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Drac and his pack are back in Sony Pictures Animation's

## HOTEL TRANSYLVANIA 3

Coming July 2018!

The voice ensemble of favorites returns, including Adam Sandler (Dracula), Selena Gomez (Mavis), and Andy Samberg (Johnny).

Mavis surprises Dracula with a family voyage on a luxury Monster Cruise Ship so he can take a vacation from providing everyone else's vacation at the hotel.



### MONSTER CRUISE!

By A.E. Dinger  
Imprint: Simon Spotlight

In this 8 x 8 storybook retelling of the movie, Drac goes from reluctant traveler to a man who's found his zing again—and possibly a whole lot of trouble—courtesy of the mysterious ship's captain, Ericka.

**Publication Date:** June 2018

**Ages:** 3–7

**Page Extent:** 24 pp



### DRAC'S IN LOVE

Adapted by Cala Spinner  
Imprint: Simon Spotlight

Mavis books a monster cruise for the family but gets more than she bargained for when Drac falls in love with the ship's captain, Ericka. Mavis wants her dad to be happy but there's something about Ericka she just doesn't trust.

**Publication Date:** June 2018

**Ages:** 5–7

**Page Extent:** 32 pp



### WELCOME TO DRAC'S CASTLE!

By Natalie Shaw  
Imprint: Simon Spotlight

Drac and his family are going on a cruise, but before he goes he wants to take you on a tour of his castle in this castle-shaped 8 x 8 storybook.

**Publication Date:** June 2018

**Ages:** 3–5

**Page Extent:** 24 pp



### HOTEL TRANSYLVANIA 3 MOVIE NOVELIZATION

Adapted by Stacia Deutsch  
Imprint: Simon Spotlight

Fans will love reliving every monstrous minute of the film with this novelization that comes with an eight-page, full-color, glossy insert!

**Publication Date:** June 2018

**Ages:** 8–12

**Page Extent:** 144 pp

## The Hotel Transylvania franchise is stronger than ever and now it's becoming a TV series!

The all-new television series focuses on the earlier teenage years of Dracula's daughter Mavis and her three closest friends, Hank N. Stein, Pedro, and Wendy Blob. With Dracula away on Official Vampire Business, Mavis finally sees her chance to show her father what she can do. With the help of her friends, she decides to put her brilliant ideas of how to run the hotel into motion, but . . . enter Aunt Lydia, Dracula's older and authoritarian sister. While Mavis and friends are ready to let loose and have fun, Aunt Lydia pushes for even more order and tradition at the Hotel.



### MAVIS IN CHARGE

By TK

Imprint: Simon Spotlight

**Publication Date:** August 2018

**Ages:** 6 up

**Page Extent:** 96 pp

### HOTEL TRANSYLVANIA: THE SERIES CHAPTER BOOK #1

Author and Illustrator TK

Imprint: Simon Spotlight

**Publication Date:** August 2018

**Ages:** 5–9

**Page Extent:** 64 pp

### HOTEL TRANSYLVANIA: THE SERIES CHAPTER BOOK #2

Author and Illustrator TK

Imprint: Simon Spotlight

**Publication Date:** August 2018

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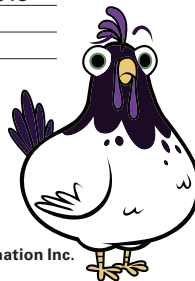
- North American Release: Summer 2017
- International Release: Winter 2017–Spring 2018
- Global TV Distribution: Disney Channel in most major markets
- Target Audience: Kids 4–9

### A COMPELLING FRANCHISE & STRONG BRAND PEDIGREE

- Based on the dynamic franchise that has generated more than \$1B in global box office and home entertainment sales
- Features fan favorite and well-known characters from the films
- Fresh new stories, characters and environments to explore from the rich, imaginative world of Hotel Transylvania

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Sony Pictures Animation's film

# THE STAR

Featuring the voices of Anthony Anderson, Steven Yeun, Aidy Bryant, and many more, *The Star* soars into theaters on **November 10, 2017!**

In *The Star*, a small but brave donkey named Bo yearns for a life beyond his daily grind at the village mill. One day he finds the courage to break free and finally goes on the adventure of his dreams. On his journey he teams up with Ruth, a lovable sheep who has lost her flock, and Dave, a dove with lofty aspirations. Along with three wisecracking camels and some eccentric stable animals, Bo and his new friends follow the star and become accidental heroes in the greatest story ever told—the first Christmas.

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## BO AND FRIENDS

By Maggie Testa  
Imprint: Simon Spotlight

Bo the donkey might be little, but he's got a huge heart! He and his friends are also very brave. Meet them all in this sweet story inspired by your new favorite Christmas movie!

**Publication Date:** October 2017  
**Ages:** 2–5  
**Page Extent:** 14 pp



## THEY FOLLOWED THE STAR

By A. E. Dingee  
Illustrated by Camille Andre  
Imprint: Simon Spotlight

Join Bo the donkey and his friends as they follow the star that leads them to their destiny in this 8 x 8 storybook that comes with Christmas ornaments featuring your favorite characters from *The Star*!

**Publication Date:** October 2017  
**Ages:** 3–7  
**Page Extent:** 16 pp

## THE STAR JUNIOR NOVELIZATION

By Tracey West  
Imprint: Simon Spotlight

Discover the story of the first Christmas in a whole new way as a fun cast of animals retells the nativity story from their own point of view! Children and adults alike will fall in love with this charming story that's sure to become a holiday classic.

**Publication Date:** October 2017  
**Ages:** 8–12  
**Page Extent:** 144 pp



## ROYAL SWEETS: A ROYAL RESCUE

By Helen Perelman  
Imprint: Aladdin

**Aladdin QUIX, a new line of fun-to-read, short chapter books, debuts with *Royal Sweets*, a Candy Fairies spin-off series about Princess Mini and her princessy adventures at Royal Fairy Academy.**

Introducing Aladdin QUIX, a new line of short (64–80 pages) illustrated chapter books that make reading fun for kids five to eight years old. Beginning and emergent readers of every level—reluctant to advanced—will gain confidence in their mastery of these lively stories that can be read quickly or at their leisure.

Candy Fairies author Helen Perelman debuts in QUIX with *A Royal Rescue*, the first book about Princess Mini and her adventures in the Candy Kingdom at Royal Fairy Academy. Mini worries about starting a new school and making new friends. It's not always easy being a princess!

**Publication Date:** May 2018

**Ages:** 5–8

**Page Extent:** 64 pp

## OUR PRINCIPAL IS A FROG!

By Stephanie Calmenson  
Imprint: Aladdin

**Aladdin QUIX, a new line of fun-to-read, short chapter books, debuts with *Our Principal Is a Frog!*, a silly fairy tale about PS 88, run by a unique principal named Mr. Bundy.**

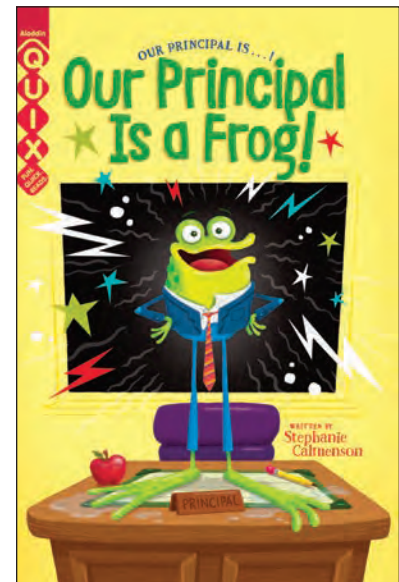
Acclaimed author Stephanie Calmenson debuts in QUIX with two silly adventures in one book about Principal Bundy. When Marty Q. Marvel the magician accidentally turns Mr. Bundy into a frog, the students of PS 88 don't know what to do! It's not always easy having a slimy, green-skinned amphibian for a principal. Even worse, Mr. Bundy has started playing leapfrog, swimming in the kindergarten sink, and eating students' fly collections. Will he ever be his old self again?

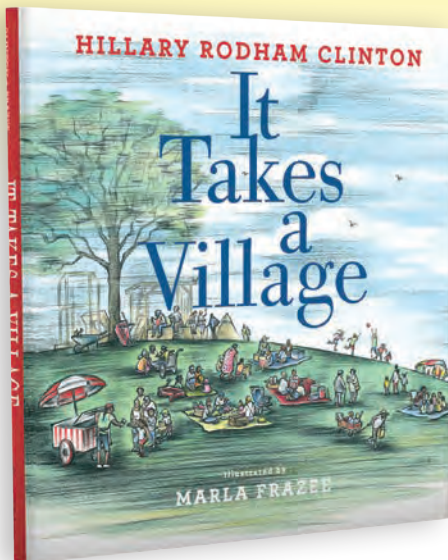
In another Mr. Bundy adventure, the Big Bad Wolf has gobbled up Mr. Bundy and his assistant principal Ms. Moore! But have no fear, the kids of PS 88 outsmart the ravenous wolf.

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Over twenty years ago, the original *It Takes a Village* spent twenty weeks on the *New York Times* bestseller list, was published in over twenty foreign territories, and earned wide critical and consumer acclaim. The picture book edition will bring this inspiring message to a new generation in a format that is perfect for story time and bedtime. As she did with the original book, Hillary Clinton will donate her net proceeds from the sale of the book to charity.



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# HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON

## It Takes a Village

now an all-new picture book with illustrations by  
two-time Caldecott Honor Winner **MARLA FRAZEE**

### IT TAKES A VILLAGE

By Hillary Rodham Clinton  
Illustrated by Marla Frazee  
Imprint: Paula Wiseman Books

**Secretary of State and Democratic presidential nominee Hillary Rodham Clinton's first book for young readers, inspired by her *New York Times* bestselling book *It Takes a Village*, illustrated by two-time Caldecott Honor recipient Marla Frazee**

Inspired by the themes of her classic bestselling book *It Takes a Village*, Secretary of State and Democratic Presidential nominee Hillary Rodham Clinton's first picture book tells a heartwarming and universal story of how a community coming together can make a difference. All kinds of people working together, playing together, and living together make their village a better place, and many villages coming together can make a better world.

The book's gentle messages about civic engagement and helping and supporting others in the community is more timely now than ever before.

**HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON** became the first woman in US history to become the presidential nominee of a major political party in 2016. She served as the 67th Secretary of State—from January 21, 2009, until February 1, 2013—after nearly four decades in public service advocating on behalf of children and families as an attorney, First Lady, and senator. She is a wife, mother, and grandmother.

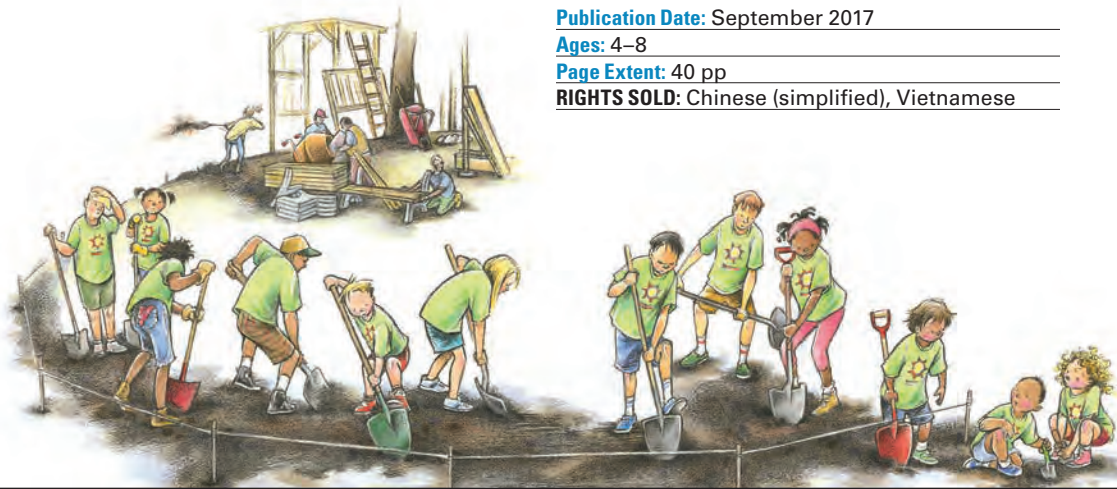
**MARLA FRAZEE** was awarded a Caldecott Honor for *All the World* and *A Couple of Boys Have the Best Week Ever*, and the Boston Globe–Horn Book Award for her picture book *The Farmer and the Clown*. She is the author-illustrator of many books, including *The Boss Baby*, the book that inspired the DreamWorks Animation film *Boss Baby*. Visit her at [MarlaFrazee.com](http://MarlaFrazee.com).

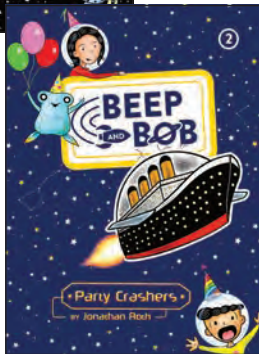
**Publication Date:** September 2017

**Ages:** 4–8

**Page Extent:** 40 pp

**RIGHTS SOLD:** Chinese (simplified), Vietnamese





## BEEP AND BOB

### #1: TOO MUCH SPACE!

### #2: PARTY CRASHERS

By Jonathan Roth  
Imprint: Aladdin

Meet space-school attendee Bob and his alien bestie, Beep, in this start to an outrageously funny and action-packed chapter book series from debut author Jonathan Roth!

Astro Elementary is a school near Saturn attended by the bravest, brightest, most elite kids in the galaxy . . . and Bob. Bob feels he couldn't be more misplaced at his school—until he meets Beep. Beep is an alien from the planet Orth who was kicked off his home world for being too small. The instant Bob finds him, Beep adopts Bob as his new mother, and together they make the perfect team.

In their first adventure, Bob is humiliated on a field trip to Pluto when his tongue gets stuck to the ice. Not even Beep can keep Bob from becoming the laughingstock of the school. Bob has to find a way to completely change his personality, just in time for their next treacherous field trip—to the gaping mouth of a super massive black hole!

In *Party Crashers*, Beep and Bob get blamed for a robbery on a fancy spaceship. Bob's friend Lani is having her birthday party on a super luxury space cruiser called the *Starship Titanic*, whose motto is "The 100 percent safest ship in the galaxy." But when the lights dim for dinner, and guests' jewelry is stolen from right under their noses, Beep and Bob get blamed for the crime! Things go from bad to worse when they discover the ship is headed right for the ice rings of Neptune—and then it starts plummeting toward the planet below! Can Bob and his squishy alien buddy save the *Starship Titanic*? Or will this be their last party ever?

**Publication Date:** March 2018

**Ages:** 6–9

**Page Extent:** #1: 128 pp; #2: 112 pp

## SAM THE MAN

### #3: SAM THE MAN & THE DRAGON VAN PLAN

By Frances O'Roark Dowell  
Illustrated by Amy June Bates  
Imprint: Caitlyn Dlouhy Books

Sam the Man is back with not one, but TWO plans in this third hilarious chapter book in the Sam the Man series from Frances O'Roark Dowell.

Sam Graham is a dragon fan and a big-truck man. Monster trucks to be specific. And when the family minivan needs replacing, Sam has the perfect plan: get a family monster truck instead!

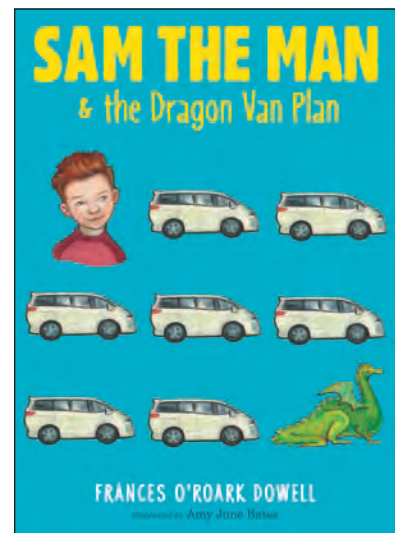
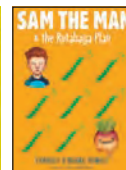
But convincing Mom that a monster truck is the way to go may prove to be a little too difficult, even for Sam. So he comes up with another plan: turn the minivan into a *monster* minivan with a super cool dragon painted on it! First, though, Sam has to convince his family that a monster minivan is the best choice—oh, and learn *how* to paint a dragon. . . .

**Publication Date:** February 2018

**Ages:** 6–9

**Page Extent:** 160 pp

**RIGHTS SOLD:** Korean







## A SHAI & EMMIE STORY

### #2: SHAI & EMMIE STAR IN DANCY PANTS!

By Quvenzhané Wallis

Illustrated by Sharee Miller

Imprint: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers

**From Academy Award–nominated actress Quvenzhané Wallis comes a brand-new series about best friends Shai and Emmie, two third graders destined for superstardom.**

Shai Williams—third grader and superstar in the making—loves to act, sing, and dance. So when her teacher, Ms. Englert, signs their class up for a major dance competition, Shai's fancy moves are put to the test. Paired up with her best friend Emmie and classmate Rio, Shai plans to settle her competition jitters by just having fun. That is until her rival, Gabby Supreme, challenges her to a bet: whoever loses the dance competition has to bring the winner one cupcake every day for a month. Now Shai has to win.

**Publication Date:** January 2018

**Ages:** 6–10

**Page Extent:** 128 pp

**RIGHTS SOLD:** Romanian



## AN ADA LACE ADVENTURE

### #3: ADA LACE, TAKE ME TO YOUR LEADER

### #4: ADA LACE AND THE IMPOSSIBLE MISSION

By Emily Calandrelli

Illustrated by Renée Kurilla

Imprint: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers

**From Emily Calandrelli—host of *Xploration Outer Space*, correspondent on *Bill Nye Saves the World*, and graduate of MIT—comes a chapter book series about an eight-year-old girl with a knack for science, math, and solving mysteries with technology.**

In *Ada Lace, Take Me to Your Leader*, Ada's best friend Nina hears something strange coming from the radio in the middle of the night during a sleepover. A distant voice says, "Release the swarm!" convincing Nina that aliens are about to invade planet Earth. Could Ada and Nina have stumbled upon something . . . extraterrestrial?

In *Ada Lace and the Impossible Mission*, Ada has a new social studies teacher who loves group projects. While most of the class has constructed regular dioramas with clay and construction paper, Ada, her best friend Nina, and sometimes nemesis Milton have built an actual working miniature version of the Comstock Mine. But Ada begins to suspect that Milton may have added some unwanted extras to the diorama. Worried that Milton is up to his usual tricks, Ada and Nina decide to concoct a plan to break into Mr. Parable's supply closet to double-check their work. Will they be able to pull off this seemingly impossible mission without getting into trouble?

**Publication Date:** #3: May 2018; #4: September 2018

**Ages:** 6–10

**Page Extent:** #3: 96 pp; #4: 128 pp



# Little Simon Chapter Books Are Filling the Gap!

Easy-to-read text and illustrations on almost every page  
make these chapter book series perfect for newly independent readers.



## HEIDI HECKELBECK

### #23: HEIDI HECKELBECK AND THE SNOOPY SPY

By Wanda Coven  
Illustrated by Priscilla Burris

Heidi must be careful of a snoopy spy, because someone's little brother is up to no good!

**Publication Date:** June 2018

**RIGHTS SOLD:** Hungarian, Spanish, Turkish



## THE ADVENTURES OF SOPHIE MOUSE

### #13: SILVERLAKE ART SHOW

By Poppy Green  
Illustrated by Jennifer A. Bell

Sophie expects to be the star of the Silverlake Art Show but gets a surprise when she realizes she's not!

**Publication Date:** June 2018



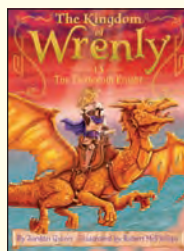
## RIDER WOOFSON

### #10: THE VERY FIRST CASE

By Walker Styles  
Illustrated by Ben Whitehouse

As Rider relives the PI Pack's very first case, he discovers that someone has stolen all the past evidence!

**Publication Date:** March 2018



## THE KINGDOM OF WRENLY

### #13: THE THIRTEENTH KNIGHT

By Jordan Quinn  
Illustrated by Robert McPhillips

There is a contest to find the legendary Thirteenth Knight, the next in a long line of noble warriors, and Clara has just entered.

**Publication Date:** May 2018



## DAISY DREAMER

### #7: POSEY, THE CLASS PEST

By Holly Anna  
Illustrated by Genevieve Santos

Posey, Daisy Dreamer's totally true imaginary friend, is going to school with her today.

**Publication Date:** July 2018



## THE CRITTER CLUB

### #18: ELLIE STEPS UP TO THE PLATE

By Callie Barkley  
Illustrated by Tracy Bishop

Ellie goes searching in the woods near the softball field for a stray ball and finds an injured baby deer.

**Publication Date:** January 2018



## SUPER TURBO

### #7: SUPER TURBO MEETS THE CAT-NAPPERS

By Lee Kirby  
Illustrated by George O'Connor

Turbo is delighted to learn that he'll be going home with a new student each week . . . until he arrives at the first student's home.

**Publication Date:** July 2018



## CAPTAIN AWESOME

### #20: CAPTAIN AWESOME FOR PRESIDENT

By Stan Kirby  
Illustrated by George O'Connor

Eugene decides to run for class president. But so does Meredith Mooney, aka Little Miss Stinky Pinky!

**Publication Date:** May 2018

For all chapter books (unless otherwise noted):

**Ages:** 5–9 **Page Extent:** 128 pp



## **CRAFTILY EVER AFTER** **#1: THE UN-FRIENDSHIP BRACELET** **#2: MAKING THE BAND**

By Martha Maker  
 Illustrated by Xindi Yan  
 Imprint: Little Simon

**Emily Adams, Maddie Wilson, Bella Diaz, and Sam Sharma are eight-year-olds with one special thing in common: they love to create. Together, these four crafty friends dream up new projects to design, build, and create!**

In *The Un-Friendship Bracelet*, best friends Emily and Maddie are so close that they spend most of their free time together, and they wear matching friendship bracelets too! One day, a new student named Bella Diaz shows up at Mason Creek Elementary. As Maddie and Bella spend more time together, Emily finds herself spending more time *alone* . . . until she realizes that the boy who's been sitting next to her in class this whole time loves to draw and create just like she does. When Emily's friendship bracelet falls off and Maddie doesn't even notice, Emily begins to think that maybe it was an *un*-friendship bracelet after all.

In *Making the Band*, there's a talent show at school, and for the first time Maddie, Bella, Emily, and Sam can't think of *anything* to do. That is, until an old cereal box and a wooden spoon give them a musical idea!

**Publication Date:** March 2018

**Ages:** 5–9

**Page Extent:** 128 pp

## **DESMOND COLE GHOST PATROL** **#1: THE HAUNTED HOUSE NEXT DOOR** **#2: GHOSTS DON'T RIDE BIKES, DO THEY?**

By Andres Miedoso  
 Illustrated by Victor Rivas  
 Imprint: Little Simon

**Meet Desmond Cole—a fearless eight-year-old who runs his own ghost patrol, looking for ghosts, monsters, and mischief makers everywhere.**

Welcome to Kersville, a town with a spooky history. Most kids spend their days without ever seeing or dealing with a ghost, but some kids get stuck with a haunt. When that happens, they call Desmond Cole Ghost Patrol! There's no job too spooky for Desmond. Andres Miedoso is Desmond's best friend. They do everything together . . . including catch ghosts. There's only one problem: Andres is afraid of everything.

In *The Haunted House Next Door*, Andres Miedoso and his family move in next door to Desmond . . . and right into a haunted house.

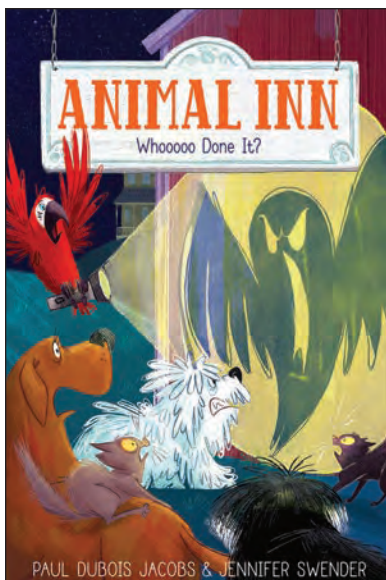
In *Ghosts Don't Ride Bikes, Do They?*, Desmond and Andres are called to track down a ghost on wheels. Desmond is sure that ghosts don't ride bikes. Here's why: they float everywhere. Makes sense, right? But if there's one thing Andres has learned during his Ghost Patrol days, it's this: never tell a ghost what they can or can't do.

**Publication Date:** December 2017

**Ages:** 5–9

**Page Extent:** 128 pp





## ANIMAL INN #5: WHOOOOO DONE IT?

By Paul DuBois Jacobs and Jennifer Swender  
Illustrated by Stephanie Laberis  
Imprint: Aladdin

**Stay and play at the Animal Inn, where the fur—and fun—flies, in this new chapter book series.**

The Animal Inn is an all-inclusive pet resort-hotel/center/spa for animals from dogs to rabbits, cats, ducks, parrots, and lizards. From long-term boarding to doggy and kitty day care, grooming, training, obedience sessions, weight loss, therapy—you name it, and the Animal Inn has it. The Inn is run by the Tyler family out of their large, old, rambling home. In addition to the changing cast of animal visitors, the Tylers have their own furry and feathered band: Leopold (Macaw), Fuzzy and Furry (gerbils), Dash and Coco (dogs), and Whiskers and Shadow (cats).

In book five, there are spooky shadows, creepy-crawly critters, and spine-chilling sounds. Is Animal Inn haunted? The animals are in for a fur-raising adventure!

**Publication Date:** May 2018

**Ages:** 7–10

**Page Extent:** 112 pp

**RIGHTS SOLD:** German



## ALECA ZAMM #3: ALECA ZAMM FOOLS THEM ALL

By Ginger Rue  
Imprint: Aladdin

**Aleca Zamm, an ordinary ten-year-old with an extraordinary talent, finds a new friend and has to rescue her aunt Zephyr from a teleportation crisis in this hilarious third chapter book in the Aleca Zamm series.**

Aleca Zamm knows she's not the only Wonder at school with a magical ability. Third grader Ford is able to see people as they used to be in the past and as they will be in the future. He can time travel! Aleca starts hanging out with Ford to discuss their magical abilities, which makes Aleca's best friend, Maria, jealous. Aleca even forgets the first meeting of the Secret Pals Club, Maria and Aleca's new idea for a club that performs secret good deeds for bullied kids.

Worse, Maria is onto Aleca's secret of being a Wonder. She definitely suspects something, but Aleca has sworn to Aunt Zephyr that she won't tell anyone about her magical ability. Plus, Aunt Zephyr's ability to teleport is starting to deteriorate, and she's about to throw in the towel on being a Wonder. Can Aleca and Ford figure out how to get Aunt Zephyr's magical powers back? And can Aleca save her friendship with Maria while still keeping her magical powers a secret?

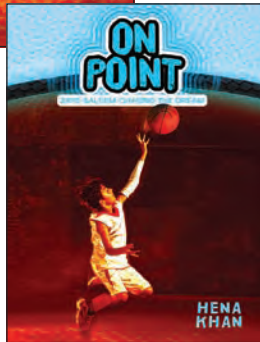
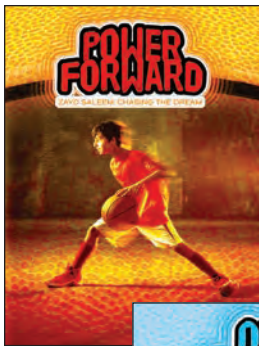
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**Ages:** 7–10

**Page Extent:** 176 pp

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## ZAYD SALEEM, CHASING THE DREAM:

### #1: POWER FORWARD

### #2: ON POINT

By Hena Khan

Imprint: Salaam Reads

**From the author of *Amina's Voice* comes the first two books in an exciting new chapter book series about a scrawny fourth grader with big dreams of basketball stardom.**

Fourth grader Zayd Saleem has some serious hoop dreams. He's not just going to be a professional basketball player. He's going to be a star. A *legend*. The first Pakistani-American kid to make it to the NBA. He knows it's his destiny. There are only a few small things in his way. . . .

For starters, Zayd's still only on the D team (D stands for "developmental"). Not to mention, he's a bit on the scrawny side, even for the fourth-grade team. His parents don't get it. Mom wants him to practice his violin way more than his jump shot. And Dad is all about him making grades, not free throws. When he gets caught blowing off his violin lessons to practice basketball, Zayd's parents lay down the ultimate punishment: he isn't allowed to play on the team anymore. As tryouts for the gold team approach, Zayd has to decide what matters more: making his parents happy or chasing his dreams.

In *On Point*, now that Zayd has made the gold team, he's hustling hard and loving every minute of it. But the team is struggling, and he can't help feeling like it's his fault, especially when he keeps freezing up during games. Even worse, his best friend, Adam, suddenly starts acting like he doesn't care about basketball anymore, even though he's the team captain. He stops playing with Zayd, and then quits the team to focus on football. Plus, Zayd has been so busy with extra practices that his grades start to suffer. Zayd has to figure out who his real friends are, how to get back on track with school, *and* try to step up and fill Adam's shoes to start leading his team back to victory.

**Publication Date:** May 2018

**Ages:** 6–10

**Page Extent:** 128 pp

## HOOPS

### #1: ELLE OF THE BALL

By Elena Delle Donne

Imprint: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers

**From 2015 WNBA MVP, global ambassador to the Special Olympics, and 2016 Olympic gold medalist Elena Delle Donne comes the first novel in a brand-new middle-grade series with as much heart as there is game.**

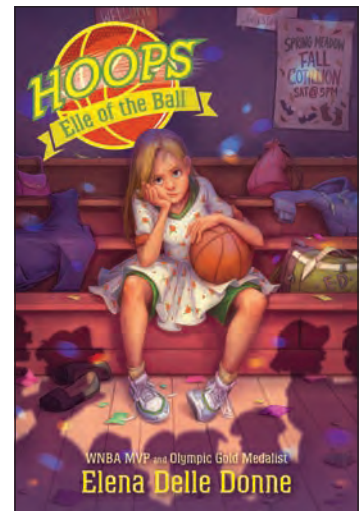
Elle Deluca is a seventh grader who is tall—not just sort of tall, she's *six feet* tall. And for a twelve-year-old girl, this means that her basketball team has high hopes for her changing positions and becoming their starting center. But that's not the only footwork she has to learn—their dance unit in gym is coming up and that means she has to learn ballroom dances with a boy much shorter than her, to perform publicly for a grade.

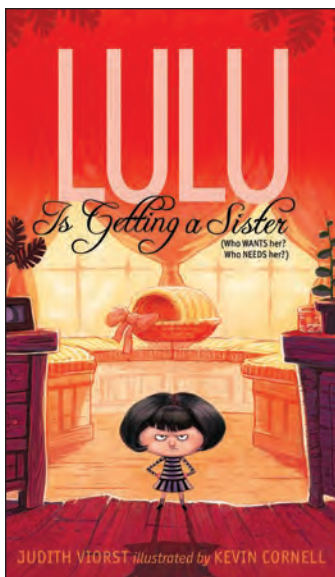
In the first book in Elena Delle Donne's Hoops series, Elle must figure out a way to still be herself when others may want her to be someone else.

**Publication Date:** March 2018

**Ages:** 8–12

**Page Extent:** 176 pp





## LULU IS GETTING A SISTER

By Judith Viorst  
 Illustrated by Kevin Cornell  
 Imprint: Caitlyn Dlouhy Books

**Lulu is getting the sister she never asked for in this uproarious illustrated chapter book filled with hilarious hijinks and feisty twists from Judith Viorst.**

Lulu has received the worst. News. EVER. She's getting . . . a baby sister. To prepare Lulu for big-sisterhood, her parents bribe—AHEM, *ask*—Lulu to attend Camp Sisterhood, a.k.a. big sister training camp. As a Sister-in-Training (SIT), Lulu is assigned temporary little siblings who are supposed to be so much fun that Lulu will become excited to have a permanent sibling of her own. Well, no one ever said Camp Sisterhood was supposed to teach Lulu how to be a good big sister, so Lulu resolves to be a bad big sister. But no matter what Lulu does, she can't shake the little terrors.

Then some BITs (brothers-in-training) from the neighboring Camp Brotherhood start picking on Lulu's siblings, and Lulu responds by showing those BITs who's boss! After all, Lulu's siblings may be duds, but they're her duds, and sisters have to stick together. Besides, in the end, Lulu figures that having a little sister probably won't be as bad as a getting a tooth pulled. Probably.

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**Ages:** 6–10

**Page Extent:** 184 pp

**RIGHTS SOLD FOR *LULU AND THE BRONTOSAURUS*:** Chinese (complex), Chinese (simplified), French, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese (Portugal), Turkish, UK



## THE UNFORGETTABLE GUINEVERE ST. CLAIR

By Amy Makechnie  
 Imprint: Atheneum Books for Young Readers

**In this middle-grade debut, a ten-year-old girl is determined to find a missing neighbor, but the answers lead her to places and people she never expected, and maybe even one she's been running away from.**

Ten-year-old Guinevere St. Clair is going to be a lawyer. She knows everything there is to know about the brain. And she wants to ride into her first day of school in Sioux, Iowa, on a cow named Willowdale Princess Deon Dawn.

But Gwyn isn't in Iowa just for royal cows; her family has moved there, where her parents grew up, in the hopes of jogging her mother Vienna's memory. Vienna has been brain damaged since her heart stopped in the grocery store when Gwyn was four years old, and now she can no longer remember anything past the age of thirteen, not even that she has two daughters. Gwyn's father is obsessed with finding a way to help his wife, but Gwyn's focused on proving that the very strange Gaysie Cutter who lives next door is behind the disappearance of her only friend, Wilbur Truesdale.

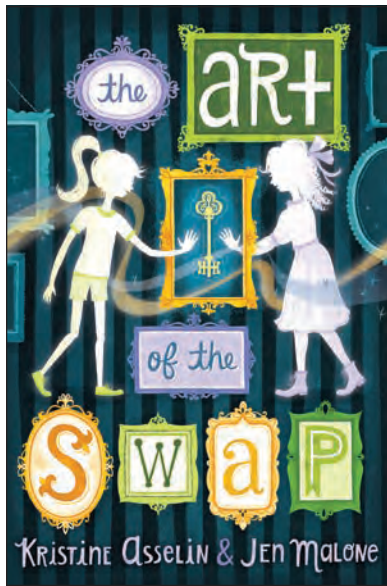
Gwyn is sure she can crack the case but finds that not all her investigations will lead her to the place she expects; in fact, they might lead her to learn about the mother she's been doing her best to forget. And Gwyn will realize that sometimes even the most terrible things aren't actually anyone's fault at all.

**Publication Date:** June 2018

**Ages:** 8–12

**Page Extent:** 272 pp





## THE ART OF THE SWAP

By Kristine Asselin and Jen Malone  
Imprint: Aladdin

***Freaky Friday* meets *Downton Abbey* in this middle-grade mystery that features a modern-day twelve-year-old switching bodies with a Gilded Age heiress in order to solve a famous art heist.**

Hannah Jordan lives in a museum . . . well, sort of. She is the daughter of the caretaker for mansion-turned-museum the Elms in Newport, Rhode Island. Hannah's captivated by stories of the Elms's original occupants, especially Maggie Dunlap, the tween heiress subject of a painting that went missing during a legendary art heist in 1905.

But when a mysterious mirror allows Hannah and Maggie to switch places in time, suddenly Hannah is racing to stop the heist from happening, while Maggie gets an introduction to iPhones, soccer (which girls can play!), and freedoms like exploring without supervision. Not to mention the best invention of all: sweatpants (so long, corsets!).

As the hours tick off to the art heist, something's not adding up. Can the girls work together against time—and across it—to set things right? Or will their temporary swap become a permanent trade?

**Publication Date:** February 2018

**Ages:** 8–12

**Page Extent:** 352 pp

## MRS. SMITH'S SPY SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

### #2: POWER PLAY

By Beth McMullen  
Imprint: Aladdin

**Abby and the rest of her friends go international as they embark on their first "official" spy school mission.**

Abby Hunter has had a very exciting past few months. After discovering the truth about her boarding school and her super-spy mom, Abby is ready for a little relaxation.

Everyone at the Smith School is obsessed with Monster Mayhem, the latest augmented reality game. But when Drexel Caine, the mastermind behind the game (and Abby's friend Toby's father) is kidnapped, it becomes clear that the kidnappers are playing for more than just special badges. Toby receives a cryptic message, saying that he will have to "play" for his father on the newest version of Monster Mayhem, which hasn't been released yet. Soon, Abby, Toby, and their friends discover that this is part of a bigger scheme that could take down the Center for good.

With the help of Abby's frenemy (and reluctant mentor) Veronica Brooks, the group tackles their first official Center mission. They tangle with the world's most notorious hacker, get in trouble for the possible theft of the *Mona Lisa*, attend the agonizing Smith School Spring Formal, and prepare for the ultimate showdown in London. Along the way, they figure out that they are much stronger as a team than they are alone. And with a little luck, they might just save the world.

**Publication Date:** July 2018

**Ages:** 9–13

**Page Extent:** 304 pp

**RIGHTS SOLD:** German





## THE BOY, THE BOAT, & THE BEAST

By Samantha M. Clark  
Imprint: Paula Wiseman Books

***The Graveyard Book* meets *Hatchet* in this gripping novel about a boy stranded on a mysterious island, from debut author Samantha M. Clark.**

A ten-year-old boy washes up on the shores of a mysterious, seemingly uninhabited island. Who is he? How did he get there? The boy can't remember. When he sees a light shining over the foreboding wall of trees that surrounds the beach, he decides to follow it, in the hopes that it will lead him to answers. His journey across the island is a struggle for survival and a search for the truth—a terrifying truth that will force him to face his greatest fear of all: going home.

This eerie supernatural adventure will have readers hooked until its jaw-dropping and moving conclusion. Samantha Clark's first novel heralds the arrival of an exciting new voice.

**Publication Date:** June 2018

**Ages:** 8–12

**Page Extent:** 304 pp

## R IS FOR REBEL

By J. Anderson Coats  
Imprint: Atheneum Books for Young Readers

***Princess Academy* meets Megan Whalen Turner in this stunning novel about a girl who won't let anything tame her spirit—not the government that conquered her people, and definitely not reform school!**

Malley has led the constables on a merry chase across her once peaceful country. With her parents in prison for their part in a failed resistance movement, the government wants to send her to a national school—but they'll have to capture her first.

And capture her they do. Malley is carted off to be reformed as a proper subject of the conquering empire, reeducated, and made suitable for domestic service. That's the government's plan, anyway.

But Malley will not go down without a fight. She's determined to rally her fellow students to form a rebellion of their own. The government can lock these girls up in reform school. Whether it can break them is another matter entirely. . . .

**Publication Date:** February 2018

**Ages:** 10 up

**Page Extent:** 256 pp







## THE BOGGART FIGHTS BACK

By Susan Cooper  
Imprint: Margaret K. McElderry Books

The mischievous Boggart comes up with some new tricks to stop an American developer from ruining his beloved island in this delightful romp from Newbery Medal winner Susan Cooper.

Magic is once again afoot in Scotland when Allie and Jay visit their grandfather and are eagerly greeted by the Boggart, an ancient sprite, and his cousin Nessie, formerly known as the Loch Ness Monster. Things are rarely peaceful with two boggarts around, but this time a real estate developer, a man named Trout, is the one disturbing the quiet.

Trout is building a luxury resort and is desperate to buy up everything in town—including Allie and Jay's family store. He's willing to do almost anything to raze the store. But with his beloved family under attack, the Boggart doesn't stay silent for long: soon bulldozers are driving themselves into the loch, and surveying flags are floating off into the sky, but Trout is unmoved. When Nessie tries to scare him by transforming into the Loch Ness Monster, Trout is delighted—what a tourist attraction he's found!

Allie, Jay, and the Boggarts will have to use all of their wiles to outsmart the developers and save their home—even if it means waking up all the Old Magic creatures. Even the deadly ones.

**Publication Date:** February 2018

**Ages:** 8–12

**Page Extent:** 224 pp

**RIGHTS SOLD FOR *THE BOGGART*:** Italian

## ZAP!

By Martha Freeman  
Imprint: Paula Wiseman Books

Eleven-year-old Luis is left looking for answers after a citywide blackout leads him to an electrifying mystery in this edge-of-your-seat thriller from Martha Freeman.

Luis Cardenal is toasting a Pop-Tart when a power outage strikes Hampton, New Jersey. Elevators and gas pumps fail right away; soon cell phones die and grocery shelves empty. Cold and in the dark, people begin to get desperate.

Luis likes to know how things work, and the blackout gets him wondering: Where does the city's electricity come from? What would cause it to shut down?

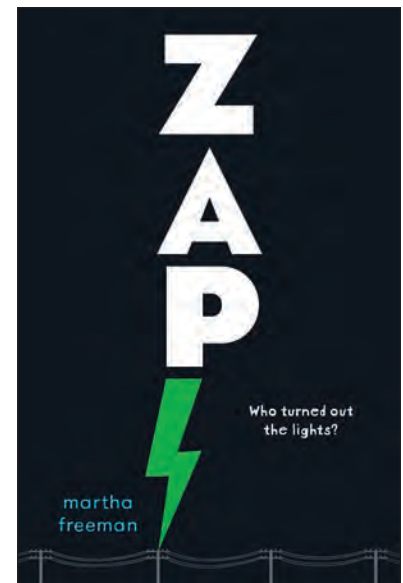
No one seems to have answers, and rumors are flying. Then a slip of the tongue gives Luis and his ex-best friend Maura a clue. Brushed off by the busy police, the two sixth graders determine they are on their own. To get to the bottom of the mystery, they know they need to brave the abandoned houses of Luis's poor neighborhood and find the homeless teen legend known as Computer Genius. What they don't know is that someone suspects they know too much—someone who wants to keep Hampton in the dark.

In this electrifying mystery, two can-do sleuths embark on a high-tech urban adventure to answer an age-old question: Who turned out the lights?

**Publication Date:** January 2018

**Ages:** 8–12

**Page Extent:** 304 pp





## CHECKED

By Cynthia Kadohata  
Imprint: Caitlyn Dlouhy Books

**From Newbery Medalist Cynthia Kadohata comes a brilliantly realized sports novel about a hockey player who must discover who he is without the sport that defines him.**

Hockey is Conor's life. His whole life. And it's his dad's whole life too—and Conor is sure that's why his stepmom, Jenny, left. There are few things Conor and his dad love more than the game, and one of those is their Doberman, Sinbad. When Sinbad is diagnosed with cancer, Conor chooses to put his hockey practices on hold so they can pay for Sinbad's chemotherapy.

But without hockey to distract him, Conor begins to notice more. Like his dad's crying bouts and his friend's difficult family life. And then Conor starts to wonder: Without the hockey, the one thing that makes him feel special, is he really special at all?

**Publication Date:** February 2018

**Ages:** 10–14

**Page Extent:** 240 pp

**RIGHTS SOLD FOR *THE THING ABOUT LUCK*:** Chinese (complex), Chinese (simplified), Indonesian, Japanese, Portuguese (Brazil), UK, Vietnamese

## RUNNING THROUGH SPRINKLERS

By Michelle Kim  
Imprint: Atheneum Books for Young Readers

**Two lifelong best friends grow up and begin to grow apart in this honest, deeply felt middle-grade debut.**

Sara and Nadine.

Nadine and Sara.

It's only ever been the two of them. Two halves of the same person. Best friends forever—until they aren't.

Everything has changed this year. Nadine has suddenly skipped a grade and gone to high school without Sara. No matter how hard she fights to save their friendship, Sara can feel it slipping away. But change can happen from the inside, too. The forever-friend days of running through sprinklers and slurping up ice cream cones may be over. Yet, in their place, Sara just might discover something new and wonderful: herself.

**Publication Date:** April 2018

**Ages:** 10 up

**Page Extent:** 224 pp





## A WORLD BELOW

By Wesley King  
Imprint: Paula Wiseman Books

**A class field trip turns into an underground quest for survival in the latest middle-grade novel from the author of Edgar Award winner *OCDaniel*.**

Mr. Baker's eighth-grade class thought they were in for a normal field trip to Carlsbad Caverns in New Mexico. But when an earthquake hits, their field trip takes a terrifying turn. The students are plunged into an underground lake, and their teacher goes missing.

They have no choice but to try and make their way back aboveground. Supplies dwindle and tensions mount. Pretty and popular Silvia does everything she can to hide her panic attacks, even as she tries to step up and be a leader. But the longer she's underground, the more frequent and debilitating they become. Meanwhile, Eric has always been a social no one, preferring to sit at the back of the class and spend evenings alone. Now he finds himself separated from his class, totally by himself underground. That is, until he meets an unexpected stranger.

Told from three different points of view, this fast-paced adventure novel explores how group dynamics change under dire circumstances. Do the students of Mr. Baker's class really know one another at all? Or do they just think they do? It turns out, it's hard to hide in the dark.

**Publication Date:** March 2018

**Ages:** 8–12

**Page Extent:** 304 pp

**RIGHTS SOLD FOR *OCDANIEL*:** German, Japanese, Portuguese (Brazil)



## A HINT OF HYDRA

By Heidi Lang and Kati Bartkowski  
Imprint: Aladdin

**When the elves declare war, thirteen-year-old master chef Lailu Loganberry must figure out how to save her city in this follow-up to *A Dash of Dragon*.**

It's the first night of the Week of Masks and Lailu and her mentor are catering a feast for Lord Elister, the king's executioner. But Lailu's perfectly prepared griffon feast is overshadowed when Starling Volan, the head of the scientists, unveils her newest invention: an automaton.

Lailu soon discovers the elves have more magic than she ever suspected, and they are definitely up to something. Thanks to Ryon, her sneaky half-elf friend, she knows the elves blame the scientists for the attacks on them. It's just a matter of time before they decide to get revenge. After a dangerous hydra hunt, Lailu stumbles over the body of a dead man—a scientist. Starling believes the elves killed him, but Elister promises to investigate. When Lailu gets home, she is greeted by another surprise: her mother has come to visit.

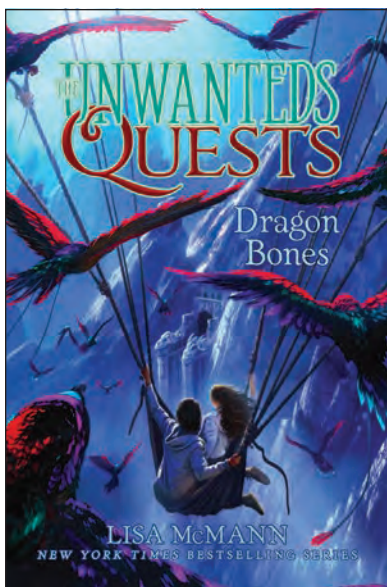
The next day, the automatons go berserk and start attacking citizens. In the chaos, Lailu realizes her mother knows more than she's letting on. On the final night of Masks week, the elves strike, filling the streets with magic and transforming ordinary citizens into monsters. As Lailu, Greg, and Ryon desperately try to stop the magical mayhem, they find allies in unexpected places—and new dangers as well.

**Publication Date:** July 2018

**Ages:** 8–12

**Page Extent:** 320 pp





## THE UNWANTEDS QUESTS #2: DRAGON BONES

By Lisa McMann  
Imprint: Aladdin

Ten years after Alex and Aaron Stowe brought peace to Quill and Artimé, their younger twin sisters journey beyond Artimé in the second novel in the *New York Times* bestselling sequel series to *The Unwanteds*, which *Kirkus Reviews* called “*The Hunger Games* meets *Harry Potter*.”

The Artiméans have suffered some devastating blows. After years of peace, the recent daring adventure of twins Thisbe and Fifer Stowe have brought about dire consequences. Thisbe has been captured, Fifer is injured, and Sky lost at sea. The twins’ older brother Alex, head mage of Artimé, is paralyzed with fear of losing anyone else he loves. Fifer must convince him to finally trust her to help in the battle ahead now that their true enemy has been revealed.

Meanwhile, Thisbe is trapped underground in the catacombs, where the ancient dragon rulers are buried. Along with fellow prisoners, Thisbe’s job is to transport dragon bones from her crypt to the extracting room, where others extract the magical properties dormant in the bones. When it appears no one is coming back to rescue her, Thisbe must train in secret, trying to learn how to control her fiery magic and use it to escape. As her situation becomes more grave, she might even have to align herself with the ultimate evil. Unfortunately, it’s a risk she has to take.

**Publication Date:** February 2018

**Ages:** 8–12

**Page Extent:** 416 pp

**RIGHTS SOLD FOR THE UNWANTEDS:** Turkish



## AGES OF OZ: A DARK DESCENT

By Lisa Fiedler  
Illustrated by Sebastian Giacobino  
Imprint: Margaret K. McElderry Books

**The journey to save Oz has only just begun!**

Glinda and her friends have successfully vanquished the Witch of the South, the first of the four Wicked Witches. But her task is far from over. Before she can lead the good fairyfolk of Oz in a revolution that has been ages in the making, Glinda must first hone her magical talents.

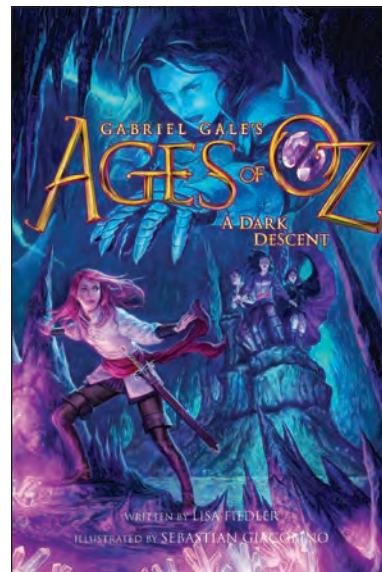
So, with the fate of her mother—and all of Oz—hanging in the balance, Glinda struggles to locate a mysterious teacher called Mythra, who is the only one who can guide her in reaching her mystic potential and becoming the powerful sorceress she is destined to be. While Glinda searches far and wide for her mentor, the fiery-spirited Locasta finds herself undertaking an equally important search—for the Elemental Fairy of Lurl, and the means with which to destroy the Wicked Witch of the North.

Glinda, Locasta, Ben, and Shade bravely continue their mission, teaming up with some very welcome—and very unexpected—allies along the way. Together they prove that there is no hope for the future if one is not willing to learn from the past.

**Publication Date:** May 2018

**Ages:** 8–12

**Page Extent:** 320 pp





## LUCY CASTOR FINDS HER SPARKLE

By Natasha Lowe  
Imprint: Paula Wiseman Books

**Try though she might, ten-year-old Lucy Castor can't seem to stop the world around her from changing in this charming and funny novel by Natasha Lowe in the tradition of Roald Dahl.**

Lucy's life is perfect and she doesn't want to change a thing. Everyone is growing up around her, and Lucy wants things to stay just as they are. Then she discovers her mother is having another baby, and Lucy is sure that her parents don't want her anymore. Classic, heartwarming, and quirky, this is a story about holding on to the magic of childhood.

**Publication Date:** February 2018

**Ages:** 8–12

**Page Extent:** 240 pp

## POSTCARDS FROM VENICE

By Dee Romito  
Imprint: Aladdin

**Twelve-year-old Skyler is in for a summer of adventure in Venice, Italy, as she pursues a dream opportunity in this companion to *The BFF Bucket List*.**

Skyler is about to go on the biggest adventure of her life. Her mother has been relocated to Venice, Italy, and there is the possibility it could be a permanent move. While there, Skyler will be blogging and writing about the city as part of an informal internship that could lead to bigger things for her if all goes well.

One of her fellow interns, Logan, is cool, cute, and Australian. But the other intern, Zara, seems determined to sabotage all of Skyler's suggestions. And with a big assignment coming up, Skyler is stumped as to what to write about.

Skyler wishes she has someone to talk to, but the first person who comes to mind isn't even on the same continent: her BFF, Ella. Skyler knows that Ella would probably have a solution to a lot of her problems, especially the writer's block, but they didn't leave on the best of terms after a bucket list went a little awry. Thanks to technology, Skyler and Ella slowly begin to talk like old times.

But when one of Skyler's blog posts gets replaced with one she never intended anyone to see, she isn't sure if she can ever belong anywhere. With the help of some Italian magic and her oldest friend, can Skyler learn to love her new city?

**Publication Date:** May 2018

**Ages:** 9–13

**Page Extent:** 256 pp





## ROSETOWN

By Cynthia Rylant  
Imprint: Beach Lane Books

**From Newbery Medal winner Cynthia Rylant, the story of nine-year-old Flora Smallwood's eventful year in quiet Rosetown, Indiana**

For nine-year-old Flora Smallwood, Rosetown, Indiana, is full of surprises, many of the best of which happen at the Wing and a Chair Used Book Shop, where she loves to read vintage children's books after school in the faded purple chair in the window.

But lately those surprises haven't been so good. Her dear old dog, Laurence, recently passed away. Not long after, her parents decided to take a breather from their marriage, and now Flora has to move back and forth between their two houses. Plus, she's just begun fourth grade, and it is *so* much different than third.

Luckily, Flora has two wonderful friends—one new and one old. And with them around to share thoughts and laughs and adventures big and small, life in Rosetown still has many sweet moments—and even some *very* happy surprises!

**Publication Date:** May 2018

**Ages:** 8–12

**Page Extent:** 128 pp

## THE HOTEL BETWEEN

By Sean Easley  
Imprint: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers

**A new high-stakes fantasy-adventure series that's perfect for fans of *The Name of This Book Is Secret***

With a twin sister who is constantly in and out of doctors' offices and hospitals because of her spina bifida, it's only to be expected that twelve-year-old Cam Weiss is always on the lookout for danger. But that doesn't stop him from taking a closer look when he notices a mysterious door decorated with the design of a tree that matches the tree on the coins he and Cass were given as infants by their father before he disappeared.

And that's how Cam discovers the magical Hotel Between, with doors that lead all over the world, where staff and guests ride enchanted elephants through Africa, walk through the secret passages beneath the Great Wall of China, and swim through glittering grottos in Bermuda that make up the hotel's pool. It's also where he befriends a boy named Nico, who suspects that the hotel is somehow tied to his father's disappearance.

Cam is willing to pay any price to find his father, but when his search puts those he cares about in peril—including his sister—he must fix his mistakes or risk losing his family and new friends for good.

**Publication Date:** September 2018

**Ages:** 9–12

**Page Extent:** 352 pp





## THE EMPRESS

By S. J. Kincaid

Imprint: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers

**The thrilling sequel to S. J. Kincaid's *New York Times* bestselling novel *The Diabolic*, which *Teen Vogue* online called "the perfect kind of high-pressure adventure."**

It's a new day in the Empire. Tyrus has ascended to the throne with Nemesis by his side and now they can find a new way forward—one where they don't have to hide or scheme or kill. One where creatures like Nemesis will be given worth and recognition, where science and information can be shared with everyone and not just the elite.

But having power isn't the same thing as keeping it, and change isn't always welcome. The ruling class, the Grandiloquy, has held control over planets and systems for centuries—and they are plotting to stop this teenage Emperor and Nemesis, who is considered nothing more than a creature and certainly not worthy of being Empress.

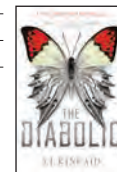
Nemesis will protect Tyrus at any cost. He is the love of her life, and they are partners in this new beginning. But she cannot protect him by being the killing machine she once was. She will have to prove the humanity that she's found inside herself to the whole Empire—or she and Tyrus may lose more than just the throne. But if proving her humanity means that she and Tyrus must do inhuman things, is the fight worth the cost of winning it?

**Publication Date:** October 2017

**Ages:** 14 up

**Page Extent:** 384 pp

**RIGHTS SOLD FOR *THE DIABOLIC*:** Bulgarian, Czech, Danish, Dutch, Estonian, French, German, Greek, Hebrew, Hungarian, Italian, Polish, Portuguese (Brazil), Portuguese (Portugal), Romanian, Russian, Serbian, Spanish, Swedish, Thai, Turkish, UK, Ukrainian



## THE DEVIL'S THIEF

By Lisa Maxwell

Imprint: Simon Pulse

**The spellbinding sequel to the *New York Times* bestselling novel *The Last Magician*, following Esta and Harte on a cross-country chase to save the future of magic**

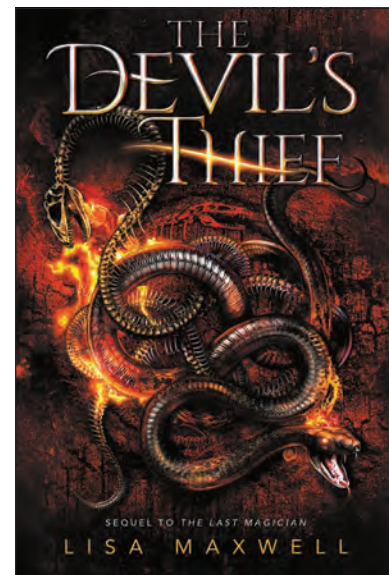
Esta and Harte must team up and use their powers to safely cross the Brink. The two find themselves on a race through time across the United States to track down four powerful stones they need to save the magical world from Professor Lachlan. And failure could mean the end of magic's very existence—and death for all magic users.

**Publication Date:** November 2018

**Ages:** 14 up

**Page Extent:** 512 pp

**RIGHTS SOLD:** Dutch, French, Polish, Portuguese (Brazil), Russian, Spanish, Turkish





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## FROM TWINKLE, WITH LOVE

By Sandhya Menon  
Imprint: Simon Pulse

**The much-anticipated next book from Sandhya Menon, author of the *New York Times* bestseller *When Dimple Met Rishi*.**

Aspiring filmmaker and wallflower Twinkle Mehra has stories she wants to tell and universes she wants to explore, if only the world would listen. So when fellow film geek Sahil Roy approaches her to direct a movie for the upcoming summer festival, Twinkle is all over it. The chance to publicly showcase her voice as a director? Dream come true. The fact that it gets her closer to longtime crush Neil Roy—aka Sahil’s twin brother? Dream come true x 2.

When mystery man N begins e-mailing her, Twinkle is sure it’s Neil, finally ready to begin their happily-ever-after. The only *slightly* inconvenient problem is that, in the course of movie-making, she’s fallen in love with the irresistibly *adorable* Sahil.

Twinkle soon realizes that resistance is futile: The romance she’s got is not the one she scripted. But will it be enough?

Told through the letters Twinkle writes to her favorite female filmmakers, *From Twinkle, With Love* navigates big truths about friendship, family, and the unexpected places love can find you.

**Publication Date:** June 2018

**Ages:** 12 up

**Page Extent:** 320 pp

**RIGHTS SOLD FOR *WHEN DIMPLE MET RISHI*:** French, Indonesian, Turkish, UK



## A KISS IN THE DARK

By Gina Ciocca  
Imprint: Simon Pulse

**After being kissed when the lights go out during a high school rally, Macy is determined to figure out who the culprit is in this funny and achingly romantic novel from the author of *Last Year’s Mistake*.**

Shocked to find herself in the arms of a boy who kisses her senseless—but is gone by the time the lights come back on—all Macy Atwood knows for sure is that there was something special and familiar about her mystery kisser.

Noah Granger, Ridgedale’s newest transfer student, has no problem taking credit for the kiss, but Macy can’t shake the feeling that he’s lying. Especially since a photograph of Macy and former star athlete Joel Hargrove resurfaced online moments before the blackout, a not-so-random reminder of how hard she fell for Joel last year. And how doing so ultimately sent her lifelong friendships with Meredith Kopala and Ben Collins up in literal smoke.

But the closer Macy gets to figuring it all out, the more she starts to worry that the boy who kissed her in the dark and the boy who is stealing her heart might be two very different people

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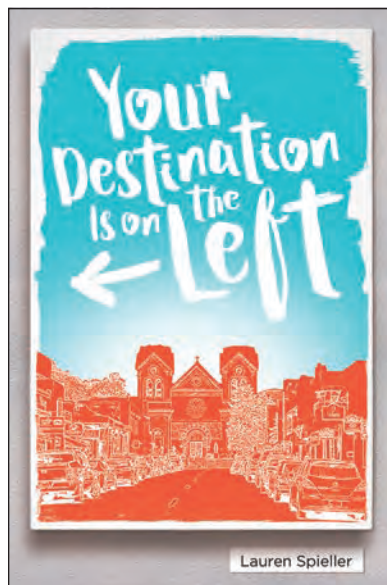
**Ages:** 14 up

**Page Extent:** 352 pp

**RIGHTS SOLD FOR *LAST YEAR’S MISTAKE*:** German







COVER NOT FINAL

## YOUR DESTINATION IS ON THE LEFT

By Lauren Spieller

Imprint: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers

**Seventeen-year-old Dessa Rhodes is torn between leaving her modern nomadic life and pursuing her dreams of becoming an artist in this fun, contemporary debut that's perfect for fans of Sarah Dessen and Morgan Matson.**

Dessa Rhodes is a modern-day nomad. Her family travels in an RV, their lives defined by state lines, exit signs, and the small communal caravan they call home. Among them is Cyrus, her best friend and long-time crush, whom she knows she can never be with. When your families are perpetually linked, it's too dangerous to take a risk on romance.

Instead, Dessa looks to the future. She wants to be a real artist, and going to art school is her ticket to success and a new life. There's just one problem: she hasn't been accepted . . . anywhere. Suddenly her future is wide open, and it looks like she's going to be stuck traveling forever.

Then an unexpected opportunity presents itself: an internship working with a local artist in Santa Fe. Dessa struggles to prove to her boss—and herself—that she belongs there, but just as she finally hits her stride, her family suffers an unexpected blow. Faced with losing everything that she has worked for, Dessa has a difficult decision to make. Will she say good-bye to her nomadic lifestyle and the boy she loves? Or will she choose to never stop moving?

**Publication Date:** June 2018

**Ages:** 14 up

**Page Extent:** 320 pp

## THE DEAD ENDERS

By Erin Saldin

Imprint: Simon Pulse

**For fans of *One of Us Is Lying*, this novel, set during the summer in the small tourist town of Gold Fork, features four teens at very different crossroads in their lives, all sharing one goal—escape Gold Fork by any means necessary.**

In a place like Gold Fork, sometimes a secret is the only thing that's really yours. And Ana, Erik, Davis, and Georgie know a thing or two about secrets. Bound together by a horrible accident from their pasts, the friendship forged years ago in a youth group led by Davis's pastor mother has managed to last through high school. They don't agree on much, but, in a town full of weekenders, they all know what it's like to be a dead ender—fated to stay trapped in a tourist town for the rest of their lives.

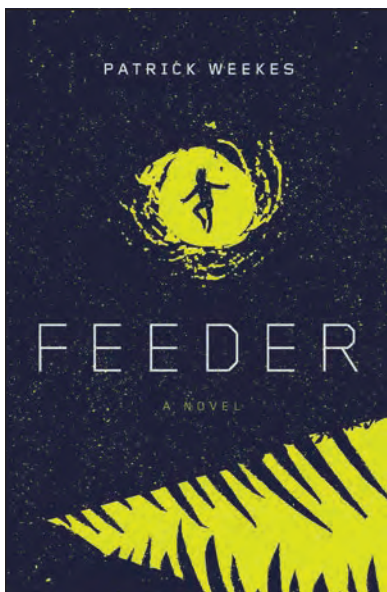
Each of them has a plan to get out, but it won't be easy. And now, with an arsonist working his way through the town and setting it ablaze, moving ahead with their lives will be even harder. These four dead enders are about to find out just how much there is to lose in Gold Fork.

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**Page Extent:** 320 pp





## FEEDER

By Patrick Weekes  
Imprint: Margaret K. McElderry Books

**A monster-hunter teams up with superpowered teens to protect her brother in this fast-paced adventure novel that's *X-Men* meets *Men in Black*.**

Lori Fisher hunts monsters. Not with a sword or a gun, but with the help of an interdimensional creature called Handler. Together, Lori and Handler take down creatures they call “feeders”—aliens who prey on mankind. Lori corners the feeder, and Handler’s impossibly large jaws appear to drag the feeder out of our dimension. It’s as though Lori isn’t human at all . . . rather, she is the bright shining lure to Handler’s galactic anglerfish.

It’s an isolated life—until a job goes wrong and Lori stumbles into an experiment conducted by the mysterious Lake Foundation: an experiment that involves kidnapping teenagers. When Lori saves the teens, the Lake Foundation begins to hunt them all down. With their fates bound together, the teens race to uncover what the Lake Foundation is up to, and what it has to do with the aquatic superpowers the teens have developed.

Lori is sure these kids are humans, even if they have powers. But she’s also sure she’s not human at all. Could she possibly be a feeder too? And if she is, what does that make Handler?

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**Page Extent:** 304 pp

## ARC OF A SCYTHE #2: THUNDERHEAD

By Neal Shusterman  
Imprint: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers

**In the thrilling sequel to the Printz Honor Book *Scythe*, old foes and new enemies converge. And as corruption within the Scythedom spreads, Rowan and Citra begin to lose hope.**

The Thunderhead cannot interfere in the affairs of the Scythedom. All it can do is observe—it does not like what it sees.

A year has passed since Rowan had gone off grid. Since then, he has become an urban legend, a vigilante snuffing out corrupt scythes in a trial by fire. His story is told in whispers across the continent.

As Scythe Anastasia, Citra gleans with compassion and openly challenges the ideals of the “new order.” But when her life is threatened and her methods questioned, it becomes clear that not everyone is open to the change.

Will the Thunderhead intervene?

Or will it simply watch as this perfect world begins to unravel?

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**RIGHTS SOLD:** Bulgarian, Chinese (complex), Czech, French, Indonesian, Korean, Polish, Portuguese (Brazil), Romanian, Russian, Serbian, Spanish, Thai, Turkish, UK



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## THROW YOUR ARM ACROSS YOUR EYES AND SCREAM

By Christian McKay Heidicker  
Imprint: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers

***Cure for the Common Universe* author Christian McKay Heidicker returns with a read like none other, bravely challenging perceived notions of beauty, identity, and modern voyeurism—perfect for fans of Andrew Smith's *Grasshopper Jungle*.**

Phoebe Darrow's mom has never had the best luck with men. First she was kidnapped by the infamous King Kong, the gigantic ape who carried her to the top of the Empire State Building. And then there's Phoebe's father—a titan who fills the sky and is invisible to everyone but their family of two. Wherever Daddy's gaze lands, a Shiver appears, bringing flying saucers, flesh-eating plants, or gigantic radioactive insects, and giving Phoebe and her mother mere moments to escape to the next motel.

All Phoebe wants is to stop jumping from town to town and begin living her own life. But after her mom mysteriously vanishes with no evidence, save spilled nail polish and an odd Pomeranian, Phoebe is left all alone in the small town of Pennybrooke . . . right where her father is staring. That's when she starts to slowly transform.

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**RIGHTS SOLD FOR *CURE FOR THE COMMON UNIVERSE*:** Danish, Portuguese (Brazil), Romanian

## SOCIAL INTERCOURSE

By Greg Howard  
Imprint: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers

**A hilarious story of the trials and triumphs of Beckett Gaines, a gay teen living in South Carolina, and Jaxon, the jock who turns Beck's world upside down.**

**Beck:** A *Golden Girl*-loving, quick-witted, out-and-proud, gay high-school senior in a conservative southern town.

**Jax:** The Golden Boy, a football star and the student council president, who may not be exactly who everyone believes he is.

Beck's dad recently started dating one of Jax's moms, and they now want their sons to help organize the town's first Rainbow Prom. In elementary school, the boys were friends, but things are different now. And as they try to work together—using the prom to break up their parents—it looks as though they are going to find out exactly *how* different things can become.

In this hilarious novel, Greg Howard has created some unforgettable high-school kids finding their place in a world that better be ready for them.

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## I HAVE THE RIGHT TO

By Chessy Prout with Jenn Abelson  
Imprint: Margaret K. McElderry Books

**A young survivor tells her searing, visceral story of sexual assault, justice, and healing in this gut-wrenching memoir.**

The numbers are staggering: nearly one in five girls ages fourteen to seventeen have been the victim of a sexual assault or attempted sexual assault. This is the true story of one of those girls.

In 2014, Chessy Prout was a freshman at St. Paul's school, a prestigious boarding school in New Hampshire, when a senior boy sexually assaulted her as part of a senior ritual. Chessy bravely reported her assault to the police and testified against her attacker in court. Then, in the face of unfathomable backlash from her once trusted school community, she shed her anonymity to help other survivors find their voice.

This memoir is more than an account of a horrific event; it takes a magnifying glass to the institutions that turn a blind eye to such behavior and a society that blames victims rather than attackers, while offering real, powerful solutions to upending rape culture as we know it today.

Prepare to be inspired by this remarkable young woman and her story of survival, advocacy, and hope in the face of unspeakable trauma.

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## LIFE INSIDE MY MIND

Edited by Jessica Burkhart  
Imprint: Simon Pulse

**Favorite YA authors recount their own experiences with mental health issues in this raw, real, and powerful collection of essays that explores everything from ADD to PTSD.**

Have you ever felt like you just couldn't get out of bed? Not the occasional morning, but every day? Do you find yourself listening to a voice in your head that says you're not good enough, not good-looking enough, not thin enough, or not smart enough? Have you ever found yourself unable to do homework or pay attention in class unless everything is "just so" on your desk? Everyone has had days like that, but what if you have them *every day*? You're not alone. Millions of people are going through similar things.

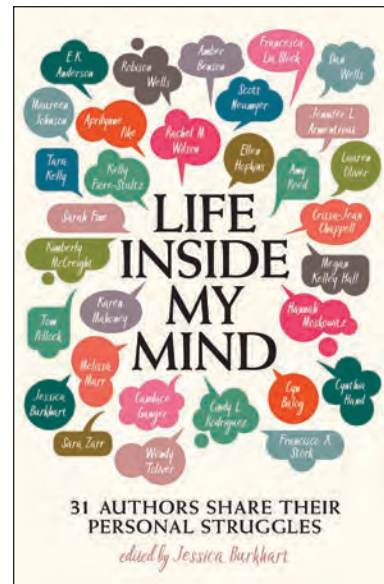
*Life Inside My Mind* is an anthology of true-life events from writers of this generation for this generation. These essays tackle everything from neurodiversity to addiction, to OCD and PTSD. The goals of this book range from providing support to those who are feeling alone and awareness to those who are witnessing a friend or family member struggle, and to opening the floodgates to conversation.

Participating writers include E. K. Anderson, J. L. Armentrout, Cyn Balog, Amber Benson, Francesca Lia Block, Jessica Burkhart, Crissa Chappell, Sarah Fine, Kelly Fiore, Candace Ganger, Kami Garcia, Megan Kelley Hall, Cynthia Hand, Ellen Hopkins, Maureen Johnson, Tara Kelly, Bennett Madison, Karen Mahoney, Melissa Marr, Kimberly McCreight, Hannah Moskowitz, Scott Neumyer, Lauren Oliver, Aprilynne Pike, Tom Pollack, Amy Reed, Cindy Rodriguez, Francisco Stork, Wendy Toliver, Rob Wells, Dan Wells, Rachel M. Wilson, and Sara Zarr.

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