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From the Publisher's Desk



It gives all of us at Ronsdale great pleasure to introduce our young reader and children's titles for Autumn 2017. As usual, we have two new novels this season. Included as well are our many recent favourites and a full backlist. We keep all of our books in print, and now have some 270 individual titles in our warehouse.

Our young reader novels for Autumn 2017 offer exciting adventures as well as developing themes that deal with moral issues such as equality, community engagement and environmentalism. *Railroad of Courage* explores the Underground Railroad through the eyes of a young black slave who is determined to reach Canada and freedom with her family. *The Kingdom of No Worries*, a novel filled with humour, develops from the ideals of three young boys who are determined to create a new kingdom, a utopia, where citizens can find a new-found tolerance for "otherness."

Ronsdale's books continue to appear on many award lists. Philip Roy's *Eco Warrior* won the Moonbeam Silver Medal in the young adult fiction category and was nominated for the Red Cedar Award. Carol Anne Shaw's *Hannah & the Wild Woods* was shortlisted for the Sunburst Award and the Chocolate Lily Award. Our three recent young reader novels, *Sand*, *Heart Like a Wing* and *Last Chance Island*, have been chosen as Best Books for Kids & Teens titles, as has our picture book, *Mouse Vacation*.

We are delighted to confirm that our new books, along with most of our backlist titles, are available as e-books from all the usual suspects: Kindle, Kobo, Nook, Apple, 3-M, Overdrive, Follett, De Marque, ProQuest and Scribd.

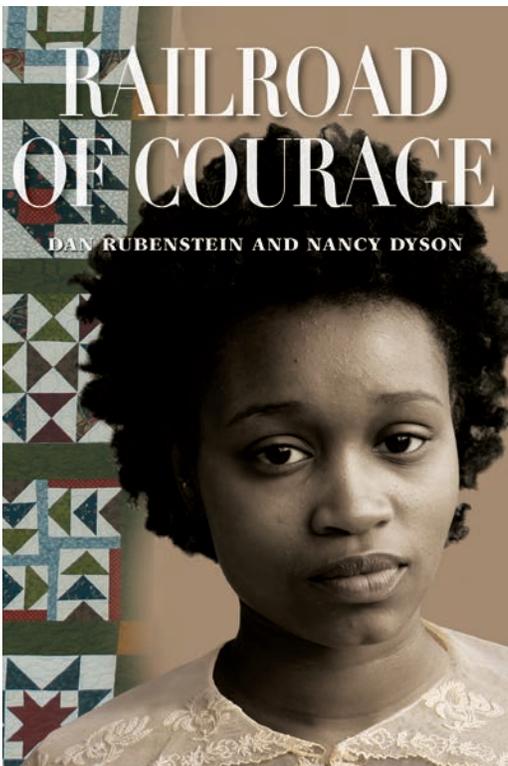
We invite you to visit our website at ronsdalepress.com to become better acquainted with our books, our authors and Ronsdale Press itself. You can also find us on Facebook at facebook.com/ronsdalepress or on Twitter, @ronsdalepress. From all of us at Ronsdale – Veronica, Meagan, Julie, Emily and myself – we wish you an enriching Autumn 2017 season filled with stimulating reading.



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AVAILABLE SEPTEMBER 2017

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e-book ISBN: 978-1-55380-515-1

pdf ISBN: 978-1-55380-516-8

5-1/4 x 7-5/8 ■ 102 pp

trade paper ■ \$11.95

YOUNG READER NOVEL ■ AGES 9 AND UP

PROMOTION PLANS

- Advertising in *CCBC*, *BBKT*, *Resource Links*, wholesalers' catalogues, *Ottawa Citizen*, *BC BookWorld*, *Canadian Literature*
- Media in Ottawa, Toronto, Vancouver
- Reading opportunities across Canada
- National review copies mailed to print, radio and electronic media
 - Bookmarks and posters

Railroad of Courage

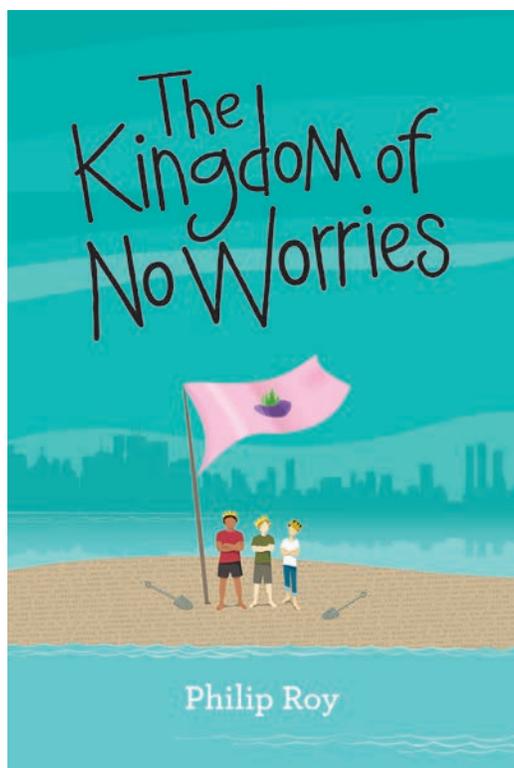
Dan Rubenstein & Nancy Dyson

This young reader novel about the Underground Railroad begins when Rebecca, a twelve-year-old slave in South Carolina, hears that Grower Brown plans to sell her father to another grower. Unwilling to accept the idea of slavery any longer, she shocks her parents by declaring that she will run away, with or without them. Despite their fear, they agree to go with her on the Underground Railroad to Canada. They are led by the famous Harriet Tubman, aka Moses, the tiny but fiercely courageous black woman whom Rebecca comes to love. On their journey north, Rebecca and her family rely on the bravery of freed blacks and learn to trust white abolitionists. A Canadian ornithologist, Alexander Ross, known as "the Birdman," stumbles upon the family in Tennessee and helps them make their way north on the Mississippi River. The family hides in coffins, travels on a steamboat, and crosses Illinois in a blizzard by pumping hand carts on a rail line – finally crossing the border to a free life in Canada. *Railroad of Courage* offers young readers a fast-paced story of adventure. With the introduction of historical figures, the novel explores the injustice of slavery and the moral imagination of runaways and those who helped them to freedom.

DAN RUBENSTEIN's interest in runaway slaves began when he attended a school in an old house which had been part of the Underground Railroad. Dan is a geographer, environmentalist and writer.

NANCY DYSON studied international development at Vassar College and was deeply concerned about issues of inequality. Later she became an early childhood educator with a special interest in children's literature. Nancy and Dan make their home in Gloucester, Ontario. Visit www.rubenstein-dyson.com.



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trade paper ■ \$11.95

YOUNG READER NOVEL ■ AGES 9 AND UP

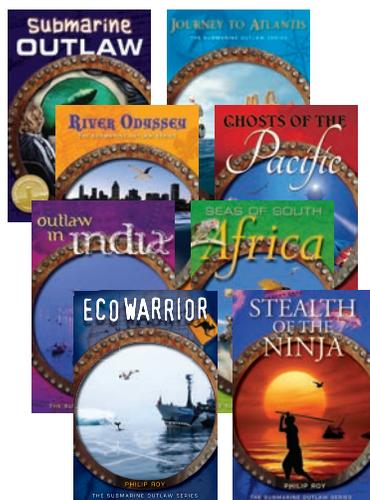
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The Kingdom of No Worries

Philip Roy

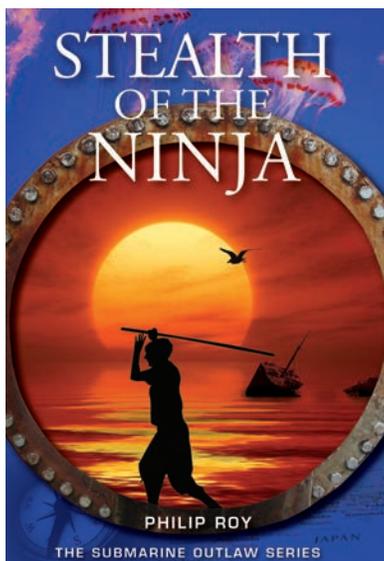
The Kingdom of No Worries is the story of three young friends who create their own kingdom on a piece of land that emerges in the middle of the river that runs through their city. Inspired by their actions to create a democracy that is a model of social tolerance and global thinking, the surrounding community turns out in the thousands to participate in what becomes a radical cultural hub of the city. Over the course of one hot summer the boys grapple to learn what a democracy is and to oversee its demands. Alas, their nascent sovereignty is challenged first by a civic order of eviction, then by valid First Nations land claims, and ultimately by nature itself. Can the utopian dream be saved? *The Kingdom of No Worries* is an empowering tale that speaks to the archetypal dream that all children have to create their own world.

**NOVELS BY PHILIP ROY** (see p. 8)

- *Submarine Outlaw* (978-1-55380-058-3)
- *Journey to Atlantis* (978-1-55380-076-7)
- *River Odyssey* (978-1-55380-105-4)
- *Ghosts of the Pacific* (978-1-55380-130-6)
- *Outlaw in India* (978-1-55380-177-1)
- *Seas of South Africa* (978-1-55380-247-1)
- *Eco Warrior* (978-1-55380-347-8)
- *Stealth of the Ninja* (978-1-55380-490-1)

PHILIP ROY was born and raised in Antigonish, Nova Scotia, and now lives in Durham, Ontario, with his wife, three children and a cat. The only thing better than travelling, he contends, is writing about it and visiting schools to share his stories and research with young readers. *The Kingdom of No Worries* complements Philip's "Submarine Outlaw" series for young readers and his "Happy the Pocket Mouse" series of children's picture books. Visit www.philiproy.ca.





978-1-55380-490-1 / e-book: 978-1-55380-491-8
210 pp ■ \$11.95 ■ Ages 9 and up

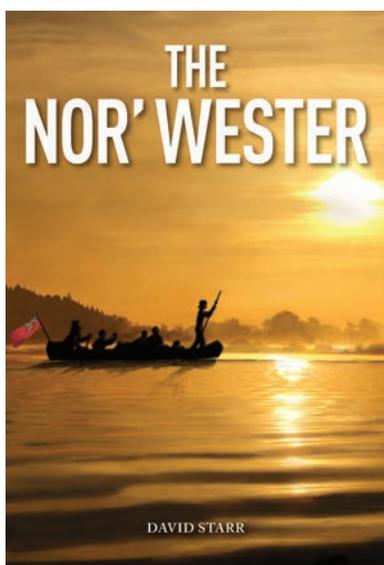
Stealth of the Ninja

Philip Roy

In the eighth volume of the series, Alfred is en route to Japan in his homemade submarine when he befriends an ancient ninja teacher clearing the sea of plastic. Learning stealth, fitness, and a simpler beauty of life, Al finds his courage and loyalty dramatically tested in the 2011 tsunami that has Fukushima and thousands of people in its path.

"Philip Roy lulls the reader into calm with the beauty of his words then plunges you into heart-stopping tension."

— CanLit for Little Canadians



978-1-55380-493-2 / e-book: 978-1-55380-494-9
214 pp ■ \$11.95 ■ Ages 9 and up

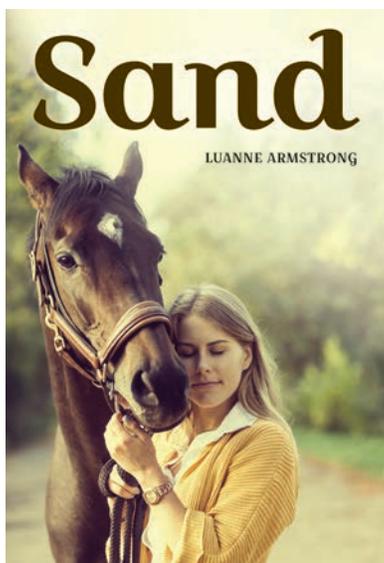
The Nor'Wester

David Starr

A Scottish boy has to flee to Canada, where he is taken on by the North West Company in Montreal and is soon sent by brigade canoe across the country to Fort St. James. Here he joins Simon Fraser on his epic 1808 journey to the Pacific down what Fraser mistakes for the Columbia – facing death, danger and treason along the way.

"David Starr's retelling of Fraser's epic journey through the eyes of a Highland lad—as young as Fraser was when he first entered the fur trade—is dramatic, compelling, filled with action and will be a treat for readers young and old."

— Stephen Hume



978-1-55380-473-4 / e-book: 978-1-55380-474-1
210 pp ■ \$11.95 ■ Ages 9 and up

Sand

Luanne Armstrong

A teenage girl involved in a car accident is battling paralysis and depression when she finds therapeutic horseback riding. Gradually with much encouragement and riding practice she regains the use of her legs – and a deep bond develops with Sand, a spirited rescue horse who has also been injured.

"Armstrong gives a glimpse into the workings of a handicapped riding association and how its methods succeed in helping both horse and rider. 'E' for 'Excellent'."

— Resource Links

Best Books for Kids & Teens selected



978-1-55380-476-5 / e-book: 978-1-55380-477-2
240 pp ■ \$11.95 ■ Ages 14 and up

Heart Like a Wing

Dan Paxton Dunaway

An edgy coming-of-age story about an adopted girl's discovery of her First Nations identity and the truth behind the scar on her face, while learning to fly a bush plane in the remote reaches of northern Saskatchewan.

"This attention-grabbing novel takes the reader deep into the Canadian north – alongside an orphan girl who finds herself when she learns to fly a bush plane."

– Ann Walsh

Best Books for Kids & Teens selected



978-1-55380-458-1 / e-book: 978-1-55380-459-8
228 pp ■ \$11.95 ■ Ages 9 and up

Last Chance Island

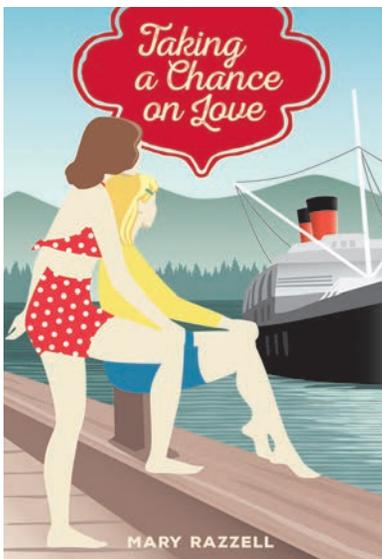
Norma Charles

Fleeing from their village after it was torched by rebels, two African children are taken on board a smuggler's boat and then abandoned on an island off Ireland, where a young Canadian girl must find a way to save them.

"With its island-lighthouse setting and international cast of characters, this fast-paced adventure will captivate young readers from start to finish."

– Maggie De Vries

Best Books for Kids & Teens selected



978-1-55380-455-0 / e-book: 978-1-55380-456-7
154 pp ■ \$11.95 ■ Ages 14 and up

Taking a Chance on Love

Mary Razzell

Can a teenage girl on the Sunshine Coast during WWII find both love and an education when the marriages she encounters carry such dark shadows? And her society tells her that young women cannot hope to obtain professional positions?

"The story of teenage Meg's search for love and a meaningful future reaches beyond boundaries of time. Heartfelt and touching."

– Glen Huser

The Forging a Nation Series

Jean Rae Baxter

These five linked volumes begin with **The Way Lies North** in which we follow Charlotte and her United Empire Loyalist family as they leave the Mohawk Valley to head north to present-day Canada after all Charlotte's brothers have been killed by the Sons of Liberty. We then move on to **Broken Trail**, and the story of Moses Cobman, who was abducted by the Oneida people and adopted into the tribe. The young boy must choose between two ways of life. Or is there a third way? In **Freedom Bound**, we rejoin a recently married Charlotte when she travels to Charleston to help rescue black slaves when the British are defeated and forced to withdraw. The **White Oneida** picks up the story of **Broken Trail** when Joseph Brant chooses him as his protégé to help in the unification of all the tribes to create a country of their own within Canada. **Hope's Journey** follows a young girl, Hope, who was born on the trek north in the first novel, and now searches for her UEL family across a British North America still scarred by the aftermath of the American Revolution. Ages 9 and up.

AWARDS: Winner Gold and Bronze **Moonbeam**

§ **Red Maple, Stellar** and **Hamilton Arts Council** shortlisted

§ **Best Books for Kids & Teens** selected

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The Way Lies North

978-1-55380-048-4
342 pp ■ \$10.95
e-book: 978-1-55380-244-0

Broken Trail

978-1-55380-109-2
240 pp ■ \$11.95
e-book: 978-1-55380-124-5

Freedom Bound

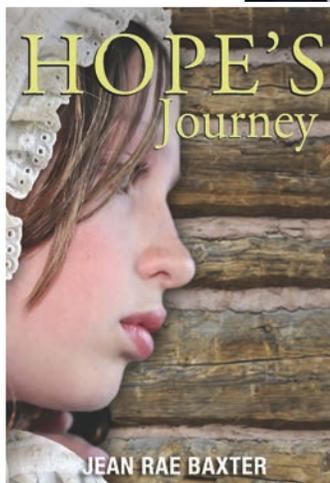
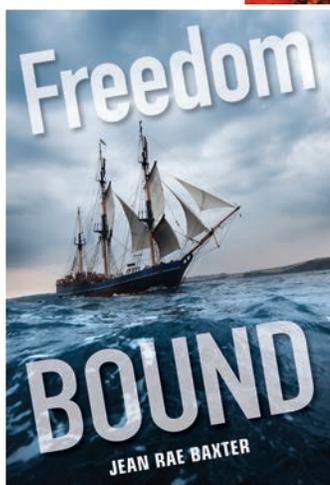
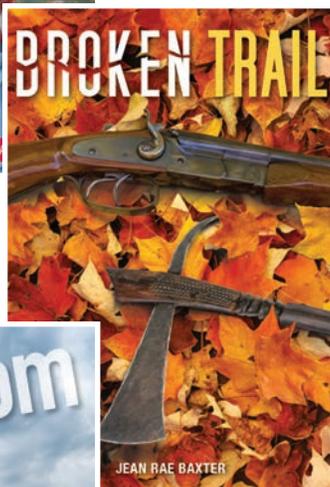
978-1-55380-143-6
256 pp ■ \$11.95
e-book: 978-1-55380-153-5

The White Oneida

978-1-55380-332-4
280 pp ■ \$11.95
e-book: 978-1-55380-334-8

Hope's Journey

978-1-55380-446-8
238 pp ■ \$11.95
e-book: 978-1-55380-447-5



The Submarine Outlaw Series

Philip Roy

The Submarine Outlaw series currently comprises eight volumes of exciting adventures. It begins with **Submarine Outlaw**, which explores the making of Alfred's homemade submarine and his travels around the Maritimes. **Journey to Atlantis** follows with a voyage into the Mediterranean in search of the fabled sunken continent of Atlantis. The third volume, **River Odyssey**, offers an expedition up the St. Lawrence River. **Ghosts of the Pacific** takes the reader on a journey through the Northwest Passage and then deep into the South Pacific. **Outlaw in India** presents a voyage to India and a meeting with Radji, a young Untouchable. **Seas of South Africa**, the sixth novel, has Alfred discovering the beauty and violence of post-Apartheid South Africa. In **Eco Warrior** Alfred teams up with Paul Watson of the Sea Shepherd Society to oppose the slaughter of whales. For the eighth volume, **Stealth of the Ninja**, Alfred survives the 2011 Japanese tsunami and rescues a ninja trapped in a sunken ship. Ages 9 and up.

AWARDS: Winner **Atlantic Writers Competition** § Silver **Moonbeam** and **ForeWord's Book of the Year** § **Red Maple, Diamond Willow, Hackmatack, Ann Connor Brimer, Rocky Mountain, Red Cedar** and **Langley** shortlisted § **Best Books for Kids & Teens** selected § **New England Book Festival** and **Green Book Festival** runner-up

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Submarine Outlaw

978-1-55380-058-3 ■ 254 pp ■ \$11.95
audio book: 978-1-55380-068-2 ■ \$14.95
e-book: 978-1-55380-145-0

Journey to Atlantis

978-1-55380-076-7 ■ 224 pp ■ \$11.95
e-book: 978-1-55380-074-3

River Odyssey

978-1-55380-105-4 ■ 234 pp ■ \$11.95
e-book: 978-1-55380-117-7

Ghosts of the Pacific

978-1-55380-130-6 ■ 252 pp ■ \$11.95
e-book: 978-1-55380-136-8

Outlaw in India

978-1-55380-177-1 ■ 214 pp ■ \$11.95
e-book: 978-1-55380-178-8

Seas of South Africa

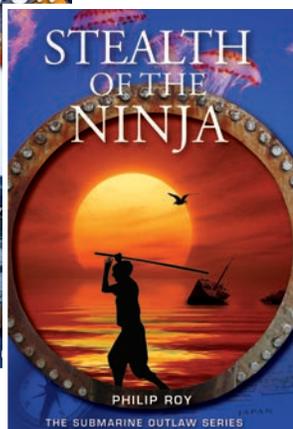
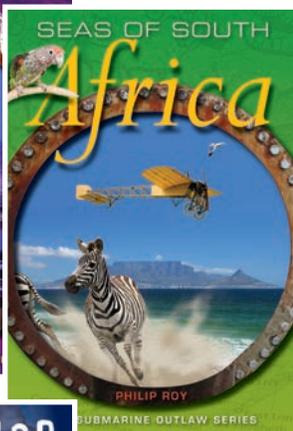
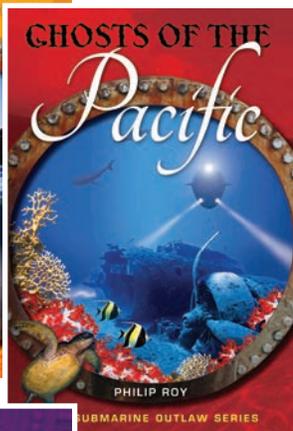
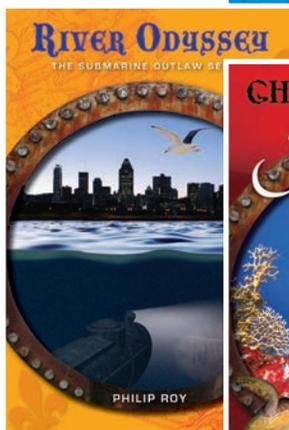
978-1-55380-247-1 ■ 250 pp ■ \$11.95
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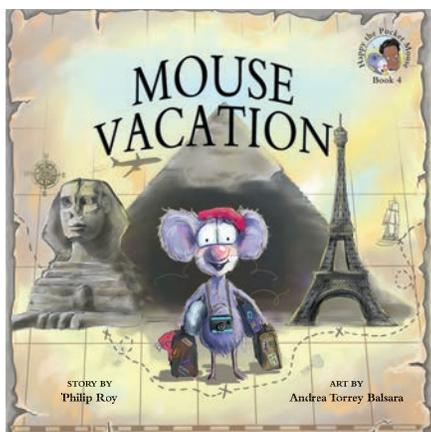
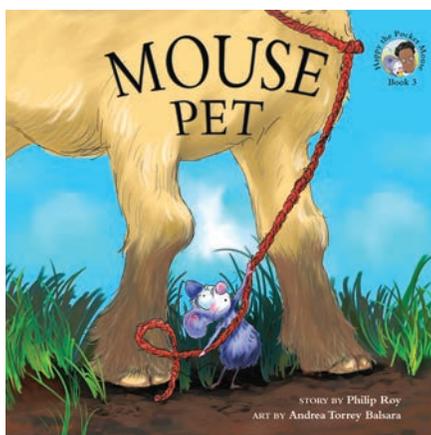
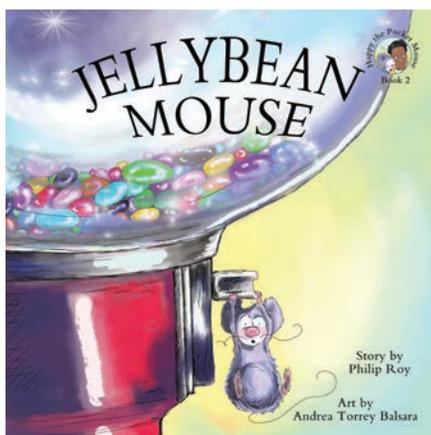
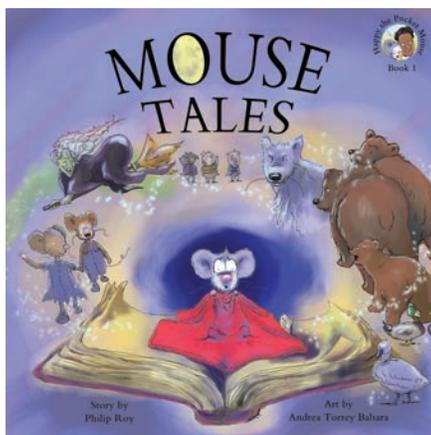
Eco Warrior

978-1-55380-347-8 ■ 234 pp ■ \$11.95
e-book: 978-1-55380-348-5

Stealth of the Ninja

978-1-55380-490-1 ■ 210 pp ■ \$11.95
e-book: 978-1-55380-491-8





Happy the Pocket Mouse Series

Story by Philip Roy

Illustrations by Andrea Torrey Balsara

In the opening volume, **Mouse Tales**, Happy the Pocket Mouse asks his friend John for stories to help him fall asleep. But when John begins telling him a number of stories from the Grimm brothers – stories that feature gingerbread houses, witches and ovens – instead of helping Happy to sleep, they keep him awake. The second volume, **Jellybean Mouse**, describes how Happy finds it boring to go with John on their weekly errand to do their laundry at the laundromat – until Happy joyfully succeeds in outwitting the laundromat's jellybean machine. In **Mouse Pet**, the third volume in the series, Happy informs John that he wants an unusual pet. John cautions him about the pet's size and suitability for their home. Happy then ups the stakes when he decides that the pet needs a pet. What or who will it be? In the fourth volume, **Mouse Vacation**, Happy yearns for a vacation that will take them to Paris, New Zealand, Egypt or India, but John counters with a visit to the river or the park. How's a poor mouse to have any fun? Throughout, Happy's adventures come truly alive in Andrea Torrey Balsara's bright, humorous illustrations that will delight children of every age. Ages 2 and up.

AWARDS: Best Books for Kids & Teens selected

§ **Resource Links** rated "E" (for excellent)

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Mouse Tales

978-1-55380-444-4

32 pp ■ \$12.95 (hc)

Mouse Pet

978-1-55380-443-7

32 pp ■ \$12.95 (hc)

Jellybean Mouse

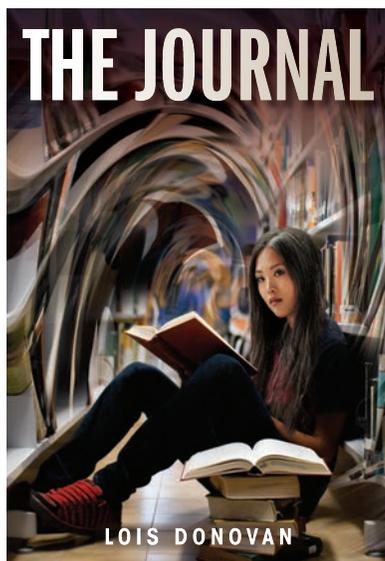
978-1-55380-344-7

32 pp ■ \$12.95 (hc)

Mouse Vacation

978-1-55380-479-6

32 pp ■ \$12.95 (hc)



978-1-55380-350-8 / e-book: 978-1-55380-351-5
200 pp ■ \$11.95 ■ Ages 9 and up

The Journal

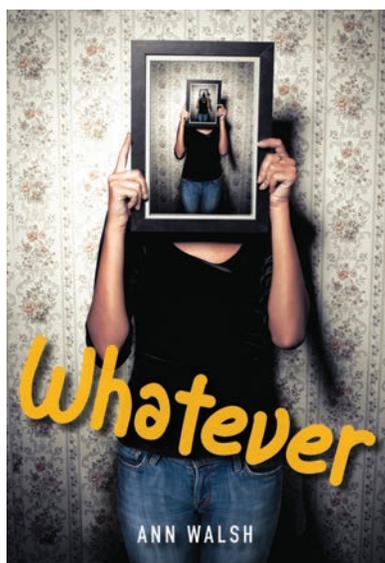
Lois Donovan

Thirteen-year-old Kami, a Japanese-Canadian girl, is thrown back in time to 1929, where she encounters racism and ends up working as a domestic for Emily Murphy of the “Famous Five.” On her return to the present, Kami must come to terms, not only with her own heritage, but how she views the rights of all persons.

“Lois Donovan’s execution is spot-on.”

– Quill & Quire

Calgary Herald #1 best-seller



978-1-55380-259-4 / e-book: 978-1-55380-260-0
214 pp ■ \$11.95 ■ Ages 12 and up

Whatever

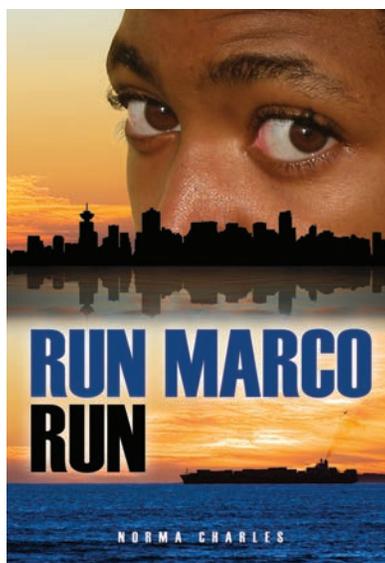
Ann Walsh

Sixteen-year-old Darrah knows it was wrong to pull the fire alarm, but she doesn’t know *how* wrong until she finds herself part of a Restorative Justice circle, along with an RCMP officer, and has to face the consequences of her actions.

“The story is an intuitive, modern-day coming-of-age tale that explores weighty themes – family, friendship, yearning, and loss – in a nuanced and age-appropriate manner.”

– Quill & Quire

Resource Links rated “E” (for excellent) § **Victoria Book Prize** and **Chocolate Lily** shortlisted



978-1-55380-131-3 / e-book: 978-1-55380-137-5
186 pp ■ \$11.95 ■ Ages 9 and up

Run Marco, Run

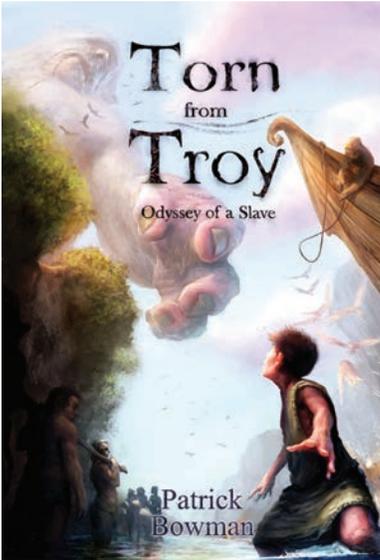
Norma Charles

When Marco Graham witnesses his father being kidnapped in a market in Buenaventura, Colombia, he decides that he must stowaway on a freighter headed north to Vancouver to find help in freeing his father. Marco has to evade drug dealers, security guards, the police and the “authorities” who would send him back to Colombia – straight into the arms of his father’s kidnappers.

“This is a book that will resonate with young people as well as older readers, and the themes of drug trafficking and immigration difficulties are timely and relevant. Norma Charles has written an enjoyable and important story that needs to be told. . . . Recommended.”

– CM Magazine

Gold Medal **Moonbeam** § Winner **Surrey Book of the Year**
§ **Best Books for Kids & Teens** selected § **Chocolate Lily** shortlisted



978-1-55380-110-8 / e-book: 978-1-55380-125-2
202 pp ■ \$11.95 ■ Ages 9 and up

Torn from Troy

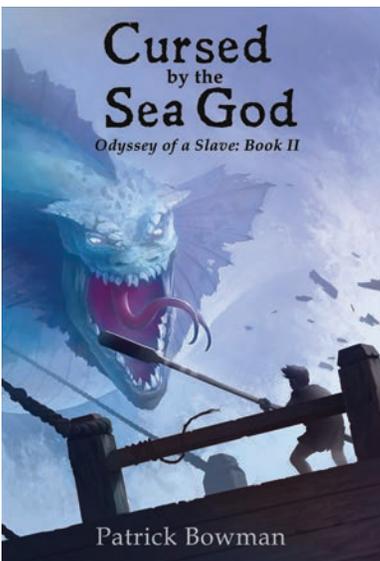
Patrick Bowman

Here is Homer's *Odyssey* told from the point of view, not of the Greeks, but of a young Trojan youth who has been made a slave by Odysseus. On the voyage to Ithaca, Alexi must decide what his role will be when they meet the Cicones, the Lotus Eaters, and especially the Cyclops.

"Raw adventure from beginning to end. . . . The novel's grisly details will be enjoyed by fans of blood and gore, but for all those with an interest in ancient times and a taste for adventure, Torn from Troy is a highly satisfying read."

— Quill & Quire

Red Maple shortlisted § **Best Books for Kids & Teens** selected



978-1-55380-186-3 / e-book: 978-1-55380-187-0
208 pp ■ \$11.95 ■ Ages 9 and up

Cursed by the Sea God

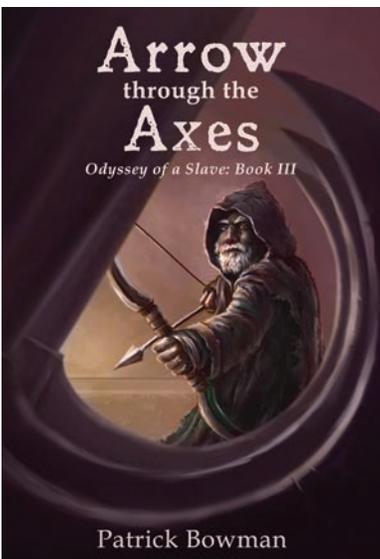
Patrick Bowman

The sequel to the Red Maple-nominated *Torn from Troy* takes Trojan slave Alexi deeper into the tales of the *Odyssey*, including the descent into Hades, encounters with the cannibal Laestrygonians and Circe the sorceress.

"Rated E (for Excellent). . . . Once again, Bowman has created for young readers a faithful representation of Homer's plot, presented in a narrative that is fantastical, fast-paced, and sure to captivate young readers."

— Resource Links

Resource Links rated "E" (for excellent) § **Best Books for Kids & Teens** and **VOYA Top Shelf** selected



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214 pp ■ \$11.95 ■ Ages 9 and up

Arrow through the Axes

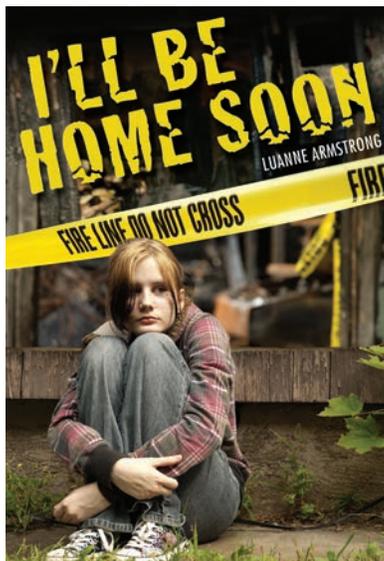
Patrick Bowman

The final volume in the series has Alexi, the Trojan slave of Odysseus, completing the journey home to Ithaca, his adventures with Orestes, a surprise meeting with Telemachus, and his support of Odysseus in emptying the palace of Penelope's suitors.

"Bowman's aim was to create a version of the Odyssey that young people would read for fun, and he has certainly succeeded. Recommended."

— CM Magazine

Geoffrey Bilson shortlisted § **Best Books for Kids & Teens** selected



978-1-55380-180-1 / e-book: 978-1-55380-181-8
194 pp ■ \$11.95 ■ Ages 9 and up

I'll Be Home Soon

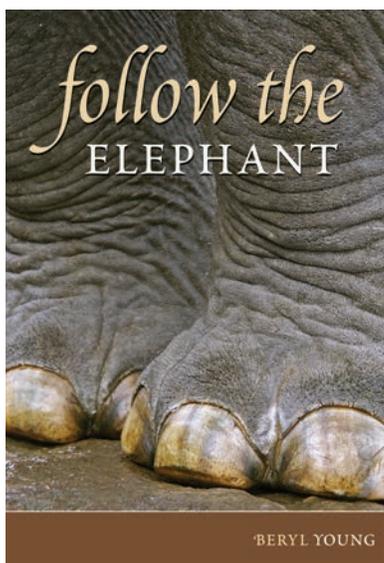
Luanne Armstrong

When her mother mysteriously disappears from the downtown core, 13-year-old Regan finds herself homeless, living under bridges with street people, coping with drug dealers and the disbelieving police, as she searches desperately for her missing mother.

"Luanne Armstrong does an incredible job of leading the reader from subplot to subplot, looking for resolution, never setting up simple answers, whether it be the rescue of Regan's mom or a perfect happy ending for Regan and her new-found friends."

— CanLit for Little Canadians

Resource Links rated "E" (for excellent) § Winner **Chocolate Lily**



978-1-55380-098-9 / e-book: 978-1-55380-242-6
248 pp ■ \$12.95 ■ Ages 9 and up

Follow the Elephant

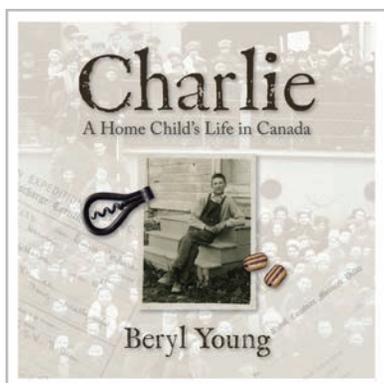
Beryl Young

In this young reader novel, a boy accompanies his grandmother to India and establishes a mysterious relationship with the elephant god, Ganesh, learning how to cope with his father's recent death.

"A seat of the pants adventure waltzing across the great Indian sub-continent. Rated G-E (Good to Excellent)."

— Resource Links

Winner **Chocolate Lily** and **IODE Violet Downey Award** § Silver Medal **Moonbeam**



978-1-55380-138-2 ■ 112 pp ■ \$19.95 HC
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Ages 9 and up

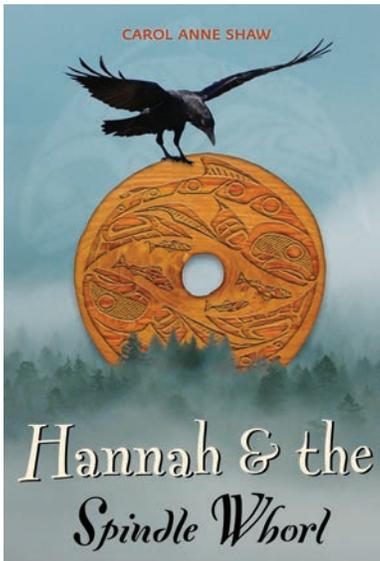
Charlie: A Home Child's Life in Canada

Beryl Young

This is the story of the 100,000 British children who came to Canada as indentured workers between 1870 and 1938. Complete with archival material, including letters, photographs and information sidebars, the volume is a visual delight.

"Beryl Young's story of her father fills a very necessary gap in Canadian history. That she does so in such an interesting and thoughtful way is a tribute to her skill as a writer. . . . Highly recommended." — CM Magazine

CCBC Best Books starred selection § **Red Maple, Red Cedar, Chocolate Lily, Hackmatack** and **IODE Violet Downey** shortlisted



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242 pp ■ \$12.95 ■ Ages 9 and up

Hannah & the Spindle Whorl

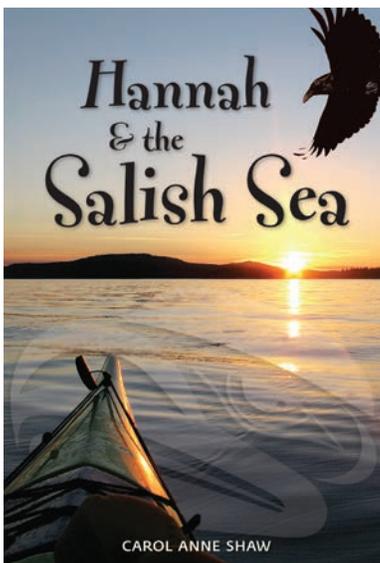
Carol Anne Shaw

When Hannah finds a beautiful old Salish spindle whorl in a cave, little does she know that she will soon be back amid its original owners – with a mystic raven, a fearsome Sasquatch and European settlers who are about to bring devastation to the First Nations people.

*“Engrossing good fun . . . a treat for young
(and young at heart) readers.”*

– Vancouver Sun

Silver Medal **Moonbeam** § **ForeWord Book of the Year Award** finalist § **Chocolate Lily** shortlisted



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Hannah & the Salish Sea

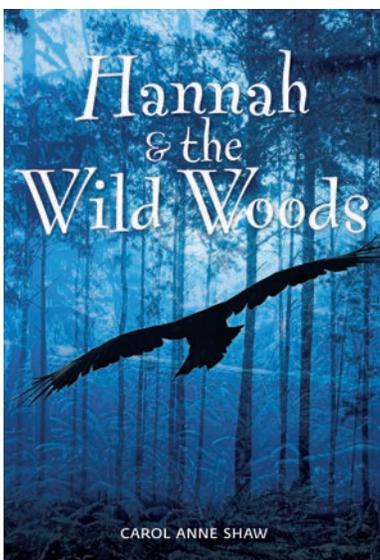
Carol Anne Shaw

The second book in the “Hannah” series begins with poachers moving into Cowichan Bay forcing Hannah and Izzy, her new First Nations friend, and boyfriend Max, into a desperate struggle to save the lives of the endangered animals.

*“A delightful evocation of West Coast island life, complete
with poachers, grow-ops, First Nations legends and two
adventurous and confused fourteen-year-olds.”*

– John Wilson

Best Books for Kids & Teens selected § **Chocolate Lily** shortlisted



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Hannah & the Wild Woods

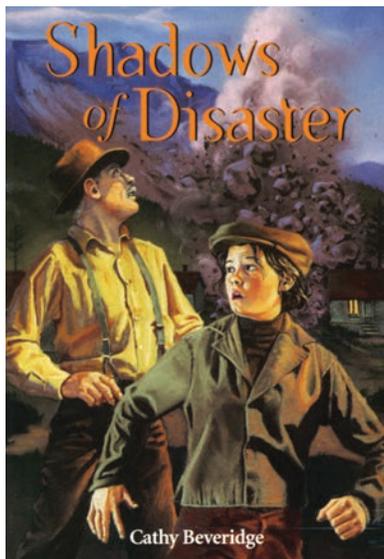
Carol Anne Shaw

In the third novel in the series, Hannah is on the West Coast cleaning up refuse from the Japanese tsunami of 2011 when a mysterious Japanese girl with a secret past as a spirit fox appears, longing for mortality.

*“Carol Anne Shaw successfully blends fantasy
and reality in a compelling narrative.”*

– Eric Wilson

Best Books for Kids & Teens selected § **Resource Links** rated “E” (for excellent)
§ **Chocolate Lily** and **Sunburst** shortlisted



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194 pp ■ \$11.95 ■ Ages 9 and up

Shadows of Disaster

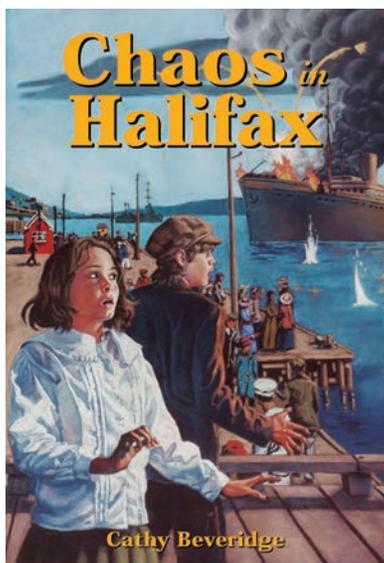
Cathy Beveridge

In the first of her historical novels focusing on Canadian disasters, Beveridge takes twelve-year-old Jolene back in time to the year 1903 in the coal-mining town of Frank. Disguised as a boy, she finds herself fleeing from Canada's deadliest rockslide.

"A compelling tale that's not only historically accurate but relevant to young adults."

— Quill & Quire

Golden Eagle, Rocky Mountain, Diamond Willow and **Red Cedar** shortlisted



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Chaos in Halifax

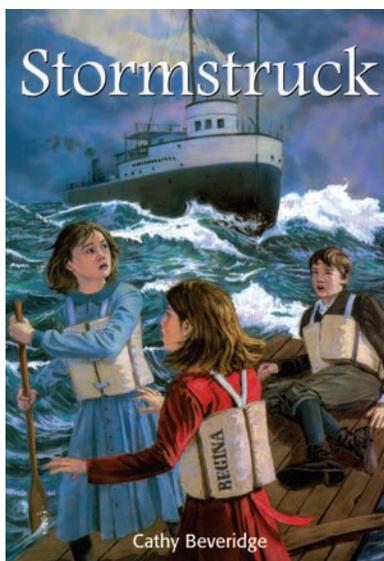
Cathy Beveridge

Once again, Jolene ventures back in time. With her twin brother Michael, she finds herself in the midst of the Halifax Explosion of 1917 when the two ships, the *Mont Blanc* and the *Imo*, collide and become a floating bomb. When Michael attempts to change history, the twins are led to the brink of destruction.

"Will appeal strongly to readers."

— Canadian Children's Literature

Golden Eagle shortlisted



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Stormstruck

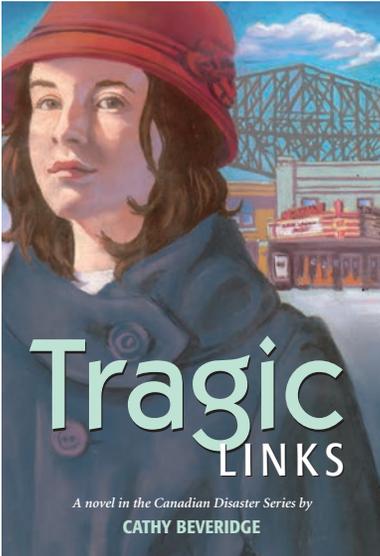
Cathy Beveridge

The third volume in Cathy Beveridge's series of novels about Canadian disasters once again features Jolene and her twin brother Michael. This time they find themselves battling for their lives shipwrecked on Lake Huron in the "Great Storm" of 1913.

"The deftly woven plot of this time-slip fantasy novel brings events from the present into the past and back again . . . Recommended."

— CM Magazine

Best Books for Kids & Teens selected § **Resource Links** selected



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Tragic Links

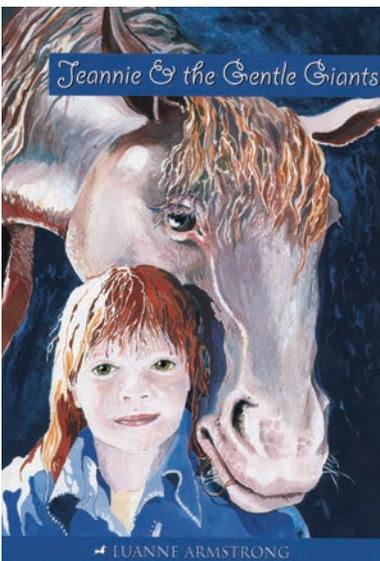
Cathy Beveridge

In the fourth novel in her best-selling series of Canadian disasters, Beveridge takes Jolene and her twin brother Michael back in time to two Quebec disasters: the Quebec Bridge disaster of 1907 and the Laurier Palace Theatre fire of 1927.

"Tragic Links emphasizes the value of the lessons history teaches to those who listen. Through Jolene's physical journeys into the past, and through the imaginative journeys prompted by her relatives' oral stories, Beveridge illuminates bygone times."

— Montreal Review of Books

Bronze Medal **Moonbeam**



978-0-921870-91-3 / e-book: 978-1-55380-283-9
154 pp ■ \$8.95 ■ Ages 9 and up

Jeannie and the Gentle Giants

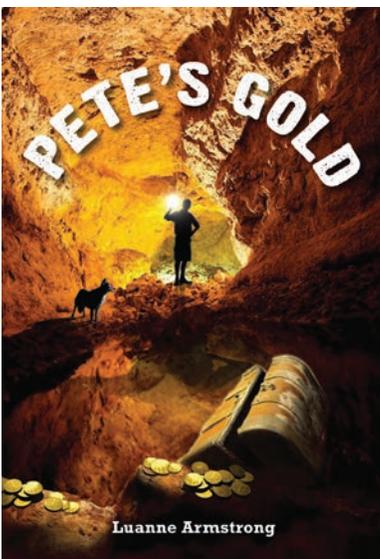
Luanne Armstrong

Jeannie is distraught after being placed with foster parents when her mother becomes mentally ill. Through her friendship with two draft horses, Jeannie gains the maturity to become a source of strength for others.

"A perceptive, beautifully narrated story."

— Vancouver Sun

Silver Birch, BC Book Prizes, Red Cedar and **Hackmatack** shortlisted



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Pete's Gold

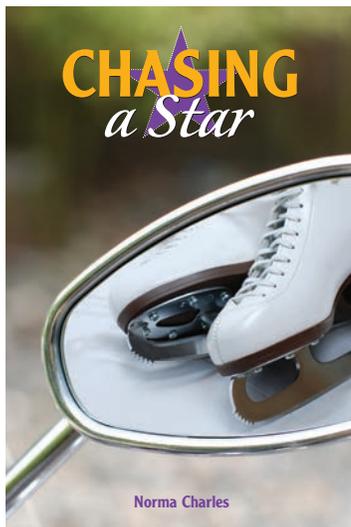
Luanne Armstrong

A teenage boy who would rather be spending the summer with his friends and his computer is sent to stay with his grandmother at her farm in the Kootenays while his parents plan a divorce. Ghosts, skeletons, lost gold and the possibility of a new beginning for the young boy!

"I heartily recommend Pete's Gold to young readers who wish to leap head-first into an absorbing story."

— What If? Magazine

Moonbeam, Chocolate Lily and **Red Cedar** shortlisted § **Best Books for Kids & Teens** selected



978-1-55380-077-4

e-book: 978-1-55380-366-9

182 pp ■ \$10.95 ■ Ages 9 and up

Chasing a Star

Norma Charles

When Sophie LaGrange decides that she must meet Barbara Ann Scott, Canada's skating icon of the 1950s, little does she know that she will have to deal with the Satan's Rebels, a dangerous motorcycle gang that is attempting to recruit Sophie's brother and kidnap Barbara Ann.

§ **Chocolate Lily** shortlisted

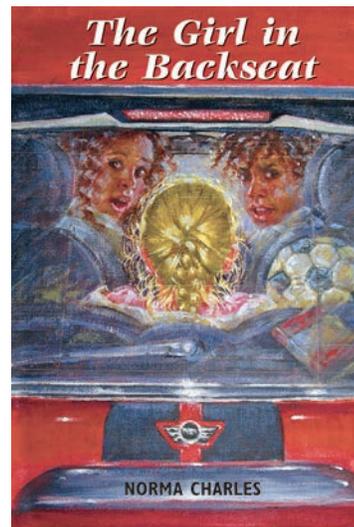
The Girl in the Backseat

Norma Charles

The story of a young girl who escapes from a Bountiful-like religious commune in which she is threatened with marriage to the "prophet." Stowing away in a Mini with a racially blended family, she makes her way to Winnipeg, pursued by her abusive father.

§ Bronze Medal **Moonbeam**

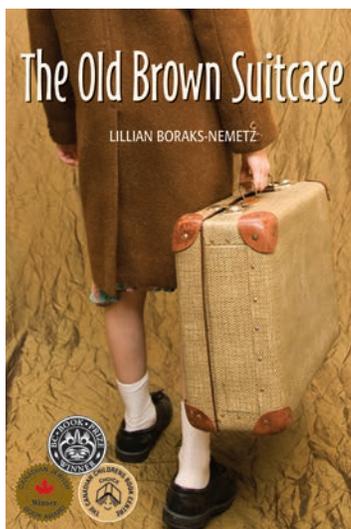
§ **Red Cedar** shortlisted



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186 pp ■ \$10.95 ■ Ages 9 and up



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The Old Brown Suitcase

Lillian Boraks-Nemetz

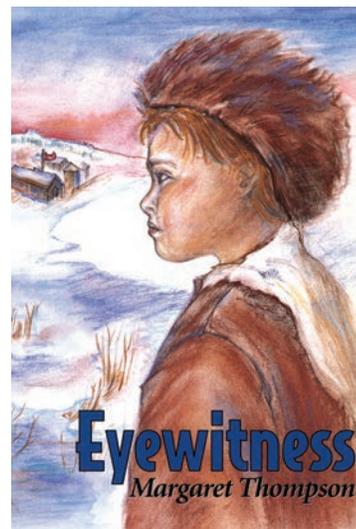
This award-winning novel tells the true story of Slava, a Polish girl who escapes the Warsaw Ghetto during WWII, hides under an assumed name and then later emigrates to Canada. With her remaining family, she struggles to build a new life in a new country.

§ Winner **BC Book Prize, Canadian Jewish Book Award, Rachel Bassin Prize, CCBC Choice Award**

Eyewitness

Margaret Thompson

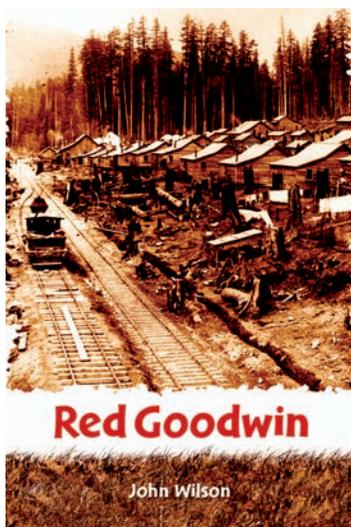
A novel that recounts life at the Hudson's Bay post of Fort St. James in the 1820s, including the real-life conflict between James Douglas and Chief Kwah of the Carrier people — as seen through the eyes of a young orphan named Peter.



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Red Goodwin

John Wilson

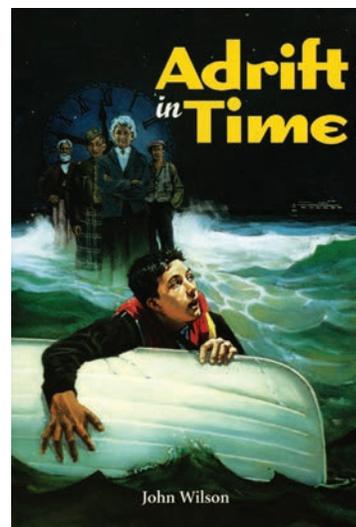
A conservative teenager sent out from England to live in the mining town of Cumberland during WWI finds that all his ideas are turned upside down when he befriends Canada's radical labour leader, Ginger Goodwin, who is hiding out in the forests of Vancouver Island.

§ **Red Maple** shortlisted

Adrift in Time

John Wilson

A teenager sets off in an open boat after an argument with his father, only to find himself swept out into the Strait of Georgia. Drifting and suffering hypothermia, the young boy is visited by family ghosts who share stories of his ancestors and Canada's pioneer past.



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152 pp ■ \$8.95 ■ Ages 9 and up

Hurricanes over London

Charles Reid

When Jamie, a young Alberta boy, finds his grandfather's diary of growing up in London during WWII, he learns of the Battle of Britain, discovers in Calgary the story of Canadian flying ace Willie McKnight and helps restore a Hurricane fighter plane.

Ghost of Heroes Past

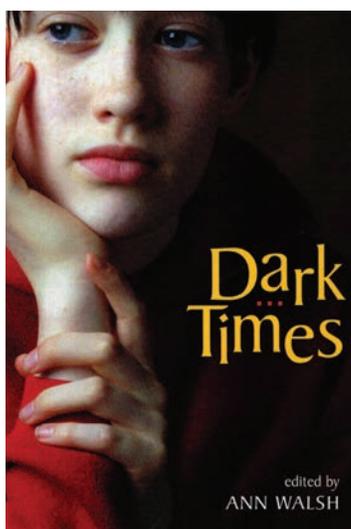
Charles Reid

When Johnny tries to get out of attending a Remembrance Day ceremony, a mysterious soldier-ghost appears to take him back to meet real-life Canadians who were involved in Canada's two world wars, and played a part in the Russian Revolution.

§ **Chocolate Lily** shortlisted



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Dark Times

Edited by Ann Walsh

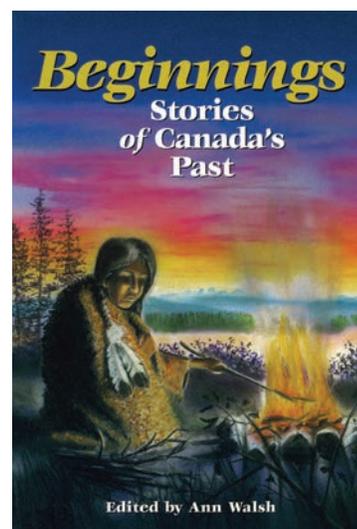
Thirteen deeply moving stories about young people, *in extremis*, experiencing and overcoming grief and loss. Among the authors included are Sarah Ellis, Lee Maracle, Ann Walsh, Alison Lohans, Diana Aspin, Carolyn Pogue and Carrie Mac.

§ **Our Choice (Best Books for Kids & Teens)** selected

Beginnings: Stories of Canada's Past

Edited by Ann Walsh

This anthology of Canadian short stories focuses on "first time" historical experiences, such as the first meeting between Natives and Europeans in British Columbia, the first *filles du roi* and the first election in which women could vote. Includes extensive historical notes.



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228 pp ■ \$12.95 ■ Ages 9 and up



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Winds of L'Acadie

Lois Donovan

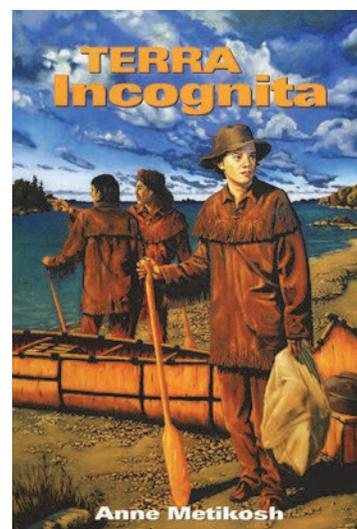
In this stirring novel, two young people travel back in time to the Acadia of 1755 where they find themselves caught up in the tragedy of the deportation, and challenged to save their new-found friends.

§ **Hackmatack & Golden Eagle** shortlisted § **Best Books for Kids & Teens** selected

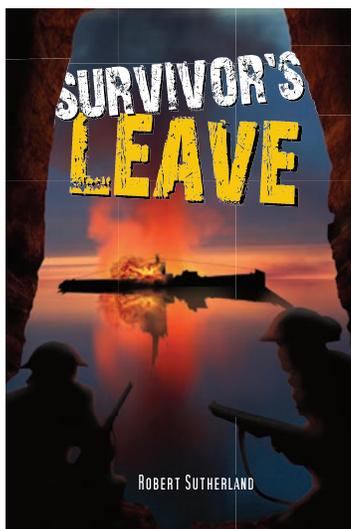
Terra Incognita

Anne Metikosh

Set in New France in 1670, this novel portrays Madeleine Hébert, who disguises herself as a boy to make the long and dangerous canoe trip to Michilmackinac in search of her father, a soldier fighting for the King of France.



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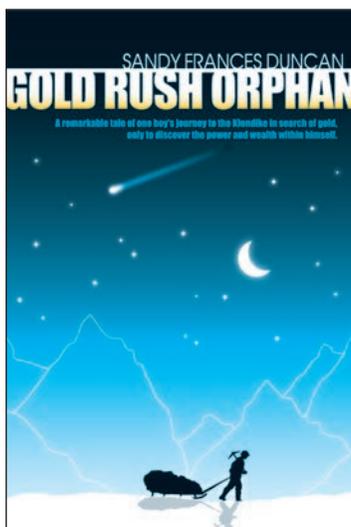
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Survivor's Leave

Robert Sutherland

This young reader novel features two Canadian sailors whose ship is torpedoed at sea during WWII and whose shore leave takes them to a country house in England where they uncover a dangerous Nazi plot.

§ Bronze Medal **Moonbeam**



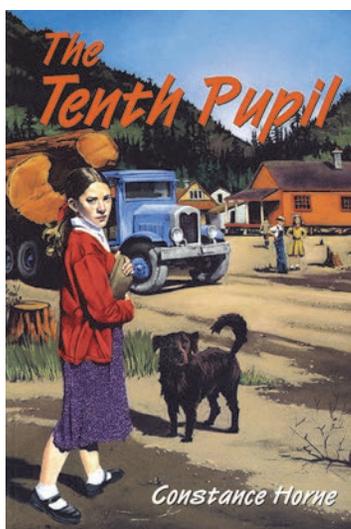
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Gold Rush Orphan

Sandy Frances Duncan

This novel follows Jeremy Britain, an orphaned youth, in his voyage to Skagway and the arduous trek over the White Pass in search of gold during the 1895 Klondike gold rush. Based on the historical diary of the author's uncle.

§ **BC Book Prizes** shortlisted



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The Tenth Pupil

Constance Horne

A novel about life in the logging camps of Vancouver Island in the 1930s and the racism between Japanese- and European-Canadians — all seen through the eyes of a young girl, Trudy, who, on an excursion to Vancouver, witnesses first-hand a brutal anti-Asian riot.

Tangled in Time

Lynne Fairbridge

Drawn into a mysterious painting, thirteen-year-old Janna travels back in time to become part of an immigrant family's hardships as they struggle to homestead during Western Canada's Depression years.

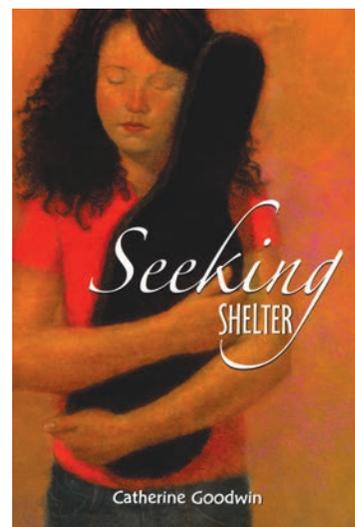


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Seeking Shelter

Catherine Goodwin

Sent by her father to spend the summer in Montreal, Marcie must come to terms with her mother's death in that city years earlier. Her healing comes in her meeting with a homeless woman with an uncanny connection to Marcie's own past.

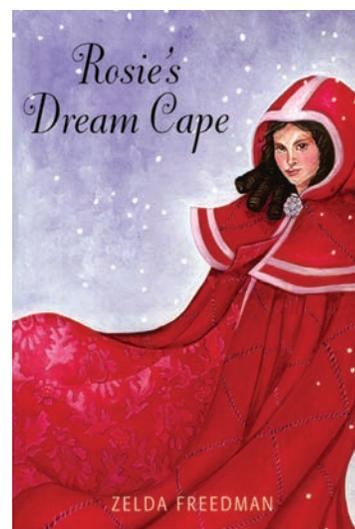


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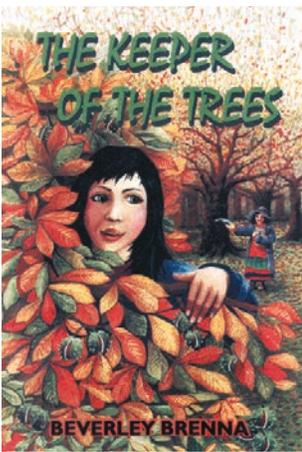
Rosie's Dream Cape

Zelda Freedman

A moving novel about an eleven-year-old girl with a wonderful dream, who finds herself working in a Toronto sweatshop after fleeing with her grandmother from the Russian purges of the 1920s.



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The Keeper of the Trees

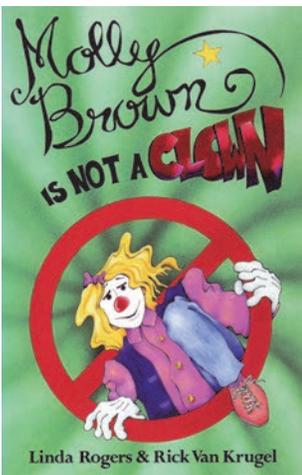
Beverley Brenna

This modern fantasy novel portrays Elizabeth, a twelve-year-old Canadian girl who is homesick and lonely in England until she meets a homeless woman who teaches her the secret of the great chestnut trees and the tiny horses who live among them.

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Molly Brown Is Not a Clown

Linda Rogers
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Rick Van Krugel

In the first children's book to deal with the impact of AIDS on family life, Molly's search for her missing father leaves readers laughing at, but also appalled by, the extraordinary risks desperate children undertake.

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The Ghouls' Night Out

Janice MacDonald,
Illustrations by Pamela
Breeze Currie

This Halloween novel features Annalise the Witch, Ernie the Ghost and Milton the Skeleton. When the threesome make costumes and join the trick-or-treaters in search of treats, everything is turned upside down.



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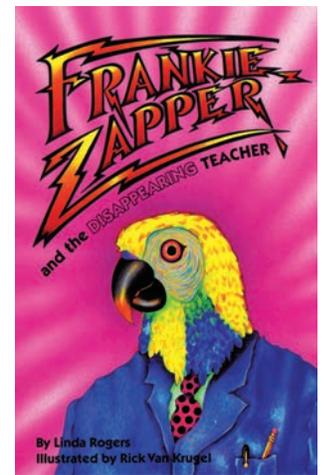
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FOR YOUNGER CHILDREN



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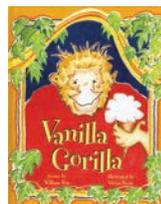
Poems by William New
Illustrations by Vivian Bevis

Bill New's wonderfully zany poems, illustrated in full colour by Vivian Bevis, portray children putting on a dream helmet and travelling to worlds where anything is possible.

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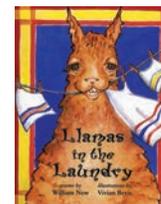
Poems by William New
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Willobe of Wuzz

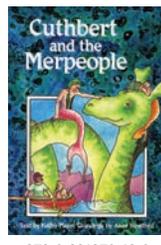
Sandra Glaze, Illustrations by
Pamela Breeze Currie

Willobe is a dragon who prefers to paint pictures rather than fight with knights. Exiled, he leaves for the mountains of Wuzz, where he finds new friends in the Princess Emily, the Winglythings and another peace-loving dragon.

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Cuthbert and the Merpeople

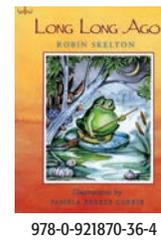
Kathy Mezei
Illustrations by Anne Stratford

Cuthbert (son of Nellie of Loch Ness) swims via the Northwest Passage to the British Columbia coast, where, much to the terror of the local Merpeople, he takes up residence.

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