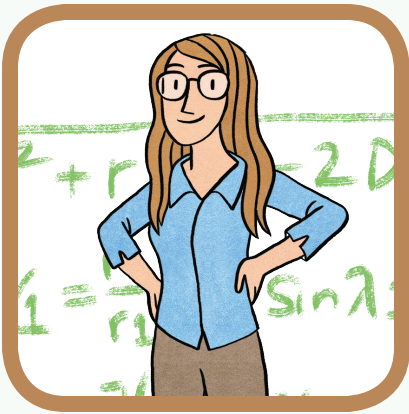




 **RANDOM HOUSE
CHILDREN'S BOOKS**

Picture Book Biography

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About this Brochure

Nonfiction stories can open doors for readers. Through them, we can learn about the lives of some of our greatest heroes and be introduced to new ones. We can learn about new fields of study, and encourage students to open their minds to new subjects and activities they might never have tried before. They can also provide a mirror for readers, showing that they are not alone in their experiences or interests. Picture books are a wonderful way to bring readers of all ages and backgrounds together.

This collection of nonfiction picture books can inspire readers and spark their curiosity. It spans a wide range of topics and themes, from history to art to STEM. By sharing these books with your readers, you will be opening doors for them and inspiring their futures.

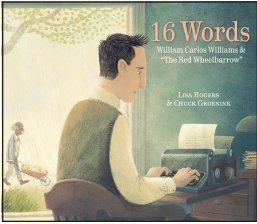
Topics and Themes

Next to each title, we have included symbols indicating topics or themes covered. Please see sidebar for a full description of each theme or topic.



- D Racial and Ethnic Diversity**
Stories that feature racially and ethnically diverse people
- W Writers and Musicians**
Biographies of writers or musicians
- P Politics and Presidential Facts**
Stories that include political figures and movements in the History of the United States
- L LGBTQIA+**
Stories featuring people who identify as LGBTQIA+
- A Artists**
Stories that introduce artists and explore their art
- ♀ Women's History**
Stories that explore HERstory
- S STEM**
Learn about people in the fields of study of Science, Techology, Engineering or Math
- A Activism**
Stories of movements, protests, and marches seeking justice
- I Immigration**
Stories of immigrant experiences

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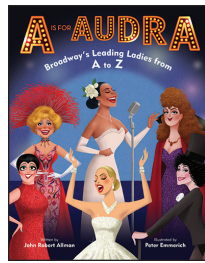
16 Words

Written by Lisa Rogers
Illustrated by Chuck Groenink

HC: 978-1-5247-2016-2

This simple nonfiction picture book about the beloved American poet William Carlos Williams is also about how being mindful can result in the creation of a great poem like "The Red Wheelbarrow," which is only sixteen words long.

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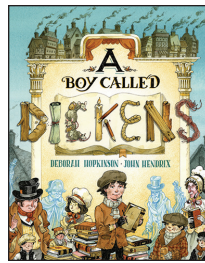
A Is for Audra

Written by John Robert Allman
Illustrated by Peter Emmerich

HC: 978-0-525-64540-5

From Audra McDonald to Liza with a "Z," this is a showstopping rhythmic alphabet book featuring legendary leading ladies of the Broadway stage.

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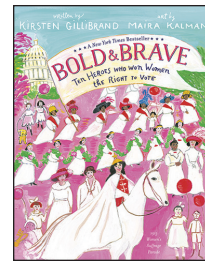
A Boy Called Dickens

Written by Deborah Hopkinson
Illustrated by John Hendrix

HC: 9780375867323

Explore the streets of London with a young Charles Dickens. This tale of his boyhood is the perfect way to introduce young readers to this great author.

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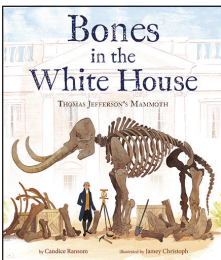
Bold & Brave

Written by Kirsten Gillibrand
Illustrated by Maira Kalman

HC: 978-0-593-30266-8

With beautiful portraits by acclaimed artist and illustrator Maira Kalman, learn about 10 suffragists who fought for women's right to vote.

♀ A P



Bones in the White House

Written by Candice Ransom
Illustrated by Jamey Christoph

HC: 978-0-525-64607-5

A little-known, fascinating story about Thomas Jefferson and his obsessive quest to find America's first complete mastodon skeleton.

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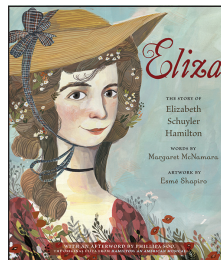
Digging for Words

Written by Angela Burke Kunkel
Illustrated by Paola Escobar

HC: 9781984892638

An inspiring picture book based on the life of José Alberto Gutiérrez, a garbage collector in Bogotá, Colombia, who started a library with a single discarded book found on his route.

D I



Eliza: The Story of Elizabeth Schuyler Hamilton

Written by Margaret McNamara
Illustrated by Esmé Shapiro

HC: 978-1-5247-6588-0

An stunning picture book biography about Elizabeth Schuyler Hamilton, American Founding Father Alexander Hamilton's extraordinary wife and an important figure in her own right.

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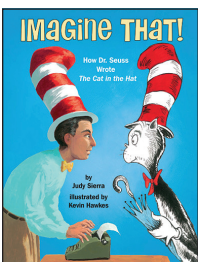
Elvis Is King!

Written by Jonah Winter
Illustrated by Red Nose Studio

HC: 978-0-399-55470-4

Learn about the life and times of the king of rock 'n' roll, Elvis Presley.

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Imagine That!

Written by Judy Sierra
Illustrated by Kevin Hawkes

HC: 978-0-553-51097-3

A lively new picture book biography of the most beloved children's book author of all time.

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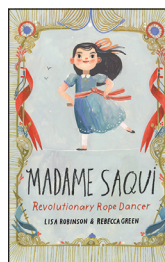
Joan Procter, Dragon Doctor

Written by Patricia Valdez
Illustrated by Felicitas Sala

HC: 9780399557255

A fascinating picture book biography of a pioneering female scientist who loved reptiles!

S ♀



Madame Saqui

Written by Lisa Robinson
Illustrated by Rebecca Green

HC: 9780525579977

Reach new heights with the tightrope walker who dazzled Paris as she danced across the sky with impeccable balance and unparalleled skill during the French Revolution.

♀ A



Margaret and the Moon

Written by Dean Robbins
Illustrated by Lucy Knisley

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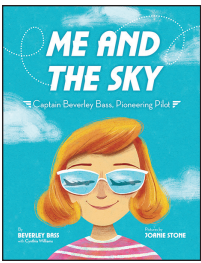
A picture book biography of Margaret Hamilton, the first female software engineer, whose code helped launch the Apollo missions!

S ♀

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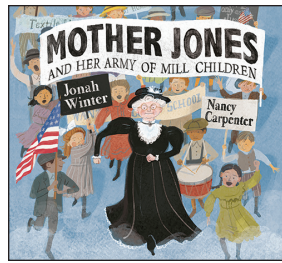


Me and the Sky

Written by Beverley Bass and Cynthia Williams
Illustrated by Joanie Stone
HC: 9780525645498

The groundbreaking female pilot Beverly Bass tells her story in this high-flying and inspiring picture-book autobiography!

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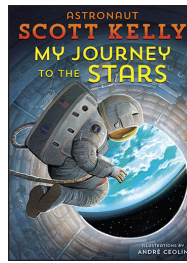


Mother Jones and Her Army of Mill Children

Jonah Winter
Illustrated by Nancy Carpenter
HC: 9780449812914

Fight for what is right! Mary "Mother" Jones led 100 children on a march from Philadelphia to New York in a fiery protest against child labor.

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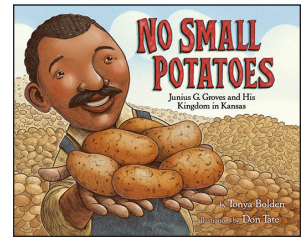


My Journey to the Stars

Written by Scott Kelly
Illustrated by André Ceolin
HC: 978-1-5247-6377-0

NASA astronaut Scott Kelly was the first to spend an entire year in space! Discover his awe-inspiring journey.

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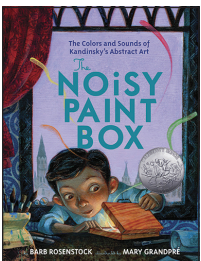


No Small Potatoes

Written by Tonya Bolden
Illustrated by Don Tate
HC: 978-0-385-75276-3

Discover the incredible true story of how one of history's most successful potato farmers began life as an enslaved person and worked until he was named the "Potato King of the World"!

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The Noisy Paint Box

Written by Barb Rosenstock
Illustrated by Mary GrandPré
HC: 978-0-307-97848-6

Explore the childhood and abstract art of Vasya Kandinsky.

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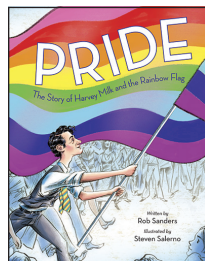


Paper Son

Written by Julie Leung
Illustrated by Chris Sasaki
HC: 9781524771874

Take a journey with animator Tyrus Wong, the Chinese American immigrant responsible for bringing Disney's *Bambi* to life.

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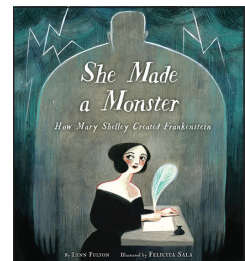


Pride: The Story of Harvey Milk and the Rainbow Flag

Written by Rob Sanders
Illustrated by Steven Salerno
HC: 978-0-399-55531-2

The very first picture book about the incredibly inspiring history of the Pride Flag!

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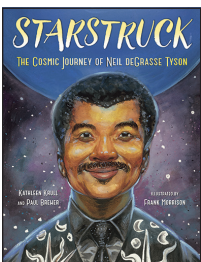


She Made a Monster

Written by Lynn Fulton
Illustrated by Felicitia Sala
HC: 978-0-525-57960-1

Join Mary Shelley on the night she created the most frightening monster the world has ever seen.

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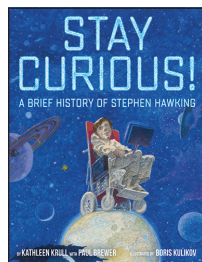


Starstruck

Kathleen Krull and Paul Brewer
Illustrated by Frank Morrison
HC: 978-0-399-55024-9

Learn more about science superstar Neil deGrasse Tyson, the groundbreaking astrophysicist.

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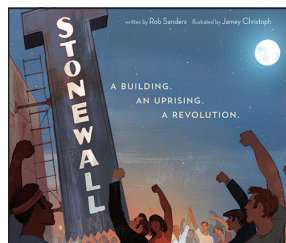


Stay Curious!

Written by Kathleen Krull and Paul Brewer
Illustrated by Boris Kulikov
HC: 9780399550287

Stay curious with Stephen Hawking, whose visionary mind revolutionized our concept of reality and whose struggle with ALS inspired millions.

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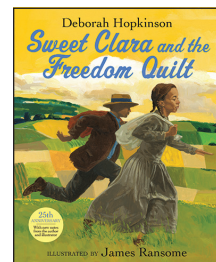


Stonewall

Written by Rob Sanders
Illustrated by Jamey Christoph
HC: 978-1-5247-1952-4

Learn about the Stonewall Uprising with the very first picture book to tell of its historic and inspiring role in the gay civil rights movement.

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Sweet Clara and the Freedom Quilt

Written by Deborah Hopkinson
Illustrated by James Ransome
HC: 978-0-679-82311-7

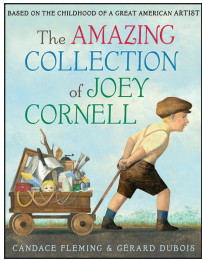
An inspiring tale of creativity and determination on the Underground Railroad.

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The Amazing Collection of Joey Cornell

Candace Fleming
Illustrated by Gérard Dubois
HC: 978-0-399-55238-0

A stunning picture book based on the childhood of artist and sculptor Joseph Cornell.

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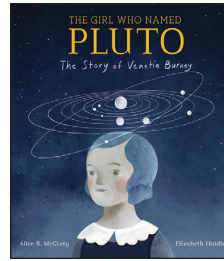


The Bug Girl

Written by Sophia Spencer and Margaret McNamara
Illustrated by Kerascoët
HC: 9780525645931

Real-life seven-year-old Sophia Spencer was bullied for loving bugs until hundreds of scientists rallied around her. Now Sophie tells her inspiring story.

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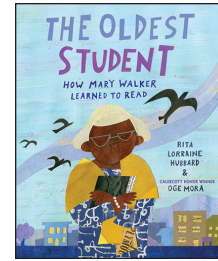


The Girl Who Named Pluto

Written by Alice B. McGinty
Illustrated by Elizabeth Haidle
HC: 9781524768317

An empowering, inspiring—and accessible!—nonfiction picture book about the eleven-year-old girl who actually named the newly discovered Pluto in 1930.

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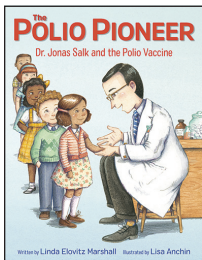


The Oldest Student

Written by Rita Lorraine Hubbard
Illustrated by Oge Mora
HC: 9781524768287

Imagine learning to read at the age of 116! Discover the true story of Mary Walker, the nation's oldest student who did just that.

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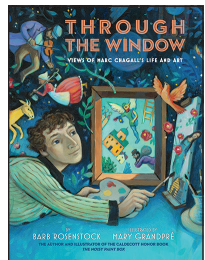


The Polio Pioneer

Written by Linda Elovitz Marshall
Illustrated by Lisa Anchin
HC: 9780525646518

Discover the fascinating life of world-renowned scientist Jonas Salk, whose pioneering discoveries changed the world forever.

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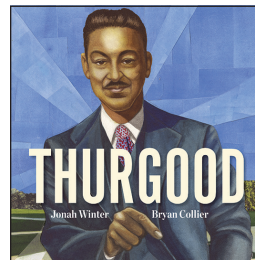


Through the Window

Written by Barb Rosenstock
Illustrated by Mary GrandPré
HC: 9781524717513

A gorgeous, expressive picture book biography of Marc Chagall.

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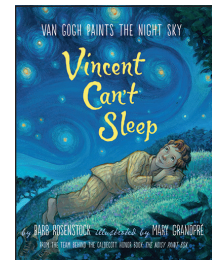


Thurgood

Written by Jonah Winter
Illustrated by Bryan Collier
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Thurgood Marshall—the first black justice on the Supreme Court and a giant of the civil rights movement—jumps to life in this inspiring picture book biography.

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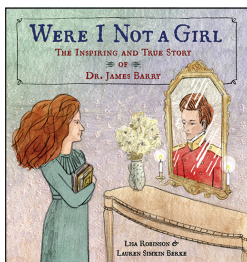


Vincent Can't Sleep

Barb Rosenstock
Illustrated by Mary GrandPré
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One of the most famous artists of all time, Vincent Van Gogh often had trouble sleeping, but did thought sleepless nights inspire his creativity and unique vision?

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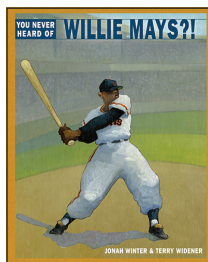


Were I Not a Girl

Written By Lisa Robinson
Illustrated by Lauren Simkin Berke
HC: 9781984849052

This unique picture book biography tells the story of Dr. James Barry, born female, who lived as a man from age eighteen to his death.

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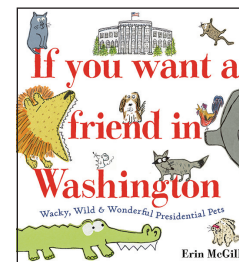


You've Never Heard of Willie Mays?!

Written by Jonah Winter
Illustrated by Terry Widener
HC: 9780375868443

Learn about Willie Mays, the legendary baseball player who broke boundaries and inspired millions.

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If You Want a Friend in Washington

Written and Illustrated by Erin McGill
HC: 9780593122693

A clever, funny, and informative look at the pets that have passed through the White House gates.

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