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# **Captain Mistral's Fabulous Cruise**

### Davice Cali & Federico Appel



Ages: 3+ Pages: 40 Format: Hardcover Size: 23x29 cm Publication year: 2025 Original language: French Rights sold to: Simpl. Chinese

#### **SELLING POINTS**

GRANT AVAILABLE #tourism #adventure #animals #fun



**Davide Cali** is a prolific and multi-awarded Italian author. He has published around 100 books, especially picture books and comics, which have been translated to over 30 languages. Humour, rhythm and an amazing imagination are always present in his texts.

**Federico Appel** is an editor, author and illustrator. His first book was the novel *The Memoirs of Alexander*, published in 2008. Since then, in addition to illustrating books by other authors, he has written other stories but also comics, and picture books. He also illustrated *The Great Tandem Ride* (written by Nadine Brun-Cosme).

# A quirky and joyful parody of mass tourism!

Welcome aboard the Lady Crystal, the eighth wonder of the world!
As long as three football fields and as tall as a 20-story building, this gigantic cruise ship glides across the ocean with more than 9,000 passengers on board. A true floating city!
The mayor of this city is Captain Mistral. He welcomes you aboard and promises you THE ADVENTURE OF A LIFETIME!
But a short trip to a mysterious island will turn the peaceful cruise upside down...

#### **AUTHOR'S AWARDS**

- $\pmb{\ast}$  4 times selected for White Ravens
- ★ Prix Baobab 2005
- ★ Warsaw International Book Fair Award
- \* Shortlisted Les Incorruptibles 2024 Award



# **On the Other Side of the Rain**

Pierre-Emmanuel Lyet



Ages: 6+

Pages: 68

Format: Hardcover

SELLING POINTS

GRANT AVAILABLE

#immigration #migrants

#newyork #ellisisland
#history #architecture

Publication year: 2025

Original language: French.

Size: 25x36 cm

# One city and two girls from different eras unveil its origins.

Mary, a 10-year-old girl from New York, contemplates the beautiful architecture of New York City reflected in puddles after the rain. Suddenly, her own reflection takes the form of another little girl, Carol, her ancestor.

Thus begins a journey through time and space in the city, where Mary and Carol get to know each other while contemplating the metamorphosis of New York, the city and its reflection, like a game of differences between two eras.

#### **AUTHOR'S AWARDS**

- ★ Witches Award 2021
- ★ Shortlisted César Award 2016
- 🗮 Media Jury Prize, Bruz
- ★ Digital Jury Prize (BCBF)
- \* Cristal for Best Education Film, Anecy
- ★ Special Mention Golden Prague





**Pierre-Emmanuel Lyet** is is a graduate of the École Supérieure des Arts Décoratifs in Paris with a degree in animated film. He also works in the fields of graphic design, animation, journalism, and children's literature. He has illustrated several picture books that have been translated into multiple languages. In the summer of 2024, he was awarded an artist residency at Villa Albertine in New York based on this exceptional picture book project: He wanted a story that told the history of the city, the evolution of its architecture, and the people who shaped it.

# **Bébert's Amazing Trip Around the World**

Fanny Joly & Lorenzo Sangiò



Ages: 3+ Pages: 40 Format: Hardcover Size: 24x32cm Publication year: 2023 Original language: French Rights sold: Estonian, Korean, Simpl. & Complex Chinese, Italian, English (World), Greek.

#### **SELLING POINTS**

GRANT AVAILABLE #travel #cats #world #culture #foreign languages #discovery #friendship



# A must for cat lovers, or travel lovers, or good-story lovers... for everyone!

Bébert lives on the streets, rummaging through rubbish bins with his cat buddies. It's a perfectly normal life for an alley cat... but it lacks a bit of pizzazz. One day, thanks to an unexpected raffle ticket, Bébert's life is about to be turned upside down. And off he goes on a trip around the world discovering fascinating countries inhabited... by cats!

# WATCH THE TEASER



\* Les Incorruptibles 1992 & 1994
 \* Les Incorruptibles Award 2024-2
 Award
 \* Bologna Illustrators Award 2025
 \* Battello a vapore 2016 Award as

 Battello a vapore 2016 Award as Best Illustrator
 Bologna Children's Bookfair 2023 Illustrators Exhibition

**BEST SELLER** 



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# **Bébert's Crazy Adventures in Paris**

Fanny Joly & Lorenzo Sangiò



Ages: 3+ Pages: 40 Format: Hardcover Size: 24x32cm Publication year: 2025 Original language: French.

### SELLING POINTS

GRANT AVAILABLE #travel #cats #world #culture #foreign languages #discovery #friendship #paris #music #band #mistery

# Bébert embarks on another adventure: hop on his band's bus!

Bébert and his gang host a small dinner show for the neighborhood cats. Their talent attracts the attention of a wealthy Parisian producer. Bingo! Off to Paris! Between rehearsals, he offers the band a tour of the capital: a cruise on the Seine, stops at the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame, Montmartre, the Louvre... But during a trip to the Catacombs, the troupe is attacked by two strange masked cats and Charlotte disappears. Disaster: tonight's show is sold out. The gang is desperate. They have to find Charlotte really quick!

### AUTHOR'S AWARDS \* Les Incorruptibles 1992 & 1994

Award

**ILLUSTRATOR'S AWARDS** 

 \* Les Incorruptibles Award 2024-2025
 \* Bologna Illustrators Award 2025
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# Honey Bear and the Bees

# Mylène Rigaudie



Ages: 3+ Pages: 40 Format: Hardcover Size: 23x29 cm Publication year: 2025 Original language: French

#### **SELLING POINTS**

GRANT AVAILABLE #bear #honey #beekeeping #neighbours #animals #solidarity #friendship #nature #countryside #local production

Mylène Rigaudie was a breeder of newts, crickets, cockchafer beetles and other insects as a child and has retained her curiosity and meticulous attention to detail, which she incorporates into her drawings... She now illustrates for a number of French publishers, including Casterman, Nathan, Milan and Lito and makes her own honey too in a small village in the Lot region in South-West France!

# Newcomers: threat or a great beginning of something amazing?

When Honey Bear arrives in the village and starts living in the house formerly occupied by Hulotte the owl, there is consternation among the inhabitants. Who is this intruder, this fat, lazy slob who moves into the neighbour's house and spends his time napping? And who neglects the garden and the house?

But when a huge swarm of bees invades the village, the neighbours have to ask for help, and who else but a bear can help them? Honey Bear takes matters into his own hands and goes to the bookshop to pick up a small beekeeper's manual. He's decided to tame the bees and get himself a job at the same time!



# **The Great Tandem Ride**

Nadine Brun-Cosme & Federico Appel



Ages: 3+ Pages: 40 Format: Hardcover Size: 23x29cm Publication year: 2025 Original language: French.

Rights sold to: Simpl. Chinese

# SELLING POINTS

GRANT AVAILABLE #travel #cat #dog #friendship #landscape #bike

#disagreement

# Who better than your best friend to take a trip on a tandem?

Max and Louise are best friends. They receive a beautiful tandem as a present. Off they go on a fun holiday in the countryside! But riding a tandem is not as easy as they expected and great surprises await them...

**AUTHOR'S AWARDS** \* Prix jeunesse des libraires du **Ouébec** 2016

\* Nati per Leggere 2014 Award

\* Shortlisted Les Incorruptibles 2023 \* Landerneau Album Jeunesse 2021 Award





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# **Timmy & Patoche Series**

Virginie Costa



# Growl! I'm the Big Bad Wolf!

Everyone is afraid of the wolf and this fascinates Timmy... HE will be a wolf today! He puts on his costume and sets off to frighten his cat Patoche, chickens, pigs and even Little Red Riding Hood... But there is ONLY ONE big bad wolf, and that one's not happy... A book that turns the themes of **bullying** by giving children's favourite characters unexpected roles.

Pub. year: 2022 Original language: French Rights sold: Simpl. & Compl. Chinese.

# BOOKTRAILER

# Kings of the Mountain

Timmy and Patoche will take part in a sledge race. To secure winning, they need to get the best equipment. But the shop assistant has only one sledge... Fortunately, he offers Patoche a flamingo rubber ring as a solution! And off they go. At the race, other competitors mock this unusual sledge, but Patoche will prove them wrong!

Pub. year: 2023 Original language: French Rights sold: Simpl. & Compl. Chinese.

BOOKTRAILER

# A Cat at School

It's Timmy's first day of school and he's a bit worried, so he decides to take his friend Patoche with him. What could go wrong? In the playground, Timmy makes a friend and he forgets about Patoche, who is hidden in his school bag. Once he arrives at class, Patoche can't stay still... Chaos assured!

Pub. year: 2024 Original language: French Rights sold: Korean, Simpl. & Compl. Chinese, Greek.

# Everyone's a Champion!

Timmy decides to register his cat for the Athletic Games. Training begins, but it's clear that the feline has no talent for sport, but he manages to make progress... Some competitors have stage fright. Patoche then encourages others and takes care of them, even if it means forgetting his athletic performance.

Pub. year: 2024 Original language: French Rights sold: Simpl. & Compl. Chinese, Greek. At last! Holidays! Patoche and Timmy have been expecting this moment for so long! Crab fishing, water skiing, swimming, and a game of volleyball against a team of not very friendly big guys.. But Patoche and Timmy have seen others. Together, they are stronger!

#### **ABOUT THE SERIES**

- Hilarious, surrealist and rhythmic stories with various animals as characters.
- An endearing human-animal friendship: ideal for petlovers!
- Ideal to address topics such as bullying, fear, mocking other people and standing up against abuse or to overcome anxiety on the first day of school.
- Adorable characters with **delightful energy and** humour.

Virgine Costa is a talented young author and illustrator who gives life to adorable characters with delightful energy and humour. These are her first picture books!





Ages: 3+ Pages: 40 Format: Hardcover Size: 18x25cm Publication year: 2025 Original language: French





# **Satoshi's Sweet Little Treasures**

### Didier Lévy & Lorenzo Sangiò



Ages: 3+ Pages: 40 Format: Hardcover Size: 23x29cm Publication year: 2022 Original language: French Rights sold: Simpl. & Compl. Chinese, Russian, Greek

#### SELLING POINTS

- An enthralling and heartening story about paying attention to the small details and the wonders we encounter in our daily life.
- Vivid and detailed watercolour spreads that guide the reader to diverse
   Japanese landscapes, full of anime and other cultural references.



# Hop on Satoshi's minibus and discover Tokyo's hidden secrets!

Satoshi is a minibus driver in Tokyo. To spice up his journeys, he doesn't hesitate to leave his official itinerary to go into backstreets and show the delighted passengers some little treasures far from the hustle and bustle of the city... But the company's director doesn't seem too keen on his eccentric ideas...

#### **AUTHOR'S AWARDS**

\* Landerneau Album Jeunesse 2017

Award \* Les Incorruptibles 2020-2021 Award \* Les Incorruptibles Award 2024-2025

#### **BOOK AWARDS**

★ Les Incorruptibles Award 2024-2025



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# ILLUSTRATOR'S AWARDS

 \* Bologna Illustrators Award 2025
 \* Battello a vapore 2016 Award as Best Illustrator
 \* Bologna Children's Bookfair 2023
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# Théophile, the Book Lover

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Picture books



Davide Cali & Lorenzo Sangiò

Ages: 3+ Pages: 40 Format: Hardcover Size: 23x29cm Publication year: 2024 Original language: French Rights sold: Italian, Korean, Simpl. &. Complex Chinese, Japanese, Greek.

#### **SELLING POINTS**

GRANT AVAILABLE #books #reading #tenderness #joke #surprise

# A marvelous book for any bibliophile who keeps accumulating books... Does this ring a bell?

Théophile has a magnificent personal library, with tons and tons of books about many different topics. One day, his friends ask him about the name of Napoleon's dog. He rummages his library in search of the book that might have the answer... but it has disappeared! Where might it be? Perhaps he has too many books. Maybe it's time to take a drastic decision.

#### **AUTHOR'S AWARDS**

- \* 4x selected for White Ravens
- \* Shortlisted Les Incorruptibles
- 2024 Award
- \* Prix Baobab 2005
- \* Warsaw International Book Fair Award
- \* Michel Tournier Award 2018



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**ILLUSTRATOR'S AWARDS** 

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# **The Superpower Series**

Didier Lévy / Fanny Joly & Lorenzo Sangiò



## The Superpower of Stories

#### Didier Lévy & Lorenzo Sangiò

Maurice is a cat with a clever plan. Instead of chasing mice, he's going to make them come to him. And how will he do that? By reading them STORIES. But little does Morris know that his brilliant scheme won't work out quite the way he expects...

### Pub. year: 2019

#### Original language: French

**Rights sold**: Catalan, Simpl. & Compl. Chinese, World English, Greek, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Polish and World Spanish, Thai.



# Didier Lévy & Lorenzo Sangiò

Robert the wolf, a rocker in search of success, dreams of starting a wolves band. He puts out an ad and to his great surprise, Max the bunny, a fellow rocker with a divine voice, appears. The Honky-Tonkies band is born. Fans flock from everywhere in the forest resulting in an instant success. But Robert's natural instinct and hunger is never far away...

Pub. year: 2023

### Original language: French

Rights sold: Compl. Chinese, World English, Japanese, Thai.



# Third title in the series!

Frida the fox is a great artist. Painting is her thing: she wields the brush from morning till night in a veritable explosion of colour. Her house and garden are overflowing with paintings by the great masters, from the Impressionists to the stars of Cubism. Her masters include Picasso, Monet, Gauguin, Van Gogh, Rothko, Turner, Delaunay... When Paulette the adventurous chick comes into her life, Frida falls under the spell of this plump gallinaceous girl who dreams of becoming an artist. Frida's chicken-thieving instincts leave her for an intensive training course...

#### **ABOUT THE SERIES**

- Three tender and timeless picture books that bring out the power of music and literature to bridge divides, bring people together and create community.
- A joyful celebration of friendship beyond differences and conflicting interests.
- Delightful encounters of lovable animal duos that forge unlikely friendships.
- Didier Lévy's and Fanny Joly's gentle and funny writing meets Lorenzo Sangiò's warm and detailed illustrations.

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# The Superpower

Fanny Joly & Lorenzo Sangiò



Ages: 3+ Pages: 40 Format: Hardcover Size: 23x29cm Publication year: 2024 Original language: French.

#### AUTHOR'S AWARDS

 Landerneau Album Jeunesse 2017 Award (D. Lévy)
 Les Incorruptibles 2020-2021 Award (D. Lévy)
 Les Incorruptibles 1992 & 1994 Award (F. Joly)

### ILLUSTRATOR'S AWARDS

 \* Les Incorruptibles Award 2024-2025
 \* Battello a vapore 2016 Award as Best Illustrator
 \* Bologna Children's Bookfair 2023 Illustrators Exhibition

#### **BOOK AWARDS**

 \* Best Books 2024 - Selection of Public Library Taipei
 \* Bologna Children's Bookfair 2023 Illustrators Exhibition
 \* Les Incorruptibles Award 2024-2025

# Nico & Ouistiti Series

Nadine Brun-Cosme & Anna Aparicio Català



# Nico & Ouistiti Explore the Seabed

Every evening, Nico heads for his secret spot: the Machine Shed, where he meets Ouistiti. A new submarine is ready to explore the ocean depths. Nico and Ouistiti are in for a thrilling journey of encounters and exciting adventures, including a dreamy swim with mermaids and turtles with an urgent mission: reach the shore on time for laying their eggs!

Co-edition

dates

available!

Pub. year: 2019 • French (original) • Sold: Simpl. Chinese, Polish, Italian, Vietnamese.

# Nico & Ouistiti Explore the Forest

In this second adventure, Nico and Ouistiti have invented a new flying machine, ready for take-off. Watch out for the turbulence! Head for the forest, which hides many surprises including a lot of new friends who all seem in a hurry... to disappear underground. Where do they go? They have a new mystery to solve, with unusual encounters and underground galleries. **Pub. year**: 2020 • **French** (original) • **Sold**: Simpl. Chinese, Polish, Italian, Vietnamese.



# Nico & Ouistiti Explore the Sky and Space

When Nico enters the Machine Shed, Ouistiti is already at the controls of the big Balloon that will take them to the sky and space. Between surprising encounters with cloud sheep, a funny little green man, the Great Princesses of the Sky and a touring Santa Claus, the adventure continues with a new acrobatic mission on the Sugar Planet!

Pub. year: 2020 • French (original) • Sold: Simpl. Chinese, Polish, Italian, Vietnamese.

# Nico & Ouistiti Explore the North Pole





On a ship that rolls, sails and glides over the ice, the pair head to the North Pole! A night in an igloo, the beautiful spectacle of the northern lights, encounters with polar bears and foxes, white rabbits, an Inuit boy and a wise old walrus... Let's not forget the ice sculptor penguins, who are having a hard time as their works of art begin to melt...

Pub. year: 2021 • French (original) • Sold: Simpl. Chinese, Polish, Italian, Vietnamese.

# Nico & Ouistiti Explore the Jungle

On board of their magnificent lion-headed boat, Nico and Ouistiti set off for the Land of Masks where a big party is being prepared. But once they arrive to the jungle, they are taken away by a group of masked men and introduced to the Great Wizard who entrusts them with a mission: to find the Mask that brings the Rain, just stolen by a terrible witch...

Pub. year: 2023 • French (original) • Sold: French, Simpl. Chinese.

ALL TITLES WITH PANORAMIC UNFOLDING PAGES!



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# **6th title of this dreamy-trip series**

In their new camel-shaped machine, Nico and Ouistiti set off to explore the vast desert. On the program: a meeting with the Tuaregs, the famous "blue men", and a family of fennecs, a night in a tent in the dunes, a stay in an oasis filled with fruit trees, a trip on a flying carpet... the palace of the Enfant-Soleil. This 6th adventure promises to be wonderful!

#### ABOUT THE SERIES

- Absolutely wonderful adventures await on each title, which will surely become a favourite for young readers.
- Quick-paced, easy to read and funny adventures with endearing characters.
- Vividly illustrated spreads teeming with a multitude of details and magic—Anna Aparicio's dreamy and alluring style at its best!

Nadine Brun-Cosme is the author of almost 100 novels and picture books for children and youngsters. She is the author of a best-seller which has sold 50,000 copies worldwide *Big Wolf and Little Wolf*.

Anna Aparicio Català holds a degree in Fine Arts and in Illustration and has been awarded international prizes for many of her works.

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	AUTHOR'S AWARDS
	★ Prix jeunesse des libraires du
	Québec 2016
	★ Premio nazionale Nati per
	Leggere 2014
	★ Shortlisted Les Incorruptibles
	2023 Award
	★ Landerneau Album Jeunesse
	2021 Award

# S ILLUSTRATOR'S AWARDS

- \* Shortlisted 58th Illustrators
   Exhibition 2024 BCBF
   \* 3x selected International Illustration catalogue 'lberoamérica Ilustra'
- \* 3x Golden Pinwheel Young
- White Ravens Catalogue 2019
  Bologna Children's Bookfair 2021 &
  2023 catalogue

### Picture books

# Nico & Ouistiti Explore the Desert

Nadine Brun-Cosme & Anna Aparicio Català



Ages: 3+ Pages: 40 Format: Hardcover Size: 24x31cm Publication year: 2024 Original language: French.



# Corentin, the Postman with the Big Heart

Nadine Brun-Cosme & Sébastien Pelon



Ages: 3+ Pages: 40 Format: Hardcover Size: 23x29cm Publication year: 2024 Original language: French.

#### SELLING POINTS

- A heartwarming and amusing story about community, helping others, goodwill, and the power of love in all its forms.
- Rhythmic and onomatopoeic textsideal to be read aloud and to be shared with the whole family!
- Artsy and bright illustrations by a celebrated artist.



# A fine tribute to all the world's postmen...

Every morning, Corentin the postman sets off on his rounds. Hop! A small bump, he's in front of Odette's house. Hop, hop! Two small bumps further on, it's Léon's house. Hop, hop, hop! Three bumps further on, it's Martin's stable. Hop, hop, hop, hop! The last house is Gaston's. A perfumed letter, a little surprise package... Corentin has work to do. One day, two days, three days, no package for Gaston, no letter for Odette, But what will Corentin do?

#### AUTHOR'S AWARDS

\* Prix ieunesse des libraires du Ouébec 2016

Award

- \* Nati per Leggere 2014 Award
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- \* Landerneau Album Jeunesse 2021



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ILLUSTRATOR'S AWARDS

\* Landerneau Album Jeunesse 2021

\* Shortlisted Les Incorruptibles 2023 &

Sébastien Pelon holds a degree in Applied Arts. As a graphic designer and illustrator, he has illustrated various picture books and classic tales. In 2018, he published his first picture book, which was highly acclaimed.

# Salomé, the Chocolate Chook

Davide Cali & Anna Aparicio Català



Ages: 3+ Pages: 40 Format: Hardcover Size: 23x29cm Publication year: 2024 Original language: French.

#### SELLING POINTS

- An enthralling and courageous farmer who has to face a complicated decision.
- A beautiful surprise for Easter by an internationally celebrated authorillustrator pair: a chicken that lays chocolate eggs!
- A joyous ending that celebrates life in the countryside.
- A wonderful combination of humor and tenderness: a hommage to love for animals!



# A hen who's never laid eggs starts laying chocolate eggs... A bit quirky, isn't it?

In her barnyard, Célestine has seven beautiful hens pecking happily and freely: Brigitte, Agathe, Bernadette, Capucine, Odette, Charlotte and Salomé. One morning, surprise! Little Arthur finds a strange egg under the feathers of Salomé, who had never laid an egg before. A CHOCOLATE EGG! The news went round the village and made the front page of the TV news...

### AUTHOR'S AWARDS

- \* 4x selected for White Ravens
- \* Shortlisted Les Incorruptibles
- 2024 Award \* Prix Baobab 2005
- \* Warsaw International Book Fair
- Award
- \* International Book Fair Award
- catalogue 'Iberoamérica Ilustra' \* 3x Golden Pinwheel Young Illustrators Competition \* White Ravens Catalogue 2019

ILLUSTRATOR'S AWARDS

\* 3x selected International Illustration

- \* Bologna Children's Book Fair '21, '23 & '24 catalogue
- \* Michel Tournier Award 2018



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# An Extraordinary Day at School

Christophe Gillet & Jean-Luc Englebert



# Parents will make sure that the first day of school won't be easy to forget!

Marcel's teacher always has great ideas. One day, she informs that children can invite their parents to school and spend the day there showing their talent. Anna's dad collects car number plates, Pablo's mum holds the record of throwing crêpes in the air, Carmen's parents will turn up on a Harley-Davidson... Marcel is sure that his dad will show up too as he is the best chocolate artisan in the city! The day comes and there are many surprises awaiting, even for Marcel.

#### Ages: 3+ Pages: 40 Format: Hardcover Size: 23x29cm Publication year: 2023 Original language: French.

### **SELLING POINTS**

GRANT AVAILABLE #talents #family #teachers #parents #self-esteem #uniqueness #funnv



Christophe Gillet has been a teacher since 2002 He has written a lot of school books and he is engaged in various education projects. He also writes children's books

Jean-Luc Englebert started illustrating children's books and press works after his studies. His technique using watercolour and ink results in tender and intimate scenes.

# Welcome aboard the Loch Ness Bus!

Didier Lévy & Lorenzo Sangiò



Ages: 3+ Pages: 40 Format: Hardcover Size: 23x29cm Publication year: 2022 Original language: French Rights sold: Simpl. Chinese.

#### **SELLING POINTS**

- A heart-warming tribute to imagination and inventiveness and the power of oral storytelling to create connections in a digital world.
- An introduction to Scottish culture and folklore, with a glossary at the end.



# Let's hop on this crazy bus and have a ball with Nessie!

After many years as a hairdresser in Glasgow, Joanna is about to fulfil her dream: travelling around her native Scotland by bus and perform her show in the villages. She buys an old bus, refurbishes it and sets off!

#### **AUTHOR'S AWARDS**

- \* Landerneau Album Jeunesse 2017 Award \* Les Incorruptibles 2020-2021
- Award ★ Les Incorruptibles Award 2024-2025

#### **ILLUSTRATOR'S AWARDS**

★ Les Incorruptibles Award 2024-2025 ★ Bologna Illustrators Award 2025 \* Battello a vapore 2016 Award as Best Illustrator \* Bologna Children's Bookfair 2023 Illustrators Exhibition

"In the villages, they now tell the legend of Joanna Spalding, the woman who went on the road in an extraordinary bus to bring a little Scottish madness to the four corners of the world."





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# **Big Bear's Journey**

#### Nadine Brun-Cosme & Sébastien Pelon



Ages: 3+ Pages: 40 Format: Hardcover Size: 23x29cm Publication year: 2020 Rights sold: French, Simpl. & Compl. Chinese, Danish, and Italian.

# Will Big Bear find a colourful world beyond his native white landscape?

Big Bear is getting bored in his white icy world. One morning while fishing, he notices a tiny colourful thing on a chunk of ice passing by... How strange! Where can this extraordinary thing come from? Without hesitation, Big Bear hops onto the floating piece of ice and starts drifting away, holding his red, green and blue treasure. Here begins Big Bear's fantastic journey to a world of colours and encounters.

#### **BOOK AWARDS**

\* Shortlisted Les Incorruptibles 2023 Award \* Shortlisted Landerneau Album Jeunesse 2021

#### **AUTHOR'S AWARDS**

\* Prix jeunesse des libraires du Québec 2016 \* Premio nazionale Nati per Leggere 2014

#### SELLING POINTS

- Friendship and the exploration of unknown lands lie at the heart of this moving story.
- A cumulative tale with an unexpected ending and enthralling illustrations.
- · Serendipity leads to adventures and friendship on the Arctic that encourage the thirst of discovery!



Nadine Brun-Cosme is the author of almost 100 novels and picture books for children and YA. She is the author of a best-seller which has sold 50,000 copies worldwide Big Wolf and Little Wolf.

Sébastien Pelon holds a degree in Applied Arts. As a graphic designer and illustrator, he has illustrated various picture books and classic tales. In 2018, he published his first picture book, which was highly acclaimed.

# **Orazio's Library on Wheels**

Davide Cali & Sébastien Pelon



Ages: 3+ Pages: 40 Format: Hardcover Size: 23x29cm Publication year: 2022 Rights sold: French, Catalan, Greek, Simpl. Chinese and Spanish, Ukrainian, English, Hindi.

#### SELLING POINTS

- Celebrates kindness, solidarity and the power of reading to bring together and share with the community.
- Diverse characters and an endearing main character.
- Warm and colourful illustrations that accurately depict Sicily's climate, culture and society.
- · Ideal to share with the whole family and encourage children to slow down.



# A tender and beautiful story that celebrates the power of books and solidarity.

In the hills of Sicily, in southern Italy, it's nap time. Everything is quiet. All you can hear is the crickets calling. But if you listen carefully, you can make out a buzzing sound coming from far away... It's Orazio's library on wheels, who travels through the hillside villages on a mission: to reach out to isolated populations and bring them wonderful books.

#### AUTHOR'S AWARDS \* Prix Baobab 2005

\* Shortlisted for Les Incorruptibles 2024 Award

**BOOK AWARDS** 

- \* Warsaw International Book Fair Award \* 4 x White Ravens Selection
- \* Prix Chronos Voyage 2018
- \* Paille-en-queue 2018 Award
- ★ Kilitou Award 2018
- \* Michel Tournier Award 2018



Davide Cali is a prolific and multi-awarded Italian author. He has published around 100 books, especially picture books and comics, and has been translated to over 30 languages. Humour, rythm and an amazing imagination are always present in his texts.

Sébastien Pelon holds a degree in Applied Arts. As a graphic designer and illustrator, he has illustrated various picture books and classic tales. In 2018, he published his first picture book, which was highly acclaimed.

# Eléctrico 28

Davide Cali & Magali Le Huche



Ages: 3+ Pages: 40 Format: Hardcover Size: 23x29cm Publication year: 2017 Rights sold: Catalan, French, German, Greek, Italian, Portuguese (Portugal) and World Spanish.

# This tram driver's purpose is helping shy lovers... but who will help him when he retires?

Amadeo is a tram driver in Lisbon, but not your everyday driver. In his Eléctrico 28, everyone is happy thanks to Amadeo's unusual driving and funny tricks. Today is Amadeo's last day at work before retirement... and he's in for a big surprise!

# BOOK AWARDS

\* Prix Chronos Voyage 2018
 \* Shortlisted Les Incorruptibles 2019
 Award
 \* Kilitou Award 2018

★ Paille-en-queue 2018 Award

## AUTHOR'S AWARDS

- ★ 4x selected for White Ravens
- ★ Prix Baobab 2005
- Warsaw International Book Fair Award
   Shortlisted Les Incorruptibles 2024
   Award
- \* Michel Tournier Award 2018

#### SELLING POINTS

- A heart-warming and joyful story by a worldrenowned writer.
- An original consideration on **love and generosity** in our daily lives with tender and funny characters.
- Cheerful and colourful illustrations that get the atmosphere of the streets of Lisbon.





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Magali Le Huche studied decorative arts, specializing in illustration. Since then, she's been working regularly and prolifically as an author and illustrator for the press and children's publishing. Her books have been translated into more than 22 languages.

# **Tuk Tuk Express**

Didier Lévy & Sébastien Mourrain





Ages: 3+ Pages: 40 Format: Hardcover Size: 23x29cm Publication year: 2018 Rights sold: French, Italian, Korean, and Simpl. Chinese.

#### **SELLING POINTS**

- A fresh and hilarious read with accessible and sonorous text by a prolific award-winning author.
- Colourful and dynamic illustrations that reproduce hectic Bangkok.
- Two very different characters that forge a **tender friendship** and highlight the importance of **solidarity and helping the elders**.
- Perfect to be **read aloud** and to share with young readers' loved ones.



# Will Mrs Crumble manage to beat the Bangkok traffic jams and get to the airport on time?

Tham-Boon is a friendly tuk-tuk driver in Bangkok. He loves his tuk-tuk, even if it's all patched up! Today, his challenge is to take Miss Crumble to the airport as she's very late and the traffic is very heavy! At the sight of the rickety old machine, the old lady looks like she is going to fall apart. But with a little song and Tham-Boon's fun tricks, Miss Crumble should get home safely!

### BOOK AWARDS

### ILLUSTRATOR'S AWARDS

- ★ Les Incorruptibles 2021 Award
  - \* The BRAW Amazing Bookshelf 2023

### AUTHOR'S AWARDS

- \* Landerneau Album Jeunesse 2017 Award
- \* Les Incorruptibles Award 2024-2025



**Didier Lévy** is a former journalist and now he has now written over 200 books for children. From 2022 he started creating best-selling books with Lorenzo Sangiò.

Sébastien Mourrain studied art at the Emile Cohl School. When he graduated in 2000, he went on to work as an illustrator for different children's publishers and media outlets. His books have been translated into many languages.

# **Come and See My City**

Various authors

A colourful series of 13 picture books featuring children from cities around the world who invite us into their home and school.



Marcel from

Brussels

Charlie







Ping Ping

Beijing

Marie from Paris



**Ping Ping from** Eva from Stockholm



Felix from

Berlin



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Miyako

Miyako from

Tokyo

Paolo

Paolo from Rome



# 13th title of this internationally best-selling series!

Discover Mexico City with Pancho, an 8-year-old Mexican boy. He introduces us to his home, his family, his school, the Zócalo square and its cathedral, Chapultepec Park, the Xochimilco canals, Mexican cuisine... Ready for the visit? Welcome to Mexico City!

### **ABOUT THE SERIES**

- · Beautiful and rich illustrations, amusing details and plenty of humour on each title.
- A fascinating invitation to explore the world through the lenses of children.
- The perfect gift for children: each book includes basic phrases and an illustrated landmarks list inside each book.
- Special edition with stickers also available.

### **ABOUT THE AUTHORS OF PANCHO FROM MEXICO**

Dulce Gamonal holds a degree in Philology. She has pursued a career in publishing and she currently works as an editor, proofreader and author for some publishing houses in Berlin and France.

Lorenzo Sangiò holds a degree in Fine Arts and a MA in Illustration. He is a keen observer of life as it goes by, sketching endearing characters with tender brushstrokes teeming with detail. Lorenzo has teamed up with author Didier Lévy to create best-seller The Superpower of Stories.

# Pancho from Mexico

Picture books

Dulce Gamoral & Lorenzo Sangiò



Ages: 3+ Pages: 40 Format: Hardcover Size: 22x22cm Publication year: 2023 Rights sold: French, Simpl. Chinese, US English, Korean, Polish and Vietnamese.



Charlie from

London

**Diego from** Madrid





Navani from Delhi



Lily from **New York** 



EACH TITLE COMES WITH DIALOGUES, **MUSIC AND SOUND EFFECTS** (OR CODE)





# Learn English with Cat & Mouse

Stéphane Husar & Loïc Méhée

A series of 13 titles featuring two fun characters to learn English in both real and dreamy situations.





Cat & Mouse

Go to Space!







Cat & Mouse Go around the World



**Cat & Mouse** Meet My Family!



**Cat & Mouse** Halloween



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Cat & Mouse Let's Go Shopping!



Cat & Mouse



Cat & Mouse

Go to the Beach!



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Go Under the Sea

Cat & Mouse

Go to School!



**EACH TITLE COMES WITH DIALOGUES, MUSIC AND SOUND EFFECTS** (QR CODE)



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Cat & Mouse Go to London



Cat & Mouse Eat Good Food!



Cat & Mouse Meet the Animals!



With Cat & Mouse we will decorate the tree, write letters to Santa Claus, and end the day by building a snowman! A festive picture book to celebrate Christmas in English!

#### **ABOUT THE SERIES**

- 3 levels for children from age 4.
- Fun dialogues with music.
- Including a word and phrase list or a fun game to speak with Cat and Mouse at the end of each book

Stéphane Husar is an author and composer, French teacher, theater actor, jazz band singer, radio collaborator, founder of MusicFest in Australia, and founder of ABC MELODY Productions in Sydney before returning to native Paris and stablish ABC MELODY to transmit his passion for language, music, and different cultures.

Loïc Méhée holds a degree in Applied Arts and had worked in publicity before working as an illustrator for the press and the publishing sector.

# **Merry Christmas**

Stéphane Husar & Loïc Méhée



Ages: 3+ Pages: 40 Format: Hardcover Size: 24x24cm Publication year: 2025

Rights sold: France, Italy, Spain & Latin America, Mainland China,



# **Mysteries Series**

Alain Surget & Louis Alloing & Camille Ledigarcher



Pub. year: 2023

#### Mysteries at the Louvre

The lifeless body of a Louvre guard is found in a sarcophagus, but strangely, no thefts have been reported in the museum...



MYSTÈRES

Pub. year: 2024

MYSTERES

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# **Mysteries in Paris**

Alex's class visits museums, walks in the city, strolls along the banks of the Seine... But as soon as they arrive in the «City of Light», strange things happen...

Pub. year: 2021



## Mysteries in the Transsiberian

Mysteries in

Maya country

Mexico. But some

students get lost.

take refuge with the

Lacandons...

embarking on a long iourney to Irkutsk aboard the legendary Trans-Siberian Railway.

Pub. year: 2021



Pub. year: 2020

# Alex's class sets off to discover Russia,

Pub. year: 2020

MYSTÈRES



Pub. year: 2020

# Mysteries in New York

This visit promises to be exciting with all the mustsee sites: Manhattan, the Statue of Liberty, the Brooklyn Bridge, Harlem... But as soon as they arrive, two individuals begin to follow the students...

# Mysteries in Tokyo

Alex's class has won a grant to travel to Japan. On his first night at the hotel, Jasper is unpleasantly surprised to find a dragon in samurai armor haunting the premises...

Pub. year: 2021

# Mysteries on the Nile

Alex's class won a cruise on the Nile. The children sail down the Nile from Luxor to Aswan, visiting temples and tombs. But the voyage is not without its perils...

# **Mysteries in Rome**

Alex's class discovers an Etruscan tomb which, according to the indications engraved on the sarcophagus, is that of an evil god...

# The 15th mystery of a series by best-selling author Alain Surget!

#### **ABOUT THE SERIES**

- A great series of globetrotting mysteries and adventures, illustrated in the style of Hergé's Tintin.
- Photocopiable activities folder for schools.
- Fully illustrated novels ideal for early readers readers • building up their autonomy!
- An original and appealing way to encourage discovering cultures and the richness of travelling: thrilling adventures, fun and learning go hand in hand.

Alain Surget is a successful writer who specializes in YA literature. He started writing at 17 years old, he studied and lectured in History, and combining both passions, he has written more than 170 adventure novels for youngsters up to date.

Louis Alloing holds a degree in Graphic Design and his work has been on commercials, but he focuses on children's & YA literature. He is one of the illustrators of the French comic strip Marion Duval and various long-selling children's book series.

Camille Ledigarcher has been learning to draw since the age of 10. In 2009, she won the Grand Prix of the City of Antony's Bulles comic strip competition. A graduate of the Jean Trubert school and drawing teacher, she illustrates and colors comics and illustrated books, and designs logos. Highly versatile, she uses all traditional and digital techniques, but is particularly fond of watercolor.



- La cloche réveillait la ville et ses ouvriers, et marquait, le soir, la fin de la journée de travail. Les tambours, eux, signalaient aux travailleurs les pauses et les reprises du travail, précise Farid qui, à la longue, connaît presque son livret-guide par coeur.

Plus tard, la classe rejoint son auberge, dîne rapidement puis, les bagages à la main, elle reprend la direction de la gare pour un voyage de nuit, de plus de 7 heures, à destination de Shanghai

La Chinoise qui les suit de loin grâce au mou

chard GPS caché dans le sac de Mélanie, les voit

monter dans le train et se hâte de grimper dans

le wagon derrière eux, se disant qu'elle achètera

= Shanghai! Zhè jiùshi căozuò jiàng fāshēng di

difeng », pense-t-elle, súre que c'est à Shanghai

son billet au contrôleur.

que l'opération aura lieu.



Middle grade

Alain Surget & Camille Ledigarcher

**Mysteries in China** 



Ages: 8-12 Pages: 96 Format: Paperback Size: 13x18cm Publication year: 2025 Original language: French

NEXT

# **Mysteries in India**

Alain Surget & Camille Ledigarcher

# **Mysteries Series**

Alain Surget & Louis Alloing

# **Mysteries in the Scottish Highlands**



# First Shivers in Scotland

In this school trip where the class will discover Scotland's great folklore and landscape, but also haunted castles and a jewelry robbery.

Pub. year: 2015



# The Secrets of Glamis Castle

After some days in Edimbourg, at the Glamis Castle, the gang will face scary ghosts, armors, secret passageways...

Pub. year: 2016



# Panic at the Loch Ness

The gang continues the trip to the Highlands and find disturbing creatures such as the Monster of the Loch Ness...

Pub. year: 2016

# **Mysteries in London**



The Thief of the British Museum

Alex Moury finds a strange and missing suitcase with a manuscript signed by William Shakespeare...

Pub. year: 2017



# The Pirates of the Golden Hinde

After the first adventure in London, the gang ends up on a pirate ship while trying to solve Shakeapeare's mystery.

Pub. year: 2017



# Captain Kidd's Treasure

Right after Shakespeare's mystery is solved, Hugo and his friends will discover the treasure of a true pirate!

Pub. year: 2018



# **Time Explorers YA Novel Series**

Looking for Pharaoh

Alain Surget



Pub. year: 2018



# Attack on Troy

Double Plot in Rome

everything.

Sent by old inventor Gaspard to the heart of the Trojan War, Nanie, Yann and Loup have a mission: to find King Priam's treasure. But when they arrive, they discover a plot hatched by two Trojan merchants and a high priest. Wishing to hasten the end of the war to resume their activities, they kidnap Astyanax, son of Hector, during a banquet. The child is freed on condition that the Trojans let Helen return to Greece. Without delay, our three heroes set off in search of the young boy. They take turns to infiltrate into the Greek and Trojan camps, posing as envoys of the god Kronos. If they don't find Astyanax, the outcome of the entire war is threatened... But the Time Explorers are ready to brave any danger to restore the course of history!

For this third travel in time. Gaspard invites Nanie. Loup and Yann to

attending the festivities alongside the Emperor and Cleopatra. The

only problem is that a plot, led by an as yet unknown enemy, is being hatched against the Queen of Egypt. Once there, the three

friends find themselves drawn into the city's underworld, where

the night, Nanie is kidnapped and sold the next day on the slave

their control, but an unexpected encounter could change

they discover the lively daily life of Roman people. In the middle of

market! Our heroes are disoriented in a city where events are out of

immerse themselves in a major event in the history of Rome: Caesar's Triumph. The teenagers are thrilled at the prospect of

Eager for adventure, Yann, Loup and Nanie love meeting up at

Gaspard's house. Today, this kind-hearted but slightly mad old

inventor has some great news: his time machine works, and the

the Egypt of the pharaohs. But it seems that Anubis, god of the

three friends will be able to travel back in time! First trip? A day in

dead, has decided otherwise... If our three heroes wish to return to

their own time, they must first save Khephren, heir to the Egyptian

throne! A perilous mission. Accompanied by Princess Meritites, the

three friends will criss-cross the country and cross paths with a

"Shadow Swallower", killer and henchman of Diedefre, Brother of

Khaphre and evil Pharaoh, he'll do anything to keep his place...

Pub. year: 2018



Pub. year: 2019

# Best-selling author Alain Surget shows the dangers of changing the course of history while time traveling!

Nanie, Yann and Loup share a passion for History and adventure. When Gaspard, their old scientist friend, invents a fantastic time machine, they become the 'Time Explorers'. Mission: anything we can imagine BUT **change the course of History!** 

#### **SELLING POINTS**

- Author of 13 title Mysteries series.
- Linked to school curricula.

ROME AU TEMPS DE CÉSAR

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- Empowered protagonists and discovery of new civilizations and believes.
- Suspense, quest, action and time travel: great ingredients for a thrilling story!
- Full of historical and cultural references.

# BOOK AWARDS

Shortlisted Prix Michel Tournier 2021
 College Category

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# CAP SUR ROME

Loop, Yann et Nanle se present vers le hangre ou leur viel am Gaspaul. In fait de hangri, il ségit d'un laboration sorter d'uns leure le viene savant a mis apoint un systeme pour voyaget dans le trempai loss éclas de vois leur parviennes dans qu'ins porte s'ourre violemment sur un homme qui se d' éctet. - Hold: le radat Loup, Qu'est-ce qui se d' là defan? L'homme se ressant et brandu le point Gaspand qui vien d'apparaître. - vois met tor de refanet ma proposition?

## **MEET THE GANG:**

#### NANIE

Cheerful and curious, this girl has a terrific sense of observation... An essential asset as a Time Explorer.

# LOUP

Calm and thoughtful, this boy is wary of hasty decisions... Time travel? He can take it, but only for a little while!

### YANN

With joyful humour and eloquence, the last (but not least!) member of the trio is never at a loss for words and loves adventure above everything else... no matter what it takes!

Ages: 11+ Pages: 208 Format: Paperback Size: 14x21.5cm Publisher: ABC Melody Rights sold: French



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