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PICTURE BOOKS

DANIELLE MARCOTTE (TEXT),
CHRISTINE BATTUZ
(ILLUSTRATIONS)

THE OGRE'S BEST FRIEND

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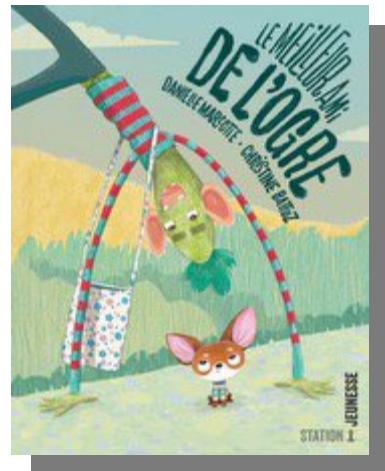
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Much to his shame, Molosse must accompany Skinny Ogre on his daily walk. No matter what anyone says, it's not always easy for a dog as refined as he is to be the best friend of such a bizarre ogre.

DANIELLE MARCOTTE has written twenty-four books, for adults and young people. Some of these have earned her national and international recognition: *Poil de serpent, dent d'araignée* - M. Christie Award 1997 and IBBY Honour List 1998. *Les sabots rouges* - finalist for the 2005 Governor General's Awards. *Au lit, Moka !* written in collaboration with Laurence Aurélie, selected for The White Ravens 2011 at the Bologna Children's Book Fair. Danielle Marcotte has experienced many bereavements in her life and, like Morgane, she reads a lot, which helped her write this text with accuracy.

Born in France, **CHRISTINE BATTUZ** holds a master's degree in fine arts from the Academy of Fine Arts in Perugia, Italy. She has illustrated over seventy children's books, published in Quebec, Korea and Europe. Her work has appeared in numerous schoolbooks, magazines and children's albums. She is president of Illustration Québec and teaches art to adults and children of all ages. She lives in Bromont.

CHILDREN'S / 3+



ANNIE CLOUTIER (TEXT), FANNY ACHACHE
(ILLUSTRATIONS)

A WOLF IN MY HAND

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Alone in the darkness of his room, a child has trouble sleeping. The shadows of a thousand monsters frighten him. He wishes he could master his protective pet wolf, but his hands are still too small. In a small voice, he calls his father to the rescue. Dad, son and wolf set off on an adventure through a fantastic forest to learn how to face fear.

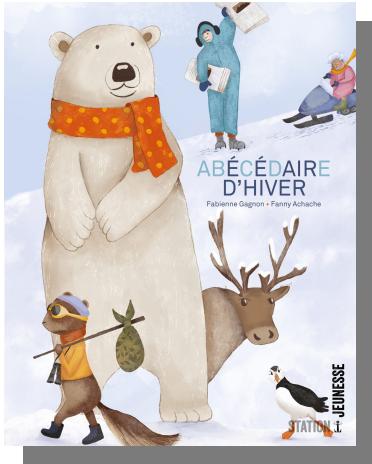
ANNIE CLOUTIER has been playing with words since childhood. Inspired by the determination of the families she works with, she summoned the courage to become the author of her first children's book which, still in manuscript, won first prize in the Tout-petits category of the Grands Prix du livre de la Montérégie 2022.

FANNY ACHACHE began her professional life in France, first in film, then in advertising. On her arrival in Quebec, she studied graphic design and then began illustrating. Particularly sensitive to the challenges of childhood, she has skilfully illustrated night terrors and their calming effects. Her cinematic experience is also a natural source for the images in her books, as if she were a director behind the camera.

CHILDREN'S / 3+



ALSO AVAILABLE



FABIENNE GAGNON (TEXT), FANNY
ACHACHE (ILLUSTRATIONS)
WINTER ALPHABET

CLIENT: PRODUCTIONS SOMME TOUTE

MATERIAL: FULL MS (32 PP, 27 x 21)

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Winter brings us snow banks, icicles, gusts and storms. But we mustn't forget its polar pleasures : soft snowflakes, skates, snowshoes and daydreaming! *Abécédaire d'hiver* is an alphabet book, as its title so aptly suggests, and will take children on a journey through the winter season. The human and animal characters make the pictures funny and touching, yet resolutely dynamic and inventive.

FABIENNE GAGNON was born surrounded by books. Holder of a certificate and a D.E.S.S in children's literature, she has been leading book and poetry workshops for primary school children and adults in literacy and francization programs for over 20 years. She is the author of two books of poetry for young people: *Pépins de citrouilles!* (La Bagnole) and *À cheval sur l'été* (Soulières).



CARMEN DUPLAIN (TEXT), ALEXA PERCHEMAL (ILLUSTRATIONS)

URSULA AND THE SWINGING HOUSE

CLIENT: ÉDITIONS DENT-DE-LION

MATERIAL: FULL FRENCH MS. (32 PP) 24 x 29 cm

PUB DATE (CANADA): AUGUST 2024

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Ursula was born crying. But not just any kind of crying! Deep wrenching sobs gush from her, paralyzing everything and everybody around. Ursula's parents try everything in their power to make her the happiest of all children. They try to adapt the world to fit her needs, imagining inventive and complex systems.

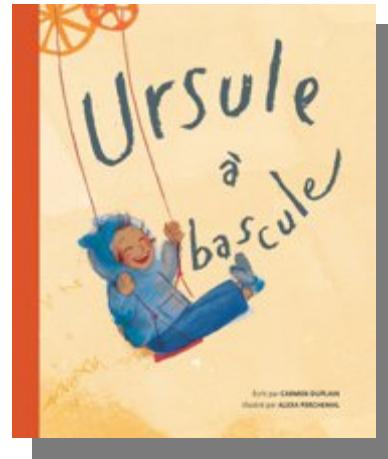
But one day, Ursula's world is turned upside down by a great discovery that will finally bring her the comfort she needs to be happy.

CARMEN DUPLAIN was born in Saguenay, but studied in Quebec City - first science, then education. She has been working as a teacher for several years, using empathy, curiosity and creativity as her primary colors. Some of her stories have been published in collective works, but Ursule à bascule marks the first time one of her tales has decided to live its own life.

ALEXA PERCHEMAL is a French illustrator and comic book artist who found an early refuge in drawing to express anxieties she found hard to put into words. Storytelling comes from a desire to put her journey into images, from a need to connect with others. She finds comfort in images and seeks to bring out the marvellous aspect of our human experiences through her creations. After studying visual communications at the fine arts school, specializing in publishing, she moved to Montreal in 2015, attracted by the diversity and cultural richness the city offers. Since then, she has worked on a variety of projects for children and in publishing. She also creates self-published comics and printed objects in limited editions. She can be found at festivals dedicated to publications and crafts. She's one of those people who like to stroll in parks and at night, always on the lookout for treasures.

PRAISE

My heart burns for Ursule! And even more so for her author, Carmen Duplain, that inspiring third-grade teacher who taught my daughter some time ago. Ms. Carmen puts her creativity and sensitivity into words in this first book, a philosophical tale about a little girl who can only be soothed by continuous rocking. Alexa Perchemal's perfectly imperfect pencil strokes illustrate the swinging house. **Le Soleil**



FICTION / CHILDREN'S / 3+



Pour laisser Ursule grandir à son rythme et explorer son environnement comme il se doit, ses parents créèrent pour elle une énorme structure autour de la maison, qui se transforma en maison balançoire. Iels vendaient leurs inventions à travers le monde et avaient beaucoup de temps à consacrer à Ursule. Comme elle était heureuse !



On l'appela Ursule.

À partir de ce jour, l'esprit inventif et l'humour des deux parents créèrent pour la petite un univers à part, aussi adapté que possible à son besoin.

CÉCILE MALOUBIER (TEXT), DONNA DORÉ (ILLUSTRATIONS)

EVERYBODY COUNTS

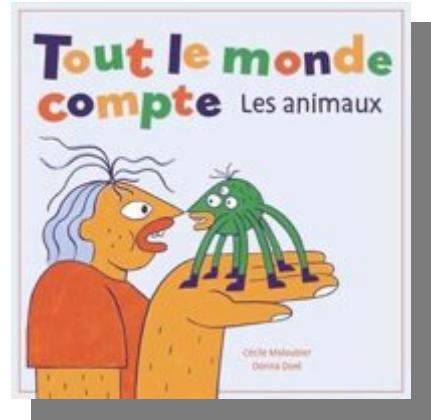
ANIMALS

CLIENT: ÉDITIONS DENT-DE-LION

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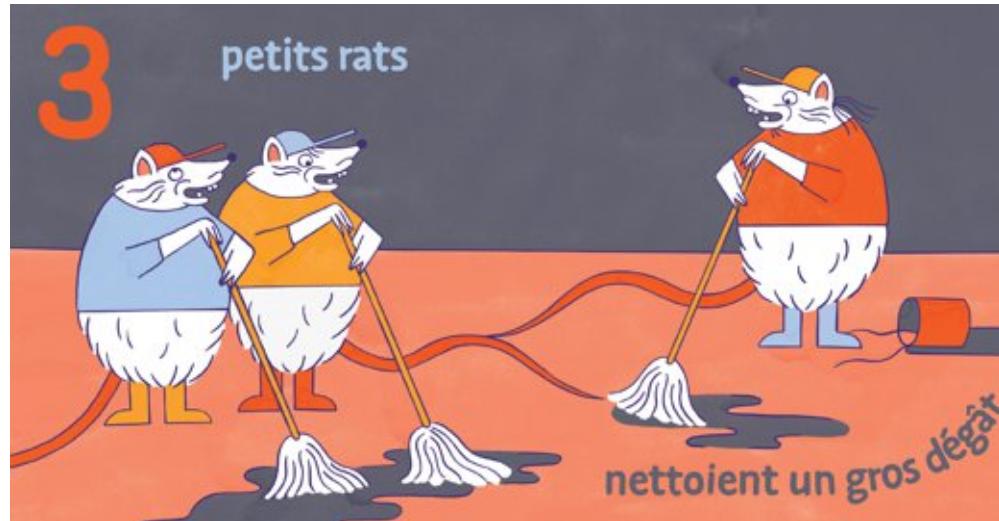
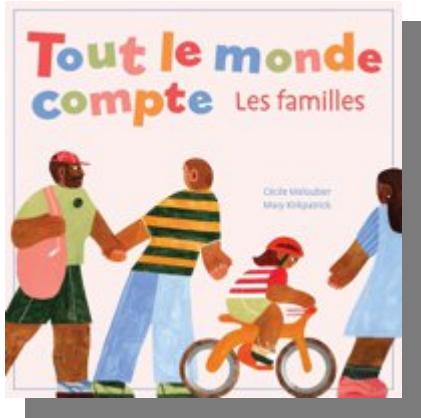


From “one skunk digging in the soil for everything to be greener” to “six vultures serving their meals to all of their tribe”, this counting book highlight the necessity of the animals perceived as pests.

CÉCILE MALOUBIER has a degree in theatre studies and cultural animation, and has been working for several years in artistic and cultural mediation with young audiences. From music to theater and children's literature, she uses every medium to open the minds and creativity of young children. The two volumes of her *Tout le monde compte* series are her first children's books.

DONNA DORÉ is an illustrator from Quebec City. With a degree in graphic design from Université Laval, her passion for drawing and her technique have developed along the way. With her recurrently comic illustrations on social networks, her work gradually became known and her hobby became her livelihood. Donna defines herself as a clownish illustrator: exaggeration is the driving force behind her visual humor. Situations are larger-than-life, which makes her art accessible.

FICTION / CHILDREN'S / 3+



ALSO AVAILABLE

CÉCILE MALOUBIER (TEXT), MARY KIRKPATRICK (ILLUSTRATIONS)
EVERYBODY COUNTS
FAMILIES

CLIENT: ÉDITIONS DENT-DE-LION

MATERIAL: FULL FRENCH MS. (20 PP) 15,24 x 15,24 cm

PUB DATE (CANADA): NOVEMBER 2023

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In this unique counting book, children discover that family is much more than “mom-dad”. In a human fresco that unfolds from “two sweet dads” to “a hundred families in my village who raise a world in our image”, the book is a celebration of all the ties that bind us and all the people who count in a child's heart. Cécile Maloubier's gentle poetry, wonderfully accompanied by Mary Kirkpatrick's enchanting, graphic illustrations, make this a little gem for children aged 2 to 5.



MAUD GAUTHIER-CHUNG (TEXT),
CAROLINA ESPINOSA (ILLUSTRATIONS)

ALEXANDER THE SMALL'S ADVENTURES IN LILIPARSLEYLAND



CLIENT: ÉDITIONS DENT-DE-LION

MATERIAL: FULL FRENCH MS. (32 PP) 23,5 x
26 cm

PUB DATE (CANADA): APRIL 2024

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Join P-Gaz and Alexander the Small for a new series of adventures!

The horse and the knight now travel in a country where they have never set foot before. Alexander decides to plant his flag, alienating the Liliparsleys in doing so. Yes, Floralbouquet and his friends where there way before him! What will happen to our conquerors in this adventure full of twists and turns?

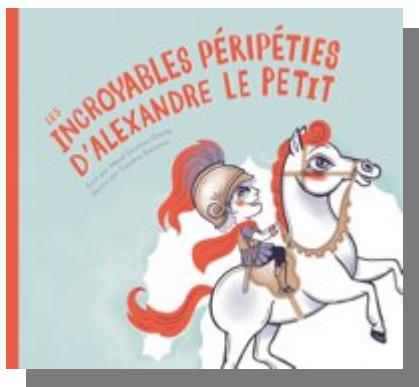
MAUD GAUTHIER-CHUNG is often away in Cloud Cuckoo Land because she makes up stories in her head. She loves: singing in the shower, having adventures, chocolate, meeting nice people, asking herself complicated questions, the smell of conifers, really big thunderstorms, experimenting, her friends and family (especially her two childhood sweethearts). She lives in Montreal and teaches philosophy. She writes for young and old alike.

Born in Montreal of Latin American parents, **CAROLINA ESPINOSA** grew up with a pencil in her hand. Drawing has always been her passion. She works as an illustrator from her home in Villeray. She creates illustrations for magazines, advertising agencies and even murals.

FICTION / CHILDREN'S / 3+



ALSO AVAILABLE



MAUD GAUTHIER-CHONG (TEXT), CAROLINA ESPINOSA (ILLUSTRATIONS)
THE INCREDIBLE ADVENTURES OF ALEXANDER THE SMALL

CLIENT: ÉDITIONS DENT-DE-LION

MATERIAL: FULL FRENCH MS. (32 PP) 23,5 x 26 cm

PUB DATE (CANADA): SEPTEMBER 2022

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What to do when you come across a princess in the clutches of a huge, grumpy- looking dragon? Want to know the answer? Let's follow the rider and his faithful steed! We'll see if the dragons are always grumpy and if the princesses really need to be saved...



ÉMILIE SCOTTO (TEXT),
CHRISTINE BATTUZ
(ILLUSTRATIONS)
**(TAKING) TIME FOR
A STROLL**

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Gabrielle is enjoying a slow, leisurely stroll on a beautiful autumn day. But that's not the case for the people she meets along the way... Monsieur Gédéon pedals backwards to go back in time. Monsieur Henri is running out of time to finish all the tasks on his list. Master Charlie is snooping around for lost time. Gabrielle is dizzy from all this. Fortunately, Bérangère the pastry chef is there to help them make the most of the present moment.

Born in France in 1982, **ÉMILIE SCOTTO** arrived in Montreal in 2008. Today, she is proud to be able to contribute to Quebec culture. A social worker for the elderly, Émilie Scotto keeps her childlike heart thanks to her passion for children's literature. She loves to write stories imbued with humor, sensitivity and gentleness. All too often in a hurry, in this first book she tackles the importance of taking one's time. Could this be a reminder to herself?

CHRISTINE BATTUZ was also born in France. She holds a master's degree in fine arts from the Academy of Fine Arts in Perugia, Italy. She has illustrated over seventy children's books, published in Quebec, Korea and Europe. Her work has appeared in numerous schoolbooks, magazines and children's albums. She is president of Illustration Québec and teaches art to adults and children of all ages. She lives in Bromont.

CHILDREN'S / 3+



CYNTHIA RODRIGUEZ PERAZA (TEXT),
PASCALE SÉVIGNY-VALLIÈRES
(ILLUSTRATIONS)

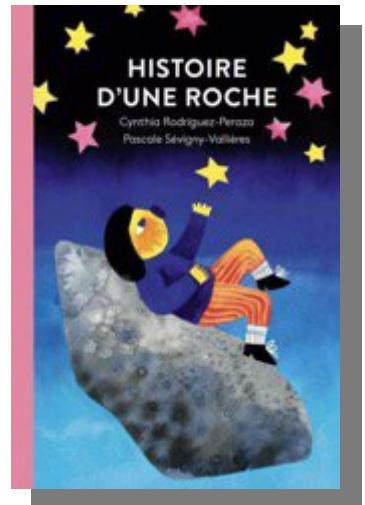
STORY OF A ROCK

CLIENT: ÉDITIONS DENT-DE-LION

MATERIAL: FULL FRENCH MS. (32 PP) 16,43 x
24,73 cm

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A rock flies through the window and into a little girl's house.

Crack!

From that moment on, the girl finds in this seemingly ordinary object an ally to help her survive her difficult daily life, a force greater than herself.

CYNTHIA RODRIGUEZ-PERAZA was born in Venezuela, where she trained as a journalist and editor. She moved to Canada at the same time as she became a mother and, guided by her love of children's books, she co-founded [UpaUpa](#), a bookstore dedicated to promoting Spanish-language children's books throughout Canada. She now devotes her time to literary mediation and journalism.

PASCALE SÉVIGNY-VALLIÈRES is an illustrator living in Quebec City. She trained in graphic design at UQAM, then went on to complete a master's degree in design at Université Laval. She creates playful, colourful characters with graphic power. Her universe is imbued with poetry.

FICTION / CHILDREN'S / 4+





STÉPHANIE G. VACHON (TEXT),
JENNY BIEN-AIMÉ (ILLUSTRATIONS)
**MÉLODIE'S SECOND
VOICE**

CLIENT: PRODUCTIONS SOMME TOUTE

MATERIAL: FULL MS (32 PP, 22 x 22)

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PUB DATE: FEBRUARY 2025

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A colorful and educational album that raises awareness of cerebral palsy, while inspiring children to have confidence in themselves.

Mélodie loves music and songs. She would love to sing like children her age, but no sound comes out of her mouth. Suffering from cerebral palsy, Mélodie is searching for her voice. A voice that will allow her to communicate and even to sing.

Mélodie's Second Voice is an exploration of difference, language and speech disorders and the development of self-confidence, which will affect both children facing these challenges and those who support them on a daily basis.

A story to comfort, inform and discuss.

STÉPHANIE G. VACHON is a speech therapist. She worked with preschool and school-age children with communication difficulties, including language and speech disorders, at the Marie Enfant Rehabilitation Center affiliated with Sainte-Justine Medical Center. She now works with toddlers aged 0 to 5 and their families at the CLSC. Her young patients are her inspiration for great characters.

JENNY BIEN-AIMÉ is mainly inspired by nature and all the light, colors and minute details of the human experience. She likes to express what the text does not, to explore the psychology of the characters and the construction of the world while maintaining a soothing environment.



CHILDREN'S / 4+

Une fois à l'intérieur, Mélodie se confond avec les autres oisillons du programme Déficience motrice cérébrale.





STÉPHANIE G. VACHON (TEXT),
JENNY BIEN-AIMÉ (ILLUSTRATIONS)
NOUR'S STUBBORN TONGUE

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MATERIAL: FULL MS (32 PP, 22 x 22)

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Nour's tongue is twisted, stubborn, confused. Or rather, "twidded", "stuvvn", "confist", as the little girl would say. Her tongue does not listen to her. And when no one understands us, when even our sister makes fun of us at school, it becomes all to easy to isolate ourselves.

With the help of her speech therapist and a lot of hard work, Nour will be able to improve her pronunciation and find it easier to speak on a daily basis. Who knows, maybe her sister will also learn to see her efforts rather than her difficulties?

CHILDREN'S / 4+





STÉPHANIE G. VACHON (TEXT),
JENNY BIEN-AIMÉ (ILLUSTRATIONS)
MOÏSE THE SPEECH ATHLETE

CLIENT: PRODUCTIONS SOMME TOUTE

MATERIAL: FULL MS (32 PP, 22 x 22)

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Moïse the Speech Athlete is a story about a talented young soccer player who would like to speak as easily as he handles the ball. But in the child's mouth, the words repeat themselves, get stuck and stretch out. Moïse, who just wants to be like everyone else, wonders about the way he speaks, and stuttering bothers him more and more. With the help of his speech therapist and his family, Moïse will learn to speak more fluently and to speak up more in everyday life. Above all, Moïse and his parents will understand that the most important thing is that he says what he wants when he wants.

CHILDREN'S / 4+



Les muscles de sa gorge se serrent tel un serpent autour de sa proie,
l'étouffant sans même qu'il puisse prononcer un son. Les bras croisés,
le coach soupire longuement.

– Bon, mettez-vous en place maintenant! conclut-il d'un coup de sifflet impatient.

Moïse regarde les bouts usés de ses souliers à crampons, le dos courbé
comme les points d'interrogation à la fin de toutes les questions qu'il se pose.

MARIA GRACIELA BASTARDO (TEXT),
PASCALE SEVIGNY-VALLIÈRES
(ILLUSTRATIONS)

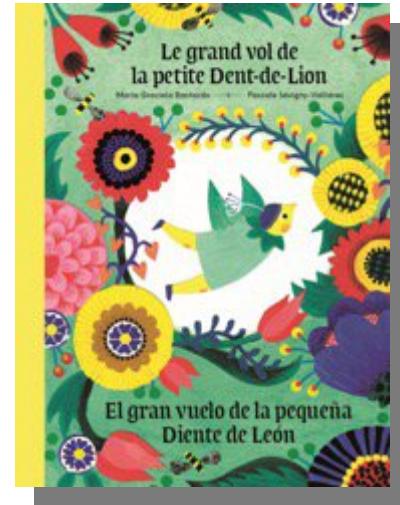
THE GRAND FLIGHT OF LITTLE DANDELION

CLIENT: ÉDITIONS DENT-DE-LION

MATERIAL: FULL FRENCH & SPANISH MS.
(40 PP, 22,5 x 29,5 cm) BILINGUAL EDITION

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Being just a small seed, Dandelion sets off, with the help of the wind, on a journey in search of a place to germinate, grow and flourish. However, it is difficult to find a place where she is received with kindness and goodwill. Will Dandelion eventually find her place on earth?

The life of **MARÍA GRACIELA BASTARDO**, like that of many immigrants, can be told in at least two chapters. In her native Venezuela, she obtained a degree in Literature from the Andrés Bello Catholic University and worked for over ten years in television. In Canada, where she currently lives, she obtained a Master's degree in Hispanic Studies and a Certificate in Translation. She now works as a full-time translator.

PASCALE SÉVIGNY-VALLIÈRES is an illustrator living in Quebec City. She trained in graphic design at UQAM, then went on to complete a master's degree in design at Université Laval. She creates playful, colourful characters with graphic power. Her universe is imbued with poetry.

PRAISE

"A beautiful tale for all those who wish to disappear from the face of the earth, but who eventually, through courage, end up flourishing and living facing the sun." **Caroline Dawson**





NADINE POIRIER (TEXT),
MANUELLA CÔTÉ
(ILLUSTRATIONS)

ALEXANDRIN'S FEATHER

A CHRISTMAS STORY

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At noon, Santa rushes into the workshop.

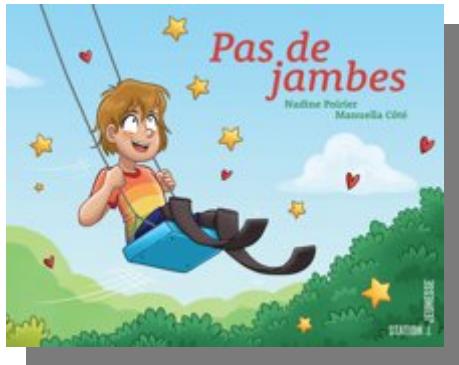
- I'm sorry, but this time, my friend, you have to go.
- Into a house?" asks Alexandrin.
- Yes, to a house. Chickenpox has infected my naughty elves. Put away your notebook.
- Me? Play the clown?

Alexandrín is a poetic elf, not a teasing one. He's afraid of playing tricks, and it's words that are important to him. Will he be able to succeed in his mission without losing his mind?

Born in Bonaventure on the Gaspé Peninsula, **NADINE POIRIER** now lives in Trois-Rivières, where she devotes her time to writing, sharing her passion in schools and libraries across French-speaking Canada. She has been awarded the Saint-Exupéry, AQPF-ANEL and Gérald-Godin prizes, and her titles have been finalists for the Chronos, Mélèze, Harry-Black, Art excellence and Espiègle awards. She has published more than 40 books.

Ever since she was a little girl, **MANUELLA CÔTÉ** has wanted to work in the art world and illustrate books. To achieve this, she found her way through school and began her career in video games, while accepting freelance contracts in graphic design, computer graphics and illustration.





NADINE POIRIER (TEXT), MANUELLA CÔTÉ (ILLUSTRATIONS)
NO LEGS

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The author of the children's album ***Pas de jambes*** is fascinated by children's candid view of the world and the sheer amount of courage they need to thrive. With humor and tenderness, she tackles the theme of difference and self-confidence. The main character has a physical handicap, but that doesn't change his good humor or energetic personality!



– Ça ne ressemble pas à de vraies jambes.
– Tu as raison. Mais avoue qu'elles sont géniales !

CATHERINE VOYER-LÉGER (TEXT), CATHERINE PETIT (ILLUSTRATIONS) MY MUSIC TREE

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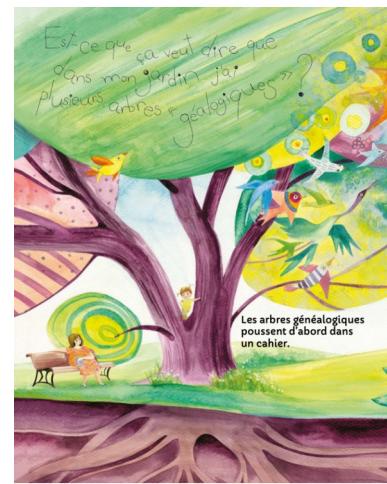
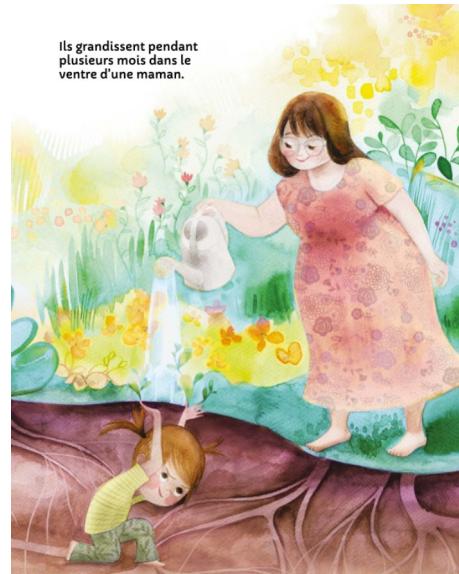
"Did I move a lot when I was in your belly? You weren't in my belly, but you moved a lot in my head."

The idea for this text came to Catherine while she was looking through children's literature to talk to her daughter about her adoption: she found plenty of koalas among the polar bears and ugly ducklings among the swans. Catherine is not a swan, and her daughter is not an ugly duckling. They are music trees with different roots, but whose leaves have learned to play the same symphonies.

A delicate text of moving sincerity, illustrated with nuance, color and texture.

Following graduate studies in political science at UQAM and literature at the University of Ottawa, **CATHERINE VOYER-LÉGER** embarked on a career in the cultural milieu. She has collaborated with a number of arts and literary organizations in Quebec and elsewhere in French-speaking Canada. A writer, she has published nine books, including *Métier critique* (Septentrion), an essay on the state of cultural criticism, and *Prendre corps*, a collection of micro-narratives (La Peuplade, Prix littéraire Jacques-Poirier - Outaouais 2019). In 2022, she published two intimate stories: *Nouées* (Québec Amérique) and *Mouvements* (Prise de parole).

CATHERINE PETIT was born in Montreal in 1981. Several artists in her family passed on to her a passion for artistic work and handicrafts through illustration, painting, sewing and jewellery-making. After studying fine arts and design, Catherine started her own mural painting business, which she still operates today. While continuing to create murals, she studied law and officially became a lawyer. In 2016, she signed the illustrations for her first children's album *Une bestiole à l'école* (éditions de l'Isatis, finalists for the Peuplier Forêt de la lecture prize). Since then, one project follows another, and Catherine has illustrated over 25 children's books.



JEAN-FRANÇOIS CASABONNE
(TEXT), MARIE-ÈVE TURGEON
(ILLUSTRATIONS)

IT'S ALL WRONG

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"I don't like to read, but I love books. My head is like a piggy bank of loose words. Why are books prisons for me? Why aren't words just beautiful sparks? Why do libraries worry me? I hear myself inside, and it feels like a car crash... My head is like a puzzle with scattered pieces..."

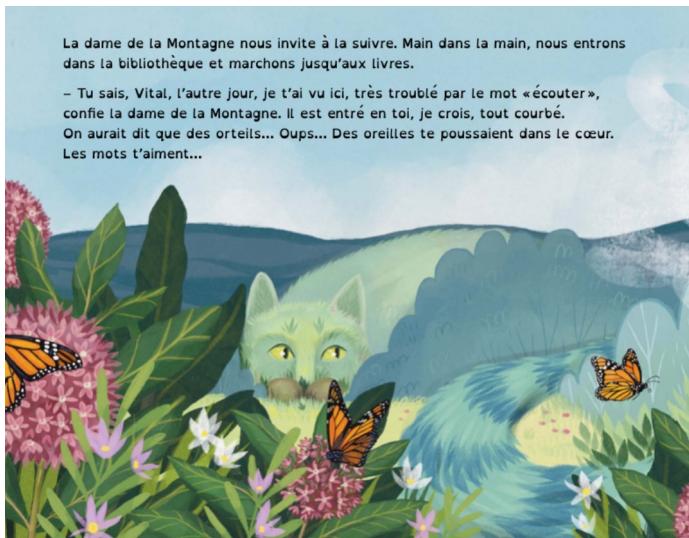
Vital finds it hard to accept his dyslexia, but Siri and her friend, the Lady of the Mountain, will help him overcome this obstacle.

A tale full of poetry, a bouquet of butterflies, where all the senses are involved.

CHILDREN'S / 5+

JEAN-FRANÇOIS CASABONNE has appeared in nearly a hundred theatrical productions, and is a regular on Quebec stages. We've also come to appreciate his talent in film and television. As an author, he has published several works with éditions Somme toute, including *Une girafe et un pont* (2014), *Du jeu au jeu* (2014) and *La Roche* (2022); he also wrote the children's book *Je veux une plume* (Édito, 2018). The impulse to write about dyslexia has its roots in the author's childhood. Dyslexia was a difficult companion to tame. Even today, this strange friend makes its nest in his head. In a way, this book is the joyful fruit of a long apprenticeship to make it an ally.

Born in the Lower Laurentians, **MARIE-ÈVE TURGEON** always knew that she wanted to become an illustrator. With this book she recognized the character's torments, because it was only in her thirties that she had the was diagnosed with ADHD, the explanation for a lot of her challenges throughout her school years. Nature is one of her main sources of inspiration.



ALEXANDRA LACHAPPELLE (TEXT), ARIANNA GARCIA (ILLUSTRATIONS) HENRI'S MONSTER

CLIENT: PRODUCTIONS SOMME TOUTE
MATERIAL: FULL MS (112 PP, 17,8 x 11,4)
PUBLISHER: STATION T
PUB DATE: AUGUST 2025
RIGHTS SOLD:
RIGHTS HANDLED: WORLD EXCEPT FRENCH



My parents signed me up for a summer swimming day camp. A whole day in the water means much more to me than just getting wet or having wrinkly fingers. It also means a day without hearing aids! Without them, I won't be able to hear the swimming instructor's instructions. As if that weren't enough, my excited parents announced that there will be a presentation in front of all the families during the last class. Just thinking about it makes me feel like I'm turning into Henri the sea monster.

Thanks to his grandmother, his friend Charlotte, and Nessie, the swimming instructor, Henri will discover several communication strategies to help him better understand when the situation is more difficult.

A poetic and vivid representation of the anxiety and fear faced by hearing-impaired children.

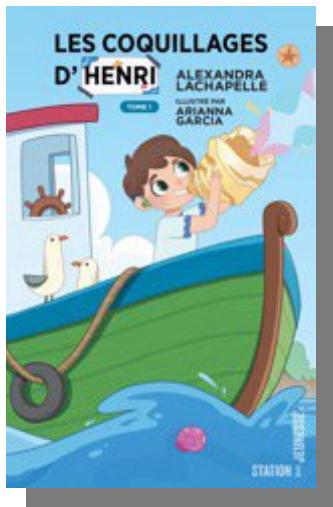
ALEXANDRA LACHAPPELLE first explored her creativity through drawing, dance and circus arts. Her love of stories led her to enroll in UQTR's short program in children's literature, attending numerous writing workshops. Her hard work payed off, as she won first prize in the 2022 Lurelu literary competition in the 5-9 age category, and second prize in 2023 in the 9+ age category. With this first novel, she hopes to open up the discussion on deafness by offering young people words to initiate caring exchanges.

ARIANNA GARCIA is a 2D artist and comic book illustrator. As a child, Arianna found it hard to connect with people. To communicate and express her feelings, she would get out pencil and paper. Many of her happiest childhood memories are of the beach. Like Henri, she had a small collection of shells. When she was eight, she had trouble seeing the blackboard, and her parents took her to see an ophthalmologist. She had astigmatism, so she had to wear glasses. At first, she felt embarrassed and nervous about wearing them in front of the other students. Eventually, her friends encouraged her to wear them. In the end, her glasses helped her study and pay attention in class. And they were purple, her favorite color!

CHILDREN'S / 6+



ALSO AVAILABLE



ALEXANDRA LACHAPELLE
(TEXT), ARIANNA GARCIA
(ILLUSTRATIONS)

HENRI'S SEASHELLS

CLIENT: PRODUCTIONS SOMME TOUTE
MATERIAL: FULL MS (72 PP, 17,8 x 11,4)

PUBLISHER: STATION T

PUB DATE: AUGUST 2024

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FRENCH

Henri wasn't born with scales on his skin or fins in the middle of his back. And yet, when school starts, he notices his friends staring at him. His hearing aids intrigue them. He'd like to find his own words to explain why his ears can't hear the sound of the waves or the cry of the gulls. He's hard of hearing, and it's sometimes difficult to make people understand. Fortunately, his new friend Charlotte listens to him, and he has more than one treasure in his shell collection to help him make the others listen up too!



JAMES JOYCE (TEXT), MARIA MIKHAYLOVA (DRAWINGS AND WATERCOLORS)

THE CAT AND THE DEVIL

CLIENT: EST – SAMUEL TASTET
ÉDITEUR

PUBLISHER: EST

MATERIAL: FULL MS (28 PP, 28X28)

PUB DATE (FRANCE): MARCH 2023

RIGHTS HANDLED: WORLD



One fine day in August 1936, James Joyce wrote to his nephew Stephen - but not just a postcard, no, a whole tale, that of the cat of Beaugency. About the cat, the bridge and the devil who agreed to build it. For, in days gone by, it was very difficult to cross the Loire on simple boats... But the devil, who, if legends are to be believed, has built bridges all over Europe, also offered his talents to the mayor of Beaugency. As is often the case, he asked for the "first soul" to cross the bridge. And sure enough, it was a charming black cat who did the honors at the inauguration - but the tale doesn't say what became of him. It's a safe bet that his descendants are still hunting mice on the banks of the Loire.

A delightfully illustrated album by Maria Mikhaylova, a young Russian artist who graduated from the Saint Petersburg School of Fine Arts, with many nods to medieval Beaugency.

JAMES JOYCE (1882-1941), author of numerous books including *Dubliners*, *Ulysses* or *Finnegan's Wake* is considered one of the major writers of the 20th century.

A boundless innovator, his characters convey the profound humanity that haunted him throughout his life. The publication of this book opens up a more intimate side of him, revealing his hidden elfin side...

MARIA MIKHAYLOVA, painter and illustrator, lives and works in Nice. She has illustrated over thirty books published in France and exhibits her work in French and European galleries. This year, drawings from the series *La poésie est née nue* (Poetry was born naked) were exhibited at the Venice Biennale.



Beaugency est une toute petite ville ancienne flanquée sur une berge de la Loire, le plus long fleuve de France. Mais c'est aussi un très large fleuve, pour le pays de France du moins. À Beaugency il est si large que si tu désires le traverser d'une rive à l'autre tu devrais compter au moins mille pas.



Tous les gens chuchotent entre eux et le chat regardait le maire parce que dans la

ville de Beaugency il était permis qu'un chat puisse regarder le maire.

Lorsqu'il fut lassé de regarder le maire (parce que même un chat fatigué à regarder un maire)

il commença à jouer avec la lourde chaîne d'or. Lorsque le maire approcha de la tête du pont,

chaque homme retint sa respiration et chaque femme sa langue.



Soudain, sonnèrent trompettes et clairons – ce qui signifiait aux gens de faire silence – et le maire.



ESTHER SAMUELS-DAVIS TOGETHERVERSE

CLIENT: TAOTIME BOOKS

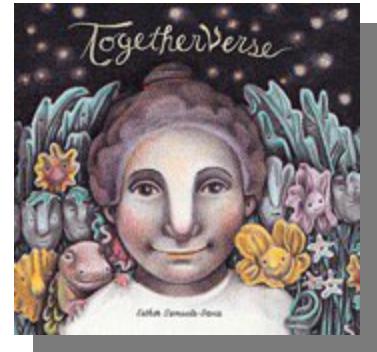
MATERIAL: FULL MS (32 PP)

PUB DATE (USA): OCTOBER 2019

RIGHTS SOLD: TAOTIME VERLAG

(GERMAN), IDROPLANO (GREEK)

RIGHTS HELD: WORLD



Isabel is a young girl who, like many children, has big questions about our world. When a piece of the night sky suddenly spills on her shirt, Isabel begins to ask, and it is the creatures around her who show their answers. In simple text and enchanting pictures, author and illustrator Esther Samuels-Davis takes us on an adventure where no one is alone, small is big, and together we are strong. For questioners of all ages!

ESTHER SAMUELS-DAVIS was born and raised in Catskill, a small town in upstate New York. In 2005 she moved to Oakland, California to study at California College of the Arts, where she concentrated in printmaking and illustration. After school Esther worked as a letterpress printer at Carrot and Stick Press until 2013 when she moved to Berlin. There Esther put her focus into writing and illustrating books. Since moving she's interned for puppet maker Georg Jenisch, helped to organize the Hungry Eyes Zinefest, and illustrated for theater productions at Acker Stadt Palast, Literally Speaking Berlin, and the podcast Love and Radio. Her drawings and prose can be found in Maker's Magazine and were featured on the Maker's Movement blog.

FICTION / 5+



JULIA PIETRI

THE BIG PRINCESS

CLIENT: BETTER CALL JULIA

MATERIAL: FULL MS. (74 PP)

PUB DATE (FRANCE): JUNE 2021

PUBLISHER: BETTER CALL JULIA

RIGHTS SOLD: SONDA (ITALIAN), CARL AUER VERLAG (GERMAN)

RIGHTS HELD: WORLD



A tale that deconstructs the sexist norms we are used to encountering in children's books.

The princess leaves her small planet to look for a big enough planet to hold the size of her dreams. During her journey, she will land on eight extraordinary planets inhabited by extraordinary women. From Simone Veil to Rosa Parks, each of them will offer her beautiful life lessons to guide her in her quest.

Are you ready to dream?

A philosophical tale about the power of women.

A journey that speaks of the great questions of life.

For all those who love to dream.

JULIA PIETRI is a militant feminist of the fourth wave. She defines herself as a humanist feminist: she likes to think that feminism is for everyone and that sex is just one more tool, certainly very contemporary, for deconstructing sexist codes. She is the author of the bestseller *At Our Fingertips* (*Le petit guide de la masturbation féminine*), over 15 000 copies sold and licensed in Germany and Québec. Self-taught, she is the founder: of the street art collective Merci Simone: mercisimone.eu, of the @GangduClito movement: www.instagram.com/gangduclito, and of the hashtag #ItsNotaBretzel: www.itsnotabretzel.com

The great princess

The princess undertakes a journey of initiation, she leaves her little planet in search of a larger one, a planet as big as her dreams. During her journey, she will land on eight extraordinary planets inhabited by extraordinary women. From Simone Veil to Rosa Parks, each of them will offer her beautiful life lessons to guide her in her quest.



TRANSLATION

The fourth planet was inhabited by a lady called Malala Yousafzai. It was the school planet. An extraordinary planet where all the things that could be learned had their own school. There were billions of them. The great princess does not remember all the schools she has visited but she told me her favourites. There was the school of old age, the school of breathing, the school of dreams, the school of the present, but also the school of laughs and the school of water.

- Welcome my child, said the lady who had just come out of the school of rebellion.

The great princess turned around and saw a young lady smiling at her.

- What are you running from?

- I'm not running away, I am searching. I'm looking for the planet as big as my dreams, replied once again the great princess.

- 'To Dream', what a wonderful verb! The lady exclaimed. Here the schools are free, you can stay as long as you like.

- Is it a school that teaches us how to find the planet of our dreams?

- Of course it is! Start with the school of dreams and then, if you still want to, you can go to the school of planets, the lady naturally replied.



Une planète extraordinaire où toutes les choses qui peuvent apprendre possèdent leur propre école.

An extraordinary planet where all the things that could be learned had their own school. 11

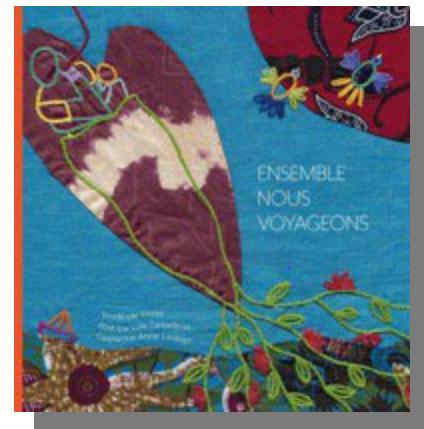
LULA CARBALLO & CATHERINE ANNE LARANJO (TEXT), KESSO (ILLUSTRATIONS) TOGETHER WE TRAVEL

CLIENT: ÉDITIONS DENT-DE-LION

MATERIAL: FULL FRENCH MS. (36 PP) 22,86 x 25,4 cm

PUB DATE (CANADA): SEPTEMBER 2021

RIGHTS HELD: WORLD



The child notices the traces of the disease on her mother. Together, they travel to the places that trace their love. A house, an artwork, a sea animal, a season: all the forms that her mother takes on this great journey give the child the strength to love in the present tense. They are busy living.

*We cross the streets in triangles say hi to the lights
smile to passers-by
together, almost no fear
the sun plays hide-and-seek in the sky*

*With mommy, we have four eyes to take the time to read the clouds and whisper together:
hello sun, I recognize you*

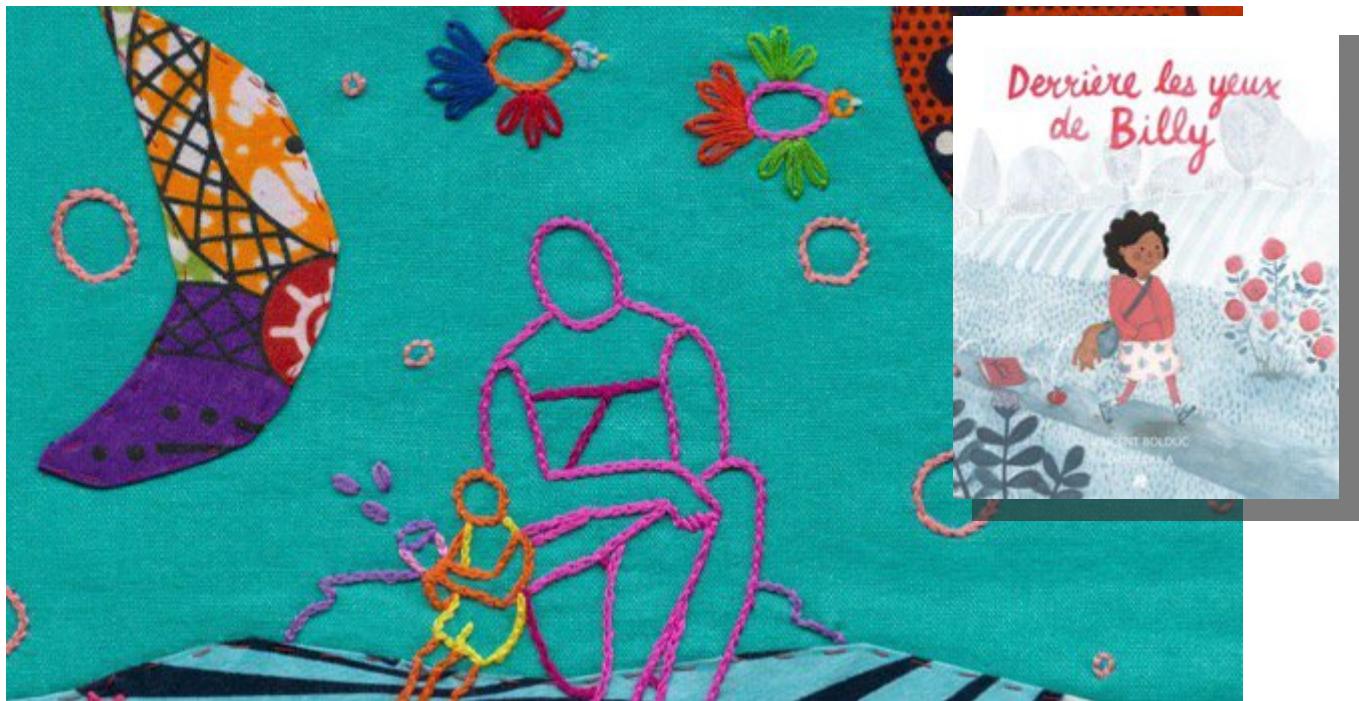
FICTION / CHILDREN'S / 5+

LUCIA 'LULA' CARBALLO is a writer. When she arrived in Quebec at the age of 15, she spoke no French. Today, she spends part of her time as a contract interpreter for the Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada. She works with Éditions du Noroît and the Festival international de la littérature, and is also a campus ambassador for the Opéra de Montréal.

Her first novel, *Créatures du hasard* (Le Cheval d'août, 2018), a fictionalized biography, was an extraordinary success.

CATHERINE ANNE LARANJO is co-author of the poetry collection *Nous sommes devenus ces gens*. Her work has appeared in literary journals such as Le Sabord, Moebius and Estuaire. She works as an editor, translator and French-language coach.

KESSO is an artist of Guinean and Quebecois origin. Her artistic practice, centred on memory, blends text, textiles and drawing. She often uses African fabrics in her work, particularly indigo fabrics from her native Guinea. She has presented her work and held artist residencies in Quebec and abroad.



VINCENT BOLDUC (TEXT), CHLOLOULA (ILLUSTRATIONS) BEHIND BILLY'S EYES

CLIENT: ÉDITIONS DENT-DE-LION

MATERIAL: FULL FRENCH MS. (34 PP) 20,32 x 25,4 cm

PUB DATE (CANADA): NOVEMBER 2018

RIGHTS HANDLED: WORLD

WINNER OF PRIX ESPIÈGLE

Billy's afraid of losing everything, so she loses everything. She can't help it. She tells herself that the day she really loses something she loves more than anything else in the world, she'll be well prepared. But despite her intensive training to steel herself against the worst, the day her grandfather closed his eyes forever, Billy wasn't ready.

VINCENT BOLDUC has been active in children's writing for nearly 20 years. In addition to being an acclaimed actor, improviser and columnist, he trained as a playwright at the National Theatre School of Canada, and has contributed to the writing of several children's TV series (Tactik, Ayoye, Stan et ses Stars, la Soirée Mammouth), for which he has won several honors (including more than one Gémeaux award for best script). In parallel with his professional life, Vincent has been a spokesperson for over 10 years for GRIS Montréal, an organization that demystifies homosexuality and bisexuality in schools.

A jack-of-all-trades, **CHLOOULA**'s career oscillates between documentary film, animation and graphic arts. With a master's degree in visual and media arts from UQAM, she now devotes her time to illustration and comics. Originally from Montreal, she now lives in the country, where she raises a little girl and chickens of all colors.

FICTION / CHILDREN'S / 4+





Ne plus regarder la télé à ses côtés... Ne plus planter
une fleur entourée de ses grands bras... Ne plus tenter
de deviner dans quelle main il a caché une pièce...

**VINCENT BOLDUC (TEXT), JIMENA ARAGONES ROSSETTO
(ILLUSTRATIONS)**

RIGHT HERE IN OUR HANDS

CLIENT: ÉDITIONS DENT-DE-LION

MATERIAL: FULL FRENCH MS. (32 PP) 17,8 x 25,4 cm

PUB DATE (CANADA): AUGUST 2024

RIGHTS HANDLED: WORLD

Saya's and her dad's hands tingle with life.

But recently, their hands do not move the way they were moving before. When a feeling starts to grow inside Saya, her hands make her do things that are not like her at all and that she will sometimes regret.

Her dad's hands are now heavy as a ship's anchor and prevent him from performing the simplest gestures of everyday life.

In this suspended time, Saya's and her dad's hands compose their emotions and try to meet to calm each other, at least for a moment.

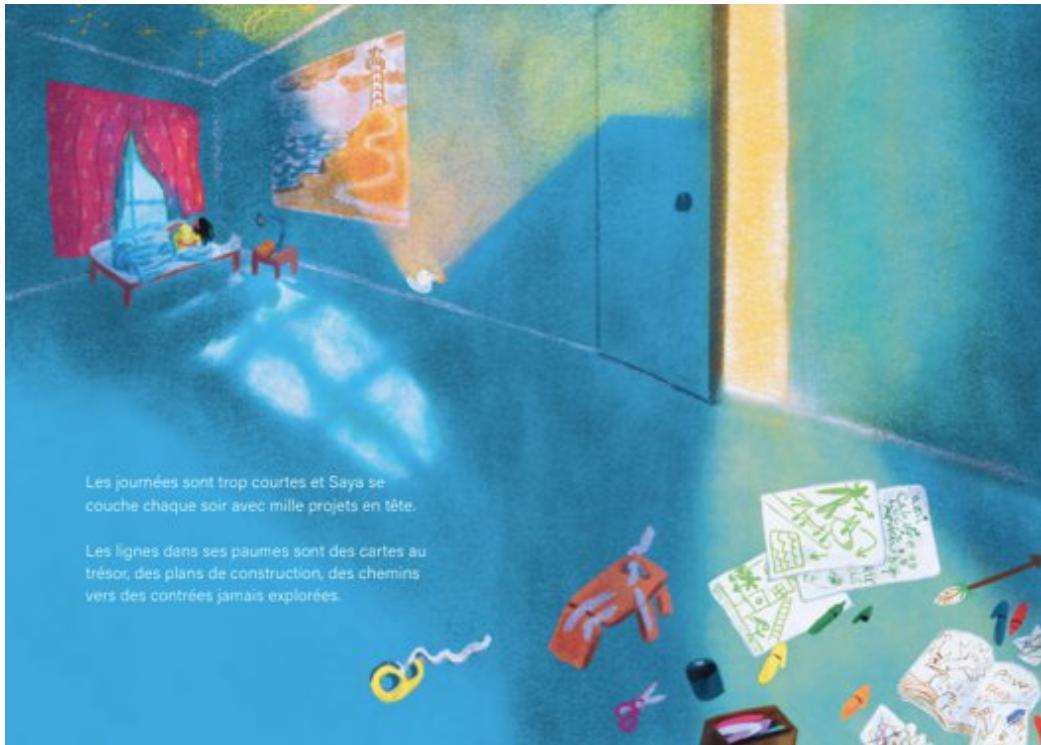
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JIMENA ARAGONES ROSSETTO is a visual artist and illustrator. Her illustration work is imbued with humour, but also with a great love for human beings, whose complexity and uniqueness bind us together. Jimena holds a bachelor's degree in graphic design from the Université du Québec à Montréal, a bachelor's degree in art history from Concordia University, and a certificate in visual arts from the Institut Allende at the University of Guanajuato in Mexico.

PRAISE

An original exploration of emotions, with a delicate poetic touch that reminds us of the importance of reaching out to calm storms. **Revue Les Libraires.ca**

FICTION / CHILDREN'S / 6+



Les journées sont trop courtes et Saya se couche chaque soir avec mille projets en tête.

Les lignes dans ses paumes sont des cartes au trésor, des plans de construction, des chemins vers des contrées jamais explorées.

Mais depuis quelque temps, ses mains ne s'agitent plus de la même façon.

Quand de grandes émotions montent en Saya, quand elle est prise de colère ou accablée par la tristesse, la terre tremble si fort dans ses petites mains que son armée s'affole et piétine tout sur son passage.

Ses mains attrapent les livres dans sa chambre pour les lancer sur les murs, écrivent des mots méchants sur ceux qu'elle aime, brisent en deux ses jouets préférés.

Elles se retournent parfois même contre Saya, pinçant ses doux bras jusqu'au sang.



JULIA PIETRI

THE LITTLE GUIDE TO YOUR FANNY

CLIENT: BETTER CALL JULIA

MATERIAL: FULL MS. (84 PP)

PUB DATE (FRANCE): JUNE 2021

PUBLISHER: BETTER CALL JULIA

RIGHTS HELD: WORLD



"Children need to be aware of what's between their legs. Otherwise, how can they be aware of what consent means and know how to protect themselves? If nothing exists, there's nothing to protect..."
Julia Pietri

The Little Guide to Your Fanny is a sex education book about consent and sex for little girls and boys ages 4-12.

Without anticipating a child's curiosity, this book allows children to ask questions that can be answered according to their age and maturity. In this book we talk about sex as we talk about the stomach and I invite children to express their emotions, to show their natural curiosity and to encourage them to speak without taboo.

We talk about the body, about pee, poo, intimacy, nudity, the discovery of anatomy, self-image, our emotions, cuddling, love, babies, but also sorority, brothers and sisters, the importance of mutual respect and what's allowed and what isn't. The book also touches on the different stages of growing up... What exactly does it feel like and what does it mean to grow up? And so reveals a little bit about the world of puberty.

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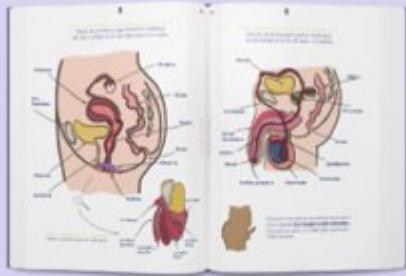
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MIDDLE GRADE

SLAVI STOEV (TEXT), MATEYA
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THE SELLER OF HATRED

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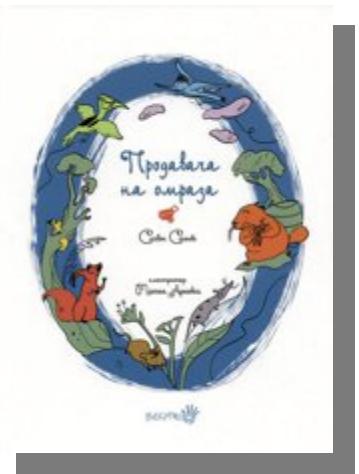
MATERIAL: FULL MS IN BULGARIAN (54 PP, 16,5 x 21,5), FULL ENGLISH TRANSLATION

PUBLISHER: ROBERTINO

PUB DATE: 2019

RIGHTS SOLD: CHINESE, KOREAN

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WHITE RAVEN 2020

A hedgehog enters the forest with a cart of “useful” goods: intrigue, hatred, discord. Out of curiosity, a squirrel asks about them and lets the hedgehog stir him up against his friends, the mice: the hedgehog claims that they steal the squirrel's supplies. Little by little, the hedgehog incites all the forest dwellers against each other and gets each of them to spread his false information. By the time the animals realize their mistake in the spring, the purveyor of hate has moved on to the next forest.

CHILDREN'S / 7+

SLAVI STOEV is a psychologist working in the field of personal and organisational development. His first works were published in 2018 and were aimed at offering guidance to children in their exploration of their inner world and the one surrounding them. The purpose of the books was to teach children how to cope with any life situation. Slavi Stoev strives to talk about important issues in a comprehensible language that is also interesting both to the children and to their parents. He is a father and a lover of life.

MATEYA ARKOVA is a Bulgarian freelance illustrator. She paints both digitally and with watercolour. She has created illustrations for Bulgarian and foreign publishers. Her works are recognizable for their dynamic feeling and the ethereal quality of the images and the space.

PRAISE

This open ending is how the wonderfully condensed allegorical story by Slavi Stoev, who, as a psychologist, is familiar with such emotional triggers, comes to a close. His tone remains clear and

GABRIEL ANCTIL (TEXT), JOSÉE
TELLIER (ILLUSTRATIONS)
THE KING OF HOCKEY

CLIENT: STATION T

MATERIAL: FULL MS (48 PP, some B&W
illustrations)

PUBLISHER: MÉCANIQUE GÉNÉRALE

PUB DATE: OCTOBER 2023

RIGHTS SOLD:

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Théo has been lonely since his brother fell ill. To entertain himself, he plays field hockey with his friends. On June 9, 1993, on his way home from school, Théo received the best present of his life from his father: a ticket to accompany him to the field hockey match between his favorite team, the Montreal Canadiens, and the Los Angeles Kings. This was his first trip to the Forum, where he would witness the exploits of his hero: Patrick Roy.

Will the CH win the Stanley Cup? And what if more good news comes at the same time? An action-packed story that will appeal to readers who need to keep things moving!

Writer, journalist, photographer and father, **GABRIEL ANCTIL** has published some 30 books for readers of all ages, including *Sillonner les chemins du monde* (Somme toute, 2021). He's also an inquisitive soul and a sports enthusiast. He was a teenager in 1993 and vividly remembers the last championship won by his favorite team: the Montreal Canadiens.

An illustrator for over 20 years, **JOSÉE TELLIER** has contributed to the success of several children's book series, including *Le Journal d'Aurélie Laflamme* and the *Raconte-moi* series. A sports fan since childhood, her heart sways between baseball and the glorious history of the Montreal Canadiens. Josée has precious memories of the Tricolore's Stanley Cup victories in 1986 and 1993: the red, white and blue will run through her veins forever!

CHILDREN'S / MIDDLE GRADE



ISABELLE TRÉPANIER (TEXT), MARIE-ÈVE TURGEON (ILLUSTRATIONS)

NO TURNING BACK

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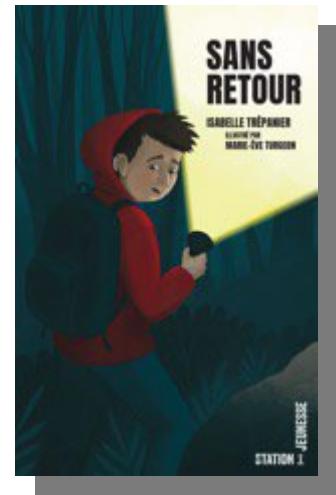
MATERIAL: FULL MS (60 PP)

PUBLISHER: MÉCANIQUE GÉNÉRALE

PUB DATE: JANUARY 2025

RIGHTS SOLD:

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A captivating story that gently tackles difference, love and courage.

Because he will never accept it.

Because just imagining it makes him suffer.

Will he decide to give up everything?

Jonah and Romeo are the same age, but they are not twins: as luck would have it, Romeo arrived at his foster family's on the day that Jonah was born. Jonah is deaf, Romeo mute. But they understand each other in silence.

CHILDREN'S / 9+

Originally from Abitibi, **ISABELLE TRÉPANIER** studied sociology, linguistics and speech therapy. After a twenty-year career as a speech therapist, she enrolled in a graduate diploma in children's literature. Throughout her professional life, Isabelle has helped many children acquire the words that allow them to express themselves. Today, she offers them her own words with this first novel, which tells the touching story of two brothers who must face a devastating ordeal together.

Born in the Lower Laurentians, **MARIE-ÈVE TURGEON** always knew that she wanted to become an illustrator. With this book she recognized the character's torments, because it was only in her thirties that she had the was diagnosed with ADHD, the explanation for a lot of her challenges throughout her school years. Nature is one of her main sources of inspiration.





AURÉLIE FREYTAG (TEXT), MICHELLE MONTILLO (ILLUSTRATIONS)

MINNE AND THE SECRET LANGUAGE OF OBJECTS

CLIENT: ÉDITIONS DENT-DE-LION

MATERIAL: FULL FRENCH MS. (84 PP) 12 x 15,5 cm

PUB DATE (CANADA): MARCH 2021

RIGHTS HELD: WORLD



Minne lives with parents who behave awfully, when one day the objects in her house begin to talk to her. Through their dialogues, the violence and the abuse Minne is subjected to in her daily life reveal themselves. For the birthday of this cat-kid, her sister visits her. That day, the Minne's life will change completely.

AURÉLIE FREYTAG grew up in Dieppe, Normandy. She holds a doctorate in the epistemology of literature and lives in Montreal, where she publishes intimate, poetic and feminist zines under the name *Dans mes yeux*.

MICHELLE MONTILLA was born in Venezuela and immigrated to Canada at the age of 9. She works as an illustrator under the name *Rebel Heart Club*.

FICTION / CHILDREN'S / 9+



alors rien ne sert de paniquer. On a un peu de temps pour y penser et peut-être que Minne aura des idées... En attendant, on ne peut pas continuer à bavarder comme ça devant la mère, si jamais elle se mettait à nous comprendre, il n'y aurait plus rien à faire. Silence, donc, à partir de maintenant! déclare Helena à ses comparses, sachant que ni Clarisse ni Léon n'oseront lui tenir tête.

C'est qu'elle a du coffre, la Matriochka, et de l'écho en plus de ça, avec ses coeurs de poupées et toutes ces petites bouches qui n'hésiteront pas à clamer* avec elle ce qui doit être répété plus fort.

Clarisse, quant à elle, n'a jamais aimé discuter. Elle est précise, un peu froide et bien rodée, convaincue que le moindre écart de pensée risque de lui faire perdre sa ponctualité. « C'est tout ce que j'ai, moi, du temps, et vous n'avez aucune idée à quel point ça se perd rapidement! » se plaît-elle à répéter à qui veut

* Clamer, c'est dire quelque chose avec une voix forte et sans peur.



— Tu sais, demain ta sœur va venir pour célébrer ton anniversaire.

— Oh oui! s'exclame-t-elle avec joie, abandonnant soudain toute trace d'inquiétude. Je suis la seule de la famille qu'elle aime vraiment, et même que je ne me vante pas, c'est elle qui me l'a dit.

— On le sait bien, pardi*! Ça fait longtemps qu'on vous regarde.

— Ah oui! J'avais oublié, de répondre mollement la petite, clairement la tête ailleurs.

— Écoute, Minne, je ne sais pas comment te parler de ça, alors je vais essayer d'aller droit au but.

— D'accord.

— Tu sais, parfois, ton papa te dit d'aller avec lui dans la salle de bain.

— Oui... répond-elle hésitante, les genoux serrés contre son corps recroqueillé.

— Et quand tu sors de la salle de bain, tu as de

* C'est un synonyme de bien sûr.



ALAIN ULYSSE TREMBLAY (TEXT), MARIE-EVE TREMBLAY (ILLUSTRATIONS)

JONATHAN'S GIFT

THE JUPI FAMILY VOL. 3

CLIENT: PRODUCTIONS SOMME TOUTE

MATERIAL: FULL MS (88 PP, 17 x 11)

PUBLISHER: STATION T

PUB DATE: OCTOBER 2024

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A story about the death of a father, told with sensitivity and imagination

“Luckily, I had my father. Otherwise I don't know what would have become of me. I would probably still be wondering what all that stuff is for: mathematics, science and that weird stuff that scientists talk about in their books.

I am Jonathan, the eldest son of the eminent astrophysicist Julien Ferenczi. I am proud of my father. When there are questions that are bothering me, I just go down to his laboratory in the basement. Dad always has time to answer me. Well, he used to always have time...

Since dad left us so suddenly, it's just not the same at home. Mom cries often. Jonas, my brother, makes a terrible racket. He doesn't want to think about dad, about his death. And Jog, my dog, is sad. He doesn't understand where his master has gone. Besides, nobody understands. Except maybe me...”

Le don de Jonathan, the third volume of the children's series *La famille Jupi*, introduces an unusual family whose life is full of extraordinary events and stories. Until the day their father disappears, leaving an aura of mystery and sadness. Two children, two adults and the dog, each member of the family presents their version in a volume: in the 1st volume *My Father is a Jupi*, we find the youngest son Jonas; in the 2nd volume *The Book of Jog*, there is Jog, the dog, and finally in this 3rd volume, we find Jonathan, the eldest son.

ALAIN ULYSSE TREMBLAY has had a thousand jobs, including a few years as a street worker and as a journalist for the newspaper *L'itinéraire*. He has taught communications at the University of Quebec in Montreal. He has written for both young people and adults. The magazine *Stop* has published two of his short stories, one of which won a special mention.

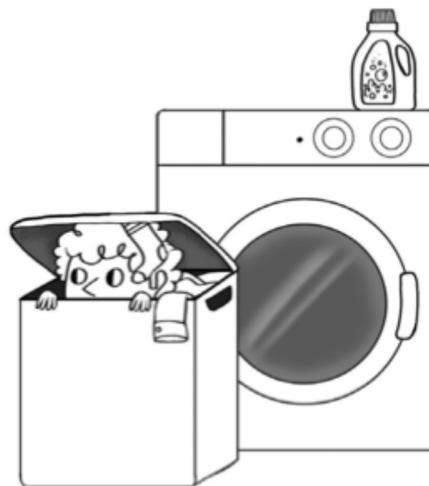
A globetrotter, **MARIE-ÈVE TREMBLAY** draws her inspiration from her trips abroad, from nature and from everyday situations. She creates images in warm tones, marked by a singular candour and a gentle madness.

CHILDREN'S / MIDDLE GRADE

On s'est retrouvés sur le trottoir, Jog et moi, reliés par sa laisse. Nous allions atteindre le parc lorsque papa est sorti de l'épicerie, un sac à la main.



dans la salle de lavage, juste à côté du laboratoire de papa. Sauf que je ne comprenais jamais rien de ce qu'ils disaient. Avec les étrangers, mon père parlait une langue incompréhensible.





ALAIN ULYSSE TREMBLAY (TEXT),
MARIE-EVE TREMBLAY (ILLUSTRATIONS)
THE BOOK OF JOG
THE JUPI FAMILY VOL. 2
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The Book of Jog is the second volume in the children's series *The Jipi Family*. We are given the thoughts of the family's pet dog, who is worried following a catastrophe in the family: a devious alien threat, which is hiding in the guise of the father. This animal will do everything in its power to protect its loved ones with love and ferocity. This choral story allows us to follow the captivating adventures of this family while focusing on the experiences of the members, one at a time.



faisait des piqûres, fouillait dans mes oreilles,
voulait voir mes dents, et ainsi de suite.

Le Vétérinaire, c'était le Maître des
méchants.

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CHILDREN'S / MIDDLE GRADE



ALAIN ULYSSE TREMBLAY (TEXT),
MARIE-EVE TREMBLAY (ILLUSTRATIONS)
MY DAD IS A JUPI
THE JUPI FAMILY VOL. 2

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This is the story of a family that was leading a beautiful life in a large house. Everything was going well. They were very happy together. And then there was this dreadful catastrophe. Life suddenly changed. Since then, the young protagonist has been wondering what really happened. He feels that he is not being told everything. But he wants to know, even though he is only ten years old. And he will find out. He is determined to extract the truth from anyone who might know it, starting with the members of his own family. He is patient.

The first volume in a series of five books about the Jupi family, each volume presenting the version of one of the five family members. Each novel brings new details about the life and tragic end of the father. The denouement will surprise more than one person.

CHILDREN'S / MIDDLE GRADE

intrigant. Alors je me cachais dans la salle de lavage, juste à côté, et je l'observais par l'entrebâillement de la porte.



DANIELLE MARCOTTE (TEXT), NINE
(ILLUSTRATIONS)
MORGANE'S WISH

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MATERIAL: FULL MS (96 PP, some B&W
illustrations)

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Morgane's whims exasperate Madeleine, her nanny. When Luc, her father, asks her what she wants for Christmas, and Morgane replies that she wants red clogs, Madeleine explodes: after the bridge over the clouds and the green pelican that whispers "I love you" when you press down on its belly, now it's red clogs? You can't just give this child everything she fancies! But Morgane insists on it. She read in her book that red clogs were the solution. Since her mother's death, she's been doing everything she can to talk to her, to feel her close again. Especially since Luc is working harder than ever. What will it take for father and daughter to let go of the woman they've lost and realize that they're both still very much alive?

DANIELLE MARCOTTE has written twenty-four books, for adults and young people. Some of these have earned her national and international recognition: *Poil de serpent, dent d'araignée* - M. Christie Award 1997 and IBBY Honour List 1998. *Les sabots rouges* - finalist for the 2005 Governor General's Awards. *Au lit, Moka!* written in collaboration with Laurence Aurélie, selected for The White Ravens 2011 at the Bologna Children's Book Fair. Danielle Marcotte has experienced many bereavements in her life and, like Morgane, she reads a lot, which helped her write this text with accuracy.

NINE is Virginie Ferré. Born in France, she now lives in Montreal with her family. Divided between her roles as mother, graphic designer and illustrator, she also passes on her passion to the elementary school children who take her drawing classes after school. Although she usually works in graphite and watercolor, she doesn't hesitate to explore other techniques, such as ink and engraving, to express with her sensitivity the harshness as well as the beauty of the world and human relationships. Childhood and adolescence are her favorite worlds, with their abundance and intensity of emotions.

CHILDREN'S / 9+



JIM COCKIN

GHOST TIDE

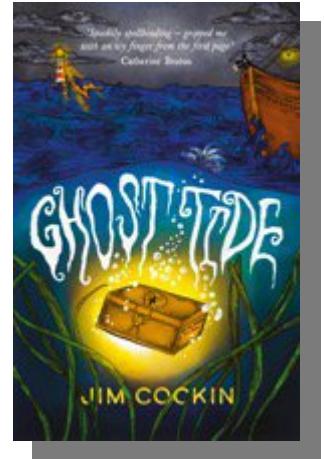
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Don't open the box, warned the old man.

But Charlie can't help himself...

'An action-packed emotional rollercoaster of an adventure story' **Anne-Marie Conway**

Fourteen-year-old London schoolboy Charlie has been looking forward to playing football with his mates in the Christmas holidays. Instead he is packed off to the wilds of the East Anglian coast to stay with an uncle he barely knows.

It's going to be a tough week. Uncle Patrick's ramshackle house doesn't have wi-fi, his daughter Ariel seems determined to be vile – and who are the mysterious children laughing after dark in the empty bedroom next to Charlie's?

When Charlie finds an ancient brass box buried on the beach, he unleashes a chilling sequence of events. At least these bring him and his grumpy cousin together, as the pair battle to solve the mystery of the 'box of souls' and re-capture the violent ghostly presence wreaking havoc around the town.

A stirring spine-chiller, *Ghost Tide* is a spooky, unforgettable tale of restless spirits and youthful heroism.

JIM COCKIN worked for fifteen years as a television journalist at ITV, the BBC and Sky Sports. In his time as a broadcaster he covered everything from Premier League football to fires, floods and the Suffolk Show. He also produced documentaries for Sky Arts and has many years' experience working in the communications industry.

He studied English and Social & Political Science at Cambridge University. *Ghost Tide* is his first novel.

PRAISE

‘I love, love, loved Jim Cockin’s spookily spellbinding gothic ghost story, which gripped me with an icy finger from the very first page and left me pale and breathless by the last. Perfect for fans of Penelope Lively and *Malamander*. A spectacular debut!’ **Catherine Bruton**

‘I was with Charlie every step of the way on this action-packed emotional rollercoaster of an adventure story. It grabs you from the first page and transports you to an exhilarating world of buried treasure, evil skulduggery and breathtaking discoveries’ **Anne-Marie Conway**

OLIVIER PHILIPPONNEAU
(ILLUSTRATIONS) & RENAUD
FARACE (TEXT)

DETECTIVE ROLLMOPS

CLIENT: THE HOOCHIE COOCHIE

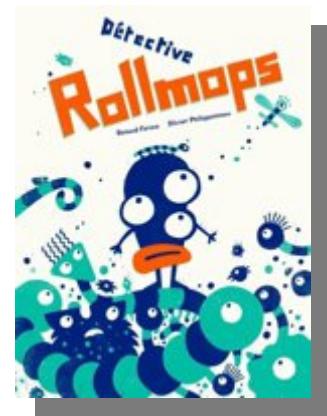
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NOMINATED FOR THE CHILDREN'S AWARD ANGOULÈME 2014

DéTECTIVE ROLLMOPS is an exceptional work whose successful challenge is none other than to make experimental comics accessible to the very young. Each of Detective Rollmops' eleven investigations gives rise to a mini-story that calls for a reading game or manipulation of the book, involving the reader in solving the enigma.

The album combines illustration and comic strips. Tales that double back on themselves, that can be read both ways, labyrinths, folding puzzles, musical riddles and much more! These are just a few of the fun ways to explore and reflect on the literary object. The investigations are punctuated by Renaud Farace's literary discoveries and numerous puns, adapted to their respective themes, and the whole is magnificently illustrated by Olivier Philipponneau's woodcuts.

OLIVIER PHILIPPONNEAU is a graphic designer, illustrator and cartoonist living and working in Paris.

A 2004 graduate of Penninghen, he discovered woodcutting in 2003 during a semester at the CCA in San Francisco.

Woodcutting is his preferred technique. His comic strips reflect a quirky universe, based on reading games and strange little characters. These experiments can be found in the magazines of "The Hoochie Coochie" collective, for which he also holds editorial roles.

In 2013, his book "DéTECTIVE ROLLMOPS", co-created with Renaud Farace, applies the writing constraints of OUBAPO (Ouvroir de bande dessinée potentielle), adapted to both young and adult readers. This singular album meets with success, confirmed by its selection at the Angoulême International Comics Festival in 2014.

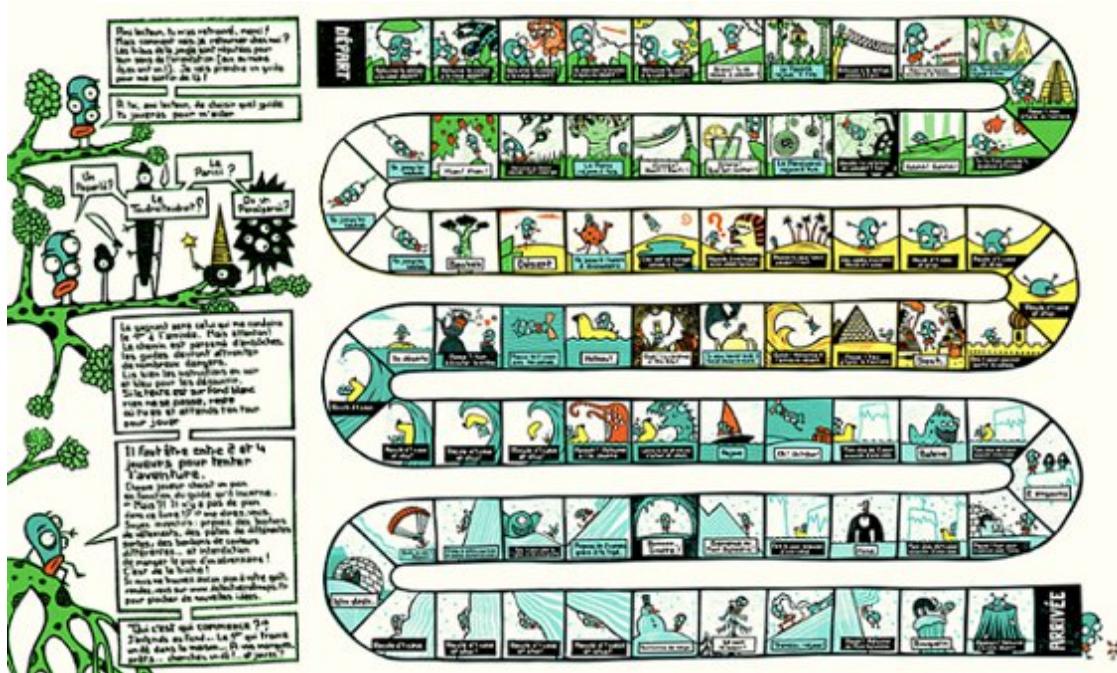
In 2020, "Amimots" won the Prix Sorcières in the "Carrément beau mini" category.

Olivier Philipponneau designs and stages his own exhibitions, which are regularly presented at festivals.

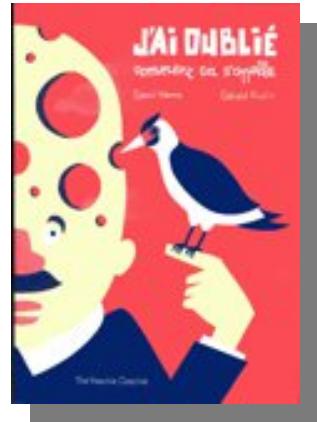
Born in Zagreb to an engineer father in the oil industry, **RENAUD FARACE** spent his entire childhood abroad. To alleviate the boredom of the many hours of flying that brought him back to France every holiday, he devoured the comic-book periodicals that fell into his lap, and began to write his own stories. The Beaux-Arts seemed tempting, but he opted for a diploma in Psychology before heading back to comics, and created several fanzines. He won the Young Talents competition at Angoulême Festival with his *Querelle des Arbres*, joining the stables of the biggest publishers, earning his daily oats... Today, he wears the double hats of author/illustrator for young people and cartoonist, and runs numerous workshops for all audiences.

PRAISE

The Hoochie Coochie's first children's project, *Détective Rollmops* is sure to live up to its motto: "for children aged 7 to 77". With its graphic virtuosity, intelligent narrative systems and exceptional format and production, there's no doubt that this book will transcend genres and categories: from play book to art book, and from interactive book to investigation. A contributor to The Hoochie Coochie adventure since Turkey Comix n°1, Olivier Philipponneau has already illustrated four children's books published by MeMo, Auzou and Frimousse, using his preferred woodcut technique. With Renaud Farace at his side, pulling the strings as an eminent juggler of words, *Détective Rollmops* is set to become the new must-have hero for all the kids out there! Unless their perverse parents prefer to keep this book on their own bedside table... **BD Fugue**



GÉRALD AUCLIN & DANIIL HARMS
I FORGET WHAT IT'S
CALLED
AND OTHER POEMS WITHOUT
RHYME OR REASON



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J'ai oublié comment ça s'appelle is the unlikely collaboration across borders and time between Russian poet Daniil Harms (1905-1942) and French collage artist Gérald Auclin (b. 1981). French audiences are most familiar with Daniil Harms' texts for adults, some of which Gérald Auclin has already beautifully adapted into paper cut-outs in *Incidents*. However, Daniil Harms is also the author of vertiginous and hilarious texts for children, now considered classics of Russian children's literature. Once again, Mr. Auclin has decided to pay homage to this master of the absurd with a scalpel.

In 48 pages and 18 texts, all adapted as paper cut-outs, future generations will be able to grow up with the benevolent complicity of this legendary "literary rogue" - as the Stalinist press called him.

Parents, don't hesitate any longer, and send your children off to tell the bookseller: "I've forgotten what it's called! "We guarantee a warm welcome!

A great admirer of Hergé and Charlie Schlingo, **GÉRALD AUCLIN** began his career as an author and publisher at the Ecole Supérieure de l'Image d'Angoulême, where he met Gautier Ducatez and François Henninger. In January 2003, he founded the short-lived Dame Pipi Productions, which published the magazine Dame Pipi Comix, books and printed objects.

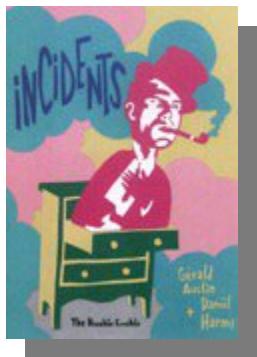
Preferring to leave the joys of paperwork and distribution to his friend Gautier, he now devotes himself exclusively to his work as author and editor-in-chief of Dame Pipi Comix, which, renamed DMPP for the occasion, became part of The Hoochie Coochie in 2008.

A tragic figure in Soviet letters, **DANIIL HARMS** was a poet, dramatist, and short-story writer who stood as a "representative of avant-garde trends in the Soviet literature before Socialist Realism was declared the only acceptable form of artistic expression," commented a biographer on the *Kirjasto.sci.fi* Web site. During his lifetime, Harms was known as a children's writer, with an example of his poetry or one of his absurdist short stories occasionally appearing in an underground literary magazine. Most of Harms's other works were suppressed, destroyed, or stored in private archives, where they "were rediscovered in the late 1960s," stated the *Kirjasto.sci.fi* Web

site reviewer, further noting that "today his fame rests chiefly on his experimental, absurd prose pieces."



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GÉRALD AUCLIN & DANIIL HARMS INCIDENTS STORIES FOR CHILDREN AND FOOLS

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Made entirely of paper cut-outs, *Incidents* is the culmination of five years of relentless cutting. And in this play of rough shapes and colors accumulated by Gérald Auclin, Harms' poetry is at its most comfortable. Dada pantomime? Suprematist puppets? Any link with the pictorial avant-gardes of the early twentieth century is not coincidental. But make no mistake: these Incidents are in no way abstract, for the words of the outcast poet, with their absurd, dazzling false lightness, bear witness to the violence of everyday Russian life in the 1920s and 1930s.



ALASTAIR HUMPHREYS

THE GIRL WHO ROWED THE OCEAN

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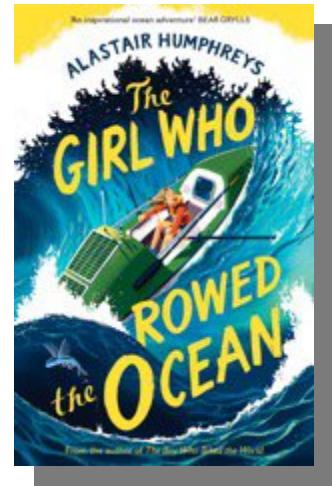
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'An inspirational ocean adventure' Bear Grylls

Lucy wants to explore the world, and do something daring and difficult. But people laugh at her when she hatches a plan to row across the Atlantic Ocean.

So her family rallies round to help prepare for the journey, loading her boat with supplies for 3,000 miles of rowing. Her school friends follow her from afar, learning about the ocean, its wildlife and pollution.

Alone at sea, Lucy faces seasickness, storms and a very sore bottom, not to mention close encounters with ships and a humpback whale. Yet there are also the joys of wandering seabirds, shooting stars and magical sunsets, as she finds she is capable of more than she ever imagined.

Step aboard and join Lucy on her life-changing adventure to become the girl who rowed the ocean.

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He is a qualified teacher.

PRAISE

‘Lucy’s epic voyage brought back happy memories of my own ocean crossings. It’s a realistic and inspiring tale of adventure at sea’ **Sarah Outen**

‘The perfect handbook for anyone young or old in search of adventure’ **Steve Backshall**

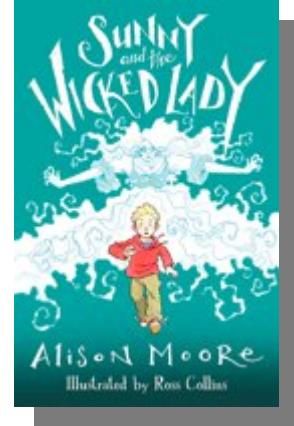
‘Rowing the Atlantic and caring for our wild places are very close to my heart. Well done, Lucy!’ **Ben Fogle**

‘We need more young people like Lucy getting active and having adventures in the freedom of nature’ **Helen Glover**

‘Lucy’s adventures at sea have an authenticity that comes from the author’s own experiences in a rowing boat. Alastair Humphreys has perhaps penned his most inspirational work yet’ **LoveReading4Kids**

‘Alastair Humphreys’ writing style is warm and engaging. I wanted to keep reading, staying with Lucy through every moment of her adventure. I’m sure my own 12-year-old adventurers will really enjoy this exciting and inspirational story’ **Scope for Imagination**

ALISON MOORE
SUNNY AND THE WICKED
LADY



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A notoriously scary ghost is supposed to haunt the ruined medieval castle where Sunny and his friends are spending the day. But when a troubling visitor arrives at the antique shop, it turns out the danger is closer to home than they thought . . .

ALISON MOORE's first novel, *The Lighthouse*, was shortlisted for the Man Booker Prize and the National Book Awards (New Writer of the Year), winning the McKitterick Prize. Both *The Lighthouse* and her second novel, *He Wants*, were *Observer* Books of the Year. Her short fiction has been included in *Best British Short Stories* and *Best British Horror* anthologies, broadcast on BBC Radio 4 Extra and collected in *The Pre-War House and Other Stories*. Born in Manchester in 1971, she lives near Nottingham with her husband Dan and son Arthur.

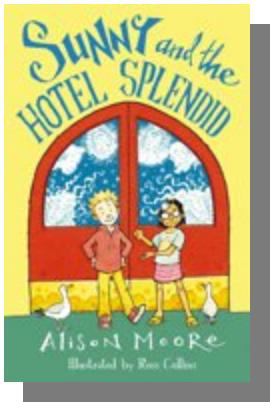
ROSS COLLINS was born in Glasgow, Scotland quite a while ago. At that time would eat anything and resembled a currant bun. Ross still enjoys precariously swinging backwards on chairs. He lives in Glasgow with a strange woman, a small child and a stupid dog.

PRAISE

'The language and structure of the story are perfectly pitched to engage young readers whilst avoiding condescension. Indeed, there is plenty to entertain readers of all ages. The adventures related are enhanced by the wonderful illustrations. Along with the previous books in the series, this is a story of bravery and friendship that I highly recommend.' —**Jackie Law**, *Never Imitate*



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ALISON MOORE SUNNY AND THE HOTEL SPLENDID

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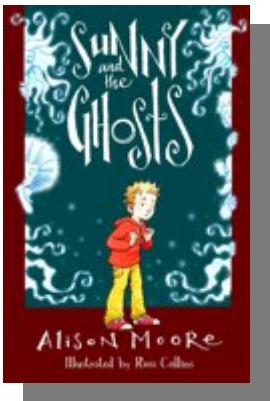
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On the hottest day of the year, Ana Sharma and her mum check in to the Hotel Splendid, a place where bells seem to ring all by themselves, jam pots and milk jugs appear on the breakfast table as if by magic, and things go bump in the night. The Hotel Splendid has a problem. When Ana and Sunny meet, they come up with a solution, but one problem leads to another. Meanwhile, the hotel is harbouring an unexpected guest ...



ALISON MOORE SUNNY AND THE GHOSTS

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Sometimes, when you open a door or lift a lid, you find exactly what you expected to find: coats in the coat cupboard, bread in the bread bin, toys in the toy box. And sometimes you don't.

When Sunny's parents buy an antique shop, they get more than they bargained for: in some of the old furniture, Sunny finds ghosts. Each of the ghosts has an unfulfilled desire, something they never did in their lifetime: Walter wants to learn to read, Violet wants to write a novel, Mary and Elsie want to go to the seaside. While Sunny is trying to help them all, it seems someone else is out to cause trouble...

'Moore's charming novel, skilfully illustrated by Collins, is about an antique shop whose furniture is haunted by ghosts with unfulfilled dreams and the boy who befriends them.' —**Nicolette Jones**, *The Sunday Times*

★★★★★ 'The plot moves along quickly, and once Sunny finds one ghost, more seem to appear every day, popping up in all sorts of odd places around the shop. It's all jolly, apart from the puzzle of who, or what, is behind the trouble in the shop. Sunny's parents seem inclined to give him the benefit of the

doubt, and don't blame him for it, but I'm not sure they really believe his tale of ghosts either. With a little help from his spectral friends though Sunny manages to track down the trouble maker, and find a way to settle the problem. Further stories are planned so this looks like being the beginning of quite an adventure for Sunny and the Ghosts.' —*Our Book Reviews*

'The story is set in an old junk shop in Devon stuffed with more than its fair share of ghosts, who arrive, wistfully attached to the bric-a-brac, in the state in which they died. There's pyjama-clad Herbert; Walter, a miner who never learned to read (Sunny teaches him); Violet, who's writing a novel (in a meta-literary touch, it turns out to be *Sunny and the Ghosts*); and many others, including a mischief-maker who fills the shop with cats. This is a gentle, intelligent and warm novel about friendship and imagination for children of seven and up.' —**Philip Womack**, *Literary Review*

ALASTAIR HUMPHREYS

THE BOY WHO BIKE THE WORLD

PART ONE: ON THE ROAD TO AFRICA

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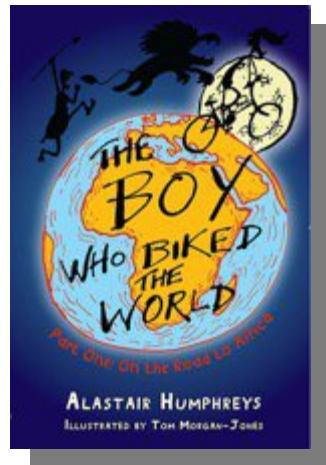
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Part one of the bestselling trilogy

Discover Africa by bicycle in Book One of a children's adaptation of Alastair Humphreys' journey around the world.

In this charming caricature of the author's own circumnavigation by bike, we meet Tom, an adventurous boy who feels there must be more to life than school.

We follow him as he leaves England, cycling through Europe and all the way through Africa to the tip of South Africa. Along the way, young readers are introduced not only to the various fascinating landscapes he passes through, but also to the people who embrace him as he travels.

With engaging illustrations and journal entries throughout, this delightful series provides an immersive experience for any young adventurer.

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He is the best-selling author of 14 books, including *Great Adventurers*, which won the Stanford's Children's Travel Book of the Year and the Teach Primary Award for Non-Fiction.

He has written eight books for Eye including the best-selling **The Boy Who Biked the World** trilogy, a series of novels for 9–12-year-olds based on the real-life adventures he recounted in **Moods of Future Joys, Thunder and Sunshine** and **Ten Lessons from the Road**. His more recent **The Girl Who Rowed the Ocean** is a similarly novelised version of his transatlantic crossing.

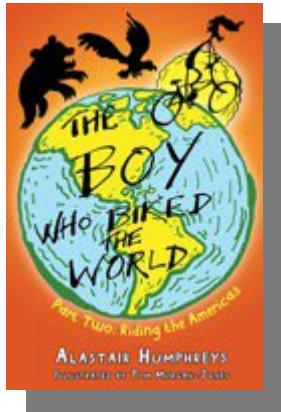
He is a qualified teacher.

PRAISE

'It's entertaining but it also educates with its abundance of information, and is sure to inspire. A perfect choice for any parent of a would-be cycle adventurer' **Women's Cycling**

'An enjoyable adventure story packed full of facts. Would make great discussion points for primary school kids if used as a class reader, and it is also cross-curricular, covering subjects such as geography, religion, languages and a number of other subjects' **Book Zone For Boys**

ALSO AVAILABLE



ALASTAIR HUMPHREYS
THE BOY WHO BIKE'D THE WORLD
PART TWO: RIDING THE AMERICAS

CLIENT: LIGHTNING BOOKS
PUBLISHER: LIGHTNING BOOKS
MATERIAL: FULL MS (192 PP)
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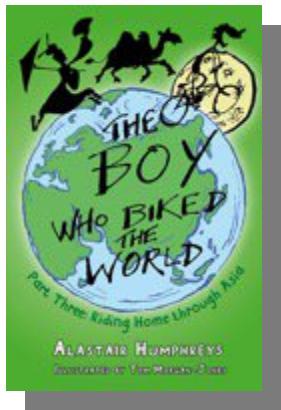
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Tom dreamed of being an adventurer, but people told him he was crazy, so he decided to prove them wrong by cycling round the world.

The first book of adventures followed Tom across Europe and through the mysterious landscapes of Africa.

In Part Two, he pedals north from the tip of South America up through the Americas towards Alaska. He must contend with deserts, jungles and the massive mountains of the Andes. He meets grizzly bears, fascinating locals and even a memorable guinea pig. Tom learns about the world, and himself, as he tackles this epic journey.

Based on the author's personal experiences and with engaging illustrations, maps and handwritten journal entries throughout, this book provides an immersive experience for any young adventurer.



ALASTAIR HUMPHREYS
THE BOY WHO BIKE THE WORLD
PART THREE: RIDING HOME THROUGH ASIA

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PUBLISHER: LIGHTNING BOOKS

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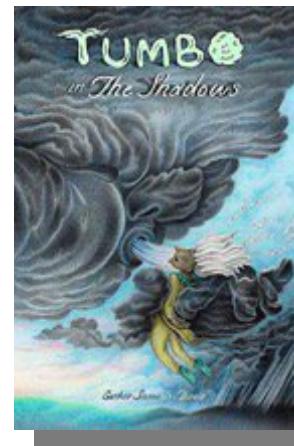
Tom dreamed of being an adventurer. People told him he was crazy, so he decided to prove them wrong by cycling round the world.

In Books One and Two, Tom crossed Europe and Africa, then pedalled through the Americas to Alaska. In Part Three, the final leg of his journey, he continues to have amazing experiences. He braves the freezing temperatures of Siberia, rides behind reindeer in Russia, floats in a Japanese pool watched by monkeys and follows the Great Wall of China. Finally, he bikes back home to England.

Tom learns about the world, and himself, as he tackles this epic journey. Based on the author's own personal adventure, and with engaging illustrations, maps and handwritten journal entries throughout, *The Boy Who Biked the World* offers an immersive experience to any young adventurer.

ESTHER SAMUELS-DAVIS
TUMBO IN THE SHADOWS

CLIENT: TAOTIME BOOKS
MATERIAL: FULL MS (216 PP)
PUB DATE (USA): MARCH 2022
RIGHTS SOLD:
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Heartfelt and fantasyful, *Tumbo in The Shadows* forges a path through the uncharted territory of self-rediscovery.

After his identity goes up in smoke, Tumbo must learn how to harness the spark left inside, feeling his way out of melancholy before it becomes him. A lighthearted journey through the shadowy depths of the soul, this modern fairytale explores and questions the meaning of finding life's purpose.

ESTHER SAMUELS-DAVIS was born and raised in Catskill, a small town in upstate New York. In 2005 she moved to Oakland, California to study at California College of the Arts, where she concentrated in printmaking and illustration. After school Esther worked as a letterpress printer at Carrot and Stick Press until 2013 when she moved to Berlin. There Esther put her focus into writing and illustrating books. Since moving she's interned for puppet maker Georg Jenisch, helped to organize the Hungry Eyes Zinefest, and illustrated for theater productions at Acker Stadt Palast, Literally Speaking Berlin, and the podcast Love and Radio. Her drawings and prose can be found in Maker's Magazine and were featured on the Maker's Movement blog. Esther's first published picture book, *Togetherverse*, was published in October 2019 by Taotime Verlag.

CHILDREN'S FICTION / 9+



PRAISE

“A beautifully illustrated journey through the eyes of Tumbo. Tumbo discovers his purpose and the reader is provided with a front row seat. The tale twists and flows in a wonderful, smooth path through an imaginary world of imaginary worlds. I read this in one evening and finished feeling as if I'd been resting on a fluffy cloud. It was like a long, guided meditation. Beautiful!” **LibraryThing Review, 5 stars**

“The beautifully illustrated fairytale takes you on a splendid, emotional journey. Joy, sorrow, and wonder are just a few of the evoked feelings. Told at the perfect pace, this was a joy to finish in one day. The emotions and the imagery really allow the reader to feel like part of the story and truly picture the thoughts and actions. The senior center puns are well done and absolutely hilarious. However, the best experience of this book is the ending messages: follow your own dreams, it is what's inside that counts, forgiving others helps to forgive yourself and most importantly, enjoy the present. This book left me with a lighter heart and thoughts of a better future.” **LibraryThing Review, 5 stars**

JULIA PIETRI

THE LITTLE GUIDE TO YOUR FANNY VOL.2

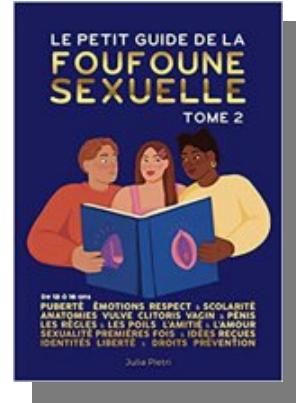
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MATERIAL: FULL MS. (149 PP)

PUB DATE (FRANCE): JUNE 2022

PUBLISHER: BETTER CALL JULIA

RIGHTS HELD: WORLD excl. FRENCH (EUROPE)



After the success of Volume 1 for children aged 6 to 12, here is the one for teenagers. In this book, the author Julia Pietri talks about puberty with kindness and inclusiveness. No subject is avoided. Emotions, respect and school life are discussed, but also everything to do with the body. In this book which is for both genders, we learn about periods, hair, but also about friendship and love! During this period of life, there are a lot of first times, and the book addresses them and gives answers to the questions that arise, without preconceptions and stereotypes.

This little guide advocates gender equality, and addresses the notions of identity and freedom, without forgetting to talk about the rights and necessary knowledge about safety and risks that are essential to help us grow up in a happy and caring atmosphere.

JULIA PIETRI is a militant feminist of the fourth wave. She defines herself as a humanist feminist: she likes to think that feminism is for everyone and that sex is just one more tool, certainly very contemporary, for deconstructing sexist codes. She is the author of the bestseller *At Our Fingertips* (*Le petit guide de la masturbation féminine*), over 15 000 copies sold and licensed in Germany, Spain and Québec. Self-taught, she is the founder of the street art collective Merci Simone: mercisimone.eu, of the @GangduClito movement: www.instagram.com/gangduclito, and of the hashtag #ItsNotaBretzel: www.itsnotabretzel.com

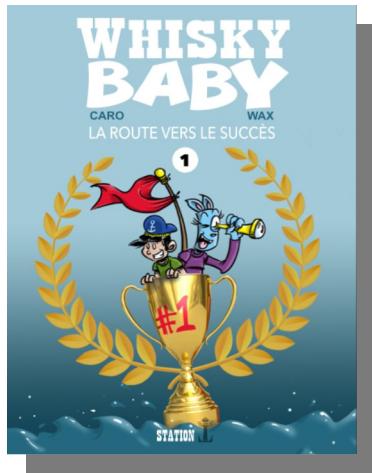
NON FICTION / SEXOLOGY / CHILDREN'S / 12+

YOUNG ADULT

GRAPHIC

CARO & WAX
WHISKY BABY
THE ROUTE TO SUCCESS

CLIENT: SOMME TOUTE
MATERIAL: FULL MS (60 PP)
PUBLISHER: STATION T
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Gus and Marcus explore a vast and promising world, their heads full of ambitions. Who will I become? When will I become?

Become.

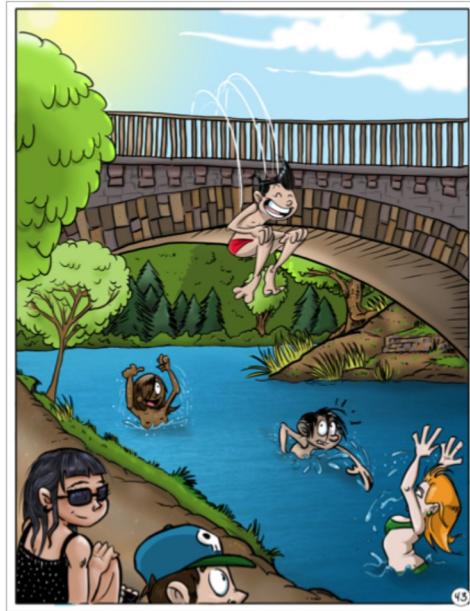
A word that sometimes erases the simple fact of *being*.

Whisky Baby is not a simple story. It is a guide to accepting that you are the rule in a world full of exceptions; it is a poignant and sincere journey that invites you to redefine your vision of success. And don't be fooled by the cheerful style and vibrant colors: *Whisky Baby* is a story that doesn't end well.

An arts enthusiast, **WAX** takes on projects under various pseudonyms as a multidisciplinary artist. A musician in various groups, he has also composed around ten soundtracks for the theater, notably for the *Satellite Théâtre* troupe. His passion has led him to host the podcast *La Paire d'Écouteurs*, which he has been hosting for more than ten years. However, it was through comic strips that he first encountered this three-letter word (ART). As a young child, Wax literally devoured the pages of his Asterix comics. Amazed by these colorful vignettes that followed one another, creating a story, a world to travel through full of emotions.

CAROLANE, born in Trois-Rivières, has an atypical background combining humor and structure. A former improvisation player, she is a graduate of the École nationale de l'humour and holds a bachelor's degree in administration, specializing in labor law. She has appeared on VRAK TV's ALT, at comedy festivals and in various podcasts. She now lives in Montreal after spending time in Gatineau for her studies.

YA / COMIC



TRACY WHITE
UNACCOMPANIED
STORIES OF BRAVE TEENAGERS
SEEKING ASYLUM

CLIENT: STREET NOISE BOOKS

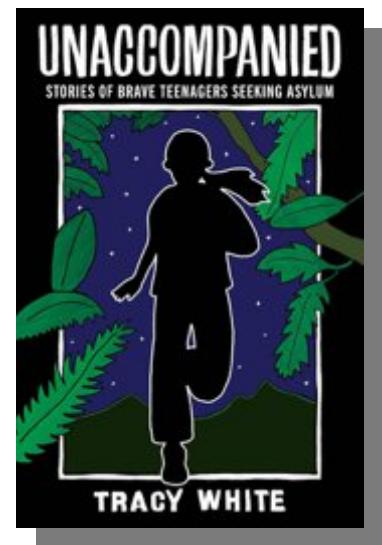
MATERIAL: FULL MS (168 PP, 15,24 x 22,61)

PUBLISHER: STREET NOISE BOOKS

PUB DATE: JUNE 2023

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One of the 2024 Best Graphic Novels for Teens by the American Library Association

Life at home is so unbearable that these kids will risk their lives and face colossal challenges to escape to the United States and find safety.

This book tells the true stories of five brave teens fleeing their home countries of Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, and Guinea, on their own, traveling through unknown and unfriendly places, and ultimately crossing into the US to find refuge and seek asylum. Based on extensive interviews with teen refugees, lawyers, caseworkers, and activists, Tracy White shines a light on five individual kids from among the tens of thousands of unaccompanied minors who enter the US each year. In stark black and white illustrations, she helps us understand why some young people would literally risk their lives to seek safety in the US. Each one of them has been backed into a corner where emigration to the US seems like their only hope.

NONFICTION / YA

TRACY WHITE began publishing her comics for young adults online in 1996. Her autobiographical series *TRACED* was twice nominated for a best web comic Ignatz, and became a TV series for Oxygen. Her book *How I Made it to Eighteen: A Mostly True Story* was on YALSA's Great Graphic Novels for Teens list. She is currently teaching comics at NYU's Tisch School of the Arts.

PRAISE

“Spare, striking, black-and-white illustrations portray five teens fleeing dangerous situations and making hazardous journeys to the U.S. . . . This fast-paced, relatable work is informative and enlightening, treating its subjects with respect. Powerful text and images honor young people's suffering and strength.” —**Kirkus Reviews**

“These are stories of young lives of tragedy, resilience, and transformation that seem incredible yet are heartbreakingly common. Revealing that the myth of an American Dream reserved for the few.” —**Christina Romero senior staff attorney at the Legal Aid Society and advisor to the Juvenile Rights Practice on immigration matters.**

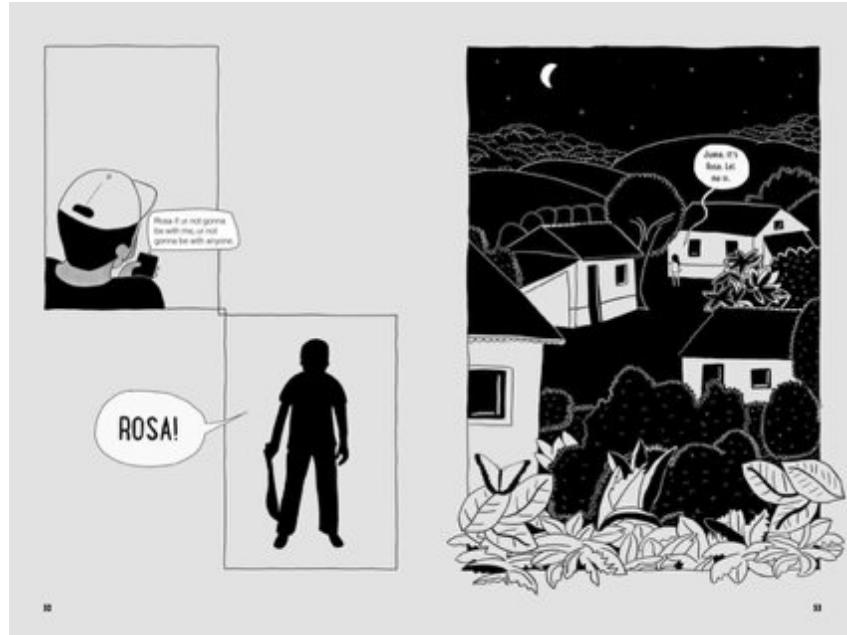
“Please read this book. It shows us in painful and beautiful detail what it really means if we close our doors to even one person.” —**Zach Weinersmith, author of New York Times bestseller *Soonish***

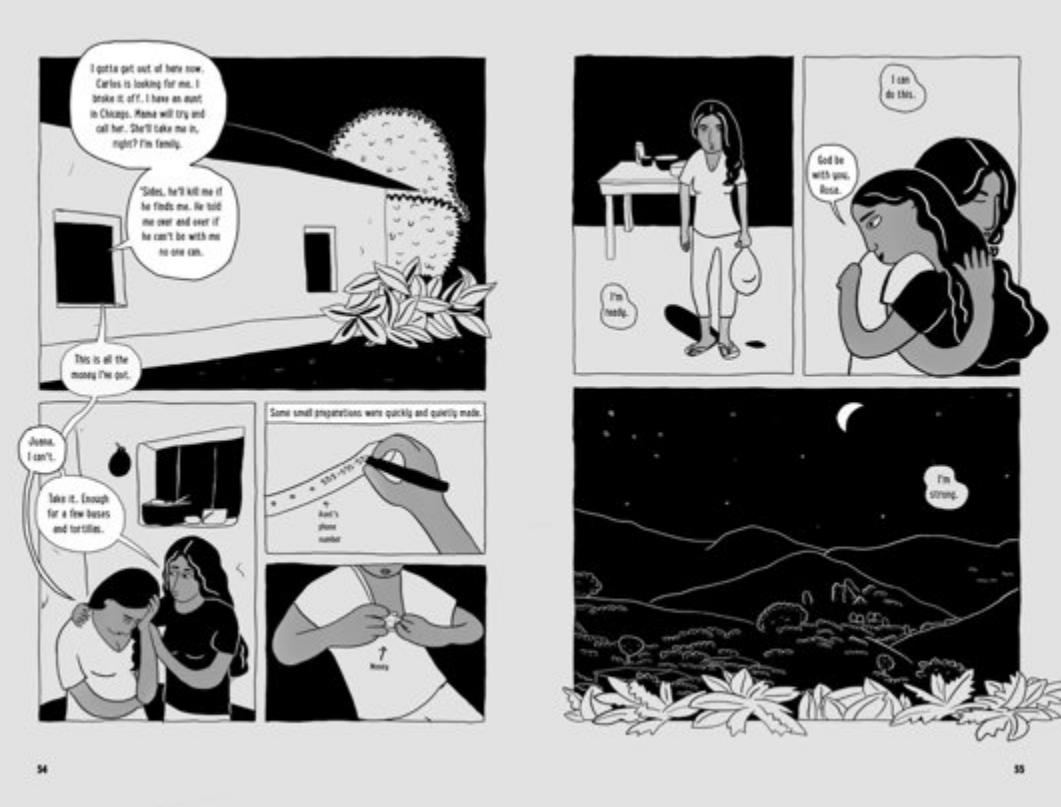
“Diligently researched and deeply moving, shining a light on the often-overlooked human side of America’s asylum and immigration system.” —**Danica Novgorodoff, illustrator of *Long Way Down* by Jason Reynolds**

“This is a narrative we desperately need. Recentering the story of migration to the US away from politics and onto the intimate lives of these vulnerable and courageous teen refugees and their families. A powerful and meaningful read no one should miss!” —**Pamela Jackson, Comic Arts Curator at San Diego State University**

“Here we see the full, devastating power of comics. These images and stories will remain with me, and with readers, long after they put the book down.” —**Hope Larson, author of *All Summer Long***

“An essential read for the modern age, shining a light on the often-unseen challenges of child migrants.” —**Myfanwy Tristram, editor of *Draw the Line***





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SHELBY CRISWELL
QUEER AS ALL GET OUT
10 PEOPLE WHO INSPIRED ME

CLIENT: STREET NOISE BOOKS

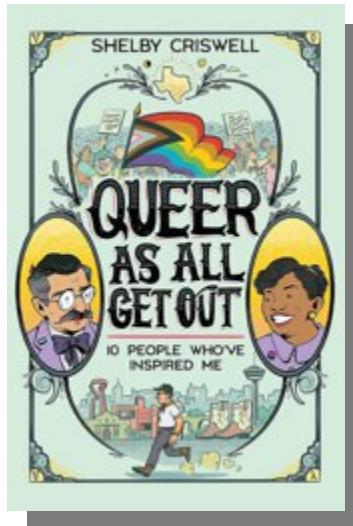
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PUB DATE: NOVEMBER 2021

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Take a walk with one queer artist from Texas and explore the lives of ten LGBTQ+ people from history.

What does it take to live your truth? And how do we each navigate the struggle for personal acceptance within a society that is so often intolerant? In this galvanizing story of resilience, Shelby Criswell takes us by the hand and leads us through the lived experiences of ten inspiring people. Each an example of how to find your way as your own authentic self. Featuring illustrated biographies of Mary Jones, We'wha, Magnus Hirschfeld, Dr. Pauli Murray, Wilmer "Little Ax" Broadnax, Sister Rosetta Tharpe, Carlette Brown, Nancy Cárdenas, Ifti Nasim, and Simon Nkoli.

SHELBY CRISWELL is a queer comics creator living in San Antonio, Texas. They studied at the Santa Fe Institute of Art and Design as well as at Academy of Arts University. Shelby is an author of the *Terminal Punks* comic series and has also illustrated comics for *The Nib*. This is their first graphic novel.

NONFICTION / YA / BIOGRAPHY

PRAISE

"While there have been several collective biographies published about notable historical LGBTQIA+ figures in the last decade, none feel as personal, relevant, and engaging as this one. The decentering of cis gay men allows for a necessary spotlight on lesser-known (but no less important) subjects. . . . Unique in both format and content, this important book is a first choice to help diversify teen graphic nonfiction collections." —**Starred Review, School Library Journal**

"As White, nonbinary college student Criswell wanders around San Antonio, Texas, they unpack the complexities of Southern identity and begin to research, draw, and discuss significant icons with friends. Accompanying them on this journey, readers

meet history-makers who are often overlooked by mainstream U.S. sources—people who broaden Criswell's understanding of the difficulties facing those who have fought for LGBTQ+ justice around the world. . . . A highly personal addition to the body of LGBTQ+ stories.”—**Kirkus Reviews**

“Part personal history, part showcase of heroes, and part resource guide. This is a great start for students writing reports or anyone looking for a new hero.”—**Booklist, from the American Library Association**

“A thoughtful exploration of the lives of often overlooked queer heroes. These people fought for the freedoms we have today, and lived unapologetic lives against the odds.”—**Maia Kobabe, author of *Gender Queer: A Memoir***

“A beautiful showcase of what it's like to have a conversation with history. Queer people have existed throughout time and their lives echo in our actions and our love.”—**Archie Bongiovanni, author of *A Quick and Easy Guide to They/Them Pronouns***

“I can't wait to gift this queer history book to every teen I know. Queer and trans icons carving out ways to thrive reminds me of how resilient and wonderful humans can be.”—**Sarah Mirk, author of *Guantanamo Voices***

A delightful tour of personal heroes—people who lived with bravery, integrity, and creativity—visualizing the proud history of sexual and gender diversity. —**Hazel Newlevant, author of *No Ivy League***

“An outstanding collection of the vital stories of important and under-heralded queer figures, paired with Shelby's always excellent art and a touching personal narrative.”—**Matt Lubchansky, artist and associate editor of *The Nib***

“An illuminating read about the lives of ten lesser-known queer historical heroes, drawn in an engaging and personable fashion.”—**Melanie Gillman, author of *As the Crow Flies and Stage Dreams***

“An exciting, essential addition to the queer canon. Shining a light on a diverse group of extraordinary queer folks from the past, and reminding us exactly why these stories are so vital. This book is a treasure!”—**Ashley Robin Franklin, author of *That Full Moon Feeling***

“Books like this are so important! Just by reading about the queer activists of our past, a community forms around you. And that community will give you power.”—**Stenz, cartoonist of *Heart of the City***

“A heartfelt love letter to the oft-forgotten pioneers of the global queer movement.”—**Ronnie Garcia**

IN THE EARLY 1970S, NANCY CO-FOUNDED THE HOMOSEXUAL LIBERATION FRONT OF MEXICO (FLM) TO FIGHT AGAINST ERADICATE VIOLENCE, DISCRIMINATION, AND OPPRESSION OF QUEER PEOPLE.



AND IN 1978, THE SAME YEAR THAT THE RAINBOW FLAG WAS CREATED BY GAY ACTIVIST ROBERT KELLY, NANCY LED MEXICO'S FIRST GAY PRIDE PARADE IN THE PLAZA DE LAS TRES CULTURAS.



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NANCY NEVER QUIT ACTIVISM.

SHE CONTINUED TO COMPOSE MANIFESTOS, GATHERED WITH OTHER QUEER WRITERS, ATTENDED LESBIAN CONFERENCES IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN, AND BECAME INVOLVED IN HER LOCAL THEATRE SCENE.



HER SCRIPTS WERE INEVITABLY LESBIAN AND FEMINIST, WHICH LED TO A NEED TO UTILIZE HER PUBLIC 'OUT' STATUS TO INCREASE THE VISIBILITY AND REPRESENTATION OF LATINA LESBIANA AND QUEER PEOPLE.



NANCY WANTED HER PLAYS TO BE RELATABLE ENOUGH TO COMPEL QUEER AUDIENCES AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC AS WELL.



Like I said earlier, I want you act to bring everyone back on board, because I want to be a part of that channel that feeling.

How do you know that?

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SHE SPENT THE REST OF HER LIFE IN THEATRE. THE TRANSLATION SKILLS SHE ACQUIRED IN UNIVERSITY WERE HANDY IN CONVERTING LESBIAN PLAYS AND OTHER QUEER-WRITTEN WORKS INTO BOTH SPANISH AND POLISH.



IN 1982, SHE FOUNDED LES HUMANAS, AN ORGANIZATION THAT BENEFITED ADULTS AND CHILDREN LIVING WITH AIDS.



LUCKILY, HER ELITE STATUS IN THE LOCAL THEATRE SCENE GAVE HER 'APIO' WITH CELEBRITIES, WHICH HELPED DRIVE SPONSORSHIPS AND DONATIONS TOWARD THE ORGANIZATION.



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WHILE NANCY HAD BEEN FIGHTING FOR THOSE SICK WITH AIDS, WHO HAD BEEN BATTLING THEM OWN BATTLE: BREAST CANCER, NANCY SADLY TOOK HER LIFE IN 1999.



IN THE YEARS AFTER HER DEATH, A LESBIAN HISTORY ARCHIVE WAS CREATED IN MEXICO CITY TO HONOR HER: EL CENTRO DE DOCUMENTACIÓN Y ARCHIVO HISTÓRICO DE MÉJICO, AMÉRICA Y EL CARIBE NANCY CÁRDENAS (C.D.A.H.).



*The Nancy Cárdenas Latinx Feminist and Mexican Lesbian Documentation and Historical Archives Center

SAMUEL LEBLANC

THE SCENT OF LILAC

CLIENT: SOMME TOUTE PRODUCTION

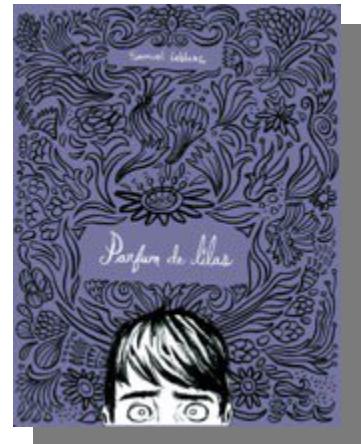
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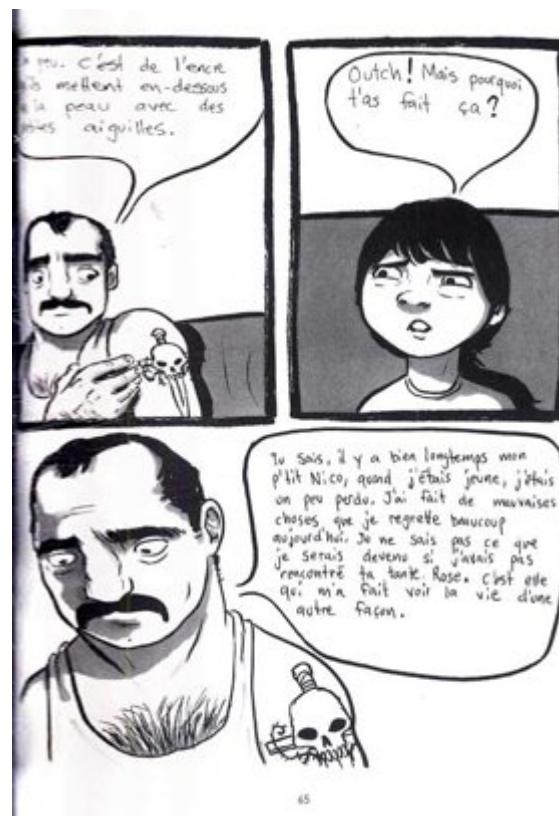


Summer 1996, Nicolas stays with his Aunt Rose, who is recovering from a painful bereavement. To pass the time, Nicolas helps her tend her garden and discovers a passion for botany. Like most teenagers, he feels uncomfortable in his own skin and has a lot of questions. But little does Nicolas know that this summer will leave a lasting impression on him.

Parfum de lilas takes us inside the head of a teenager at the height of puberty, exploring his sexuality. Sometimes shocking, this book makes the reader question the taboos of our society.

SAMUEL LEBLANC created his first comic strip at the age of 13. Since then, he has published in student collectives such as *Vestibulles* (Cégep du Vieux-Montréal) and *L'artichaut* (UQAM). Samuel has also taken comic strip workshops with Jimmy Beaulieu. He is currently completing a BAC in graphic design at the Université du Québec à Montréal. *Parfum de Lilas* is his first album.

GRAPHIC NOVEL



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SETH C. MARTEL THE MARE

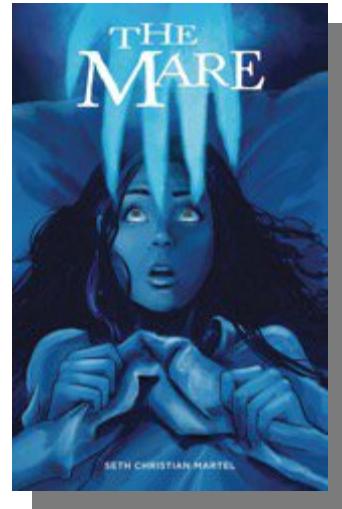
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MATERIAL: FULL MS (108 PP)

PUBLISHER: GRAPHIC MUNDI

PUB DATE: MARCH 2023

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While she battles her own demons during the day, Indigo's nights are haunted by something much darker.

Everyone else may be enjoying the summer, but Indigo's life isn't going so well. Her dad's marriage just ended in a very public divorce, and now he's drinking again. Indy barely graduated from high school, she just lost her job, and she doesn't know what to do with her life. The stress is causing her nightmarish sleep paralysis—or so she thinks.

Indy confides in her best friend, Kasia, who blames "The Mare" for her troubles—the spirit of someone wronged that saps its victim's energy at night. It sounds crazy to Indy, but is it?

Steeped in the nostalgia of lazy summers and mixtapes, concert tickets and coffee, *The Mare* is a story about friends, family, and finding one's way—with a touch of the supernatural and a powerful, surprising twist.

SETH CHRISTIAN MARTEL is a graphic designer and freelance illustrator based in the Hudson Valley. A lifetime comics fan, Seth attended the Fashion Institute of Technology and State University of New York at New Paltz. In addition to his work in graphic design, Seth has worked as a set painter and special effects makeup artist at a Hudson Valley haunted attraction. He's a big fan of cats, especially orange ones.

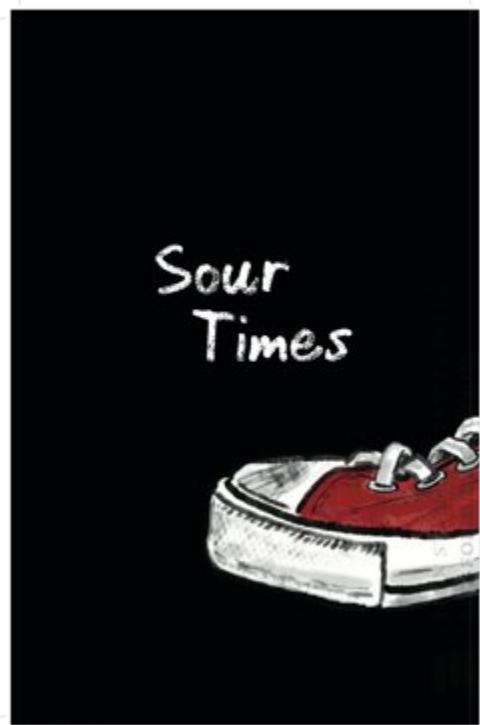
PRAISE

"Centering conflicts both fantastical and mundane, Martel delivers a tale redolent in suspense and earned plot twists."—*Publishers Weekly*

"*The Mare* is a beautiful graphic novel. Vivid, ominous, and compelling, and a stunning debut from Seth Christian Martel."—Joshua Kemble, author of *Jacob's Apartment* and *Two Stories*

“Martel’s art is evocative and compelling, capturing supernatural intensity alongside nuanced character expression. Their lives are all the more gripping from his economical use of colors and haunting gray washes.”—A. David Lewis, author of *The Lone and Level Sands*







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JOSHUA KEMBLE JACOB'S APARTMENT

CLIENT: GRAPHIC MUNDI

MATERIAL: FULL MS (136 PP)

PUBLISHER: GRAPHIC MUNDI

PUB DATE: JUNE 2022

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Some questions can shake even the strongest faith.

At first glance, college roommates Jacob and Sarah seem like polar opposites. Jacob is a Christian; Sarah is an atheist. Sarah is a drinker, and Jacob, a teetotaler. But they have been friends for years, finding commonality in their shared dream to create art.

Jacob's world is turned upside down when his father dies, causing him to question his faith. Meanwhile, Sarah wrestles with her own demons, searching for solace in one-night stands after her boyfriend (and professor) leaves her for a job in New York.

A coming-of-age graphic novel in the vein of *Ghost World* and *Fun Home*, *Jacob's Apartment* weaves together the threads of spiritual faith, identity, purpose, love, and loss to create an engrossing world in which waking and sleeping dreams collide.

GRAPHIC NOVEL / YA 16+

JOSHUA KEMBLE is an art director, freelance illustrator, and Xeric Award-winning cartoonist. He writes and illustrates his own comic books and he published his first graphic novel, *Two Stories: Book One*, in 2020. An unabashed comic book geek, Kemble received his BFA and MFA in Illustration from California State University, Long Beach and resides in Lancaster, California, with his wife and fellow artist, Mai S. Kemble, and his son, Benjamin. He is the cohost of the podcasts The Artcasters and Indie Review Show. You can see Kemble's work at www.joshuakemble.com.

PRAISE

“An excellent graphic novel that utilizes the unique possibilities of the medium to portray deep emotions in dramatic style.”—Peter Dabbene, *Foreword Reviews*

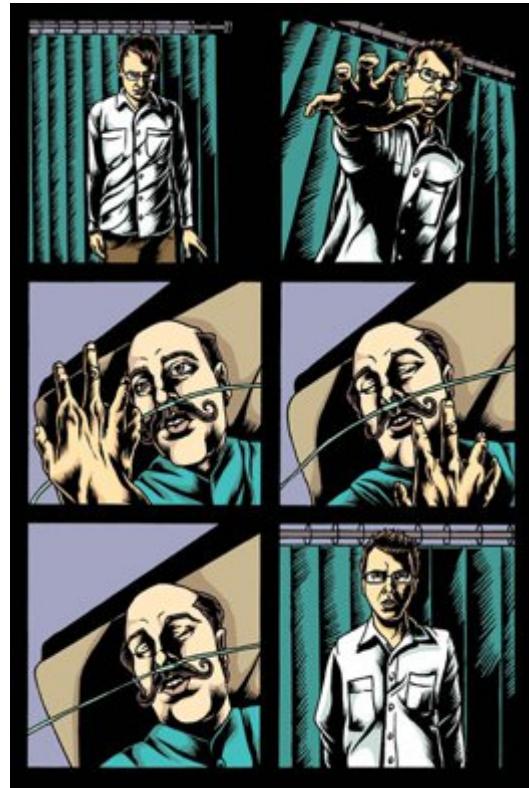
“I am in awe of this sharply drawn story of a young cartoonist weathering two troubled relationships—with his roommate and with God.”—David Chelsea, author of *Sleepless* and *Everybody Gets It Wrong! and Other Stories*

“Literacy is next to godliness in *Jacob's Apartment*, a frank and melancholy portrait of two souls in search of meaning.”—Maggie Thrash, author of *Honor Girl*

“Joshua Kemble’s storytelling packs a terrific visual punch perfectly suited to the emotional wringer his characters go through in *Jacob’s Apartment*.”—Alex Robinson, author of *Box Office Poison* and *Tricked*

“An expertly paced and deeply felt story about a crisis of faith, dreams, complicated love, and the ways our childhood selves haunt our adult lives.”—Theo Ellsworth, author of *Capacity* and *Secret Life*





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YOUNG PEOPLE TELL THEIR STORIES

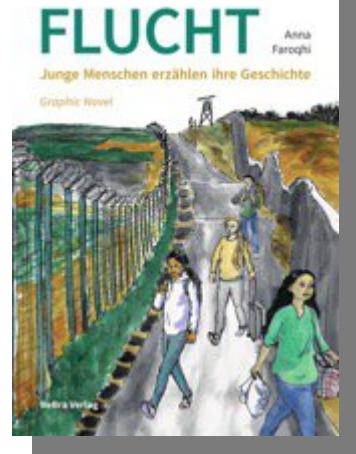
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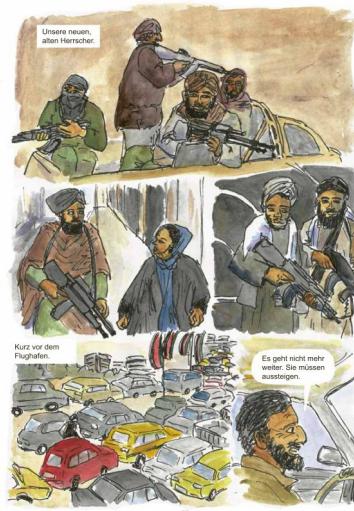
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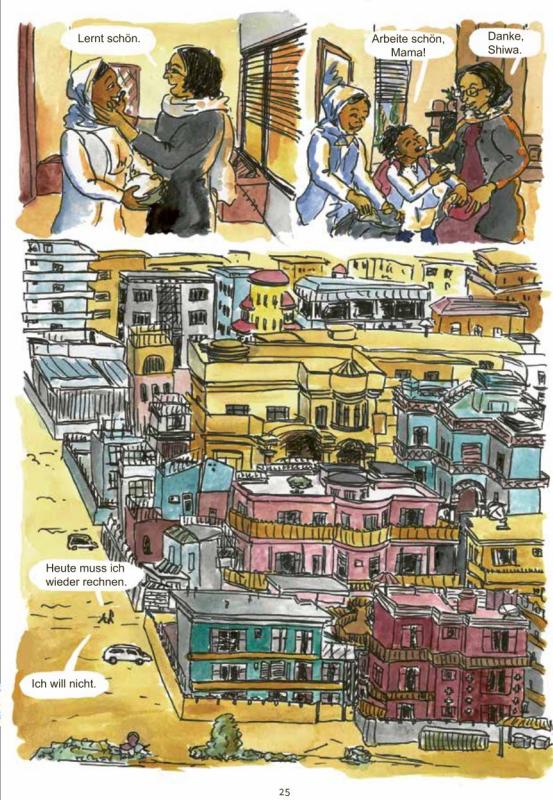


Rana is 13 and fled Afghanistan with her family; in Germany, she dreams of the opportunities that a good education can give her. 14-year-old Kateryna fled the war in Ukraine with her brother and mother - just like Kirill, who is the same age and with whom a tender love develops. 17-year-old Sham had to flee three times to find herself: from the war in Syria, from child labor in Turkey and from an abusive father. Based on true stories, Anna Faroqhi's graphic novel follows the lives of young people who have one thing in common: the hope for a better life.

ANNA FAROQHI is a filmmaker and illustrator. She studied singing in Berlin and mathematics in Frankfurt am Main before going to Munich to study film. Today she teaches film and dramatic writing at the Hanns Eisler Academy of Music in Berlin. Drawing has accompanied her since childhood and many of her films are based on drawings or consist of drawn images. Anna Faroqhi lives in Berlin with her husband and daughter.

GRAPHIC NOVEL





PETROS CHRISTOULIOS

DR PAP

CLIENT: NIKE DAVARINOU

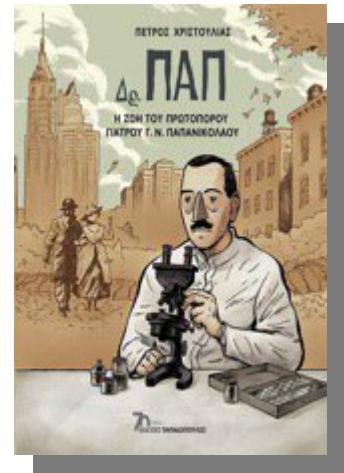
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PUBLISHER: EP BOOKS

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WHITE RAVEN 2024!

Georgios N. Papanikolaou, a doctor and medical researcher, is renowned throughout the world for having developed the diagnostic test that bears the first three letters of his last name, and has saved countless women's lives: the Pap test, or Pap smear. The cervical smear, however, was but a late apex in a life of scientific wanderings.

By tracing his life journey, this book reveals the special characteristics and motivations behind Dr. Papanikolaou's prominent personality and his extraordinary gift to mankind.

PETROS CHRISTOULIAS was born in Chalkida, Greece in 1979. He studied Fine Arts at the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki. He works as an illustrator and comic creator in Athens. He has collaborated with the Greek Ministry of Culture in designing and producing two educational comic books, and with the University of Athens' Dept. of Informatics and Telecommunications in producing a digital tour of the university's History Museum. In 2014 he designed the logo for the SNFCC's summer campaign "Future Library". "Trenches" was exhibited at the National Library of Greece, in 2014, as part of the EU's Europeana initiative. His book "Η Ατμομηχανή του Χρόνου" was nominated for a National Award for a Children's Literary Book.

Awards :

2005: awarded from the macedonian museum of contemporary art for a video art at the exhibition of graduates of fine art school of Thessaloniki

2009: golden EBGE award for the illustrated book "istories ton melanoupoleon" honorable mention at the EBGE awards for the design of the mascot of the animation festival "animasyros"

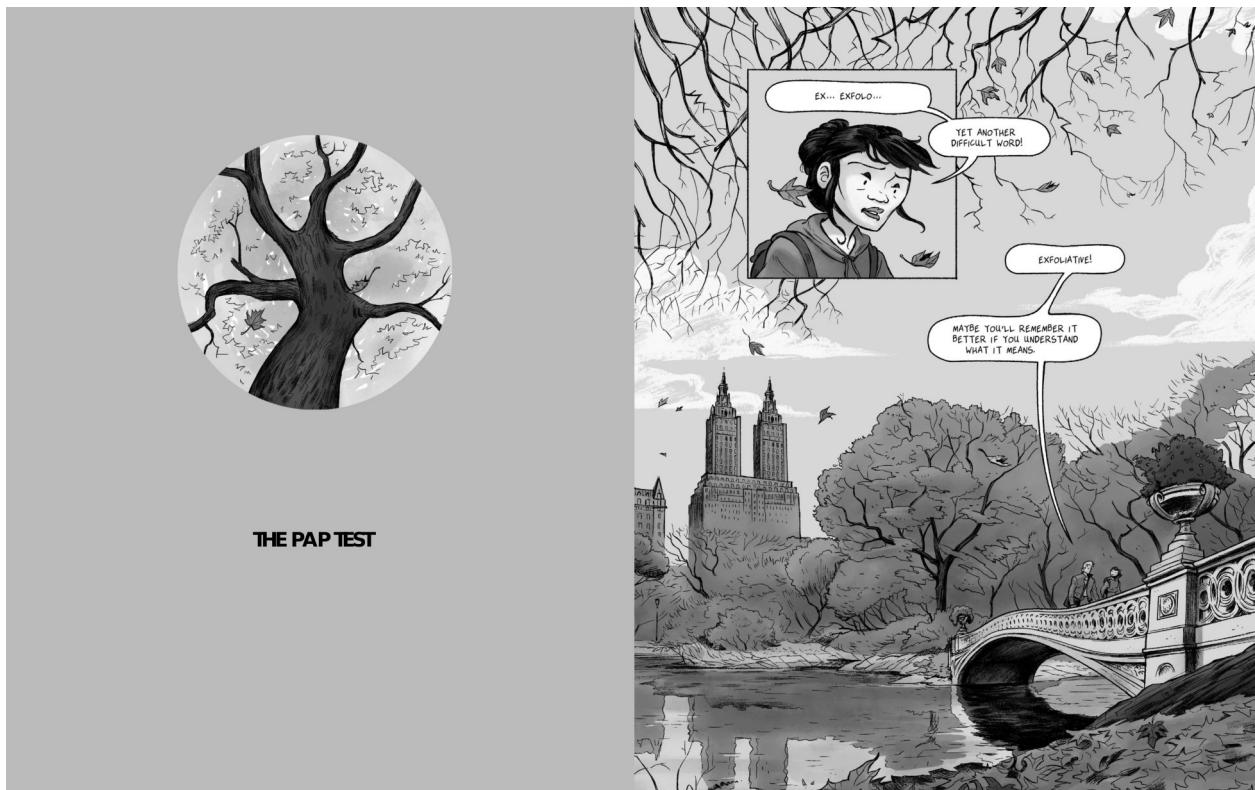
2011 : 4th place (honorable mention) at the European comic competition "CONFLICTS WAR BALLOONS" taking place in Genova for the comic series "harakomata" (trenches)

2013: best artist (comicdom awards) for the comic album "IN THE CITY OF VICTORY" best self published comic (comicdom awards) for the self-published album " MPATMAN AFTI I AATHERFI 2"

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2015: Greek Comic Awards - BEST DESIGN for the "Harakomata-istories apo tin odo gagrenas" comic album. Greek Comic Awards - BEST COVER for the "Harakomata-istories apo tin odo gagrenas" comic album. Greek Comic Awards - BEST WEBCOMIC for "Girno san nixterida".
2020: Greek Comic Awards 2020 - BEST COMIC for Psifidoto.





NOVELS

AMANDA ADDISON LOOKING FOR LUCIE

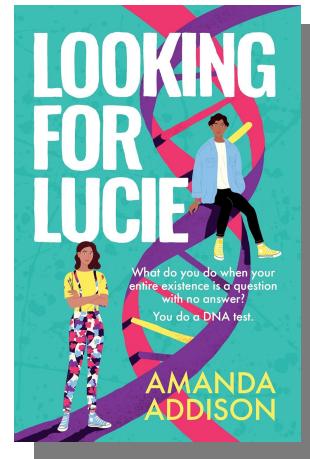
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SHORTLISTED FOR THE NEW ANGLE PRIZE AND EAST ANGLIAN BOOK AWARDS

Looking for Lucie is a contemporary YA novel that explores identity, self-discovery, and newfound friendship as an 18-year-old girl sets out to uncover her ethnic heritage and family history.

"Where are you *really* from?"

It's a question every brown girl in a white-washed town is familiar with, and one that Lucie has never been able to answer. All she knows is that her mother is white, she's never met her father, and she looks nothing like the rest of her family. She can't even talk about it because everyone says it shouldn't matter!

Well, it matters to Lucie and—with her new friend Nav, who knows exactly who *he* is—she's determined to find some answers.

What do you do when you question your entire existence?

You do a DNA test.

AMANDA ADDISON is an award-winning author of books for adults and children. Her books have been shortlisted for the UK Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals' Carnegie and Kate Greenaway Medal, and the Searchlight Writing Novel Opening Award. Amanda

FICTION / YA (12+)

holds an MA in Writing the Visual, lectures in Art & Design, and runs Creative Writing workshops at the National Centre for Writing. Amanda lives in Norfolk, UK, with her family.

PRAISE

“What starts as a simple story of girl meets boy on A level results day transforms into a fascinating exploration of ethnic heritage and where we come from. Told from multiple different perspectives, but focussing on Lucie’s quest for identity and knowledge of her unknown father, the story unfolds in messages, debates and secrets that come to light. From Norwich via a family history originating in Pakistan, the reader learns about the threads that bind the two main characters together, told in a straightforward and informative prose style. An engaging and gripping novel for young adults.”

‘Heartfelt in its exploration of family and identity. There’s a gorgeous sequence at the end involving an art exhibition, drawing on Addison’s own artistic background; it’s impossible not to be moved.’ **The Irish Times YA Picks for April**

‘Be prepared to pack a box of tissues for this journey that skilfully navigates the balance between challenging, enlightening, and ultimately, satisfying narrative.’ **Victoria Williams Yoto Carnegie nominated author**

“Meticulously observed and thought-provoking, *Looking for Lucie* explores DNA testing, dual heritage, identity and the question: Where are you really from? It’s a book that will stay with you long after you’ve finished reading it.” **Kim Donovan. Founder of Searchlight Awards**

“We loved the authorial voice, it was amusing, thoughtful and educational. It conveyed a sense of other within a place that you are from. We felt it was the right balance of humour and light touch for an important story that feels relevant and contemporary for any but particularly a young adult readership” **New Angle Jury**

ANDREW STICKLAND
**THE ARCADIAN
INCIDENT**

BOOK ONE IN THE MARS ALONE
TRILOGY

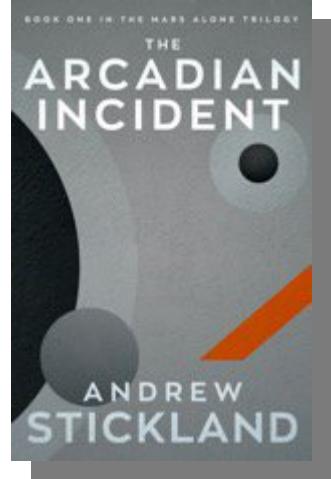
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PUBLISHER: LIGHTNING BOOKS

MATERIAL: FULL MS (368 PP)

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It's 2312 and Leo Fischer is a fifteen-year-old computer whizz on his first ever journey off Earth. He's heading to the moon colony to help his mother Lillian with her scientific work. But before he can reach her, she is kidnapped.

Determined to find and rescue her, Leo has no choice but to accept the help of his newest friend, Skater Monroe, the daughter of a shuttle pilot and already an experienced space traveller.

Dodging space pirates as well as a ruthless assassin in the pay of the soon-to-be president of Mars, they stumble upon a secret that could lead to all-out war in the solar system.

The first instalment of Andrew Stickland's *Mars Alone Trilogy* is a gravity-defying thrill-ride into the human race's all-too-believable future in space.

YA / SCIENCE FICTION

ANDREW STICKLAND is a prize-winning poet and short-story writer whose work has appeared in numerous publications in the UK, US, Ireland and also in Finland, where he studied creative writing at the University of Jyväskylä.

He wrote a series of articles on chance, correlation and averages which were used by BBC Radio 4's *More or Less*. Other work has been published by the British Fantasy Society, the Royal Statistical Society, Games Workshop, the Diplomatic Group and *The Economist*.

His young adult series the *Mars Alone* trilogy carefully adheres to the laws of physics: there is no faster-than-light travel, no gravity on board spaceships, no aliens. It is the world we know today, only 300 years further down the line. He lives in Cambridge.

PRAISE

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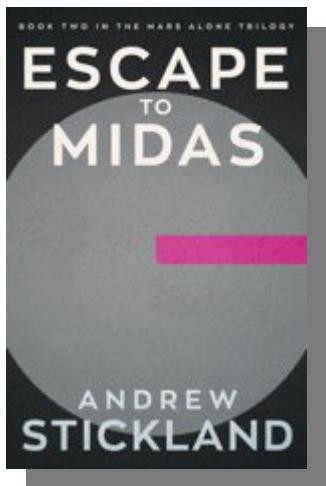
‘Part space-adventure, part coming-of-age story, *The Arcadian Incident* takes readers into a vividly imagined future 300 years from now. With quicksilver prose and a pacy plot, the story pulls you into the worlds of Leo and Skater and keeps you reading and guessing until the very last page. And if you fall for these characters, like I did, you can rejoice that the next two volumes of *The Mars Alone Trilogy* are soon to come!’ **Melissa Fu**

‘A compellingly well written and intricately plotted adventure with stunning world-building details’ **Kate Scott**

‘Consummate storytelling that speeds along as smoothly as an interplanetary spaceship. Andrew Stickland creates a rocket-roaring space adventure with satisfactorily grounded science, full of 300 years-from-now invention, but recognisable as the world – or rather worlds – that Elon Musk envisions. Brilliant!’ **Iain Hood**

‘An immersive adventure that transports the reader to space – and to new worlds that we can only imagine, but our descendants may well even experience. If you like science fiction with strong characterisation and a political edge, this is for you’ **Katharine Quarmby**

ALSO AVAILABLE



ANDREW STICKLAND ESCAPE TO MIDAS BOOK TWO IN THE MARS ALONE TRILOGY

CLIENT: LIGHTNING BOOKS
PUBLISHER: LIGHTNING BOOKS
MATERIAL: FULL MS (336 PP)
PUB DATE (UK): SEPTEMBER 2023
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‘Brilliantly pacy, imaginative, high-stakes sci-fi’

Emma Haughton

It’s 2313 and a battle for the future of humankind is brewing. The battleground is space.

Last year Leo Fischer and Skater Monroe were normal kids living normal lives, worrying about school, dealing with family issues, planning their futures...

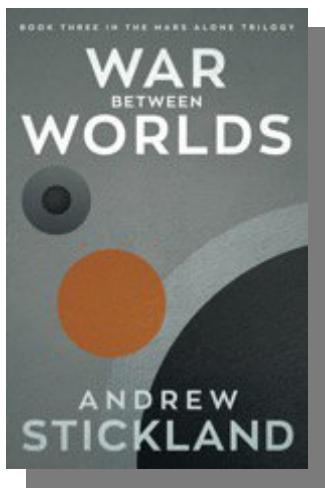
This year they’re hiding out on Mars, hunted by a psychopathic megalomaniac – who happens to be the most powerful individual in the Solar System. He claims the pair are interplanetary terrorists and is demanding their heads on a plate.

In the thrilling second instalment of the *Mars Alone* trilogy, Leo and Skater team up with an artificial intelligence called Taffy whose mind contains the knowledge of an ancient alien civilisation. Together they face the consequences of fighting an enemy who has been lying to the entire human race and will stop at nothing to protect his secrets.

PRAISE

‘*Escape to Midas* is a beautifully paced, unputdownable story. More than just an adventure in space, it’s a technologically believable picture of the solar system four centuries from now, riddled with personal and political threats which resonate with our present. Stickland’s world-building rings true down to every grain of Martian dust, and the story ends on a breathtaking cliffhanger. Reassure me that there will be a third instalment!’ **Victoria Whitworth**

‘The *Mars Alone* Trilogy continues at pace. Epic, thrilling, with such glorious world-building and magnetic characters, I couldn’t put it down’ **Fran Harris**



ANDREW STICKLAND
WAR BETWEEN WORLDS
BOOK THREE IN THE MARS ALONE
TRILOGY

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Earth and Mars are in open conflict, and seventeen-year-old Leo Fischer is right in the thick of things, fighting his own secret war behind enemy lines.

When a mission goes tragically wrong, Leo has to get away from Mars, and for that he’ll need the help of the one person he knows he can truly trust – Skater Monroe. But Skater is off somewhere in the Asteroid Belt, and the last time they spoke she wanted to punch his lights out.

Besides, Leo’s bitterest enemy – Carlton Whittaker, the crazed president of Mars – is about to unleash his most devastating weapon against the unsuspecting Terran invasion fleet. Is now really the time to abandon the fight?

In this nail-biting climax to the *Mars Alone* trilogy, Leo must face his greatest challenge yet. He has the chance to save two worlds, but at what cost to himself?

CRAIG ANDREW MOONEY

THE REBEL OF TIME

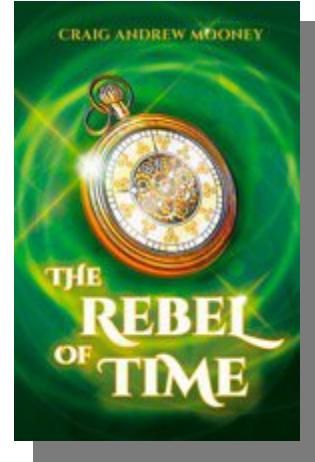
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PUB DATE (UK): AUGUST 2023

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Doran West can travel through the ages. But so can his enemies...

Welcome to the one-street village of Linntean in the Scottish Highlands. It's great for tourists, less so for local teenager Doran West. He and his best friend Zander crave a change of scenery, some excitement. What they have in mind is a weekend away to the nearest city. Fate has a little more in store.

An accident while fleeing school bullies leads Doran to an extraordinary discovery: he can travel in time. What's more, he isn't alone. There are others who share his gifts, hiding in plain sight and tied to a shadowy organisation called the Eternalisium.

With Zander in tow, he embarks on a terrifying odyssey through the ages, risking death on the gallows and battlefield, contending with ruthless enemies from the future and learning more than he'd like about his own adult self.

Mind-bending, thrilling and funny, *The Rebel of Time* bounces from Robert the Bruce's Bannockburn to Leonardo Da Vinci's Tuscany, with stops in Hollywood and the First World War trenches, in a spellbinding adventure from a masterful new storyteller.

Originally from Dundee, **CRAIG ANDREW MOONEY** is a Scottish actor, writer and producer.

He appeared in the 2019 short film *Hideous*, which gathered multiple nominations and wins at film festivals, including a Best Male Performance win for himself. Other notable credits include ITV's *Belgravia* and the neo-noir gangster film *Mortem*. He was also cast in Mile Away Films' *The Difference Between Us*, later joining the production team as a writer, and is now Mile Away's development producer.

The Rebel of Time is his first novel.

FICTION / YA

JOHN LENAHAN SON OF SHADOW

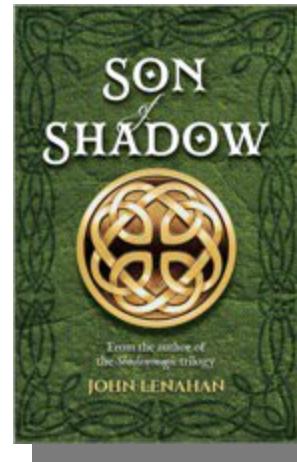
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A world of faeries, leprechauns and dragons – and magic fuelled by the blood of trees.

A mystery portal to the Real World.

And a pair of curious young adventurers who know they shouldn't step through it...

FICTION / YA

Meet Fergal the Second, nicknamed 'two'. Or 'Doe', in his own language. He can do magic. But, for the moment, he's forgotten where he's from. Or what's happened to his blind friend Ruby.

He's actually from Tir na Nog, the enchanted world of Shadowmagic, where a new generation of the royal House of Duir are checking their parents, preparing for adulthood and itching to see the Real World for themselves – whatever the peril.

Born in Philadelphia but long settled in the UK, **JOHN LENAHAN** is an acclaimed magician and TV performer. He fronted his own BBC2 magic series *Stuff the White Rabbit*, played the voice of the toaster in *Red Dwarf* and has appeared on a wide range of entertainment shows including *TFI Friday*, *Comedy Café* and *Celebrity Squares*. He is a member of the exclusive Magic Circle.

He is also the author of the popular *Shadowmagic* trilogy, a fantasy adventure series for young adults which combines Irish folk myth with 21st-century wit. *Son of Shadow* takes up the story once more, following the noble houses of the magical parallel world of Tir na Nog into the next generation.

K.A.HAYTON

THE OTHER SIDE OF THE WHALE ROAD

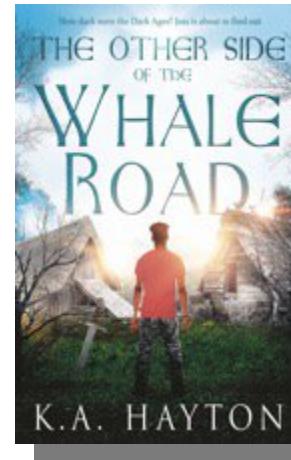
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SHORTLISTED FOR THE CHICKEN HOUSE COMPETITION

How dark were the Dark Ages? Joss is about to find out...

‘The Vikings are better armed than we are. They have long, heavy axes that can take a man’s head from his shoulder. I know this because I see it happen.’

When his mum burns down their house on the Whitehorse estate, sixteen-year-old Joss is sent to live in a sleepy Suffolk village.

The place is steeped in history, as Joss learns when a bike accident pitches him back more than 1,000 years to an Anglo-Saxon village. That history also tells him his new friends are in mortal peril from bloodthirsty invaders. Can he warn their ruler, King Edmund, in time?

And will he ever get home?

As an RAF child, **K.A. HAYTON** grew up in various parts of Europe, arriving in England just in time for the winter of discontent. She spent her first year of an English degree at Sheffield University studying Anglo-Saxon poetry, which sparked an enduring interest in the Dark Ages. She lives in rural Suffolk, very close to the Anglo-Saxon burial site of Sutton Hoo, where she is a keen runner, sea-swimmer and supporter of Ipswich Town FC. The Other Side of the Whale Road is her first novel.

PRAISE

‘Brings history to life in a delightfully engaging – and sometimes terrifying – way. I raced through this book. A great YA read’

Liz Trenow

DON FREEMAN

DON FREEMAN

A RAINBOW OF MY OWN

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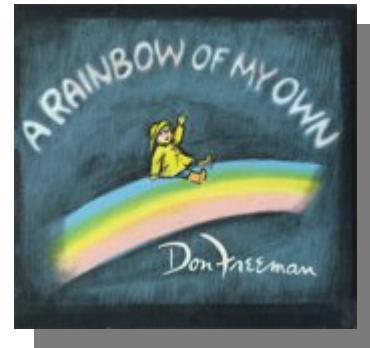
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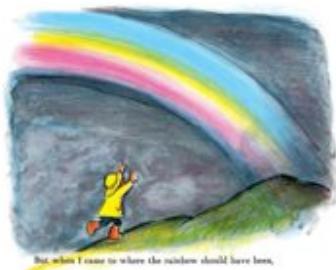
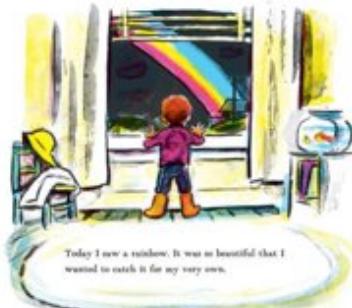
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A child sees a rainbow from his window and runs off in his raincoat and boots to catch it. When the rainbow unexpectedly disappears, the boy imagines what it would be like to have a rainbow as a playmate. As the sun comes out, the boy returns home to an unexpected surprise caused by sunlight shining through the water in his goldfish's bowl.

DON FREEMAN was born in San Diego, California, in 1908. After graduating high school and attending a summer course at San Diego School of Fine Arts, Don moved to New York, where he studied at the Art Students' League and developed a passion for the theater. Don spent much of his time on Broadway and the streets of New York City, capturing everything that happened both on and off the stage in his sketchbook. He supported himself by playing his trumpet in a dance band, but after losing his trumpet on the subway, Don decided to turn his attention to his sketches. He published some of the earliest graphic novels and his own journal of lithographs, called Newsstand. After the birth of his son Roy in 1949, he ventured into writing and illustrating children's books. He eventually published over 25 children's books before he died in 1978 including the beloved *Corduroy*, the touching story of a relationship between a teddy bear and a girl, Lisa. Other titles are *Fly High, Fly Low*, *Chuggy the Blue Caboose*, *Pet of the Met*, authored with his wife, Lydia. At his death he left many complete manuscripts that his son published over the years including *Earl the Squirrel*, *Manuelo and his Cello*, and now, *The Sparrows of Stonehenge*.



FICTION / 4+

DON FREEMAN ADD-A-LINE ALPHABET

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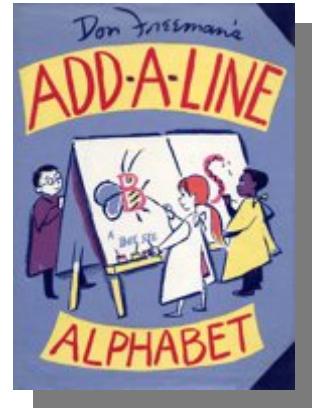
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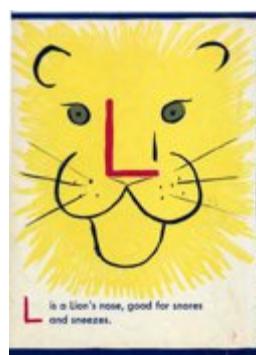
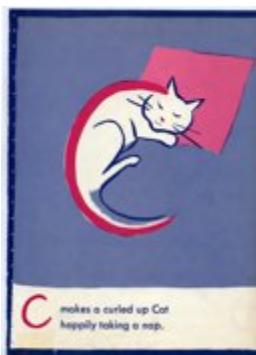
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Each letter of the alphabet is incorporated in a drawing of an animal whose name begins with that letter.

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CHILDREN'S / 2+

DON FREEMAN

THE CHALK BOX

STORY

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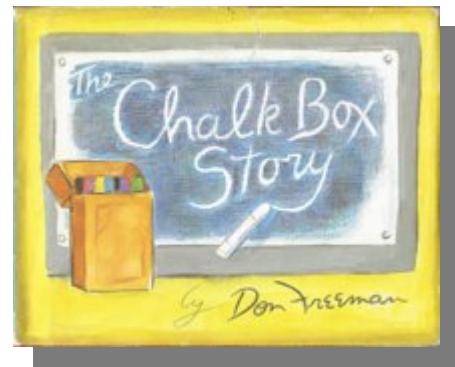
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Pieces of colored chalk draw a story about a boy stranded on an island and the turtle who rescues him.

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FICTION / 3+

DON FREEMAN DANDELION

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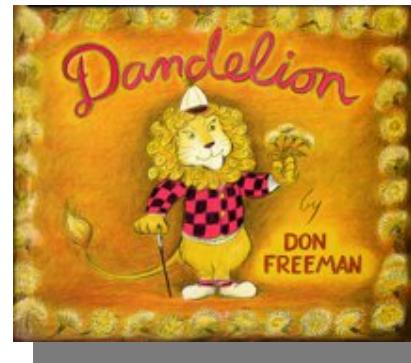
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MATERIAL: FULL MS (48 PP)

PUB DATE (USA): 1964

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When Dandelion gets an invitation to a party, he's excited. The invitation is extra fancy, so Dandelion decides to get himself all dressed up. But when he gets to the party, no one recognizes him! Fortunately, it all works out in the end, and Dandelion learns an important lesson about being true to who you are.

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CHILDREN'S / 3+





On a sunny Saturday morning Dandelion woke up, stretched and yawned, and jumped out of bed.



Dandelion was very excited. "Wow, that's today!" he said. "It's a good thing I planned to get a haircut!"



He knew this tall door very well, having been here many times before.

DON FREEMAN BEADY BEAR

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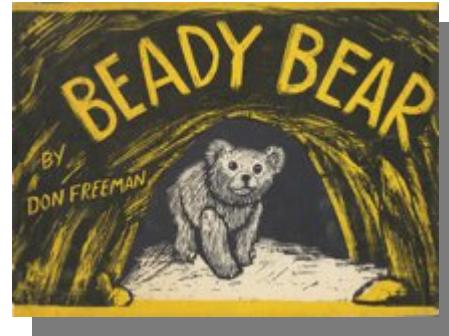
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PUBLISHER: THE VIKING PRESS

PUB DATE (USA): 1954

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Beady's a toy bear owned by appreciative Thayer, but one night he's all wound up, gets his bearings and goes out to live in a cave. Oddly enough he can't sleep a wink. He keeps going back home to get things - flashlights, newspapers, pillow - until he's all unwound and quite relieved when Thayer comes to fetch him. A happy comment on the overly adventurous, with especially humorous block prints by the author.

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FICTION / 4+



Beady was a fuzzy toy bear who belonged to a boy named Thayer.



Up the hill he climbed and climbed.

DON FREEMAN BEARYMORE

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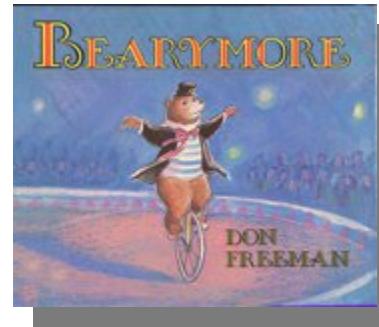
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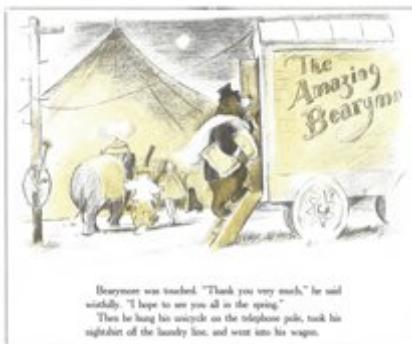
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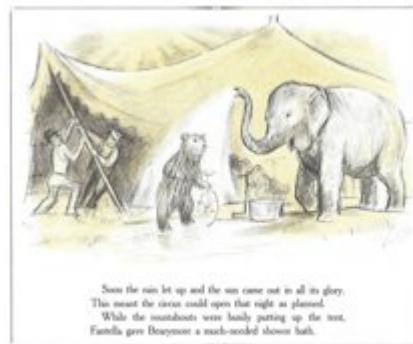


Bearymore, the performing bear, loves the circus so much that his last performance of the season makes him sad. But when the ringmaster tells him he must think up a new act for next spring, Bearymore has a real problem. How can he do that and hibernate at the same time?

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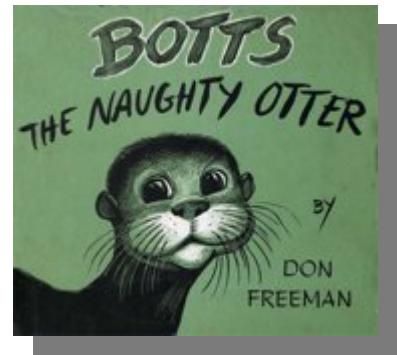


Bearymore was touched. "Thank you very much," he said weakly. "I hope to see you all in the spring." Then he hung his unicycle on the telephone pole, took his sighter off the laundry line, and went into his wagon.



Soon the rain let up and the sun came out in all its glory. Then once the circus could open that night as planned. While the moustards were busily putting up the tent, families gave Bearymore a much-needed shower bath.

DON FREEMAN
BOTT'S THE NAUGHTY
OTTER



CLIENT: THE ESTATE OF DON FREEMAN

MATERIAL: FULL MS (32 PP)

PUBLISHER: GOLDEN GATE JUNIOR BOOKS

PUB DATE (USA): 1973

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Botts wonders why the beavers never play, and encourages the young beavers to slide in the snow. But while they're playing the dam breaks, and it's up to Botts to save it.

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LYDIA AND DON FREEMAN CHUGGY AND THE BLUE CABOOSE

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PUBLISHER: VIKING BOOKS

MATERIAL: FULL MS (48 PP)

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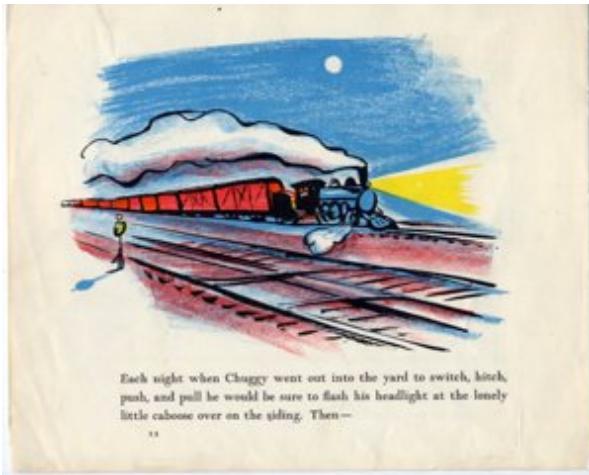
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Forgotten on a side-track at a busy railroad yard, a lonely little blue caboose named Lucy made friends with a little old fashioned engine named Chuggy. Chuggy comes to the rescue of the Great Silver Streamliner in this classic story about a dedicated old fashioned steam engine that fearlessly saves the day and brings happiness to a cute little Blue Caboose named Lucy.

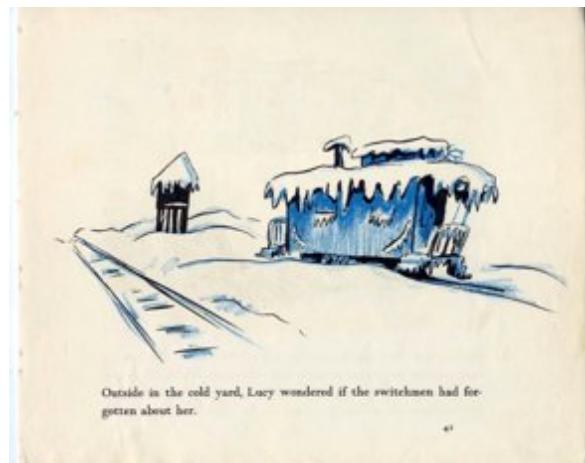
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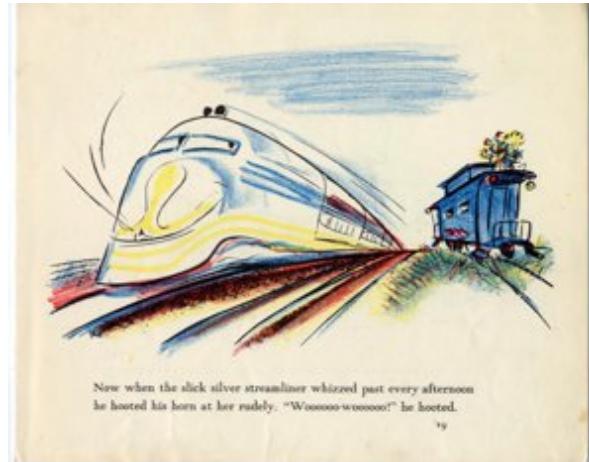
Each night when Chuggy went out into the yard to switch, hitch, push, and pull he would be sure to flash his headlight at the lonely little caboose over on the siding. Then—

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Outside in the cold yard, Lucy wondered if the switchmen had forgotten about her.

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Now when the slick silver streamliner whizzed past every afternoon he hooted his horn at her rudely. "Woossoo-woossoo!" he hooted.

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DON FREEMAN MOPTOP

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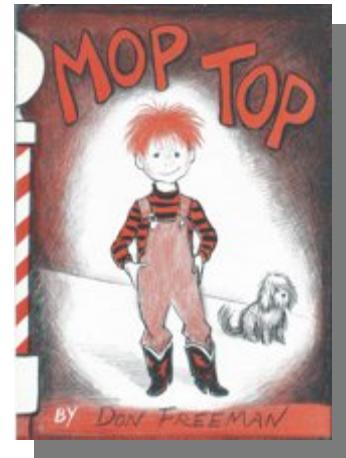
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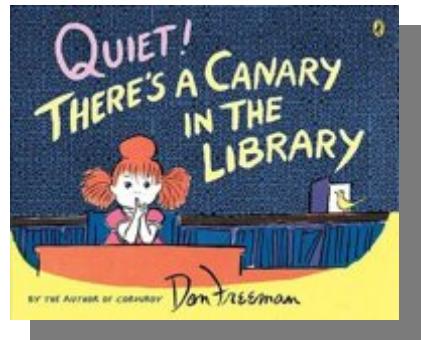
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Moppy is a five-year-old boy who knows one thing: He does not want to get his hair cut. But when Moppy is mistaken for an actual mop at the grocery store, he realizes he's got to face the barber.

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CHILDREN'S / 4+



DON FREEMAN QUIET! THERE'S A CANARY IN THE LIBRARY

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PUBLISHER: THE VIKING PRESS
PUB DATE (USA): 1969
RIGHTS SOLD: WEL, CHINESE (COMPLEX &
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Cary knows what she would do if she were the librarian. She'd invite all the animals into the library and share her favorite books with lions, bears, peacocks, and monkeys. But the trouble is, not all animals get along with each other. That's where Cary's troubles begin...

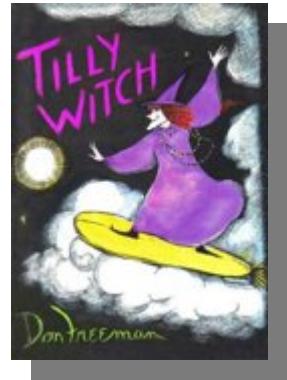
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Fly High, Fly Low, Chuggy the Blue Caboose, Pet of the Met, authored with his wife, Lydia. At his death he left many complete manuscripts that his son published over the years including *Earl the Squirrel, Manuelo and his Cello*, and now, *The Sparrows of Stonehenge*.



DON FREEMAN TILLY WITCH

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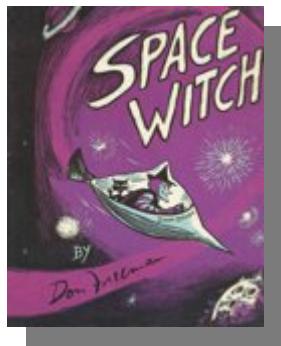
Tilly Witch forgot how to be mean and had to return to finishing school for witches to re-learn the trickery of the trade.

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But later, when Tilly tried to switch back to being a wicked
witch again, she couldn't!
She ran inside her house and looked in the mirror. "That's
strange!" she said, giggling. "I don't look a bit like my mean old self.
Now, how can I frighten children when I feel so good?"

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DON FREEMAN
SPACE WITCH

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PUBLISHER: THE VIKING PRESS

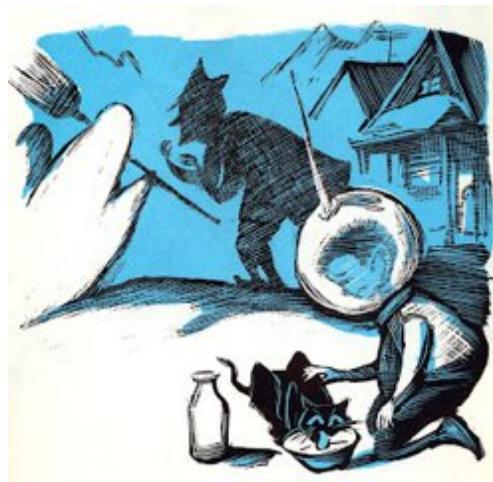
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PUB DATE (USA): 1969

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Tilly Ipswitch, Queen of Halloween, constructs a spaceship called Zoom Broom and sets out to scare creatures on other planets.



DON FREEMAN

THE NIGHT THE LIGHTS WENT OUT

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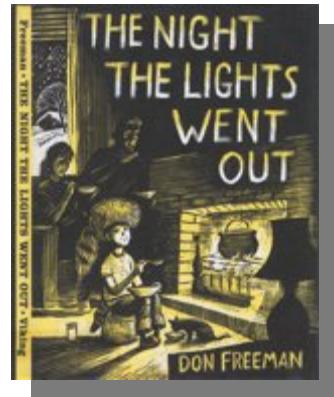
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Thacher is a little boy with a problem. He cannot decide what he wants to be when he grows up — a fireman, an engineer, or a pioneer. But the night of the big blizzard when all the lights go out and nothing works, not the television, the clocks, or Thacher's electric train, the problem is solved. Thacher wants to be an "electricianeer" so that when the lights go out, he can fix them.

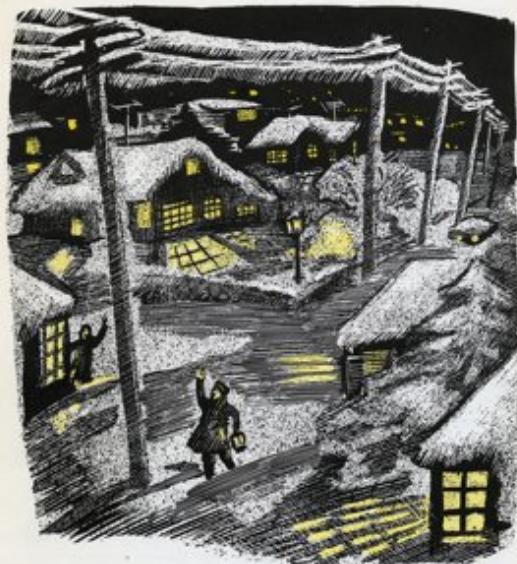
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By now the fire was beginning to burn low, so Thacher's father decided to go outside and get more logs. When he was all wrapped up and halfway through the door Thacher warned him, "Watch out for Indians, Dad!"

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Outside, the sky was beginning to clear, and the lights in the windows for miles around were shining brightly across the snow.

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DON FREEMAN THE PAPER PARTY

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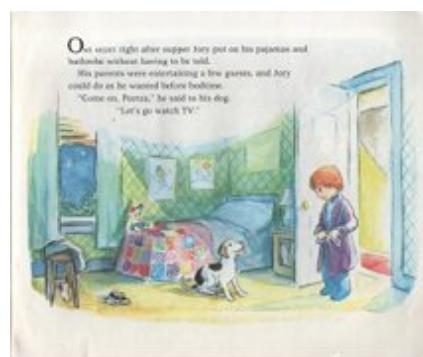
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A small boy goes through the television screen for a party with the puppets from his favorite program and is asked to stay.

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DON FREEMAN GREGORY'S SHADOW

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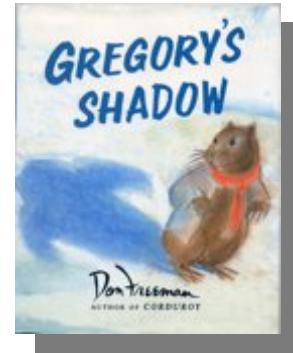
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PUBLISHER: THE VIKING PRESS

PUB DATE (USA): 2000

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Just before Groundhog's Day, Gregory Groundhog becomes separated from his faithful shadow. The two spend a hard day looking for each other -- and learning about the meaning of friendship -- before becoming reunited just in time for their much-anticipated annual appearance.

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"Oh, now are you're it or not my de-shadow," Gregory said. "You're a g-g-giant!"

"Now he can't come in. He had stopped moving."

DON FREEMAN

COME AGAIN PELICAN

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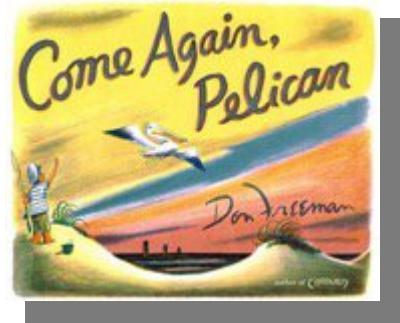
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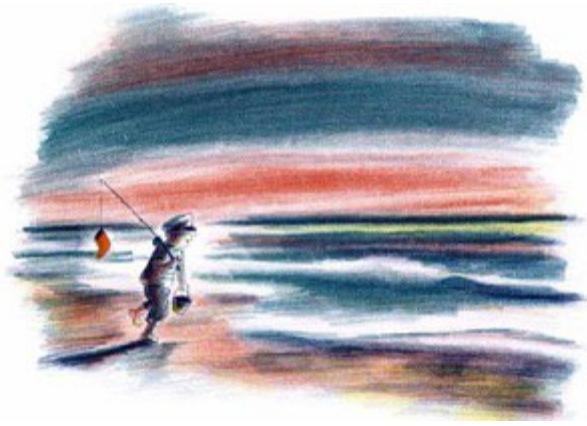
Every summer Ty's family came to camp in their trailer at the same beautiful spot on the white sand dunes by the ocean. And every year, as long as Ty could remember, the same old pelican had welcomed them. This year, as soon as the trailer was parked, Ty pulled on his shiny red wading boots and ran with his fishing pole to look for his friend.

"Be sure not to lose those new boots of yours," his father said. And Ty didn't – not really. But by the time the tide had quietly crept in and as gently flowed out again, some surprising things had happened and both he and the pelican had made unexpected catches. What could they have been to make both boy and bird so happy when each swapped his catch with the other?

Pictures full of space and light and the shining colors of sky and sand and sea help to tell the delightful story of Ty's adventurous afternoon.

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CHILDREN'S / 4+



DON FREEMAN HATTIE THE BACKSTAGE BAT

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MATERIAL: FULL MS (32 PP)

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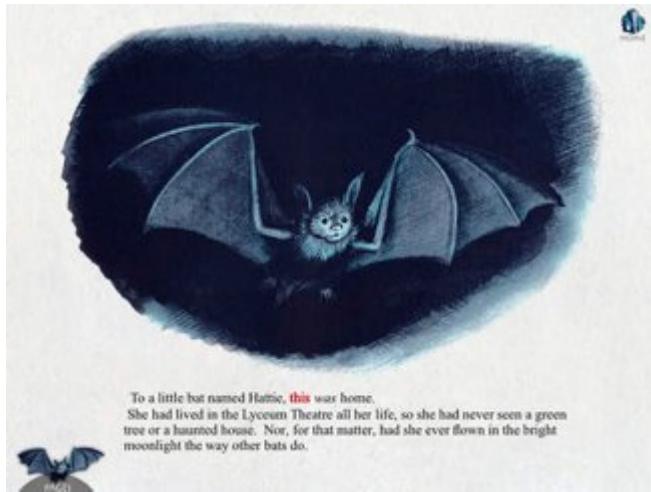
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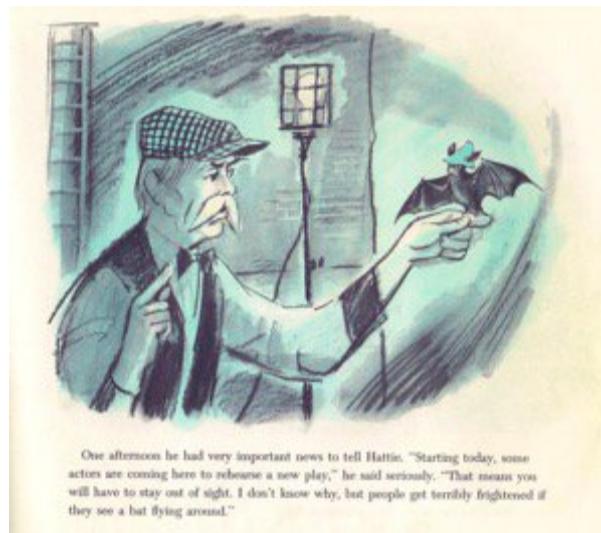
When a new play opens at the Lyceum Theatre, Hattie, the caretaker's pet bat, has to hide while the actors are rehearsing. But as the play opens, she can't resist the chance to join in the fun--and make a grand entrance as the play's new star.

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To a little bat named Hattie, **this** was home.
She had lived in the Lyceum Theatre all her life, so she had never seen a green
tree or a haunted house. Nor, for that matter, had she ever flown in the bright
moonlight the way other bats do.



One afternoon he had very important news to tell Hattie. "Starting today, some
actors are coming here to rehearse a new play," he said seriously. "That means you
will have to stay out of sight. I don't know why, but people get terribly frightened if
they see a bat flying around."



Spreading her wings wide, down she flew, sweeping through the open attic
window...



LYDIA AND DON FREEMAN PET OF THE MET

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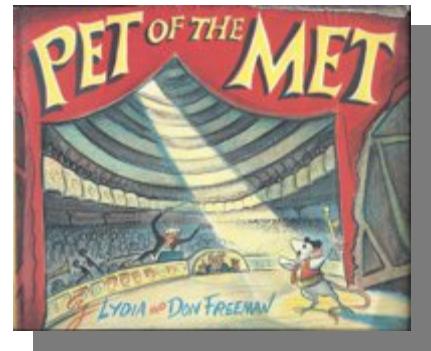
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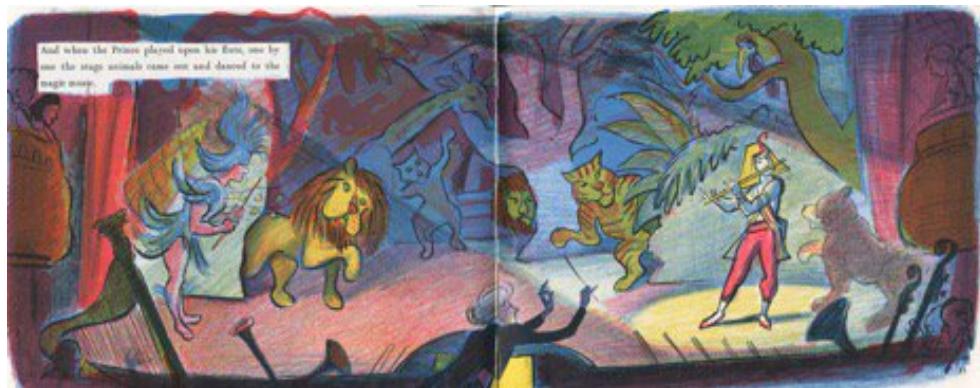
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Maestro Petrini, the tiny page-turner for the Prompter at the Metropolitan Opera House, has always evaded Mefisto the cat until the day Petrini gets carried away by Mozart's Magic Flute and joins the performers onstage...

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DON FREEMAN EARL THE SQUIRREL

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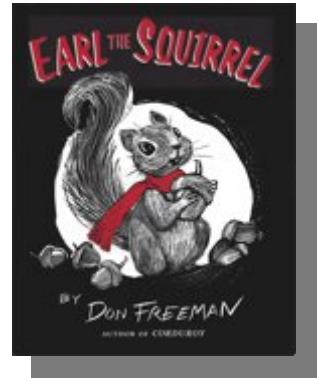
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Earl the Squirrel doesn't think of himself as spoiled, but his mother does. She decides it's high time Earl learns to find acorns for himself. There's only one problem—he doesn't know where to look. Earl's friend Jill offers to help, but that's not what Earl's mother had in mind. So, wearing his bright red scarf, Earl sets off on his own for an action-packed acornfinding mission.

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FICTION / 5+

DON FREEMAN FLY HIGH, FLY LOW

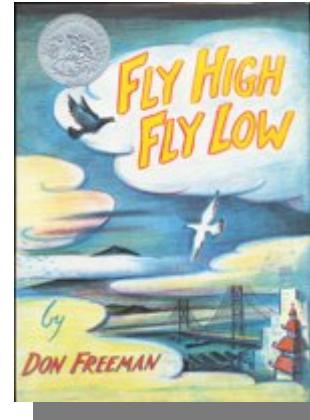
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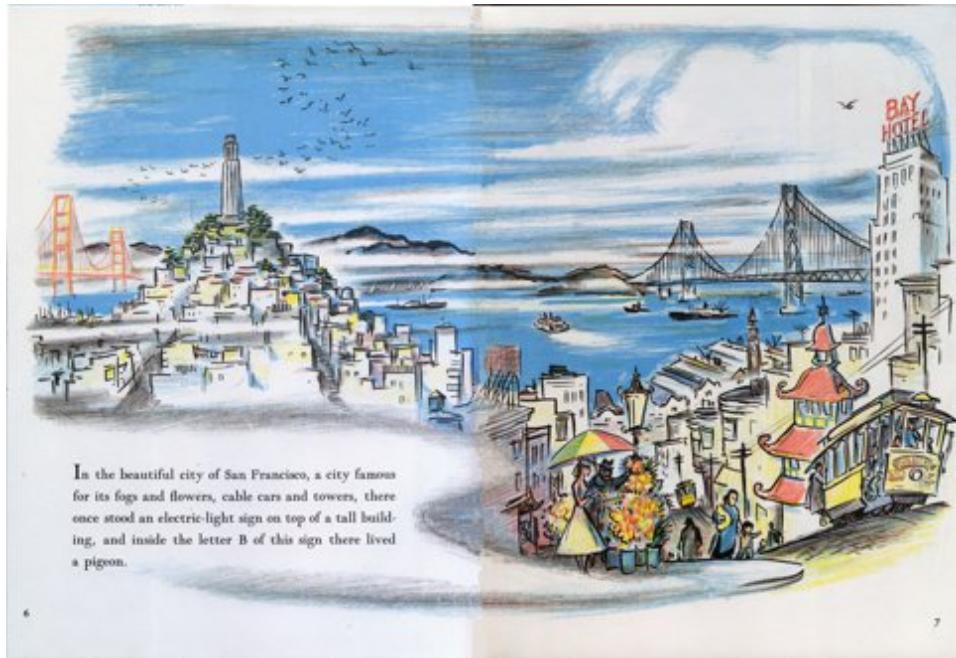
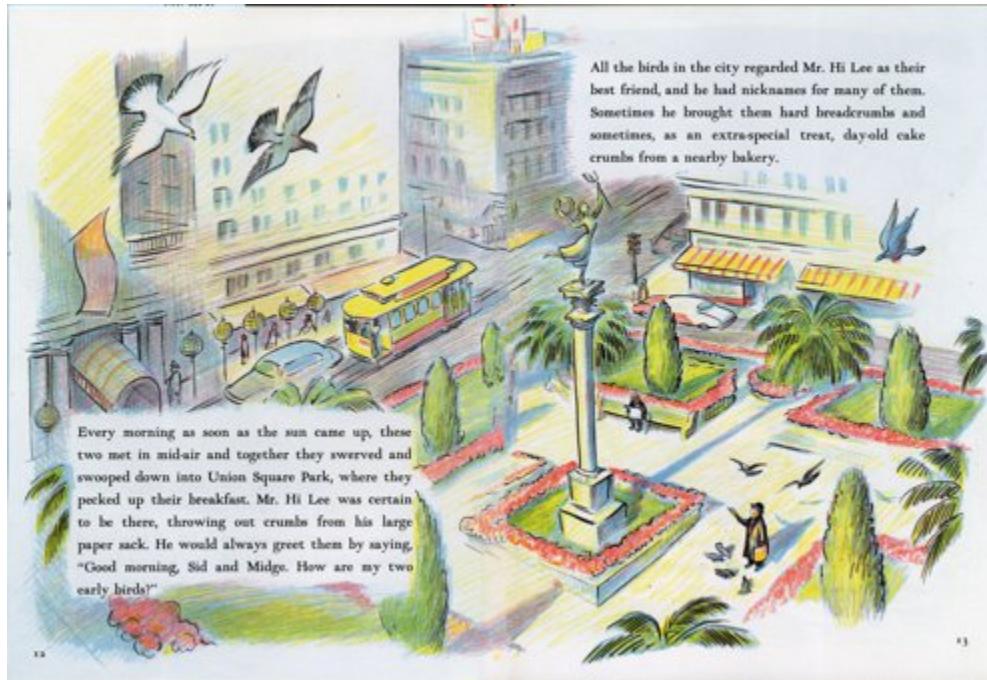


A Caldecott Honor book

Two San Francisco birds hatch some eggs in a very unconventional place - the letter "B" in the sign on top of the Bay Hotel. But what happens when the sign is taken down? Told with Freeman's typical humor and simplicity, the book features breathtaking vistas of San Francisco.

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FICTION / 5+



DON FREEMAN INSPECTOR PECKIT

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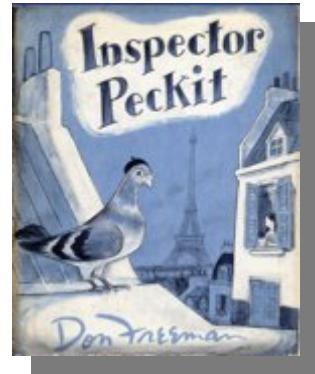
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A detective, who is also a Parisian pigeon, searches the city for a little girl's lost purse only to discover it in a rather embarrassing place.

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FICTION / 5+

DON FREEMAN NORMAN THE DOORMAN

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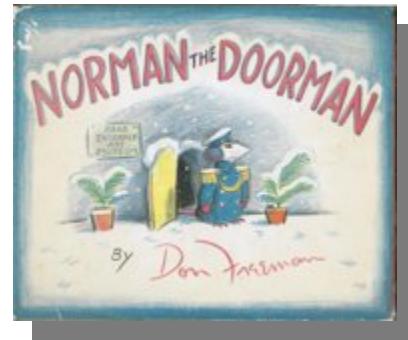
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Norman the mouse works as a doorman at an art museum. Norman gives tours to all his friends of the lovely things stored in the museum's basement, but he is always careful not to get caught by the upstairs guard. Norman loves creating art as well, and one day he makes a wire sculpture from the leftover parts of a mousetrap. When Norman sees a sign for a sculpture contest being hosted by the museum, he eagerly enters his artistic mousetrap creation.

FICTION / 5+

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During all this time Norman had been tending to his duty as doorman. A party of mice from the country, for whom he had been waiting, was long past due, and he was getting mighty cold and hungry.

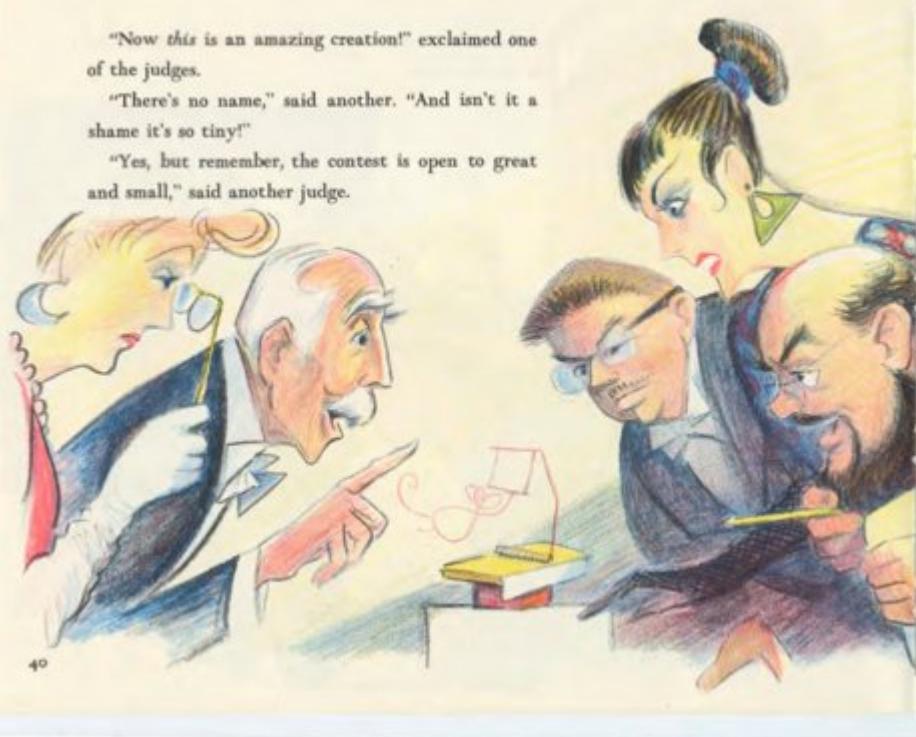


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"Now *this* is an amazing creation!" exclaimed one of the judges.

"There's no name," said another. "And isn't it a shame it's so tiny!"

"Yes, but remember, the contest is open to great and small," said another judge.



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DON FREEMAN

THE GUARD MOUSE

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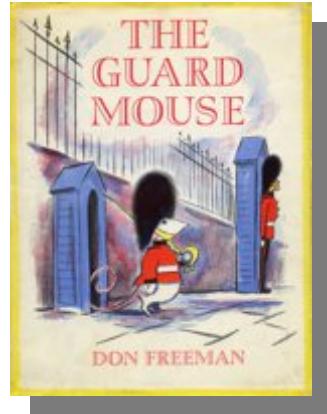
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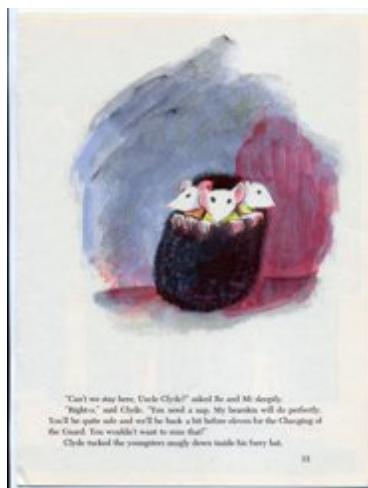
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Clyde, a guard at Buckingham Palace, whose job is to keep wee animals from straying on to the royal grounds, gives his visiting cousins a tour of London.

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FICTION / 5+

DON FREEMAN PENGUINS, OF ALL PEOPLE!

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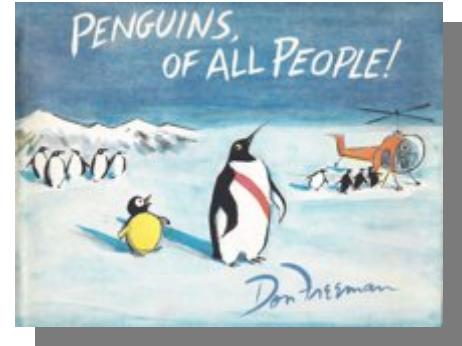
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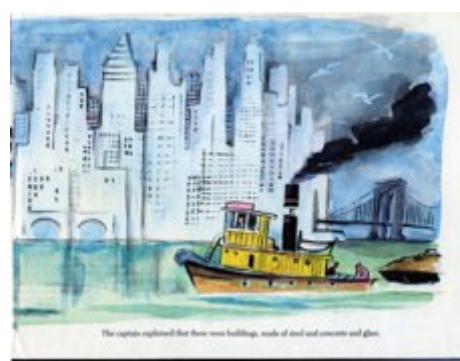
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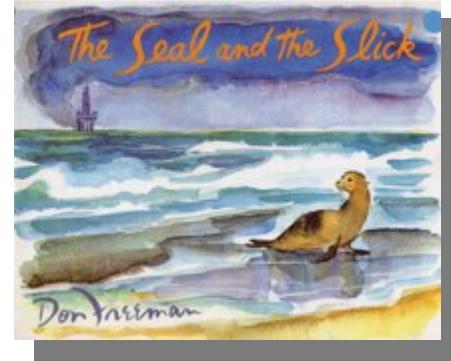
Five penguin ambassadors from the South Pole visit the United Nations to tell the people of the world how to live in peace.

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FICTION / 5+



DON FREEMAN
THE SEAL AND THE
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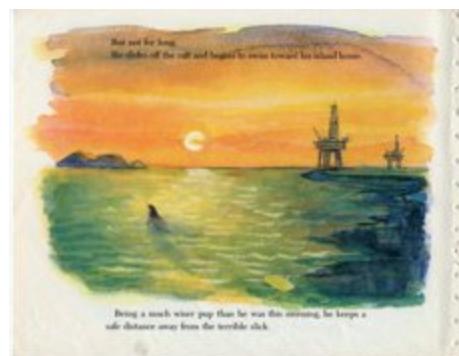
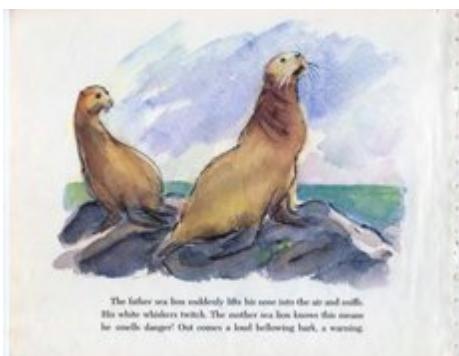
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A poignant tale about a seal pup that becomes stuck in an oil slick and is rescued by a boy and girl.

FICTION / 5+

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DON FREEMAN MANUELO THE PLAYING MANTIS

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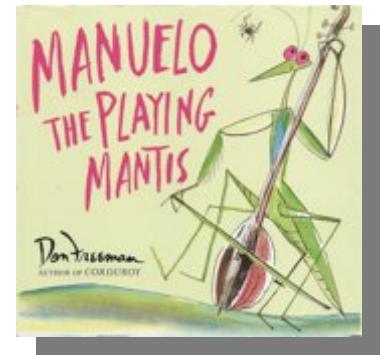
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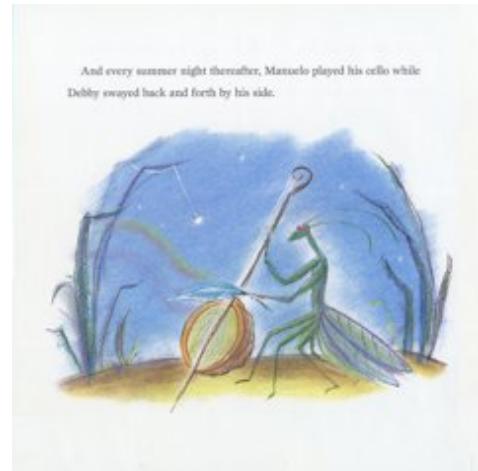
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Manuel is a praying mantis who spends summer evenings listening raptly to outdoor concerts. How he longs to join in! But though he tries to make a flute from a cattail, a horn from a trumpet flower, and a harp from twigs, nothing seems to work. But then Manuel makes a friend who shows him how to create a cello . . . and in doing so opens the door to Manuel's heart's desire.

FICTION / 3+

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DON AND ROY FREEMAN ONE MORE ACORN

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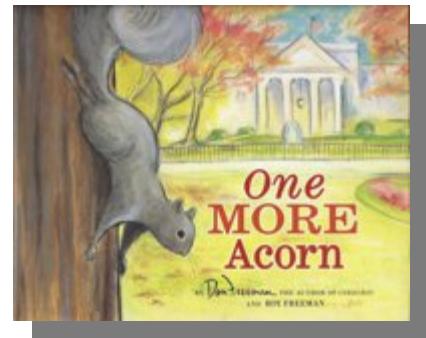
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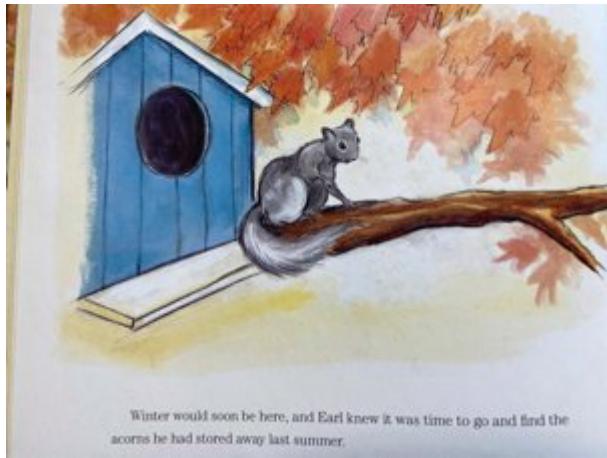


When beloved and award-winning picture-book author and illustrator Don Freeman died in 1978, his son, Roy, discovered some artwork and a story set in Washington, D.C., about a squirrel gathering nuts for the winter, and decided to partner with his father-thirty years after his death-to bring the book to life.

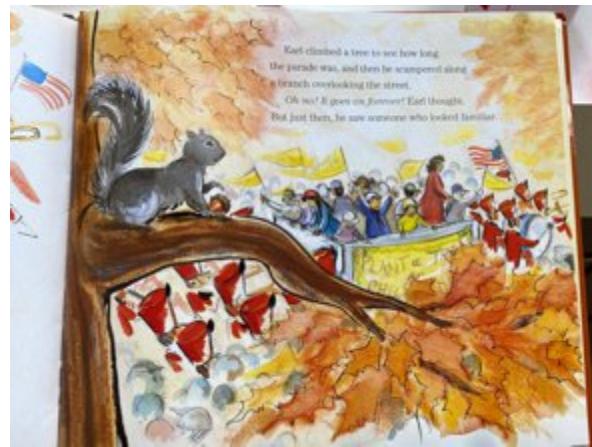
One More Acorn is more than an adorable, heartwarming story about a squirrel looking for that one last acorn-it's a son's homage to his father.

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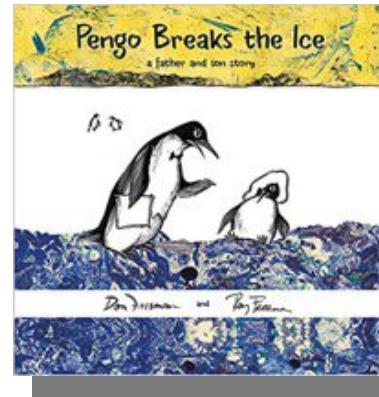
FICTION / 5+



Winter would soon be here, and Earl knew it was time to go and find the acorns he had stored away last summer.



DON FREEMAN, ROY FREEMAN
PENGO BREAKS THE
ICE
A FATHER AND SON STORY



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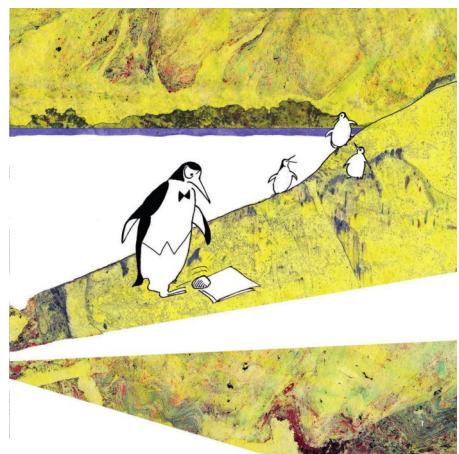
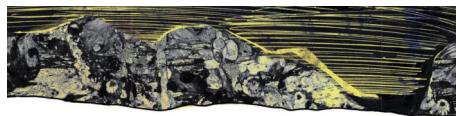
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Pengo Breaks the Ice is a new, previously unpublished children's book illustrated by Don Freeman, well-known author of *Corduroy* augmented with colorful illustrations by his son, Roy. In graphic novel style, without words it tells the story of a serious father King penguin and his playful young son, Pengo. The father forgets an important document and Pengo weathers Antarctic conditions to find his father - just in time. The ice is broken! A moving father and son story created by a special collaboration of father and son!

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The son of author-artists Lydia and Don Freeman, **ROY FREEMAN** started painting after he left home when he was sixteen. He worked as a commercial fisherman, lived with the Mazatec Indians in Mexico, and studied film and music at Antioch College. Roy turned to science and received a masters and PhD degrees in physics and geophysics from the Swiss Institute of Technology, where he taught and researched for many years. He later worked as a coach for young adults on the autistic spectrum. He lectures at the Senior Citizens University of Luzern and leads multi-day teaching hikes in the Swiss Alps.

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LYDIA, DON & ROY FREEMAN THE SPARROWS OF STONEHENGE

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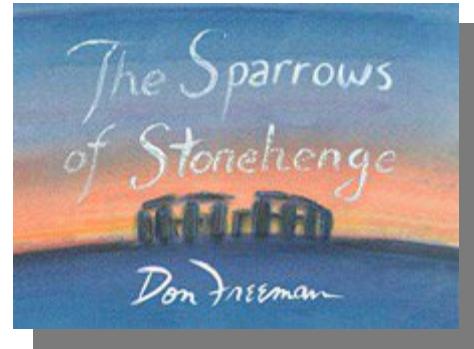
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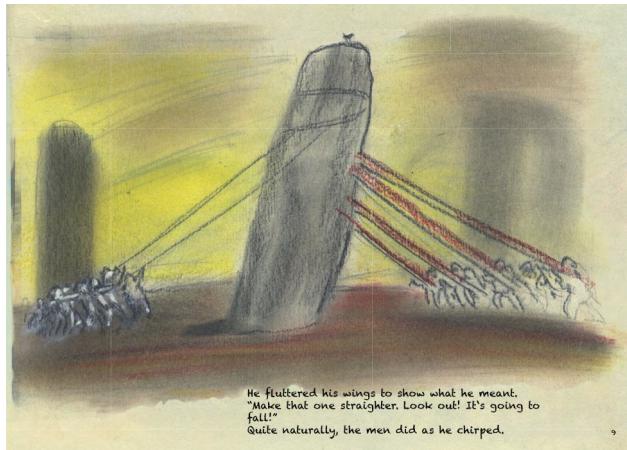
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The Sparrows of Stonehenge is a new, previously unpublished children's book by the author of the well-known children's book *Corduroy*. Created in the year before he died, Freeman's rough dreamlike expressive images and simple text tell the story of how Stonehenge came to be - from the point of a sparrow family who have for generations lived in this ancient stone circle. Don Freeman always moved in new directions with his illustrative techniques, making this new book an adventure for readers of all ages!

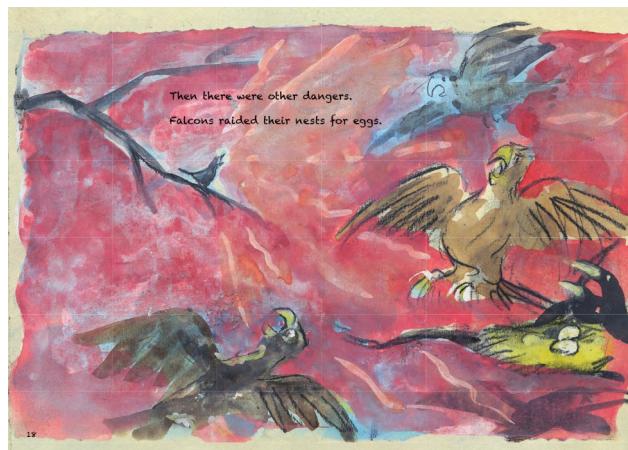
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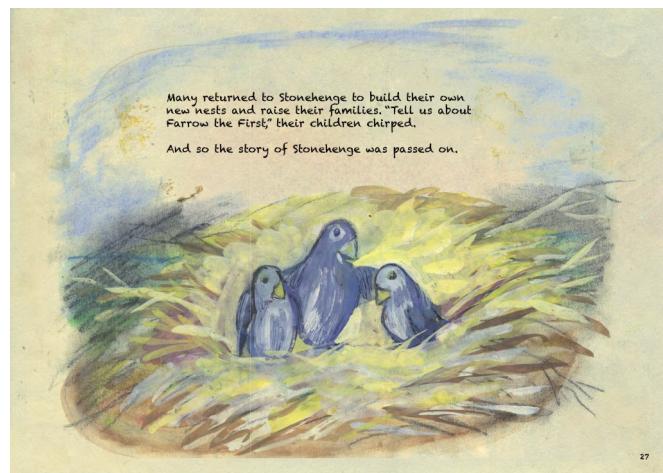
He fluttered his wings to show what he meant.
"Make that one straighter. Look out! It's going to
fall!"
Quite naturally, the men did as he chirped.

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Then there were other dangers.
Falcons raided their nests for eggs.

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Many returned to Stonehenge to build their own
new nests and raise their families. "Tell us about
Farrow the First," their children chirped.
And so the story of Stonehenge was passed on.

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