An artistic illustration of a young boy and a young girl in a field. The boy, with curly brown hair and freckles, is wearing a white long-sleeved shirt and yellow overalls. He is standing on a patch of white ground, holding a large oak leaf in his right hand and reaching up with his left hand towards a branch of a tree. The tree has several large, yellow and green oak leaves. The girl, with dark skin and long dark hair adorned with colorful beads, is wearing a red and orange striped dress. She is lying on the ground, looking up at the boy. The background is a dark, textured blue-green, suggesting a forest or a night sky. The overall style is soft and painterly.

# Lantana Publishing

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# Lantana Publishing

We are an award-winning children’s book publisher and social enterprise with a mission to publish inclusive books by authors from under-represented groups and from around the world.

Our books explore social themes that help happy little minds to flourish. They promote diversity and inclusion, social and racial justice, female empowerment, empathy, mindfulness and wellbeing, environmental sustainability, and more. We are a signatory to the United Nations SDG Publishers Compact and we print our books with plant-based inks on sustainably sourced Forest Stewardship Council certified paper to minimise our carbon footprint.

Here’s a sneak peek at a few of the new authors and illustrators we’re thrilled to be publishing this season:



**CASSIE SILVA**  
*Listening to the Quiet*



**IRENE VASCO**  
*Letters in Charcoal*



**JUAN PALOMINO**  
*Letters in Charcoal*



**MORGAN CHRISTIE**  
*In My Skin*



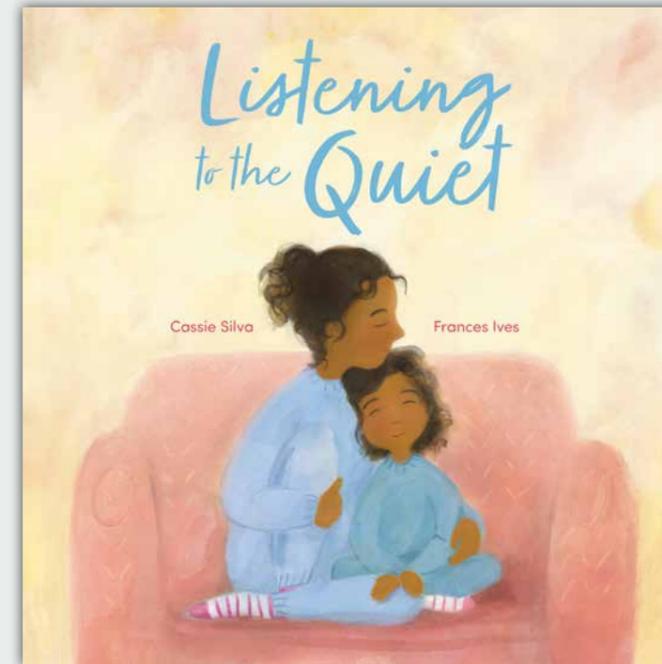
**NIALL MOORJANI**  
*Rajiv's Starry Feelings*

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The Lantana team  
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## Listening to the Quiet

Cassie Silva & Frances Ives



Hardcover ISBN: 9781915244482  
ePub3 ISBN: 9781915244505  
ePDF ISBN: 9781915244499

7th Sept 2023 | £12.99 | Ages: 2-5 | 32pp  
260mm x 260mm | Rights held: World

*What does nothing sound like?*

Jacki’s mama has a rare condition. She is slowly losing her hearing. Together, they are learning Sign Language so that they’ll always be able to tell each other everything. But as Mama’s world becomes quieter, Jacki’s remains full of sound, especially on Music Appreciation Fridays. How can Jacki enjoy listening to music when her mama can no longer hear it?

A heartfelt story, inspired by the author’s childhood, about a young girl coming to terms with her mother’s hearing loss and finding new ways to experience the world, together.

**AUTHOR**

Cassie Silva is an author and social worker of Portuguese heritage living in Vancouver, Canada. Her work has been published in six *Chicken Soup for the Soul* anthologies and *The New York Times*.

**ILLUSTRATOR**

Frances Ives has an MA in Children’s Book Illustration from the Cambridge School of Art. Her most abiding source of inspiration is the constant yet ever-changing sky and all its colours.

“A personal, child-friendly approach to sensory changes. This gently loving story will be especially appreciated by readers whose family members, friends, or classmates are experiencing hearing loss”  
—Kirkus Reviews

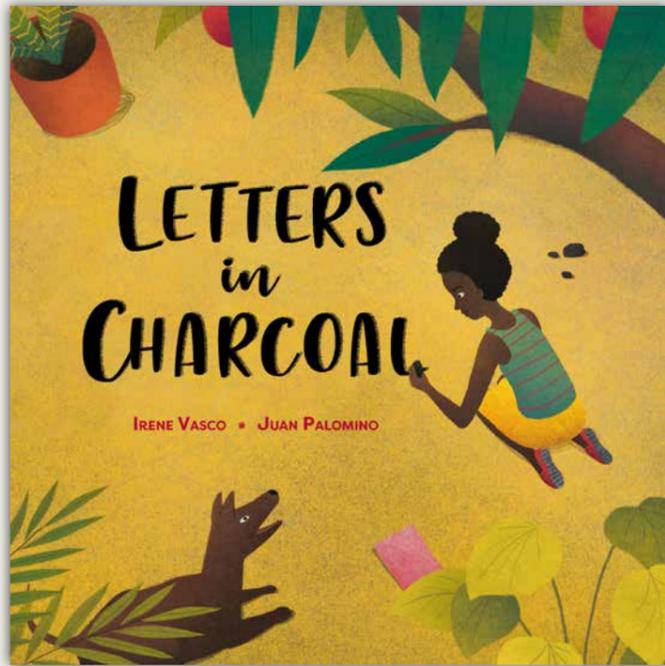
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**BOOK OF THE MONTH (Sept 2023)**



# Letters in Charcoal

Irene Vasco & Juan Palomino; translated by Lawrence Schimel

Sept



Hardcover ISBN: 9781915244512  
ePub3 ISBN: 9781915244536  
ePDF ISBN: 9781915244529

21st Sept 2023 | £12.99 | Ages: 2-5 | 32pp  
260mm x 260mm | Original: Spanish  
Rights held: World English

## TRANSLATOR

Lawrence Schimel is a Spanish/English author and translator who has published over 120 books. His picture books have won a Crystal Kite Award, a White Raven, and have been chosen three times for IBBY'S Outstanding Books for Young Readers with Disabilities.

“Reminds readers that even in the face of lost connections, the joy of reading can light the way to a brighter future”  
—Kirkus Reviews

*When one young girl makes the decision to learn to read, it changes her life forever.*

In the pueblo of Palenque, hardly anybody knows how to read. Curious about the letters her older sister Gina receives from a young doctor each month – letters that she is sure contain promises of love – one young girl makes a decision that will change her life, and the lives of every child in the pueblo, forever.

With the help of Señor Velandia, the owner of the village shop, she will slowly unlock the letters of the alphabet and discover the magic of reading. And soon she will make a discovery that is more miraculous still – that letters are literally all around her . . .

## AUTHOR

Irene Vasco is an award-winning Colombian author. She has devoted much of her life to training readers in remote regions of Colombia, and in 2021, was recognised by the Colombian Ministry of Education for a lifetime of work devoted to education.

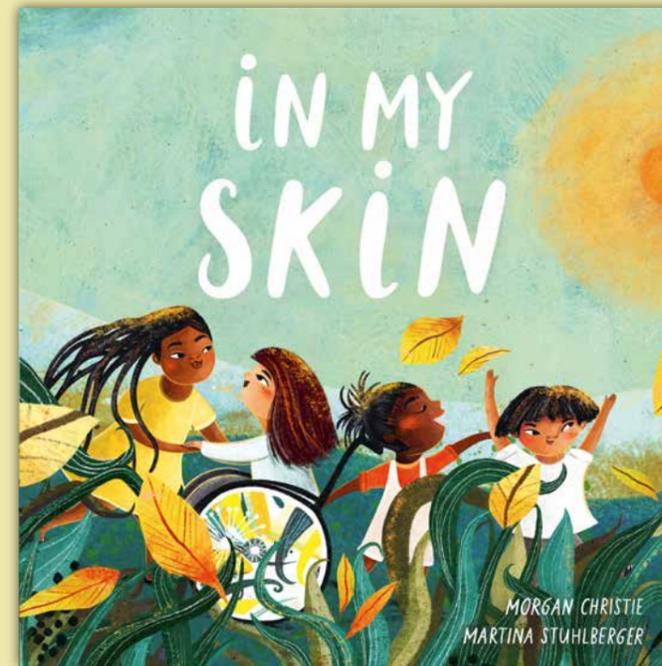
## ILLUSTRATOR

Juan Palomino is a Mexican artist and academic. Among his many awards are the fourth Iberoamerican Catalog of Illustration, the Bologna Children's Book Fair International Illustration Award and a Golden Apple from the Biennial of Illustration Bratislava.

# In My Skin

Morgan Christie & Martina Stuhlberger

Oct



Hardcover ISBN: 9781915244543  
ePub3 ISBN: 9781915244567  
ePDF ISBN: 9781915244550

5th Oct 2023 | £12.99 | Ages: 2-5 | 32pp  
260mm x 260mm | Rights held: World

“An affirming array of children demonstrate what it means to ‘hope,’ ‘laugh,’ and, ultimately, ‘belong’ in the skin and body we are given”  
—Foreword Reviews

*In my skin, I hope. I chase the rainbow that shines after the storm. I dust myself off so I can take on tomorrow.*

In this poem, children find creative ways to embrace the world around them and remind themselves of the beauty of living in their skin. In their skin, they can climb as high as the mountain peaks and spin like crinkly leaves on a windy day. In their skin, they can grow like the long curving limbs of an oak tree and fill the world with their song.

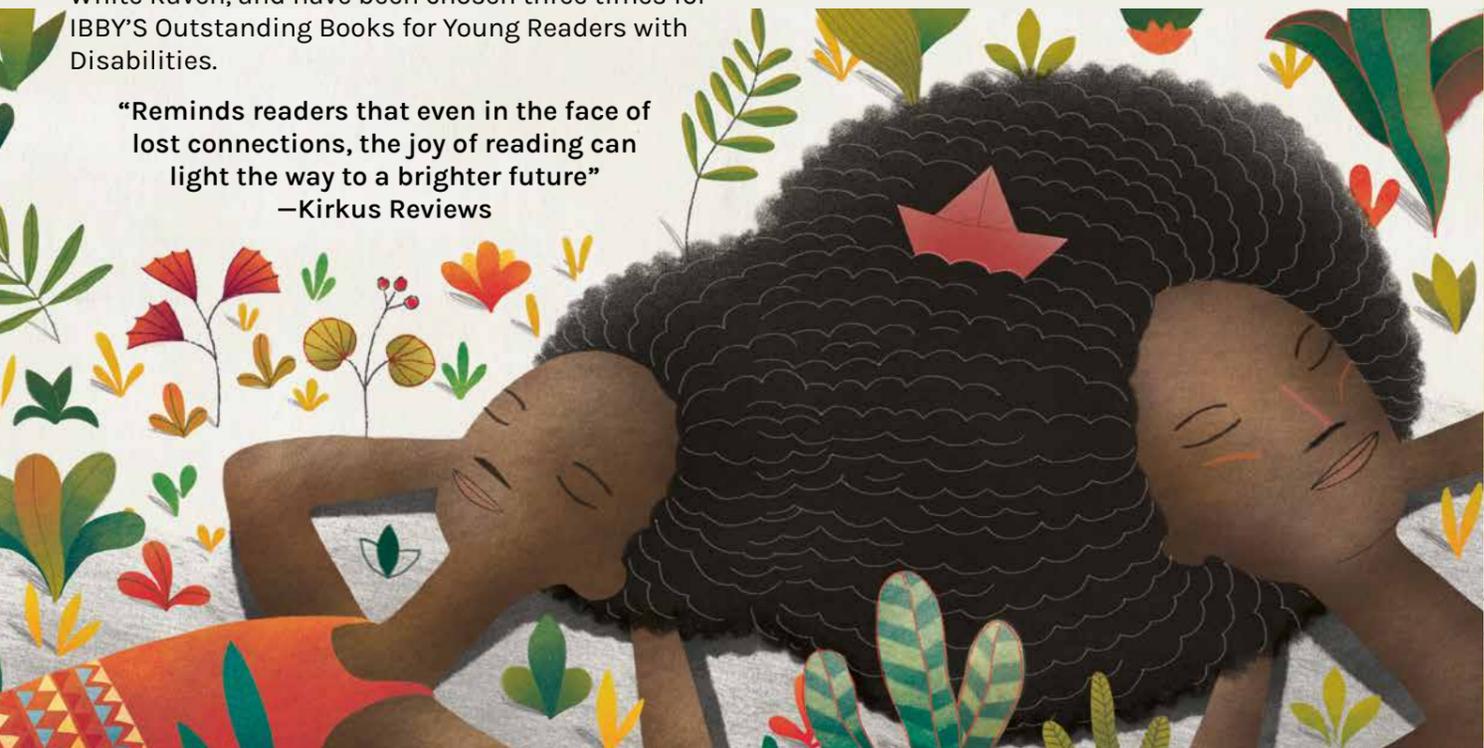
Told by many different children as they sing, rise, reach, move, learn, hope, laugh, rest, remember and love, this gorgeous poem shows us that when you embrace the skin you're in, you open yourself up to a world of possibilities.

## AUTHOR

Morgan Christie is a poet, playwright, and fiction writer from Toronto. The author of several poetry chapbooks, her writing has also appeared in *Aethlon*, *Moko* and *Little Patuxent Review*. She is based in North Carolina.

## ILLUSTRATOR

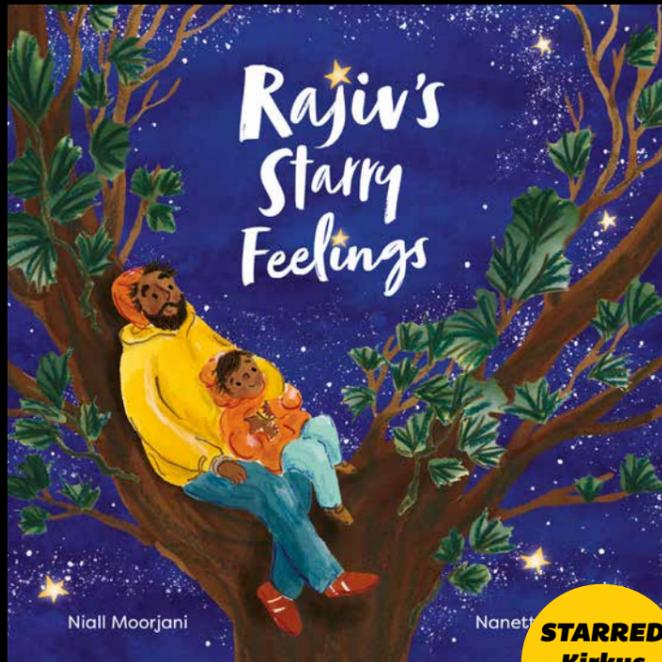
Martina Stuhlberger is an Austrian illustrator. She worked as a copywriter, screenwriter and multimedia content creator before discovering her true passion and creating a colourful life as an illustrator and designer.



# Rajiv's Starry Feelings

Niall Moorjani & Nanette Regan

Oct



*"Did you know that constellations are ancient maps that help explorers find their way?"*

Rajiv has feelings for everything. He can feel confident. He can feel happy. He can feel silly. But today, he feels angry and he doesn't know why. With the help of his father, he sets out on a journey to make sense of his feelings. It is a journey that will take him to a park, then up into the branches of a tree, and from there all the way to the stars . . .

Beautifully told and stunningly illustrated, this extraordinary story draws on the constellations in the night sky to help children explore the complex emotions we all feel but cannot always name.

**AUTHOR**

Niall Moorjani is a non-binary, British Indian writer and storyteller. They draw inspiration from fairy tales, folk tales and history and love giving them a modern twist. *Rajiv's Starry Feelings* is their debut picture book.

**ILLUSTRATOR**

Nanette Regan studied painting at the Slade School of Fine Art. Her warm, energetic illustrations celebrate the chaotic magic of the everyday. She lives and works in Jersey, a tiny island between England and France.

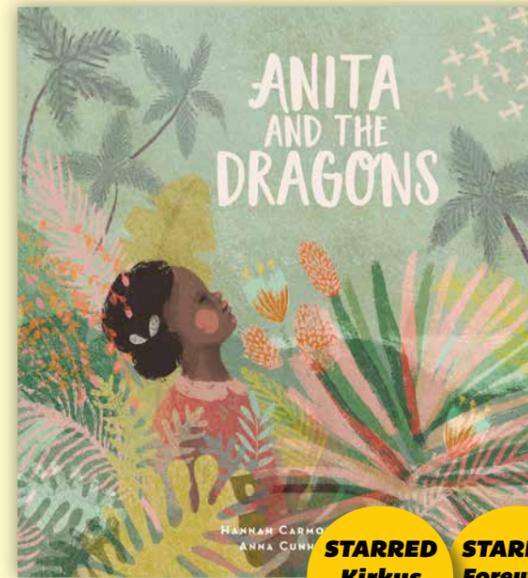
*"A beautiful story that gently helps children understand and navigate a universe of feelings"*  
—Joseph Coelho, Children's Laureate 2023

Hardcover ISBN: 9781915244574  
ePub3 ISBN: 9781915244598  
ePDF ISBN: 9781915244581

19th Oct 2023 | £12.99 | Ages: 2-5 | 32pp  
260mm x 260mm | Rights held: World

*"This is an inspiring story that links astral wonders to everyday emotions. With swirls of colour, the dazzling illustrations create a sense of wonder that fires up the imagination"*  
—Kirkus Reviews, STARRED

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Review!



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Foreword  
Review!

# Anita and the Dragons

James Berry & Anna Cunha

Anita watches the dragons high above her as she hops from one cement roof to another in her village in the Dominican Republic. But being the valiant princesa she is, she never lets them scare her. Then one day, Anita must face her fears and begin life in a new country. Will she be brave enough to enter the belly of the beast and take flight to new adventures?

USSBY Outstanding International Book 2022  
New York Public Library Best Books of 2021  
North Somerset Teacher's Book Awards Shortlist 2021  
Kate Greenaway Medal Nomination 2022  
A BookTrust Book of the Month 2021  
A Love Reading For Schools Book of the Month 2021  
A Barnes & Noble Bookseller Favourite 2021

Hardcover ISBN: 9781911373636 | Mar 2021 | £11.99  
Softcover ISBN: 9781915244697 | Sept 2023 | £7.99

Ages: 2-5 | 32pp | 240mm x 220mm | Rights held: World

*"A gorgeous story about the love of one's homeland and the courage it takes to emigrate"*  
—Kirkus Reviews, STARRED



# The Queen on our Corner

Lucy Christopher & Nia Tudor

Nobody notices the queen on the corner. Nobody, that is... except one young girl. Through her eyes, the woman who dwells in the abandoned plot is a warrior queen, with many battles fought and won. When, one day, danger comes to the street and the queen on the corner sounds the alarm, the little girl must find a way to thank her. Can she bring the community together to turn the queen's corner into a home?

Yoto Carnegie Medal Longlist 2023  
Ezra Jack Keats Illustration Award Nomination 2022  
Klaus Flugge Prize Longlist 2022  
A Love Reading for Schools Book of the Month 2021

*"This is a tale of looking for the inherent worth of everybody, in particular homeless people, and trying one's best to understand and support them"*  
—Books for Keeps, 5 STARS

Hardcover ISBN: 9781911373889 | Oct 2021 | £11.99  
Softcover ISBN: 9781915244703 | Sept 2023 | £7.99

Ages: 2-5 | 32pp | 260mm x 260mm | Rights held: World





## My Must-Have Mum

Maudie Smith & Jen Khatun

When Jake's mum upcycles every last thing in the flat, Jake begins to worry that the only thing left to change is ... him!

Jake's mum is not like most mums. Say there's a skip in the street, most mums will pass right by without a second glance. Not Jake's mum. "Look at this, Jake!" she'll shout. "We must have this! We must have this, too! And we simply must have this!" That's Jake's mum for you. She's a must-have mum.

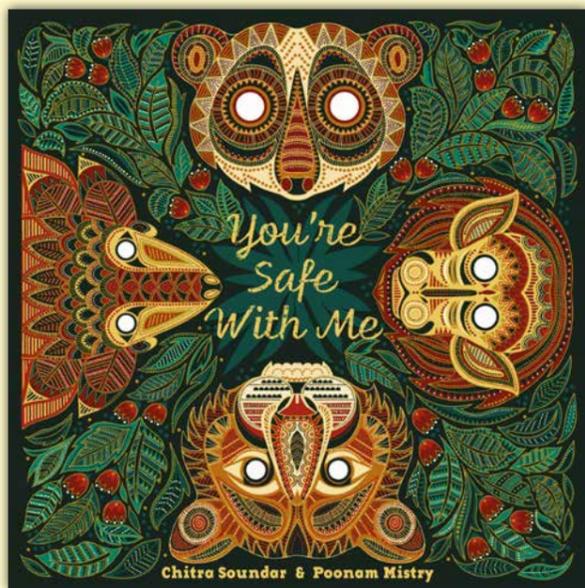
Soon Jake begins to worry that his mum will want to change him too. Should he be this way? Or that way? Or another way altogether? A heartwarming story about the unbreakable bond between a mother and her son, and a little boy who learns that he is perfect just the way he is.

Hardcover ISBN: 9781913747688 | Mar 2022 | £11.99  
Softcover ISBN: 9781911373148 | Oct 2023 | £7.99

Ages: 2-5 | 32pp | 260mm x 260mm | Rights held: World

A Sunday Times Book of the Week 2022  
A Good Housekeeping Kids' Best Book Award Winner 2022

"There is so much to enjoy in this charming, inclusive picture book, which beautifully celebrates diversity, acceptance and unconditional love"—BookTrust



## You're Safe With Me

Chitra Soundar & Poonam Mistry

When the moon rises high and the stars twinkle, it is bedtime for the baby animals of the Indian forest. But tonight, when the skies turn dark and the night grows stormy, the little ones can't sleep. SWISH-SWISH! CRACK-TRACK! FLASH-SNAP! goes the storm. Only Mama Elephant with her words of wisdom can reassure them, "You're safe with me."

Hardcover ISBN: 9781911373292  
May 2018 | £11.99  
Softcover ISBN: 9781915244710  
Oct 2023 | £7.99

Ages: 2-5 | 32pp | 240mm x 240mm  
Rights held: World

Kate Greenaway Medal Shortlist 2019  
A Bank Street Best Book of the Year 2019  
Winner 3-Star Teach Early Years Award 2018  
A Guardian Children's Book of the Month 2018  
A Read for Empathy Selection 2018  
Klaus Flugge Prize Longlist 2018



## My Mummy Marches

Samantha Hawkins & Cory Reid

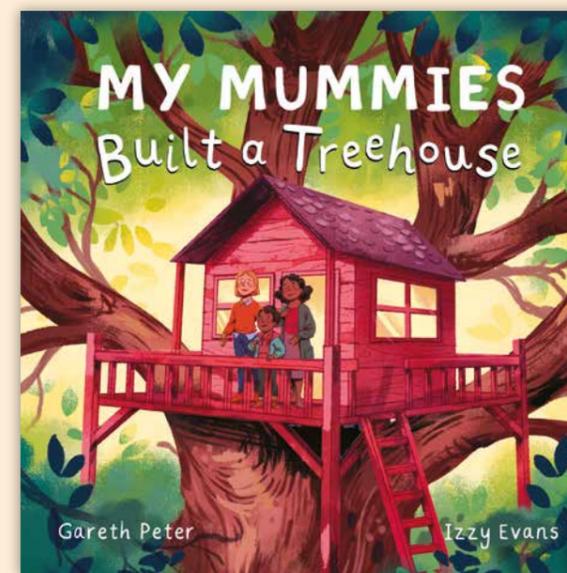
Mummy says that some things can't be said with just words ... Sometimes you have to say it with your feet.

A young girl watches her mummy proudly take to the streets to march for what she believes in. Mummy marches through the sunshine, through the rain and through the deepest snow, on her own or hand-in-hand with others, to give voice to causes that need to be heard. Inspired to join the next generation of young activists, her daughter dreams of marching alongside her.

A joyful story celebrating the power of peaceful protest and the will to change things for the better.

Hardcover ISBN: 9781915244154 | Feb 2023  
£12.99 | Ages: 2-5 | 32pp | Rights held: World

"The book discusses an empowering and empathetic theme of standing up for the world. The easy-to-read storyline and the beautiful, inclusive illustrations will resonate with young children. The inspiring story of a young girl's mummy told with whimsical illustrations makes this a perfect gift for children."  
—NBP Reviews



## My Mummies Built A Treehouse

Gareth Peter & Izzy Evans

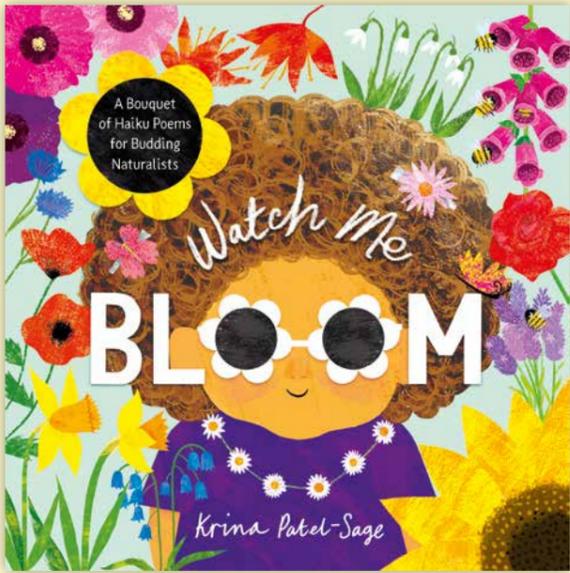
Building a treehouse is a big project. But when your mummies are there to help you, there's nothing that can stop you!

When one boy sets out to build the treehouse of his dreams, there's so much to consider - from finding the perfect tree to drawing up the plans. There are certainly challenges along the way, and a lot of spilt paint! But one thing is for sure - he won't go far wrong with his two mummies to support him.

Hardcover ISBN: 9781915244215 | Mar 2023  
£12.99 | Ages: 2-5 | 32pp | Rights held: World  
Rights sold: Italian

"This is a charming story told in simple rhyme about the need to have big dreams and to have adults who believe in you enough to help make your special big dream come true"—The Letterpress Project





Hardcover ISBN: 9781913747992 | Apr 2023  
£12.99 | Ages: 2-5 | 32pp | Rights held: World

“A bright bouquet of poems, petals, and values”  
—Kirkus Reviews

“It is bright, bold, and positively bursting with energy  
and life. Simply stunning, a book to treasure”  
—Armadillo

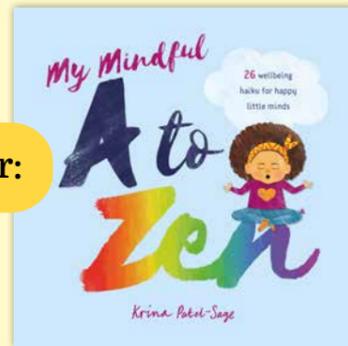
## Watch Me Bloom

Krina Patel-Sage

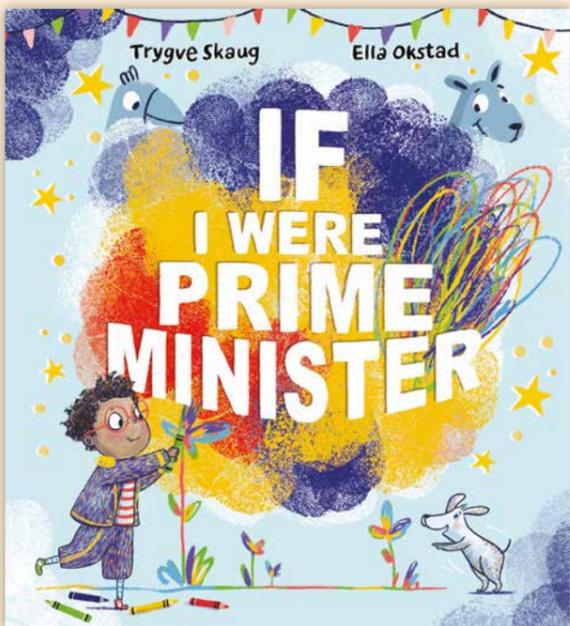
Mindful haiku poems to help us rediscover our natural surroundings, without travelling too far from home.

Some flowers are the subject of nursery rhymes and childhood games while others help us celebrate love, remember our homelands or mark the passing seasons. These mindful haiku poems invite us to explore twenty-four flower species growing close to home, from wildflower meadows to urban window boxes.

The nature-themed follow up to *My Mindful A to Zen*, this gorgeous collection of poems teaches us that treating ourselves and our planet mindfully can also be a treat for the senses.



Also by the author:



Hardcover ISBN: 9781915244451 | May 2023  
£12.99 | Ages: 2-5 | 32pp | Original: Norwegian  
Rights held: World English

## If I Were Prime Minister

Trygve Skaug & Ella Okstad

A joyful picture book that puts the child at the very heart of politics and social change.

With disarming frankness, a young boy gives his perspective on several things the grown-ups running the country could do differently. His recommendations are both playful and profound. How much happier would we be if all the adults went to nursery once a month to remind themselves how to play? How much safer would we be if Christmas lights were left up all year round to light everyone's way home?

This gorgeously-illustrated picture book is for all those children who dare to dream big and for all those adults who want to look on the world with fresh eyes.

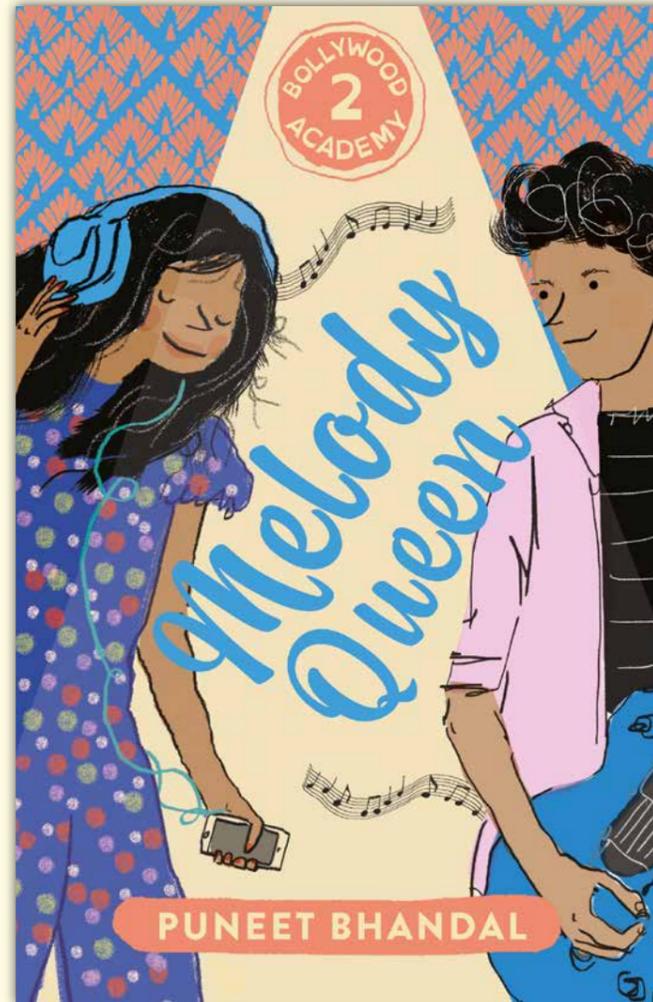


“A bustling, hopeful, and quirky story about addressing challenges with flair”—Foreword Reviews

## Melody Queen

Book 2 of the Bollywood Academy series

Puneet Bhandal



Paperback ISBN: 9781915244321  
ePub3 ISBN: 9781915244345  
ePDF ISBN: 9781915244338

15th Jun 2023 | £7.99 | Ages: 8-12  
264pp | 198mm x 129mm  
Rights held: World

“This is everything readers could want. Young readers will devour this new series. Applause all round!”  
—LoveReading4Kids July 2022 Debut of the Month

The Guardian, Children's Book of the Month July 2022

Can music-obsessed Simi stand up to a gender-biased industry?

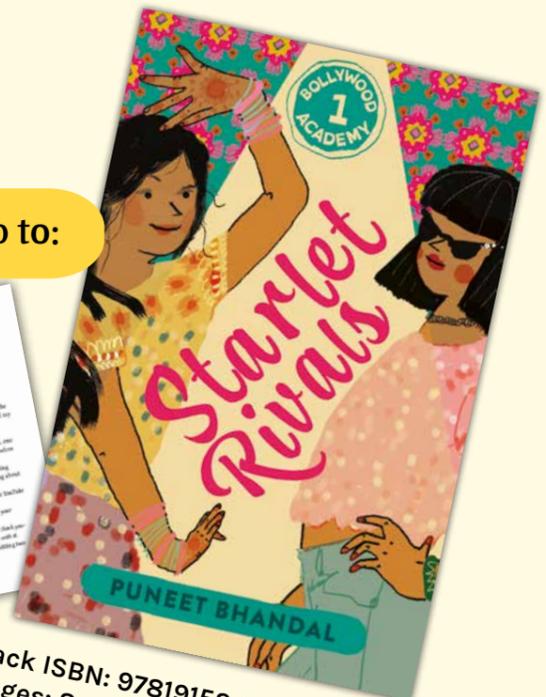
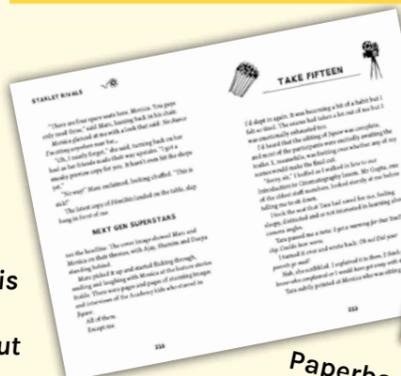
Twelve-year-old Simi's life is set. First: graduate from the Bollywood Academy, school to future stars. Second: become a mega-famous actor, just like her showbiz parents. There's only one problem: Simi would rather make music than act, and music is a profession dominated by men. Can Simi navigate the gender barriers of the industry to prove she has what it takes to become Bollywood's next big music composer?

A story of passion for music and courage in the face of overwhelming odds, this second book in the dazzling world of Bollywood is sure to get your toes tapping and head bopping to Simi's beat.

### AUTHOR

Puneet Bhandal is a former Bollywood film journalist and current owner of an Indian occasionwear boutique where her dresses are modelled by real-life-stars including Miss England 2021.

Anticipated follow up to:



Paperback ISBN: 9781915244000 | Jul 2022 | £7.99 | Ages: 8-12 | 264pp | 198mm x 129mm | Rights held: World

# Odwar vs. the Shadow Queen

Book 2 of the Intasimi Warriors series

Shiko Nguru



Will Odwar learn the lesson that strength of heart is the most powerful strength of all?

After their spectacular showdown against the Red Oloibon, Odwar and his friends are hoping for a bit of a breather. But Odwar has to find his Entasim – the powerful heirloom inherited from his warrior ancestor – and he has to find it now. The Shadow Queen, raging with anger at having been trapped in the shadow world for so long, has a new target in her sights. Can Odwar and his friends stop her from feeding on humanity’s darkest emotions and breaking into the light?

An action-packed story of bravery and determination in which physical strength fails but strength of heart conquers all.

**AUTHOR**

Shiko Nguru is a Kenyan author and content creator, sharing her motherhood journey in the most genuine and beautiful way she can @ShikoNguru.

Paperback ISBN: 9781915244406  
ePub3 ISBN: 9781915244420  
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6th Jul 2023 | £7.99 | Ages: 8-12  
224pp | 198mm x 129mm  
Rights held: World

Anticipated follow up to:

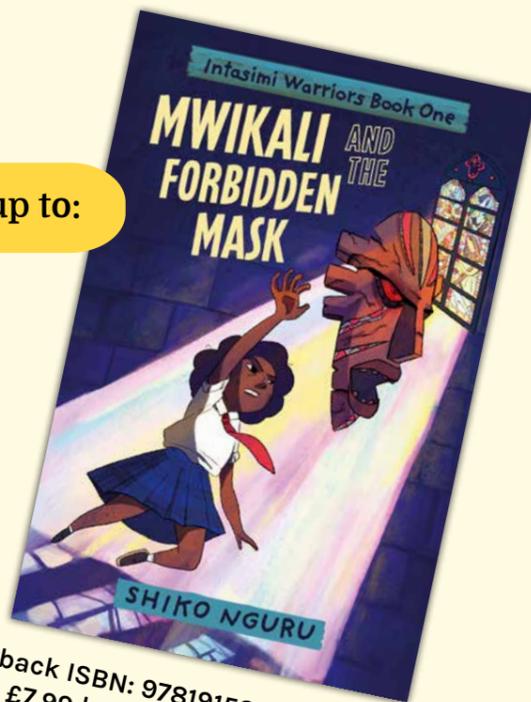
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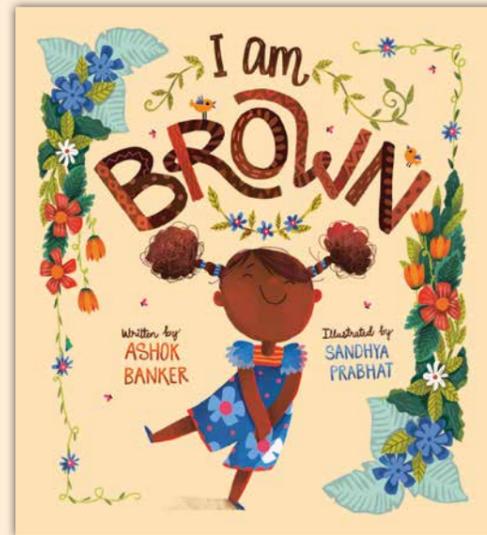
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Books for Keeps



Paperback ISBN: 9781915244031 | Aug 2022 | £7.99 | Ages: 8-12 | 224pp | 198mm x 129mm | Rights held: World



Softcover ISBN: 9781913747886 | Mar 2022  
£7.99 | Ages: 2-5 | 32pp | Rights held: World  
Rights sold: Dutch, Norwegian

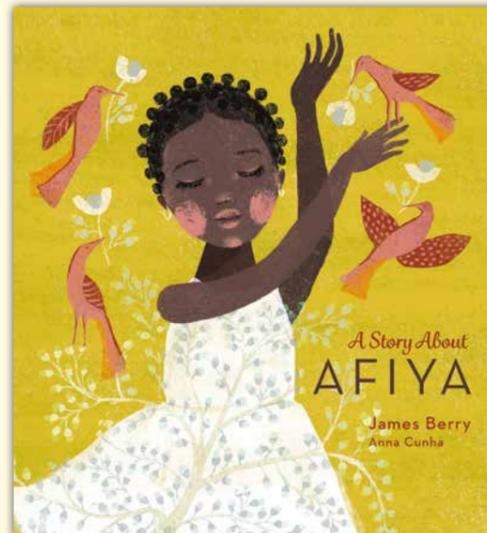
# I Am Brown

Ashok Banker & Sandhya Prabhat

I am brown. I am beautiful. I am perfect. I designed this computer. I ran this race. I won this prize. I wrote this book. A joyful celebration of the skin you’re in—of being brown, of being amazing, of being you!

Teach Early Years Award Finalist 2021  
UKLA Book Awards Longlist 2021  
Derby Children’s Picture Book Award Longlist 2021  
BookTrust Best Books Guide 2020  
A Guardian Children’s Book of the Month 2020

‘A note-perfect hymn about acceptance, pride and belonging’ –The Guardian



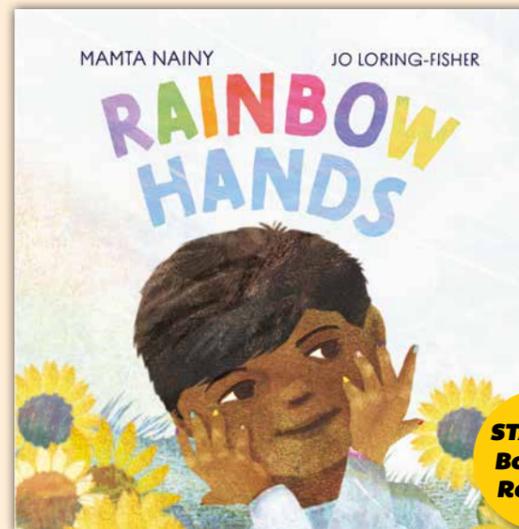
Softcover ISBN: 9781913747893 | Apr 2022  
£7.99 | Ages: 2-5 | 32pp | Rights held: World  
Rights sold: Portuguese (Brazil), Korean

# A Story About Afiya

James Berry & Anna Cunha

Some people have dresses for every occasion but Afiya needs only one. Her dress records the memories of her childhood, from roses in bloom to pigeons in flight, from tigers at the zoo to October leaves falling. A joyful celebration of a young girl’s childhood, written by the celebrated Jamaican poet James Berry.

Northern Lights Picture Book of the Year Winner 2020  
New York Times, 25 Best Children’s Books of 2020  
USBY Outstanding International Book 2021  
Kate Greenaway Medal Nomination 2022  
White Ravens Selection 2021  
A Guardian Children’s Book of the Month 2020  
Kate Greenaway Medal Nomination 2022



Hardcover ISBN: 9781913747831 | Jun 2022  
£11.99 | Ages: 2-5 | 32pp | Rights held: World

# Rainbow Hands

Mamta Nainy & Jo Loring-Fisher

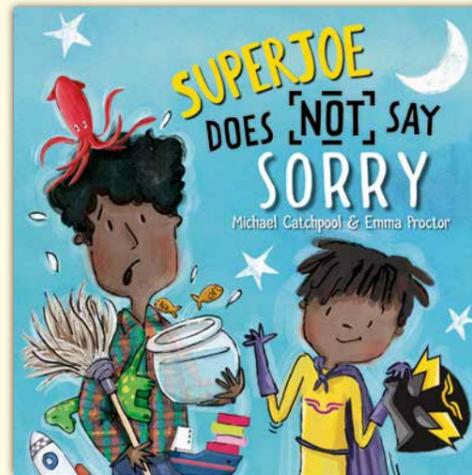
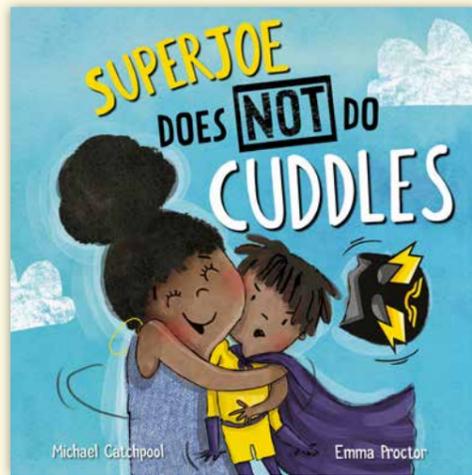
As the long Indian summer days stretch ahead of him, a young boy looks forward to his favourite time – painting-his-nails-time. He knows that when he dips his brush into those magical bottles of nail polish, he will find a colour to express his every mood and feeling. At times, his Papa frowns and says, “What have you done to your nails?” At other times, he says, “Why don’t you paint on paper instead?” But the little boy knows that painting his nails makes his hands look beautiful. This colour-filled story celebrates the joy of finding out who you are and embracing the courage to be yourself.

The Guardian, Children’s Book of the Month July 2022  
Yoto Carnegie Medal nomination 2023

## BEST OF PICTURE BOOKS IN SERIES

### SuperJoe

Michael Catchpool & Emma Proctor



SuperJoe - superhero in the making - is convinced he doesn't need cuddles from his mum. Until one night, when he can't sleep...

SuperJoe is far too busy to say sorry. Can SuperJoe swallow his pride and say the one little word that will make everything better?

Hardcover ISBN: 9781913747657 | Sept 2021 | £11.99  
Ages: 2-5 | 32pp | 260mm x 260mm | Rights held: World | Rights sold: Dutch, Chinese (Complex)

Hardcover ISBN: 9781913747961 | Sept 2022 | £11.99  
Ages: 2-5 | 32pp | 260mm x 260mm Rights held: World | Rights sold: Dutch

### You're Safe, Snug & Strong with Me

Chitra Soundar & Poonam Mistry

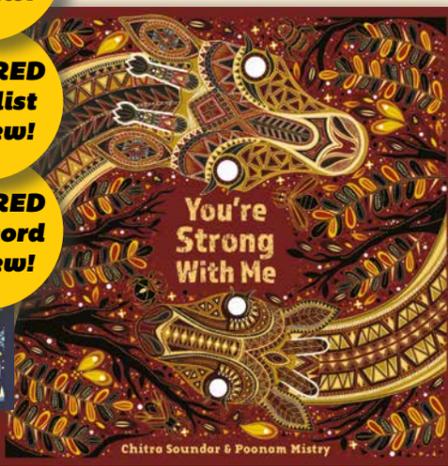
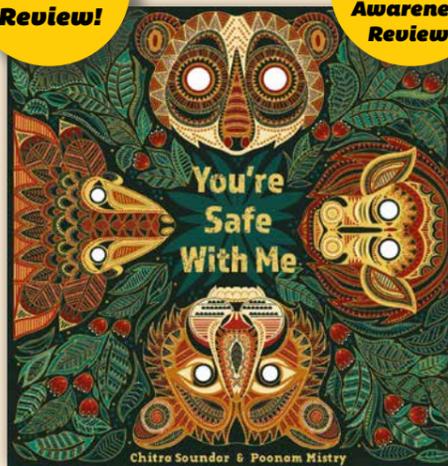
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Teach Early Years 3-Star Award Winner 2018  
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Klaus Flugge Prize Longlist 2018

A Kirkus Best Picture Book of the Year 2018  
Kate Greenaway Medal Shortlist 2020

United Nations Sustainable Development Goals Book Club Selection 2021

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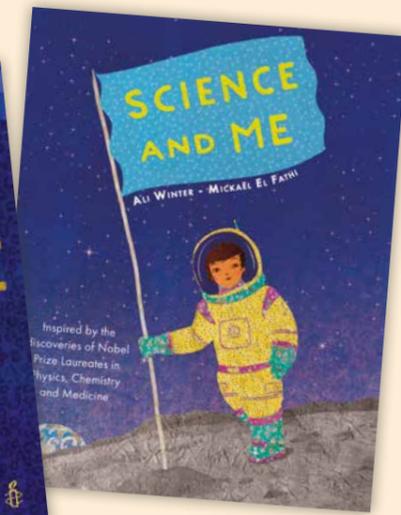
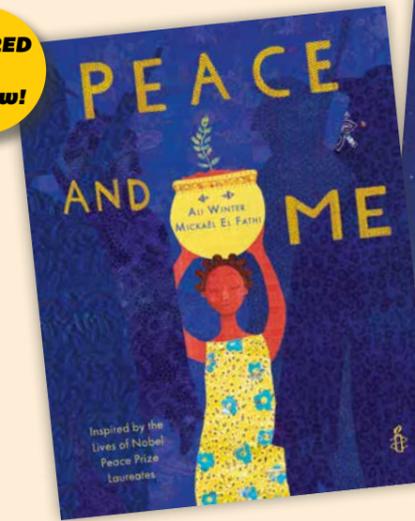
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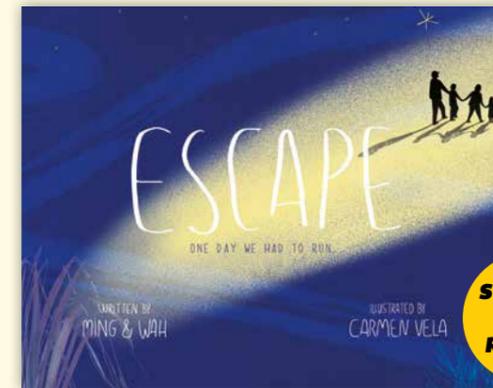
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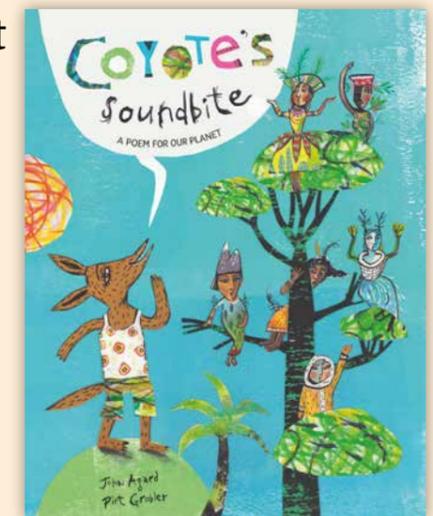
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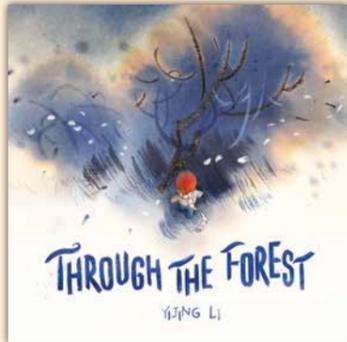




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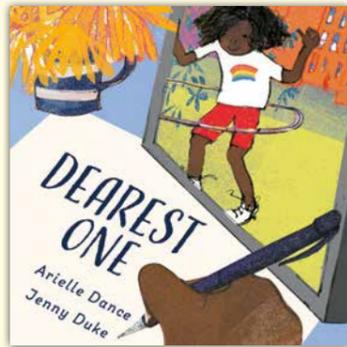
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The gnarled tree on the hill sometimes turns into a pirate ship. A rope serves as an anchor, a sheet as a sail, and Sam is its fearless captain. But one day another sailor approaches, and he's not from Sam's street. Can they find something more precious than diamonds and gold? Can they find...friendship?

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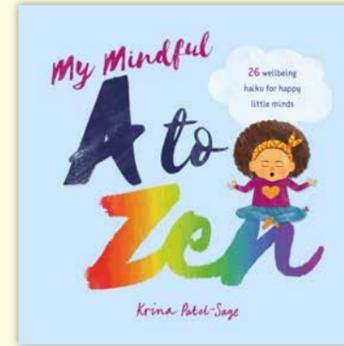
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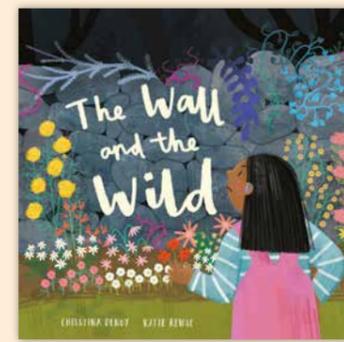
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**26 Wellbeing Haiku for Happy Little Minds**  
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Christina Dendy & Katie Rewse

In a plot of land at the edge of town, Ana grows only perfectly-sized plants and perfect-looking flowers, and throws all the irregular shoots and uneven seeds over the wall into the disorderly Wild. But as her garden gets tidier, neater and more constrained, the Wild begins to grow...

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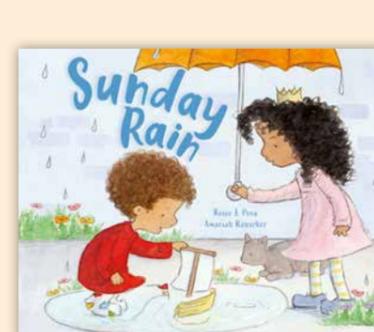
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**Violet's Tempest**  
Ian Eagleton & Clara Anganuzzi

Violet's world has changed. Her voice has gone from a giggle to a whisper. So when her teacher casts her in the school play, she is filled with worry. How will she ever stand in front of a crowd and overcome her shyness? With the love and support of her family, Violet must find her inner confidence and turn that whisper into a roar!

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**Sunday Rain**  
Rosie J. Pova & Amariah Rauscher

Elliott has just moved into a new house. He spends his days with his fictional friends, immersed in a book. When an inviting Sunday rain gathers the local kids to play in the puddles, Elliott longs to join in, but he's too shy to go outside. Soon, Elliott discovers that new friendships are like a new book – you just have to plunge into the adventure.

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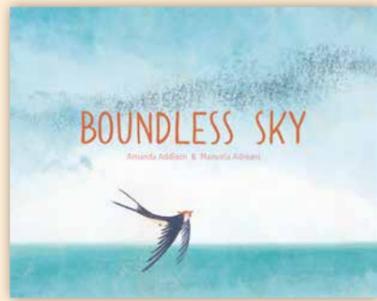


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Taking time to listen. Taking time to feel. Taking time to cherish you, and also cherish me. This poem is inspired by principles of mindfulness and invites children around the world to gaze, wonder and marvel at this astonishing planet we call home.

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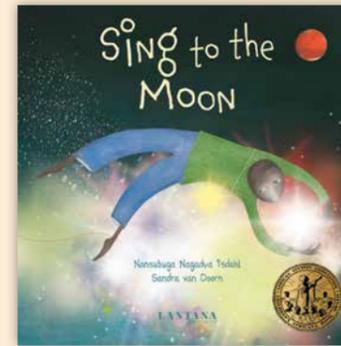
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**Children's Africana Best Book Award Winner 2019**

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## Mira's Curly Hair

Maryam al Serkal & Rebeca Luciani

Mira doesn't like her hair. It curls at the front. It curls at the back. It curls everywhere! She wants her hair to be straight and smooth, just like her Mama's. But when something unpredictable happens, Mira will never look at her Mama's hair the same way again! A delightful celebration of natural hair and the courage it takes to be yourself.

**Northern Lights Pre-school Book Award Winner 2019**

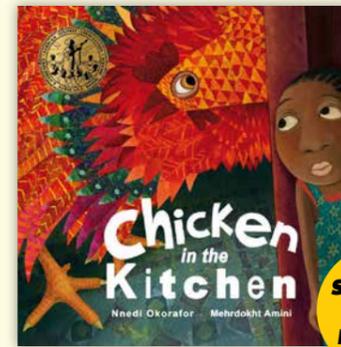
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What would you do if you woke up one night to find the shadow of a giant chicken passing your bedroom door? Go and investigate of course! When Anyaugo follows a giant chicken into her kitchen one warm night in Nigeria, she embarks on a fun-filled adventure.

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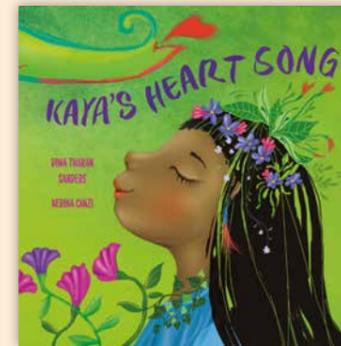
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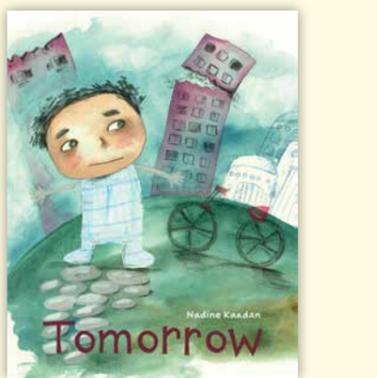


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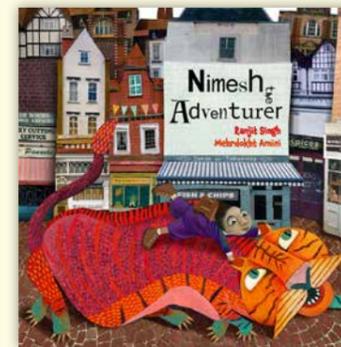
**Middle East Book Award Honour Book 2019**

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Ranjit Singh & Mehrdokht Amini

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**Derby Children's Picture Book Award Shortlist 2019**

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## Maisie's Scrapbook

Samuel Narh & Jo Loring-Fisher

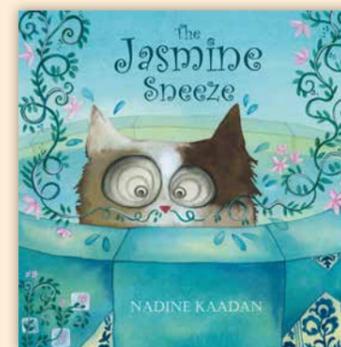
Maisie's mama and dada come from different places, but they hug her in the same way and they love her just the same. A joyful celebration of a mixed-race family and the love that binds us all together.

**Northern Lights Family Book Award Winner 2019**

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Nadine Kaadan

Haroun, the cat, likes nothing better than to spend his days sleeping in the sunlit courtyards of Damascus. But one thing always ruins his sleep: jasmine! The sweet-scented flowers send him into fits of sneezes! One day, Haroun hatches a plan to fix the problem, but little does he know that the Jasmine Spirit has a trick of her own up her sleeve...

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