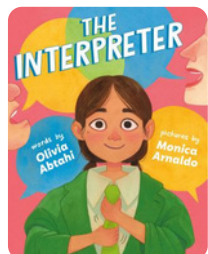


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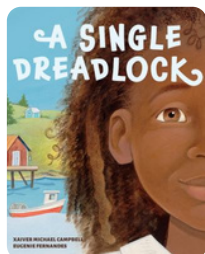
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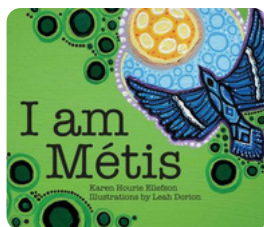
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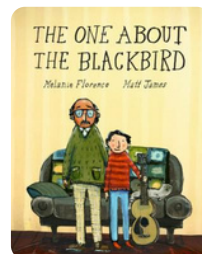
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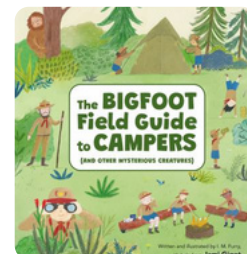
**A Single Dreadlock**  
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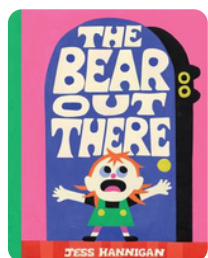
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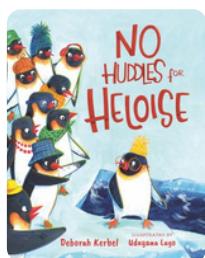
**The One About the Blackbird**  
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**The Bigfoot Field Guide to Campers (And Other Mysterious Creatures)**  
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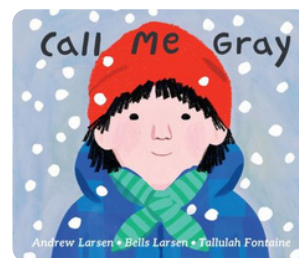
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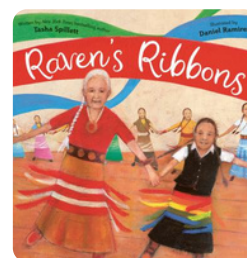
**No Huddles for Heloise**  
Deborah Kerbel  
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**Everybelly**  
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**Call Me Gray**  
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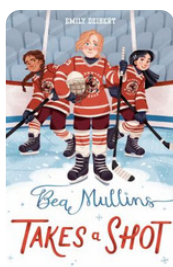


**Raven's Ribbons**  
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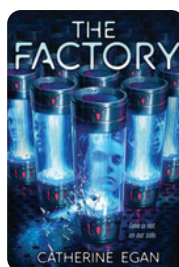
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**Something's Up With Arlo**  
Matteo L. Cerilli  
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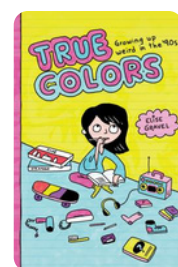
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Emily Deibert  
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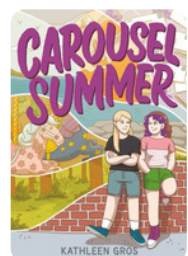
**The Factory**  
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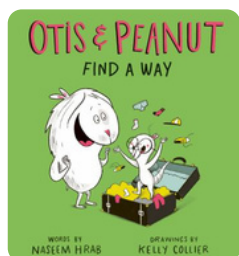
**The Rehearsal Club**  
Kate Fodor & Laurie Petrou  
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**True Colors: Growing Up Weird in the 90s**  
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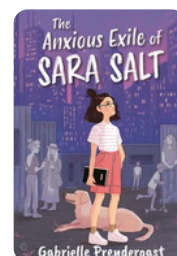
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Kathleen Gros  
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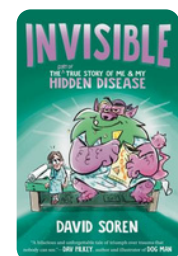
**Otis & Peanut Find a Way**  
Naseem Hrab  
illus. Kelly Collier  
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**Benny on the Case**  
Wesley King  
Simon and Schuster



**The Anxious Exile of Sara Salt**  
Gabrielle Prendergast  
Orca



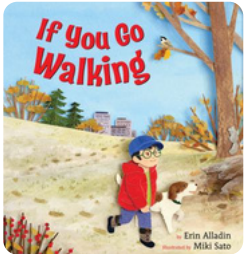
**Invisible: The (sort of) True Story of Me And My Hidden Disease**  
David Soren  
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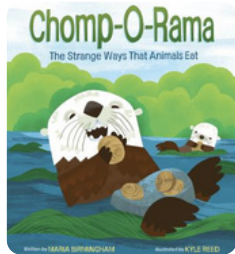
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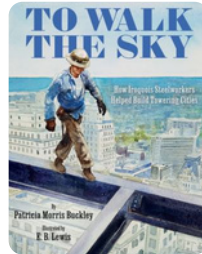
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Erin Alladin  
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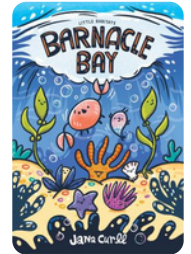
**Chomp-O-Rama: The Strange Ways That Animals Eat**  
Maria Birmingham  
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**To Walk the Sky: How Iroquois Steelworkers Helped Build Towering Cities**  
Patricia Morris Buckley  
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Heartdrum



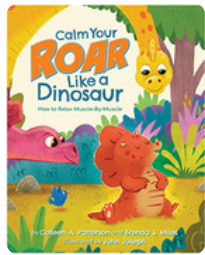
**Star Sailor, The Story of Words**  
Sara Cassidy  
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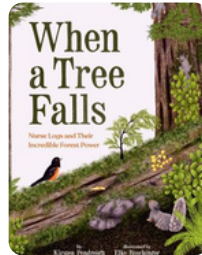
**Barnacle Bay**  
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Greystone Kids



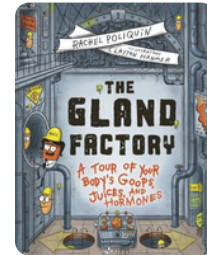
**Burst Your Bubble: Outsmart the Algorithms and See What You're Missing**  
Joyce Grant  
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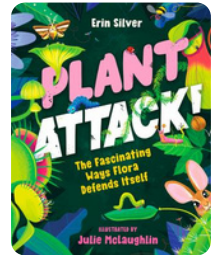
**Calm Your Roar Like a Dinosaur: How to Relax Muscle by Muscle**  
Brenda S. Miles, Colleen A. Patterson  
illus. John Joseph  
Magination Press



**When a Tree Falls: Nurse Logs and Their Incredible Forest Power**  
Kirsten Pendreigh  
illus. Elke Boschinger  
Chronicle Books



**The Gland Factory**  
Rachel Poliquin  
illus. Hanmer Clayton  
Greystone Kids



**Plant Attack! The Fascinating Ways Flora Defends Itself**  
Erin Silver  
illus. Julie McLaughlin  
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## Young Adult



**Recommended Reading**  
Paul Coccia  
Zando Young Readers



**The History of Everything**  
Victoria Evans  
HarperCollins



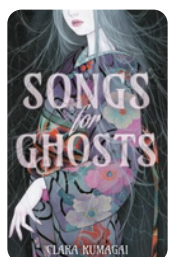
**Can Posters Kill? Antisemitic Propaganda and WWII**  
Jerry Faivish  
with Kathryn Cole  
Second Story Press



**The Haunted Blizzard**  
Aviaq Johnston  
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Inhabit Media



**You Started It**  
Jackie Khalilieh  
Tundra



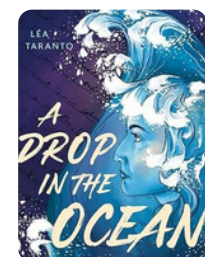
**Songs for Ghosts**  
Clara Kumagai  
Penguin Teen Canada



**Breath of the Dragon**  
Shannon Lee & Fonda Lee  
Wednesday Books



**Meet Me at Blue Hour**  
Sarah Suk  
HarperCollins



**A Drop in the Ocean**  
Léa Taranto  
Arsenal Pulp Press



**The Omen Girl**  
Yueh Yang  
Wattpad Books