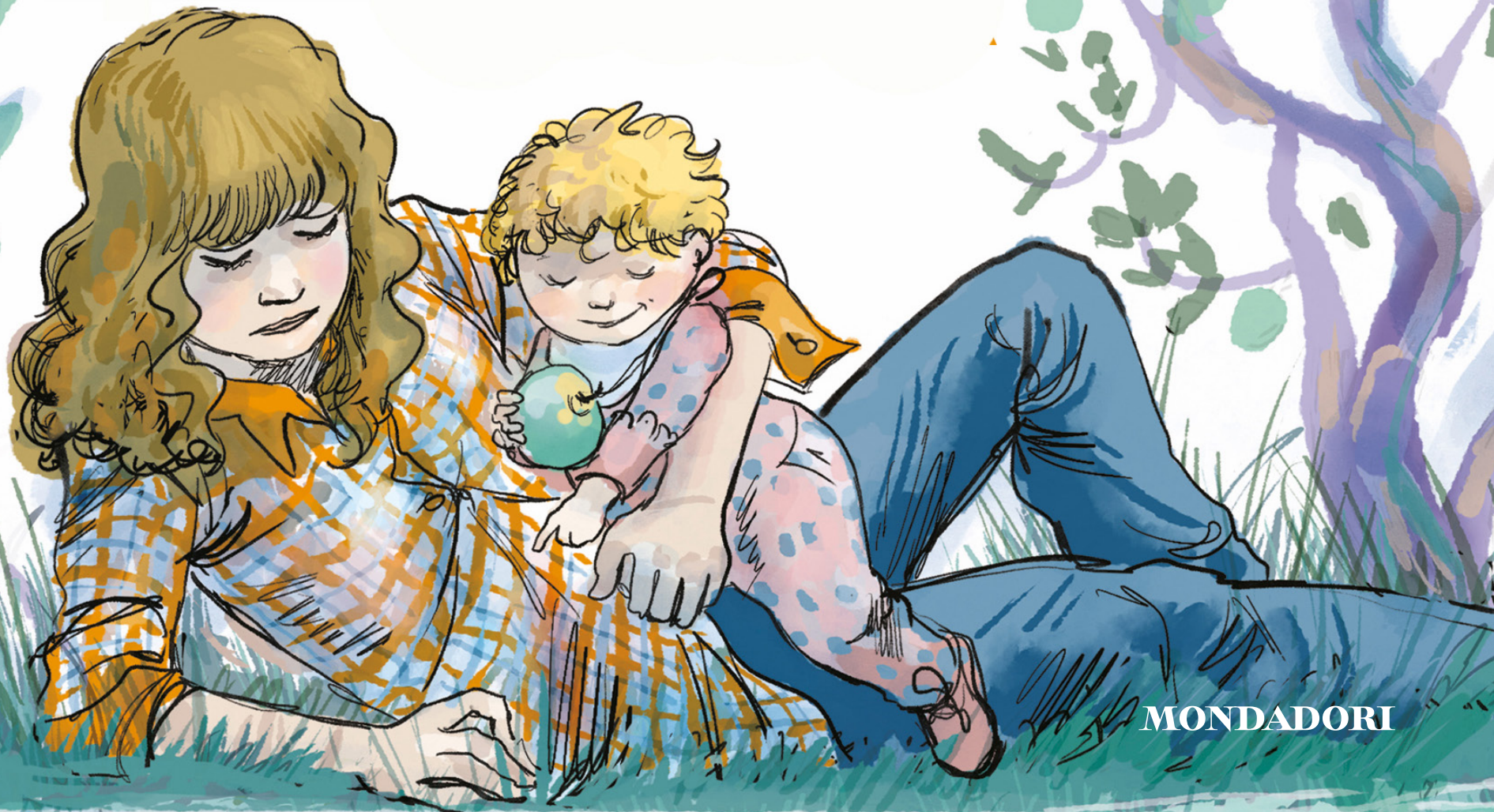


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# SUMMARY

Fiction	3
Illustrated books	47
Non-fiction	58

# Fiction





FICTION

14 x 21,5 cm | 240 pages  
hardcover w/flaps  
March 2022

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**NEW**

LOCKED OUT

MARCO MALVALDI  
SAMANTHA BRUZZONE

*Masterfully constructed according to the golden rules of the classic detective story.*

Life in Colliorotondo is quiet – maybe too quiet, as Zoe would immediately say, mixing disgust and sarcasm on her face as a fourteen-year-old in a hurry to grow up. There are few houses, many old people, and the only attraction is a starred restaurant, which her brother Achille - eleven years old and a [presumed] future as a chef - has immediately declared he absolutely must try. But when the owner of the restaurant is found shot dead, the boring provincial town becomes the scene of a thrilling mystery. Achille and Zoe, avid readers of Agatha Christie, begin to see suspicious signs. And it will be precisely their attentive, never predictable, and capable of overturning the usual codes that will give the investigation a fundamental turn...

**MARCO MALVALDI** chemist and researcher at the University of Pisa. He made his debut in 2007 with the BarLume series and he's been at the top of the Italian fiction charts ever since. The highly successful TV series "I delitti del BarLume" was based on the novels. His books are successfully translated abroad (in German, French, Spanish, English).

**SAMANTHA BRUZZONE** is a former chemical researcher, she is co-author of several books by her husband Marco Malvaldi.

THE FIRST NOVEL FOR CHILDREN  
BY THE BEST-SELLING AUTHOR  
OF THE ITALIAN DETECTIVE STORY!

A MISTERY NOVEL FULL OF TWISTS,  
HILARIOUS CHARACTERS AND PURE FUN.



FICTION

14 x 21,5 cm | 280 pages  
hardcover w/jacket  
ill. Teresa Cherubini  
February 2022

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NEW

## THE OPHELIA BLOOM ACADEMY FOR MAGICAL CREATURES

10+

ELISA BINDA, MATTIA PEREGO

*An enthralling urban fantasy  
that deals with disability and illness in adolescents.*

The Ophelia Bloom Academy for Magical Creatures is open to all those young people who, for various reasons, do not feel accepted and understood in other schools. Children for whom human life has never been easy, but who become true prodigies when they assume their magical forms. Tea is a newly-arrived and extremely powerful dyslexic witch. Here at the school, she meets the best friends she could ever imagine. All together they encounter fearsome enemies great challenges that will make them stronger, more resolute and brave.

ELISA BINDA, MATTIA PEREGO are a couple in advertising and in real life. Following the birth of their first son, they discovered their passion for writing for a young audience.

A PLACE EXISTS IN WHICH FRAGILITY  
AND LIMITS BECOME PURE STRENGTH.

AMAZING CHARACTERS, AN ENDEARING PLOT  
WITH ALL THE PERFECT INGREDIENTS  
(FRIENDSHIP, LOVE, FANTASTIC CREATURES,  
MAGIC, MYSTERY, SCHOOL LIFE,  
POWERFUL TEACHERS, FEARSOME ENEMIES)  
MADE UP OF A REFRESHING ORIGINALITY.



## GRAPHIC NOVELS

25,5 x 19 cm | 160 pages  
hardcover  
ill. Laura Scarpa  
June 2022

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**NEW**



## SYMPHONY LAURENTINA + VIOLANTE

10+

BIANCA PITZORNO

*For the first time, two of Bianca Pitzorno's most beloved novels are coming out as comics.*

Barbara is forced to move to Milan because her mother is getting married again, and is also pregnant. As if all that wasn't enough, the image she's seen in the mirror has suddenly become that of an awkward, overweight teenager. Barbara grows increasingly frustrated and rebellious, and the situation only gets worse when Laurentina is born. She misses exchanging thoughts and secrets with her best friends so much! But now the endless summers in the mountains at her grandfather's house with her three special friends are just a memory. Until...

**BIANCA PITZORNO** is considered one of the most important Italian authors for children. After a degree in Ancient Literature, she specialized in cinema and television working at RAI on famous cultural and children's programs. She has published more than forty books that earned incredible success and have been translated all over the world. In 2012, she was a finalist in the Andersen International Prize.

**LAURA SCARPA** is a comic-book author, illustrator, editor and teacher at various schools, including her online School of Comics. She has written and drawn stories for the most well-known Italian magazines.



SUSANNA  
MATTIANGELI

MARIACHIARA  
DI GIORGIO



# Aldo & Rosa

Quando l'amicizia  
vola alto



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## GRAPHIC NOVEL

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FRIENDSHIP  
BEYOND  
IMAGINATION.



## ALDO & ROSA

SUSANNA MATTIANGELI  
MARIACHIARA DI GIORGIO

*A story for those who welcome all the possibilities  
and also for those who, at least, try to do so.*

Are dreams and thoughts imaginary or real? What a question, of course they are real: we see them, we hear them; they always accompany us. Rosa's thoughts are shaped like Aldo, her funny invisible friend, large enough to hold everything a little girl can think of: dreams, ideas and most of all questions. Rosa likes all kind of questions except those of careless people who always ask her: are you a boy or a girl? She has very short hair and for this reason she is often considered a boy. But Rosa is Rosa and that should be enough.

Aldo and Rosa playing with dreams and questions venture around the world to seek out-of-the-ordinary answers.

**SUSANNA MATTIANGELI** graduated in history of Art. She works for the theater and stop-motion animations and with narrative techniques projects for children. In 2018 winner of the Andersen Prize as Best Writer. Her books are published in France, Spain, Germany, US, China, Turkey, Portugal.

**MARIACHIARA DI GIORGIO** graduated in illustration. She works as a cartoonist and concept designer for films and commercials. She exhibited at the Bologna Children's Book Fair (2015, 2016) and at the Society of Illustrators in New York. In 2018 she won the Sorcière Prize and the Andersen Prize. Her books are published in France, UK, Spain, The Netherlands, Germany, Spain.

AN IRONIC AND A LITTLE  
PHILOSOPHICAL STORY THAT  
MAKES US UNDERSTAND  
HOW IMPORTANT IS TO  
FACE GROWTH CHALLENGES  
TOGETHER WITH A GOOD  
FRIEND.



10+



FICTION

14 x 21,5 cm | 250 pages  
hardcover w/jacket  
August 2022

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NEW

THE CORSAIRS OF TIME

PIER VITTORIO MANNUCCI

12+

*Pirates and time travels, a fantastic adventure among suggestive ports located in times and spaces.*

Running away from the usual bullies on her way out of school, Sofia loses her balance and falls into the void from the belvedere. The fatal fall is incredibly halted on the deck of a ship: Sofia has been saved by Huck, a Corsair who sails the River of Time and takes Sofia as his "cabin boy". The Corsairs sail from one era to another on the Vessels-Vectors, and they are the only ones who know how to use the Blades that pierce the veil of time and space. That's why the Corsairs are hired by wealthy people for delicate and dangerous missions through time. Sofia will face dangers and amazing adventures until, on the most dangerous mission, she discovers that Huck's past hides a secret. Amazing settings, dangerous missions between eras, betrayals and twists and turns: the adventure that will lead Sofia to become Ottima, the most legendary Corsair ever!

**PIER VITTORIO MANNUCCI** is Assistant Professor in Organizational Behavior at London Business School. His studies focus on creativity in business and how to stimulate it at various stages of a career. Having grown up with the great classics of children's literature, he decided to try his hand at adventure himself and "I Corsari del Tempo" is his first novel.

A BREATHTAKING ADVENTURE,  
AN EXTRAORDINARY  
COMING-OF-AGE STORY,  
A STRIKING DEBUT.





PAOLA PREDICATORI

# il CIELO S'è SEMPRE BLU

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hardcover w/jacket  
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NEW

THE SKY IS ALWAYS BLUE

PAOLA PREDICATORI

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*"This is the story of how I became an iron child."*

"Some little girls are made of sugar, some of bread, some of iron. But you, you're a good little girl." This is what Grandpa told Agnese before he was hospitalized, leaving her in the hands of another Romani family that doesn't feel like her own. Agnese still doesn't know what kind of little girl she is. She only knows that Achille, a Hovawart puppy stolen by her cousin Anton, must be returned to his owner, no matter the cost. On the other side of Italy, meanwhile, Michele waits to be reunited with his dog and to conquer his fears.

PAOLA PREDICATORI has a degree in Languages and Humanities, has been teaching for many years as well as working in the world of books and publishing. An avid reader and lover of children's books and educational stories, she made her debut in 2012 with *My Winter in Zerolandia*, published by Rizzoli.

THE ADVENTUROUS ROAD TRIP OF A  
LITTLE ROMANI GIRL TO RETURN A  
STOLEN DOG TO ITS LITTLE OWNER.

A MOVING ADVENTURE  
DRIVEN BY THE SEARCH  
FOR JUSTICE AND FREEDOM.



MARIO DESIATI

# Sognando il Gatto

UN SUD SENZA TEMPO.  
I SOGNI DI QUATTRO RAGAZZI.  
UN INCONTRO MAGICO.

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FICTION

14,0 X 21,5 cm | 144 pages  
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NEW

DREAMING OF GATTO

MARIO DESIATI

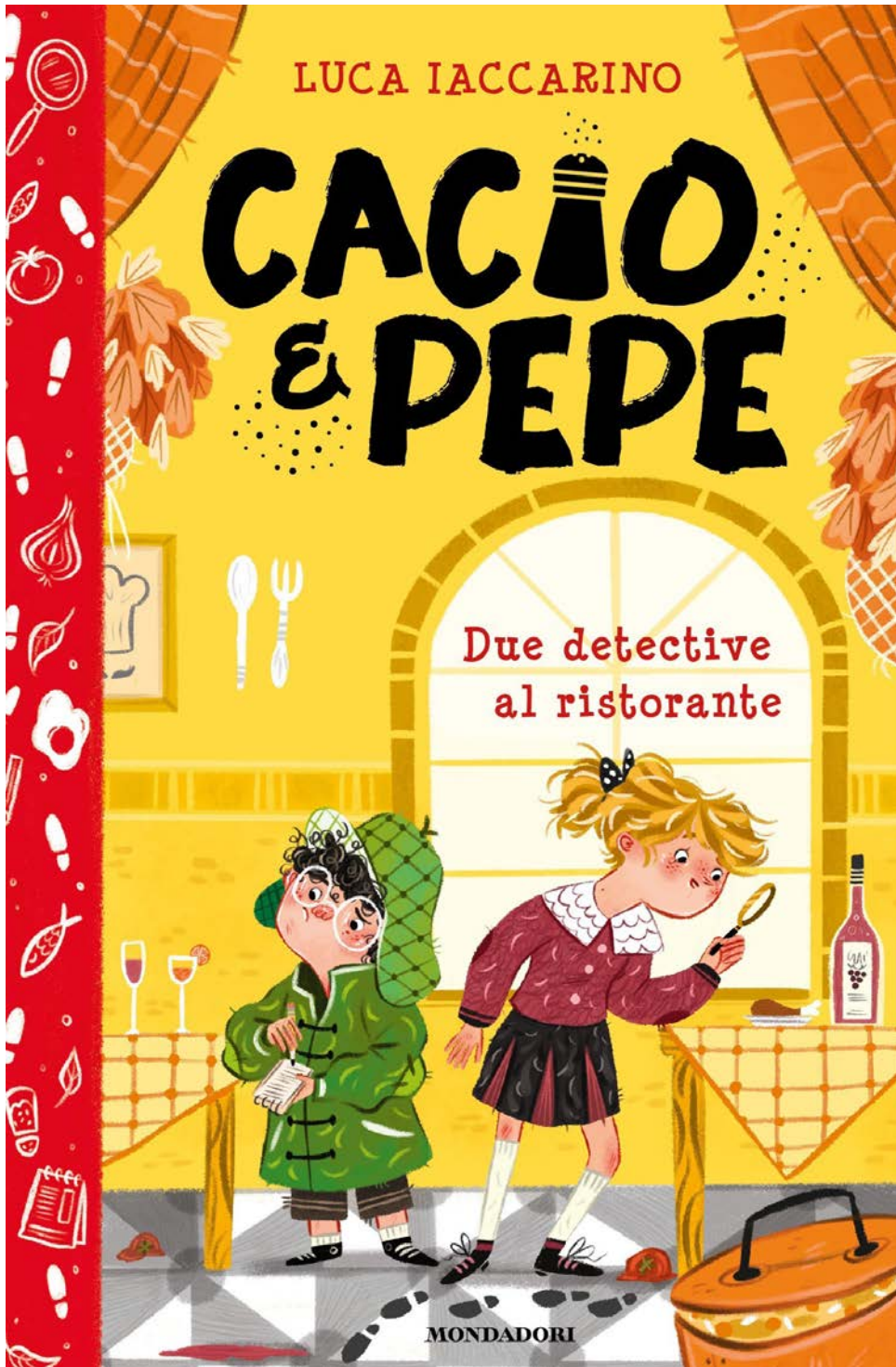
*The timeless south of Italy. The dreams of four boys.  
A magical encounter.*

Massafra, Puglia, the Sixties. The Cavone, now a dry river surrounded by rocks and caves, is where all the children with nowhere else to go call home. This is where Cicalino lives, with his head filled with dreams and fantasies. Only Pepe and Diavolo, his friends, and Spinetta, his true love, have the ears open enough to listen to him and the right heart to understand him. When a film crew comes to town with its strange shock of machines and modernity to shoot a film by Pier Paolo Pasolini, the children can't believe that Gatto, the only adult capable of seeing the world through their eyes, is part of it too. And it's Gatto who is the only one who can teach Cicalino to be himself.

MARIO DESIATI is one of the most beloved voices of Italian literature today. He has published, among others, *Il paese delle spose infelici* (on which the film of the same name by Pippo Mezzapesa was based), *Ternitti* (finalist for the Strega Prize) and two novels for children, *Mare di zucchero* and *Con le ali ai piedi*, published by Mondadori. His latest book *Spatriati* was published by Einaudi in 2021.

IN HIS POETIC STYLE, MARIO DESIATI  
LEADS US INTO A FORGOTTEN,  
RURAL WORLD WHERE REALITY BLURS WITH MAGIC  
AND EVERYTHING IS SHROUDED IN ENCHANTMENT.

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LUCA IACCARINO

# CACIO & PEPE

Due detective  
al ristorante

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hardcover  
ill. Laura Proietti  
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**NEW**

SOME  
RESTAURANTS  
ARE COOKING  
UP TASTY  
MYSTERIES  
IN THEIR  
KITCHENS!

CACIO & PEPE:  
TWO DETECTIVES,  
ONE RESTAURANT

LUCA IACCARINO

*A little culinary mystery, written by a real food critic  
dedicated to children's literature.*

Cacio and Pepe are brother and sister and their mother is Elvira di Montalcino, one of the most feared restaurant critics in the country. The restaurants she doesn't like close in a heartbeat! One evening, at dinner in a prestigious restaurant, Elvira is horrified to discover that she has lost her taste. Has someone possibly tried to poison her? There are many suspects, and Cacio and Pepe decide to investigate.

LUCA IACCARINO is a food critic. Passionate about writing since he was young, he began his career as a journalist and merged it with his second passion: gastronomy. He writes about food in important newspapers and edits (and writes) culinary novels for EDT.

AN IRREVERENT AND DELICIOUS WRITING  
THAT WILL THRILL  
ALL JUNIOR MASTER-CHEFS!



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FICTION

14 x 21,5 cm | 200 pages  
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WRITE, DO, KISS

LODOVICA CIMA

*A funny novel about the need to tell your own story and the search for the right words.*

The joy of books and writing to even the most reticent readers. Mina hates writing and the bad marks she's getting in Italian prove this. But when Michele joins the class, a timid boy consumed by reading, Mina feels butterflies in her stomach for the first time and books suddenly become the easiest way to get close to him. Helped by a creative writing course, a sister who's a bit of a geek and a broken leg, Mina frees the words being held prisoner inside her and allows herself to be swept up by the contagious energy of the classics.

**LODOVICA CIMA** has written more than two hundred books for young readers and worked in children's publishing for more than twenty years. She collaborates with trade journals and teaches on the publishing master's course at Milan University and at the Mondadori Foundation. In 2017, she set up a children's publisher, Pelledoca, focusing on noir and mystery fiction.

ADVICES AND MISADVENTURES  
OF AN ASPIRING WRITER.

IT INCLUDES READING TIPS  
AND IDEAS ON HOW TO IMPROVE YOUR WRITING.

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Lodovica Cima

# LA VOCE DI CARTA



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BANCARELLINO  
PRIZE 2021

WINNER OF LIBRI  
PER SOGNARE  
PRIZE 2021

THE PAPER VOICE.  
LISTEN TO WHO YOU ARE

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LODOVICA CIMA

*This is the story of how Marianna grows up and learns the words that take her to the route of freedom.*

One October evening in the late 1800s, an announcement was made to Marianna, advising her that she would be leaving the harsh country life to work in a paper mill in Lecco. Hers isn't the first of the family to break the rhythm of days spent in the fields: aunt Ada had already ventured into the world to follow dreams and ideals that were incomprehensible to a world bound to tradition. With the example of her courageous aunt in mind, Marianna embraces her new life, facing her own fears and the prejudice of others. She is sustained by the solidarity of the generous women around her and encouraged by their examples; the young girl learns to read and write, and becomes empowered to share this route to freedom with others, setting her sights higher and higher to become the person she would like to be. Her voice, now strong and clear, has found the words to tell her story.

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«DARE TO DARE MARIANNA  
DON'T LET OPPORTUNITIES PASS YOU BY.  
THINK OF THEM AS PEARLS  
THAT WILL ONE DAY JOIN TOGETHER  
TO MAKE A PRECIOUS NECKLACE.»

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FRANCESCA CARABELLI

# DIARIO SPAVENTOSISSIMO di PRIMA MEDIA



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## MY TERRIFYING MIDDLE SCHOOL DIARY

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FRANCESCA CARABELLI

*Is middle school really that terrifying?*

Isabella tells her diary absolutely everything: that she loves the number seventeen (which is also her cat's name), that she's going to be a writer when she grows up and, most of all, that she is scared stiff because she has just started her first year of middle school! Everything is new: spine-chilling teachers, party-pooing classmates and a ton of homework! There is one good thing, though: the awesome Halloween party the students organise, where anything can happen... AAAGH!

FRANCESCA CARABELLI following her degree in Art and Literature at Rome's Università La Sapienza, she began teaching courses on illustration for children at the Sarmede International School of Illustration. She regularly works with Italy's foremost publishers of books for children and young adults.

THE HILARIOUS  
MIDDLE SCHOOL  
DIARY OF AN ASPIRING  
WRITER.

A FUNNY STORY,  
FEATURING ILLUSTRATIONS  
BY THE AUTHOR, ABOUT  
HALLOWEEN  
AND THE EVEN SCARIER  
MIDDLE SCHOOL!





PROVISIONAL COVER

FICTION

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NEW

LITTLE EDELWEISS

DARIA BERTONI

*A story about the love for nature dedicated to young people, the future guardians of our planet.*

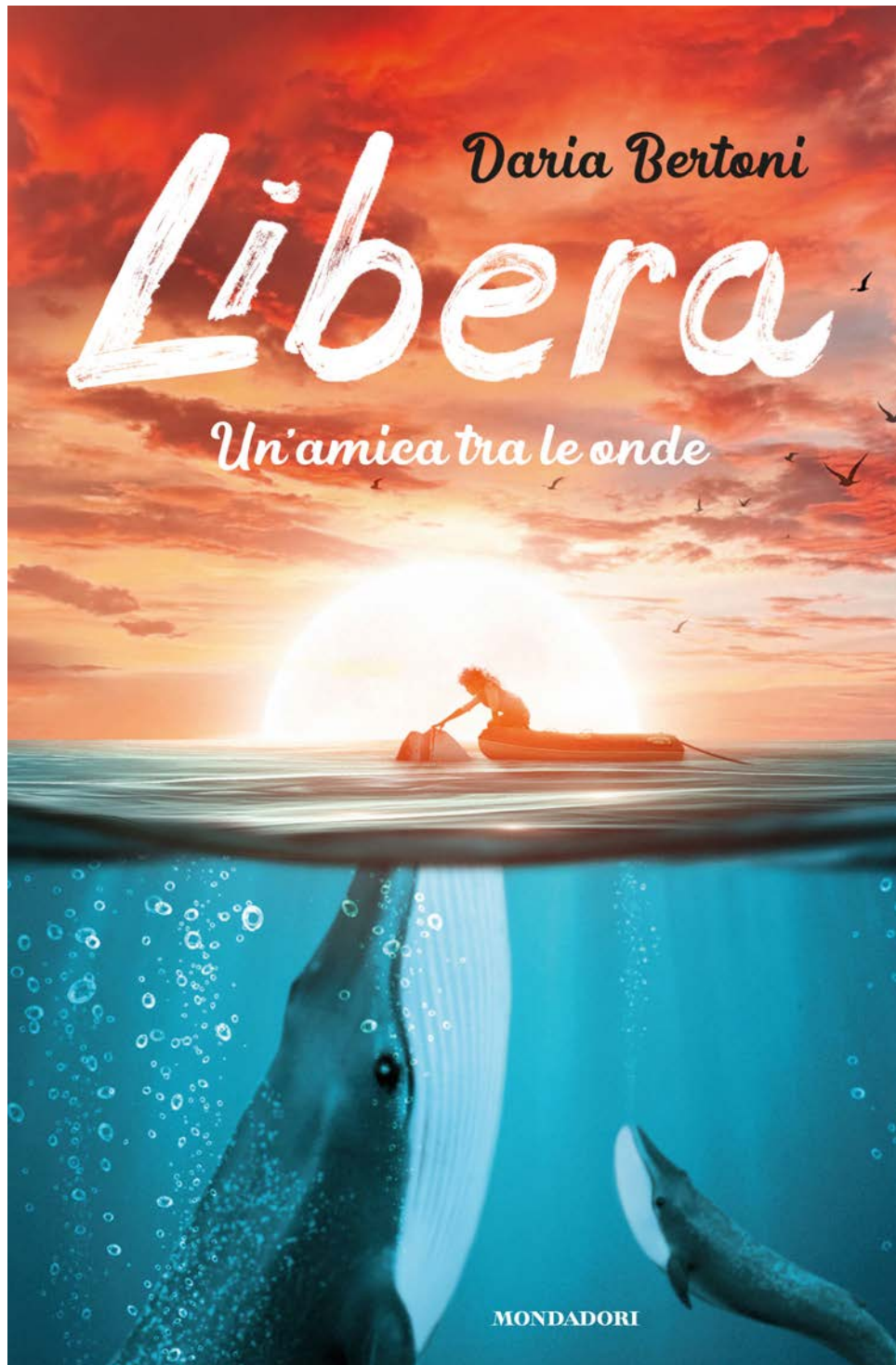
Yole is ten and has recently lost her beloved grandfather, who taught her how to love and take care of the mountains and all the animals in them. When a bear, in search of food, begins to roam around the village destroying everything it comes across, Yole tries to understand what is driving the animal to behave like that, so she goes into the woods to discover what secrets the mountains are hiding.

DARIA BERTONI worked for many years as a bookseller at the Libreria dei Ragazzi expert in children's books and educational science. She is a passionate gymnast and children's book author. She organises readings and meetings to promote reading. For Mondadori she has published Stelle in equilibrio, Un salto tra le stelle and Libera. Un'amica tra le onde.

NATURE AND FOLKS TRADITIONS.

A SORT OF MODERN HEIDI,  
A STORY ABOUT COURAGE AND THE IMPORTANCE  
OF PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT.

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FREE. A FRIEND IN THE WAVES

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DARIA BERTONI

*The actions of the environmental protection associations intertwine with the emotion of a deep bond between a young girl and a whale.*

When Alice learns that her parents are going to separate, she immediately blames her father who is a passionate whale researcher who spends too much time at sea, leaving Alice and her mum alone. When forced to spend the holidays with him out in the Atlantic Ocean, Alice also brings aboard the Calypso her anger about what's happening to her family and her long-standing fear of water. What she doesn't know, however, is that accompanying her on her sea adventure is a crew ready to make her feel at home and, even more importantly, Free, a blue whale who survived a terrible accident caused by man. Free is the greatest gift she receives, an anchor to cling unashamedly to, until something happens, that is, to put the whale and its little one in danger: it's up to Alice and her dad to work together to save them before it's too late.

**DARIA BERTONI** worked for many years as a bookseller at the Libreria dei Ragazzi as an expert in children's books and educational science. She is a passionate gymnast and children's book author. She organises workshops and meetings to promote reading.

A COMING-OF-AGE STORY THAT TELLS OF  
COURAGE AND THE FIGHT TO SAVE THE OCEAN.

A YOUNG GIRL STRUGGLING WITH HER PARENTS'  
DIVORCE AND A MAGICAL  
ENCOUNTER WITH A WHALE.



Dall'autore di *Le ragazze non hanno paura*  
**ALESSANDRO Q. FERRARI**

# CHIEDI AI SOGNI DI FARE RUMORE



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## FICTION

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LIFE AND  
YOUTH FIND A  
WAY DESPITE  
FEAR AND  
GUILT.

## ASK THE DREAMS TO MAKE NOISE

12+

**ALESSANDRO Q. FERRARI**

*A biting novel of growth and redemption full of twists  
orchestrated by a great storyteller.*

Arianna has colourless hair and is dead. Or at least, that's how she's felt for nearly a year. She is only sixteen, but she has already a lot to escape from: the pounding memory of the night that upset her life forever, a woman with a yellow overcoat chasing her in her nightmares, a cruel voice that talks incessantly in her head, dyeing her thoughts with black. Trying to leave everything behind – and in order to help her family who's having a hard time - she leaves Rome to Milan, to work as a au-pair girl with a wealthy family. But the most painful secrets need to be shared and dealt with the others. Writing to Cosmo - the only one that seems to understand her, to know Béla, an amazing rider who'll open the doors on a secret and colorful Milan and listening to the story of Marar who's escaped from a far away war. This way Arianna will finally find the courage to live.

**ALESSANDRO Q. FERRARI** is a rising star in YA and children's fiction. His debut novel, "Le ragazze non hanno paura" (DeA) sold more than 20,000 copies. He is a scriptwriter for comics, cartoons and TV series. His graphic novel, Star Wars. The Original Trilogy became a global bestseller, entering the NY Times top ten.

A BILDUNGSROMAN WITH A HINT OF THRILLER  
ABOUT NOT LETTING YOUR MISTAKES DEFINE YOU FOREVER.

STRIKING DIALOGUES AND AN UNPREDICTABLE  
PLOT THAT LEAVE NOWHERE TO HIDE.



Alice Keller

# LE COSE CHE HO

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A BOOK THAT  
RECALLS THE  
ATMOSPHERE  
OF "STAND  
BY ME" AND  
"13 REASONS  
WHY".

A POETIC WRITING. A CONTINUOUS  
NARRATIVE TENSION THAT NAILS THE READER.

THINGS I HAVE

ALICE KELLER

*In a sleepy province, among grown-ups who are always too distracted, a group of completely different teenagers faces the biggest challenge: growing up.*

Deborah is 13, she has a little brother on the way, a father who is never there, a body that speaks a language she doesn't understand, she has a bicycle whizzing on small town roads and some friends, with whom she shares the school, the skate camp. And the tracks. The challenge, in the muddy grass of the hill, is to be able to keep your eyes open while the air displacement comes as a slap and the rattling of the wagons makes everything else disappear. A child's play, easy as a pie. But when the need to assert oneself takes over, the game overwhelms and becomes extreme, like the emotions that Deborah and her friends still don't know how to recognize or control.

ALICE KELLER, graduated in dramaturgy, spent some years between the study of music and the boards of the stage. She writes texts for picture books, comics and novels for children and teenagers translated in France, Germany, Spain, Russia, Switzerland. Among these, "In the Belly of the Whale" finalist at the Andersen Prize and "Upstream" (Orbil Balloon Prize). In 2016 she opened Momo, a bookstore for children and teenagers in Ravenna.

A STORY THAT SCRATCHES AND SUPERBLY  
TELLS THE PASSAGE TO ADULTHOOD  
WITH A POETIC AND SHARP WRITING.

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## FICTION

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## THE NET

SARA ALLEGRINI

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*A story which doesn't preach, where, just as in real life, not everything ends well.*

How do you save someone who doesn't want to be saved? Daniel is left abandoned in the middle of a wood by a father who no longer knows what to do with him. Maddalena wakes up in a hut, confused, with the vague recollection of having ended up in hospital again after spending the evening in a nightclub. Eliah is convinced that he has been arrested, but he also finds himself in a wood, without a clue how he ended up in such a place. Why are they there? How can they escape? And who sends the strange messages which they find around them, pushing them to do things they never dreamed of doing? And most importantly, what is the Net?

**SARA ALLEGRINI** an emerging new talent to keep an eye on, already a finalist for the Bancarellino prize, proving she has a deep knowledge of the world of children, their strengths and their fragility.

A BOOK THAT WILL HAVE YOU  
ON THE EDGE OF YOUR SEAT.



NICOLETTA  
BORTOLOTTI

# QUELLE IN CIELO NON ERANO STELLE

Storia di un'amicizia  
ai tempi di Chernobyl

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FICTION

14 x 21,5 cm | 200 pages  
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A CHORAL  
NOVEL  
WRITTEN WITH  
PASSION AND  
GRACE.

THOSE WEREN'T STARS  
IN THE SKY

11+

NICOLETTA BORTOLOTTI

*Friendship at the time of Chernobyl.*

On April 26th 1986, Chernobyl in Ukraine wakes up and finds itself entirely changed. An explosion destroys the nuclear power plant, releasing a toxic cloud that spreads and lands everywhere, changing the colours of the forest, making animals and people sick. Since then five years has passed, Omar, a boy who lives in Northern Italy, knows nothing about all this until a Ukrainian girl comes to spend a month with him, away from the radiation. Vassilissa doesn't speak and rarely reveals her kind smile. She is mistrustful, as is Omar. Letting themselves be known they'll discover that friendship is actually the best medicine for fear.

NICOLETTA BORTOLOTTI is a celebrated author for children and adults alike. She works in publishing. As an author she works with important Italian publishers. Among others: "Chiamami sottovoce" (Harper-Collins, 2018) leading to the making of the RA13 documentary film. "In piedi nella neve" (Einaudi, 2015) won her the Gigante delle Langhe prize and the Premio Cento; "Sulle onde della libertà" (2015) with Mondadori Ragazzi shortlisted for the Bancarellino Prize and awarded the Comoinrosa Prize.

THREE VOICES, A FOX, A YOUNG BOY AND  
THE CLOUD ITSELF  
TO RETRACE THE MEMORY  
OF ONE OF THE MOST DRAMATIC EVENTS  
IN CONTEMPORARY HISTORY.

AMALIA ERCOLI-FINZI • ELVINA FINZI

# Oltre le stelle più lontane

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TWO GIRLS  
FROM  
YESTERDAY,  
A SINGLE  
DREAM TO  
PURSUE FOR  
ALL THE GIRLS  
OF TODAY.

THE FUTURE IS ALWAYS POSSIBLE, WHATEVER IT MIGHT BE,  
IF YOU FIGHT TO MAKE IT HAPPEN.

BEYOND THE FURTHEST STAR

11+

AMALIA ERCOLI-FINZI  
ELVINA FINZI

*The childhood of the “lady of the comet”, the first woman to graduate in Engineering in Italy.*

Amalia is a curious child: she loves the stars, understanding how things work and making grandiose plans for her future despite the fact the war is raging all around her. A war in which her father is fighting alongside the partisans. Thirty years later, little Elvina dreams of becoming an important woman, just like her manager father, and this is why she hates it so very much when they tell her “girls can’t do this or that”, such as playing with Lego, being a builder or an astronaut. Two childhoods separated in time but bound by their shared passion for science and freedom.

**AMALIA ERCOLI-FINZI** was born in 1937. In 1961 she is the first woman to graduate with honours in Engineering from Milan’s Politecnico. Since then, she has had many firsts and today – having worked with NASA and the Italian and European space agencies, having “given birth” to Rosetta, the probe that landed on a comet after travelling for ten years with astounding accuracy – Ercoli-Finzi became the “lady of the comet”.

**ELVINA FINZI** class of 1976, has a doctorate in Nuclear Engineering. She works for one of the world’s largest producers of glasses and lenses and has a clear view of the importance of aiming for real gender equality. Since childhood, her family, all engineers, instilled in her a sense of competition and a love for science and technology. She hopes, in turn, to pass this on to her two daughters.



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## MANÙ AND MICHÈ. THE PRINCE'S SECRET

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*An adventure that speaks of friendship, passion and loneliness, inspired to a true story settled in the Renaissance.*

Manù e Michè are the same age. But one is the son of a prince, while the other is the son of his nursemaid, and therefore his servant. There is no game they like better than losing themselves in the winding streets of the Great City. They go to the square, where they meet acrobats and beggars, they go down to the sewers and dare each other to play with the children who live there. But one night, playtime ends. A sinister death occurs, splitting their lives in two. They have to flee the Great City. In the far-away castle where they end up living, surrounded by forests and witches, Manù and Michè may be within the same walls but they now belong to two different worlds.

FRANCESCO NICCOLINI has written plays for some of Italy's most important actors, and for children too. He writes graphic novels, illustrated books for children and tales for the radio. With Mondadori he has also published *Il lupo la farfalla*, which was awarded the Premio Laura Orvieto 2019.

THERE ARE CHILDREN  
WHO ARE BORN RICH AND THOSE BORN POOR.  
SOMETIMES IT IS DIFFICULT  
TO TELL WHICH ONES ARE WHICH.

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*Set in the world of Louisa May Alcott, author of Little Women, a highly relevant story revealing the multifaceted charm of utopias.*

Set in America, nineteenth century. May is still a child and yet she has already learnt what it means to have your life changed. When her parents move all the family from their small hometown of Concord to Heaven, a place where they want to create a perfect community, nothing is as it was before. In Heaven eating meat is forbidden, animals are not harmed, the modest clothes worn are all made from linen. It is true that May can now plunge into the shimmering water of Lake Walden whenever she desires and be soothed by The Good Man's flute playing. In addition not everyone has a tribe of Native Indians for neighbours or gets to learn how to climb trees thanks to a local called Two Moons. But deep down May never chose this new life, and the only way for her to accept her new confined new world is to reinvent it and make it seem even more beautiful in her letters to Martha, her friend back in town.

BEATRICE MASINI is one of Italy's most highly regarded writers, editor and translator. Her work includes translating the five books in the Harry Potter series by J.K. Rowling. Her books have been translated in over 20 countries and she has received prestigious prizes such as the Pippi award (2002), the Elsa Morante award (2009) and the Campiello award (2013). She has won the Italian Andersen prize five times – the latest in 2018.

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Rolando lives in the cemetery, together with his uncle, the guardian. His parents died in an accident, he has no friends except for the blackbird Cip, in fact at school the other kids avoid him as an odd type. One day the Gini cousins, Marisa and Mirko, appear among the tombstones, finally Rolando finds two friends of his age! But the Gini cousins are ghosts and they will soon disappear in the Great Hole forever. To rescue them Rolando has to venture on Monte Pupazzo, up to Dark Blackness, to find the Red Thing by midnight of the next day, which is exactly Rolando's birthday. So he starts a sensational enterprise in company of Cip and other unforgettable characters: a careless junkyard, a cross-eyed hunter, an elegant and refined female boar, and a wild girl who lives in the woods, that goes by Tiger. This wild journey will reconcile him with his fears and the painful memory of those who are no longer there.

**FABIO GENOVESI** is a bestselling author, much loved by the public and critics. His novels have been published in Germany, France, Brazil, US, Israel, The Netherlands, Spain, Bulgaria, Denmark, Albania, Korea, Greece. He collaborates with important national journals. This is his first novel for children.

A UNIVERSAL STORY  
ABOUT THE POWER OF FRIENDSHIP,  
THE IMPORTANCE OF FACE OUR FEARS  
AND ENJOYING TO BE  
THE WAY WE ARE.







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IRONIC  
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IN A FUNNY  
BALANCE  
BETWEEN  
REALITY  
AND FICTION.

## MY NAME IS ALICE

ADVENTURES AND MISADVENTURES  
IN THE WORLD OF TALKING BOOKS

**BIANCA CHIABRANDO**

*What if books came to life, could speak,  
laugh and argue just like us?*

What happens when the doors of the Ariosto library are shut, the lights go off and silence falls on the reading room? Well, it's obvious: the books stop pretending they're not alive, they flap their pages and get together as a group. Yes, you've got it, books can talk, they're alive and... you'll be surprised to hear, while we read them, *they're reading us*. This happens to Alice (in Wonderland) when she ends up in the hands of avid reader and aspiring young writer Michele Pepe, then Nina Specchi who is grappling with her first novel to illustrate so she can pass the year at school. Both leave objects of value among the pages of the book but when they go back to the library to find them, they discover that Alice has gone. Has someone borrowed her? No, worse than that: she was kidnapped!

**BIANCA CHIABRANDO** is born in Milan in 1999 where she still lives and attends university. She made her children's literature debut at age 15 with "The 3D Case. Tales of a Class that Was Beyond Repair". Her second novel "A noi due prof" won the Premio Bancarellino 2017.



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# Tutto un altro pianeta

Un alieno alla ricerca della famiglia perfetta



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A WHOLE OTHER PLANET  
CLAUDIO ROSSI MARCELLI

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*A story about kaleidoscopic families, respect and overcoming prejudice.*

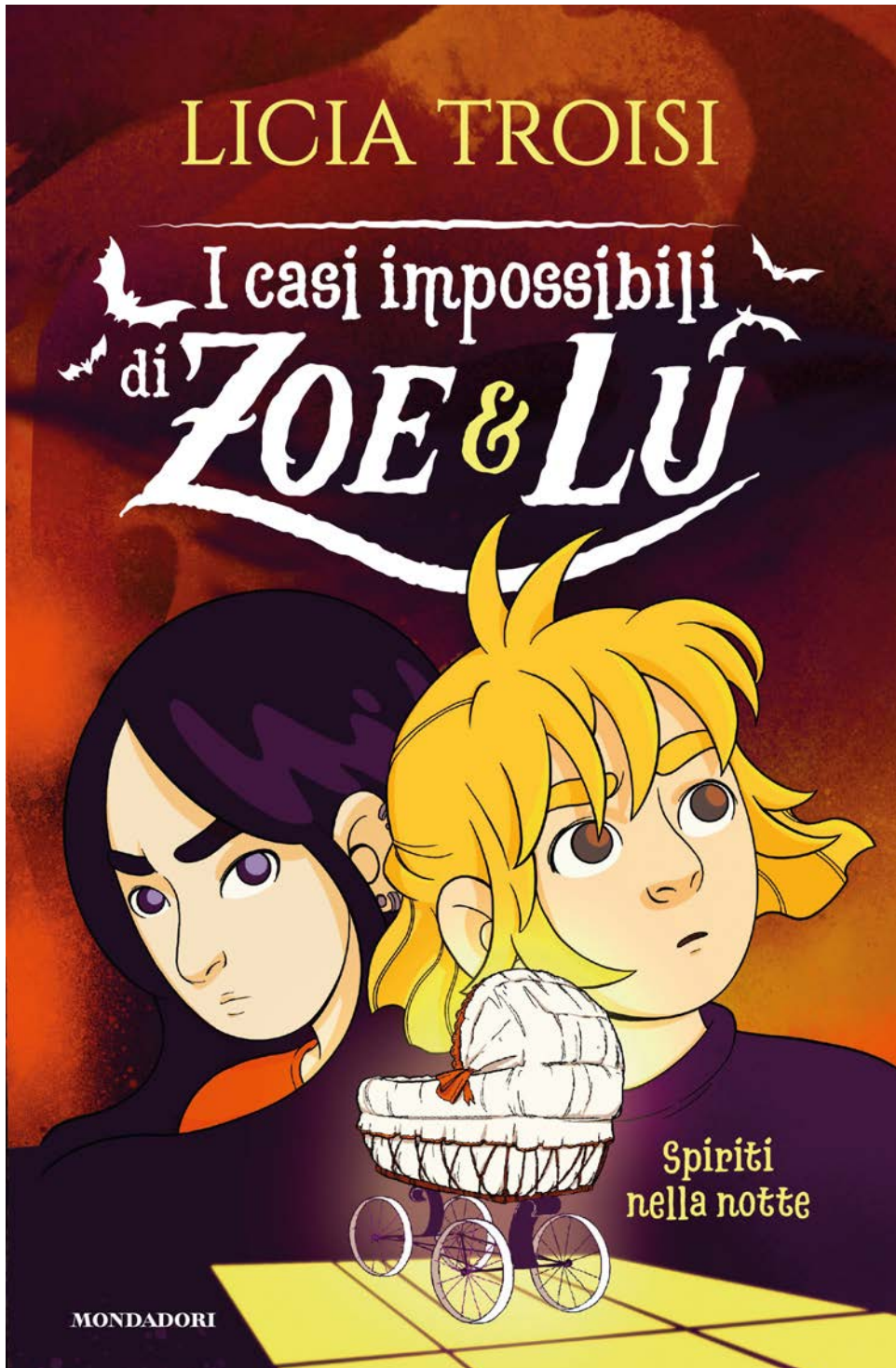
Dad, mum, son, daughter, dog and cat. All bound together by an invisible glue. This is how the inhabitants of the florescent planet Otta see the typical earthly family. The Otttians want to save their civilisation from loneliness and send young Lotsi to planet Earth, on the night of Halloween, so his alien appearance will not stand out. Lotsi teams up with two sisters, Luna and Clío, to go trick or teating. Each time a door opens, the Lotsi's extrasensory vision sees into microcosms of life and sentiments and read the family's history. But this discombobulates everything and upsets the notions the alien had on what human families are like. Will Lotsi eventually learn the secret ingredient that keeps such diverse families together, making them happy, each in their own unique way?

CLAUDIO ROSSI MARCELLI is a journalist and writer, with a longstanding focus on families and civil rights. He curates the Dear Daddy column for "Internazionale" and has become one of most popular gay fathers in Italy. He published "Hello Daddy!" and "Il cuore salta un battito", both autobiographical novels.

AN ALIEN  
SEEKING  
THE PERFECT  
TYPICAL  
EARTH FAMILY

IS THERE A SECRET INGREDIENT  
THAT KEEPS FAMILIES TOGETHER?

«Lotsi here. I am near my destination:  
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#### LICIA TROISI

*Lucrezia has a scientific soul, Zoe is the mysterious and tough one, together they make an explosive pair of very young nightmare detectives ready to solve impossible and scary cases.*

*My name is Lucrezia Proietti, I am (modestly) a computer wizz... and I have an unshakable trust in science. Physics, computers, online games, but also fantasy and comics are my common bread. My quiet life as a twelve-year-old has been upset by the encounter with Zoe! Zoe lives in a horror movie house with a butler who looks like a mummy and she investigates the paranormal! Half face always covered by her black hair, she's a tough girl that makes being different her strongest point. What you are about to read is the diary of our scary and shocking adventures!*  
*P.S. It also includes my comics!*

~ Lu ~

LICIA TROISI graduated in physics, has a Phd in astrophysics. Reknown as the Italian queen of fantasy, her "Mondo Emerso" saga has been translated in 19 languages and sold more than 3,5 million copies.

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*An imaginative adventure with a touch of horror.*

When she arrives at her Auntie and Uncle's property of Petrademone tucked between the mountains, Frida has just lost her parents and all that remains of them are memories shut away in a box. Here seems to be the perfect place to start over. Yet it isn't long before the new serenity is overshadowed by mysterious occurrences: the local beloved dogs start to disappear as if swallowed up by an abyss and a strange voice whispers under the great oak in the garden. Her Auntie, struck down by an inexplicable illness, reveals to Frida a shocking family secret: just like her mother, she is a 'door guardian'. But doors leading to where? Along with her three new friends Tommy, Gerico and Miriam an investigation begins entailing creatures straight out of horror stories, parallel worlds, and a strange Book of Doors.

**MANLIO CASTAGNA** screenwriter, director and film critic for Virgin Radio. He has been the soul of the Giffoni Film Festival, the most important Italian film festival for children for twenty years, of which he was also deputy Artistic Director until 2018. Since 2014 he has been a member of the Creative Committee in charge of the Doha Film Institute (Qatar).

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# LA RAGAZZA CHE SOGNAVA DI SCONFIGGERE LA MAFIA



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SMALL WAY,  
EACH OF US  
CAN MAKE  
A DIFFERENCE.

## THE GIRL WHO DREAMED OF DEFEATING THE MAFIA

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*A novel about the courage to fight against any kind of mafia inspired by the author's life.*

It is the beginning of the 1990s in Calabria, South of Italy, when Lara, a young girl of fourteen like many others, hears more and more insistent talk of the Mafia, of magistrates being killed - including Falcone and Borsellino - motorways being blown up and wounds ripping through Italy. Fear is the feeling that dominates everyone's soul, but not hers. In her, in fact, the spark of admiration for those who fight for justice is born, destined to become a living fire thanks to the encounter with a special magistrate. A story of courage, inspired by the life of Annamaria Frustaci, the public prosecutor of Reggio Calabria, who at the age of fourteen saw the massacres organised by the Mafia and decided to become a magistrate and to defeat the 'ndrangheta clans.

**ANNAMARIA FRUSTACI** is an anti-mafia magistrate working in the public prosecutor's office in Reggio Calabria. After studying in the North of Italy, she decided to return to her homeland in 2012 to fight mafia clans. She has been working for ten years with Nicola Gratteri, one of the world's leading experts on 'ndrangheta. She has been living under protection for two years.

**LEONARDO STANZIAL** after his scientific studies and a degree in Graphic design, he started working in an editorial studio as a graphic designer and illustrator, experimenting with different approaches and styles.

A NOVEL ABOUT LEGALITY AND MAFIAS  
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FOR THEIR IDEAS AND FOR JUSTICE.



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THE GREEN ACCORDION

ANDREA SATTA

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*A father and son journey on the trail of the grandfather's true story interned in a nazi prison camp.*

Lao does not know the story about his grandfather Gavino, who died when he was four, but now, aged 12, he wants to know everything about him and about his father's childhood. So, one morning, father and son set off on a journey in their van and Andrea begins to tell the tale. Gavino, a soldier during the war, was captured by the Germans as an Italian military intern, a kind of political prisoner, and deported to Lengenfeld, a labour camp on the German border. This is where Andrea and Lao are travelling to, on the trail of forgotten History.

**ANDREA SATTA** is a multi-talented artist (paediatrician, actor and singer-songwriter). He has already told this story in newspapers, songs, a successful theatre production and now, in a book for young people.

A GRANDFATHER'S TRUE STORY  
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TO YOUNG  
READERS.

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This is the extraordinary  
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*The poignant story of two sisters  
who survived the Auschwitz.*

A mysterious trunk, hidden for years in the basement, is finally opened and, memory after memory, object after object (a spoon, a pebble, a letter, a picture, a scrap of cloth ...) helps us to retrace an extraordinary story. March 28, 1944: the Perlow family, Jews from Fiume, are arrested and deported to Auschwitz-Birkenau. Escaped the brutal selections for a twist of fate, the two little sisters Tatiana and Andra, together with their cousin Sergio, are interned. Andra and Tati, nine months of experience cold and hunger, games in the snow and mud ... until a soldier appears, wearing a different uniform, a red star on his cap and a smile: it's January 27, 1945, the day of liberation.

ANDRA, TATIANA BUCCI daughters of a Jewish mother, were taken to Auschwitz when they were only 6 and 4 years old and survived. Today Tatiana lives in Brussels, while Andra lives between the United States and Europe. Mondadori published their memoir "Noi bambine ad Auschwitz" in 2018. They're engaged in handing down Shoah's story to young generations.





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ZEHRA. THE GIRL WHO  
PAINTED THE WAR

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ANTONELLA DE BIASI

*Zehra Doğan's story, a symbol in the art world  
for the fight against injustice.*

She has loved to paint ever since she was little, filtering reality with her favourite colours: periwinkle blue, watermelon red, jade green. When her city, Nusaybin, is bombed by the Turkish army, Zehra depicts it in a painting called "the Kurdish Guernica". She is imprisoned for having shown the horrors of war, deprived of her brushes and colours, but not of her desire for peace and justice.

ANTONELLA DE BIASI having trained in sociology, she works as a freelance essayist and journalist writing predominantly on the Middle East.

ZEHRA DOĞAN is a Kurdish artist and journalist who was imprisoned after painting the bombing of her city, Nusaybin, by the Turkish army. Symbol in the art world, supported by artists such as Banksy (who dedicated a mural to her in New York). She currently lives in exile and her work is displayed in the most prestigious galleries in the world.  
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GRETA

THE GIRLS WHO'S CHANGING THE WORLD

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VIVIANA MAZZA

*Grown ups desperately need good examples.*

Greta Thunberg is Swedish. She loves dogs, horses and school but every Friday she skips lessons to go on strike: she sits in front of the Swedish Parliament and protest against the climate change. She knows that the environmental situation of our planet is on the brink of the abyss and that if we don't immediately begin doing something concrete, in just a few years the problem will reach the point of no return. It is up to the girls and boys to force adult not to destroy their future. First Greta has changed her way of living, then that of her family. With the "strike for the climate" she involves millions of peers throughout the world to make their voice heard everywhere.

VIVIANA MAZZA is a journalist, she writes for the foreign desk of the national newspaper Corriere della Sera. She was among the first reporters to tell Malala's story, her book Story of Malala sold more than 90.000 copies in Italy (rights sold to Brazil, France, Germany, Japan). Mondadori has also published "Nelson Mandela as a Boy" (sold in Brazil), "Stolen Girls", and "Dream Warriors" (sold in Germany).

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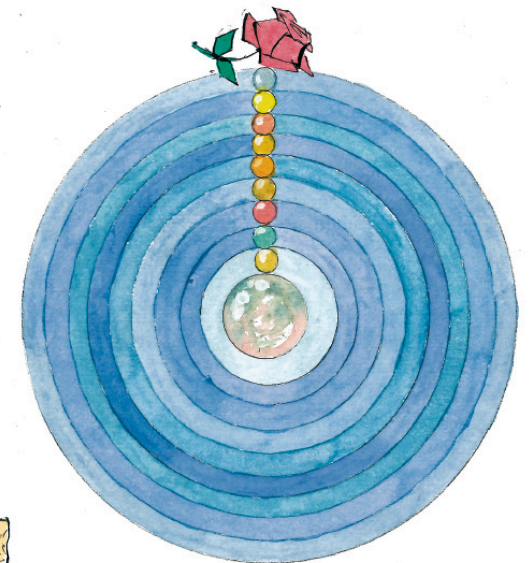
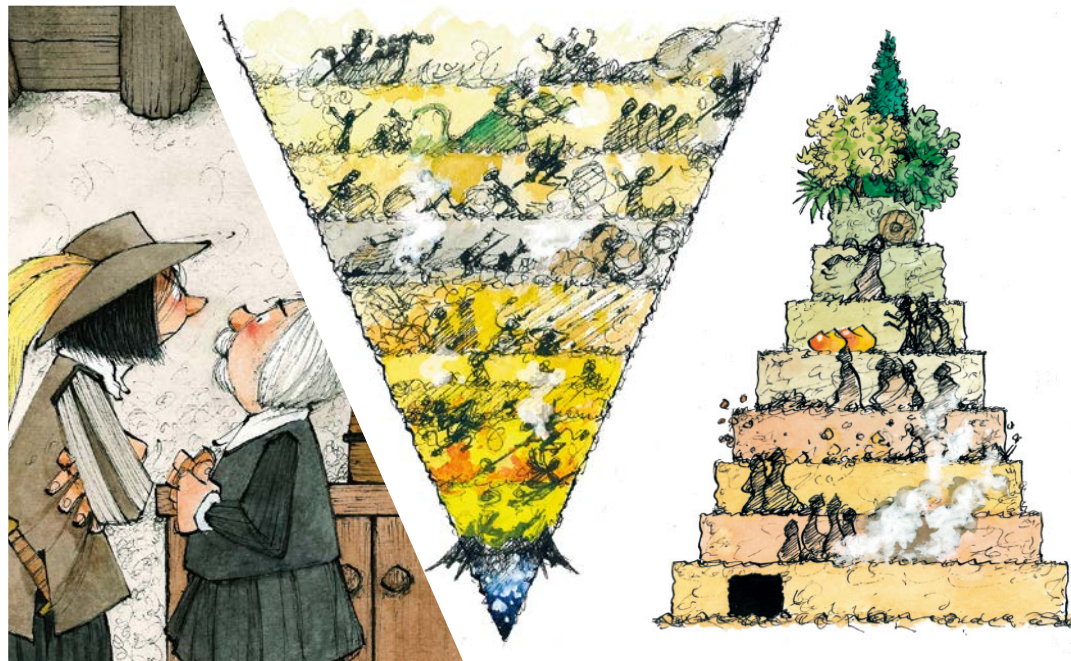
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ANNAMARIA PICCIONE she's a writer who has published for every age group and with all the major Italian publishers. She focuses on topics such as legality, integration, migration, racism and war.

FRANCESC ROVIRA was born in Barcelona. He's a well-known illustrator of children's books. His magical watercolors recreate the most tender and expressive details for his characters.

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STEFANIA CARINI, JOANNA BORELLA

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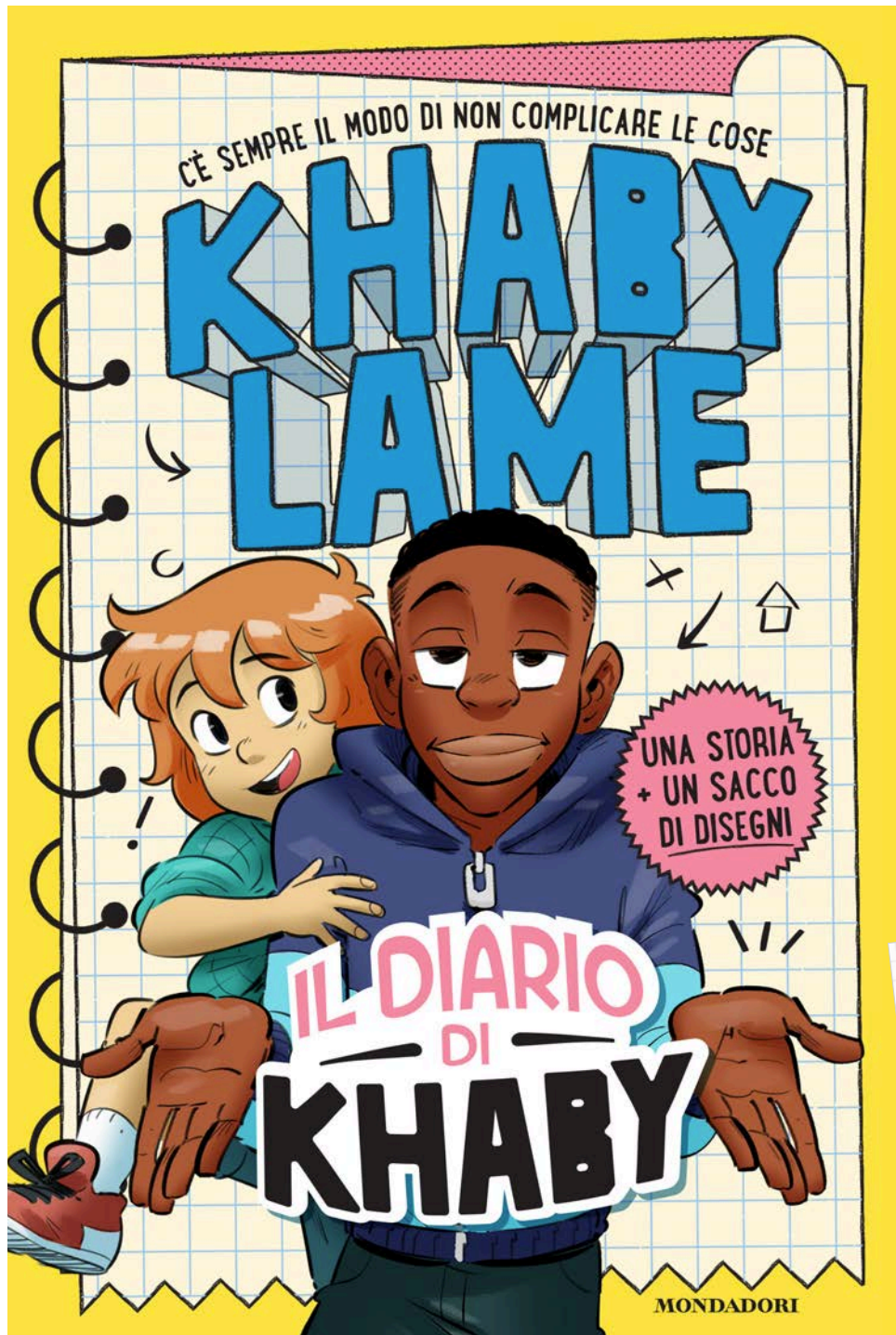
*A story of sport, friendship, inclusion,  
gender equality and anti-racism.*

There is a magical place tucked away in Nolo, a multiethnic district of Milan: a blue soccer field that used to be a swimming pool. Against that colorful backdrop, children chase the ball and Mister Jo's female soccer players train. Mister Jo is the toughest coach of them all, and she has chosen a "male" name just to make fun of those who claim that soccer is not "for girls". This is a story inspired by the life of Joanna Borella, the first girl of Indian origin to be adopted in Italy, and that of her girls: unique, diverse, and willing to put themselves on the line!

**STEFANIA CARINI**, journalist and television critic, is a lecturer at the Catholic University of Milan. She writes for *Corriere della Sera*. In addition to collaborating with several newspapers, she produces "Mainstream" (Rai 4), a program dedicated to telefilms and web series, and the documentary series "Televisori" (Sky Arte, 2014). She was a television critic for *Europa*.

**JOANNA BORELLA**, better known as Mister Jo, is a soccer coach in Milan. She was the first child of Indian origin to be adopted in Italy, and today she directs the women's soccer association, Bimbe nel pallone.

CHASING DREAMS,  
ONE GOAL AT A TIME!



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The hilarious diary in which Khaby tells of his friendship with a boy who has just entered sixth grade: thanks to his simple advice, all challenges, even the most difficult ones, become child's play!

**KHABY LAME** is a Senegal-born TikTok content creator and influencer based in Italy. He became known for his short silent comedy skits where he sarcastically points out people who complicate simple tasks for no reason. In July 2021, he became the second most followed person on TikTok (more than 130mln followers) in the world, and the first in Europe. He has collaborations with top international influencer brands (not least as testimonial for Mark Zuckerberg's Metaverse), top influencers, sport champions such as Ibrahimovic.

«It's my face and my expressions that make people laugh».

His silent reactions are a proper «global language».

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What would you do if the heroes of your favourite video games and comic books asked you to rescue... the whole world? You might not believe it, but that's what happened to me, and the most dangerous thing I'd ever done was upload a video late... Until one night when a purple-haired girl knocks on my door, claiming to be the real Shelly from Brawl Stars, and says she needs me to save the beautiful Elis. It's a shame that from that moment on, ruthless characters start appearing who are determined to kill me...

ALESSANDRO VANONI

graduated as an electronics technician. He collaborates with iPantellas and has opened his YouTube channel (#ifthingstalked)



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THE WARRIOR PRINCESS  
AND THE MAGIC SECRET BOOK

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OTTAVIA DE VIVO

*A fantastical adventure that moves between reality and magic where the girls save themselves.*

School has just started and Ottavia's class has just been joined by a very cute American boy who, like her, is a big fan of the "Blue Warrior" saga set in a fantastical world where young people attend an academy to become warriors like in "Game of Thrones". When something goes wrong, Ottavia ends up inside the book. With her shining armour and her thick mane flowing in the wind, she rides her unicorn like a real warrior princess! But how will she get out?

OTTAVIA DE VIVO is an internationally-known Italo-American influencer with over 1.7 million followers on TikTok and 53 thousand followers on Instagram. This is her first novel.

A POTENT MESSAGE OF FEMALE INDEPENDENCE  
AND SELF-DETERMINATION.

A FANTASY ADVENTURE  
FROM TIK TOK STAR OTTAVIA DE VIVO.

# GUD

# SE NON TI PIACE LEGGERE QUESTO LIBRO È PER TE!



MONDADORI

## FICTION

14,4 x 20,7 cm | pages 72  
hardcover  
ill. GUD  
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### NEW

THIS BOOK  
HAS A TRICK!



## IF YOU DON'T LIKE READING... THIS IS THE BOOK FOR YOU!

### GUD

*How to read a book without realizing it!*

Reading is boring, unhygienic, annoying, and dangerous, right? If you read, you might find yourself chased by a dinosaur, attacked by tons of mice, or swallowed by a giant cat! So why do you have a book open on your lap, with your nose stuck between the pages? But of course! Because reading isn't just great.... it's also magical!

**DANIELE "GUD" BONOMO** is a cartoonist and comic book artist. Since 2007 has worked with the most important Italian comics publishers. He teaches at the Florence Academy of Comics and Jesi. For over ten years he has dedicated himself to teach children how to make comics holding courses and workshops throughout Italy. He's the author of many succesful works, "Thimoty Top" (Tunuè) is translated in the US.

A FUNNY STROY  
THAT KEEPS EVEN  
THE MOST SCEPTICAL  
OF READERS TURNING  
THE PAGES UNTIL  
THE END!



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GUD

# Chi ha fermato il Natale?

Una storia natalizia  
tremendamente  
divertente



MONDADORI

FICTION

14,4 x 20,7 cm | 56 pages  
hardcover  
ill. Gud  
October 2020

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## WHO'S BOYCOTTING CHRISTMAS?

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*A tremendously funny Christmas story!*

Bear and Unicorn are the most loved soft toys in the family but there is something that worries them a lot: Christmas is coming. Yep, because that troublemaker Santa will bring new toys that kids are looking forward to. What if because of the arrival of these intruders, children stop playing with them? There is only one thing left to do: stop Christmas!

**DANIELE "GUD" BONOMO** is a Roman cartoonist and cartoonist who has been collaborating with the most important Italian comic book publishers for over ten years and teaches at the Academy of Comics in Florence and Jesi.

WHY THE TOYS  
OF THE HOUSE WANT  
TO STOP SANTA AT  
ALL COSTS?

"TOY STORY" MEETS  
CHRISTMAS  
IN THIS SUPER  
FUN STORY, THAT'S  
PERFECT  
FOR HOLIDAYS!



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VANNA VINCI

# MATILDE

E LE PAROLE  
DA AMMAESTRARE



MONDADORI

FICTION

14,4 x 20,7 cm | 72 pages  
hardcover  
ill. Vanna Vinci  
March 2022

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EASY  
READABILITY

YOU ARE NOT  
ALONE, YOU  
ARE UNIQUE!

## MATHILDE AND THE TRAINED WORDS

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VANNA VINCI

*What is a Specific Learning Disorders?*

In a city, in an ordinary building, there is someone very angry... Matilde is fed up. It's all because of the letters, which jump around, and they don't want to stay in their place. Those mischievous ones, they do it on purpose! But, with a little help and the right tools, Matilde will find out how to tame those little wild wild letters.

VANNA VINCI is a famous and awarded comic illustrator. Her books have been published by several publishers in Italy, France, Spain, in particular the successful "Frida Kahlo: The Story of Her Life". Jurassic Girl, her first children's book has been translated in Belgium/The Netherlands, Russia and Spain.



VANNA VINCI

# la bambina Giurassica



MONDADORI

## SERIES

FULL ENGLISH  
TRANSLATION

14,5 x 20,5 cm | 48 Pages  
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ill. Vanna Vinci  
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June 2020

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Through History

WHO SAYS  
THAT  
DINOSAURS ARE  
EXTINCT?



2. JURASSIC GIRL AND  
THE MYSTERIOUS  
FRIEND

## JURASSIC GIRL AND THE MYSTERIOUS FRIEND

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VANNA VINCI

*Good morning Jurassic!*

Vannina is a good and quiet girl, but deep down she has plenty of little fears. Above all she has always had an explosive passion: DINOSAURS! She only reads books about dinosaurs, draws dinosaurs, watches documentaries about dinosaurs, she knows everything about them! At the Carnival party she dresses up as a t-rex, and she has a great time imitating prehistoric hunting scenes scaring the little ones as long as some of the children make fun out of her: "Eh-Ah You are an extinct animal!!". Vannina has just started to read by herself so she checks this information on her sources: this is unacceptable! She doesn't give up and thanks to the unusual magic word "O-S-S-O-B-U-C-O!" she manages to make them appear again, literally everywhere!

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## SERIES

14,5 x 20,5 cm | 56 pages  
hardcover  
ill. Barbara Cantini  
October 2021

**NEW**

THE  
HIGHLY-AWAITED  
NEW EPISODE  
OF THE  
BESTSELLING  
SERIES,  
MORTINA!

## MORTINA 5. A SPINETINGLING SURPRISE

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BARBARA CANTINI

*Halloween is drawing near. Who will knock at Mortina's door to play "trick or treat"?*

When Mortina goes into the attic in search of Halloween costumes for her friends, she finds a postcard from her parents! Last time, they had been leaving on a long journey, but they never returned. Where could they have ended up? To find out, Mortina will need investigating skills and lots of imagination. With the help of the faithful Mesto, Dilbert and all of her friends, Mortina sets out to track down her mum and dad. Will she find them?





## 1. MORTINA

Fall 2017



## 2. THE DREADFUL COUSIN

Spring 2018



## 3. A GHOST FRIEND

Fall 2018



## 4. HOLIDAY AT LAKE MISTERY

Spring 2019

STICKERS AND  
TATOOS INCLUDED



### ACTIVITY BOOK

56 pages  
18 x 24 cm  
hardcover  
Fall 2019

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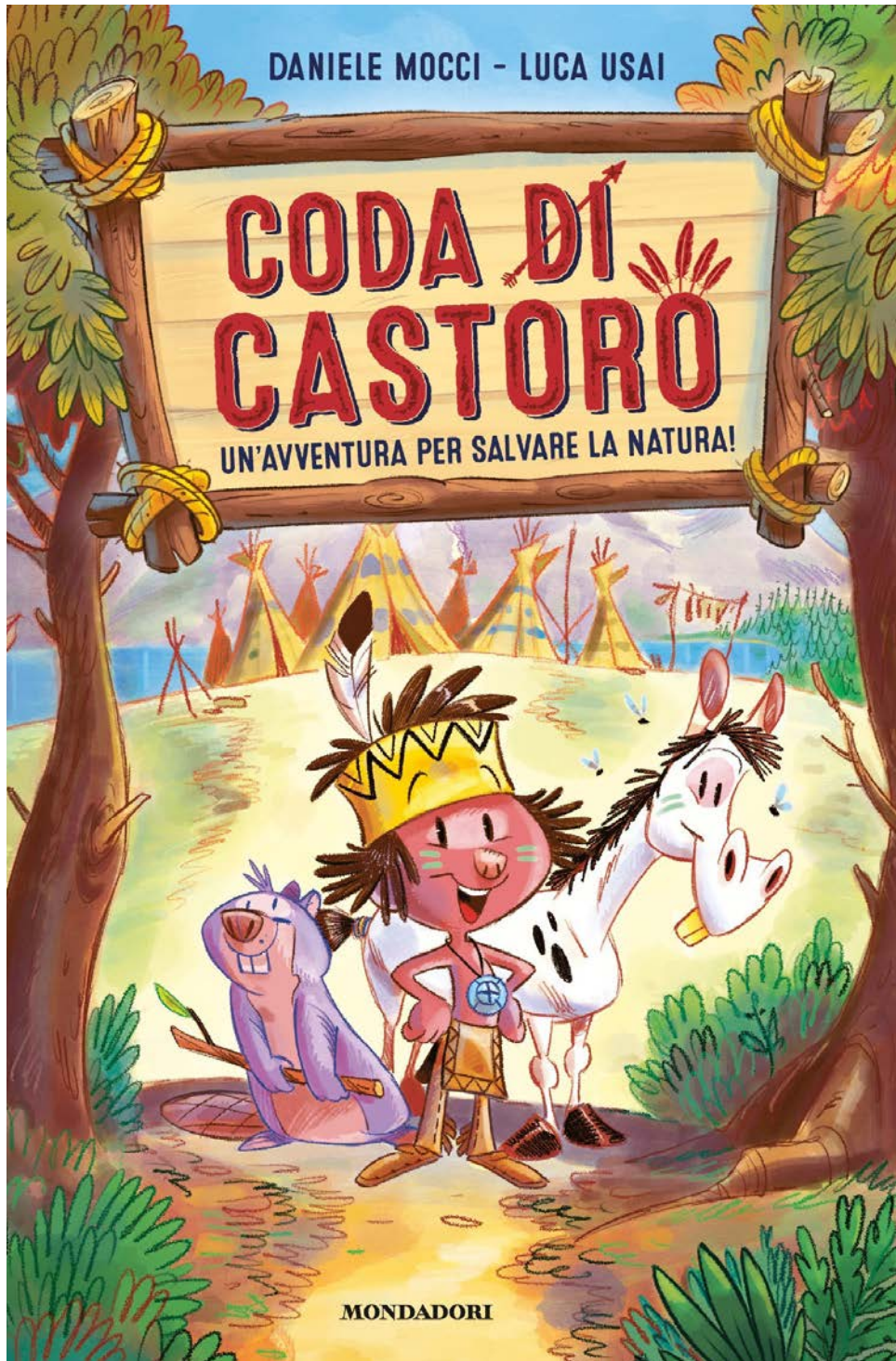
BARBARA CANTINI has worked as an illustrator in the world of theatre and television before turning her talents to illustrating books for children.

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TRANSLATION  
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14,5 x 20,5 cm  
48 pages  
hardcover  
ill. Barbara Cantini

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DANIELE MOCCI - LUCA USAI

# CODA DI CASTORO

UN'AVVENTURA PER SALVARE LA NATURA!

MONDADORI

## FICTION

FULL ENG TRANSLATION AVAILABLE

14,4 x 20,7 cm | 70 pages

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ill. Luca Usai

March 2021

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A STORY FULL OF HUMOUR, FUNNY PUNS AND A GREEN MESSAGE.

## LITTLE BEAVER TAIL AND THE QUEST TO SAVE NATURE

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DANIELE MOCCI  
LUCA USAI

*Join the tribe of Straight Tongues and be ready to protect nature! OH-YAH!!!*

Spring 1695. Little Beaver Tail belongs to the Native American tribe of the Straight Tongues, that has earned a reputation as the most honest people ever! His village is located by the Great Trout river, on a fertile plain surrounded by a magnificent forest and thousand of animals. The perfect place for someone full of energy as Little Beaver Tail. He's so excited since tomorrow will be his first day at school. But something totally unexpected happens. The rival tribe of The Wooden Heads try to pollute the lake near Straight Tongues' village to make them flee and occupy their lands. But Little Beaver and his friends Horsplotchy Armpit, Bada-Boom, Rush of Words, Crooked Bow, Lentil Stew and Wall of Hail are ready to defend their land and protect nature!

**DANIELE MOCCI** is a writer and a screenwriter. At the age of seven, he fell in love with comics and was welcomed into the Paper Cloud tribe with the name of Wild Keyboard. He has published comics in France and Italy for various publishers.

**LUCA USAI** cartoonist and illustrator. Always passionate about humorous comics and animation, in 2006 he attended the Disney Academy and since then, has continued to get his hands dirty with ink drawing comics for many publisher





## SERIES

14 x 21,5 cm | 184 pages  
hardcover  
ill. Agnese Innocente  
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### 2. TWO STARS ON STAGE



### 3. DANCE FROM THE HEART



## PRIMA BALLERINAS

CLAIRE MARTINI

*Follow your passion, enjoy every minute!*

Melissa is half-Russian and half-Italian, she has a grandmother who danced with the Moscow Bolshoi Ballet and a mother who is very strict and not a fan of ballet. Melissa hasn't taken her ballet shoes off from the day she first saw ballet on television. She was later admitted to the prestigious Opera di Roma ballet school where she found new friends, bitter enemies and learned how to work harder than she ever thought possible!

**CLAIRE MARTINI** is a pen name. She currently works with many Italian publishers as translator, copyeditor and ghostwriter. After years spent to take care of other author's books she now wants to dedicate her energy and creativity to her own stories.



FOR EVERY YOUNG READER WHO DREAMS  
OF BECOMING A DANCER.



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A vibrant, painterly illustration of a young boy with dark hair, wearing a red and white striped shirt and dark shorts, crouching by a stream. He is holding a fishing rod with a large, colorful fish on the line. The stream is blue with white foam from the water. In the background, a red fox with a white tail tip is perched on a log, looking towards the boy. The scene is set in a forest with tall, brown tree trunks and green foliage. The overall style is expressive and artistic, with visible brushstrokes and a rich color palette.

# Illustrated books





## PICTURE BOOK

22x28 cm | pages 40  
hardcover  
ill. Lida Ziruffo  
March 2022

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**NEW**

**SWERVING  
A LITTLE  
SEEKING  
ONE'S OWN  
DIRECTION.**

## THE GOOD PATH

ALICE ROHRWACHER  
LIDA ZIRUFFO

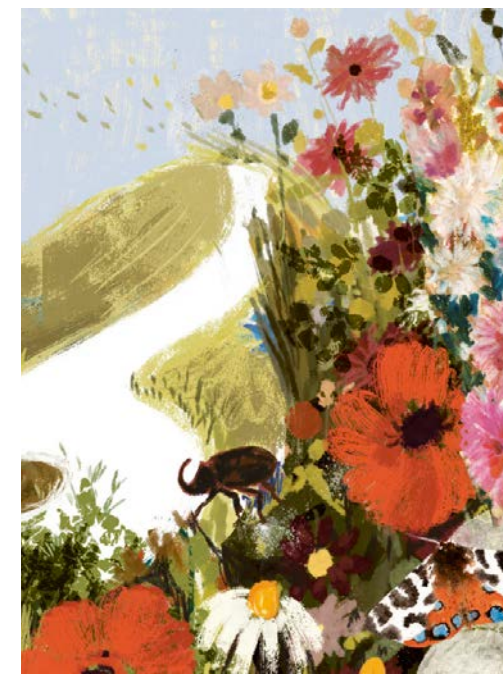
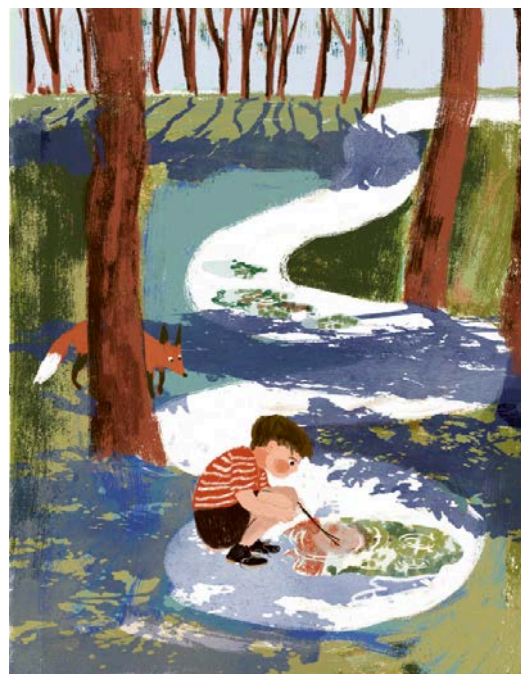
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*A book to find your way.*

There is a slightly inexperienced road that doesn't know where to go. It bends into big curves, jumps over high bridges, gets narrow and then widens out so as not to disturb anyone. But then everyone starts asking her to go this way and that, up and down, and the road is exhausted! She is about to stop when she meets a little boy who is just like her. The road and the child do not yet know their direction, but now they can look for it together.

**ALICE ROHRWACHER** is an Italian director and screenwriter, capable of narrating reality in an imaginative and poetic way (2014 Special Grand Prix of the Jury at the Cannes Film Festival for *Le meraviglie*; 2018 Best Screenplay Award at the Cannes Film Festival for *Lazzaro felice*).

**LIDA ZIRUFFO** loves nature and lives in the countryside near Orvieto. Her drawings have appeared in international magazines and she is the author of several picture books.





## PICTURE BOOK

FULL ENG TRANSLATION  
AVAILABLE

22 x 22 cm | 48 pages  
hardcover  
ill. Alberto Lot  
September 2021

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## NO POOP ON MY BOOK!

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SARA DI ROSA  
ALBERTO LOT

*A hilarious, interactive and marvellously illustrated book.*

Dodò has such a cool book and he can't wait to read it. But his house is so chaotic that it's almost impossible to find a calm corner to read in! And it seems like everyone wants his book to...Hey! Who did this stinky pool?

**SARA DI ROSA** is an editor for children's books and if they are written in Spanish she translates them.

**ALBERTO LOT** is a graphic designer, illustrator and animator. Formerly art director at Leo Burnett and Condé Nast. He has worked for global brands and companies.



THE ONLY PLACE  
TO READ IN PEACE  
REALLY, IS THE POTTY!



NOW AVAILABLE IN THE  
BEST TOILETS!





## PICTURE BOOK

### SPECIAL FRIENDS

22 x 28 cm | 56 pages  
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### TRAVELLING THE WORLD

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hardcover  
April 2022

### DISCOVERING LETTERS AND NUMBERS

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hardcover  
September 2021

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## NINA & OLGA SERIES

### NICOLETTA COSTA

*From the talent and the incredible imagination of Nicoletta Costa two tender and funny characters and a new wonderful TV series.*

### SPECIAL FRIENDS

This is the story of how Nina and Olga the cloud became friends! Nina is a very curious little girl with a head full of curls, who lives in the World Underneath. In the World Above, alongside the sun, the moon lives Olga the cloud. One day as she looked down, Olga sees Nina chasing her hat and decides to go down and help her.

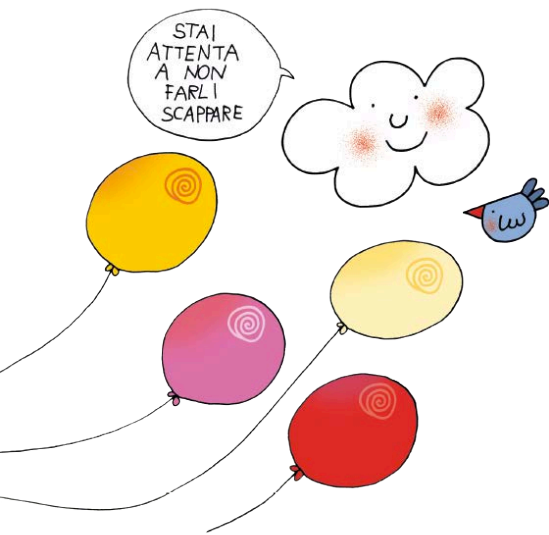
### TRAVELLING THE WORLD

The tundra, the desert, the ocean, the jungle. The foxes, the lions, the whales, the hyenas. A beautiful world, all waiting to be discovered! Nina and Olga will take you on a fantastic journey to find the most magical places on Earth.

### DISCOVERING LETTERS AND NUMBERS

Nina is getting ready to go to elementary school and, together with Olga, she will discover just how much fun the letters of the alphabet and numbers up to 20 can be.

**NICOLETTA COSTA** earned a degree in Architecture and began her career as an illustrator two years later. To date, she has illustrated (and written) more than 300 books. She has created characters of enormous international success appeared in animated series, magazines, games, clothing, products for children. Her work has received numerous awards.



**NEW**



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**WHAT FUN ON THE FARM!**

Nina and her class visit a farm and discover all the different animals.

**THE HAPPY PLACE**

Nina gets angry because a classmate ruins her drawing. Olga helps her to find her happy place to calm herself down.

15 x 15 cm | 12 pages | boardbook  
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**LICENSING BOOK**

18,5 x 21 cm | 24 pages  
paperback tie-in book  
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**THE TRIAL PUPPY**

Taking care of a puppy isn't so easy!

**THE ARGUMENT**

A book for learning how to resolve arguments, and make up after fights.

**THE BEST PRESENT EVER**

It's Christmas Eve. Nina and Olga try a thousand different ways to help the time pass quicker as they wait for Santa to arrive.

**LITTLE NIGHT MYSTERIES**

Nina can't sleep because she sees monsters in the dark, but Olga will help her!

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**NINA & OLGA, ARE THE PROTAGONISTS OF THE ANIMATED SERIES BROADCASTED ON RAIYOYO!**



**LET'S PLAY TOGETHER!**

Activity book with stickers!

21 x 28 cm | 24 pages  
paperback tie-in book  
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## PICTURE BOOK

ENG. TRANSLATION  
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17,5 x 17,5 cm | 32 pages  
hardcover  
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# ORSOBLU

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## NICOLETTA COSTA

*Blue Bear is Tom's favorite toy. They are always together!  
But sometimes it's hard to be a good bear. Will little Tom  
be able to handle the whims of his favorite stuffed animal?*

### BLUE BEAR DOESN'T WANT TO EAT!

A new dish on the table is always a drama. "Blue Bear, at least taste it!"

### BLUE BEAR DOESN'T WANT TO SHARE

Will Tom be able to convince Blue Bear that sharing is important?

### BLUE BEAR THINKS HE CAN'T DO IT!

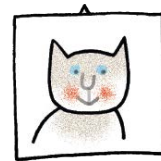
You can learn everything with patience, even to get off the slide,  
Try it, Blue Bear!

### BLUE BEAR DOESN'T WANT TO SLEEP!

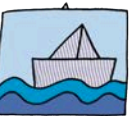
Will Tom be able to convince him to relax and close his eyes?



AS "AN EXTERNAL TANTRUM OBSERVER" THE CHILD  
RECOGNIZE WHIMS AND HOW TO OVERCOME THEM.



NICOLETTA COSTA began her activity as an illustrator of children's books in 1980, two years after graduating in Architecture, and has never stopped since. He has published more than 300 picture books, enchanting readers around the world with his ability to see with the eyes of children. Through the adventures of its characters, young readers learn to have confidence in themselves and to face every challenge serenely.



EVEN TEDDY BEARS  
HAVE A TANTRUM!



A BOOK ON THE IMPORTANCE OF PERSONAL HYGIENE AND PREVENTION THAT DEALS WITH FEELING POORLY IN THE MOST PLAYFUL AND RELAXED WAY.



## PICTURE BOOK

PIG HEART PACO  
22 x 22 cm | 48 pages  
paperback  
ill. Simone Frasca  
January 2021

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WELCOME TO THE FOREST SCHOOL!  
18 x 23 cm | 80 pages  
hardcover  
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SIMONE FRASCA

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## PIG HEART PACO

*All you need to do is wash your hands to defeat the monsters!*

Paco is a fearless knight with an important mission: to protect the village children from the monsters. Thanks to his pestilent breath and his super sweaty armpits, the baddies don't stand a chance...most of the time! There are monsters so very small that they are invisible, that need to be defeated using different weapons, such as washing your hands, eating fruit and vegetables, taking a bath!

**SIMONE FRASCA** is a much-loved author and illustrator, who designs mascots and campaigns. He regularly holds events and workshops in libraries and schools, and is always in demand at festivals.

## WELCOME TO THE FOREST SCHOOL!

*How do little puppies tackle their first day of school?*

Every day all puppies are eager to get to the funny and welcoming school of the forest! Teachers are waiting for them: a sweet kangaroo that always tells stories and a nice octopus with a turban who loves music and painting. And in the classrooms: games, books, brushes and colored pencils. Wearing their aprons and a snack in the satchels the puppies can't wait to learn and play!



WELCOME TO THE FOREST SCHOOL!





## PICTURE BOOK

18,5 x 21 cm | 48 pages  
paperback | ill. Ste Tirasso  
January 2019

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paperback | ill. Giuditta  
Gaviraghi | October 2018

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## DRAGON SOUP

LETIZIA IANNACCONI, STE TIRASSO

*The perfect book for children who refuse to eat their vegetables.*

This week, once again, smelly vegetable soup is on the menu. What if in its place a smoking dragon soup is served? Maybe vegetables aren't so bad after all... Vegetables are good for children but also for dragons!

LETIZIA IANNACCONI is born in Genoa and is a prominent author and illustrator who works with many Italian and foreign publishing houses.

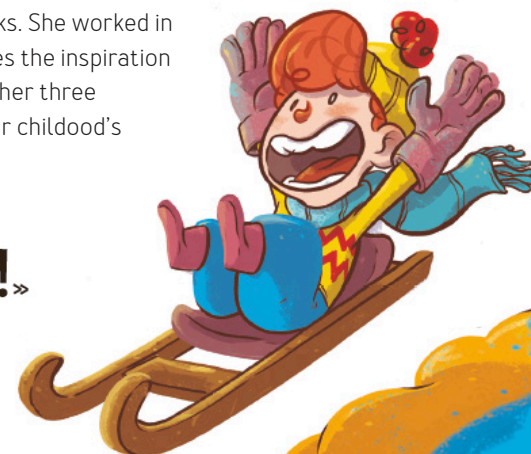
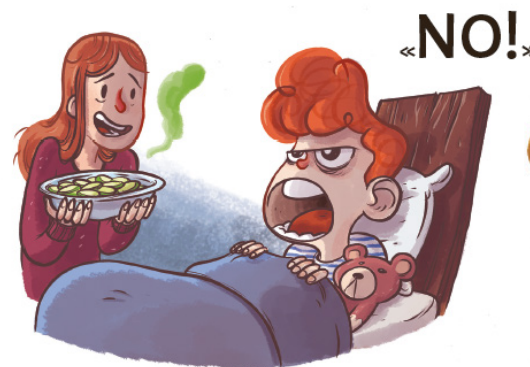
## BUT, WHERE DID GRANDPA GO?

SILVIA SOMMARIVA

*A sweet story to remember with a smile who's not with us anymore.*

Ludovico is a bit worried because it's been a while that grandpa hasn't come to pick him up at preschool. Where is he gone? But then Ludovico remembers the secret of grandpa Attilio and about a very very special place... A book that tells about death and separation from the ones we love in a sweet and progressive way in the respect of the readers' age.

SILVIA SOMMARIVA is born in Milan where lives and works. She worked in advertising. She takes the inspiration for her stories from her three children and from her childhood's memories.



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C'ERA UNA VOLTA UNA CITTA' SONTANA LONTANA,  
DOVE TUTTI INDOSSAVANO GRANDI STIVALI,  
GRANDI CAPPELLI E GRANDI PANNOLINI.



## ILLUSTRATED

26,5 x 26,5 cm | 48 pages  
paperback  
ill. Silvia Serreli  
February 2020

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Ill. Antongionata Ferrari  
October 2019

## WHAT ARE BIG BROTHERS FOR

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### SILVIA SERRELI

Livia doesn't know why she needs a big brother who's overbearing and not very nice! She decides to ask her grandfather. A gentle story that illustrates to young readers the beauty of having a brother or sister.

**SILVIA SERRELI** is a leading and much loved author and illustrator in the field of pre-school titles. With her 'Tea' series (Giunti) she has sold over 100,000 copies in Italy and is published in five countries.

## THE NAPPY THIEF

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### MIRIAM DUBINI

A puppy pack that goes by the name "the urinators" discovers that supplies of their over-sized nappies have run out across the Far West. And a strange object appears in their local store. What can it be? Maybe they should sit on it and see what happens!

**MIRIAM DUBINI** a much-loved and highly productive author, died suddenly, having spent her life writing children's books, working in theatre and creating comic books, film, books and games.







ILLUSTRATED

22 x 28 cm | 32 pages  
hardcover  
ill. Leandra La Rosa  
November 2021

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THE RIGHT BALANCE  
BETWEEN LISTENING  
AND LEARNING FROM  
THOSE WITH MORE  
EXPERIENCE AND BEING  
OPENED TO NEW IDEAS.



INNOVATION VS TRADITION.  
MAGICAL GENERATIONS  
BY COMPARISON.



EPIPHANY

NICOLETTA ASNICAR

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*Epiphany is sick! Who will save the Epiphany?*

It is the cold January magical night Eve, during which Epiphany the adorable old lady brings presents to children on her magical flying broom. But Epiphany is sick! How will she get to all the children on her broomstick? That's where Anni comes in, a modern, aspiring Epiphany, fast and fresh from school, ready to substitute the dear old lady. But, oh no, there are things that you can only learn from practice. With a pinch of modern magic and a lot of experience, the magical night will be safe once more.

**NICOLETTA ASNICAR** lives in Vicenza where she teaches Italian. After graduating twice, once in history and once in children's literature, in 2009 she set up "Keidos", an association for promoting children's literature that hosts reading workshops for adults and children. She works with Mondadori, writing for the magazine "Focus Pico".





ILLUSTRATED

ALBA MARCOLI

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## TALES OF PRINCES AND PRINCESSES

*Stories to share to talk about anger.*

Fairy tales have healing powers. There's a magic kingdom offering a thousand adventures and a whirlwind of emotions, including anger. There are princes who fly into a rage when they've been misled and princesses who get angry with overbearing parents... but when you give voice to anger, it becomes easier to overcome. An authoritative aid in helping children to talk about profound feelings they feel when teased, when suffering low self-esteem, from over-protective parents, and when judged by others. Closing appendix by two psychologist who worked alongside Alba Marcoli.



CLOSING APPENDIX  
BY TWO PSYCHOLOGIST WHO WORKED  
ALONGSIDE ALBA MARCOLI.

## FOREST TALES

*Stories to share to talk about fear.*

Seven Oaks Forest is a special place, home to lots of animal families and their little ones, each unique with their own unique fears, either they're scared to fall asleep, of being left alone, a loved one might die... but when you give voice to fears, they're easier to overcome.

**ALBA MARCOLI** (1939-2014) was a leading clinical psychologist of the Italian psychoanalytic school. She dealt with issues affecting young people for many years, a large part of her publications focusing on family problems, especially the mother-child relationship, and sold hundreds of thousands of copies.

18 x 23 cm | 64 pages  
hardcover  
ill. Carla Manea  
September 2020

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TALKING  
ABOUT  
FEARS IN  
SEVEN  
OAKS FOREST.



# Non-fiction





NON-FICTION

16 x 22 cm | 224 pages  
hardcover  
ill. Ilaria Zanellato  
April 2022

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TODAY IS A SPECIAL DAY

ROSSELLA KOHLER

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*The calendar is full of days for remembering and celebrating so that we can change the world!*

Kindness, Biodiversity, Oceans, Women and Girls in Science, Memory, Liberation—so many days, anniversaries, and moments to celebrate throughout the year. A guide to the most important International and Italian Days, discovering the people, ideas and events to know in order to become conscious young citizens!

**ROSSELLA KOHLER** is a geographer. After years of teaching, she devoted herself to writing texts for school publishing. *We Can Change the World* was her first book for children. She is the creator, along with other teachers and specialists, of the blog [progettoipazia.com](http://progettoipazia.com).

FROM EARTH TO HUMAN RIGHTS, FROM MEMORY  
TO KINDNESS: 20 DAYS TO CELEBRATE TOGETHER.



## Approfondiamo un po'

### Margherita Hack

(1922-2013)

È stata un'astrofisica, prima donna a dirigere l'Osservatorio Astronomico di Trieste.

Animalista convinta e vegetariana, si è schierata sempre in prima fila a favore dei diritti civili.



### Ada Lovelace

(1815-1852)

Nata in Inghilterra, era una bambina che amava la scienza e la matematica: osservando il volo degli uccelli progettò una macchina volante. Da grande inventò l'antenato del computer.



### Pendo Bigambo

(1980)

È un'ingegnera della Tanzania. La sua ricerca riguarda la creazione di nanofibre derivate da tessuti di scarto: un'alternativa sostenibile rispetto a gettare questi prodotti nella discarica.

### Trotula Di Ruggiero

(1050-?)

Nella Scuola Medica Salernitana, antenata delle università di medicina, si è occupata della salute delle donne, affrontando per la prima volta argomenti come la gravidanza, il parto e la cura dei neonati.



## Acqua per tutto

### Nell'allevamento

I bovini sono i più assetati: serve acqua per produrre il foraggio, per bere, per pulire le stalle. Per ottenere un chilo di carne sono necessari più di diecimila litri di acqua.

### In agricoltura

Il 70% dell'acqua dolce è destinato all'irrigazione dei campi: ad esempio, per coltivare un chilo di mele servono circa ottocento litri d'acqua.

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Nelle fabbriche l'acqua è necessaria per riscaldare e raffreddare, per pulire, per creare vapore, ecc. Per produrre un paio di jeans occorrono circa diecimila litri d'acqua.

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SHOULD BE  
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ROSSELLA KÖHLER is a geographer. She taught for a few years, before dedicating herself as an author to writing texts for school publishing. This is her first children's book. Together with other teachers and specialists she created the blog [progettoipazia.com](http://progettoipazia.com).

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## APPROFONDIAMO UN PO'

### Germania

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### Cina

L'anno scolastico ha due mesi di vacanza: a febbraio, per il Capodanno cinese, e ad agosto. Oltre alle materie fondamentali, si insegna a risolvere problemi pratici della vita quotidiana.

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## ANIMALI MINACCIATI

### Leopardo delle nevi

Felino dell'Asia centrale. La caccia e il riscaldamento climatico hanno diminuito la sua popolazione di circa un quinto in pochi anni.

### Panda gigante

In Cina, la deforestazione ne ha ristretto l'habitat. Oggi ne sopravvivono circa 1600 esemplari liberi in natura.

### Ākahe

Uccello che non può volare e per questo spesso preda di altri animali. Ne rimangono pochi esemplari in Nuova Zelanda.

### Orso bruno marsicano

La caccia illegale li ha decimati. Oggi ne rimangono poco più di cinquanta, nel Parco Nazionale d'Abruzzo, Lazio e Molise.

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**LINDA GIANNATTASIO** is a professional journalist. She has worked at Piazzapulita since 2011 for an important TV show on economic and fact checking segments. A specialist in debunking and data journalism, she has been a host and correspondent for Sky Tg24. She has also worked for various networks and important newspapers, as well as in the press office for the Senate. She collaborates with the LUISS Guido Carli chairs of Information and Communication Law and Internet Law, on social media and discrimination.

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**KIBRA SEBHAT** Her parents chose to move from Eritrea to Italy in the early 1970s. She works in business communication, journalism and video production. She was involved in "Rete G2 - Seconde Generazioni" and since 2012, she writes for "Corriere della Sera".

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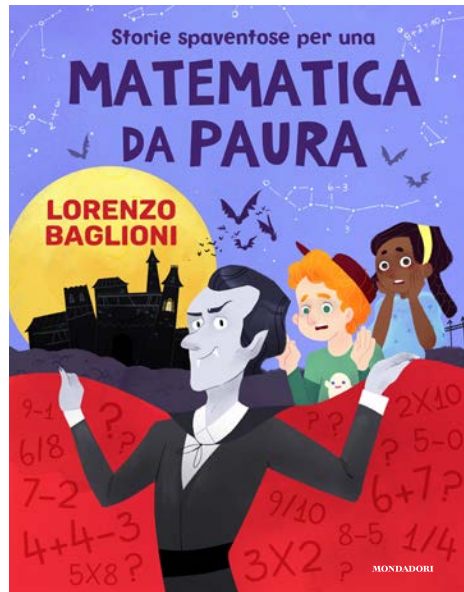


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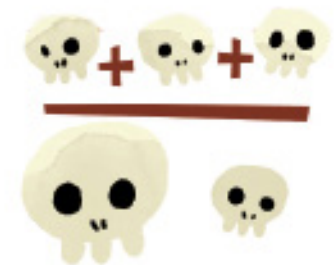
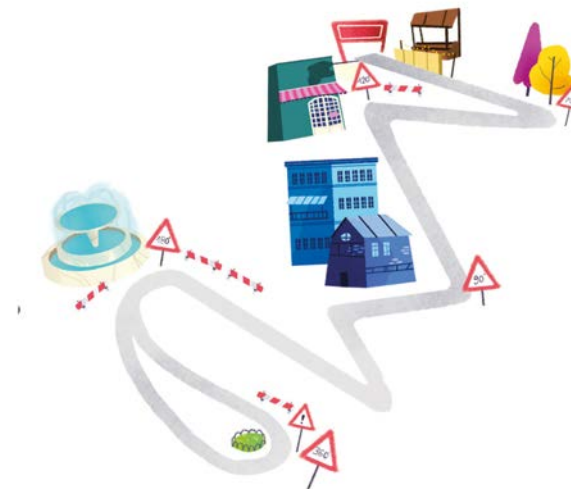
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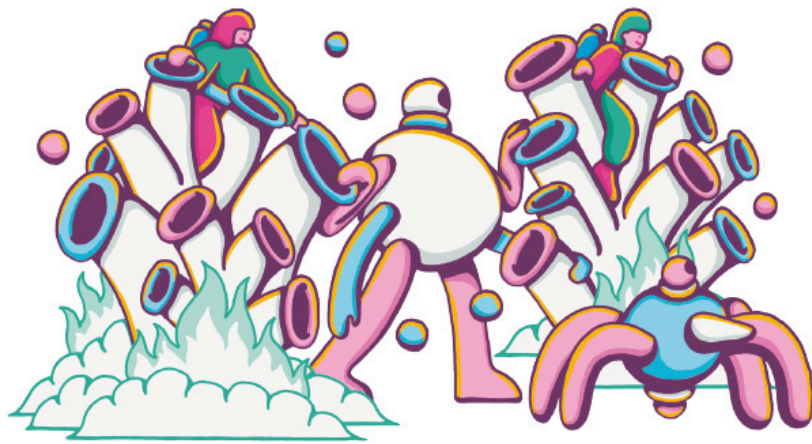
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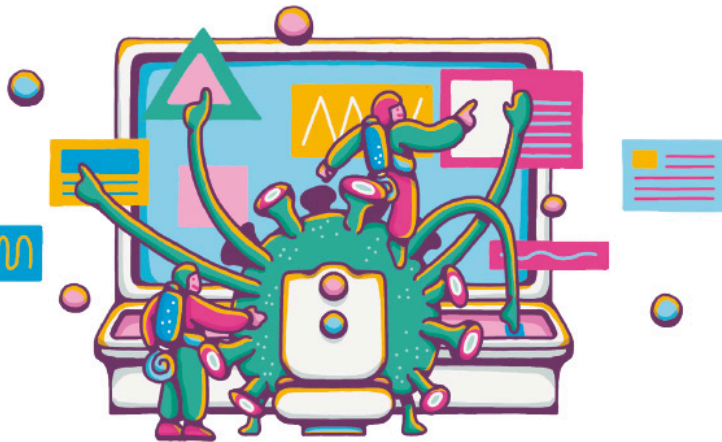
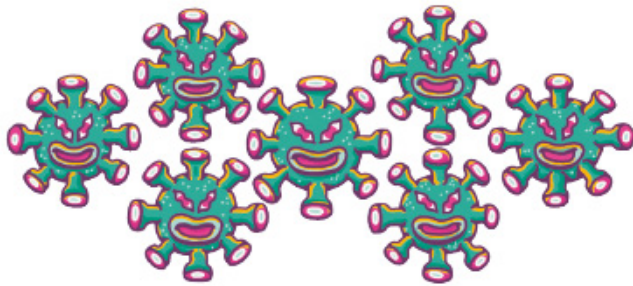
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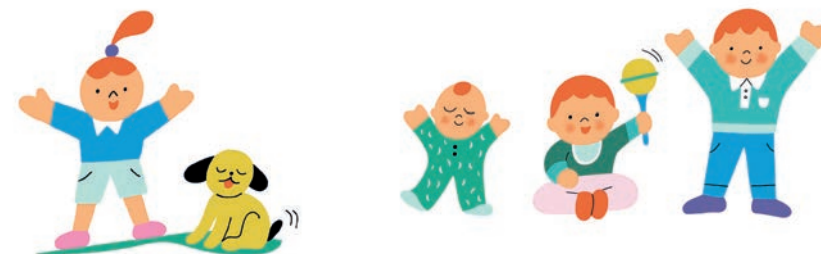
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CINZIA PENNATI for twenty years she has been working as a teacher, experimenting innovative methods of teaching and social commitment. In December 2016 she opened a great impact blog, *Sosdonne.com*, which deals with school, women, discrimination and gender-based violence.

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LINDA RAIMONDO

*Even dreams which seem out of this world can come true.*

Linda Raimondo is very young and has a dream: to become an astronaut. It's a gigantic dream but not impossible. Linda set off on her pathway to the stars at a young age. She took physics at university, won a competition with ESA (European Space Agency) and met some of the most important astronauts and scientists on the planet. But she would never have made it without her family, her true friends and the amazing role models she had in Margherita Hack, Samantha Cristoforetti, and Margaret Hamilton. In ten letters lace with memories, interesting facts, addressed to her loved ones and people who inspired her, Linda tells us how and when the intergalactic dream that's about to take off for her began and what each of us can do to make our own dreams, whatever they are, come true.

10 STEPS  
TO REALISE  
YOUR DREAM

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THAT ENCOURAGES YOUNG PEOPLE  
TO FOLLOW THEIR DREAMS, WRITTEN  
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