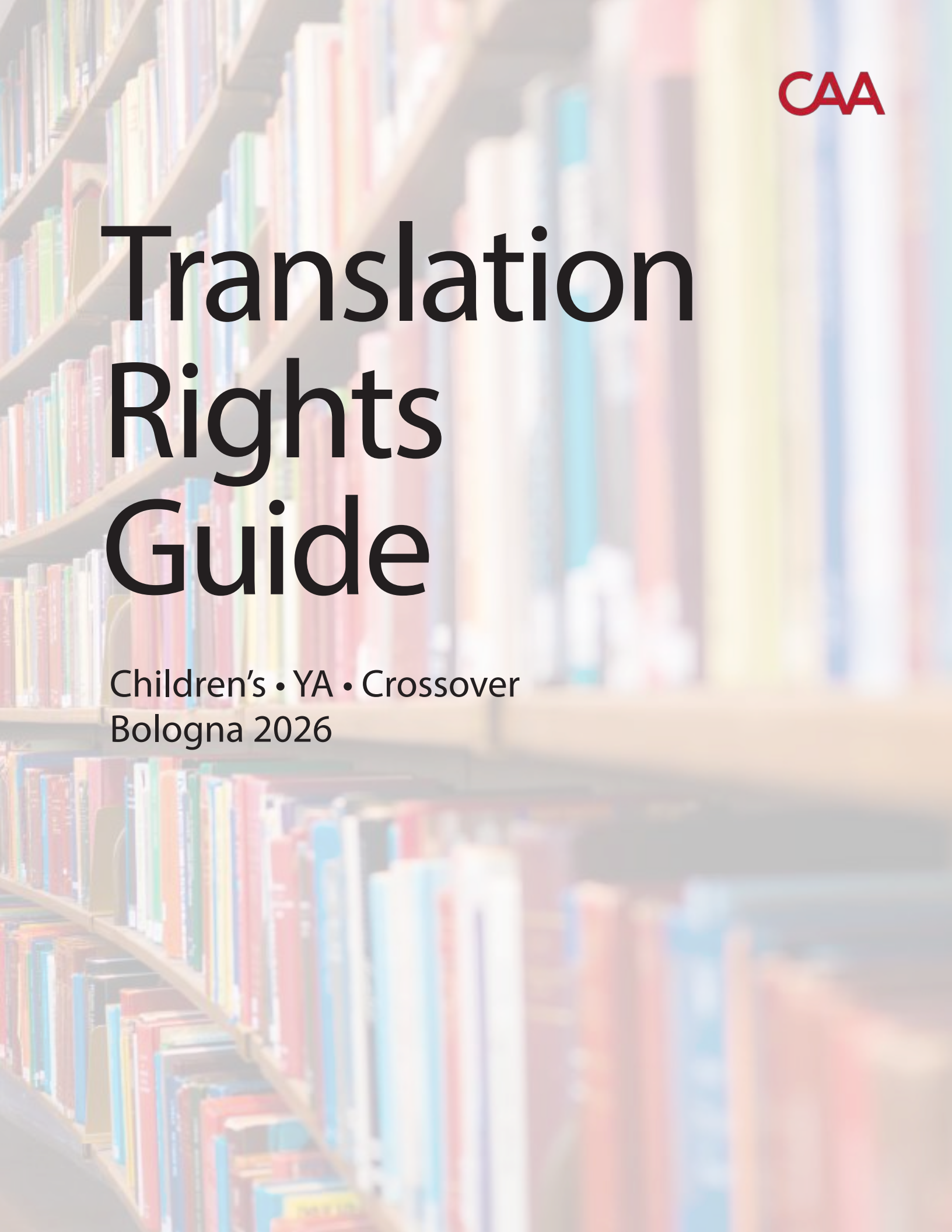


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A SORTA FAIRYTALE

From the Grammy-nominated and multiplatinum singer-songwriter and *New York Times* bestselling author Tori Amos comes *A Sorta Fairytale*, a charming and whimsical prequel to *Tori and the Muses* about the magic created by working together.

Primary agent

Mollie Glick

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Rights sold

North America (Penguin Workshop • Francesco Sedita)

Publication

06 April 2027 (USA)

Series

TORI AND THE MUSES

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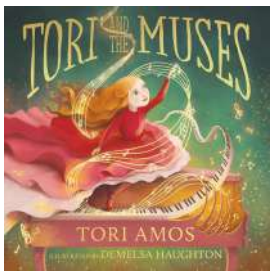
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The light in the town of Rose Dover is growing dim under the evil spell of Mr. Bad Man, and a young Tori is determined to help get its spark back. But the task is too big to take on alone. When Tori sends out a call for assistance to Greg the raccoon and all her other animal friends in The Emerald Forest, they are eager to assist. Even with all the creatures and faeries of the forest working, there's still a powerful and necessary force missing—the Muses!

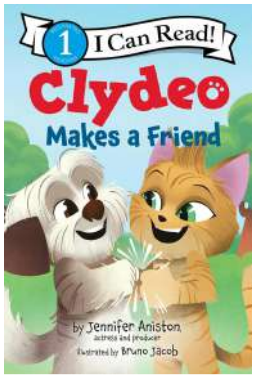
With a little touch of magic and a lot of teamwork, the Muses and Friends of the Emerald Forest get to work building a very special pink piano that will let Tori's music soar and allow Rose Dover to shine once more. But will it be enough to break Mr. Bad Man's spell?

Filled with joy, curiosity, and imagination, this second picture book written by Tori Amos, with otherworldly illustrations by Demelsa Haughton, will once again inspire, encourage, and, most importantly, remind young readers to find inspiration in the things they love and to listen to their own Muses.

Tori Amos is a Grammy-nominated singer-songwriter, pianist, and composer. She is also the *New York Times* bestselling author of 2025's *Tori and the Muses*, her first book for children, 2020's *Resistance: A Songwriter's Story of Hope, Change, and Courage*, and 2005's *Piece by Piece*. She has released eighteen studio albums, including her latest, *In Times of Dragons*, in 2026.



Jennifer Aniston



CLYDEO MAKES A FRIEND

The second early reader chapter book in global superstar and everyone's F-R-I-E-N-D Jennifer Aniston's series starring her food-loving dog, Clydeo!

Primary agent

Cait Hoyt

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Rights sold

World English (HarperCollins • Nancy Inteli)

Publication

23 June 2026 (USA)

Clydeo wants to be friends with his new neighbor, Max. But what is the recipe for making new friends?

Find out alongside Clydeo in this fun-filled early reader book by global superstar Jennifer Aniston. *Clydeo Makes a Friend* is perfect for children learning to sound out words and sentences. Whether shared at home or in a classroom, the short sentences, familiar words, and simple concepts support success for children eager to start reading on their own.

For more fun with Jennifer Aniston and Clydeo, check out:

– *Clydeo versus Peanut Butter*

– *Clydeo Takes a Bite Out of Life*

– *Cook with Clydeo: A Cookbook for Kids*

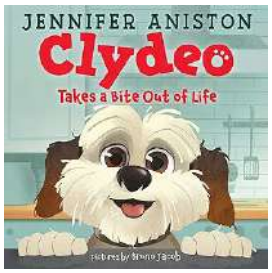
Jennifer Aniston is an American actress and film producer. She is the recipient of various accolades, including a Primetime Emmy Award, a Golden Globe Award, and two Screen Actors Guild Awards. She is known for playing Rachel Green on the TV show *Friends*, among many more blockbuster roles. She has a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame and is the cofounder of the production company Echo Films. She is also the author of the picture book *Clydeo Takes a Bite Out of Life,* the cookbook *Cook with Clydeo: A Cookbook for Kids,* and the I Can Reads *Clydeo versus Peanut Butter* and *Clydeo Makes a Friend.*

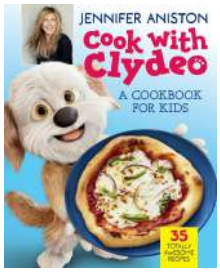
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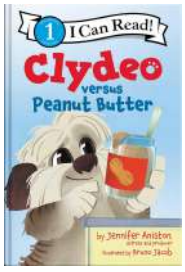
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Beth Behrs, Maureen Behrs



THE SECRET MAGIC OF HORSE GIRLS

Primary agent

Michael Johnston

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Rights sold

World English (Chronicle Books • Rebecca Frazer)

Publication

04 May 2027 (USA)

Horse girls are more than girls who love horses... They are tough and tender leaders who slosh through mud and dance with falling leaves, all while remaining true to themselves. Actress Beth Behrs and her mother, Maureen Behrs, invite us into this magical world and show us what it really means to be a horse girl.

Beth Behrs is an actress, writer, and lifelong horse girl who believes in the magic of storytelling. Best known for her role on the hit TV series *2 Broke Girls* and CBS's *The Neighborhood*, Beth has spent her career making people laugh on stage and screen. Off-screen, she's an advocate for children's literacy (thanks to her mother, Maureen), regenerative agriculture, and the healing power of horses. When she's not acting or writing, you'll likely find Beth at the barn, designing cowboy boots, or curled up with her daughter, Emma George, and a good book.

Maureen Behrs has over 30 years of teaching in the primary grades. As a dedicated educator with a lifelong passion for fostering children's literacy development, she inspired generations of young readers and writers. Coauthoring this book with her daughter was a joyful collaboration that bridged her deep passion for reading with her love for family, storytelling, and creativity. In her free time Maureen enjoys yoga, pickleball, and reading to her granddaughter.



DID YOUR MOTHER EVER TELL YOU?

Words of Wisdom, Wit, and Love

From *New York Times bestselling author* Babs Costello, the internet's favorite grandma, comes a picture book filled with the motherly wisdom we all need! *Did Your Mother Ever Tell You?* offers readers new insights on familiar phrases, with emotional support, encouragement, and unconditional love infused on every page.

Primary agent

Cait Hoyt, Sydney Shiffman, Gaby Sheiner

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Rights sold

World English (Zonderkidz • Megan Dobson)

Publication

26 May 2026 (USA)

We've all heard old sayings like "Don't cry over spilled milk," and "You catch more flies with honey than vinegar." But did your mother ever tell you that it's okay to cry over little things? And who wants to catch flies anyway?

In her first-ever picture book, Barbara Costello—also known as Brunch with Babs—brings a fresh perspective to these tired clichés, giving adults and kids alike some shared laughter and modern wisdom. With twinkling warmth and her signature question, Babs reminds readers what is truly timeless: a mother's love for her child.

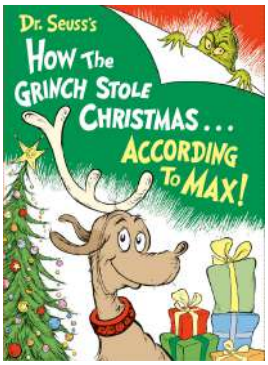
Did Your Mother Ever Tell You?

– features familiar phrases and fun rhyming verse for an engaging read-aloud

– is the perfect gift for Mother's Day, Valentine's Day, birthdays, or anytime

– comes from *New York Times* bestselling author and internet sensation Babs Costello, aka @BrunchwithBabs

Barbara Costello, known as Babs on social media, is a mother of four and grandmother of nine. Babs has taken the internet by storm with her warmth, enthusiasm, practical tips, and motherly wisdom, earning her the title of "the internet's favorite grandma." The bestselling author of *Celebrate with Babs* and *Every Day with Babs*, she's also a regular guest on *Today*, *Good Morning America*, and *The Drew Barrymore Show*, where she shares her household tips, tricks, hacks, and delicious recipes. A former teacher and preschool founder, she is also a wife to her loving husband, Mr. Babs.



HOW THE GRINCH STOLE CHRISTMAS... ACCORDING TO MAX!

Everyone's favorite sidekick, Max—aka the Grinch's partner-in-crime—is BACK! And this time, *he's* the hero of the story. Get Max's point of view on what happened that fateful Christmas Eve in this heartwarming retelling of the classic *How the Grinch Stole Christmas!*

Primary agent

Sloan Harris

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Rights sold

North America (Random House US) | UK & Commonwealth (HarperCollins UK)

Publication

01 September 2026 (USA)
10 September 2026 (UK)

Series

THE GRINCH SERIES

Those Whos *down in* Who-*ville loved Christmas, it's true.*

And a DOG

Just north of Who-*ville...*

...Did TOO!

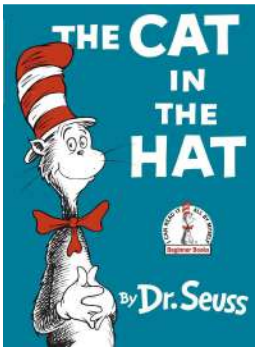
It's time to hear HIS side of the story!

The Grinch and Max live high up on Mt. Crumpit, overlooking the town of *Who*-ville. Max adores Christmas. It's his favorite day of the year! But the Grinch despises Christmas. In fact, he plans to STEAL Christmas from the *Whos*—with Max as his helper!

Learn how Max tries to save Christmas—and himself—from the Grinch's awful plans, and how a shocking but wonderful surprise saves the day and grows the Grinch's heart three sizes!

Featuring a glitter-enhanced jacket and full-color illustrations rendered in the iconic style of the original, this twist on the classic story is a splendid gift and a must-have addition to the libraries of Dr. Seuss fans of all ages!

Dr. Seuss, also known as Theodor Seuss Geisel, is one of the most beloved children's book authors of all time. From *How the Grinch Stole Christmas!* to *The Cat in the Hat* and *Oh, the Places You'll Go!*, his iconic characters, stories, and art style have had a lasting influence on generations of children and adults. The books he wrote and illustrated under the name Dr. Seuss (along with others he wrote but did not illustrate, under the pseudonym Theo LeSieg) have been published in fifty languages. Hundreds of millions of copies have found their way into homes and hearts around the world. Dr. Seuss's long list of awards includes Caldecott Honors, the Pulitzer Prize, and eight honorary doctorates. Works based on his original stories have won three Oscars, three Emmys, three Grammys, and a Peabody.



THE CAT IN THE HAT

COMING IN 2026 AS A MAJOR MOTION PICTURE STARRING BILL HADER AS THE CAT IN THE HAT

#1 *NEW YORK TIMES* BESTSELLER • A *Horn Book* Children's Classic • The classic picture book that introduced the world to the iconic, mischievous Cat in the Hat and the beloved characters Thing One and Thing Two! Dr. Seuss makes reading fun for kids of all ages.

Primary agent

Sloan Harris

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Rights sold

North America (Random House Books for Young Readers) | UK & Commonwealth (HarperCollins UK)

Publication

12 March 1957 (USA)

Series

THE CAT IN THE HAT SERIES

"I know some new tricks," said the Cat in the Hat. "A lot of good tricks. I will show them to you. Your mother will not mind at all if I do."

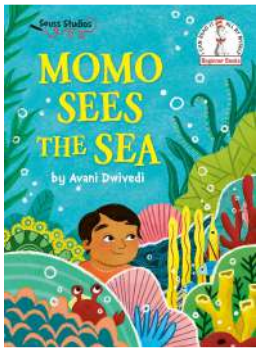
A rainy day turns into a wild romp when the Cat in the Hat and his troublemaking friends, Thing One and Thing Two, unexpectedly appear! A favorite among kids, parents, and teachers, this story uses simple words and basic rhyme to encourage and delight young readers.

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Avani Dwivedi



MOMO SEES THE SEA

Dive into an underwater hide-and-seek adventure! Part of the new Seuss Studios line of Beginner Books inspired by never-before-seen sketches by Dr. Seuss, this whimsical story invites readers to seek out the magic that's hidden in the world around them.

Primary agent

Sloan Harris

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Rights sold

North America (Random House Books for Young Readers)

Publication

06 January 2026 (USA)

Series

SEUSS STUDIOS

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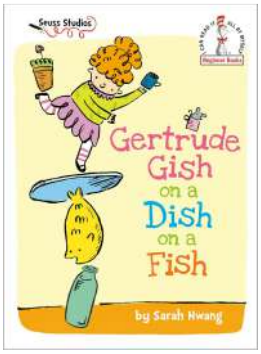
When Momo's ball falls into the sea, a mysterious ocean creature invites him to play. The two begin a game of hide-and-seek, during which Momo finds a school of fish in the middle of class, a family of seahorses sleeping, a band of Trumpetfish playing their tune... but will he ever find his new friend?

Inspired by Avani Dwivedi's childhood in India, this playful story celebrates curiosity and is rich with lush, colorful illustrations and simple text that's perfect for beginning readers.

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Avani Dwivedi is an author and illustrator of picture books including *My Bollywood Dream*, a *School Library Journal* Best Book of the Year. She grew up in Navi Mumbai, India, and later moved to the United States to pursue her passion of becoming an artist. A Maryland Institute College of Arts graduate with a BFA in Illustration and Book Arts, Avani holds on to her most precious gems: memories of her sweet childhood, the lived experience of being a South-Asian woman, and her love for creating whimsical art.

Sarah Hwang



GERTRUDE GISH ON A DISH ON A FISH

Meet Gertrude Gish, who can stack just about anything! Part of the new Seuss Studios line of Beginner Books inspired by never-before-seen sketches by Dr. Seuss, this playful story by Sarah Hwang celebrates individuality and using our unique talents for the greater good.

Primary agent

Sloan Harris

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Rights sold

North America (Random House Books for Young Readers)

Publication

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Series

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Gertrude stacks.

Then with a hop,

Gertrude stacks herself on top!

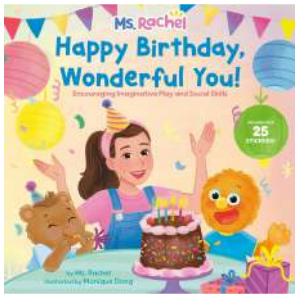
Gertrude Gish stacks things here...there...and everywhere. She stacks her brother's drumstick dinner, she stacks books at school, and—when a parade comes to her town—she stacks the whole parade!

Everyone in town has had enough of Gertrude's quirky pastime. But when the mayor's penguins are stuck in a tree and Gertrude comes to the rescue, will her heroic deed make people see her—and her unique skill—in a different light?

Sarah Hwang's rhythmic text and sweet, funny illustrations make this the perfect story for any beginning reader!

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Sarah Hwang is a Korean American illustrator and picture book writer. She received her BFA in illustration from Maryland Institute College of Art. After moving to the United States as a young child, Sarah began to use drawing and creativity to express herself. She loves to sprinkle a bit of her quirk and humor in everything she creates. As a storyteller, she focuses on creating fun stories that are relatable for readers of all ages. Sarah made her author-illustrator debut with her much loved picture book, *Toasty*.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, WONDERFUL YOU!

Encouraging Imaginative Play and Social Skills

Grab a piece of cake and get ready to learn all about birthdays with Ms. Rachel—the *New York Times* bestselling author and fastest-growing phenomenon in children's educational entertainment. This upbeat and colorful storybook includes over 25 stickers!

Primary agent

Cait Hoyt

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Rights sold

World English (Random House Books for Young Readers • Chris Angelilli)

Publication

06 January 2026 (USA)

Series

Books by Ms. Rachel

The day you were born was such a special day. You are a gift to the world! No one is exactly like you.

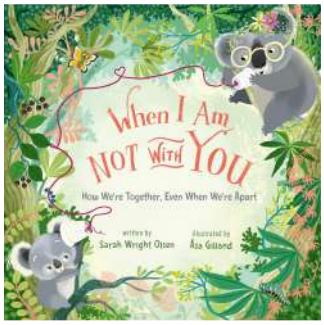
Birthdays are amazing! There's a cake, gifts, and best of all, friends and family to celebrate with! Are you ready to have the greatest birthday ever with Ms. Rachel?

With lyrics and characters that fans will love, this celebratory book of looking forward to your special day is perfect for kids who can't get enough of Ms. Rachel! Even featuring tips for how to attend a friend's party, this story has everything needed to keep birthdays the happiest of occasions.

Ms. Rachel is a passionate educator who creates research-based videos to help toddlers and their families learn, bond, and thrive. Her videos infuse songs, games, and nursery rhymes with strategies from experts to help children reach key milestones in the crucial early years of learning. Rachel believes all children are capable, brilliant, and important. She loves learning from them and being around their contagious joy and wonder. Rachel holds dual master's degrees in early childhood development and music education. She is an advocate for children's rights and works to ensure that all kids have access to high-quality early childhood education. Her wonderful little boy inspired the show and continues to inspire her work every day! Her husband and creative partner for the show is Mr. Aron, aka HERBIE!



Sarah Wright Olsen



WHEN I AM NOT WITH YOU

How We're Together, Even When We're Apart

Comfort your little one through separation anxieties big and small. From actress, mother of four, and podcast host Sarah Wright Olsen comes *When I Am Not with You*, a dreamy, rhyming picture book that shows whether it's across the room or across the world, you and your little one are always together in your hearts and minds.

Primary agent

Sydney Shiffman

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Rights sold

World English (Zonderkidz • Katherine Easter)

Publication

22 September 2026 (USA)

When I am not with you, where will I be?

In your heart, I will warm you. In your head, you'll see me.

Those moments alone I'm always with you

Because you're in my heart and my head too.

In a world that's constantly moving and changing, it can be especially hard for kids to be separated from the people they love most. *When I Am Not with You* eases readers' separation anxiety by reassuring them that love can bridge any distance. From building a blanket fort to drinking tea on the moon, this lyrical, comforting book encourages kids to use their imaginations to keep their loved ones close until they're reunited again.

Perfect for parents to share their boundless love with their children before bedtime, a night out, or a big trip, *When I Am Not with You* gently reminds readers of all ages that if you hold your loved one in your heart and head, you're never truly separated.

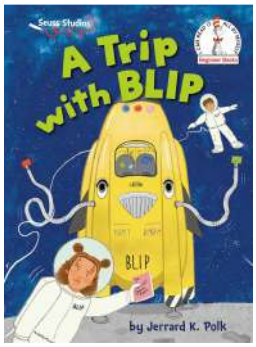
When I Am Not with You is perfect for:

– sharing with children ages 4 and up

– comforting kids through separations both short (like bedtime or back-to-school) and long (like work trips, deployment, or even loss)

– building healthy mental skills such as patience, coping, mindfulness, imagination, and emotional intelligence

Sarah Wright Olsen is a mother of four, Wyatt , Esme, Winter, and Ocean. She cohosts the podcast *The Mother Daze* with fellow actress and mother Teresa Palmer. Sarah and Teresa also coauthored *The Zen Mama Guide to Findings Your Rhythm in Pregnancy, Birth, and Beyond* (Harper Horizon) a holistic and empowering guide that helps expectant mothers navigate pregnancy, childbirth, and early parenthood with mindfulness, balance, and confidence. Sarah has starred in many TV shows and movies including *Mad Men, Parks and Recreation, The House Bunny, American Made* and *Matlock.* She is also the co-owner of a plant-based organic mommy/baby skincare line, baeo.com.



A TRIP WITH BLIP

Meet a friendly robot who can transport you to the world of books! Part of the new Seuss Studios line of Beginner Books inspired by never-before-seen sketches by Dr. Seuss, this fun-fueled story celebrates the power of reading.

Primary agent

Sloan Harris

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Rights sold

North America (Random House Books for Young Readers)

Publication

05 May 2026 (USA)

Series

SEUSS STUDIOS

Instalment no.

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Hello, I am BLIP!

I can take you on a trip.

Just put a book into this slot,

then turn this wheel.

Here's the sitting spot!

Two siblings are stuck inside on a rainy day, but a trip to their local library turns into their greatest adventure ever when they meet BLIP—a shiny yellow machine that transports them to the location of any book...

They float in the sea! Soar into space! Explore the age of dinosaurs! When it's time to go home, BLIP leaves them with a few books to remember him by—and a newfound love of reading.

Jerrard Polk's rhyming text and imaginative illustrations make this the perfect story for any beginning reader!

Seuss Studios is a new line of Beginner Books with original stories and art from emerging authors and illustrators. Every Seuss Studios story was inspired by never-before seen sketches from the Dr. Seuss archives, which you can find in the back of each book! Launched by Dr. Seuss in 1957 with the publication of *The Cat in the Hat*, Beginner Books make learning to read FUN!

Jerrard Polk was born and raised in Charlotte, North Carolina. He has been drawing all his life, inspired by skilled art teachers, mentors, and his mother, a librarian. Jerrard began his professional journey at fifteen as a popular caricature artist for parties and events. With over twenty-five years of experience, he now enjoys visiting schools and libraries to share his love of art and writing. His art, influenced by the natural beauty and vibrant colors of Bermuda, combines traditional and digital illustration to tell stories of everyday people, encouraging children from all cultures. Jerrard lives in Charlotte, North Carolina.



COCO AND STEPHEN, TOGETHER FOREVER

From *New York Times*-bestselling author, proud animal foster parent, and spokesperson for the world's largest no-kill rescue and adoption organization Beth Stern comes the heartwarming story of an abandoned bunny and a discarded kitten who each found their forever home and became best friends.

Primary agent

Cait Hoyt

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Film & TV

Adam Nettler

Rights sold

World English (Random House Studio • Farrin Jacobs)

Publication

05 May 2026 (USA)

Coco is a kitten who was surrendered to a shelter. Stephen is a bunny who has been abandoned in the forest. All they both want is a forever home. When the two see each other for the first time through a glass door in Beth's foster room – Coco has never seen ears so fuzzy, and Stephen's never seen eyes so golden! – it's friendship love at first sight.

Soon their days are filled with hide and seek, the zoomies, and snuggling in the sunlight. They have found not only their forever home, but also a forever friend.

This sweet and simple meet-cute is inspired by the unlikely friendship between a heartbroken kitten and an optimistic bunny whose love captured the attention of thousands of people on Instagram. *New York Times*-bestselling illustrator Joanie Stone fills every page with warmth as this adorably irresistible pair find each other against all odds.

In the back matter, Beth shares her story of rescuing animals and educates little readers about the responsibility of caring for animals. She will create a checklist of the things you need to be ready for when you bring a pet into your house.

Beth Stern's love for animals is her passion in life. She is a proud foster parent and the national spokesperson for North Shore Animal League America, the world's largest no-kill rescue and adoption organization. In addition to her animal rights activism, Beth has hosted shows for National Geographic, HGTV, and Hallmark Channel as well as the *Great American Rescue Bowl.* Beth lives with her husband, Howard, and their seven rescue cats and two rescue bunnies– and, of course, litter after litter of foster kittens! Follow her on Instagram at @bethostern.

Lala Watkins



HELLO, SUN!

Inspired by never-before-seen sketches by Dr. Seuss, creator Lala Watkins builds a bright and playful story about a worm in this brand-new beginning reader that is the first in the Seuss Studios line of Beginner Books.

Primary agent

Sloan Harris

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Rights sold

North America (Random House Books for Young Readers)

Publication

07 January 2025 (USA)

Series

SEUSS STUDIOS

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If you could play with the sun, what would you do? Would you sing? Dance? Play hide-and-seek?

Join Norbit the Worm, his friends, and the sun itself as they spend a day doing everything they can think of, from swimming and hiking to blowing bubbles and watching the clouds drift by! By encouraging imaginative play, *Hello, Sun!* keeps kids entertained as they learn to read.

Seuss Studios is a new line of Beginner Books with original stories and art from emerging authors and illustrators. Every Seuss Studios story was inspired by never-before seen sketches from the Dr. Seuss archives, which you can find in the back of each book! Launched by Dr. Seuss in 1957 with the publication of *The Cat in the Hat*, Beginner Books make learning to read FUN!

Lala Watkins is an illustrator extraordinaire whose work is like a summer pool party—and everyone's invited! She makes fun illustrations and lovely stories that make her heart (and yours) emote the heart-eyed emoji. She graduated with a BFA in Graphic Design and Interactive Communication from Ringling College of Art & Design. She's in a long-term relationship with the sun, so she lives in sunny Florida.

E. B. White



THE DUCK CAN'T SLEEP

Even the most restless reader will find peace and quiet in this breathtakingly illustrated book about the magic of nature, nighttime, and a duck who can't sleep, based on a poem by the renowned E.B. White which was published in *The New Yorker* in 1926 and now appears for the first time in book form.

Primary agent

Amanda Urban

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Rights sold

North America (Quill Tree • Rosemary Brosnan)

Publication

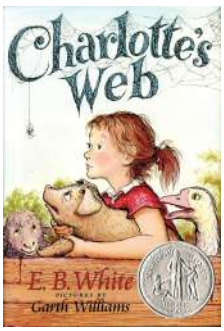
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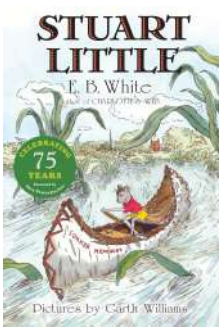
How surprised I was to see
A duck as wide awake as me.

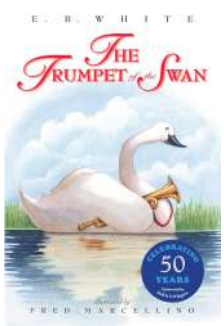
Long past bedtime, two creatures sleeplessly wander around and around the reservoir in New York's Central Park. What woes and wonders keep them awake so late?

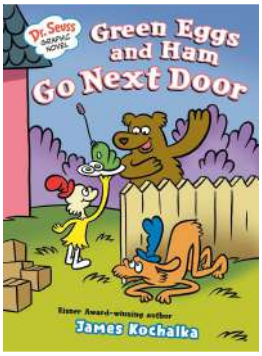
Based on a poem originally published in *The New Yorker* by the legendary author E.B. White, and marvelously illustrated by two-time Caldecott Honoree Melissa Sweet, the book you hold is a love letter to nature in unlikely places, a testament to the power of imagination, and a balm to restless readers everywhere.

E. B. White, the author of such beloved classics as *Charlotte's Web, Stuart Little*, and *The Trumpet of the Swan*, was born in Mount Vernon, New York. He graduated from Cornell University in 1921 and, five or six years later, joined the staff of *The New Yorker* magazine, then in its infancy. He died on October 1, 1985, and was survived by his son and three grandchildren. Mr. White's essays have appeared in *Harper*'s magazine, and some of his other books are: *One Man's Meat, The Second Tree from the Corner, Letters of E. B. White, Essays of E. B. White,* and *Poems and Sketches of E. B. White*. He won countless awards, including the 1971 National Medal for Literature and the Laura Ingalls Wilder Award, which commended him for making a "substantial and lasting contribution to literature for children." During his lifetime, many young readers asked Mr. White if his stories were true. In a letter written to be sent to his fans, he answered, "No, they are imaginary tales . . . But real life is only one kind of life—there is also the life of the imagination."









GREEN EGGS AND HAM GO NEXT DOOR

Dr. Seuss's iconic, original dynamic duo is back in graphic novel form—and this time, Sam-I-Am is going to show his grumpy pal that meeting new people isn't scary! In fact, meeting new people is how you make new friends!

Primary agent

Sloan Harris

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Rights sold

North America (Random House US) | UK & Commonwealth (Puffin)

Publication

05 May 2026 (USA)

Series

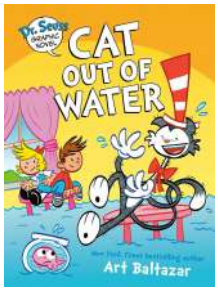
SEUSS GRAPHIC NOVELS

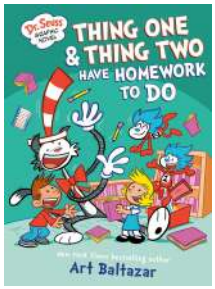
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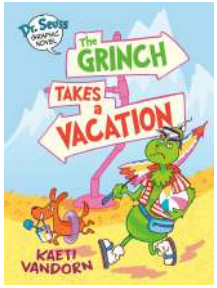
There's a new neighbor in town and Walter is NOT excited! Sam-I-Am thinks it's time to make a new friend, but meeting people is scary and Walter doesn't do scary. But Sam-I-Am is sure that being a good neighbor is great and might even make Walter happy! What does it even mean to be a good neighbor anyway? Sam-I-Am is about to make sure that Walter finds out!

Dr. Seuss, also known as Theodor Seuss Geisel, is one of the most beloved children's book authors of all time. From *How the Grinch Stole Christmas!* to *The Cat in the Hat* and *Oh, the Places You'll Go!*, his iconic characters, stories, and art style have had a lasting influence on generations of children and adults. The books he wrote and illustrated under the name Dr. Seuss (along with others he wrote but did not illustrate, under the pseudonym Theo LeSieg) have been published in fifty languages. Hundreds of millions of copies have found their way into homes and hearts around the world. Dr. Seuss's long list of awards includes Caldecott Honors, the Pulitzer Prize, and eight honorary doctorates. Works based on his original stories have won three Oscars, three Emmys, three Grammys, and a Peabody.









Stuart Gibbs



TIME CRIME

Action-packed, hilarious, and full of twists, *Time Crime* launches a blockbuster new series from *New York Times* bestselling author Stuart Gibbs about one kid's journey through the most dangerous classroom in history: the past.

Primary agent

Jennifer Joel

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Film & TV

Michelle Weiner, Josie Freedman, Darian Lanzetta

Rights sold

North America (Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers • Justin Chanda, Krista Vitola)

Publication

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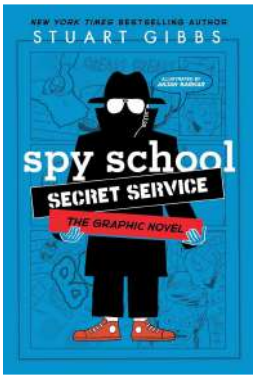
When twelve-year-old Johnny Day accidentally activates a mysterious time-travel device, he's launched straight into ancient Rome—right into the path of Otto Kratz, a brilliant tech billionaire who's determined to rewrite history and take over the future. Suddenly, the kid who can't stay awake in history class is the only one who can stop Kratz from toppling empires, sabotaging civilizations, and unraveling time itself.

Armed with nothing but guts, a glitchy time machine, and a mismatched crew of allies, Johnny dodges gladiators, emperors, conspirators, and catastrophes as he races to stop Kratz's plan before the entire timeline collapses. But in a world where every decision could rewrite the past—or erase him entirely—Johnny's biggest challenge may be discovering the hero he never knew he could be.

Stuart Gibbs is the *New York Times* bestselling author of the Charlie Thorne series, FunJungle series, Moon Base Alpha series, and Spy School series. He has written screenplays, worked on a whole bunch of animated films, developed TV shows, been a newspaper columnist, and researched capybaras (the worlds largest rodents). Stuart lives with his family in Los Angeles.

Previous publishers

Greek (Klidarithmos Publications), Polish (Agora), Romanian (Art Grup), Simplified Chinese (Beijing Science and Technology Publishing Co.), Ukrainian (The Old Lion)



SPY SCHOOL SECRET SERVICE THE GRAPHIC NOVEL

The *New York Times* bestselling Spy School series continues in graphic novel form with the fifth book as Ben Ripley goes undercover in the White House to take on a SPYDER operative determined to assassinate the president.

Primary agent

Jennifer Joel

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Rights sold

North America (Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers • Justin Chanda, Krista Vitola)

Publication

28 April 2026 (USA)

Series

SPY SCHOOL GRAPHIC NOVELS

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Thirteen-year-old Ben Ripley has had a lot of field success despite only just beginning his second year at Spy School, something even graduates rarely experience. But he'd never have survived without the help from experienced agents and his friends. Now he's been called in on a solo mission—and the fate of the United States of America is on his shoulders alone.

The mission: Prevent a presidential assassination by infiltrating the White House and locating the enemy operative.

And when everything goes wrong, Ben must rely on his spy school friends to save his reputation...but even friends can double-cross or be swayed to the enemy's side.

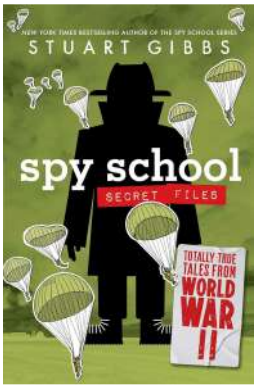
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Translation rights sold

Greek (Klidarithmos Publications)

Previous publishers

Polish (Agora), Romanian (Art Grup), Simplified Chinese (Beijing Science and Technology Publishing Co.), Ukrainian (The Old Lion)



SPY SCHOOL SECRET FILES

Totally True Tales from World War II

Ben Ripley—the middle school superspy in Stuart Gibbs's *New York Times* bestselling Spy School series—shares true stories of World War II operations, some never before disclosed, in this engaging nonfiction middle grade book packed with maps, diagrams, and mission briefings!

Primary agent

Jennifer Joel

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Rights sold

North America (Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers • Justin Chanda, Krista Vitola)

Publication

10 November 2026 (USA)

Series

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Benjamin Ripley, young spy-in-training at the Central Intelligence Agency, has always been impressed by super-cool, incredibly capable spies from movies. But there have been plenty of real spies throughout history that no one has heard of because they operated in secrecy on classified missions. But now, some of those amazing stories are declassified…

Join Ben as he shares the true stories behind World War II's courageous spies, their inventive commanders, and the incredible things they did, like commando raids, code-breaking, double-crosses, disinformation, and inventing shark repellant and exploding pancake batter (really). There are amazing stories about famous spies like Julia Child, John Ford, and Sterling Hayden, plus countless others who risked their lives and took great risks to keep the world safe from evil.

Stuart Gibbs is the *New York Times* bestselling author of the Charlie Thorne series, FunJungle series, Moon Base Alpha series, and Spy School series. He has written screenplays, worked on a whole bunch of animated films, developed TV shows, been a newspaper columnist, and researched capybaras (the worlds largest rodents). Stuart lives with his family in Los Angeles.

Previous publishers

Greek (Klidarithmos Publications), Polish (Agora), Romanian (Art Grup), Simplified Chinese (Beijing Science and Technology Publishing Co.), Ukrainian (The Old Lion)

Micah Johnson



AKU: JOURNEY TO IBRA

***NEW YORK TIMES* BESTSELLER • Blast off into a sci-fi adventure in this electrifying debut novel starring Aku—the groundbreaking 3D character who graced the cover of *TIME* Magazine.**

Primary agent

Cindy Uh

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Rights sold

World English (Random House Books for Young Readers • Sara Sargent)

Publication

03 March 2026 (USA)

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"The plot is compelling and fast paced, with nonstop adventure....An entertaining sci-fi romp with grounded, real-world tween struggles."—*School Library Journal*

Aku has always dreamed of becoming an astronaut. It's easier to picture life among the stars than deal with the bully at school—or the pain of his grandfather's mysterious disappearance. But when a strange space helmet shows up in his basement, Aku is pulled into something far bigger than he ever imagined.

The space helmet doesn't just look cool—it teleports him to Ibra, a distant planet under siege. There, precious Lunaberries are being stolen by a ruthless space militia, and Aku's grandfather may be the key to stopping them. With the help of his best friends and a few unlikely allies, Aku must dream bigger than ever before, find the courage to lead, and discover that bravery isn't about having no fear—it's about rising above it.

Micah Johnson, a former Major League Baseball player turned artist, is the creator of the phenomenon that is Aku. After overhearing a young boy ask his mom if astronauts could be Black, Micah was inspired to create Aku, a 3D animated boy wearing an oversized astronaut helmet. That same year, Micah created a fine art piece that catapulted him from retired athlete to creator of the "2020 NFT of the Year." *Aku: Journey to Ibra* is Aku's origin story and Micah's first book. He lives in Maine with his wife and daughter.

Julia Riew



SHIM JUNG TAKES THE DIVE

A tween finds herself on an epic adventure across an underwater kingdom in this inventive middle-grade fantasy inspired by Korean folklore—based on the viral TikTok musical by composer-lyricist and rising star Julia Riew.

Jung doesn't believe in magic—not the powerful dragons, mystical sea creatures, or any of the other fantastical stories whispered by the elders of her hometown. That is, until one horrible mistake sends her falling into the ocean during a raging storm...

...down to a magical underwater kingdom that she never believed existed.

Now, trapped in a realm of secrets, spirits, and a vengeful queen bent on destroying her world, Jung must journey across the Dragon Queendom—teaming up with a mischievous runaway prince—to uncover the truth about her past and save her people before it's too late.

Inspired by the Korean folktale Shim Jung, *Shim Jung Takes the Dive* is a royal adventure about friendship, belonging, and finding the courage to take the leap.

Primary agent

Cindy Uh

UK agent

Sarah Mitchell

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Film & TV

Jiah Shin

Rights sold

North America (Quill Tree • Jennifer Ung) | UK & Commonwealth (HCCB • Alice Moloney)

Publication

28 April 2026 (USA)
07 May 2026 (UK)

Julia Riew is a composer-lyricist, librettist, and author known for her Korean-folktale inspired musical *Dive* and her *New York Times* bestselling young adult fantasy novel *The Last Tiger*, which she co-authored with her brother Brad Riew. In addition to winning the 18th Annual Fred Ebb Award, Julia has been Playbill's Featured Songwriter of the Month, a Woman to Watch on Broadway, and a Princess Grace Award Honoraria recipient. *Shim Jung Takes the Dive* is her first middle grade novel.

Translation rights sold

French (Albin Michel Jeunesse), Korean (Trojan Horse Books)

Nic Stone



DASIA (FOREVER)

Primary agent

Mollie Glick

UK agent

Sarah Mitchell

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Film & TV

Berni Vann

Rights sold

North America (Crown Books for Young Readers • Phoebe Yeh)

Publication

06 October 2026 (USA)

Dasia Riley hasn't had it the easiest, but she's always kept on swinging... Until life throws a curveball she could've never prepared for: shortly after her thirteenth birthday, she's diagnosed with *acute lymphoblastic leukemia*.

On her nineteenth night of chemo, a girl she's never met shows up at her hospital bedside. Her name is Jimmy, she's a year older than Dasia, and she's got cancer, too. At first Dasia freaks—oncology wards keep patients separate for a reason. But as Dasia and Jimmy chat the night away, an unexpected friendship blooms.

The girls learn that their lives are very different—Jimmy's so rich, she owns a horse, whereas Dasia's frequently hungry and has never seen one. But they also discover that they've got far more in common than an incurable disease... like older brothers who are gone, baby brothers who need them, and struggles with school friends.

Over the course of one life changing night, two girls who are at their lowest fight to keep one another uplifted. And as Dasia comes to discover: no matter how much nor how little we have, the one thing we'll always need is each other.

Nic Stone is an Atlanta native and a Spelman College graduate. After working extensively in teen mentoring and living abroad for several years, she returned to the United States to write full-time. Nic's debut novel for young adults, *Dear Martin*, was a #1 *New York Times* bestseller and William C. Morris Award finalist. It and its sequels, *Dear Justyce, a New York Times* bestseller, and *Dear Manny*, also a national bestseller, take a deep dive into American race relations through the lenses of three wildly different boys. Her YA nonfiction debut, coauthored with Ibram X. Kendi, *How to be a (Young) Antiracist,* was an instant *New York Times* bestseller. She is also the author of the teen titles *Odd One Out,* a novel about discovering oneself and who it is okay to love, which was an NPR Best Book of the Year and a Rainbow Book List Top Ten selection, *Jackpot*, a love-ish story that takes a searing look at economic inequality, and *Chaos Theory*, which gives a peek behind the curtain of teen mental health struggles and triumphs. *Clean Getaway,* Nic's first middle-grade novel, deals with coming to grips with the pain of the past and facing the humanity of our heroes. Her adult thriller debut *Boomtown* was published by Simon & Schuster in October 2025 and was sold in a two-book deal with her forthcoming follow up *Confidentiality*. Find her online at nicstone.info or @nicstone.

Elizabeth Acevedo



ANGER IS ONLY A SHADOW

From National Book Award-winning, *New York Times*-bestselling author and renowned poet Elizabeth Acevedo comes a white-knuckle journey to self-understanding and doing the right thing, no matter the cost.

Primary agent

Alexandra Machinist

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Film & TV

Dana Spector

Rights sold

North America (Quill Tree • Rosemary Brosnan) | UK & Commonwealth (Hot Key Books)

Publication

15 September 2026 (USA)
15 September 2026 (UK)

Lil is anything but small. She's rebellious, she's loyal; she's figuring out what kind of good person she wants to be, or if she wants to be a good person at all. But more than anything? Lil wants to be free.

When her instinct for freedom leads to another stay in D.C. juvenile detention, Lil knows she's lucky to *just* be on probation. But judgment, guilt, and an ankle monitor weigh heavily on her, and she can't shake that pinned-down feeling.

The only person who might understand is her big brother, Aldwin. Except he's more distant now than just the hundred miles where he's away at college. Something's been off with him for a couple of months, but only Lil seems to realize how important it is to get to him.

As her court hearing ticks closer, a question looms over Lil as the missed phone calls and strange texts from her brother pile up: will she follow the rules until her sentencing, or put her future freedom on the line?

Elizabeth Acevedo is the *New York Times*-bestselling author of *The Poet X,* which won the National Book Award for Young People's Literature, the Michael L. Printz Award, the Pura Belpra Award, the Boston Globe Horn Book Award, and the Walter Award. She is also the author of *With the Fire on High* which was named a best book of the year by the *New York Public Library, NPR, Publishers Weekly,* and *School Library Journal* and *Clap When You Land*, which was a Boston Globe Horn Book Honor book & Kirkus finalist. She is a National Poetry Slam champion and holds an MFA in creative writing from the University of Maryland. Acevedo lives with her partner in Washington, DC.

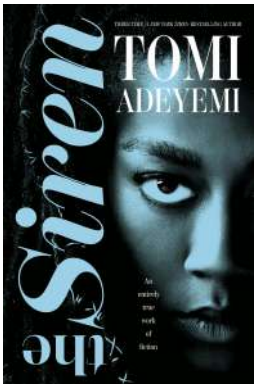
Translation rights sold

Slovene (Morfem)

Previous publishers

Brazilian Portuguese (Editora Nacional), Finnish (Karisto), French (Nathan), Portuguese (Infinito Particular), Spanish (Urano)

Tomi Adeyemi



THE SIREN

The new novel from acclaimed, three-time instant #1 *New York Times*–bestselling author Tomi Adeyemi blends shocking contemporary storytelling with a sinister dark academic flair to create a blockbuster about rage, longing, and a woman's darkness that will leave readers breathless.

Primary agent

Mollie Glick

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Film & TV

Michelle Weiner

Rights sold

North America (Henry Holt and Co. • Jean Feiwel, Ann Marie Wong) | UK & Commonwealth (First Ink • Emma Jones)

Publication

29 September 2026 (USA)
01 October 2026 (UK)

When Emery steps foot onto Dartmouth's campus, she knows what she has to do: keep her scholarship, take her meds, and pray no one ever finds out about the past she left behind.

But that all changes when Emery meets an intoxicating girl named Roux, her disarming stepbrother named Eli, and the mystical band of girls Roux calls "The Sirens." Each Siren is as beautiful as the last, and their lives on campus are shrouded in extravagance and secret parties. Before the girls became Sirens, they were outcasts, yet under Roux, their wildest dreams come true. When Roux offers Emery the chance to join them, Emery will do whatever it takes to make it in.

Even if it costs Emery her life.

Named one of TIME magazine's 100 Most Influential People, **Tomi Adeyemi** is a Hugo- and Nebula Award–winning writer, speaker, and model based in New York, New York. After graduating from Harvard University with an honors degree in English literature, she wrote her groundbreaking, instant #1 *New York Times*-bestselling series, which includes *Children of Blood and Bone, Children of Virtue and Vengeance,* and *Children of Anguish and Anarchy*. Tomi's trilogy has sold over 3 million copies around the world, and its highly anticipated adaptation stars Viola Davis, Cynthia Erivo, Idris Elba, Regina King, and more. The adaptation is set for release in IMAX and theaters January 15th, 2027. When she is not busy writing, Tomi can be found kicking ass in her local boxing gym.

Translation rights sold

Brazilian Portuguese (Editora Rocco), Dutch (HarperCollins Holland), French (Olympe), German (Heyne), Greek (Iviskos), Hungarian (Maxim), Ukrainian (Knigolove)

Jacinda Ardern



WHAT IF YOU COULD

Chasing Your Dreams Just as You Are

From the former prime minister of New Zealand comes a guide for teens on chasing your dreams and embracing the unexpected qualities that truly make a person strong.

When Jacinda Ardern became prime minister of New Zealand, she was one of the youngest people in the world leading a country. Many people thought she would never succeed—herself included. Wouldn't her insecurity, overthinking, worrying, and kindness stop her from being able to achieve her goals?

As she soon learned, though, it was exactly those attributes—as well as caring and wanting to listen to and serve others—that made her into the empathetic, adaptable, and effective leader that she was.

While sharing her own experiences and challenges as a young person, and then as prime minister, Jacinda Ardern asks readers to realize that true strength, success, and power come from embracing ourselves just as we are—imposter syndrome and all.

Primary agent

Mollie Glick, David Larabell

UK agent

Sarah Mitchell

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Rights sold

North America (Philomel Books • Jill Santopolo) | UK & Commonwealth (Macmillan Children's Books • Ruth Redford) | Australia, New Zealand (Penguin Random House Australia • Belinda Connors)

Publication

02 June 2026 (USA)
04 June 2026 (UK)
02 June 2026 (Australia)

The Right Honourable Dame **Jacinda Ardern** was elected the 40th Prime Minister of New Zealand at the age of thirty-seven, becoming the country's youngest Prime Minister in more than 150 years. Since leaving office, Ardern has established the Field Fellowship on empathetic leadership. She is a Senior Fellow at Harvard University, continues to work on climate action, and is the Patron of the Christchurch Call to Action to eliminate terrorist and violent extremist content online. Ardern also works on a number of projects that support women and girls, but considers her greatest roles to be those she will hold for life, including that of mum and proud New Zealander.

Teri Dederer



FEAST OF HEARTS

The love child of *Fourth Wing* and Maggie Stiefvater's *The Scorpio Races*, *Feast of Hearts* blends elite magic-school drama, heart-pounding romance, and deadly competition, in a story of a girl willing to risk everything to rewrite her destiny.

Primary agent

Alexandra Machinist

UK agent

Sarah Mitchell

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Film & TV

Michelle Weiner

Rights sold

North America (Scholastic Press • Mallory Kass) | UK & Commonwealth (HarperFire • Tom Bonnick)

Publication (tentative)

Q1 (Jan-Mar) 2027

Welcome to Oculus Dei, the empire's most prestigious school of magic. Here, the brightest Imperial mages learn to master their burgeoning powers. Beyond the classroom, students partake in hunts for immortal creatures and sword fighting, against the backdrop of the school's glittering social scene. Students forge life-long friendships on campus, and for the truly lucky, an anima par awaits—the one person whose magic harmonizes perfectly with their own, amplifying their power and, inevitably, their hearts.

But for Epona, Oculus Dei is no dream—it's a battlefield. Born in the Gutters among the non-magical Valefolk, where weapons are forbidden and survival isn't guaranteed, Epona was raised to serve, not to wield power. That changes when she miraculously heals a flightless Pegasus, revealing a magic she never knew she had, one that shocks the empire and grants her an impossible choice: attend Oculus Dei or have her newfound power stripped away forever. The catch? She must finish first in her class—beating students who have spent years mastering magic—or lose her magic permanently.

At Oculus Dei, where enemies lurk behind courtly smiles and failure is not an option, Epona must fight to rise in the rankings. She can't afford distractions, least of all Lord Iolo, the magnetic first-ranked golden boy of the empire—the one person standing between her and victory. He is infuriating, his family has sworn to eliminate her, and he is everything she was raised to despise. But as competition turns deadly, Epona must decide what she's truly fighting for: survival, power, or a future she never dared to dream.

Teri Dederer has an M.F.A. in Creative Writing from Bowling Green State University and lives in California with her husband and their huskies.

Translation rights sold

Spanish (Editorial Hidra), Spanish (Bookavivo)

Stef Ferrari



PINING FOR YOU

The classic Hallmark holiday movie gets turned upside down when a teen leaves her small-town Christmas tree farm in pursuit of the city girl who swept her off her feet in this cheeky and cozy rom-com by Food Network competitor Stef Ferrari.

Primary agent

Mollie Glick

UK agent

Rachel Mann

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Film & TV

Berni Vann

Rights sold

North America (Simon & Schuster US • Alexa Pastor)

Publication

08 September 2026 (USA)

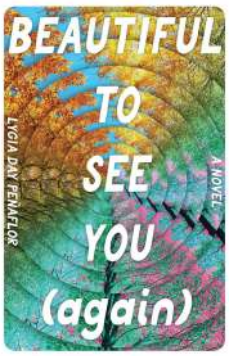
Bennie Bosley has Christmas spirit on lock. Her borderline magical ability to give the perfect gift, encyclopedic knowledge of holiday movies, and skill as a baker working at a literal Christmas tree farm mean she's the authority on all things merry. So, when Bennie sees sparkles after bumping into the most stunning girl she's ever seen in her small Connecticut town, her friends are all shocked that Bennie doesn't seem to realize what this is: real holiday magic at work...and the perfect opportunity for her much-needed first kiss.

There's just one problem: her mystery girl, Eve, lives in Brooklyn and Bennie never got her number or her last name. But showing up unexpectedly to make a big romantic gesture is a classic holiday trope for a reason, right? And her friends aren't about to miss the fireworks.

But what was supposed to be a quick Christmas adventure turns into a scramble across Brooklyn when the biggest snowstorm of the decade hits. Will Bennie and crew be able to track Eve down for a merrily ever after and still make it back for their last Cooper Farm Christmas Eve party, or is their holiday movie moment destined for the cutting room floor?

Stef Ferrari is a three-time Emmy-winning, James Beard Award-nominated producer on the PBS docuseries *The Migrant Kitchen*. She served as Senior Editor at *Life & Thyme*, and is the author/co-author of several books, including *Ice Cream Adventures*, Aaron Sanchez' *Where I Come From*, and *Voracious'* own *A Woman's Place*. A Certified Cicerone (beer sommelier), she has spent the last 2 years in Italy, sampling the best of regional stuzzichini.

Lygia Day Peñaflor



BEAUTIFUL TO SEE YOU (AGAIN)

When a mysterious tunnel in Central Park allows a heartbroken college dropout to revisit her tragic past, will she ever move on and embrace the hope—and the love—in her present? This mind-bending coming-of-age romance is perfect for fans of Jandy Nelson and Dustin Thao.

Primary agent

Hillary Jacobson

UK agent

Rachel Mann

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Film & TV

Berni Vann

Rights sold

North America (Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers • Sarah Barley)

Publication

20 October 2026 (USA)

ARE YOU READY TO GO BACK?

Tia is sleepwalking through life. Once an ambitious student and promising actor, now she's an aimless college dropout dragging herself to her dog-walking job. . . . until she follows the sound of a ringing bell to a mysterious tunnel in Central Park, a tunnel that can transport her back in time, back to the summer of Natty.

When MIT-bound Natty Poole delivered the valedictory speech of a lifetime, Tia finally noticed him, the awkward boy who'd always adored her. Despite their looming departures for college, they couldn't help but fall in love. But their perfect summer came to a tragic end, separating Tia and Natty seemingly forever.

Although visiting the tunnel weakens her, Tia remains obsessed with seeing Natty and finding a way to change the past—so obsessed that she's neglecting the present, which includes the handsome and persuasive film student Razor Ford, who is dead set on having Tia star in his short film.

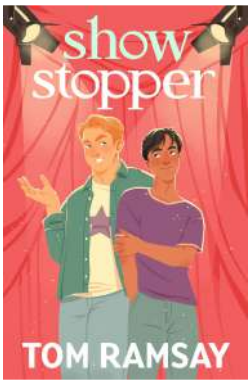
Every moment spent with Razor feels like a betrayal of Natty, but there's something about Razor that keeps pulling her in. Torn between then and now, how can Tia move on when her heart and the tunnel won't let her?

Lygia Day Peñaflor is the critically acclaimed author of *Creep: A Love Story*, *All of This Is True*, *Unscripted Joss Byrd*, and *Beautiful to See You (Again)*. Her books have been published around the world in over a dozen languages. She lives with her husband on Long Island.

Translation rights sold

French (Univers Poche | Pocket Jeunesse), German (cbj), Polish (Wydawnictwo Otwarte)

Tom Ramsay



SHOWSTOPPER

Joyous, feel-good, queer romance set in the world of musical theatre.

Primary agent

Charlotte Colwill (Colwill & Peddle)

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Rights sold

UK & Commonwealth (Firefly • Penny Thomas)

Publication

07 May 2026 (UK)

Larger than life Olly is back at the UK's most prestigious competition for teen performers to prove he has what it takes to be a leading man. After being sabotaged last year, he is determined to stand out ahead of his drama school auditions.

Nervous newbie Tarun was nominated after stepping in from the chorus to a leading role. This is his week to explore if his secret hobby could be something more serious. But imposter-syndrome is real, and his dad's derisive comments threaten to derail him.

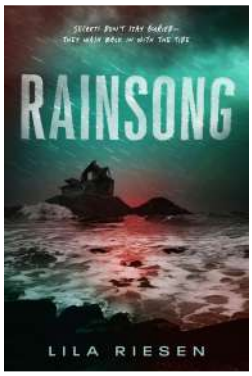
When the two boys are paired together, Olly can't comprehend being with someone who doesn't get his niche musical references, whilst Tarun thinks Olly is 'way too much'. But they soon discover they've more in common than the opening number might reveal.

Amidst the drama of rehearsals, could two boys be falling in love?

A life-affirming read for all those searching for their place and their people.

Tom Ramsay has been telling stories since childhood, when he spent many hours in his Yorkshire bedroom building sets out of cardboard boxes and acting out full productions of musicals with a cast of Sylvanian Families. He's since been allowed to turn this into a profession, working for a West End Producer as Literary Manager and Dramaturg looking after new work and writers of theatre for the company. This role has included working on an Olivier nominated play and helping to translate a Korean musical into English. *Showstopper* is his first novel.

Lila Riesen



RAINSONG

In a small town haunted by unsolved disappearances, a teen with a secret ability must unravel a deadly mystery—before she becomes the next victim.

Primary agent

Mollie Glick

UK agent

Sarah Mitchell

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Film & TV

Berni Vann

Rights sold

North America (Knopf Books for Young Readers • Nancy Siscoe)

Publication

23 June 2026 (USA)

Mendocino is not the quaint coastal California town Zayn Pereira imagined. It's shrouded in a fog that never lets up. Posters of a missing teen girl are plastered everywhere, and just offshore is an island called Rainsong, rumored to be haunted.

At her new school, everyone is tense and suspicious of each other. So when charismatic Ollie takes Zayn under her wing, it's a relief—but is her charm hiding something? People assume brooding Tiago, the missing girl's ex-boyfriend, is responsible for her disappearance... but Zayn can't keep her eyes off him. Is he really who everyone says he is?

Besides, Zayn has a secret of her own. And when Tiago is struck by a car one night, she is forced to reveal it to save him. In doing so, Zayn discovers her connection to a generations-old feud that still rages today. Can she break herself from the grip of Mendocino's past tragedy? Or will she become the next girl on the missing poster?

Filled with angsty romance, supernatural powers, murder, and vengeance, this is a chilling and propulsive read.

Lila Riesen is the author of *Rainsong* (2026) and *Free Radicals* (2023), which *Publishers Weekly* called "an emphatic and empathetic debut." The daughter of Afghan and Australian immigrants, she lives in Irvine, California with her husband and son.

Hannah Schneider



UNRECOVERED

Primary agent

Mollie Glick

UK agent

Sarah Mitchell

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Film & TV

Angella Dallas

Rights sold

North America (Wednesday Books • Sarah Goodman)

Publication (tentative)

Josie Palmer has problems: Her older brother has died; she's failed to graduate high school; her house is way too quiet and, annoyingly, her brother's best friend continues to be very hot.

She was supposed to spend her summer preparing for college. Instead, Josie is spending all her time with Raf, trying to understand if their connection is more than just trauma-bonding. While Josie wants to lose herself in first love, she's unable to let go of the idea that her brother was keeping secrets. Her journey to discover the truth initially brings her closer to Raf, until she learns that he too has been keeping secrets from her.

Ultimately, *Unrecovered* is the moving story of first love and letting go – making peace with the unknowable and testing the limits of love. It's perfect for anyone who cares about: teen romance, birth order theories and being mad at dead people for dying.

Hannah Schneider is an LA-based television writer. She has worked on several series and sold shows to NBC, Showtime and Netflix. Her self-published collection of break-up short stories, *How We End*, had the rights sold to CBSP and, more importantly, was praised by several ex-boyfriends as being "pretty good". She's originally from Brooklyn and still gets shit from her friends about having moved, but the joke's on them because now she owns a pomegranate tree. She lives in a pink house with her husband and two children. She is currently adapting the *Chestnut Springs* series by Elsie Silver and (*New York Times* #1 bestseller) *Lights Out* by Navessa Allen for Netflix. She hates robots and loves smut.

Sasha Peyton Smith



THE FOX BRIDE

What if the one you were bound to was the one you always yearned for?

Primary agent

Hillary Jacobson

UK agent

Sarah Mitchell

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Film & TV

Berni Vann, Josie Freedman

Rights sold

North America (HarperTeen • Erica Sussman) | UK & Commonwealth (Farshore • Sarah Levison)

Publication (tentative)

2027

On Cass Tattershall's eighteenth birthday, her father announces she is to marry the Prince of Alcadia and must leave everything behind for a life in the bustling and dangerous capital city of Bellcanthe.

Cass is prepared to despise her new husband, a prince she's heard horrible rumors about. But at the end of the aisle stands Heath, the boy who once lived in her family's home, her childhood best friend and first love. The boy who vanished without a word four years ago. The boy who says she never knew his true identity: Prince Holden Atherstone.

Determined to survive a marriage to a boy who acts like she's a stranger, Cass soon discovers Holden harbors even more secrets. Her new husband blows off steam from his royal duties by tracking down art that was stolen during the war and returning it to its rightful owners. Yes, he's the leader of the Foxes, a notorious band of art thieves. And their work has never been more critical; they're currently searching for a painting said to prophesize the end of the world.

The Foxes are in luck, as Cass's rare ability to sense magic may be the key to finding the painting and changing their fate. But how can Cass help them if Holden won't stop pushing her away…

Loosely inspired by *Wuthering Heights*, but for readers of *Divine Rivals* and *The Raven Boys*, *The Fox Bride* will be a sweeping romantic fantasy of art and prophecy, magic and royalty, heartbreak and epic love.

Sasha Peyton Smith is the *New York Times* best-selling author of fantasy novels for young adults including *The Witch Haven* and *The Rose Bargain*. Her work has been translated into more than a dozen languages world-wide. She lives in a 100-year-old house in the mountains of Utah, with her husband and (allegedly) two ghosts, though she has yet to see them.

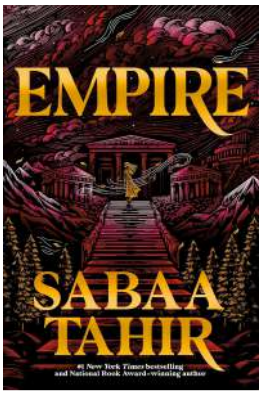
Translation rights sold

Dutch (HarperCollins Holland), French (Bayard Jeunesse)

Previous publishers

Brazilian Portuguese (Companhia das Letras), Bulgarian (Orange International), Czech (Albatros Media CZ), Danish (Carlsen Egmont), German (Ravensburger), Greek (Psichogios Publications), Hebrew (Keter Books), Hungarian (Maxim), Italian (Mondadori Libri), Lithuanian (Alma Littera), Polish (Wydawnictwo Otwarte), Portuguese (Marcador), Romanian (Corint), Serbian (Balans Knjige), Slovak (DOT), Spanish (Ediciones Urano), Turkish (Diyojen), Ukrainian (Ranok)

Sabaa Tahir



EMPIRE

Some seek freedom.

Others seek forgiveness.

All will pay in blood.

Primary agent

Alexandra Machinist

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Film & TV

Michelle Weiner

Rights sold

North America (G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers • Ruta Rimas) | UK & Commonwealth (Atom • Olivia Hutchings)

Publication

22 September 2026 (USA)
22 September 2026 (UK)

Series

HEIR

Instalment no.

2

In the crumbling Martial Empire, crown prince Quil Aquilla and his Aunt Helene are losing a battle against the vicious Kegari horde. Quil's armies dwindle, his faith falters, and the woman he loves vanished months ago, leaving him broken-hearted. Torn between his duty to his people and his desire to discover Sirsha's fate, Quil embarks on a dangerous quest for aid—from the most treacherous of allies.

Sirsha Westering finds herself tethered to Div, an ancient evil unleashed by a terrible tragedy. Div delights in tormenting Sirsha, hungering for her magical heart. Even as Sirsha fights for control of her own fate, she is desperate to shield Quil from Div's destructive power. But Div won't release Sirsha without a fight. To earn her freedom, Sirsha must uncover Div's past—and face horrors in her own.

Cero bet-Dafra, former right hand of the Kegari leader Aiz, now finds himself pitted against her. As Aiz slips further into violence and delusion, Cero must discover if his people have any hope of a future or if they're condemned to an unending cycle of violence. His journey will force him to confront hidden truths, ancient secrets and a lie that could destroy the world.

In *Empire*, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author Sabaa Tahir returns to the expansive world of fury and vengeance of *Heir*, weaving a story of legacy and rebellion, of loyalty and freedom, and of what it means to confront the monsters that lurk within us all.

Sabaa Tahir is a former newspaper editor who grew up in California's Mojave Desert at her family's eighteen-room motel. There, she spent her time devouring fantasy novels, listening to thunderous indie rock, and playing guitar and piano badly. Her #1 *New York Times* bestselling *An Ember in the Ashes* series has been translated into more than thirty-five languages, and the first book in the series was named one of TIME's 100 Best Young Adult Books of All Time. Tahir's contemporary novel, *All My Rage*, won the National Book Award for Young People's Literature and the Boston Globe-Horn Book Award for Fiction and Poetry. Her most recent novel, *Heir*, was an instant *New York Times* bestseller. Visit Sabaa online at SabaaTahir.com and follow her on Instagram or Twitter @SabaaTahir and TikTok @SabaaTahirAuthor.

Translation rights sold

Brazilian Portuguese (Editora Verus), Croatian (Lumen), Czech (Host), French (Bragelonne), German (cbj), Hungarian (Muvelt Nep), Italian (Fannuci), Polish (Wydawnictwo Poznańskie), Romanian (Art Grup), Spanish (Ediciones Urano)

Kit Trace, Kate Flynn



NEVERMORE

A fantastical and supernatural sapphic reimagining of classic gothic tropes with a lush, haunting aesthetic that Poe himself might envy.

Primary agent

Shannon Moran

Translation

Agnès Rigou

Rights sold

World English (Sourcebooks • Meg Gibbons)

Publication (tentative)

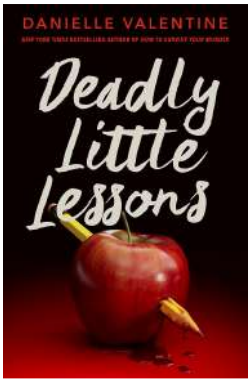
Q4 (Oct-Dec) 2028

There is nothing definitive about life after death—except for the involuntary enrollment at the mysterious Nevermore Academy. There, two girls—Lenore and Annabel Lee—must begin their curriculum to recover the memories of their tragic demise and learn to wield their ghost forms, or *Spectres*, to survive deadly final exams, the Dean's sinister secrets, and a curriculum where failure means a fate worse than death.

Between the Dean's macabre demeanor and the tell-tale dangers of Final Exams, both girls must learn to rely on one another and their newly acquired Spectres to not only graduate from the academy... but to earn a second chance at life.

Nevermore has won three Ringo Awards for Fan Favorite New Series (2023), Fan Favorite Hero (2024), and Fan Favorite Villain (2024). **Kate Flynn** was nominated for Best Artist in the 2023 Ringo Awards, and **Kit Trace** was nominated for Best Writer in 2024. Flynn and Trace are a creative powerhouse with an astronomical output – they've published weekly episodes for the past four years, and as of 2026, *Nevermore* has over 73M views and 935K subscribers on the Webtoon platform. They live together in Rochester, NY.

Danielle Valentine



DEADLY LITTLE LESSONS

Squid Game meets boarding school in this electric young adult thriller from the _New York Times_ bestselling author of _Two Sides to Every Murder_ and _How to Survive Your Murder_.

Primary agent

Hillary Jacobson

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Film & TV

Josie Freedman

Rights sold

World English (G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers • Polo Orozco)

Publication

15 September 2026 (USA)

Luminary is more than just a school. It is a test of moral fiber, strength of will, and human resilience.

Lia Michaels can pick any lock and break into most computer systems. But a life of delinquency has her bouncing between foster homes and juvie. So when she applies to Luminary Prep, a new experimental school created to challenge academic conventions, Lia is surprised by the acceptance letter that follows.

With state-of-the-art technology, fancy cafeteria food, and a campus that looks like a painting come to life, Luminary seems to be the break Lia needs. That is, if she can excel in class and be one of only five students who will be allowed to graduate

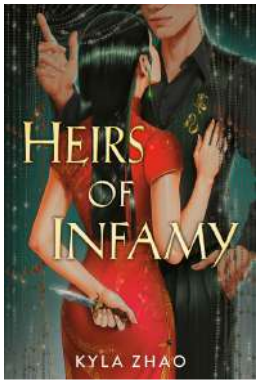
But classes at Luminary are . . . odd. And dangerous. There is a death-trap obstacle course in Physics, a Chemistry exam with explosives, and guillotines in Political Science. As students keep vanishing, one by one, Lia starts to wonder if it's not that five students will graduate—but that only five will survive.

Danielle Valentine is the bestselling author of young adult thrillers *Two Sides to Every Murder* and *How to Survive Your Murder*. Valentine is a pseudonym for bestselling horror novelist Danielle Vega. Her other work includes the Merciless series, *The Dead Husband Cookbook*, and *Delicate Condition*, which was adapted into a season of the TV series *American Horror Story*. Danielle lives outside New York City with her husband, daughter, and two ornery cats.

Translation rights sold

Spanish, Catalan (Planeta Spain)

Kyla Zhao



HEIRS OF INFAMY

Two rivals from opposing gangs grow dangerously close in this dazzling YA debut set in 1940s San Francisco Chinatown.

Primary agent

Tia Ikemoto

UK agent

Sarah Mitchell

Translation

Sarah Mitchell, Filipa Vaz

Film & TV

Berni Vann

Rights sold

North America (G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers • Polo Orozco)

Publication

13 October 2026 (USA)

Beneath the neon glare of postwar San Francisco, Chinatown is ruled by two rival crime families. East Phoenix deals in secrets and stealth, West Dragon in fists and fear. But both empires are bleeding money, and the fragile truce between them frays by the day.

As the daughter of Chinatown's most powerful crime boss, Alexis Sung can do almost anything, except join the family business. When her first job for East Phoenix goes wrong, her father shuts her out for good. Across town, Zachary Ren—a brilliant orphan raised by West Dragon—is desperate to escape a life he never chose. Their paths were never meant to cross again, not after he destroyed Alexis's one shot to prove herself.

That changes when a daring heist surfaces—one with a bounty big enough to save both families from ruin. Defying her father's orders, Alexis seizes the chance to redeem herself by striking an uneasy alliance with Zachary. As old wounds reopen and new sparks catch, survival means trusting the last person she thought she would.

After graduating from Stanford University in 2021, **Kyla Zhao** is a Silicon Valley techie by day and an author by night. Her books have been featured by *CBS, NBC, Good Morning America, Vogue, Elle, Buzzfeed, South China Morning Post*, and more. Kyla was also selected as a *Forbes* 30 Under 30 honoree, a *Tatler* Leader of Tomorrow, and awarded a Certificate of Recognition by the California State Assembly for her contributions to Asian media representation. While she writes for various age groups and in various genres, her books all-star women and girls of color challenging stereotypes in traditionally male-dominated spaces.