



## Strong Women & Girls

### Books Purchased In Memory of James Thompson

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Grade Level	Title Information	Call Number
<b>EASY</b>		
K-3	Brown, Dolores, and Sonja Wimmer. <i>The Truly Brave Princesses</i> . First edition. [Madrid, Spain]: NubeOcho, 2018.  Princess Nin is a firefighter, Princess Gilda is a supermarket cashier, Princess Agnes is retired, and Princess Liang is in a wheelchair. This gallery of princesses gives visibility to lot of women who do not fit with the traditional conception of a princess. Maybe it's time to realize that each and every one of us could be a princess.	E B8128T
K-2	DiPucchio, Kelly, and Raissa Figueroa. <i>Oona</i> . First edition. New York, NY: Katherine Tegen Books, an imprint of HarperCollinsPublishers, 2021.  Oona and her best friend Otto love to search for treasure...and often find trouble instead. Messy trouble. Tricky trouble. Even shark-related trouble. That's never stopped them before, though! After all, no proper treasure hunt is without some adventure. But when the grandest treasure yet is stuck in a deep, dark rift, Oona's not sure if she can dive right in. What might be waiting for her in those unknown waters?	E D626O

PreK-3	Flett, Julie, and K George. <i>Birdsong</i> . Vancouver: Greystone Kids, Greystone Books, 2019.	E F6385B
	When a young girl moves from the country to a small town, she feels lonely and out of place. But soon she meets an elderly woman next door, who shares her love of nature and art. As the seasons change, can the girl navigate the failing health of her new friend? Acclaimed author and artist Julie Flett's textured images of birds, flowers, art, and landscapes bring vibrancy and warmth to this powerful story, which highlights the fulfillment of intergenerational relationships and shared passions. A brief glossary and pronunciation guide to Cree-Métis words that appear in the text is provided on the copyright page.	
PreK-2	Gill, Joel Christian. <i>Fast Enough: Bessie Stringfield's First Ride</i> . [St. Louis, Missouri]: Cub House, an imprint of Lion Forge Comics, 2019.	E G4105F
	Have you ever been told that you're not enough? That you're not strong enough, tall enough, or fast enough? Bessie was told she was not enough. This book combines an imagined story of Bessie Stringfield as a young girl with historical facts about the real Bessie, a true adventurer and one of the first African American women to travel solo across the United States on a motorcycle.	
PreK-1	Idle, Molly Schaar. <i>Pearl</i> . New York: Little, Brown and Company, 2018.	E ID4P
	When young Pearl, a mermaid, becomes caretaker of a single grain of sand, she discovers that performing even the smallest task well can transform the world.	
PreK-3	Pinkney, Jerry, and H. C Andersen. <i>The Little Mermaid</i> . First edition. New York: Little, Brown and Company, 2020.	E P65615 LITM
	In this reinvention of Hans Christian Andersen's classic tale, a little mermaid trades her voice for legs and makes a new friend on land but must return to the sea to save her family.	
3-7	Turk, Evan. <i>A Thousand Glass Flowers: Marietta Barovier and the Invention of the Rosetta Bead</i> . First edition. New York City: Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2020.	E T8471T
	Marietta and her family lived on the island of Murano, near Venice, as all glassmakers did in the early Renaissance. Her father, Angelo Barovier, was a true master of glass. Marietta longed to create gorgeous glass too, but glass was men's work. One day her father showed her how to shape the scalding-hot material into a work of art, and Marietta was mesmerized. Her skills grew and grew. Marietta worked until she created her own unique glass bead:	

the rosetta. Small but precious, the beautiful beads grew popular around the world and became as valuable as gold. The young girl who was once told she could not create art was now the woman who would leave her mark on glasswork for centuries to come.

- K-2 Ward, Lindsay. *Rosie: Stronger Than Steel*. First edition. New York: Two Lions, 2020. E  
W2139R

A brave tractor farms for freedom in a story inspired by women who acted with courage and strength in American factories and on British farms during World War II.

## FICTION

- 10-12 Arnold, Elana K. *Red Hood*. First edition. New York, NY: Balzer + Bray, an imprint of HarperCollins Publishers, 2020. F  
AR644R

Since her grandmother became her caretaker when she was four years old, Bisou Martel has lived a quiet life in a little house in Seattle. She's kept mostly to herself. She's been good. But then comes the night of homecoming, when she finds herself running for her life over roots and between trees, a fury of claws and teeth behind her. A wolf attacks. Bisou fights back. A new moon rises. And with it, questions. About the blood in Bisou's past, and on her hands as she stumbles home. About broken boys and vicious wolves. About girls lost in the woods--frightened, but not alone.

- 9-12 Caletti, Deb. *Girl, Unframed*. First Simon Pulse hardcover edition. New York, New York: Simon Pulse, 2020. F  
C12815G

Sydney Reilly's mother is the Lila Shore, a film star who prizes her beauty and male attention above all else... certainly above her daughter. Lila is involved with Jake, an art dealer with shady connections. He loves all beautiful objects, and Sydney can feel his eyes on her whenever he's around. Sydney is starting to attract attention wherever she goes: from sweet, handsome Nicco Ricci, from the unsettling construction worker next door, and even from Lila. One night something life-changing happens on the stairs that lead to the beach. Something goes very wrong, and Sydney learns a terrible truth: beautiful objects can break.

- 9-12 Hand, Cynthia, Brodi Ashton, and Jodi Meadows. *My Calamity Jane*. First edition. New York: HarperTeen, an imprint of HarperCollins Publishers, 2020. F  
H19128  
MY03

1876 America is a place busting with gunslingers, outlaws, and garou-- better known as werewolves. Calamity Jane is a garou hunter when she's not starring in Wild Bill's Traveling Show. Fellow showman Frank "The Pistol Prince" Butler is the best sharpshooter on both sides of the Mississippi. Annie Oakley is

looking for a job, not a romance, but there's something about Frank she likes. When a garou hunt ends with Jane getting bitten, she heads for Deadwood, where there's talk of a garou cure. But the trio find that things aren't always what they seem.

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| 7-12  | Iloh, Candice. <b><i>Every Body Looking</i></b> . New York: Dutton Books, 2020.   | F<br>IL8EV   |
|       | A luminous and inspiring novel in verse about bearing the weight of others' expectations and finding the courage to shape a life of one's own.  |              |
| 2-6   | Lundberg, Sara, B. J Epstein, and Alexandra Sundqvist. <b><i>The Bird In Me Flies</i></b> . Toronto: Groundwood Books, 2020.  | F<br>L9722B  |
|       | This beautifully illustrated novel in verse, inspired by the paintings, letters and diaries of Swedish artist Berta Hansson (1910-1994), is a universal story of grief, longing and following your dreams.  |              |
| 10-12 | Méndez, Yamile Saied. <b><i>Furia</i></b> . Chapel Hill, North Carolina: Algonquin Young Readers, 2020.   | F<br>M5229F  |
|       | Rosario, Argentina. At home Camila Hassan lives within her mother's narrow expectations, her soccer-star brother's shadow, and under the abusive rule of her short-tempered father. On the field, she is La Furia, a powerhouse of skill and talent. When her team qualifies for the South American tournament, Camila dreams of getting an athletic scholarship to a North American university. But her parents wouldn't allow a girl to play fútbol-- and she needs their permission to go any farther. Can she make her way in a world with no place for the dreams and ambition of a girl like her? |              |
| 4-6   | Metaphrog, and H. C Andersen. <b><i>The Little Mermaid</i></b> . New York: Papercutz, 2017.   | F<br>M5649L  |
|       | Longing to be human so that she can win the love of a young prince, a little mermaid makes a dangerous pact with the Sea Witch. Graphic novel.  |              |
| 8-12  | Morrow, Bethany C. <b><i>A Song Below Water</i></b> . First edition. New York: TOR Teen, 2020.  | F<br>M83485S |
|       | In a society determined to keep her under lock and key, Tavia must hide her siren powers. Meanwhile, Effie is fighting her own family struggles, pitted against literal demons from her past. Together, these best friends must navigate through the perils of high school's junior year. But, everything changes in the aftermath of a siren murder trial that rocks the nation, and Tavia accidentally lets out her magical voice at the worst possible moment. Soon, nothing in Portland, Oregon, seems safe. To save themselves from drowning,  |              |

it's only Tavia and Effie's unbreakable sisterhood that proves to be the strongest magic of all.

- 4-8 Napoli, Donna Jo, and David Wiesner. *Fish Girl*. New York, New York: Clarion Books, 2017. F N1628F
- Fish Girl, a young mermaid living in a boardwalk aquarium, has never interacted with anyone beyond the walls of her tank until a chance encounter with an ordinary girl, Livia. Their growing friendship inspires Fish Girl's longing for freedom, independence, and a life beyond the aquarium tank.
- 4-7 Schaap, Annet, and Laura Watkinson. *Of Salt and Shore*. First US edition. Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2020. F SCH113O
- Every night Lampie, the lighthouse keeper's daughter lights the lantern which warns the ships away from the rocks, but when the light goes out one night, a ship is wrecked and Lampie is sent to the Admiral's Black House in disgrace--there she finds and befriends the Admiral's son, who was born with a tail, and together they are pulled into an adventure of mermen and pirates, and secret identities long concealed but soon to be revealed.
- 6-12 Stamper, Vesper. *A Cloud of Outrageous Blue*. First edition. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2020. F ST2385C
- Edyth lost her family and everything she held dear in the blink of an eye. Sent to live in a priory and work with ancient texts, Edyth comes to terms with her new life and the gifts she discovers in herself. But outside the priory, something much worse is coming. With the reappearance of a boy from her past and the ominous Great Plague creeping closer and closer to the priory, it will be up to Edyth to rise above it all—but to do so she must choose between her dreams and her destiny.

## NONFICTION

- 2-5 Bartoletti, Susan Campbell, and Ziyue Chen. *How Women Won the Vote: Alice Paul, Lucy Burns, and Their Big Idea*. First edition. New York, NY: Harper, an imprint of HarperCollinsPublishers, 2020. 324.623 B2851H
- A history of the iconic first women's march in 1913 and the suffragists who led the way to passing the 19th amendment.
- 10-12 *Because I Was a Girl: True Stories for Girls of All Ages*. First edition. New York: Henry Holt and Company, 2017. 305.4 B3868
- The collection includes writings from an impressive array of girls and women who are trailblazers in their fields, including

bestselling authors Victoria Aveyard, Libba Bray, and Margaret Stohl; Hollywood heavy-hitters such as Quvenzhané Wallis; renowned chef Katie Button; aerospace and mechanical engineer Emily Calandrelli; and many more.

- 4-8 Chambers, Veronica, et al. ***Finish the Fight!: the Brave and Revolutionary Women Who Fought for the Right to Vote.*** Boston: Versify/Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2020. 324.623 C3559F
- Who was at the forefront of women's right to vote? We know a few famous names, like Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, but what about so many others from diverse backgrounds--black, Asian, Latinx, Native American, and more--who helped lead the fight for suffrage? On the hundredth anniversary of the historic win for women's rights, it's time to celebrate the names and stories of the women whose stories have yet to be told.
- 4-6 Grimes, Nikki, and Vanessa Brantley-Newton. ***Legacy: Women Poets of the Harlem Renaissance.*** New York, NY: Bloomsbury Children's Books, Bloomsbury Publishing Inc., part of Bloomsbury Publishing Plc, 2021. 811.54 G882L
- From Children's Literature Legacy Award-winning author Nikki Grimes comes a feminist-forward new collection of poetry celebrating the little-known women poets of the Harlem Renaissance-- paired with full-color, original art from today's most talented female African American illustrators. Taking inspiration from the unsung women poets of the era, Grimes uses the "Golden Shovel" poetry method to create original poems drawn from the words of ... groundbreaking women writers. Set alongside the original works, Grimes's all-new poetry pays tribute to the unique heritage of these women and their spiritual connection to nature, illuminating female self-expression in the early twentieth century, reinvented with contemporary relevance and context.
- 9-12 Holt, Nathalia. ***Rise of the Rocket Girls: The Women Who Propelled Us, From Missiles to the Moon to Mars.*** First edition. New York: Little, Brown and Company, 2016. 629.4072 H7426R
- During World War II, when the newly minted Jet Propulsion Laboratory needed quick-thinking mathematicians to calculate jet velocities and plot missile trajectories, they recruited an elite group of young women -- known as human computers -- who, with only pencil, paper, and mathematical prowess, transformed rocket design and helped bring about America's first ballistic missiles. But they were never interested in developing weapons -- their hearts lay in the dream of space exploration.
- 7-12 Imani, Blair, and Monique Le. ***Modern Herstory: Stories of Women and Nonbinary People Rewriting History.*** First edition. 320.082 IM18M

California: Ten Speed Press, 2018.

This collection of one-page biographies profiles modern women and non-binary people who have changed the world. From the civil rights movement and the women's movement to the LGBT rights movement and Black Lives Matter, these trailblazers come from backgrounds and communities that are traditionally overlooked and under-celebrated despite making huge contributions to the social change and progress movements of the last century. Each short biographical snippet is accompanied by a color drawing of the person.

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| 4-6  | London, Martha. <b><i>Pro Athlete Pay Equity</i></b> . Lake Elmo, MN: Focus Readers, 2021.  | 796.0691<br>L8466P |
|      | Describes the pay gap between professional male and female athletes, including the history of the pay gap, reasons it still persists, and steps athletes are taking to reduce the gap. Includes critical "Think About It" questions and "Case Study" special features.  |                    |
| 3-4  | Macy, Sue, and Muffet McGraw. <b><i>Breaking Through: How Female Athletes Shattered Stereotypes In the Roaring Twenties</i></b> . Washington, D.C.: National Geographic, 2020.  | 796.082<br>M259B   |
|      | Featuring bold and talented heroines, this book documents how the social issues and morals of the decade--from politics to segregation to the media--helped shape the changing narratives around women and alter the course of history entirely. It is a fascinating window into a rich and seldom explored history, and also a topical reminder of the many discussions surrounding femininity and the role of women that continue today.                    |                    |
| 7-12 | Moore, Kate. <b><i>The Radium Girls: The Scary but True Story of the Poison That Made People Glow In the Dark</i></b> . Young readers' edition. Naperville, Illinois: Sourcebooks eXplore, 2020.  | 363.17<br>M7847R   |
|      | The incredible true story of the young women exposed to the "wonder drug" radium and their struggle for justice.  |                    |
| 4-6  | Ottaviani, Jim, and Maris Wicks. <b><i>Astronauts: Women On the Final Frontier</i></b> . First edition. New York: First Second, 2020.   | 629.45<br>OT82A    |
|      | The U.S. may have put the first man on the moon, but it was the Soviet space program that made Valentina Tereshkova the first woman in space. It took years to catch up, but soon NASA's first female astronauts were racing past milestones of their own. The trail-blazing women of Group 9, NASA's first mixed gender class, had the challenging task of convincing the powers that be that a woman's place is in space, but they discovered that NASA had |                    |

plenty to learn about how to make space travel possible for everyone.

- 9-12 ***Our Stories, Our Voices: 21 YA Authors Get Real About Injustice, Empowerment, and Growing Up Female In America.*** First edition. New York: Simon Pulse hardcover edition. New York: Simon Pulse, 2018. 305.42  
OU71
- In this collection of essays, young adult authors explore their experiences of injustice, empowerment, and growing up female in America. They explore themes on the intersection of race and gender; women and weight; first sexual experience; the devastation of rape culture; and much more.
- 3-7 Ruelle, Karen Gray. ***Surprising Spies: Unexpected Heroes of World War II.*** First edition. New York: Holiday House, 2020. 940.54  
R837S
- Seven Allied spies of World War II who fooled the Nazis are profiled in this book including a Sufi princess, a major league baseball player, a magician, and others.
- 7-9 Schatz, Kate, and Miriam Klein Stahl. ***Rad Girls Can: Stories of Bold, Brave, and Brilliant Young Women.*** First edition. California: Ten Speed Press, 2018. 920.72  
SCH18R
- Learn about a diverse group of girls who are living rad lives, whether excelling in male-dominated sports like boxing, rock climbing, or skateboarding; speaking out against injustice and discrimination; expressing themselves through dance, writing, and music; or advocating for girls around the world. Each profile is paired with the dynamic paper-cut art that made the authors' first two books New York Times best sellers.
- 3-7 Vourvoulias, Sabrina, et al. ***Nuestra América: 30 Inspiring Latinas/Latinos Who Have Shaped the United States.*** First edition. Philadelphia: RP Kids, 2020. 920.009-  
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V946N
- Published in association with the Smithsonian Institution and the Molina Family Latino Gallery, a celebration of 30 of history's most influential Latinas and Latinos shares the uplifting stories of subjects ranging from Pura Belpré and César Chávez to Jennifer Lopez and Sonia Sotomayor.
- 9-12 Wein, Elizabeth. ***A Thousand Sisters: The Heroic Airwomen of the Soviet Union In World War II.*** First edition. New York, NY: Balzer + Bray, an imprint of HarperCollins Publishers, 2019. 940.54  
W4303T
- This is the story of Raskova's three regiments, women who enlisted and were deployed on the front lines of battle as navigators, pilots, and mechanics. It is the story of a thousand



young women who wanted to take flight to defend their country, and the woman who brought them together in the sky. Packed with black-and-white photographs, fascinating sidebars, and thoroughly researched details, *A Thousand Sisters* is the inspiring true story of a group of women who set out to change the world, and the sisterhood they formed even amid the destruction of war.

- 4-6 Weiss, Elaine F., and Debbie Powell. *The Woman's Hour: Adapted for Young Readers*. New York: Random House, 2020. 324.623  
W4362W

The story of how America's women won the right to vote, adapted for young adult readers.

## BIOGRAPHY

- 3-5 Abouraya, Karen Leggett, and Susan L Roth. *Malala Yousafzai: Warrior with Words*. First Lee & Low Books edition. New York: Lee & Low Books Inc., 2019. B  
Y887A

In 2013, just nine months after being attacked, Malala addressed the United Nations about the right of every child to receive an education, and in 2014, she was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize. At age seventeen, she was the youngest person ever to receive this honor. This book is more than a biography of a brave, outspoken girl who continues to fight for the millions of children worldwide who are not able to go to school. It is also a testament to the power of education to change the world for girls and boys everywhere.

- PreK-3 Alko, Selina. *Joni: The Lyrical Life of Joni Mitchell*. First edition. New York: Harper, an imprint of HarperCollins Publishers, 2020. B  
M6945A

Joni Mitchell painted with words. Sitting at her piano or strumming the guitar, she turned the words into songs. The songs were like brushstrokes on a canvas, saying things that were not only happy or sad but true. But before composing more than two hundred songs, Joni was a young girl from a town on the Canadian prairie, where she learned to love dancing, painting, birdsong, and piano. As she grew up into an artist, Joni took her strong feelings--feelings of love and frustration, and the turbulence that came with being a young woman--and wrote them into vivid songs

- 1-3 Anderson, Beth, and Earl B Lewis. *Lizzie Demands a Seat!: Elizabeth Jennings Fights for Streetcar Rights*. First edition. New York: Calkins Creek, an imprint of Boyds Mills & Kane, 2020. B  
G7603A

One hundred years before Rosa Parks took her stand, Elizabeth "Lizzie" Jennings tried to board a streetcar in New York City on her way to church. Though there were plenty of empty seats, she

was denied entry, assaulted, and threatened all because of her race -  
- even though New York was a free state at that time. Lizzie  
decided to fight back. She told her story, took her case to court --  
where future president Chester Arthur represented her -- and won!  
Her victory was the first recorded in the fight for equal rights on  
public transportation, and Lizzie's case set a precedent.

- 9-12 Bagieu, Pénélope, and Nanette McGuinness. *California Dreamin':  
Cass Elliot Before the Mamas & the Papas*. First American  
edition. New York: First Second, 2017. B  
EL575B

At the age of nineteen, at the dawn of the sixties, Ellen left her  
hometown and became Cass Elliot. At her size, Cass was never  
going to be the kind of girl that record producers wanted on album  
covers. But she found an unlikely group of co-conspirators, and in  
their short time together this bizarre and dysfunctional band  
recorded some of the most memorable songs of their era. Through  
the whirlwind of drugs, war, love, and music, Cass struggled to  
keep sight of her dreams, of who she loved, and--most importantly--  
-who she was.

- K-3 Berne, Jennifer, and Becca Stadtlander. *On Wings of Words: The  
Extraordinary Life of Emily Dickinson*. San Francisco:  
Chronicle Books, 2020. B  
D56B

A picture book account of the life of Emily Dickinson: her  
courage, her faith, and her gift to the world. With Dickinson's own  
poetry woven throughout, this lyrical biography is not just a tale of  
prodigious talent, but also of the power we have to transform  
ourselves and to reach one another when we speak from the soul.

- 3-5 Chaffee, Kim, and Ellen Rooney. *Her Fearless Run: Kathrine  
Switzer's Historic Boston Marathon*. Salem, Massachusetts:  
Page Street Kids, 2019. B  
SW68C

Kathrine Switzer changed the world of running. This narrative  
biography follows Kathrine from running laps as a girl in her  
backyard to becoming the first woman to run the Boston Marathon  
with official race numbers in 1967. Her inspirational true story is  
for anyone willing to challenge the rules. The compelling collage  
art adds to the kinetic action of the story. With tension and heart,  
this biography has the influential power to get readers into running.  
An excellent choice for sports fans, New Englanders, young  
dreamers, and competitive girls and boys alike.

- 9-12 Conkling, Winifred. *Ms. Gloria Steinem: A Life*. First edition. New  
York: Feiwel and Friends, 2020. B  
ST351C

Throughout the years, Gloria Steinem is perhaps the single-most  
iconic figure associated with women's rights, her name practically

synonymous with the word "feminism." Documenting everything from her boundary-pushing journalistic career to the foundation of Ms. magazine to being awarded the 2013 Presidential Medal of Freedom, Winifred Conkling's Ms. Gloria Steinem: A Life is a meticulously researched YA biography that is sure to satisfy even the most voracious of aspiring glass-ceiling smashers.

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| K-4    | Conrad, Vicki, and David Hohn. <b><i>Just Like Beverly: A Biography of Beverly Cleary</i></b> . Seattle, WA: Little Bigfoot, an imprint of Sasquatch Books, 2019.   | B<br>C5807CO        |
|        | A beautifully illustrated children's biography of Beverly Cleary, from her roots in Portland to her years as a librarian and an eventual children's book writer.  |                     |
| 6-9    | Cooper, Ilene. <b><i>Eleanor Roosevelt: Fighter for Justice: Her Impact On the Civil Rights Movement, the White House, and the World</i></b> . New York: Abrams Books for Young Readers, 2018.  | B<br>R67711<br>COOP |
|        | From a shy and fearful child, Eleanor Roosevelt grew up to be not only First Lady of the United States, but one of the most influential women in U.S. history. Hers is a remarkable story of doing the thing you think you cannot do in order to work for change and to better the lives of others. Come learn about Eleanor, who challenges everyone - no matter his or her talents or gifts - to live a useful and fulfilling life. |                     |
| 9-12   | Dachez, Julie, et al. <b><i>Invisible Differences: A Story of Asperger's, Adulthood, and Living a Life In Full Color</i></b> . First edition. Portland, OR: Oni-Lion Forge Publishing Group, LLC, 2020.   | B<br>D115D          |
|        | Marguerite feels awkward, struggling every day to stay productive at work and keep up appearances with friends. She's sensitive, irritable at times...Marguerite finally investigates the root of her discomfort: after a journey of tough conversations with her loved ones, doctors, and the internet, she discovers that she has Asperger's. Her life is profoundly changed - for the better.                                      |                     |
| PreK-3 | Denise, Anika, and Leo Espinosa. <b><i>A Girl Named Rosita: The Story of Rita Moreno: Actor, Singer, Dancer, Trailblazer!</i></b> . First edition. New York, NY: Harper, an imprint of HarperCollinsPublishers, 2020.   | B<br>M8159D         |
|        | The life of Puerto Rican actress, dancer, and singer Rita Moreno, from her girlhood journey to the United States to her rise as a timeless superstar.   |                     |
| 2-3    | Donald, Alison, and Ariel Landy. <b><i>The Spacesuit: How a Seamstress Helped Put Man On the Moon</i></b> . American edition. Horsham,  | B<br>F7408D         |

West Sussex: Maverick Arts Publishing, 2019.

This story was inspired by Eleanor "Ellie" Foraker. Eleanor was born in Kenton, Delaware and worked at ILC Dover for 43 years. A talented seamstress and manager, Ellie was truly dedicated to the making of spacesuits. She also helped make gas masks, underground inflatable oil tanks, and landing bags for Mars missions.

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| PreK-3   | Fleming, Candace, and Julie Downing. <b><i>Cubs In the Tub: The True Story of the Bronx Zoo's First Woman Zookeeper.</i></b> First edition. New York: Holiday House, 2020.  | B<br>M3667F  |
| Readers are told the story of Helen Martini's care for lion and tiger cubs, and her emergence as the Bronx Zoo's first woman zookeeper.  |   |              |
| 2-3  | Friddell, Claudia, and Elizabeth Baddeley. <b><i>Grace Banker and Her Hello Girls Answer the Call: The Heroic Story of WWI Telephone Operators.</i></b> First edition. New York: Calkins Creek, an imprint of Boyds Mills & Kane, 2021. | B<br>B22573F |
| Follow Grace Banker's journey from her busy life as a telephone switchboard trainer in New York to her pioneering role as the Chief Operator of the 1st Unit of World War I telephone operators in the battlefields of France...Grace was the first and only woman operator in the Signal Corps to be awarded the Army's Distinguished Service Medal.  |   |              |
| 4-6  | Hegedus, Bethany, Colin A Johnson, and Tonya Engel. <b><i>Rise!: From Caged Bird to Poet of the People, Maya Angelou.</i></b> First edition. New York, NY: Lee & Low Books Inc., 2019.  | B<br>AN43HE  |
| A biography of African American writer, performer, and activist Maya Angelou, who turned a childhood of trauma and emotional pain to become one of the most inspiring voices of our lifetime. Includes afterword, author's note, and sources.  |   |              |
| PreK-2   | Keating, Jess, and Katie Hickey. <b><i>Ocean Speaks: How Marie Tharp Revealed the Ocean's Biggest Secret.</i></b> New York: Tundra Books, 2020.   | B<br>T3296K  |
| From a young age, Marie Tharp loved watching the world. She loved solving problems. And she loved pushing the limits of what girls and women were expected to do and be. In the mid-twentieth century, women were not welcome in the sciences, but Marie was tenacious. She got a job at a laboratory in New York. But then she faced another barrier: women were not allowed on the research ships (they were considered bad luck on boats). So instead, Marie stayed back and dove deep into the data her colleagues recorded. |   |              |

She mapped point after point and slowly revealed a deep rift valley in the ocean floor. At first the scientific community refused to believe her, but her evidence was irrefutable. She proved to the world that her research was correct. The mid-ocean ridge that Marie discovered is the single largest geographic feature on the planet, and she mapped it all from her small, cramped office.

- 7-9 Khan-Cullors, Patrisse, et al. ***When They Call You a Terrorist: A Story of Black Lives Matter and the Power to Change the World***. First edition. New York, NY: Wednesday Books, an imprint of St. Martin's Publishing Group, 2020. B  
K5275W
- This is the story of how the movement that started with a hashtag-- #BlackLivesMatter--spread across the nation and then across the world and the journey that led one of its co-founders, Patrisse Khan-Cullors, to this moment. Patrisse Khan-Cullors grew up in an over-policed United States where incarceration of Black people runs rampant. Surrounded by police brutality, she gathered the tools and lessons that would lead her on to found one of the most powerful movements in the world. This is her story.
- 8-12 Khor, Shing Yin. ***The American Dream?: A Journey On Route 66, Discovering Dinosaur Statues, Muffler Men, and the Perfect Breakfast Burrito***. Minneapolis, MN: Zest Books, an imprint of Lerner Publishing Group, Inc., 2019. B  
K5286K
- An illustrated comic travelogue about an American immigrant driving alone through all that's left of "The Mother Road," Route 66.
- 9-12 Kops, Deborah. ***Alice Paul and the Fight for Women's Rights: From the Vote to the Equal Rights Amendment***. First edition. Honesdale, Pennsylvania: Calkins Creek, an imprint of Highlights, 2017. B  
P2812K
- Here is the story of leader Alice Paul, from the women's suffrage movement -- the long struggle for votes for women -- to the "second wave," when women demanded full equality with men. Paul made a significant impact on both. She reignited the sleepy suffrage moment with dramatic demonstrations and provocative banners. After women won the right to vote in 1920, Paul wrote the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA), which would make all the laws that discriminated against women unconstitutional.
- 3-6 Krull, Kathleen, and Alexandra Bye. ***The Only Woman In the Photo: Frances Perkins & Her New Deal for America***. First edition. New York: Atheneum Books Books for Young Readers, 2020. B  
P4194K

Biography of Frances Perkins, the first female member of the

presidential cabinet, and architect of much of the New Deal legislation as Secretary of Labor.

- 1-3 Lasky, Kathryn, and Julianna Swaney. ***She Caught the Light: Williamina Stevens Fleming: Astronomer***. First edition. New York: Harper, an imprint of HarperCollins Publishers, 2021. B  
F6299L
- Ever since Williamina Fleming was little she was curious, and her childhood fascination with light inspired her life's work. Mina became an astronomer in a time when women were discouraged from even looking through telescopes. Yet Mina believed that the universe, with its billions of stars, was a riddle--and she wanted to help solve it. Mina ultimately helped to create a map of the universe that paved the way for astronomers. Newbery Honor-winning Kathryn Lasky shares her incredible true story.
- 7-12 Lee, Tony, et al. ***Messenger: The Legend of Joan of Arc: A Graphic Novel***. First U.S. edition. Somerville, Massachusetts: Candlewick Press, 2015. B  
J571L
- Graphic novel retelling of the story of Joan of Arc, who inspired and led French armies to fight for freedom against the British, only to be captured and executed when she was nineteen years old.
- 3-4 Leigh, Anna. ***Aly Raisman: Athlete and Activist***. Minneapolis: Lerner Publications, 2019. B  
R1367L
- US Olympian Aly Raisman is a leader in and out of the gym. She has risen to great prominence as an outspoken voice against sexual assault. This title covers the most fascinating details of her life as a gold-winning gymnast.
- 3-4 Marcus, Leonard S. ***Helen Oxenbury: A Life In Illustration***. First U.S. edition. Somerville, Massachusetts: Candlewick Press, 2019. B  
OX21M
- Filled with insights that span Helen Oxenbury's life -- from her early childhood through a career in children's books that started in the 1960s and is still going strong today -- here is an exquisitely designed and thoroughly entertaining celebration of one of the finest illustrators of our time.
- K-4 Markel, Michelle, and Amanda Hall. ***Out of This World: The Surreal Art of Leonora Carrington***. First edition. New York, NY: Balzer + Bray, an imprint of HarperCollins Publishers, 2019. B  
C2356M
- Chronicles the life and works of the surrealist artist, who created some of the most enigmatic and startling works of the twentieth

- century.
- 2-5 Marsh, Sarah Glenn, and Gilbert Ford. *Alice Across America: The Story of the First Women's Cross-Country Road Trip*. First edition. New York: Henry Holt and Company, 2020. B  
R14925M
- The inspiring true story of Alice Ramsey, the first woman to drive a car across America in 1909.
- 7-12 McCully, Emily Arnold. *Ida M. Tarbell: The Woman Who Challenged Big Business-- and Won!*. Boston: Clarion Books/Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2014. B  
T172M
- Tarbell was the catalyst for exposing the truth behind corruption and unfair business practices. She investigated and published works about the Standard Oil Trust for McClure's Magazine that informed the world of shady business dealings and skyrocketed her into the public eye. She wrote inspiring and engaging biographies on public figures, her most notable on Abraham Lincoln. Although largely forgotten as the country forged into the 20th century, her writing of the truth lives on.
- PreK-3 McGinty, Alice B., and Elizabeth Haidle. *The Girl Who Named Pluto: The Story of Venetia Burney*. First edition. New York: Schwartz & Wade books, 2019. B  
B9349M
- When Venetia Burney's grandfather reads aloud from the newspaper about a new discovery--a "ninth major planet" that has yet to be named--her eleven-year-old mind starts whirring. She is studying the planets in school and loves Roman mythology. "It might be called Pluto," she says, thinking of the dark underworld. Grandfather loves the idea and contacts his friend at London's Royal Astronomical Society, who writes to scientists at the Lowell Observatory in Massachusetts, where Pluto was discovered. After a vote, the scientists agree unanimously: Pluto is the perfect name for the dark, cold planet. Here is a picture book perfect for STEM units and for all children--particularly girls--who have ever dreamed of becoming a scientist.
- K-3 Meltzer, Brad, and Chris Eliopoulos. *I Am Anne Frank*. New York: Dial Books for Young Readers, 2020. B  
F851MEL
- This engaging biography series focuses on the traits that made our heroes great--the traits that kids can aspire to in order to live heroically themselves. Each book tells the story of an icon in a lively, conversational way that works well for the youngest nonfiction readers. At the back are an excellent timeline and photos. This volume features Anne Frank, whose courage and hope during a time of terror are still an inspiration for people around the world today.

- 6-12 Muhammad, Ibtihaj. *Proud: Living My American Dream*. Young readers edition. New York: Little, Brown and Company, 2018. B  
M8925M
- At the 2016 Olympic Games, Ibtihaj Muhammad smashed barriers as the first American to compete wearing hijab, and she made history as the first Muslim American woman to win a medal. But before she was an Olympian, activist, and entrepreneur, Ibtihaj was a young outsider trying to find her place. Growing up in suburban New Jersey, Ibtihaj was often the only African American Muslim student in her class. When she discovered and fell in love with fencing, a sport most popular with affluent young white people, she stood out even more. Rivals and teammates often pointed out Ibtihaj's differences, telling her she would never succeed. Yet she powered on, rising above bigotry and other obstacles on the path to pursuing her dream. Read on to discover Ibtihaj's inspiring journey from humble beginnings to the international stage.
- 2-4 Pinkney, Andrea Davis, Gillian Flint, and Chelsea Clinton. *She Persisted: Harriet Tubman*. New York: Philomel, 2021. B  
T7908PI
- Born enslaved, Harriet Tubman rose up to become one of the most successful, determined and well-known conductors of the Underground Railroad. With her family's love planted firmly in her heart, Harriet looked to the North Star for guidance--and its light helped guide her way out of slavery. Her courage made it possible for her to help others reach freedom too.
- 7-12 Reef, Catherine. *Mary Shelley: The Strange True Tale of Frankenstein's Creator*. New York: Clarion Books, 2018. B  
SH4423R
- On the 200th anniversary of the publication of Frankenstein, comes a riveting biography of its author, Mary Shelley, whose life reads like a dark gothic novel, filled with scandal, death, drama, and one of the strangest love stories in literary history.
- 7-8 Reef, Catherine. *Sarah Bernhardt: The Divine and Dazzling Life of the World's First Superstar*. Boston: Clarion Books/Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2020. B  
B4576R
- Sarah Bernhardt is still considered to be one of the greatest performers of all time. Boldly unconventional, extravagantly eccentric and unapologetically promiscuous, Bernhardt-- the divine Sarah-- was the global superstar of the 1800s-- and perhaps one of the greatest performers of all time.
- 6-12 Reef, Catherine. *Victoria: Portrait of a Queen*. Boston: Clarion Books, 2017. B  
V6661R
- A biography for teens on Queen Victoria (1819-1901). Her long



reign was filled with drama, death, intrigue, and passion, and took place during a time of great transformation, an era that bears the imprint of her personality and values as well as that of her name--the Victorian period.

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| PreK-3 | Reid, Megan, and Laura Freeman. <i>Althea Gibson: The Story of Tennis' Fleet-of-Foot Girl</i> . New York, NY: Balzer + Bray, An Imprint of HarperCollins Publishers, 2020.   | B<br>G3571R |
|        | Althea Gibson was the quickest, tallest, most fearless athlete in 1940s Harlem. She couldn't sit still! When she put her mind to it, the fleet-of-foot girl reigned supreme at every sport--stickball with the boys, basketball with the girls, paddle tennis with anyone who would hit with her. But being the quickest, tallest, most fearless player in Harlem wasn't enough for Althea. She knew she could be a tennis champion. Because of segregation, black people weren't allowed to compete against white people in sports. Althea didn't care. She just wanted to play tennis against the best athletes in the world. And with skill and determination, she did just that, eventually becoming the first black person--man or woman--to win a trophy at Wimbledon. |             |
| K-3    | Robillard, Evie, and Rachel Katstaller. <i>A Portrait In Poems: The Storied Life of Gertrude Stein and Alice B. Toklas</i> . Toronto, ON: Kids Can Press, 2020.  | B<br>ST342R |
|        | Young readers will learn about how Gertrude made up her own writing rules. They'll even learn how sitting around "doing nothing, really doing nothing" is a very important part of being a genius! Gertrude's ingenuity and the childlike joy she found in words and ideas are showcased by the inclusion of quotations from her work. Backmatter includes a timeline, resources and an author's note for further learning.  |             |
| 3-5    | Rosenstock, Barb, and Elizabeth Baddeley. <i>Leave it to Abigail!: The Revolutionary Life of Abigail Adams</i> . New York: Little, Brown and Company, 2020.  | B<br>AD171R |
|        | Everyone knew Abigail was different. Instead of keeping quiet, she blurted out questions. Instead of settling down with a wealthy minister, she married a poor country lawyer named John Adams. Instead of running from the Revolutionary War, she managed a farm and fed hungry soldiers. Instead of leaving the governing to men, she insisted they "Remember the Ladies." Instead of fearing Europe's kings and queens, she boldly crossed the sea to represent her new country. And when John become President of the United States, Abigail became First Lady, and a powerful advisor.  |             |
| 7-10   | Roundtree, Dovey Johnson, Jabari Asim, and Katie McCabe. <i>Mighty Justice: The Untold Story of Civil Rights Trailblazer Dovey</i>   | B<br>R7609R |

**Johnson Roundtree.** First young reader's edition. New York: Roaring Brook Press, 2020.

A biography of Dovey Johnson Roundtree--one of the first black women to break the racial and gender barriers in the US Army, and an attorney in the segregated courtrooms of Washington, D.C.

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| PreK-3  | <b>Roundtree, Dovey Johnson, Katie McCabe, and Raissa Figueroa. <i>We Wait for the Sun: The Story of Young Dovey Johnson Roundtree and Her Grandmother's Enduring Love</i>.</b> First edition. New York: Roaring Brook Press, 2021. | <i>Available soon.</i> |
| The late Civil Rights attorney and activist shares a poignant moment from her childhood beside her wise grandmother, who taught Roundtree the values of self-worth, strength and justice that inspired the co-author's boundary-breaking career.  |   |                        |
| 2-5   | <b>Russell-Brown, Katheryn, and Eric Velasquez. <i>She Was the First!: The Trailblazing Life of Shirley Chisholm</i>.</b> First edition. New York, NY: Lee & Low Books Inc., 2020.  | B<br>C447R             |
| A picture biography of educator and politician Shirley Chisholm, who in 1968 was the first Black woman elected to Congress and in 1972 was the first Black candidate from a major political party (the Democratic party) to run for the United States presidency. An afterword with additional information, photographs, and source lists are included. |   |                        |
| 1-2   | <b>Russell-Brown, Katheryn, and Laura Freeman. <i>A Voice Named Aretha</i>.</b> New York: Bloomsbury Children's Books, 2020.  | B<br>F85419R           |
| In this stirring biography of a true artistic and social icon, young readers learn how Aretha's talent, intelligence, and perseverance made her a star who will shine on for generations to come.   |   |                        |
| 10-12   | <b>Stevenson, Noelle. <i>The Fire Never Goes Out: A Memoir In Pictures</i>.</b> First edition. New York, NY: HarperTeen, 2020.  | B<br>ST485S            |
| In a collection of personal comics that span eight years of her young adult life, author-illustrator Noelle Stevenson charts the highs and lows of being a creative human in the world.   |   |                        |
| 9-12  | <b>Tate, Polo. <i>Deep Dark Blue: A Memoir of Survival</i>.</b> First edition. New York: Feiwel and Friends, 2018.  | B<br>T1876T            |
| “I want to be in the Air Force someday.” These are the words Polo Tate engraved on her junior dog tags at age eleven. It was an unpopular dream for most young girls, but her hard work paid off and at age eighteen, Polo started basic training at the United States Air Force Academy. She did everything right, from academics to                   |   |                        |

athletics. But no one prepared her for what came next: physical, sexual, and emotional abuse at the hands of her superiors. Harassment from peers who refused to believe her story. Deep Dark Blue is more than a memoir about sexual assault. It's about breaking boundaries but also setting them. It's about learning to trust your instincts. It's a story of survival, resilience, and finally, finding your joy.

- 1-2 Tentler-Krylov, Victoria. ***Building Zaha: The Story of Architect Zaha Hadid***. First edition. New York, NY: Orchard Books, an imprint of Scholastic Inc., 2020. B  
H1176T

The city of Baghdad was full of thinkers, artists, and scientists, the littlest among them Zaha Hadid. Zaha knew from a young age that she wanted to be an architect. She set goals for herself and followed them against all odds. A woman in a man's world, and a person of color in a white field, Zaha was met with resistance at every turn. When critics called her a diva and claimed her ideas were unbuildable, she didn't let their judgments stop her from setting goals and achieving them one by one, finding innovative ways to build projects that became famous the world over.

- 7-12 Uwiringiyimana, Sandra, and Abigail Pesta. ***How Dare the Sun Rise: Memoirs of a War Child***. First edition. New York, NY: Katherine Tegen Books, an imprint of HarperCollinsPublishers, 2017. B  
UW5U

Sandra Uwiringiyimana was just ten years old when she found herself with a gun pointed at her head. The rebels had come at night -- wielding weapons, torches, machetes. She watched as her mother and six-year-old sister were gunned down in a refugee camp, far from their home in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. The rebels were killing people who weren't from the same community, the same tribe. In other words, they were killing people simply for looking different. "Goodbye, life," she said to the man ready to shoot her. Remarkably, the rebel didn't pull the trigger, and Sandra escaped into the night. Thus began a new life for her and her surviving family members. With no home and no money, they struggled to stay alive. Eventually, through a United Nations refugee program, they moved to America, only to face yet another ethnic disconnect. Sandra may have crossed an ocean, but there was now a much wider divide she had to overcome. And it started with middle school in New York. In this memoir, Sandra tells the story of her survival, of finding her place in a new country, and of her hope for the future.

- 2-3 Wahl, Jan, and Morgana Wallace. ***Hedy & Her Amazing Invention***. Oklahoma City: Penny Candy Books, 2019. B  
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WAH

The latest by prolific children's book author Jan Wahl, Hedy and her Amazing Invention teaches kids about the pioneering scientific

work and inspiring courage of Hedy Lamarr, the famous Hollywood actress who fought against old-fashioned parents, a domineering husband, prejudice, and stereotypes to become an accomplished inventor whose work helped pave the way for many of the communications technologies we enjoy today.

- 8-12 White, Arisa, Laura Atkins, and Laura Freeman. *Biddy Mason Speaks Up*. Berkeley, California: Heyday, 2019. B  
B3811  
WH
- Presents the life of a California ex-slave, nurse, and midwife, who started many philanthropic projects.
- K-3 Williams, Alicia, and Jacqueline Alcántara. *Jump At the Sun: The True Life Tale of Unstoppable Storycatcher Zora Neale Hurston*. First edition. New York, New York: Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2021. B  
H946WIL
- Zora was a girl who hankered for tales like bees for honey. Now, her mama always told her that if she wanted something, "to jump at de sun", because even though you might not land quite that high, at least you'd get off the ground. So Zora jumped from place to place, from the porch of the general store where she listened to folktales, to Howard University, to Harlem. And everywhere she jumped, she shined sunlight on the tales most people hadn't been bothered to listen to until Zora. The tales no one had written down until Zora. Tales on a whole culture of literature overlooked...until Zora. Until Zora jumped.
- 1-4 Wishinsky, Frieda, and Natalie Nelson. *How Emily Saved the Bridge: The Story of Emily Warren Roebling and the Building of the Brooklyn Bridge*. Toronto: Greenwood Books, House of Anansi Press, 2019. B  
R621W
- An accessible, picture-book biography of Emily Warren Roebling. The Brooklyn Bridge, the iconic suspension bridge that connects Manhattan and Brooklyn, was completed in 1883. It is thanks to Emily Warren Roebling that the bridge was finished at all. Emily was not an engineer, but she was educated in math and science. She married Washington Roebling, the chief engineer of the famous bridge. When Washington became ill from decompression sickness, Emily stepped in, doing everything from keeping the books, to carrying messages for her husband, to monitoring the construction of the bridge. She was the first person to cross the Brooklyn Bridge when it opened.
- 4-6 Worthey, Diane, and Morgana Wallace. *In One Ear & Out the Other: Antonia Brico & Her Amazingly Musical Life*. Oklahoma City: Penny Candy Books, 2020. B  
B762W
- Tells the story of one woman's fight to gain recognition as a

conductor in an era when men dominated classical music. The first woman to guest-conduct the New York Philharmonic Orchestra, Antonia Brico never secured a permanent conducting job with a major symphony--but her contributions paved the way for the many women conductors to follow. A true visionary in the long fight for equal opportunities for women.

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