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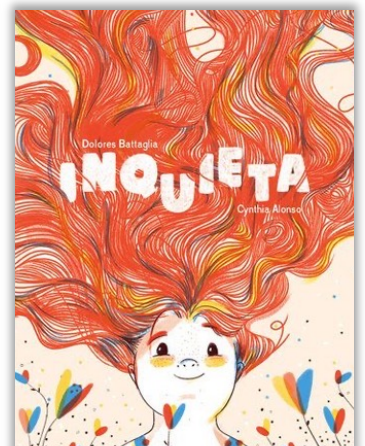
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★ MARCH 2023, Abrams

A child confronts conflicting feelings of embarrassment and love for her Mexican abuela in this moving, personal story from Newbery and Pura Belpré Award-winning author Donna Barba Higuera.



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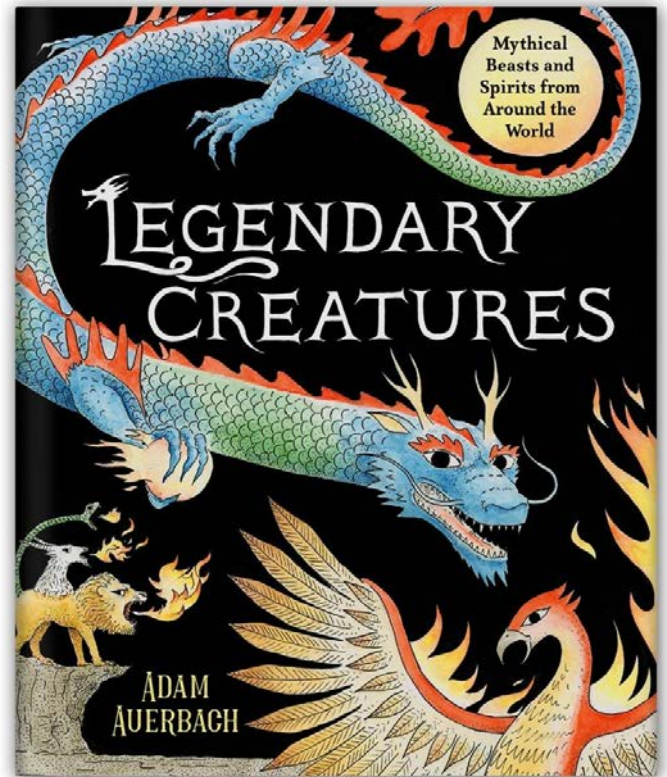


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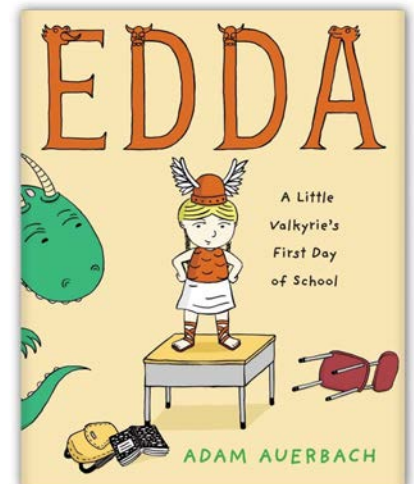
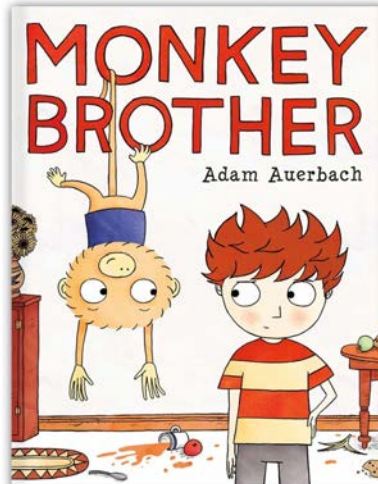
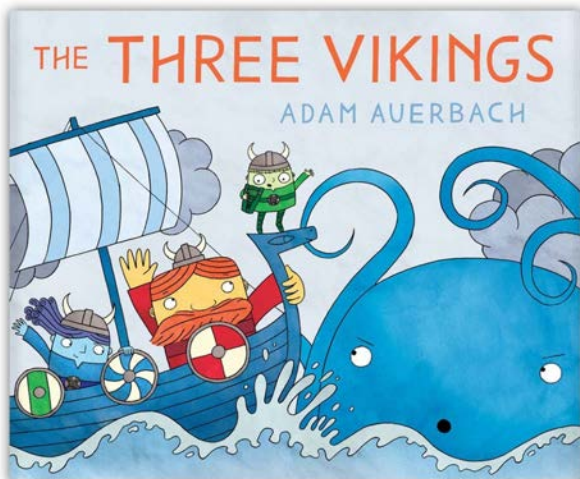
adamauerbach.com // [@adam_auerbach](https://twitter.com/adam_auerbach) illustration

★ **SEPTEMBER 2022,**
Christy Ottaviano Books

The stories are highlighted through simple, colorful illustrations in dreamy watercolor and ink....A fantastical feast for the brain and eyes. —SLJ



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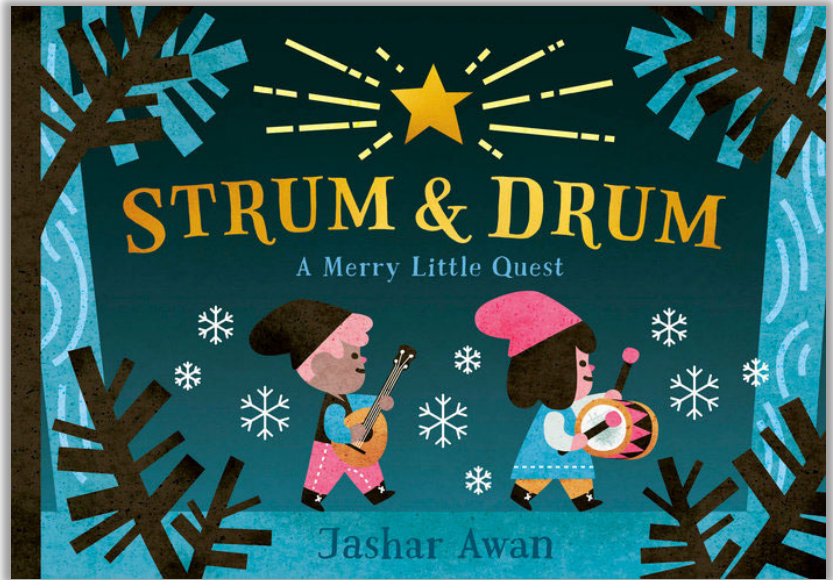


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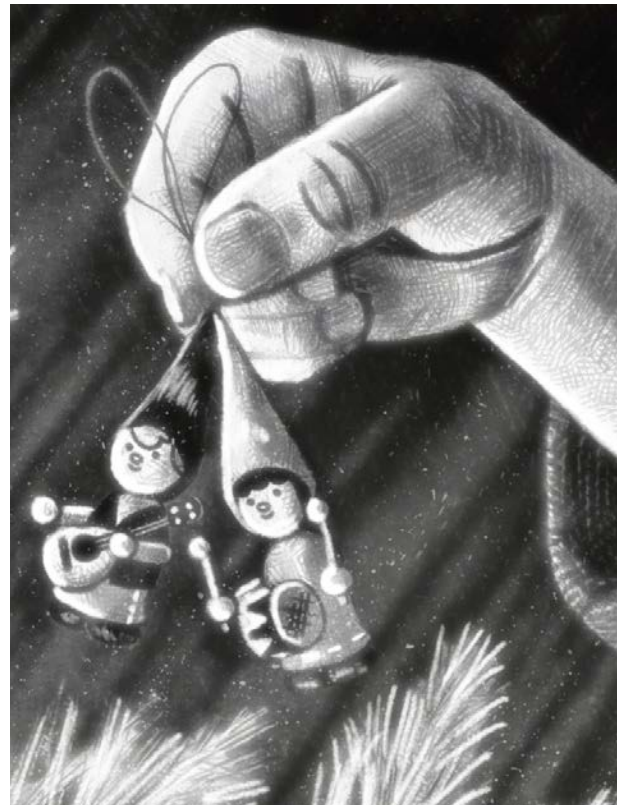
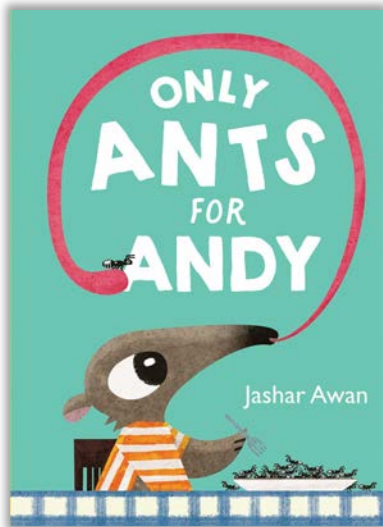
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✦ **OCTOBER 2022**, Tundra

Awan's enchanting, stylized illustrations are effectively varied, heightening the little drama. —The Horn Book



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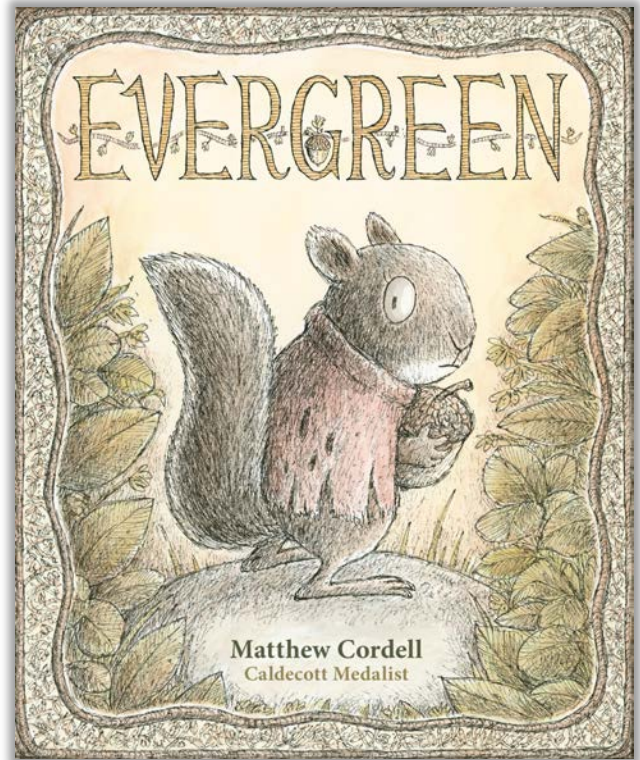
Caldecott Medalist

Matthew Cordell

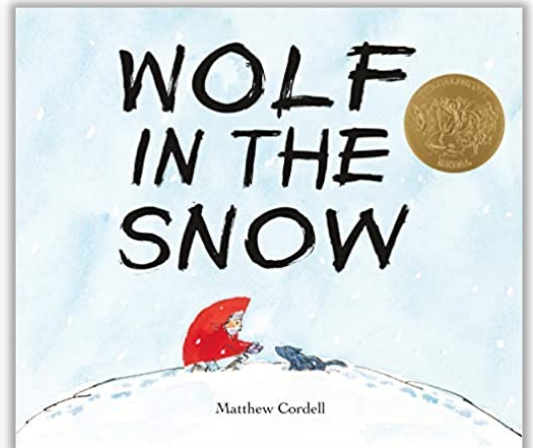
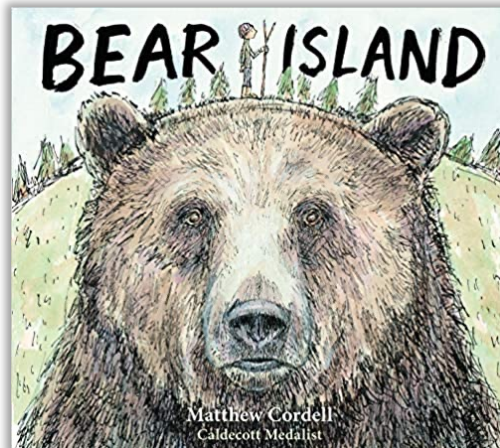
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★ **FEBRUARY 2023, Feiwel & Friends**

The varied page layouts convey both the coziness of Evergreen's world and the tension of life as part of the woodland food chain. —The Horn Book



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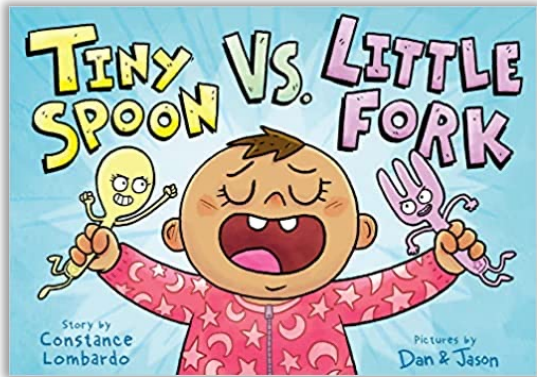
Indie Bestsellers

Dan & Jason

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★ MAY 2022, Simon & Schuster

... high-octane and uproariously funny second book following Barb and her trusty yeti pal, Porkchop, on their quest to rescue her fellow warriors and liberate Bailiwick from the evil villain Witch Head!

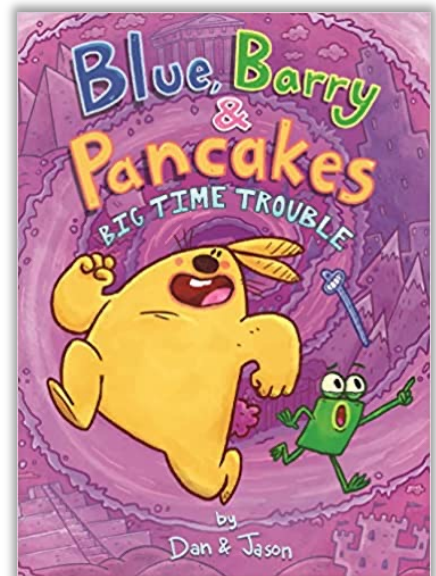


★ OCTOBER 2022, Hippo Park

Must-read....Will get big belly laughs....genuinely hilarious and so much fun to read aloud. — Book Riot

★ JANUARY 2023, First Second

The fifth volume of the emerging readers graphic novel series about three friends (a bunny, a worm, and a frog) whose adventures are driven by their very different personalities.



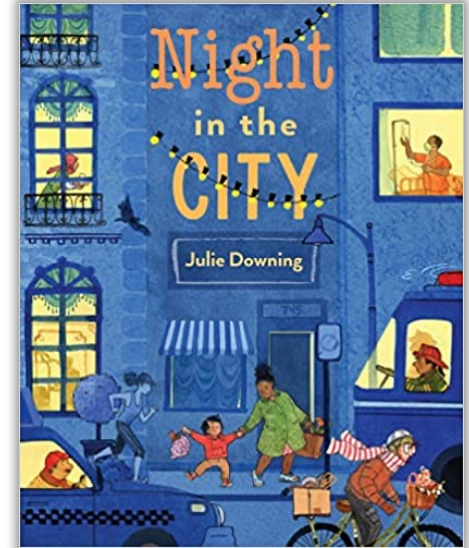


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✦ MARCH 2023, Neal Porter Books

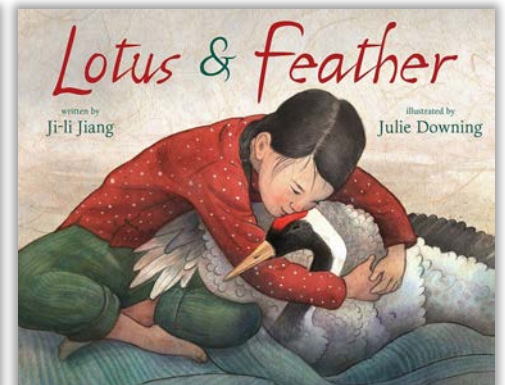
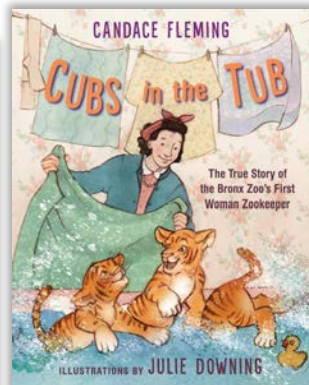
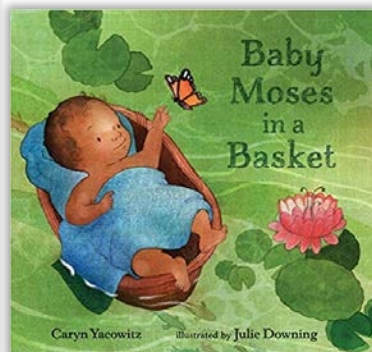
Julie Downing cleverly uses multiple panels to follow eight people throughout the course of their busy evening.



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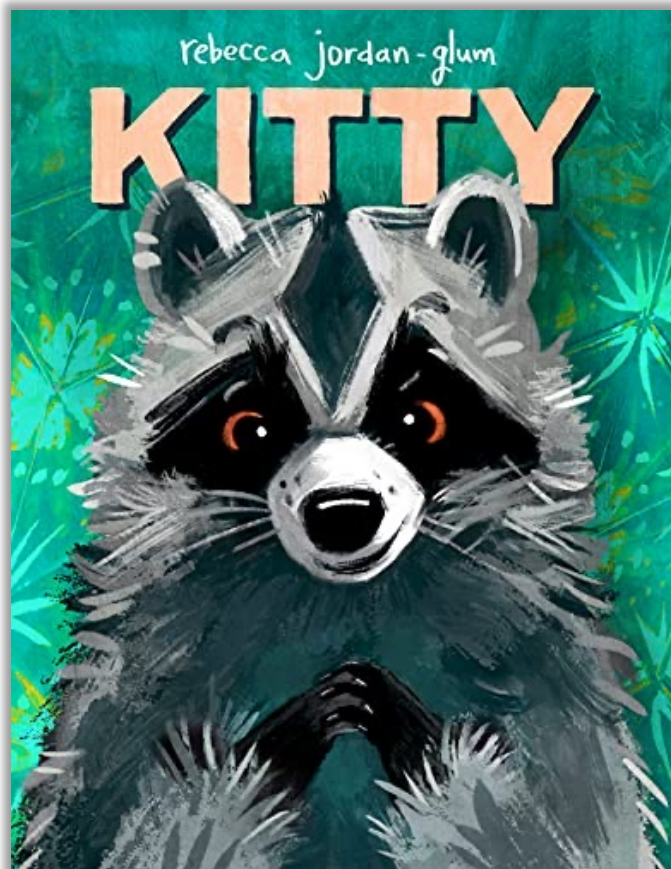


Rebecca Jordan Glum

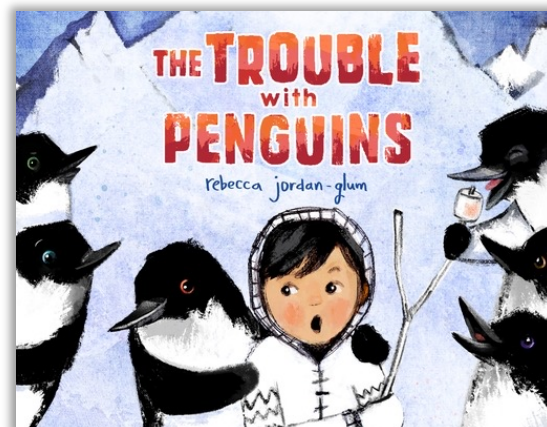
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★ **APRIL 2022**, Roaring Brook

Jordan-Glum's text is spare, her jokes either marvelously underplayed or purely visual. — Shelf Awareness, Best Books This Week Reviewed



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Christy Hale

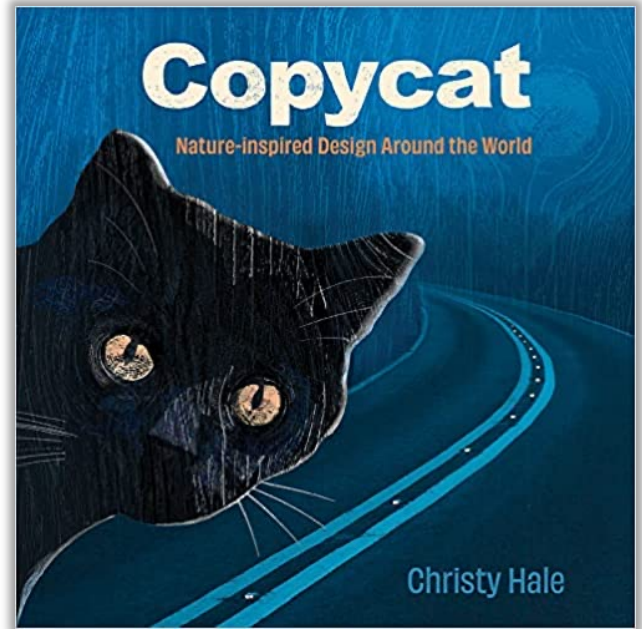
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★ **SEPTEMBER 2022, Lee & Low**

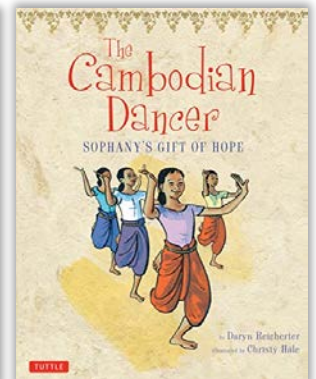
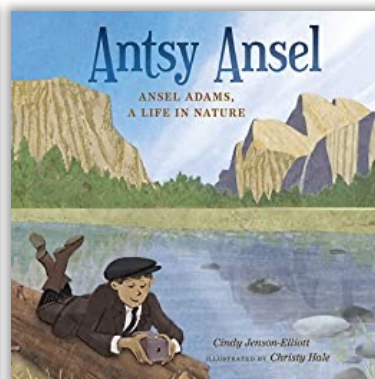
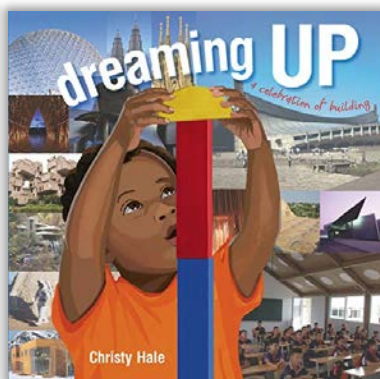
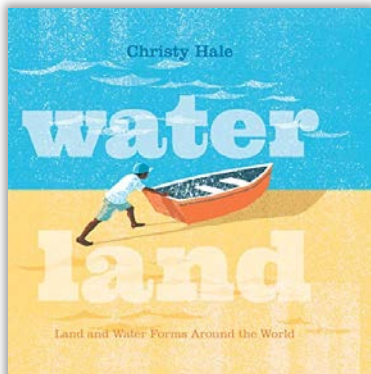
TWO STARRED REVIEWS

Hale's accessible tanka poems pack a lot into five lines. The softness of her detailed relief prints effectively contrasts with the photographs highlighting human invention.

— The Horn Book ***STARRED REVIEW***



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Bologna Ragazzi Honoree in non-fiction

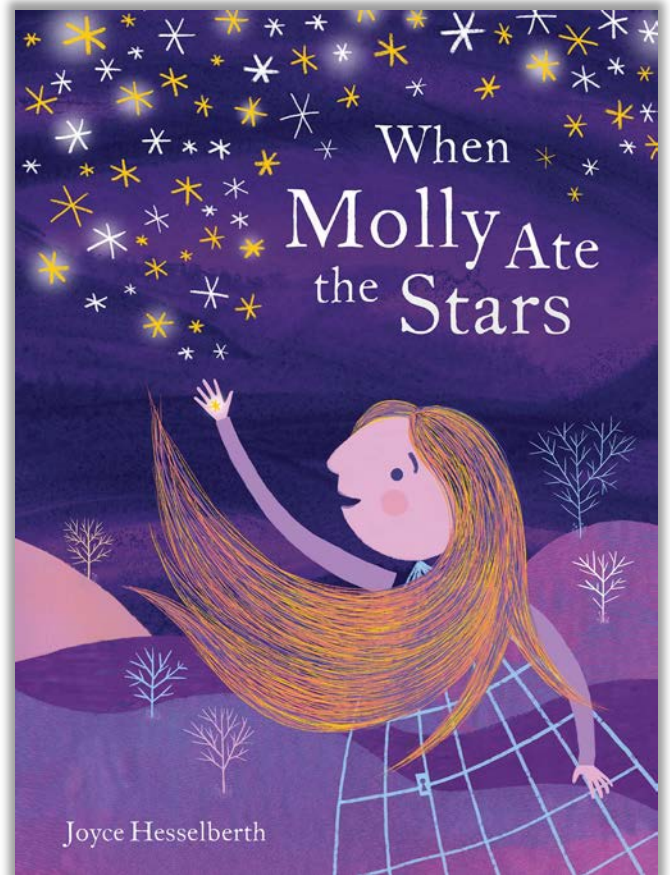
Joyce Hesselberth

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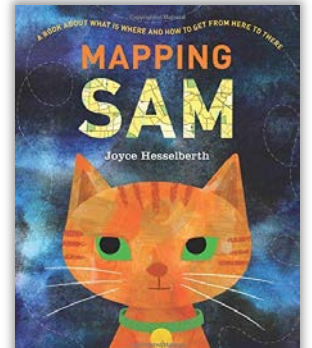
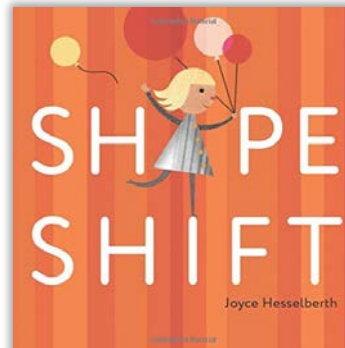
★ **September 2022, Chronicle**

Hesselberth gently conveys a strong yet never heavy-handed warning against selfishness...
The nocturnal palette of wintry purples and deep blues is accented with complementary tints of pale orange and yellow...

—Kirkus Reviews



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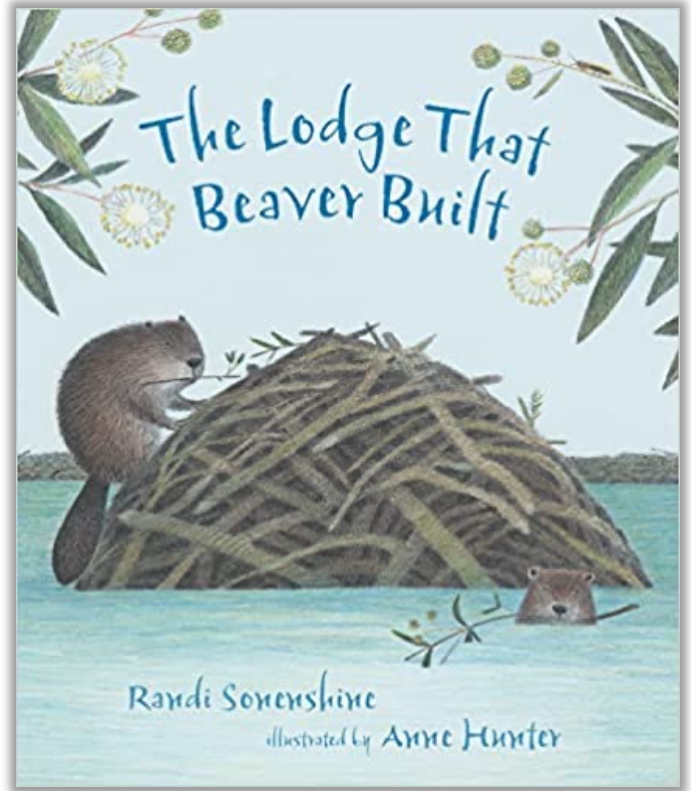
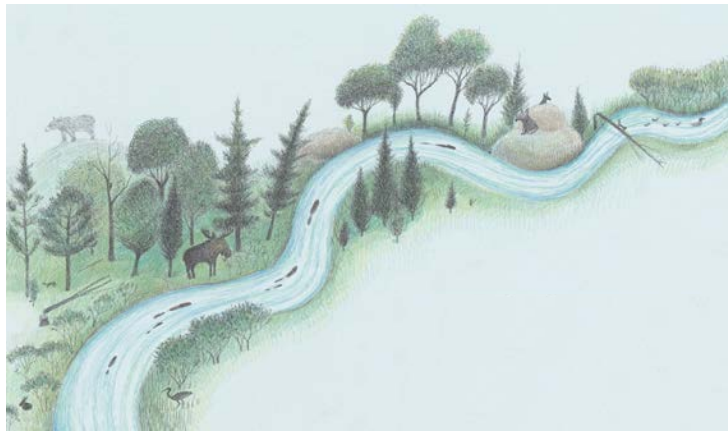
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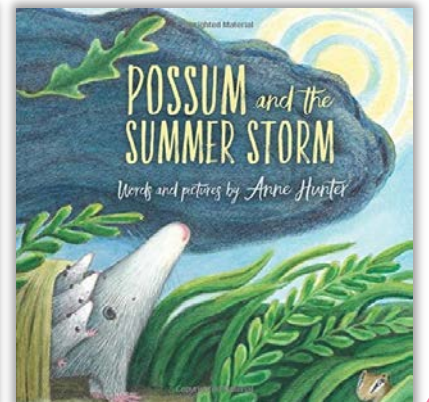
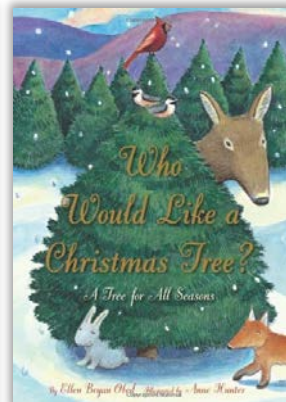
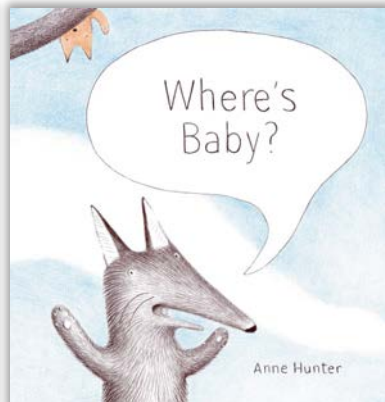
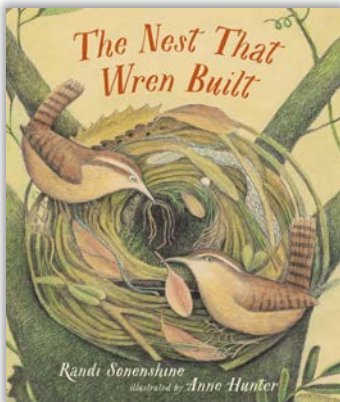
★ SEPTEMBER 2022, Candlewick

Hunter's ink-and-colored pencil illustrations have a scratchy style that is well suited to the beavers' pelts, their watery surroundings, and the other animals that share their habitat...

—Kirkus Reviews



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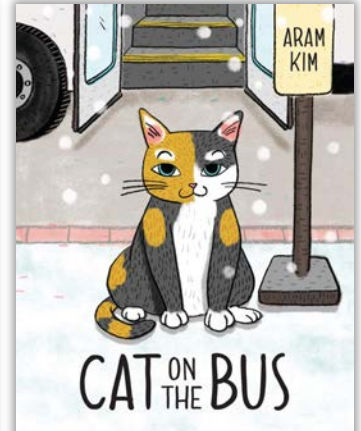
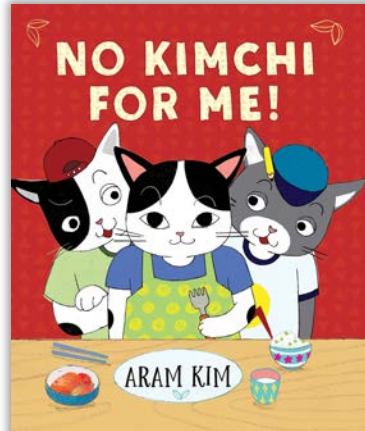
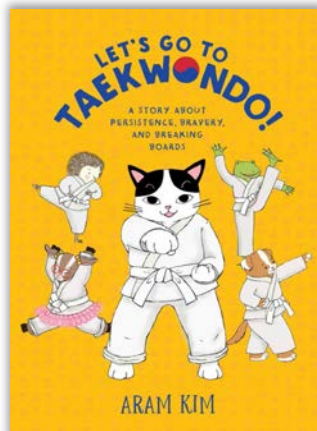
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★ DECEMBER 2022, FSG

A Junior Library Guild Gold Standard Selection A joyful book about sharing age-old cultural celebrations with new friends.



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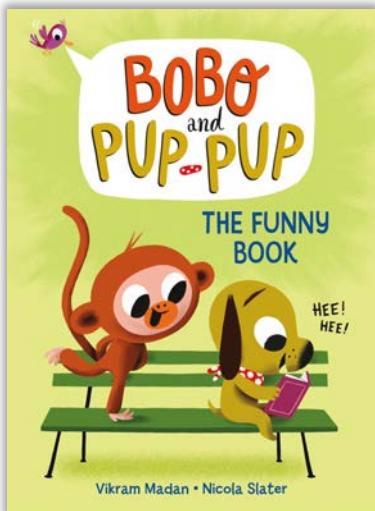
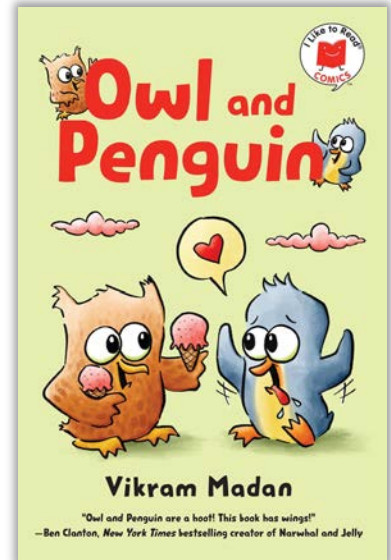
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★ OCTOBER 2022, Random House

Debuting with an exercise in adorable empathy, *Owl and Penguin* make a breezy foray into the tradition of supportive picture book friendships. . . . Madan's brightly colored illustrations of the boggle-eyed buddies add to the goofy fun for tenuous young readers.

—School Library Journal

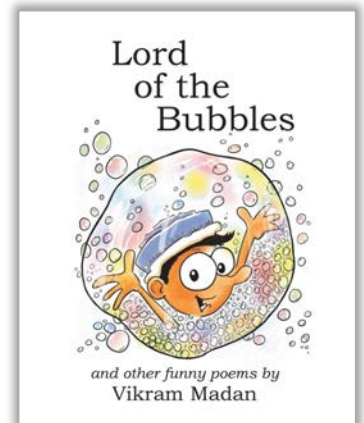
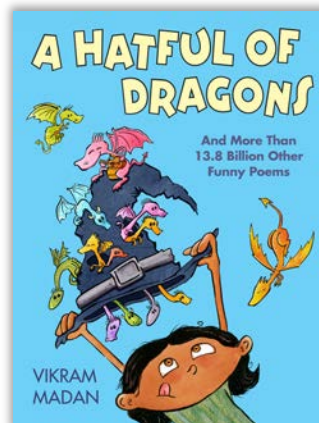
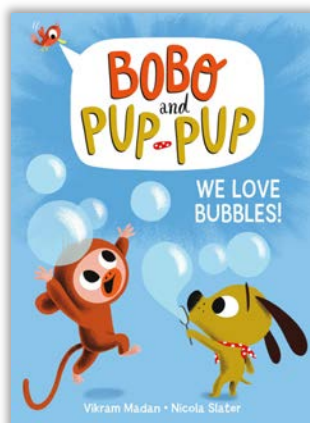
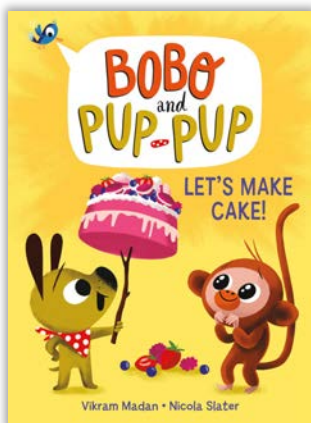


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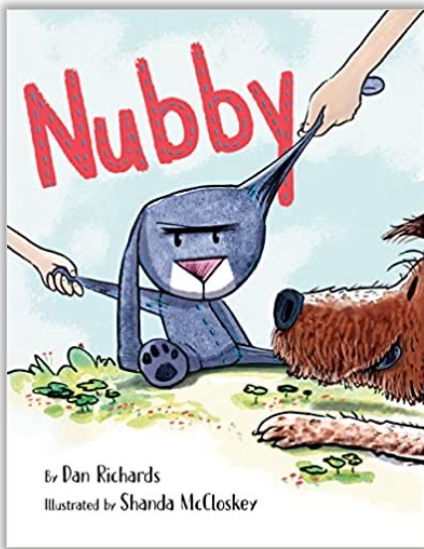


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★ SEPTEMBER 2022, Aladdin

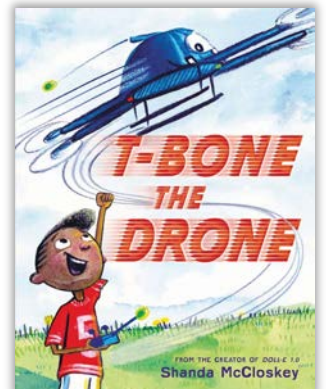
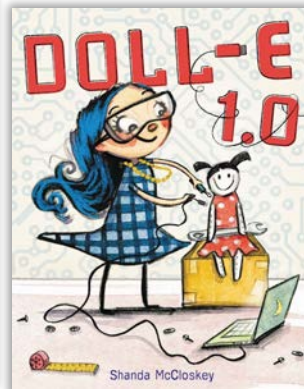
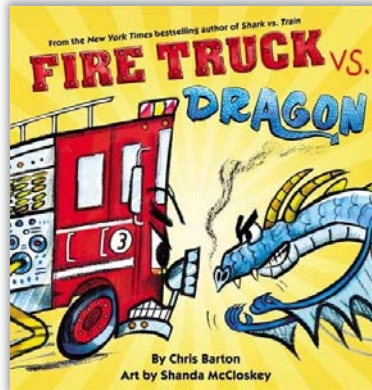
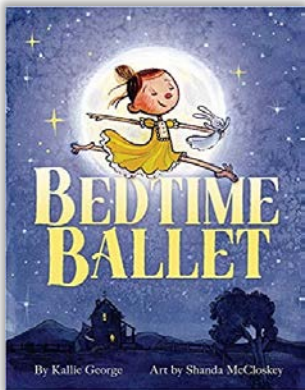
The cartoonish but aesthetically appealing art and the layout perfectly complement—and add to—the text’s humor... deliciously satisfying. — Kirkus Reviews



★ JANUARY 2023, Knopf

Digitized watercolor and pencil drawings, a breezy counterpoint to the story’s explanatory feel, keep the action moving at a fast clip. — PW

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Juliana Perdomo

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★ APRIL 2022, Candlewick

Perdomo's heartwarming artwork makes this simple story sing with its childlike style and charm. ...— Booklist, *STARRED REVIEW*

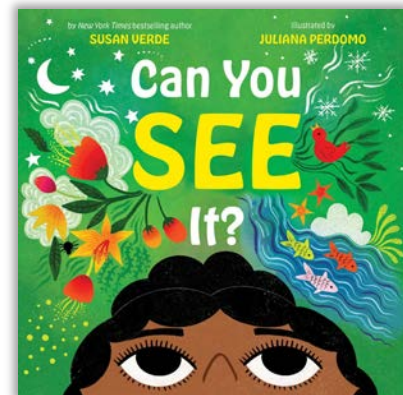


★ SEPTEMBER 2022, S&S

This joyous board book celebrates the different ways we can say thank you to those around us—from hugging a friend to thanking a teacher, to showing gratitude in even bigger ways!

★ APRIL 2023, Abrams

...winsomely illustrated by Juliana Perdomo, the Sensing Your World series teaches little ones to experience the world around them more deeply, using the five senses to find joy, connection, and beauty in the small, everyday moments.



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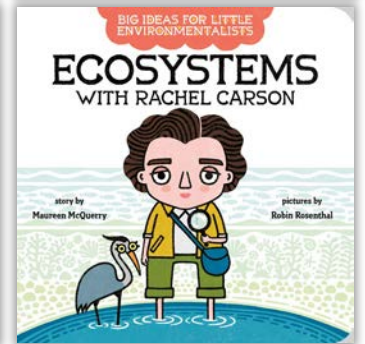
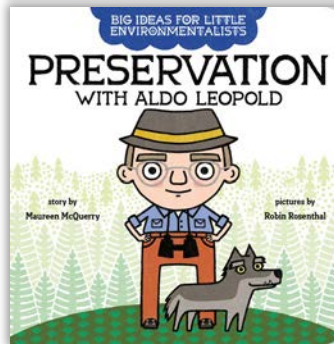
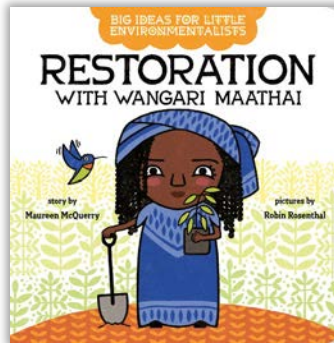
SCBWI New York Portfolio Showcase Winner

Robin Rosenthal

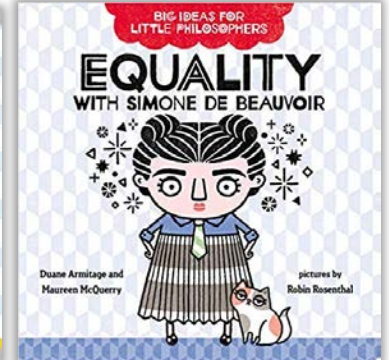
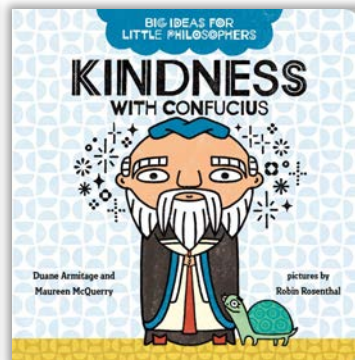
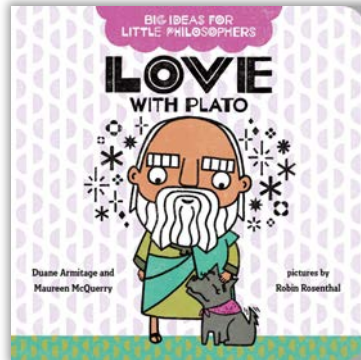
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★ **MARCH 2022, G.P. Putnam's Sons**

An irresistible board book box set about caring for our planet and all that inhabit it, perfect for little hands and big hearts.



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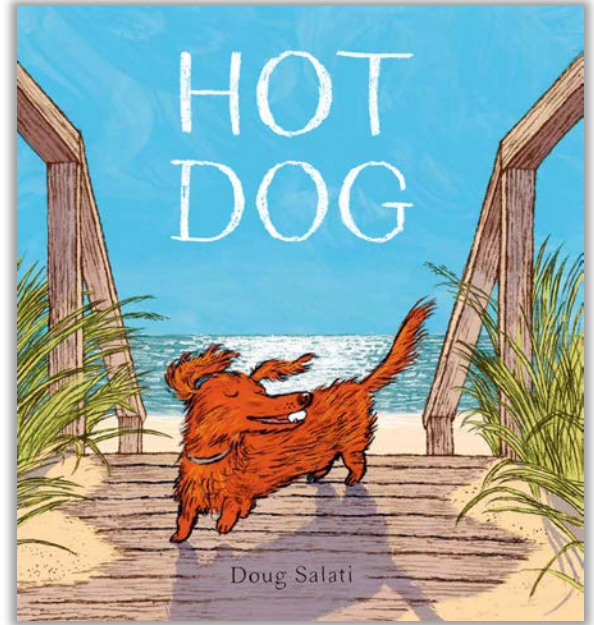
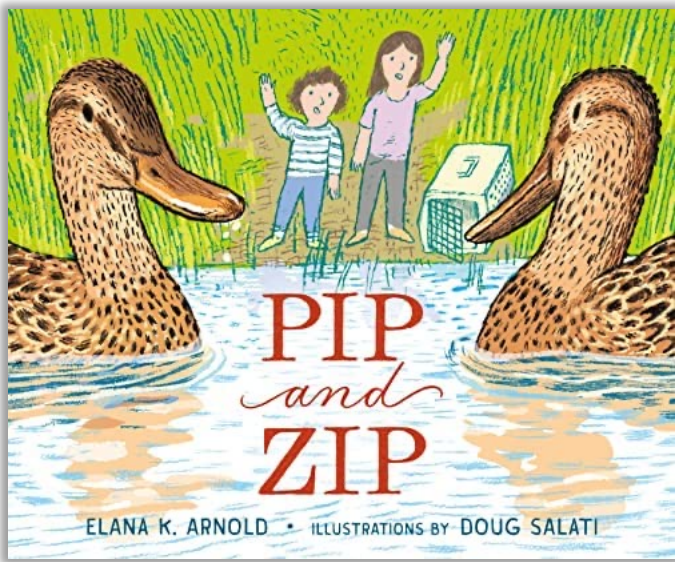
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✦ **MAY 2022**, Knopf

THREE STARRED REVIEWS

[An] expertly wrought tale of physical and emotional relief. —Kirkus Reviews, ***STARRED REVIEW***

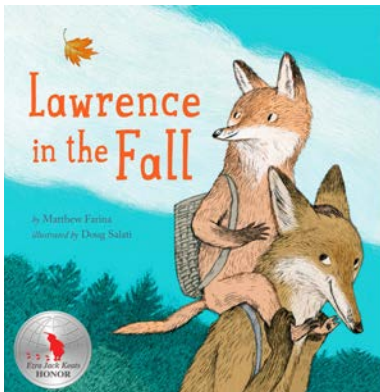


✦ **AUGUST 2022**, Roaring Brook

...as the ducklings mature (the artist captures with care the patterns of their feathers, the graceful curves of their bodies, and their delight in each other's company...

—PW, ***STARRED REVIEW***

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Eisner Nominated Comic
Mika Song

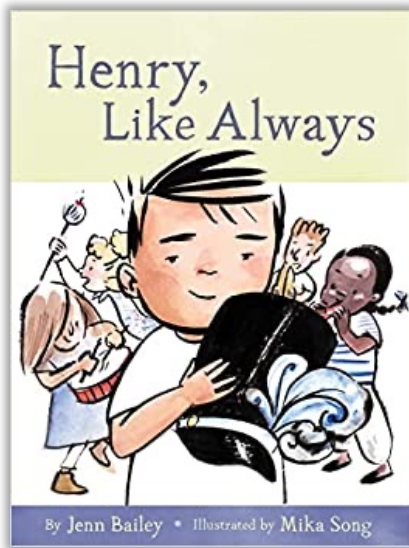
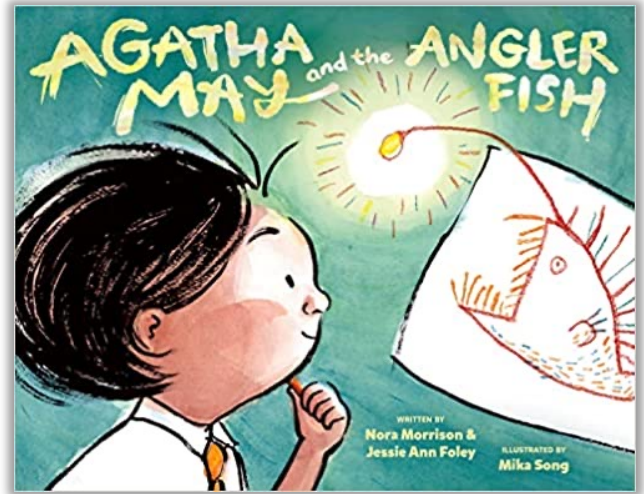
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★ **DECEMBER 2022, Dial**

TWO STARRED REVIEWS

A buoyant depiction of a memorable, and possibly life-changing, classroom moment.

– Booklist ***STARRED REVIEW***

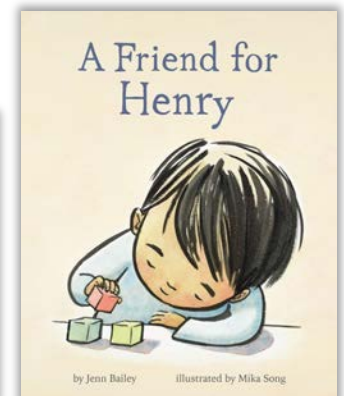
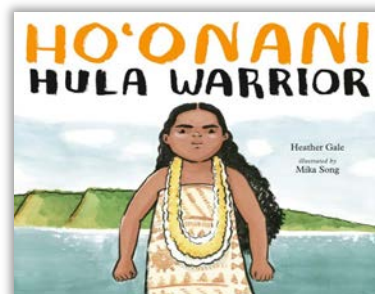
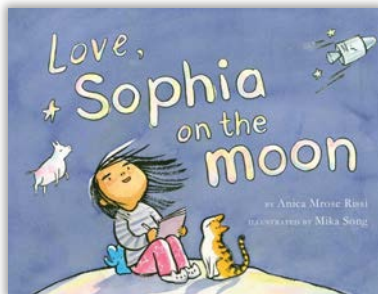


★ **MARCH 2023, Chronicle**

In gentle ink lines and muted-blue washes, the illustrations simultaneously convey the upset feelings... and the directness of Henry's desires, all handled with respect and empathy for the protagonist

– Kirkus Reviews, ***STARRED REVIEW***

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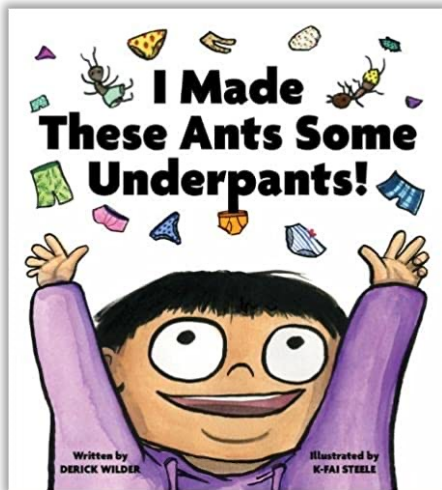
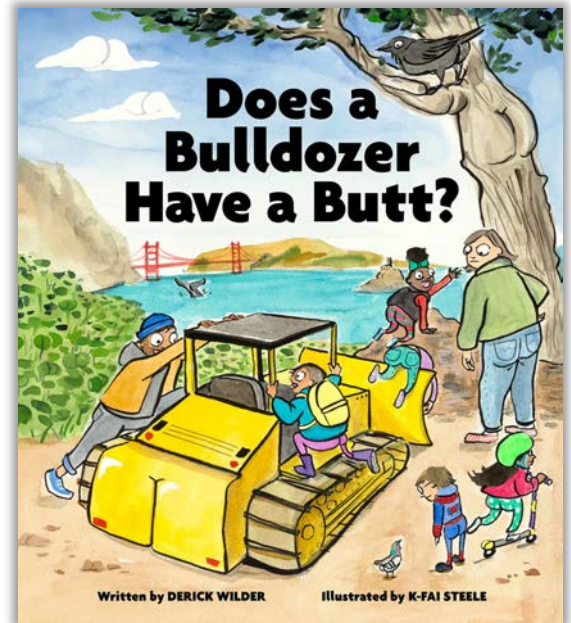


K-Fai Steele

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★ MAY 2022, Chronicle

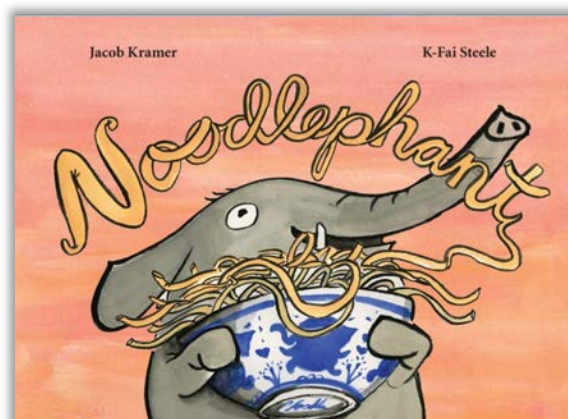
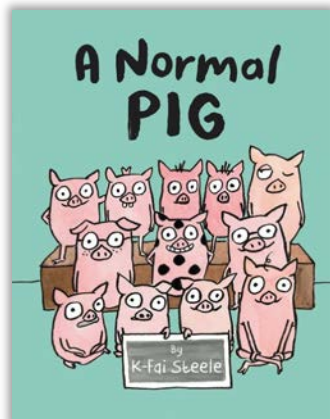
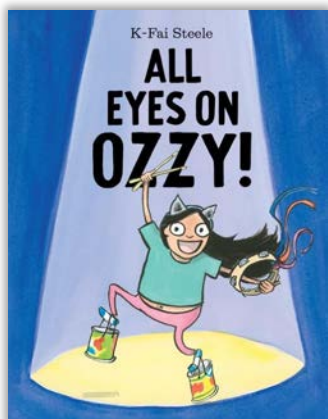
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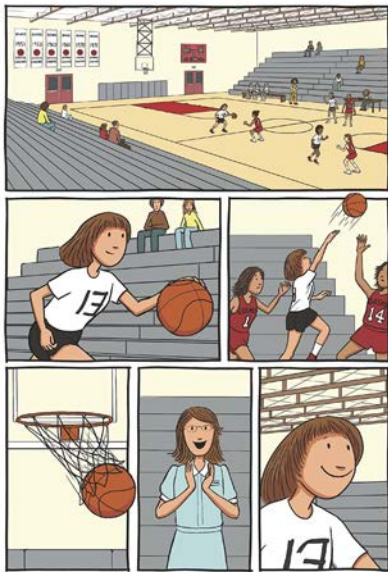


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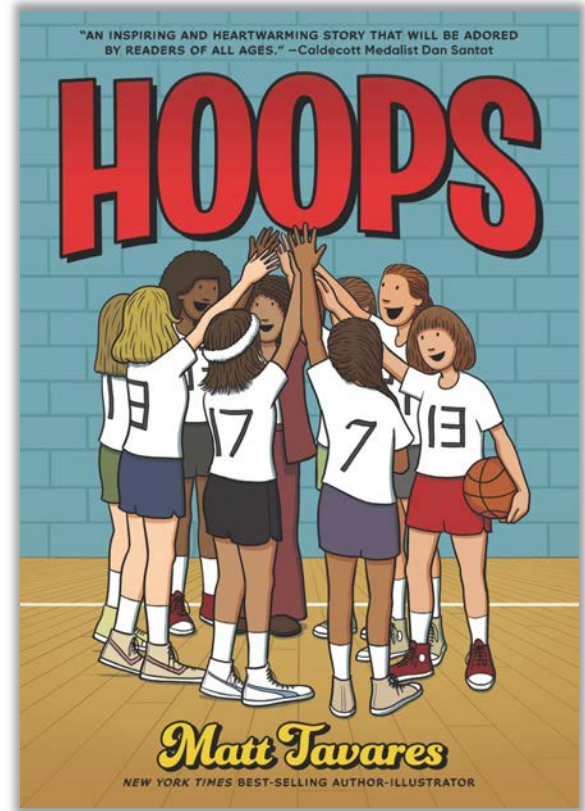
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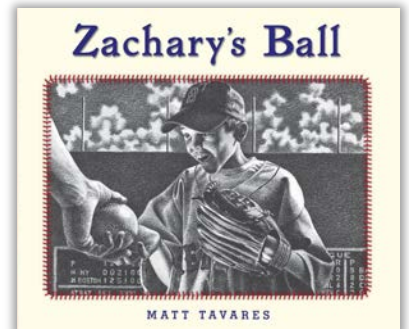
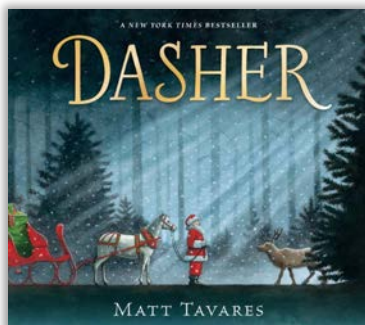
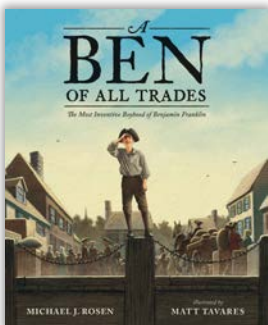
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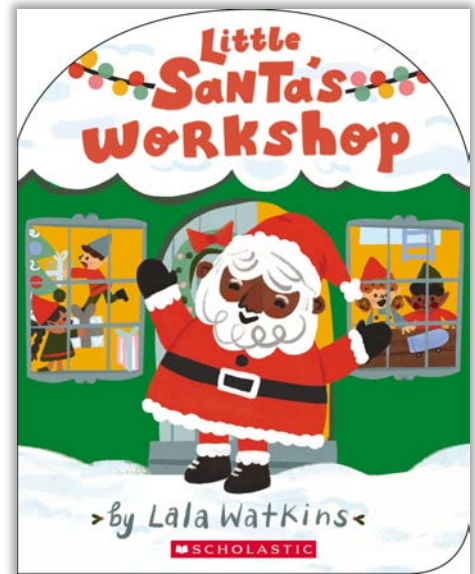
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★ SEPTEMBER 2022, Scholastic

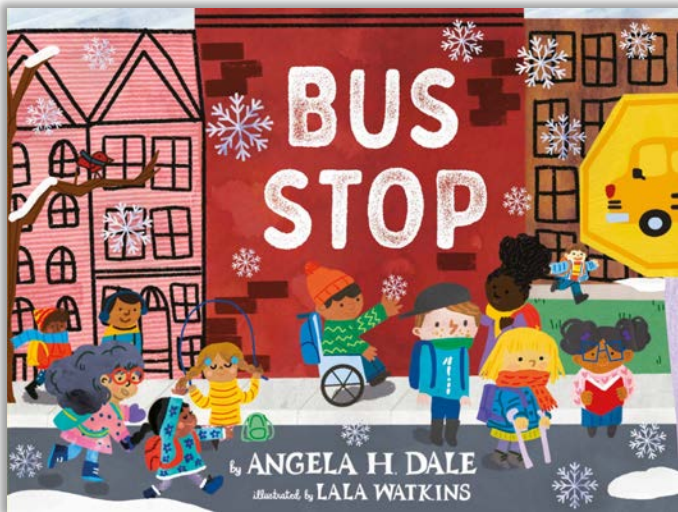
Watkins uses a bold palette and simple forms to make her characters and their surroundings practically leap off the page with jubilation.

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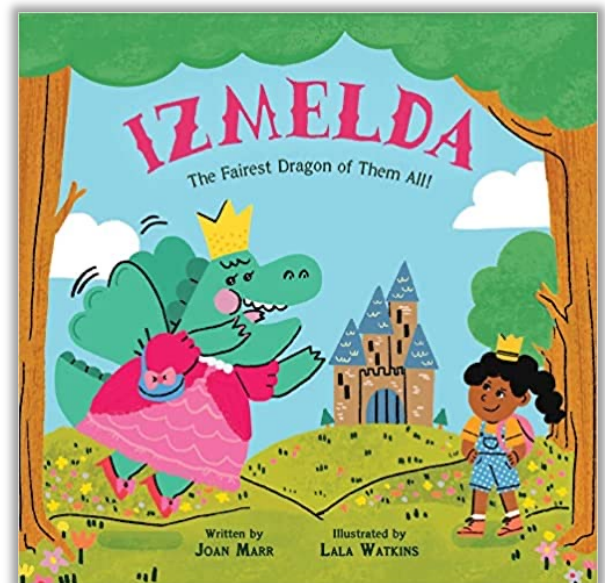
★ OCTOBER 2022, Cameron Kids

Watkins's spare mixed-media illustrations capture the children's evident glee as snowflakes fill the air and smudgy white paints the sidewalks. — Publisher's Weekly



★ JANUARY 2023, Union Square Kids

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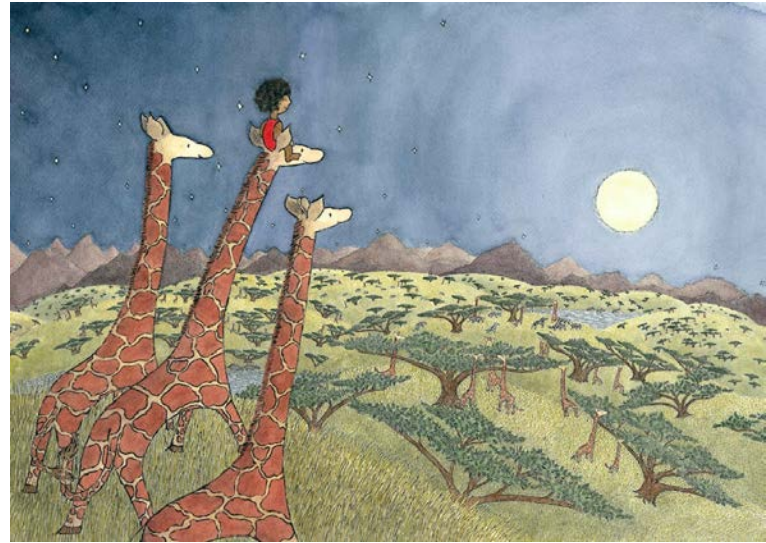


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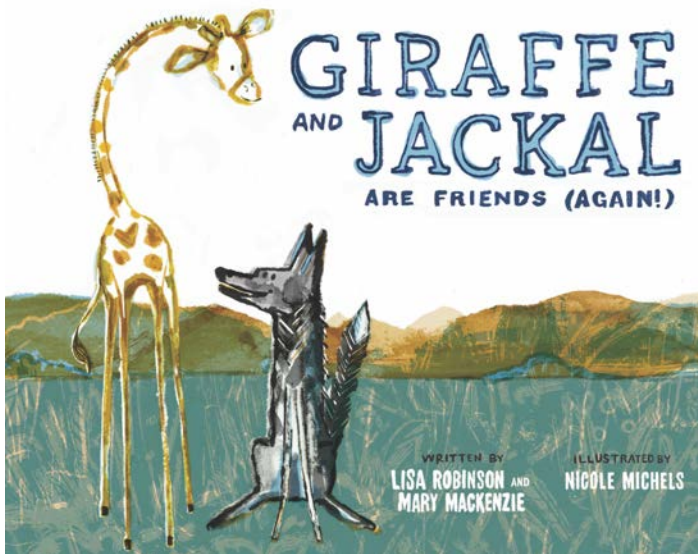
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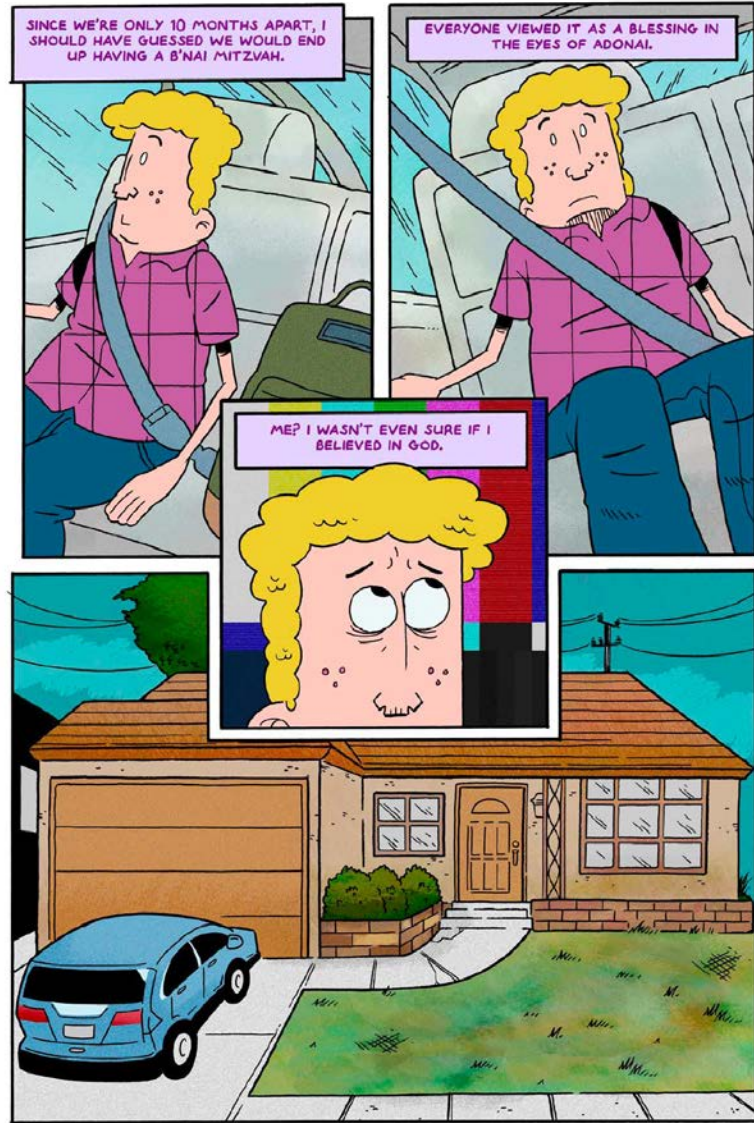
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