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PICTURE BOOKS

TAPPING FEET: How Two Cultures Came Together to Make an American Dance by Moira Donohue

Reycraft Books (Spring 2023)

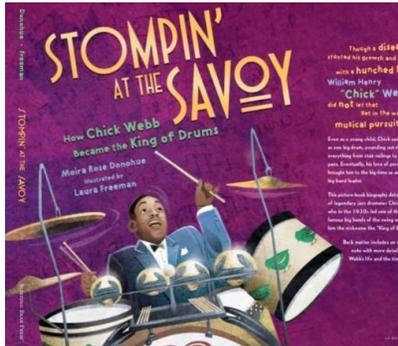
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STOMPIN' AT THE SAVOY: How Chick Webb Became King of Drums by Moira Donohue

Sleeping Bear Press (January 2021)

RIGHTS AVAILABLE: Film



A picture book biography about American jazz and swing music drummer Chick Webb who, though he was short in stature from a childhood injury, challenged the King of Swing, Benny Goodman, to a battle of the bands and won, earning the nickname the King of Drums



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BEATRICE BLY'S RULES FOR SPIES: The Missing Hamster by Sue Fliess

Trustbridge (April 2021)

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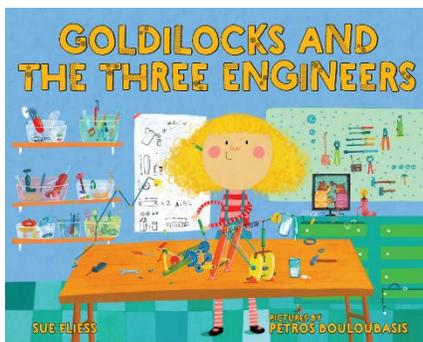
Launch of Pixel+Ink's first picture book series about a little girl who solves neighborhood and school mysteries using old-fashioned spying.

Beatrice is smart, independent, and naturally curious about the world. She looks, she listens, and she loves solving things. She has her own set of spy rules. (Be as quiet as possible - no flip flops!) Beatrice has solved some mysteries at home, but is looking for a bigger mission. So when Beatrice learns that the classroom hamster has gone missing, our little spy is on the case with her pen and notebook and super spy hunches.

GOLIDLOCKS AND THE THREE ENGINEERS by Sue Fliess

Albert Whitman (April 2021)

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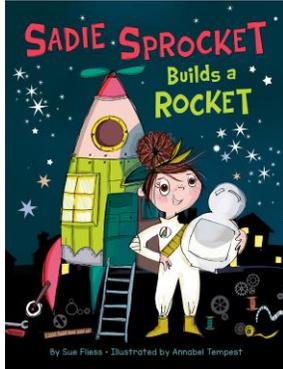


Goldilocks is an inventor with inventor's block. To clear her mind, she takes a walk. Coincidentally, a very smart Papa Bear, Mama Bear, and Baby Bear also take a walk, and they find a cute little bungalow with almost-right inventions. Can they help make the inventions just right?

SADIE SPROCKET BUILDS A ROCKET by Sue Fliess

Amazon/Two Lions (February 2021)

RIGHTS AVAILABLE: Film



A picture book about an aspiring space explorer who builds her own rocket, charts a mission to Mars and makes the unprecedented trip with her crew of pets and stuffed animals.

***BACKLIST TITLES:** THE PRINCESS AND THE PETRI DISH, FLASH & GLEAM, HOW TO FIND A UNICORN, HOW TO TRAP A LEPRECHAUN, HOW TO TRICK A CHRISTMAS ELF, HOW TO TRACK AN EASTER BUNNY, LITTLE RED RHYMING HOOD, NINJA CAMP, MRS. CLAUS TAKES THE REINS, HAUNTED HALLOWEEN, WE WISH FOR A MONSTER CHRISTMAS, MARY HAD A LITTLE LAB, RACE!, FROM HERE TO THERE, A FAIRY FRIEND, CALLING ALL CARS, THE BUG BOOK, LETS BUILD, A GLUTEN-FREE BIRTHDAY FOR ME, TONS OF TRUCKS, SHOES FOR ME!, A DRESS FOR ME! BOOKS FOR ME!, ROBOTS ROBOTS EVERYWHERE, HOW TO BE A PIRATE, HOW TO BE A SUPERHERO, HOW TO BE A PRINCESS, PUPPY PRINCESS, BELLA'S NEW BABY, I'M A BALLERINA, THE HUG BOOK*



www.suefliess.com



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SKYBOUND! by Sue Ganz-Schmitt

Astra/Calkins Creek (Spring 2024)

RIGHTS AVAILABLE: Film



A picture book biography showcasing Mary Myers, a death-defying inventor, who built and piloted balloons in the late 1800s, setting the world altitude record in a natural gas balloon and blazing a trail for the future of women in flight.

BACKLIST TITLES: *PLANET KINDERGARTEN* (Chronicle, 2014); *PLANET KINDERGARTEN: 100 DAYS* (October 2016); *THAT MONSTER ON THE BLOCK* (Amazon/Two Lions, 2020); *NOW I'M A BIRD* (Albert Whitman, 2020)



www.sueganzschmitt.com

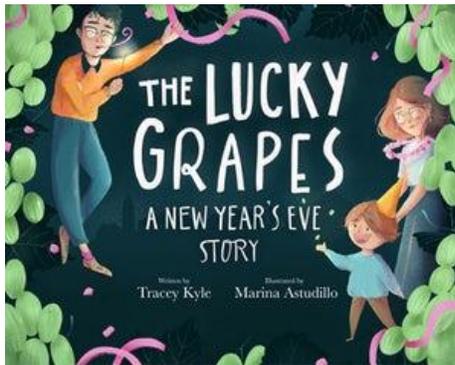


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THE LUCKY GRAPES by Tracey Kyle

Sky Pony Press (October 2022)

RIGHTS AVAILABLE: Film



It's New Year's Eve in Spain, and Rafa is excited to stay up for the first time ever to celebrate with his familia at the plaza. There'll be fireworks and música and . . . grapes? Rafa finds out that he needs to eat a small grape with each of the twelve midnight chimes to bring luck in the New Year. Can he do it? Will he even make it to midnight?

Kyle's text captures this popular tradition in all its joy and hope for the New Year. Young readers will be eager to count in Spanish with Rafa and experience this unique, enchanting celebration of culture

BACKLIST TITLES: *FOOD FIGHT FIESTA* (Sky Pony Press, 2018); *A PAINTBRUSH FOR PACO* (Little Bee 2018); *ALPACA PATI'S FANCY FLEECE* (Hachette 2019)



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SWINGING INTO HISTORY: TONI STONE Baseball's First Woman Professional Player by Karen L. Swanson

Astra/Calkins Creek (Spring 2023)

RIGHTS AVAILABLE: Film



A picture book biography about Toni Stone, the first female pro baseball player, whose determination and grit earned the respect of coaches, fans and fellow players as she worked her way onto youth teams, the minor leagues and finally, won a roster spot with the Negro League's Indianapolis Clowns where she replaced baseball great Hank Aaron at second base.



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SHARK AND BOT: SLEEPAWAY CHAMPS By Brian Yanish (chapter book series)

Random House Childrens (June 2021)

RIGHTS AVAILABLE: Film



Can a shark and a robot really be friends? They couldn't be more different, but wait until you see their epic dance moves!

BACKLIST TITLES: PIRATE CHICKEN: ALL HENS ON DECK (Sourcebooks 2019), SHARK AND BOT (Random House Children's 2020)



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LALI'S FLIP FLOPS by Farhana Zia

Peachtree (summer 2023)

RIGHTS AVILABLE: Film



Lali learns the rewards of both generosity and being a good friend.

BACKLIST TITLES: LALI'S FEATHER, CHILD OF SPRING, THE GARDEN OF MY IMAAN



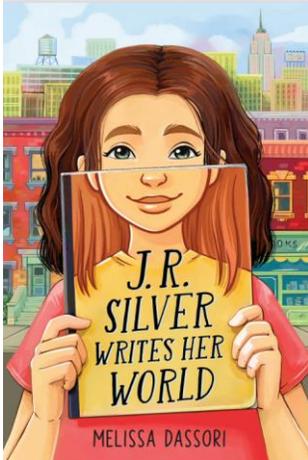
www.fzaistories.com

MIDDLE GRADE

JR SILVER WRITES HER WORLD by Melissa Dassori

Little, Brown/Ottaviano (July 2022)

RIGHTS AVAILABLE: Film



A contemporary From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler, also set in the Metropolitan Museum of Art, that asks, “What if you could write your dreams into reality with the stroke of a pen?”

Sixth grade is off to a difficult start for Josephine Rose Silver. Her best friend, Violet, returns from camp with a new best friend; her parents refuse to grant her more independence; and her homeroom teacher, Ms. Kline, is full of secrets. When Ms. Kline unveils a collection of old Gothamite magazines and tells her students to build their writing skills by crafting short stories inspired by the iconic covers, J.R. discover a peculiar power: The stories she writes come true. Soon J.R. is getting a cell phone, scoring game-winning goals, and triggering school cancellations. But it’s not long before she realizes that each new story creates as many conflicts as it does solutions. And when J.R. tries to write about her fallout with Violet, all her problems converge.

With a bit of magic, mystery, and art history woven into a journey of growth and self-confidence, this promising debut is a heartfelt and satisfying tribute to the power of words.



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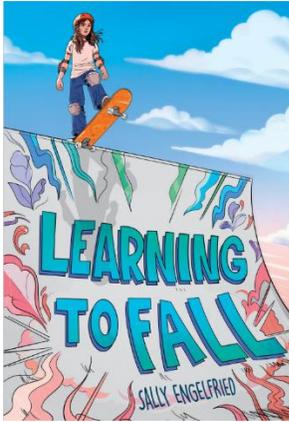


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LEARNING TO FALL by Sally Engelfried

Little, Brown (September 2022)

RIGHTS AVAILABLE: Film



In this heartwarming debut, twelve-year-old Daphne reconciles with her father and learns forgiveness one fall at a time. For fans of *The First Rule of Punk*.

Daphne doesn't want to be stuck in Oakland with her dad. She wants to get on the first plane to Prague, where her mom is shooting a movie. Armed with her grandparents' phone number and strict instructions from her mom to call them if her dad starts drinking again, Daphne has no problem being cold to him. She's barely talked to him in three years, after all. But there's one thing Daphne can't keep herself from doing: joining her dad and her new friend Arlo at a weekly skate session.

When her dad promises to teach her how to ollie and she lands the trick, Daphne starts to believe in him again. He starts to show up for her, and Daphne learns things are not as black and white with her dad as she used to think. The way Daphne's dad tells it, skating is all about accepting failure and moving on. But can Daphne really let go of her dad's past mistakes? Either way life is a lot like skating: it's all about getting back up after you fall.



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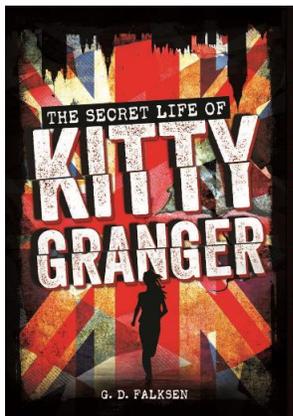


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THE SECRET LIFE OF KITTY GRANGER by G.D. Falksen

Carolrhoda Lab (March 2021)

RIGHTS AVAILABLE: Film



It's 1967, and Kitty Granger is about to accidentally become a spy. A working-class girl from London's East End who today would be recognized as autistic, she's spent sixteen years hiding her peculiarities from the world. But after her hyper-awareness helps her survive a chance encounter with a Russian spy ring, two British secret agents offer her a job.

BACKLIST TITLES: WARMAIDEN, OUROBOROS CYCLE (option up July 2020)



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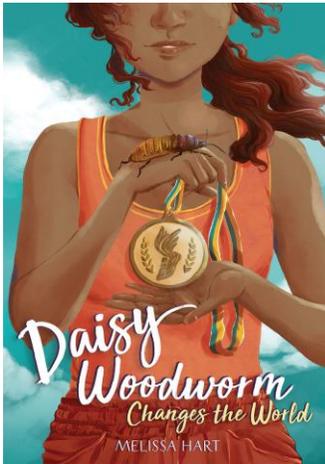


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DAISY WOODWORM CHANGES THE WORLD by Melissa Hart

Jolly Fish Press (November 2022)

RIGHTS AVAILABLE: Film



When 13-year-old amateur entomologist Daisy gets an assignment to “change the world”, she’s determined to help her older brother – who has Down syndrome and adores men’s fashion – fulfill his dream of becoming a YouTube celebrity.



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WE THE FUTURE by Cliff Lewis

Jolly Fish Press (Spring 2023)

RIGHTS AVAILABLE: Film



After his YouTube climate screed goes viral, anxious, asthmatic Jonah Kaminski is recruited by Sunny, a girl from the year 2100 who's traveled back to this specific place and time, armed with a notebook of plans and the certainty that Jonah is the key to starting an eco-revolution big enough to rewrite history.

All Jonah needs to do is round up his friends (what friends?), avoid the angry inventors who've followed Sunny back in time, keep everything secret from his mom who works for the local coal plant and mount a strike big enough to get the attention of Senator James Budley. But how can one boy convince his fellow students (much less the rest of the world) to fight climate change when he doesn't even have the nerve to talk to his ex-best friend? And what will happen to Sunny and her family if he doesn't succeed?



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STRIKERS by **Kiel Phegley**

Lerner/Graphic Universe (Spring 2023)

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This graphic novel, set in Flint, MI in the 1980s, follows a hockey team with a losing record as its members find their reasons to play.



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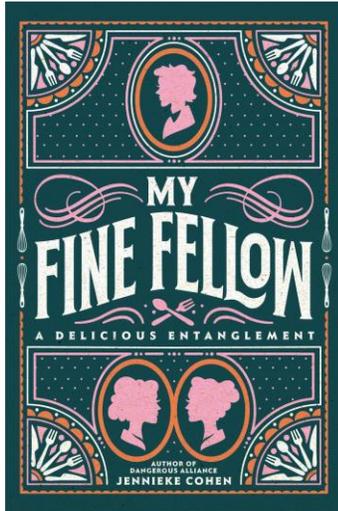
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YOUNG ADULT

MY FINE FELLOW by Jennieke Cohen

Harper Teen (January 2022)

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YA historical novel is set in an alternate London in the 1800s where two young female Culinarians recruit a street vendor to teach him to become a gastronomic star for the upper crust.

*It's 1830s England, and Culinarians—doyens who consult with society's elite to create gorgeous food and confections—are the crème de la crème of high society. **Helena Higgins**, top of her class at the Royal Academy, has a sharp demeanor and an even sharper palate—and knows stardom awaits her if she can produce greatness in her final year. **Penelope Pickering** is going to prove the value of non-European cuisine to all of England. Her contemporaries may scorn her Filipina heritage and her dishes, but with her flawless social graces and culinary talents, Penelope is set to prove them wrong. **Elijah Little** has nothing to his name but a truly excellent instinct for flavors. London merchants won't allow a Jewish boy to own a shop, so he hawks his pasties for a shilling a piece to passersby—but he knows with training he can break into the highest echelon of society. When **Penelope** and **Helena** meet **Elijah**, a golden opportunity arises: to pull off a project never seen before, and turn Elijah from a street vendor to a gentleman chef. But Elijah's transformation will have a greater impact on this trio than they originally realize—and mayhem, unseemly faux pas, and a little romance will all be a part of the delicious recipe.*

*Culinary delights abound, romance lingers in the air, and plans go terribly, wonderfully astray in this cheeky and charming historical tale, perfect for fans of *Bridgerton* or *Dickinson*.*

BACKLIST TITLES: *DANGEROUS ALLIANCE* (Harper Teen 2019)



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