

CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK



ILLUSTRATOR BIOS

CBW 2024 Bookmark Creators

ANU CHOUHAN

Anu Chouhan is a Canadian illustrator and art director. A trained animator with a background in video game development, Anu often combines her love of her Punjabi cultural heritage into her art, as well as drawing inspiration from anime, nature, and fashion. She is the illustrator of *A Dupatta Is...* and the graphic novel adaptation of *The New York Times* bestselling book *Aru Shah and the End of Time*. anumation.ca • IG: @anumation • Twitter: @anumationart

DAVID DOLENSKÝ

David Dolenský comes from a picturesque mountain area in the Northwest of Czech Republic and currently resides and works in Prague. He studied Interactive Graphic Design and subsequently Illustration and Graphic Design at the Academy of Arts, Architecture, and Design in Prague, Czech Republic. He did a traineeship at Berlin University of the Arts in Germany lead by Henning Wagenbreth and a traineeship in Birmingham, United Kingdom. He creates posters, illustrations for magazines, free drawings, graphic designs, and original books.

ERIN K. ROBINSON

Erin K. Robinson is an Emmy-nominated illustrator trained at the Parsons School of Design and the Corcoran School of the Arts & Design. Erin's illustrations have been featured in *The New York Times* and *The Washington Post*, among other publications. Her magical imagination is inspired by travel, color, texture, the feminine shape, and the many shades and coifs of Brooklyn, New York. She works in a variety of media, including watercolor, ink, markers, charcoal, stencil, and collage, as well as digital artistry. She illustrated *Brave. Black. First.: 50+ African American Women Who Changed the World* (2020), *A Library* (2022), and *The Magical Snowflake* (2023).

GABBY ZAPATA

Gabby Zapata is an artist from Los Angeles, California, of Mexican and Colombian descent. She is a character designer and visual development artist for both feature animation and television. She has worked for various studios, including Disney, Paramount, Nickelodeon, Pixar, and DreamWorks. You can find her at gabbyzapata.com.

MEGGIE RAMM

Meggie Ramm (they/them) is a nonbinary cartoonist from Michigan. They spent their 20s teaching comics to kids in Oakland, California, and it was the best job in the whole world. They've had work in *The New Yorker*, have worked with Everyday Feminism and Silver Sprocket, and have a limerick-based comic strip called *The Littlest Dungeon Guard* distributed through Sunday HaHa. They love rhymes, reading gay sci-fi and fantasy, and comics.

NANCY ARMO

Nancy Armo is an author and illustrator of children's books, including the award-winning book, *Doggie*. She works in a variety of mediums, including colored pencils, watercolor, and printmaking. Nancy lives with her family on the eastern shore of Long Island, New York. You can visit her online at www.nancyarmo.com.

SUSAN GAL

Susan Gal has written and illustrated several picture books including *Night Lights*, *Please Take Me for a Walk*, and *Together*. Her illustrated books have been recognized with the Sydney Taylor Award, the National Jewish Book Award, and most recently both a Robert F. Sibert Honor and the Russell Freedman Nonfiction Award for a Better World for *The Tower of Life: How Yaffa Eliach Rebuilt Her Town in Stories and Photographs* by Chana Stiefel. Susan lives in Berkeley, California with her family. You can see more of her work at galgirlstudio.com.

SUZY LEE

Suzy Lee is a critically acclaimed Korean picture-book artist and illustrator and winner of the prestigious 2022 Hans Christian Andersen Award. Her books include *Mirror*, *Wave*, and *Shadow*, known collectively as The Border Trilogy and, most recently, *The Shade Tree* (Greystone Kids, 2023), "a gorgeous fable" (Kirkus, STARRED review); her work has been named to *The New York Times* Best Illustrated Children's Book list, the Bologna Ragazzi Award, and the IBBY Honour List, among many others.