pollination, harvest, Spanish vocabulary  
 Ages 4-8 | Hardcover | 32 pages | 210mm x 285mm

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# Is This the Bus for Us?

By HARRIET ZIEFERT

Illustrated by RICHARD BROWN

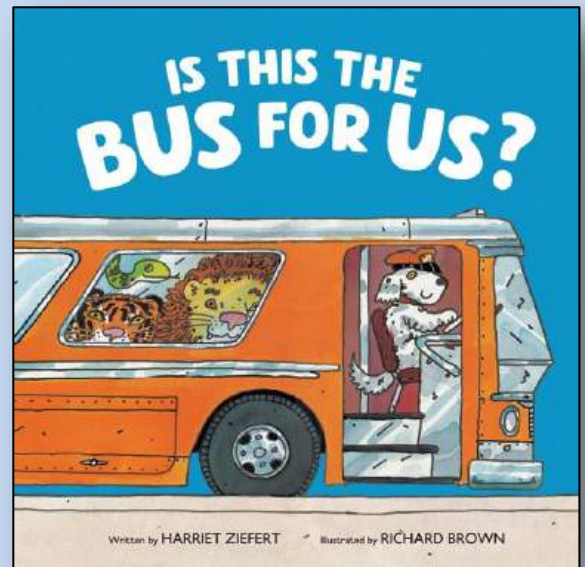
Patience pays off for Leo and his sisters as they wait for the bus to the park.

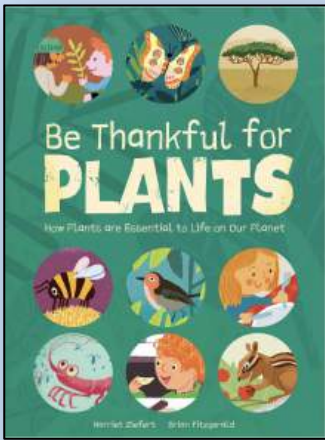
**Themes:** Patience, colors, identifying groups, buses, animals  
 Ages 3-6 | Hardcover | 28 pages | 235mm x 235mm

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**HARRIET ZIEFERT** has written over 200 books for children, including the Really Bird Stories, and *Be Thankful for Trees* and *Is a Book a Box for Words?* for Red Comet Press.

**RICHARD BROWN** is a children's book illustrator from Pennsylvania.





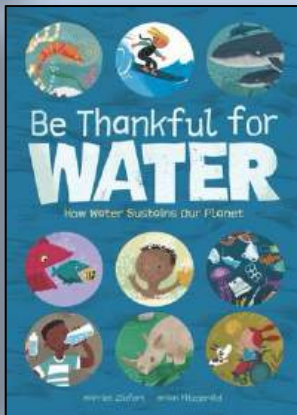
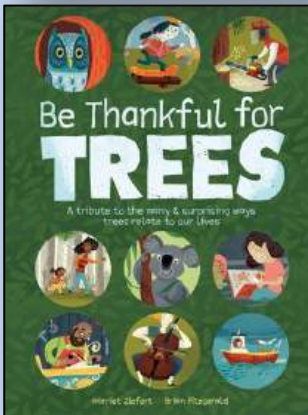
**NEW!**

## Be Thankful for... Series

By HARRIET ZIEFERT

Illustrated by BRIAN FITZGERALD

A series of books to inspire young naturalists to learn and care for our precious natural resources.



**Themes:** STEM, nature, science, inquiry, ecology  
**Ages** 4-8 | **Hardcover** | 80 pages | 190mm x 254mm  
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**Plants:** All Rights Available



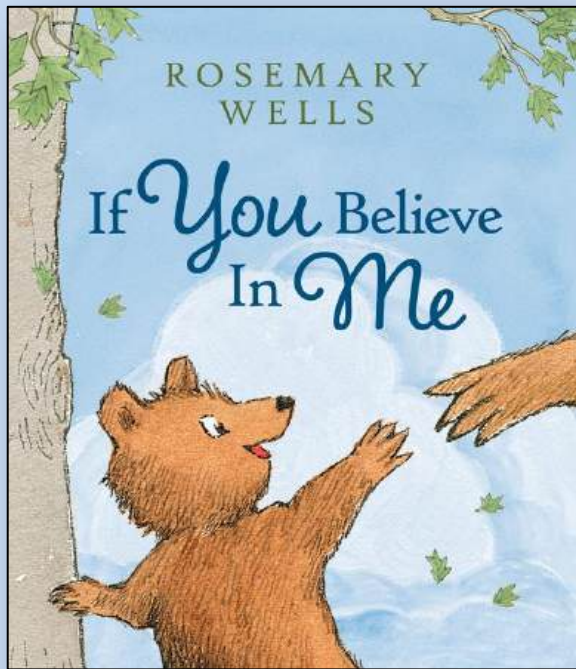
“Manages to pack a lot of thought-provoking concepts into a short format in a cohesive, engaging way.”

– *Kirkus Reviews* (about *Trees*)

**HARRIET ZIEFERT** has written over 200 books for children, including the *Really Bird Stories*, *Is This the Bus for Us?*, and *Is a Box a Book for Words?*, all for Red Comet Press.

**BRIAN FITZGERALD** is an internationally recognized, award-winning illustrator from Ireland who has illustrated several books for Red Comet Press, including his own *Bunny's Most Fabulous Vacation Ever!*





## If You Believe in Me

By ROSEMARY WELLS

A poetic celebration of the quiet love that gives each one of us the strength to succeed.

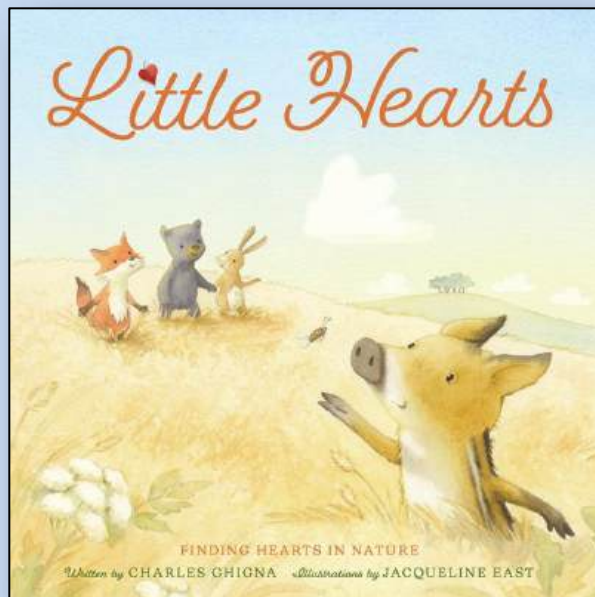
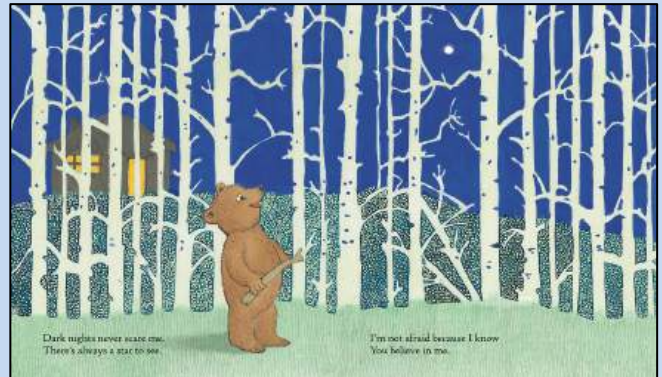
**“A welcome gift for new parents.”**

—Kirkus Reviews

**Themes:** Self-esteem, parenting, confidence, family

Ages 3-6 | Hardcover | 28pages | 210mm x 240mm

**Rights Sold:** Korean, Italian



## Little Hearts

By CHARLES GHIGNA

Illustrated by JACQUELINE EAST

Four forest friends take a nature walk to explore the natural world around them

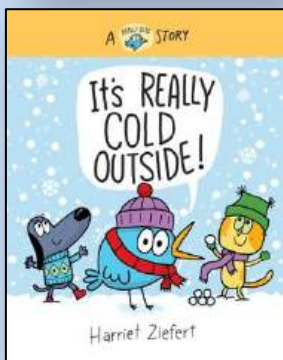
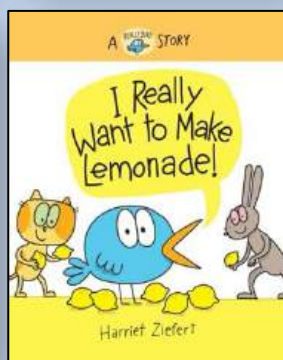
**“A perfect fit for the sensitive exploration of nature . . . a pleasing melody and fun read-aloud.”** —Kirkus Reviews

**Themes:** Scientific exploration, natural history, nature walks, seek-and-find

Ages 3-6 | Hardcover | 36pages | 235mm x 235mm

**Rights Sold:** French





**NEW!**

## The Really Bird Stories By HARRIET ZIEFERT

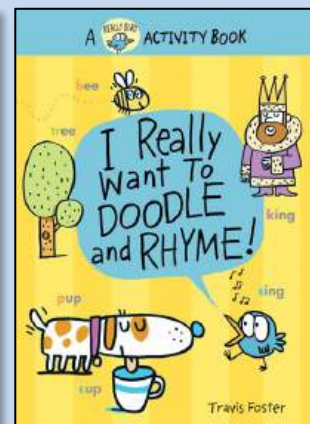
Meet Really Bird, a small bird who lives in a large city park with his friends. In each story, Really Bird finds himself really wanting something—to be bigger, to have his fair share, or to be a leader—to be really silly, funny, strong, cool, happy or brave. And when he feels something, he really feels it.

**HARRIET ZIEFERT** has written over 200 books for children, including *Be Thankful for Trees* and *Is a Box a Book for Words?* for Red Comet Press. She lives and works in the Berkshires, MA.

Themes: Humor, Social Emotional Learning, Friendship  
Ages 5-7 | Hardcover | 48-56 pages | 178mm x 223mm

**Rights Sold:** China (Simplified Chinese & English)

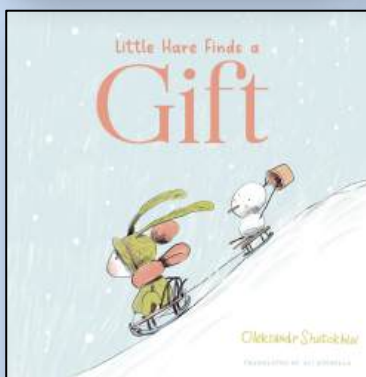
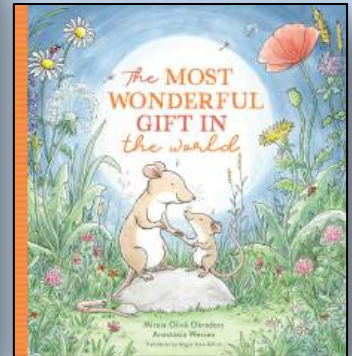
Also Available: two 48-page activity books:



*“Emotionally operatic cartooning tempers with just the right amount of goofiness.”*

**– Publishers Weekly**

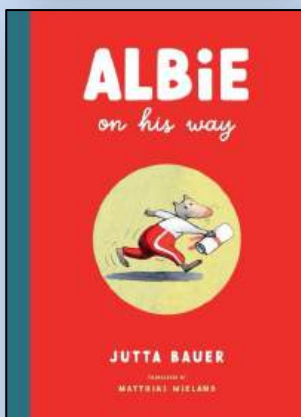
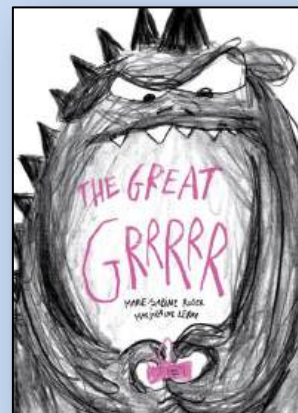
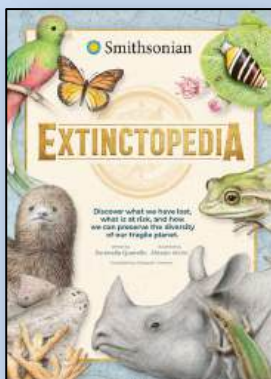
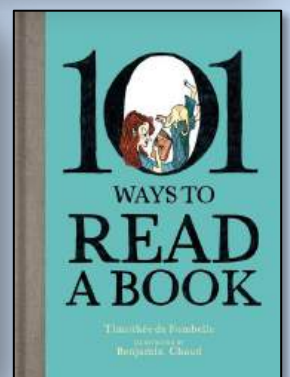
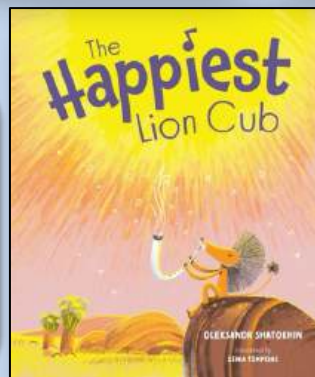
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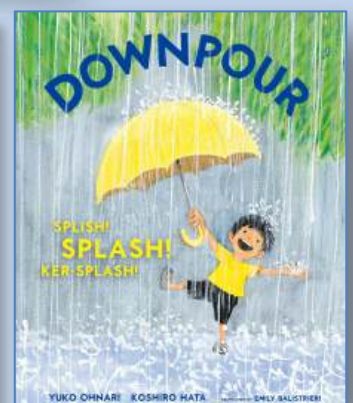
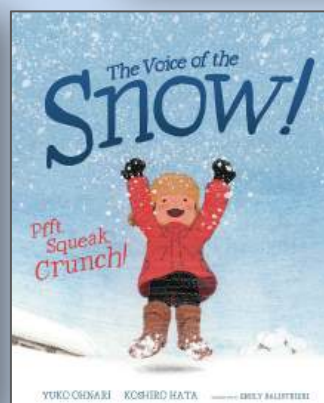
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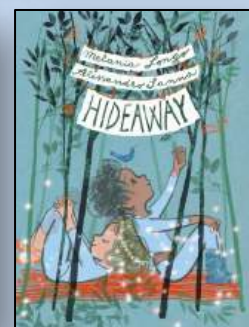
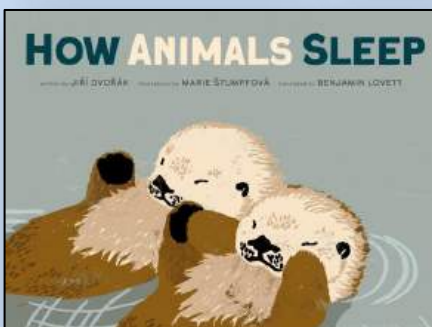
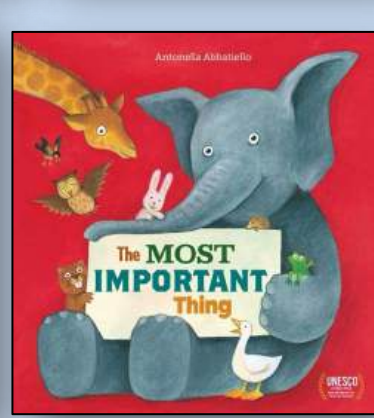
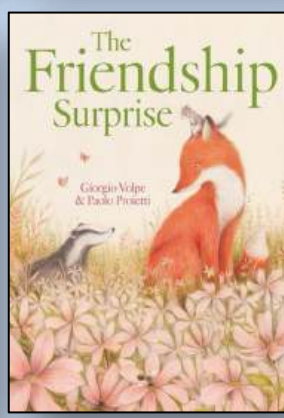
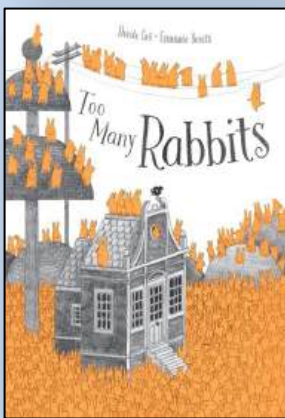
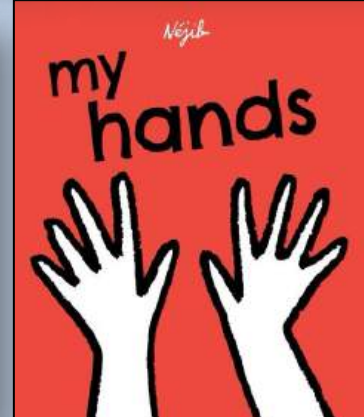
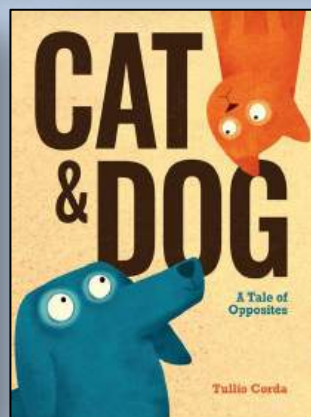
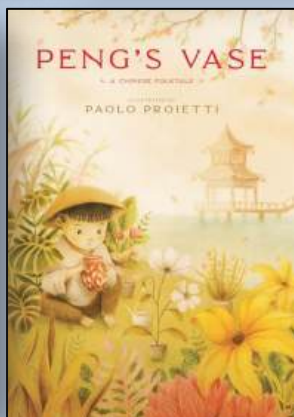
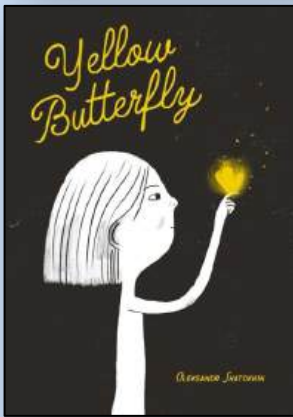
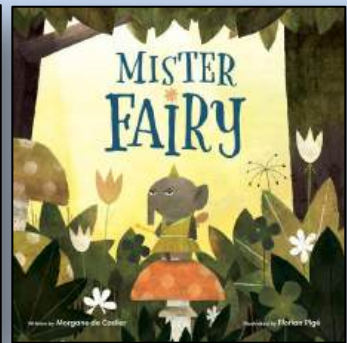
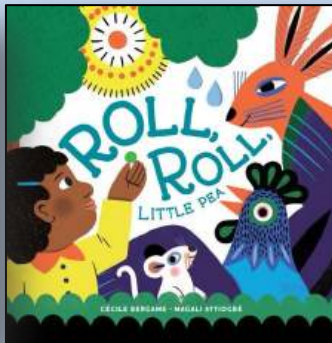
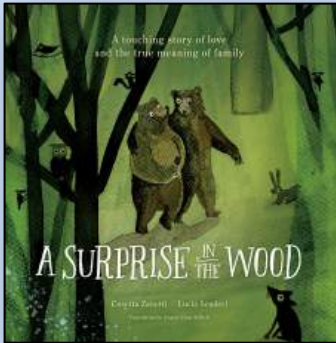
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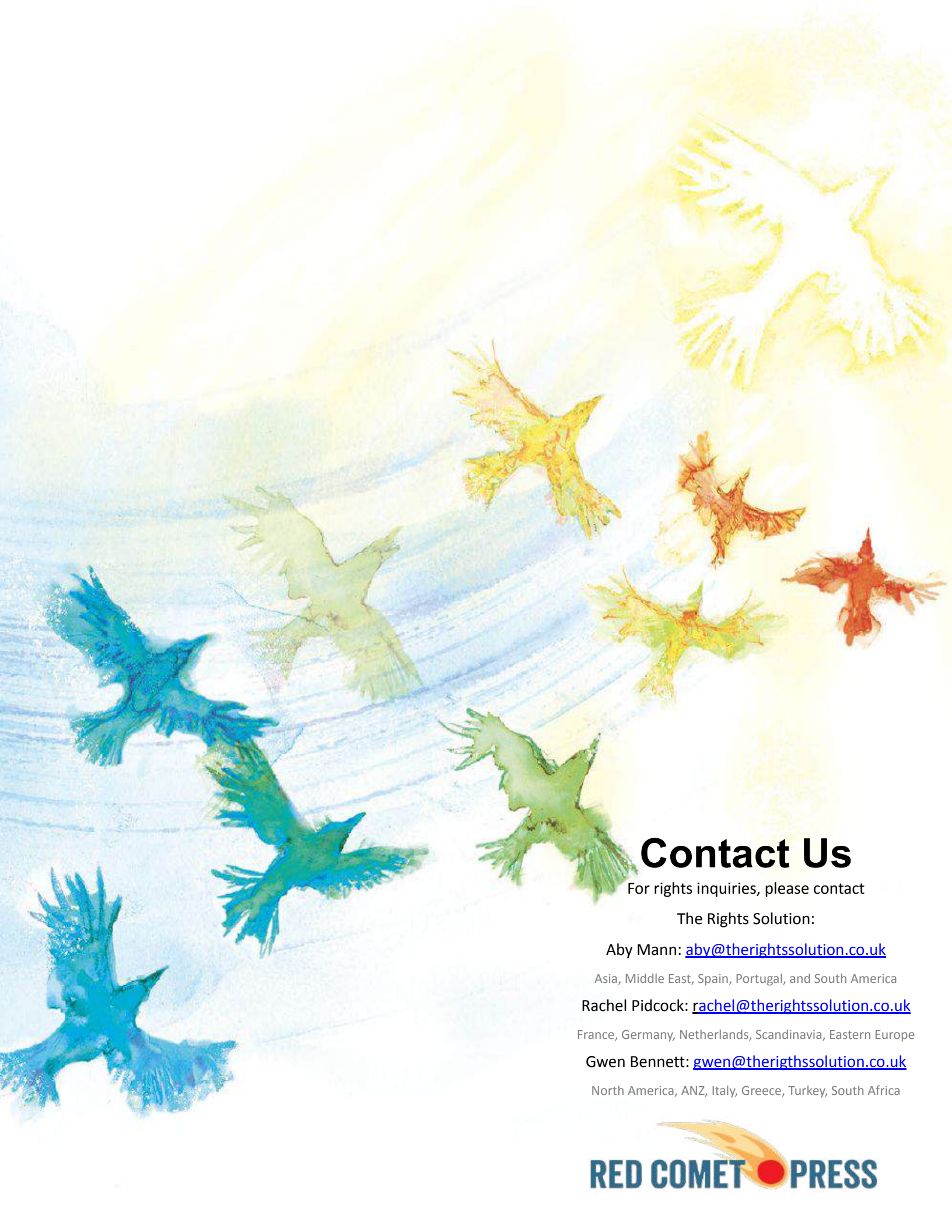


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