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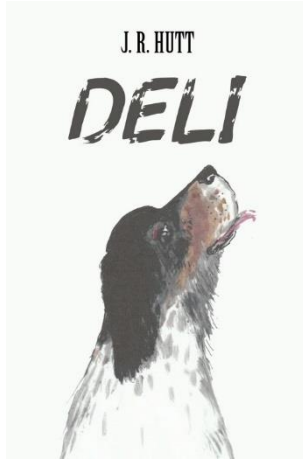
Welcome!

At Austin Macauley, we are proud to be one of the fastest growing hybrid publishers in the UK since our inception in 2006. Our offices in Cambridge, London, New York and Sharjah are a testament to our worldwide presence in the book industry, award-winning teams and author-centric work culture.

We are committed to bringing together the voices of authors from around the world, guiding their books centre stage and providing a universal platform from which they can read.

Our publications range from Fiction to Non-Fiction and Children's to Young Adult's, with a story for everyone in Print, Digital and Audio format in both Arabic and English.

CHILDREN'S



Deli by J.R.Hutt

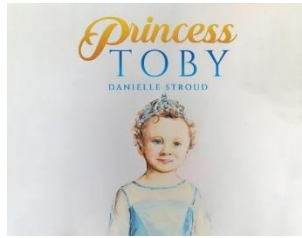
While living in Turkey, I was struck by the large number of dogs roaming the streets, each tagged to indicate vaccinations provided by local authorities. These resilient animals relied on the compassion of locals for food and water, revealing a society polarized between love and disdain for these creatures.

We later became involved with a group of devoted volunteers who journeyed to the hills surrounding Baghdad every Sunday. There, we offered sustenance and shelter to hundreds of abandoned dogs. Astonishingly, these animals – though hardened by life's adversities – longed for nothing more than a touch of affection. Some were shy, yet many were endlessly loving and never aggressive. Inspired by true events, this book weaves a heartfelt, fictional tale around Deli, an especially loving dog who lived near my home in Turkey. The story is a touching testament to the enduring spirit and boundless affection of these often-overlooked animals. Discover the real-life magic and emotional depth found in the everyday lives of Turkey's street dogs, especially our dear Deli.

Author:

Born in 1948 in the Midlands, following a grammar school education, J. R. Hutt followed her passion for horses. Working and travelling as a groom throughout Europe and Canada, culminating in running her own business in the Cotswolds, she moved to Spain and married in 1983 where she continued riding and competing, taught English and had two children. She also lived in Iraq and Turkey, but is currently living in England, with frequent visits to Spain and Canada, to see her family. She came to England to care for her mother, which gave her the opportunity to resume writing and painting, both of which she had enjoyed in her youth.

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Princess Toby by Danielle Stroud

Princess Toby is an inspiring, fun story to encourage children to be their authentic selves, even if it goes against the social norm. Toby is a happy boy who loves many things, including being a princess. When Toby is confronted by the challenge of his friends and family disapproving of his choice to be a princess, he stays strong. Toby gently guides the disapproving characters with his love and joy. Through his courage and self-love, Toby shows his friends and family that you can be whomever you want to be, and that choosing to be your authentic self brings fun and joy to everyone. This story is to encourage children to stand tall, be proud of who they are and to chase after their dreams. Even when they are faced with other people's discouragement, they don't need to let it get them down and change who they are. Through self-belief, love, and joy, they can show and guide others to see that being yourself brings happiness.

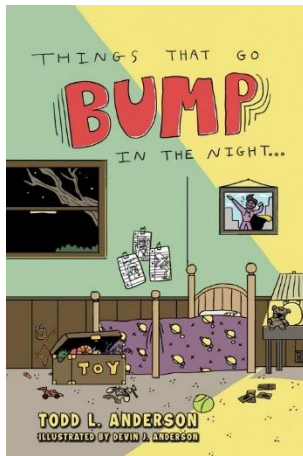
Author:

Danielle, Australian-born, grew up with her parents and sister. With her love for art, she began private painting lessons at age eight, which continued until she was 19. The family often went camping and spent a lot of time outdoors. After high school, Danielle completed an apprenticeship in gardening and conservation and enjoys working in this field. She also enjoys yoga, surfing, and tramping, and still has a love for art. Now in her forties, Danielle lives in New Zealand with the added joy of being a mother. Inspired by her two children, she has begun writing and illustrating children's books.

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Things That Go Bump in the Night by Todd L. Anderson

Delve into a tale that captures a young boy's bedtime anxieties, beautifully soothed by the warmth of family bonds. As night falls and bedtime approaches, his vivid imagination embarks on a journey familiar to many, moving from apprehension to reassurance.

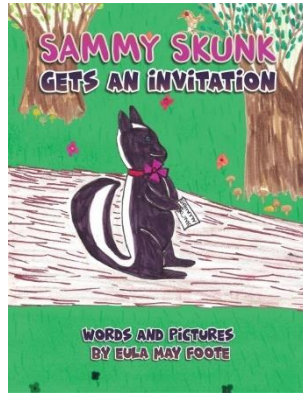
Readers of all ages will find themselves drawn into this relatable scenario, brought to life through captivating storytelling and exquisite illustrations.

This delightful narrative conveys an important message: in the comforting embrace of family, one never has to feel alone. It's a charming story about finding solace and security within the loving circle of one's family.

Author:

Todd is a lover of words, poetry, literature, and has always been interested in comics and books for children. He has many hobbies and is always exploring with curiosity. He follows the words of fellow literary enthusiast, Lyle C. Hannery, who shared: 'It is not enough to love books. One must love books well, and honourably, and true.' As a father of five sons, he has had many bedtime reading opportunities and is excited to share this book with everyone who receives it. Enjoy!

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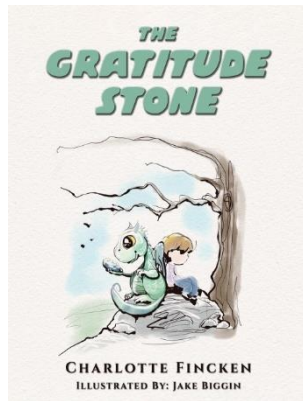
Sammy Smunk Gets an Invitation by Eula May Foote

Sammy Skunk doesn't get an invitation to Maureen Mole's party because he's smelly and different, so he decides to make himself smell very nice and he gets given an invite. But when the smell wears off will the other animals accept him as he is?

Author:

Hi, I'm Eula May Foote and I live in Smethwick, West Midlands. I am a qualified nursery nurse and general nurse. I wrote this book many years ago whilst on the nursery nursing course. I've had poems published before but this is my first book, I hope you enjoy it. This book was written in 1980 and that is when I designed the characters.

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The Gratitude Stone by Charlotte Fincken

Being thankful every day helps the sad thoughts fly away.'

When a young boy named Ernie struggles to understand the unsettled feeling in his tummy, his whimsical friend Douglas Dragon swoops in to help. Douglas introduces Ernie to a magical stone speckled with words like “thankful,” “friend,” and “smile.” Though confused at first, Ernie soon discovers that focusing on gratitude, rather than his worries, helps the sad thoughts fly away. Through the tale of Ernie and Douglas’ tender friendship, kids learn the benefit of slowing down to appreciate life’s simple gifts, from family to nature’s beauty. *The Gratitude Stone* sprinkles its message of mindfulness and emotional awareness while sweeping readers on a soaring adventure of growth and self-discovery. Children and caregivers alike will treasure how this imaginative journey teaches even little hearts how to find calm within.

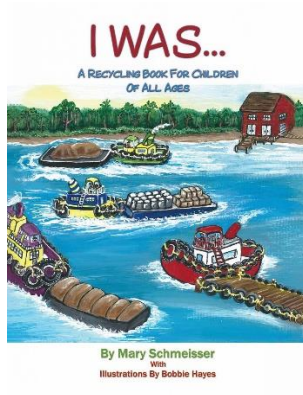
Author:

Charlotte is a parent, teacher and author of the new book, *The Gratitude Stone*. Her passion for working with +children and giving them the tools for self-belief has driven her to begin writing. This lifelong dream has enabled her to reach children within her community with a message close to her own heart – Be grateful for true friendships.

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I Was... by Mary Schmeisser

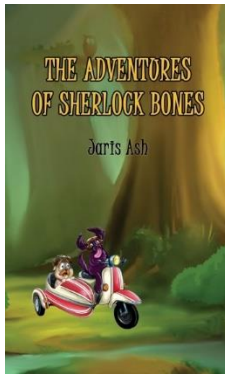
Prepare to embark on an inspiring journey for readers of all ages – an urgent call to action to protect our planet through the power of recycling.

I Was... unveils the extraordinary stories of everyday heroes who have made a profound impact on Earth's future.

Author:

Mary grew up in Erie, PA, where she met her husband of 25 years. They are both retired and now living in sunny South Carolina. She enjoys cooking, writing, piano, and guitar playing, as well as painting and singing. She has one daughter who is living with her husband and son in Colorado.

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The Adventures of Sherlock Bones by Jaris Ash

Stanley is happily minding his own business when Bones suddenly crashes into the room with news that his friend Berkeley Basset thinks he's got a ghost.

He didn't have one before, so Bones instantly suspects foul play.

Stanley is unimpressed and really doesn't fancy spending the night in a potentially poltergeist-ridden castle out in the middle of nowhere.

Crashes, bangs and weird noises convince Bones that a secret tunnel exists. A voice in the wall turns out to be a pup named Percy, who then joins them, and Watson on a second expedition to search for clues to Templar treasure. Percy has never heard of the Templars and asks Watson many questions. He is upset that they got dissolved but is happy when he realises that Friday 13th is only unlucky if you are a medieval knight.

For this challenge, they have to use eight different modes of transport. Which will they choose?

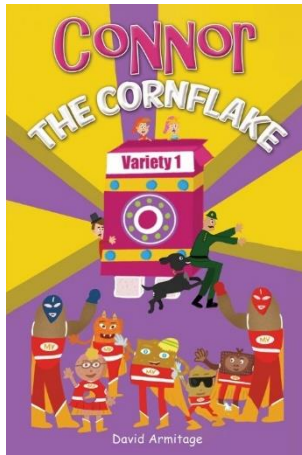
Will Stanley survive and will they win the race?

Author:

Jaris has worked at a few different occupations over the years, the past ten as Office Manager for a publishing company. She has also done some travelling with her dogs on road trips across Europe. Together they have also taken part in many Have-A-Go agility sessions with the training club's display team which mostly included running around a field and then eating cake. She has used these experiences to produce several children's books, usually writing as a dog. This is her first foray into the world of writing for adults, inspired by a family holiday in Whitby.

Jaris now lives on a farm in Wales which hosts animal-based therapeutic interventions.

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Connor the Cornflake by David Armitage

Now you may not think a cornflake can be special..... but you would be wrong. Connor is different, very different. He is strong, brave, fearless, a cereal version of James Bond and a really cool dude. But having been thrown in the rubbish, he soon realizes that he is special, but his first mission is to escape the jaws of a four-legged foe who thinks it's snack time.

Join Connor the Cornflake and the Mighty Variety team of cereal superheroes on a fast paced, action-packed adventure as they try to stop the evil Colonel Cereal's plot to scare the children of the world, with his Krispy robots, so they will never eat cereal again.

From a walking stick-wielding ninja Granny Granola and a baby oiled tag team wrestling wheat biscuit duo, to a sugar cube powered flying cereal box and a flying dog on the back of a remote-controlled monster truck; can the team fight off this mad robotic Krispy army to save the world from a future of boring breakfast?

Author:

The foundation for David Armitage's writing was provided by a harmless conversation one lockdown evening whilst reading to his own little superhero one of the many stories they have shared together over the years.

His greatest joy comes from the time he spends with his little pal, whether it is a bike ride, picnics in the park, building LEGO, playing games, reading stories, days out, or any other adventure they have together.

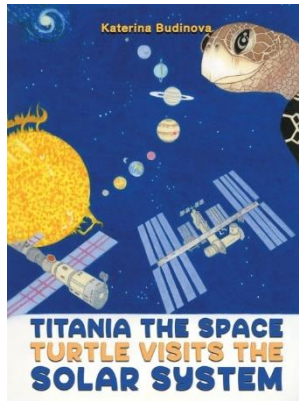
With a love of football, he is a volunteer youth coach who also enjoys travelling.

His dream is to one day tour America in a campervan.

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Titania the Space Turtle Visits the Solar System by Katerina Budinova

Titania may be a space turtle, but she's never felt particularly brave. However, when she embarks on a journey through the solar system to learn about each planet, she discovers a sense of wonder and confidence she never knew she had. Along the way, Titania learns not only about the planets but also about herself, and she returns to Earth with a newfound sense of purpose.

With a message of hope and a call to action, Titania urges us to appreciate the beauty of our planet and take steps to protect it for generations to come.

Join Titania on her adventure and discover the joy of exploration and the power of individual action in this charming and uplifting tale.

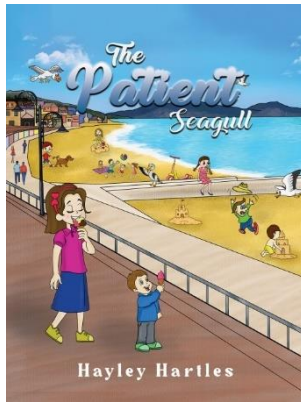
Author:

Passion for photography and love for Jamaica bring together an idea of the unique photo book about Jamaica. If you are asking yourself “why visit Jamaica?” Jamaica has a proud and astounding culture, embracing the land and the lifestyles they lead. Visiting the island is a great time to take an adventurous history lesson.

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The Patient Seagull by Hayley Hartles

The Patient Seagull is a fun and uplifting story of a little gull who wants to see a world where they are not the enemy, shooed away and disliked by most people. He watches on as seagulls steal picnics and upset children.

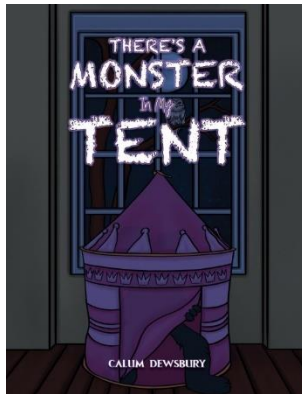
Seeing the summer madness from above he wonders if people and seagulls could ever find peace with each other.

Will taking inspiration from an unlikely source work? Will the other seagulls even give it a try?

Author:

Hayley Hartles was born in Staffordshire, where she inherited her love of reading from her Mum. Some of her earliest memories are spending time in bookshops searching for a new book. Hayley now resides in the Cotswolds with her husband and two children where her love for reading has evolved into a passion for writing children's literature. She enjoys spending time in Lyme Regis in Dorset, paddle boarding and sea-swimming. This is where her first children's book *The Patient Seagull* is set.

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There's A Monster in the Tent by Calum Dewsbury

Having been awoken early in the morning by some strange noises downstairs, the little girl goes down to investigate. She is alarmed to find a monster sleeping in her tent and flees to her mother to tell her what she had seen.

From the fierce growls coming from inside to his wild, hairy arms and legs, she had never come across anything quite so fearsome; nor quite so startling.

Although all is not as it first seems.

There's a Monster in My Tent demonstrates a father's devotion to his little girl as it details the imagination present in the minds of children. It's as thought-provoking as it is lively and is aimed at educating and delighting in equal measure.

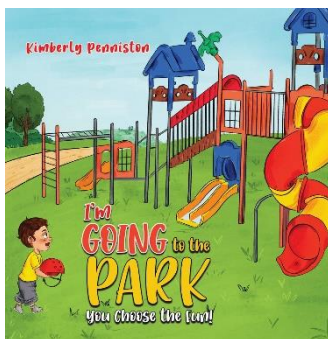
Author:

A father of two young girls, Calum Dewsbury is a debut author that has taken much inspiration from the imagination of his eldest child; in the writing of *There's a Monster in My Tent*.

Reading is one of Calum's favourite hobbies, and he couldn't be happier that his girls have taken on this interest. He also loves to read and write and has created his own blog, which provides a tongue-in-cheek take on fatherhood. Outside of this, he also loves sport, eating out, and travelling.

This is just the start for Calum, who has many ideas that he is hoping to put into words in the not-too-distant future.

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I'm Going to the Park by Kimberly Penniston

What if you could choose the fun? Today we are going to the park, but you get to choose your own adventure. How are you going to get there? What are you going to play on? Who are you going to play with? Join us for a wonderful day at the park where you make the decision on how to make it amazing!

Author:

Kimberly Penniston lives in Ottawa Canada. The birth of her first child inspired her to start writing children's books based on the adventures of her family. Kimberly is an active soccer player, baking enthusiast and loves spending time with her young family with their dog Juno.

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Cute Little Suzy Plum by Saskia Keiser

Suzy Plum is a cute little mouse with a very long tail.

She can't play with the other mice

Because her tail always gets in the way.

Then one day Suzy discovers

That she actually has a fairy tail

That leaves cute little flowers wherever it goes!

Author:

Saskia is equal parts art director, designer, illustrator, author, brand developer, entrepreneur, and mom. She glides happily between her trades, delighting in the act of injecting joy into the everyday. While Saskia loves wearing different hats and being able to take on varied perspectives in her work, what she most enjoys is combining all of her passions to create worlds of possibility. In these magical little places like Cute Little Club, people of all ages can open their minds, explore with their hearts, and experience the full spectrum of our perfectly imperfect individuality.

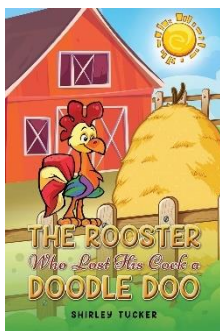
For this latest endeavour, Saskia allowed a rainbow of cute little personas to emerge organically from her own circle of loved ones and their stories, starting with her daughter Suzy. She applied a soft focus to each person's everyday imperfections, cultivating a diverse crew of quirky characters with challenges that make them simultaneously relatable and unique. Designed using as few details as possible, the stories in *The Cute Little Club* are surrounded in spaciousness, inviting the imagination and encouraging readers to co-create each adventure.

Whether overcoming fears or discovering that there is no such thing as normal, the experiences of these cuties remind us that life truly is like a box of chocolates: delightful and delicious, and even sweeter when shared with those around us.

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The Rooster Who Lost His Cock a Doodle Doo by Shirley Tucker

It is a beautiful day on the tiny farm in Rwanda. It is almost sunrise and Rafiki is about to awaken the people of the world. He is so proud to be the one chosen to replace his dad as alarm clock. When the exact moment the sun crests the horizon Rafiki prepares to speak. He opens his beak and hears only a squawking sound. He is devastated, humiliated and afraid of what will come next.

Rafiki runs to his father's arms and his father tells him that the only one who can help him is the wisest of owls. This wise old owl, his dad's best friend, lives in Oman. Rafiki is frightened. He has never left home before, and he will have to journey alone. Rafiki has no choice.

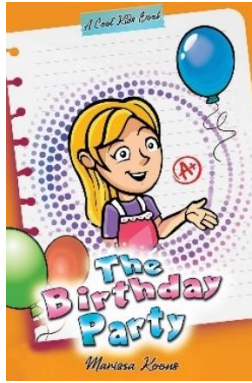
This is the only way, and the only one who can help him discover why he has lost his voice.

This is the only way he can find his lost Cock-a-Doodle-Doo.

Author:

Shirley Tucker was born in Quebec City and grew up in a small seaside town in Newfoundland, where she learned that family and friends are our most sacred and supportive relationships, and that nature is one of our most precious possessions. Her career as a nurse gave her the opportunity to travel and to experience the wonders of nature: the Serengeti, Nepal, the world's oceans, and the ultimate beauty of India. Shirley is a current member of the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators Canada and has completed a writing for children course with the Institute of Children's Literature West Redding, Connecticut.

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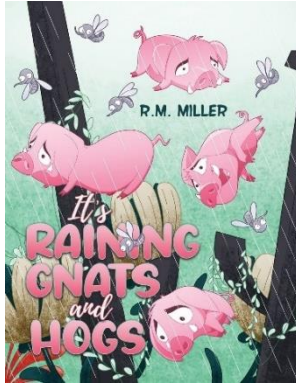
The Birthday Party by Marissa Koons

Discover the poignant journey of Natalie as she faces adversity caused by 'The Cool Kids', her missed school treat, and a disastrous surprise party. However, her mother takes her to a special place, reminding her of the brilliant light within her. Inspired, Natalie learns the importance of shining brightly to guide others through darkness. This uplifting tale is a testament to friendship, resilience, and the transformative power of inner strength.

Author:

Marissa Koons is the author of the latest Cool Kids series beginning with *The Birthday Party*. An accountant by day, book lover by night, she received her Bachelors of Science degree from Cedar Crest College. When not writing, you can find her painting with her kids or swimming laps. Marissa lives with her husband and three daughters in Pennsylvania.

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It's Raining Gnats and Hogs by R.M.Miller

The weather report is simple and short: It's raining cats and dogs... then gnats and hogs... even hardhats and corndogs!

And now there is no weather report – at least not the usual kind with maps and numbers and pastel colors and wiggling arrows.

Instead of telling us how much rain and how long it last, the forecast is a rhyming blast for us to enjoy the rain!

Author:

R.M. Miller and his wife, Sue Ellen, live in Reynoldsburg, Ohio. They are both retired but continue to have exciting adventures, especially when they visit their daughter and her family, who live in Virginia.

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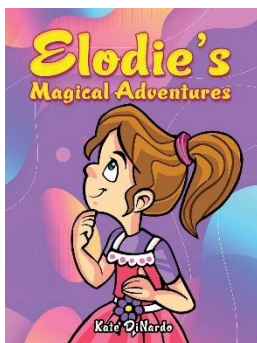
David's Secret Room by Ana Isabel Pedro-Courtney

In David's Secret Room, join David and his loyal friend Tobias as they embark on a quest to find their vanished parents. Along the way, unexpected alliances form and mysteries unravel. But nothing prepares them for the revelation that their own teacher, Ms. Edith, harbors a profound secret. Dive into a tale of adventure, friendship, and hidden truths.

Author:

Ana Isabel Pedro-Courtney was born in Caldas da Rainha, Portugal and emigrated to America at the age of six. She is the proud mother of three amazing boys and happily married for 23 years. This is her first book to be published, fulfilling her lifelong dream to pursue writing.

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Elodie's Magical Adventures by Kate DiNardo

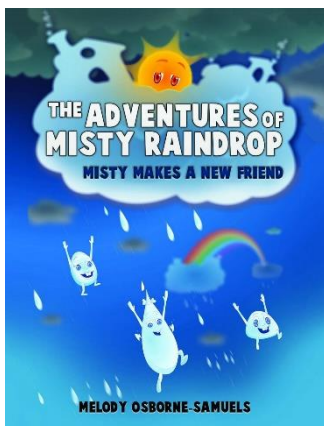
In Elodie's Magical Adventures, readers are introduced to a young girl with big dreams and an imagination that knows no bounds. Even with Kindergarten just around the corner, Elodie is already dreaming of magical adventures that may one day come true. With the love and support of those around her, Elodie believes that anything is possible.

Follow along as Elodie embarks on a journey of the mind, exploring enchanted forests, meeting mystical creatures, and discovering hidden treasures. With each turn of the page, readers will be captivated by Elodie's boundless imagination and the possibilities that await her.

Author:

Kate attended the University of Notre Dame for undergraduate studies and Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana for law school (Maurer Law). She now lives in Indianapolis, Indiana with her family and two dogs. Kate is the mother of two amazing children, who inspire her daily to be a better person. In her spare time (when not practicing law or being a full-time mom), she enjoys writing short stories for her children so that they can one day look back on their childhood and remember the magic.

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The Adventures of Misty Raindrop by Melody Osborne-Samuels

Ever looked at a raindrop when it lands on your hand and wondered just how it got made and where it really came from? Then, as it falls to the ground, where does it go?

How many raindrops are there in a cloud and how did all that other ‘stuff’ like lightning, thunder and wind get in there?

Misty Raindrop starts as a little water vapor, and through her changes, interactions, and experiences, she reveals how she comes and goes around the world to help, encourage, and bring happiness to everything around her.

Such a tiny, invisible beginning for Misty, but she, along with her friends, can make a big difference whether in the form of rain, snow, ice, fog, dew, or a drop of water in the middle of the ocean. There’s always something dark that creates a storm wherever Misty goes, but she never runs away or hides from carrying out her commitment to those she meets. She knows how to work together with other raindrops to become a strong, challenging force for good against the clashes of scariness that come with dark, changing weather.

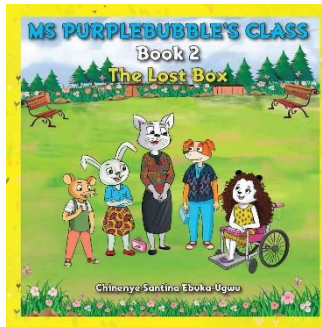
Author:

Melody Osborne-Samuels graduated in May 2019 from Washburn University in Topeka Kansas with a Bachelor’s in English – Creative Writing.

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Ms Purplebubble's Class Book 2: The Lost Box by Chinenye Santina Ebuka-Ugwu

Welcome to Ms Purplebubble's class: a place of fun, acceptance and kindness. "You have both learnt an important lesson today. It is not nice to blame someone else if you do not know the truth. It can make them really upset." Divine loves her beautiful, pink lunchbox and is very excited to take it with her on a school trip to the park. However, when her lunchbox goes missing, she enlists the help of her friend, Tinkin, to find it. When they see that another pupil also has a pink lunchbox, they assume that she has stolen Divine's and they try to get it back. Their class teacher, Ms Purplebubble, steps in and helps them solve the mystery of whose lunchbox it is. The children soon learn that you should not jump to conclusions when you do not know all the facts. Ms Purplebubble's Class: The Lost Box is a fun and wholesome children's picture book that teaches kids the value of honesty, kindness and fairness. The short and simple writing makes this book perfect for story time or night-time reading and is ideal for reluctant or beginner-level readers. This is Book 2 in the series. Each book is a standalone story but best enjoyed as a series.

Book 1:

Ms Purplebubble's Class is a children's book series that uses anthropomorphic characters portrayed as animals to promote diversity and acceptance. Furthermore, it intends to teach children good moral values at a young age to grow with these teachings as the acceptable norm. Book 1, The New Pupil, is about Divine, a Panda that depicts the characteristics of a young girl in a wheelchair who starts her first day in Ms Purplebubble's (a cat) Class. But she then meets Tinkin (a dog), the kindest boy in class. Tinkin does not care that Divine is different from the other children in the class. He wants to be kind to Divine and make her first day at school the best it can be. The fun and interesting story will teach children to always be kind and generous to others. The short and simple writing makes this book perfect for story time or night-time reading and is ideal for reluctant or beginner-level readers. This is Book 1 in the series. Each book is a standalone story but best enjoyed as a series.

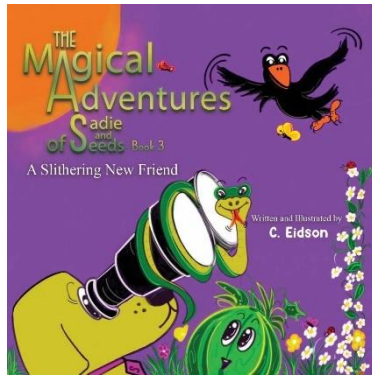
Author:

Chinenye has captured the hearts and minds of children with her charming children's book series, "Ms. Purplebubble's Class." But Chinenye's books are far more than just charming tales - they're powerful tools for teaching children the values of diversity, acceptance, and inclusivity. Through her vividly imagined anthropomorphic animal characters, Chinenye creates a world where every child is valued and celebrated for who they are. With her unwavering dedication to promoting positive moral values in children from a young age, Chinenye's books are a must-have addition to any publisher's children's literature lineup. Don't miss out on the chance to bring Ms. Purplebubble's Class to a new generation of young readers.

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The Magical Adventures of Sadie and Seeds Book 3 by C.Eidson

Sadie lost her way one day, trotting down the street to play.

The sun was shining, she had to know: just where will this fun day go?

This sweet little lab, where will it lead?

When all of the sudden, rolled out a green melon, who Sadie now calls Seeds!

What a special new friend,

So green and round,

Crazy new adventures will surely abound!

Let's go to the park!

Let's go to the zoo!

Sadie knew she could bark, but do cows really moo?

Sadie will trot and Seeds will roll. This friendly pair, where will they go?

Come along with them and enjoy the ride!

Sadie and Seeds will be side-by-side.

Book 2:

Sadie lost her way one day.

Trotting down the street to play.

The sun was shining she had to know,

where will this fun day go?

This sweet little lab,
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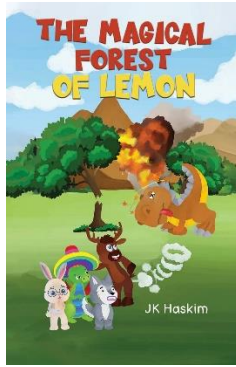
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Author:

For the majority of C. Eidson's life, she has worked in the childcare profession, a legacy that she will forever be proud of. Through her books she hopes to continue impacting children's lives through her storytelling and their imaginations. Here she created a twist on a magical rhyming adventure with a series called The Magical Adventures of Sadie and Seeds.



The Magical Forest of Lemon by JK Haskim

Do you ever dream of escaping to a world of endless fun and adventure? A world where everyone is treated equally, no matter their differences? A place without the constraints of technology? Well, dream no more! This short story will take you on an unforgettable journey to a land filled with wonder and excitement.

Whether you're reading to your child or simply seeking a lighthearted escape, this tale is sure to captivate readers of all ages. With each turn of the page, you'll be transported to a world where imagination runs wild, and anything is possible.

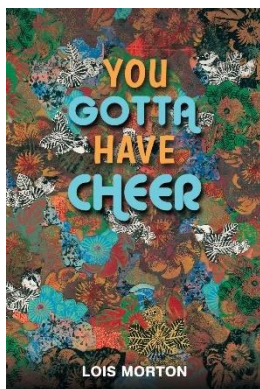
As you journey through the chapters, you'll be delighted by the colorful characters and the imaginative settings that surround them. And as you share this adventure with your little ones, you'll see their faces light up with wonder and amazement.

So, why wait? Open this book and let the adventure begin! This heartwarming story is sure to become a beloved family favorite for years to come.

Author:

JK Haskim is a debut author who is excited to have fulfilled a lifelong dream of becoming a published author. She was born and raised in a small community in northern Ontario and continues to reside there today. She worked full time in the local hospital as an RPN, until she retired, and now has time to pursue her passion of writing.

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You Gotta Have Cheer by Lois Morton

You Gotta Have Cheer is full of art games, poems, stories, and best of all, whimsical cheers for school and home interaction with your kids.

“Make hand movements to clap, tap, and hand jive your own way,

To set up class rules and organize your day.”

There are funny toasts and roasts. You might even insert your friends and family names to cheer them on.

“You ran for someone dear you loved,

And I know she loved you on earth and above.”

Lois has had “MOR-TONS” of fun teaching art and has inspired hundreds of kids with her creative spirit and enthusiasm. Her poems, cheers, toasts, and stories were created along her teaching journey. Enjoy!

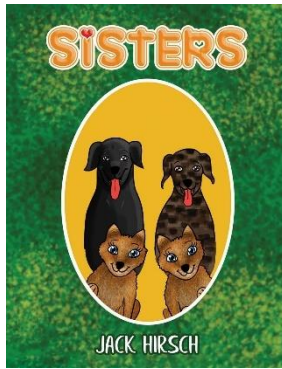
Author:

Lois Morton has been an art educator for over 30 years in private and public schools. She was inspired to teach from her parents, George and Chrissie Dickerson, and encouraged by her high school art teacher, Mr. Jack Stevenson. She was twice named teacher of the year and once with her fine arts team. Lois has won awards in gallery juried art shows and was named outstanding merit artist with her whimsical, colorful collages. She resides in Fulshear, Texas with her husband Lee and enjoys her travels to Austin, Texas and Denver, Colorado to see her two sons, daughters-in-law, and her five grandchildren.

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Sisters by Jack Hirsch

In *Sisters*, journey with Ella and Annie as they recount their enchanting encounter with two young coyote siblings. As the tale unfolds, children are not only introduced to the captivating world of coyotes but also to the intricate tapestry of life within the forest. This story fosters a profound appreciation for nature, nurturing a bond with the animal kingdom and emphasizing the importance of understanding and preserving the world around us.

Author:

Jack Hirsch lives in Seattle. He and his wife, Melinda, have been involved in animal welfare organizations for many years. They have fostered numerous dogs and have come to appreciate they are all individuals with their own personalities. This is the story of Marlon. He started as a foster but they couldn't resist adopting him.

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My Friend, Thomas Carl by Nathaniel C.Nelson

Thomas Carl was a cat waiting in an animal shelter for a new friend.

I had moved to a new city and was lonely and afraid. I was looking for a new friend as well.

This charming and entertaining tale tells how Thomas Carl and I became best friends, and how Thomas Carl helped me say goodbye to that loneliness and fear. It proves that friendship and acceptance can come from anywhere...

...even a cat!

This story will inspire young readers to think more about the importance of friendship and giving everyone a chance. It also reminds us that, no matter our size, we can all have a positive impact on others.

Author:

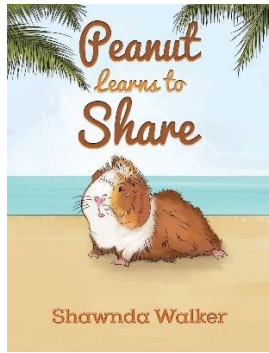
Nathaniel C. Nelson grew up in New England, but now lives in Virginia with his wife, kids, cats, and dog. He enjoys being active and loves the outdoors.

Nathaniel's goal in authoring books is to share meaningful life lessons that he has learned and observed while growing up. Most importantly, he wants everyone to know that they have inherent value. He was inspired to write this book based on his own experience adopting a cat that brought him friendship after moving away from home.

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Peanut Learns to Share by Shawnda Walker

Peanut is having so much fun while on vacation with her new swing she was recently surprised with, that is until a second surprise threatens to ruin everything.

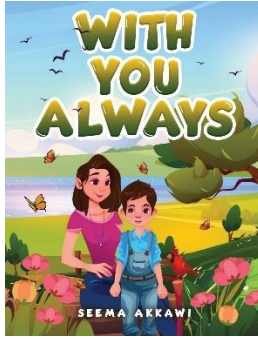
Peanut is forced to face her fear of sharing.

Find out what the second surprise is and if Peanut is able to learn to share before it is too late.

Author:

Shawnda Walker was originally inspired to become a published children's book writer at a very young age. Storytime in school was magical for her and she knew then that someday she wanted to create stories of her own. She is so excited that her childhood dream has become a reality and hopes that her book will create the same joy and excitement for other children that she felt growing up! In addition to writing children's books, Shawnda loves to paint, draw, and write poetry as well.

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With You Always by Seema Akkawi

Sometimes, we miss someone or something so precious to us that left us wondering why they had to go.

Through this story, you'll go on a journey with a character that also is missing someone very dearly.

Explore how, in every step we take, our surroundings can remind us and keep us connected with whom or what we miss in a magical yet humble way.

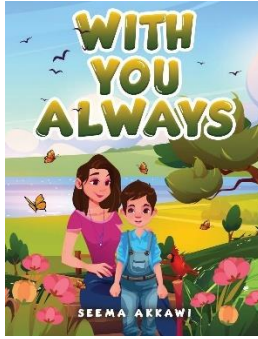
Author:

Seema Akkawi is a devoted teacher and single mom to a 3-year-old boy, breaking barriers of traditional ideologies of how to cope with grief and finding joy and gratitude in the simple things in life. Seema has a love for poetry, psychology, and everything that ends with a rhyme or rhythm.

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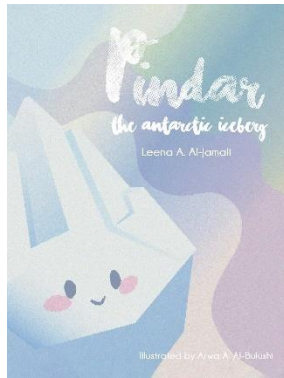
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Pindar by Leena Al Jamali

The story of Pindar, the Antarctic Iceberg takes place in Antarctica where a small iceberg performs a series of acts of kindness to those in need while trying to overcome the effects of climate change on his own circumstances.

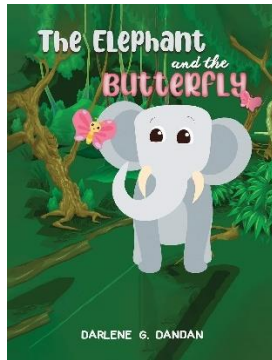
The story of the iceberg demonstrates that even the most basic acts of kindness, can transcend race, gender, color, and in this particular story, species.

The setting of the story is inhabited by animals that live in that environment, thus providing children with an educational outlook on which particular animals live in which environment.

Author:

Leena Ahmed Al Jamali is a retired lecturer living in Muscat, Oman. She had worked for 34 years at Sultan Qaboos University in the Department of English Language and Literature where she taught language and literature courses.

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The Elephant and the Butterfly by Darlene G.Dandan

Set in a forest far, far away, a unique friendship blossoms between an elephant and a butterfly, despite their big differences.

One day, a great storm came and ravaged through the forest, causing immense destruction!

Looking at the devastation, the duo took it upon themselves to save their home and their friends.

Discover how the elephant and the butterfly survived and how they learned to rely on each other's unique strengths and create a bond that will last forever!

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BooBoo & Cuckoo by Shaheen Kazi

Meet BooBoo – A ten-year-old boy who brings a small African grey parrot as a pet into his house. BooBoo’s loner life is gets more interesting. But with time, a few things begin to change between two friends and later, he realizes that all living creatures have emotions in the same manner as humans.

Meet Cuckoo – A very talkative parrot who is the apple of BooBoo’s eye, but when change comes with no invitation in the form of two cute minor whooping coughs. As a result, the adorable relationship is beginning to fade. But after some changes, Cuckoo finds out that life is great by making new friends.

BooBoo & Cuckoo is a book dedicated to friendship, kindness, and love. It will teach young people to understand their pet’s feelings. Pets are not like plush toys with which you can play for some time and forget.

Author:

“I am a writer from all walks of life.”

Shaheen Kazi is a versatile author from Mumbai, India, living in Saudi Arabia for the past two decades. During her teenage years, she worked in the laboratory section of the military hospital in Saudi Arabia’s administration while studying IATA. However, Shaheen eventually pursued her passion for writing, which has always been close to her heart.

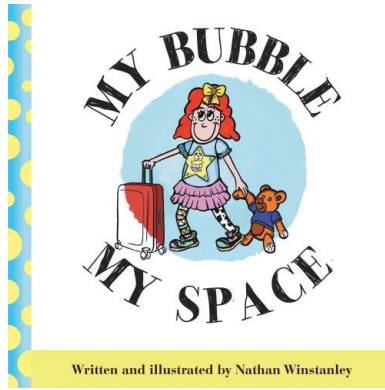
In 2020, Shaheen Kazi released her debut novel “Age Was Just a Number” and has since written eight books and three anthologies across various genres for diverse readers. She also maintains a blog on “The Literature Times” and was honoured with an award from “The Bharat Times.” She shows no signs of stopping anytime soon.

Readers highly seek Shaheen Kazi books at Bookfairs. Her bestseller ‘13 Nights of Tricks’ received immense love from English readers, prompting its translation into Hindi for Hindi readers. Despite being an avid reader, Shaheen does not use a Kindle and prefers carrying a physical book wherever she goes. Reading is essential to her daily routine and helps her start her day. Shaheen Kazi firmly believes in proving herself successful, even when others doubt her abilities.

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My Bubble My Space by Nathan Winstanley

Personal space is a very important social skill for children to learn. This book aims to help children to better understand the idea and importance of space, and to give parents/caregivers, teachers and therapists a way of defining those space boundaries.

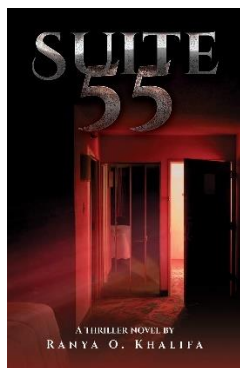
Through stories like *My Bubble My Space*, children will learn body and spatial awareness and begin to understand and respect the needs and rights of others. This book was designed to help children develop stronger social and emotional connections building positive, trusting friendships feeling safe within their environment.

Author:

Nathan Winstanley has had a lifetime of interest in creative writing, poetry and illustration but writing a children's book has always been on his bucket list!

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FICTION



Suite 55 by Ranya O.Khalifa

Thrillers

*RIVETING * UNPUTDOWNABLE *COMPELLING

A female investigative journalist is murdered in a posh hotel overlooking the Nile, in upscale Zamalek, Cairo. Two seasoned investigators, Maged and Assem, lock horns but must race against the clock to find her killer before New Year's Eve. Camillia, the main witness, is hiding a crucial piece of evidence. A nefarious international drug cartel, led by a psychotic Albanian drug-lord, is wreaking havoc in the city with a new lethal hallucinogen. This cartel will stop at nothing to succeed... even murdering some of their own members.

Several characters are playing both sides.

It is a deadly battleground of covert intelligence.

Who will ultimately perish and who will survive?

Maged was taken aback by what he saw in the huge basement and realized why they referred to this location as 'The Bunker'. In contrast to the old historic façade of the downtown Cairo mansion, he was now looking at the most advanced wall-to-wall, state-of-the-art, satellite and surveillance equipment. He looked at agent Rawan in amazement as she walked towards the satellite screens, which were beaming footage from across the world, in real time.

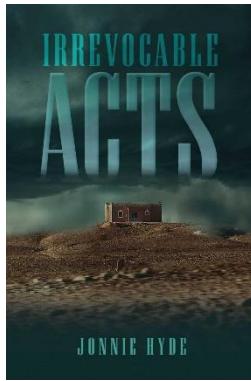
Author:

Ranya O. Khalifa has had a lifelong passion for writing and story-telling since the age of eight, holding a strong unshakeable belief that the written word is a majestic tool whereby an author imprints images in every reader's mind. Her poetry collection, entitled, 'To the Majesty of the Word', attests to her fundamental conviction that words are extremely powerful and potent means of human story-telling and emotional connectivity.

This is her second thriller novel, yet the first in the murder-crime sub-genre, where she takes the reader on a no holds barred 'who-dun-it' high speed-chase. Full of explosive twists and turns, multiple villains, and a slew of con artists, readers should expect nothing less than a breathless, unstoppable rollercoaster ride.

Ranya holds a B.A in mass communication and an M.A in middle eastern studies from The American University in Cairo, Egypt. She has worked in several fields such as journalism, advertising, research, and has had a lifelong passion for traveling, poetry writing, as well as performing and visual arts.

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Irrevocable Acts by Jonnie Hyde

Contemporary

After spending a day at the Oregon zoo with 5-year old Gracie, Anna Sanders reaches a decision: she will risk anything and everything to give her daughter and her granddaughter the chance of a livable future.

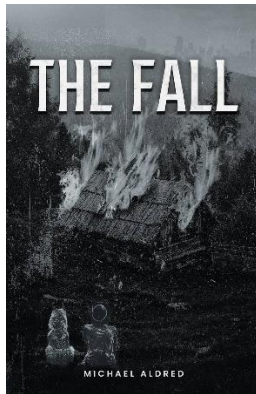
But first she has to come to terms with her past. She reaches out to two childhood friends who she was in college with: Mac, a hard-drinking, pot-smoking professor of physics and climatology in Wisconsin, and Danny, an introverted college dropout working as a landscaper in Arizona. She asks to set up a meeting with them, and while both men fear such a reunion will wake the sleeping dragons of their collective history, old loyalties, and old fears, propel them forward.

In a desert house in Four Corners, New Mexico, the three come together for the first time in nineteen years. There, they reconnect, open old wounds and reveal deep secrets that shaped their pasts and will transform their futures in ways none of them could have imagined.

Author:

Jonnie Hyde is a PhD psychologist living in SW Washington, where she founded and was executive director of a large community mental health center. After retiring in 2017, she decided to pursue her lifelong goal of writing a novel.

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The Fall by Michael Aldred

Dystopian

In modern-day Seattle, Cole paces through the mundane, counting down the minutes until he can see his fiancé, Beth, to celebrate his 26th birthday. However, they did not celebrate when an emergency telecast took over every screen in the country to announce the impending nuclear doom, flying toward every major city in the United States. The city fell into chaos while Cole and Beth fought their way home to simply enjoy their last night alone and make peace with the sun about to set on their lives. It was when they woke up the next morning that they thought themselves the lucky ones. Only time would educate them on how unlucky they truly were.

What would be universally referred to as The Fall, by survivors across the continent had far worse things in store than nuclear warfare. We watch the world unravel through the eyes of two desperate survivors, who are by no means heroes. In a world where cities become the home to creatures that stalk the night and mankind teeters on the brink of extinction, we see what true desperation really looks like. What people will do when they look death in the eye every single day when there is no room for honor or peace.

We see what mankind is really capable of at its core and why it might very well be the worst parasite to plague the earth.

Author:

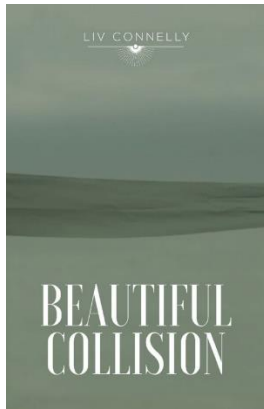
Michael grew up in rural Mississauga, a Canadian city often overlooked by its neighbor, Toronto. Upon graduating from college, Michael went into the workforce in a field that he held no passion for. His adventure through his career led him eventually to work he enjoyed, yet still felt unfulfilled. Thus, he took to writing.

Today, Michael spends his time scribbling anecdotes and ideas on napkins and notepads, spinning tales of fiction that he hopes you enjoy reading as much as he enjoys writing, and most of all, spending quality time with his son.

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Beautiful Collision by Liv Connelly

Fantasy

“They say attraction is a chaos of chemicals in our body. Not ours. Ours had its own physical entity — which I wanted to ignore, and boy, did I try. Cupid didn’t just arrive with a delicate arrow, but a thunderbolt — one that shattered my reality.”

Designer Helena Antos never imagined her newfound strength, sass and self-belief would open doors far beyond her vivid imagination. Because when she met new boss Carter Walker, her heart did strange things, and so did the wind. The more time she spent around him became impossible to ignore that her sparked emotions effected the weather.

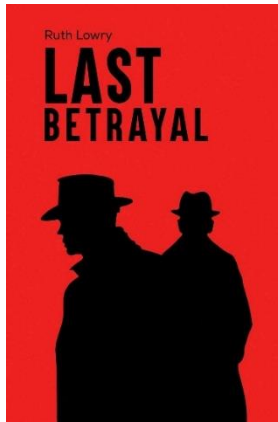
Hailstorms were not her only concern. A girl with a trail of dead bodies warned Helena to go into hiding. Repeating numbers, strange dreams manifesting... Helena’s entire concept of normal was confronted, forcing her to question her reality, herself and especially her boss.

Helena learns about her own mysterious origins and her attraction to Carter runs far deeper than she’d imagined. They shared an ancient soul connection which awakened a sacred gift within, an elemental power that placed a deadly target on her back. Not only that, but there was also a war going on and her kind were being hunted for their essence, and she was one of the few left.

Author:

Liv Connelly is the author of romance fantasy series *Beautiful Collision*. She is a designer, writer and lover of ancient wisdom, laughter and life. Liv is always in the midst of some project she can sink her teeth into, an adventure or indulging in the planning of the next.

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Last Betrayal by Ruth Lowry

Contemporary

From the author of *You Only Love Twice*.

Last Betrayal is about Johnny Connors; it begins in Ireland during his troubled teenage years. His family aren't the usual run of the mill, his mother is a repressed God-fearing soul and his father a senior member of the IRA.

A terrible tragedy takes place just before his fifteenth birthday and he has no alternative but to flee from Ireland and certain damnation. He finds the courage to get to Belfast and stow away on a ship bound for Liverpool where he encounters Dylan Walsh; he takes pity on Johnny and helps him to start a new life. By the time Johnny is seventeen he has settled in to a new life in Merseyside, all be it with some shady individuals and dubious dealings. Ireland has become nothing more than a murky memory.

To his surprise he finds unequivocal love with a beautiful girl whilst managing the gentlemen's drinking club that his boss Michael Murphy owns. Woefully nothing ever seems to go right for Johnny and his state of happiness is short lived when she is snatched away from him in a savage attack. Johnny is demented with anger and the ramifications of the aftermath of the tragedy once again leave him running away, this time to the lure of London.

Johnny's good looks and Irish charm soon make him popular with the ladies and he becomes hugely respected by his peers as he settles in to a new career in the west end of London. He also believes he's made a best friend for life only to realise some years later that his close friend has betrayed him in the most appalling way; however Johnny Connors will have his revenge even if his quest for it takes him to... Rome.

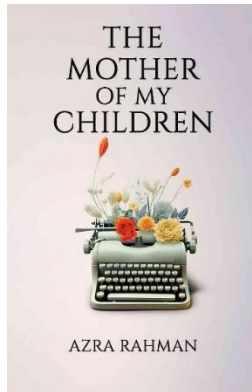
Author:

Ruth Lowry lives in Kent with her husband, Sean, and Teddy the dog. She has two sons, a daughter and four beautiful grandchildren. Ruth was in the beauty industry for over 30 years, but now spends most of her time writing, which has become her passion.

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The Mother of My Children by Azra Rahman

Contemporary

In the early 1990s, within the fictional town of Mahogany, India, a tale of love, family, and personal transformation unfolds. Adam's adoration for his wife, Mary, knows no bounds, leading him to embark on a remarkable endeavor—a book dedicated to her. But this is no ordinary love story; it delves into Mary's evolution from cherished wife to the irreplaceable mother of their children. What could have influenced this humble woman from a small town to elicit such profound devotion?

The Mother of My Children weaves a captivating narrative set against the backdrop of tragedy, survival, and the unyielding spirit of an ordinary woman who refused to abandon those she held dear. Adam's heartfelt words paint a vivid portrait of a woman who, faced with unimaginable challenges, became a beacon of hope for her family. This evocative tale celebrates the power of love and resilience, inviting readers to contemplate the transformative influence of an unassuming woman who defied societal norms and discovered strength through unwavering devotion.

Author:

Azra Rahman was born and raised in India, mostly in the small town of Kharagpur, in the state of West Bengal, India. Her memory of her hometown finds its way in her depiction of the fictional town of Mahogany. If not found writing, she would be found painting, writing poems, blogging, tackling tricky questions from her kids, traveling, reading, cooking, and often gorging on the delicious food her husband prepares. She lives in the beautiful Salt Lake City, Utah, USA with her husband and three kids. *The Mother of My Children* is her first book.

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LORIE O'BRIEN

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Always My Forever by Lorie O'Brien

Romance

In her captivating second novel, *Always My Forever*, acclaimed author Lorie O'Brien masterfully tells the poignant story of Kristin and Britt, childhood sweethearts whose love was once unbreakable. However, as they embarked on separate paths after their post-college breakup, their hearts were left shattered and their souls yearning for what they had lost. Two long and arduous years passed, filled with countless questions and restless nights.

Fate, with its mysterious ways, intervenes when a chance encounter unexpectedly reunites them. As they cautiously re-enter each other's lives, they must confront the lingering shadows of their past and the unresolved emotions that still tie them together. Will their newfound connection be enough to reignite the flames of their once-unbreakable bond, or are they destined to remain forever apart?

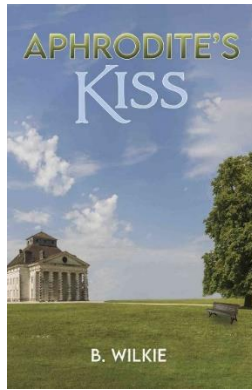
Author:

Lorie O'Brien is a resident of upstate New York, where she is a co-owner of a real estate brokerage. Her first novel *Written in the Stars* was published in December 2019. She enjoys running and boating on Lake Ontario.

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Aphrodite's Kiss by B.Wilkie

Romance

Richard would go up to the roof of the tenements after school, lay down and look at the stars. Every night you would find him up there, it was quiet and peaceful. He would often hear all kinds of noises coming up from the street. He knew he could blank them out.

Then, one night, he heard a noise he had not heard before. He got up and looked over the wall. He could see three of the local gang members on one side of the street, and two others on this side of the street, and they seemed to be following a girl.

Author:

It was while I was at school that I kind of fell in love with writing not that I knew it, kids would play games and I would go into a quiet corner and let my mind wander with dragons, pirates even cowboys and Indians.

Funnily enough, it was never about the people in my mind stories that I concentrated on, but their backgrounds, dragons would be setting fire to everything, pirates would be looking for islands to bury their treasures, and cowboys would be making friends with Indians.

I realised that I would rather write than go out with friends, I started to look through what I had been writing and started to add lines to make the stories more interesting.

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ALTAR BOY

TIMOTHY KEELEY

Altar Boy by Timothy Keeley

Romance

In the chilly winter of 1981, Peter Brume, a budding 26-year-old reporter in Paris, finds his career abruptly halted due to budget cuts. This professional setback spirals him into a spiritual quandary, prompting him to delve deeper into the Catholic faith that has always perplexed him. As part of his exploration, he even commits to celibacy while interviewing priests and religious figures.

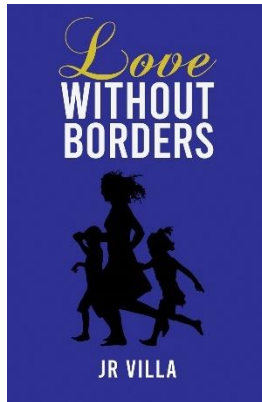
However, his journey takes an unexpected turn with the entrance of Evelyne, a captivating Parisian. She challenges Peter's binary perception of women and ignites a passion within him. Seeking answers, Peter travels to Catholic Ireland, a land where divorce and abortion are taboo. From trailing a Jesuit up a mountain to enduring the austere rituals of Lough Derg, Peter's journey is both enlightening and tumultuous. Along the way, he encounters priests whose intentions blur the lines between the sacred and the profane.

Torn between his spiritual calling and the allure of Evelyne, Peter's quest culminates in Rome. There, amidst the sanctity of the Holy See and in the company of a priest, he faces a life-altering decision: to answer the divine call or to embrace the love that tugs at his heart.

Author:

Born in Windsor, Canada, Timothy Keeley grew up in a French-Canadian, Irish-American family in Michigan, Ohio, and Minnesota. After graduating from Ohio University with a degree in journalism, he began his career in Europe.

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Love Without Borders by JR Villa

Crime

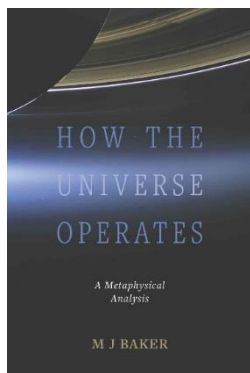
After being separated from her children at the southern US border and deported back to her home country. Miriam must find her way back to them before the government gives them up for adoption. She finds herself involved in a drug smuggling, prostitution, and human trafficking in her desperate attempt to re-enter the United States. All the while her mother's instinct telling her there's imminent danger stalking her children at their new Virginia home.

Author:

Love Without Borders is Villas debut novel. He spends his time in his hermetic studies and reading about esotericism. He is currently a resident of the state of Texas.

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NON-FICTION



How the Universe Operates by M J Baker

Philosophy

Why do the heavenly bodies behave in a contrary fashion to what we are familiar with on earth?

Before a wheel can turn, we must ensure rim is joined to axle; before a couple can dance in circle, their hands must be joined. In contrast, the planets circle the sun and the moons circle the planets without any securing mechanism, and so precisely that their movements can be predicted to a millisecond. Again, why is it that, released from the effects of gravity, emollient matter like water or molten lead forms spontaneously into tiny globes, copying the form found in stars, planets and the sun? Are the tides satisfactorily explained by the thesis of gravitational 'pull' of moon and sun? If so, why does modern science have such difficulty reconciling the relative influences of these two bodies? What sort of reality is light, and why is the speed of light fixed and not infinite, at least in space?

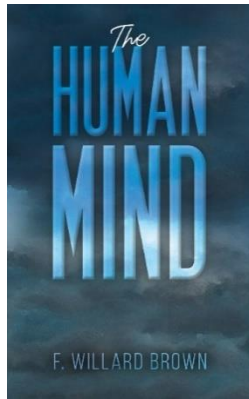
Answers to these and other questions may be found through recourse to the philosophy of Aristotle. The thinkers of the Enlightenment chose to discard Aristotle's limited natural science. That was understandable. But they chose to discard his philosophy as well. This was unwise, as fresh study of Aristotle's thinking will show.

Author:

The author spent some 35 years practising as barrister and solicitor in New South Wales. His studies at Sydney University's Law School in the 1960s were balanced with studies in the philosophy of Aristotle and Aquinas at Sydney's Aquinas Academy.

Philosophy has ever been his first love. His authority to offer the commentary and criticism on the philosophical issues in the text derives from his studying under teachers Fr Austin M Woodbury S.M., Ph.D., S.T.D., foremost philosopher and theologian of the Catholic Church in Australia and his assistants, John Ziegler B. Sc., Geoffrey Deegan B.A., Ph.D. and Donald Boland LL.B, Ph.D.

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The Human Mind by F. Willard Brown

Psychology

Delve into a transformative read that offers more than just words: it offers a path to understanding. This book provides invaluable guidance on achieving health and longevity while also exploring the deep-seated roots of our environmental dilemmas. Venture on a journey of self-discovery and grasp a more profound understanding of your essence. Beyond the personal, uncover the core reasons behind humanity's persistent divisions and the recurring battles they incite. A must-read, this work is a compass for anyone seeking clarity in our complex world.

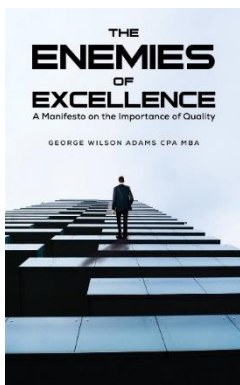
Author:

F. Willard Brown graduated from Cal Poly and the University of Illinois and did additional graduate work at UC Berkeley. He is an author, speaker, educator, and population activist who has worked with International Planned Parenthood, the Population Institute, and the Population Media Center. He has taught at Cal Poly, Palomar College, and UC San Diego.

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The Enemies of Excellence: A Manifesto on the Importance of Quality by George Wilson Adams

Business & Management

Excellence is the ultimate human power and the source of our greatest inventions, most successful businesses, deepest insights, furthest explorations, best performances, and most profound art.

Yet some people and companies fear, hate, or are otherwise opposed to excellence. Why?

In this book George Adams answers the question based on his many years of experience as a CPA, MBA, small business owner, and survivor of countless difficult life experiences.

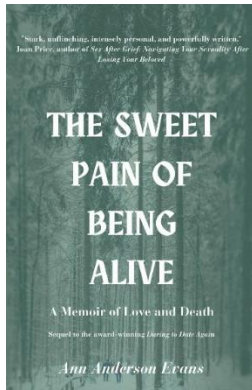
Author:

George Wilson Adams is the owner of a successful Maine CPA firm and has over thirty years of experience as an accountant and business consultant. He graduated cum laude from DePaul University with a double major in accounting and economics and spent five years working for the largest public accounting firm in the world at that time.

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The Sweet Pain of Being Alive by Ann Anderson Evans

Memoir

In the highly anticipated sequel to her award-winning memoir, *Daring to Date Again* (She Writes Press, 2014), *The Sweet Pain of Being Alive* is the second in Ann Anderson Evans's memoir trilogy. It follows her heartbreaking journey as she seeks to uncover why her beloved husband killed himself. As her agonizing search deepens, her views on gender, sex, marriage, right, wrong, good, and bad start to shift.

“Ann Anderson Evans is a fearless, fierce, divine, and wise woman who has dared to take a huge bite from Eve’s apple and has the guts to share the insights, fights, and delights she has met head-on.”

– M.J. McDermott, Emmy award-winning broadcaster.

“This book reveals a widow’s gut-wrenching process of scrutiny. In the aftermath of her beloved’s suicide, Ann Anderson Evans asks the questions all suicide survivors must ask: Why? Was his life really so bad? How could I have saved him? Futilely searching for answers to this inexplicable tragedy, Ann has beautifully, painfully dissected her relationship, her husband’s life, and his enduring struggles with depression and transgenderism. Ann is left to find acceptance and peace on her own. This is compelling reading.”

– Leslie Hilburn Fabian, Author of *My Husband’s a Woman Now: A Shared Journey of Transition and Love*.

“People are not always, maybe not ever, what they seem,” writes Ann Anderson Evans. She thought she knew her husband Terry. What she didn’t know – the secret he only partially shared and his anguish about not claiming his authentic self – led him to suicide. “This book is stark, unflinching, intensely personal, and powerfully written. I loved the book, and I’m grateful to Ann Anderson Evans for having the courage to write it.”

– Joan Price, author of *Sex After Grief: Navigating Your Sexuality After Losing Your Beloved*.

Author:

Ann Evans is a writer, linguist, and professor. Twice a wife and once a widow, she's a mother and grandmother. She has traveled and lived in many countries and speaks six languages.

Her first book, *DARING TO DATE AGAIN* (SheWrites Press, 2014) won multiple prizes for memoir. Her story, *Precious Love* was nominated for a Pushcart Prize. Other short stories have been published in *Entropy*, *The Opiate*, *Pulse*, *Phantasmagoria*, *Forge*, *Under the Sun*, *Ozone Park Journal*, *Phoebe*, *The Raven's Perch*, *Words & Images*, *Pedagogy*, and *Better Than Starbucks*. Ann has appeared on television, radio, and podcasts, with appearances on *The Discovery Channel's Sex in America* special, *NPR's Author's Corner*, *The Author's Show*, *ArtistFirst*, *KGUA*, *Gualala, California*, *JenningsWire*, *Beyond Fifty Radio: Daniel Davis*, *Kim Power Stilson*, *Donna Seebo Show*, and *The Michael Dresser Show*.

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Conscious, (R)evolution, Humanity, Insanity and the Planet by Michael Anthony

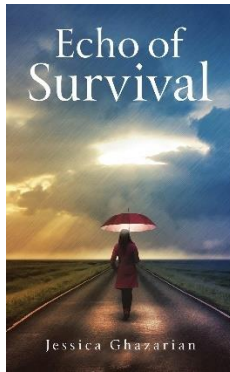
In *Conscious (R)Evolution, Humanity, Insanity, and the Planet*, the author brings together two powerful insights: that all life on this planet is interconnected, and that humanity's current path of consumerism and industrialization is leading to catastrophe. From deforestation to pollution, we are damaging the very environment that sustains us. This book asks us to stop and consider the bigger picture: as an intelligent species, why would we willingly destroy the planet that gave us life? With urgency and clarity, the author calls for a new way of living, one that recognizes our place in the natural world and uses our intelligence to create a better future for all.

Author:

Michael Anthony lives in Vancouver, British Columbia; he received an MBA in International Management from Asia Pacific International University, 16 April 1993.

His interests include acting on stage, commercials, films, and golf. "We cannot continue to live the way we do; we must change."

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Echo of Survival by Jessica Ghazarian

Self-Help & Personal Development

Out of tragedy something beautiful can blossom.

We can never be truly prepared for difficult circumstances, but how we react when they disrupt our lives makes all the difference. None of us is exempt from pain and suffering; yet, it is for us to choose whether we allow those burdens to strengthen or weaken us.

Echo of Survival offers a wealth of perspective-altering guidance on how to turn your pain into power, your negatives into positives, your losses into wins, and your self-doubt into self-confidence. Whether you are going through a divorce, grieving the loss of a friendship, or nursing broken moments, this book will guide you to a place of confidence, reassurance, positivity, and healing.

Overflowing with profound nuggets of wisdom gathered from true life experiences, empathy, admirable and high emotional intelligence, *Echo of Survival* will inspire you to let go of every crippling, debilitating barrier in your life and rise above it using kindness, generosity, positivity, love, and compassion.

It will introduce you to the path of a Free Soul Victory.

You deserve a full, healthy, happy life, and it is right there waiting for you to reach out and embrace it.

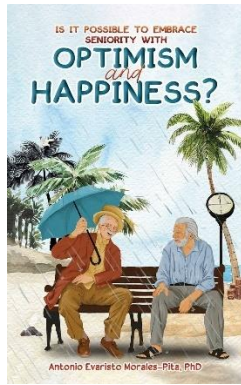
Author:

Jessica Ghazarian is a Lebanese-Armenian writer. She started writing as a hobby in 2002. She holds a Master's degree in cell biology from the University of Manchester, UK. She is working as a senior channel manager in the genomics field in UAE. She believes that life is simple and complicated, and both are critical assets required to grow and evolve. Jessica loves to run behind adrenalin, take risks, share love, and help people as this flourishes the mind and heart with a flying free soul.

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Is It Possible to Embrace Seniority with Optimism and Happiness? by Antonio Evaristo Morales-Pita, PhD

Self-Help & Personal Development

Embrace the golden years with a renewed sense of vigor and understanding in this enlightening exploration of seniority. This book delves deep into the intricate relationship between optimism, health, and aging, drawing from both personal experiences and broad statistical insights. Learn how factors such as one's cultural background, specifically the rise of immigrant seniors in the U.S., shape the aging experience, contrasting them with the socio-politico-economic intricacies of Latin American countries.

Uncover the ever-evolving dynamics of senior care, from the intricacies of love relationships among older couples to the stark disparities between genders, both in health risks and societal expectations. This is juxtaposed against the author's empowering journey of proactive healthcare and wellness. Recognize the transformative power of systematic exercising in bolstering self-assurance, happiness, and most importantly, joy. With philosophical insights from the likes of Aristotle and more, discover how inner joy, consistent self-care, and embracing one's strengths and weaknesses play pivotal roles in enriching the experience of seniority.

This guide invites you on a journey of self-discovery, offering a fresh perspective on aging with a harmonious blend of optimism, health, and profound happiness.

Author:

Antonio Evaristo Morales-Pita, PhD is a retired professor of International Political Economy at DePaul University in Chicago, who had taught for fifty-four years in Cuban, Mexican, and American universities. He has been recipient of eight international awards as a professor, and a scholar in the three aforementioned countries.

He has published nine books, six of them as a scholar in mathematics, economics, research and environment in Cuba and Mexico, and the remaining two as non-fiction, epic, and historical biographies in the United States. He is a polyglot traveler of the world.

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with Ermintrude, a Cow

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Politics, Philosophy and Economics for Tots and Toddlers, with Ermintrude, a Cow by Mike Gilbert

Learning

Ermintrude was once a happy cow. Looked after by the children she shared her milk, so all the children were happy too.

Then along came a series of grown-ups who thought they could look after Ermintrude better than the children.

But really, they just wanted Ermintrude's milk for themselves. This story introduces children to concepts like wealth, power, and privilege in a delightful way that will have them chattering amongst themselves and with grown-ups perhaps for a lifetime.

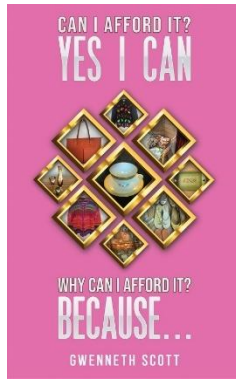
Author:

Born in London and having lived in the eastern England since the 1970s, Mike has had an interest in storytelling and politics going back to his childhood. In the 1980's he studied politics philosophy and economics. This led to a lifetimes interest in how the dynamics of power work, within economic frameworks and how the outcomes affect ordinary people. Mike believes that children have an innate sense of social justice and are very capable of understanding the conflicting economic, social, and political demands that affect ordinary people. In 1988 Mike trained to be a Probation Officer.

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Can I Afford It? Yes I Can. Why Can I Afford It? Because... by Gwenneth Scott

Self-Help & Personal Development

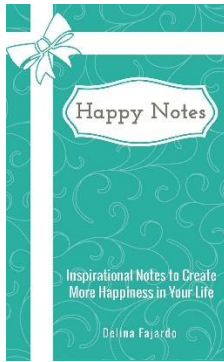
Discover survival strategies for the financially challenged! This guide reveals how to transform your home, find affordable designer dresses, and shop for nutritious food on a budget. Packed with powerful insights, light-hearted anecdotes, and tips to save money, it offers a pathway to financial freedom while making a positive impact on our planet.

Unlock your purchasing power, change your mindset, embrace a more sustainable life of abundance and navigate the challenges of these times with confidence and resilience.

Author:

Born and educated in the North of England, Gwenneth Scott began teaching Ceramics, Art and English, first in Worcestershire and then in Gloucestershire where she settled with her husband and family.

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Happy Notes by Delina Fajardo

Self-Help & Personal Development

In her book, *Happy Notes*, author Delina Fajardo conveys her knowledge of how to focus on the things that matter in life. Things that *you* care enough to accomplish. Because people who can't see you soar will hate you for when you're wrong; they'll even hate you for why you're right.

So, you need to go against the grain because life may become arduous at times; you may seem to be off-track, but remember that this life is *your* story, and you can either keep writing the futile paragraph or pen another.

Believe in the star that's still hiding behind the clouds will eventually appear. Time seems to run out at times, but somehow, it is because you need to take some rest from your tedious schedule. It's like boxing: when a boxer who is about to lose the game hopes for the round to end quickly so that he could regain some strength.

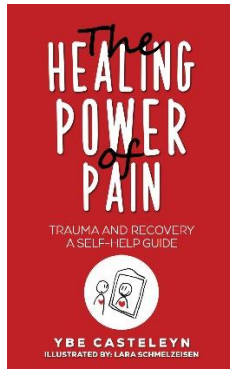
Author:

Delina Fajardo is a best-selling author, certified professional coach, entrepreneur and motivational speaker. After 15 years as a physician's assistant she realized she was betraying herself of passion in exchange for "success," and made a personal breakthrough by "unlearning" limiting beliefs and societal conditioning. She now lives a life of purpose, aware of who she really is and how to contribute back. Her "no fluff" but loving teaching style gives you what is needed for your personal and professional transformation.

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The Healing Power of Pain by Ybe Casteleyn

Self-Help & Personal Development

The Healing Power of Pain is an accessible guide for those grappling with emotional distress. This empathetic resource helps readers understand the root causes plaguing heavy hearts, from negative thought patterns to fears and lack of self-worth.

Rather than immediately turning to a therapist, many first seek to comprehend their inner turmoil through self-study. This book meets them where they are, using relatable stories and unique practical exercises to anchor emotional breakthroughs.

Through psychotherapeutic insights and trauma case studies, *The Healing Power of Pain* illuminates how grief, loss and suffering can shape us. It provides a roadmap for alleviating pain and pioneering our own recovery, moving from simply coping to transformed thriving.

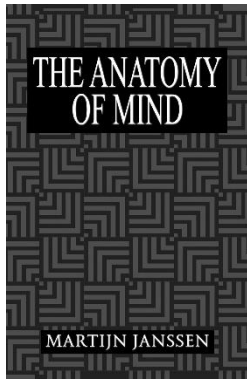
Accessible yet anchored in psychology, *The Healing Power of Pain* puts healing tools into the hands of the reader. Through candour, compassion and actionable steps, this guide lights the way from hurt toward lasting hope.

Author:

Ybe Casteleyn is one of Europe's most sought-after psychotraumatologists, with clients from all over Europe, but also Syria, USA and Afghanistan. She has worked with all kinds of trauma: people haunted by their past, survivors of child abuse, refugees, victims of accidents and crime, victims of terrorist attacks.

Nowadays, she organises online trauma courses for fellow-therapists, psychologists, midwives, GPs, gynaecologists and other professionals in the field of mental health. Ybe is an avid advocate for the 'trauma-informed society'

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The Anatomy of Mind by Martijn Janssen

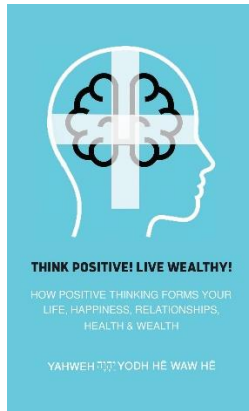
Philosophy

Dive into the essence of thought and the marvel of consciousness in *The Anatomy of Mind*. This book explores the intriguing questions of what constitutes a mind and how thinking operates, proposing a compelling hypothesis on what it means to be a thinker. Beyond theoretical exploration, it delves into the practical implications of understanding our mind's mechanics, shedding light on how such knowledge can enrich our interactions with ourselves and the world around us. Embark on a riveting journey into the heart of cognition, unlocking a deeper understanding of the mind's intricate landscape.

Author:

Martijn Janssen was born in the Netherlands in 1996 and was diagnosed to be autistic there. In 2009 his family moved to Switzerland, where he attended a bilingual German-English schools. He obtained a bachelor at Harvard Extension School in 2020 and a Master of Science degree at Edinburgh University in 2022.

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Think Positive! Live Wealthy! by Yahweh Yodh

Self-Help & Personal Development

In *Think Positive! Live Wealthy!* author Yahweh Yodh Hē Waw Hē addresses the overwhelming nature of our daily thoughts, particularly focusing on the prevalence of negativity. Drawing on his background as an army veteran and personal struggles with negative thinking, he shares insights gained from extensive research. The book offers a variety of tools for mind management, including the power of choice, uplifting songs, biblical scriptures, understanding cultural brain programming, habit building, and simple commands. This guide is aimed at helping those lost in negative thought patterns find a path to positive thinking and mental clarity.

In *Think Positive! Live Wealthy!* you'll discover how:

- Adapting positive thinking improves your life
- Positive thinking forms your happiness
- Implementation of positive thinking builds your relationships
- Positive thinking improves your health
- In addition, positive thinking helps in your wealth-building

This book will provide you with a new mindset and a lifetime plan to change from thinking negative to thinking positive.

As a reader of self-help books, then this is the final piece you've been missing! Are you ready to change your life from negative to positive?

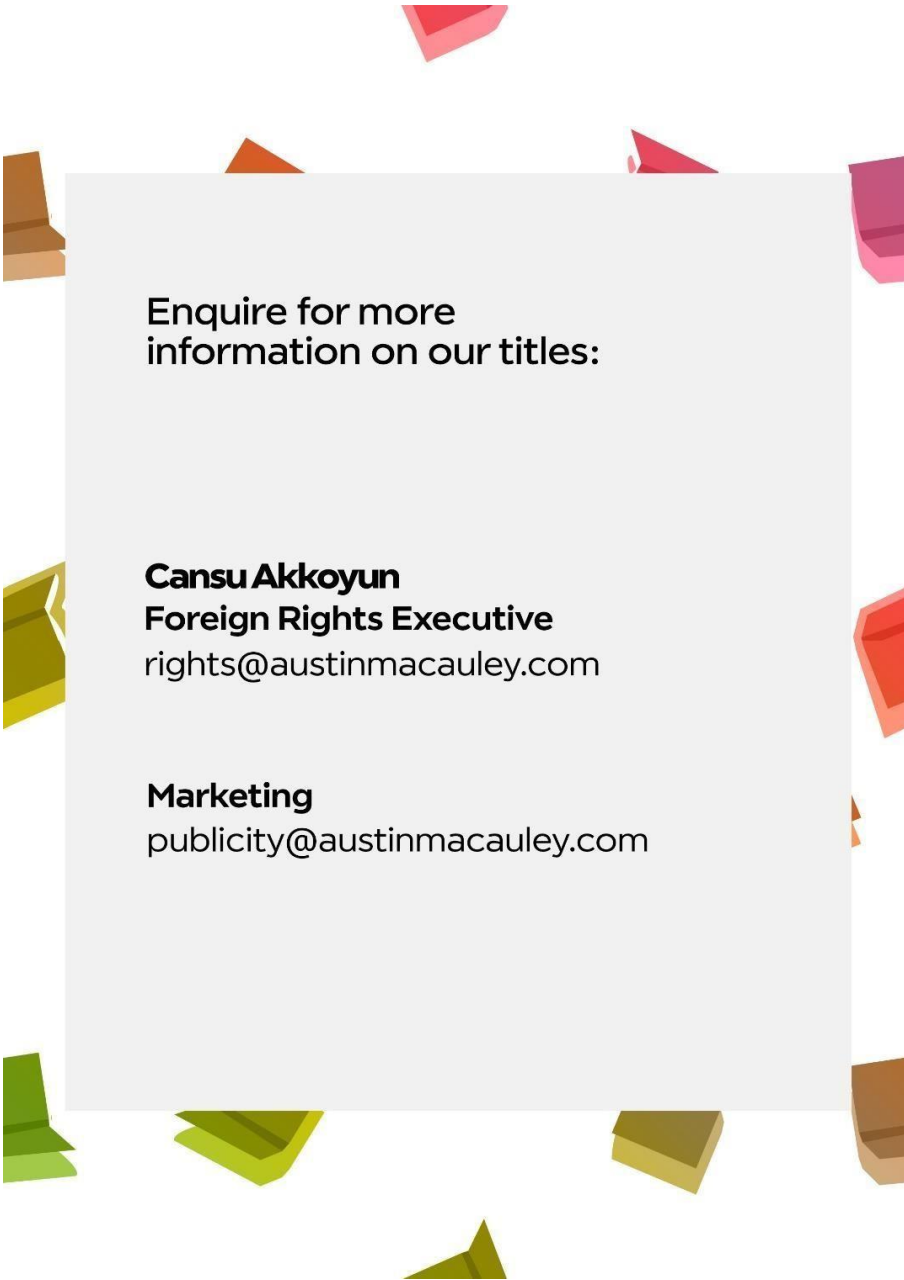
Author:

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