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Children **& YA**

Ingrid Chabbert

& Guridi | Ingrid Chabbert was born in 1978, in Aveyron, in the middle of fields, cows and streams. Short as a stick, she was already beginning to write little stories. Today, a bit taller than a stick, she writes even more and she likes it madly. Writing for children is all her life and it has become her job. She has published about fifty books. **Everything is there: humor, poetry, subjects of real life.**

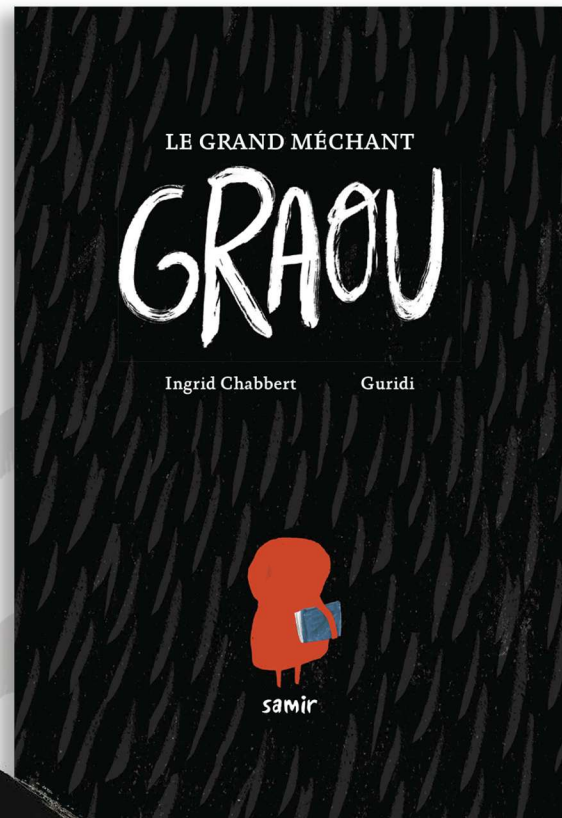


The Great Villain Roar

Transaled to 6 Languages!

#Friendship

#Companionship #No_Prejudice



French – Samir, 2015

Spanish – Bruño, 2016

Catalan – Brúixola, 2016

Arabic – Samir, 2015

Portuguese – Alfarroba, 2019

Italian – Galluci, 2019

32 p.

Illustrated book +3

The protagonist of this story likes to swim in the river, take a nap in the sun and, above all, run away from people, he always wants he to be alone! But one day he meets someone very special and his life begins to change...



Heather & Feather

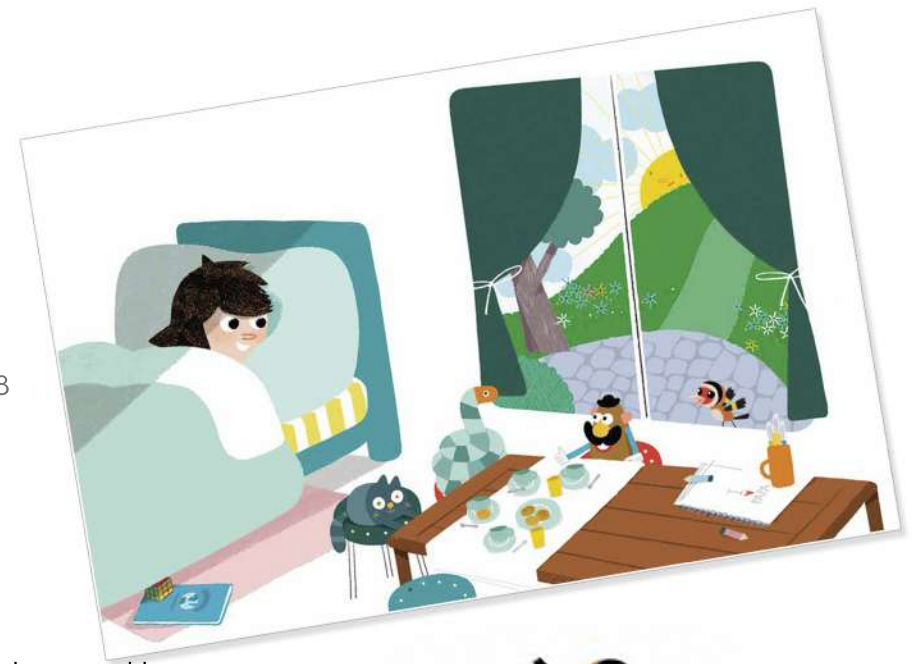
#LiteraryTale
#SaveNature
#LivingTogether



Bel Olid

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Catalan - Casals, 2018
48 p. | 14,5 x 19 cm
Young Readers 6



Heather was born with twisted legs. Unless she gets operated she won't be able to run, jump nor dance like she would love to. After the operation she must be still in bed many days and weeks. How boring! Luckily, her father finds the ideal companion for her: a precious, frightened and tiny goldfinch that has fallen from the nest. Girl and bird dream freedom together, without thinking that, at some point separation might arrive sooner than later.



Living with Hilda (Can Be Inconvenient)

Apel·les Mestres Award, 2016

#LiteraryTale,
#SaveNature
#LivingTogether



Catalan - Estrella Polar, 2017

Spanish - Destino, 2017

32 p., | 22,5x24 cm

Illustrated book +6

Living with a giraffe might sound thrilling, but... what if, with her long, long legs, she doesn't let me sit on my couch to watch telly? A rhino's much better. Hilda believes that everybody is inconvenient to live with, but it didn't cross her mind that maybe, just maybe, she is the inconvenient. Could that be possible?

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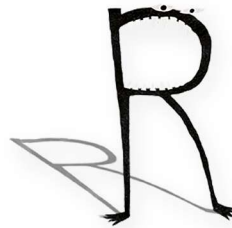
RRRRR

#Learning_To_Speak
#Difficult_Phoneme
#SayRRRRR #Fried_Egg
#Victory



Tina Vallès

& Jaume Marco | Tina is a powerful literary voice. She has received two very important awards that recognise her talent. She is mother of twins for whom she loves to write and she has already written half dozen books.



Catalan – Comanegra, 2018
Spanish – Comanegra, 2018
32 p. | 19,5 x 19,5 cm
Illustrated book +6

«I know a girl who once won a sound. And She got it all alone. A brave and stubborn girl. And that sound was twice a giant. Since childhood, the girl saw that the children around her had something that she was missing. She kept watching them as they pushed cars, ferried planes, sank ships. And she did not understand what was wrong.»



This story is the **conquest of an extraordinary success:** the climb of a mountain that seemed impossible to achieve: **Girl 1 - Giant 0**. But wait a moment: this story...What is missing? If you look inside, **you will definitely get it...** but who knows? Maybe you no longer need it.



Crec

#Nature

#SilencelsNotAlwaysPerfect

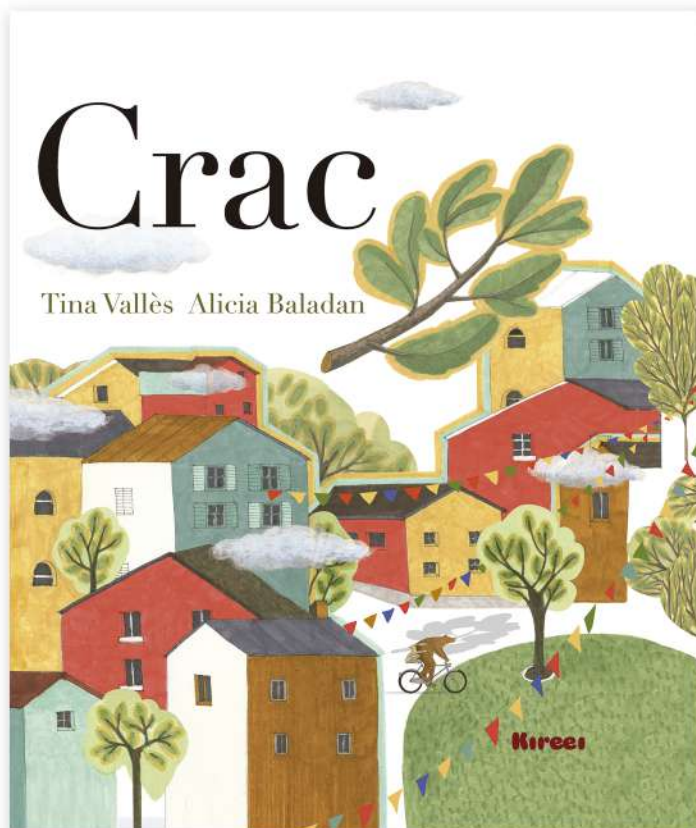
#RebelWithoutCause

Catalan - Kireei, 2018

Spanish - Kireei, 2018

32 p. | 24,5 x 28 cm

Illustrated book



I do not know if you have ever been told a story with a branch as protagonist. Normally, the branches have a very discreet role in the stories, but one day there was one that decided to break everything, starting with the trunk that endured it: *crac!* it detached itself from the tree and started its way. She lived in the Valley of Silence...



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The Book of Emotions for Girls and Boys

#Emotional_Intelligence

#Self_Knowledge

#Emotional_Education

More than 10.000 copies sold!



Catalan - Navona, 2017

Spanish - Ediciones B

155 p. | 23 x 30,5 cm

+4 years

A collection of original stories featuring children between 3 and 7 years old. Each of them presents a situation of conflict that must be resolved. To help them, Fairy Menta appears with the mission of accompanying them to discover by themselves the answers to their questions and the solutions to their dilemmas: Noa lies, Will doesn't accept others critiques. Eric is always late, Mark loses his temper too often.

The perfect book for parents and educators who want to work better emotional reactions with their kids.

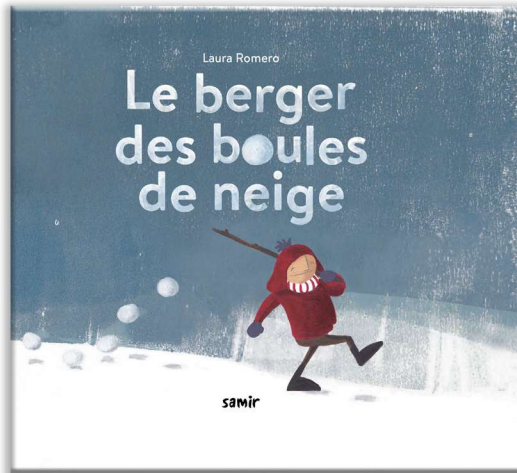
Gemma Lienas

& **Sigrid Martínez** | Gemma Lienas is a writer and Catalan activist. She has written more than ninety books of fiction and non fiction. Writing for children *The Tribe of Camelot*, youth *Carlota's Diary* or adult *Caught in the Mirror*. She **has received several national awards** (Ramon Llull Award) and the **internationally known Honorable Mention IBBY recognition**. Her works have been **translated into nine languages**.



The Boy Who Was a Snowball Shepherd

Laura Romero



#Nature
#Adventurous
#Imagination

French – Samir, 2018
Arabic – Samir, 2018
40 p. | 23,5 x 19,5 cm
Illustrated book
Text also in Spanish

It is snowing outside: Martin is very excited and rushes out of the house. Playing with snowballs, he realizes they are alive and decides to look after them as a shepherd looks after his flock. By the end of winter, the snowballs start to melt and flowers are blossoming: Martin welcomes Spring and becomes a flower shepherd.



Elisenda Roca

& Cristina Losantos | Elisenda Roca is an awarded TV and radio journalist who has written different books in many genres, including parenting and children's books. Her latest series *Improve!* is one of the most popular and it has been translated in many languages.

Improve!

THIS SERIES, IS AIMED AT EARLY READERS TO LEARN VALUES, IMPROVE MANNERS AND COEXISTENCE WITH THE ENVIRONMENT. All Published in Spanish & Catalan by Bambú.

Translated to English, Korean, Chinese, Greek



On-Off

Catalan- Bambú, 2017
Spanish - Bambú, 2017
Greek - Nakas, 2017

NEW!

#LearningToDisconnect



True or False

Catalan- Bambú, 2017
Spanish - Bambú, 2017

NEW!

#LearningToBeHonest



Away With Nightmares!

ENGLISH - Quirky Quid Clinic, 2015
KOREAN - Noran SangSang, 2016
CHINESE - Grean Beans, 2016
GREEK - Nakas, 2017

#LearningToSleepwithoutFears



We Are Not the Three Little Pigs

ENGLISH - Quirky Quid Clinic, 2015
CHINESE - Grean Beans, 2016
GREEK - Nakas, 2017

#LearningToBeClean



This is Mine!

ENGLISH - Quirky Quid Clinic, 2015
KOREAN - Noran SangSang, 2016
CHINESE - Grean Beans, 2016

#LearningToShare



Hello, Thank You, Goodbye

ENGLISH - Quirky Quid Clinic, 2015
CHINESE - Grean Beans, 2016
GREEK - Nakas, 2017

#LearningPoliteness



Biff! Zap! Pow!

SPANISH AND CATALAN - Bambú, 2015
CHINESE - Grean Beans, 2016

#LearningCoExistence

David Nel·lo

& Pere Guinard | David Nel·lo is a writer, translator and flute player. Although he has published novels for adults, he loves to write for young readers. Among his many books, special mention can be made to *L'Albert i els menjabrossa*, **Vaixell de Vapor Award**; *Ludwig i Frank*, **Josep M. Folch i Torres Award**; *L'aposta*, **Columna Jove Award**; *Babushka*; *Guguengol*, **Ramon Muntaner Award** or *Missió futur*. In 2014 he won the **Edebé Award** with *La nova vida del senyor Rutin*, a humorous children book. His latest title is *La tribu dels Zippoli*.

The Zippoli's Tribe

Catalan – Bambú, 2017

Spanish – Bambú, 2017

French – Actes Sud, 2018

Russian – Mann, Ivanov and Ferber 2019

144p. | +9

#Reading

#Selfconfidence

#ItaloCalvino

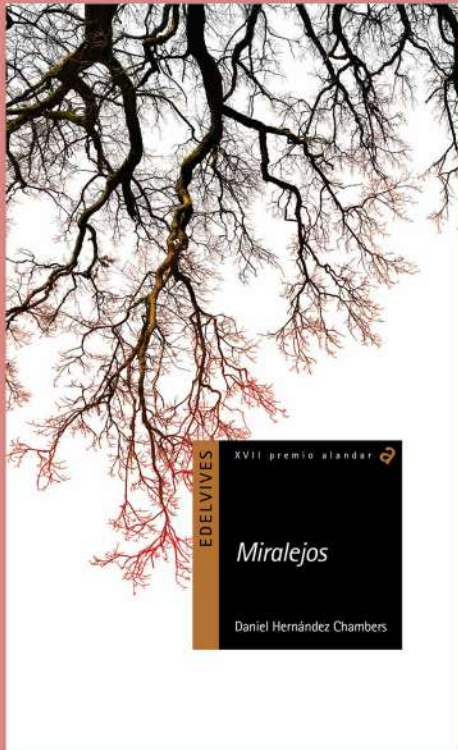
Guillem does not like to read, how dull! So boring! And his silly big brother is always reading! Nerd! And his parents also read a lot. But what if he does not like reading, huh? He hates the “Library Time” at school, but one day Guillem picks a very thin book called *The Zippoli's Tribe* and it seems to be the faster book he will ever read. But when he starts reading it he gets one of the biggest shocks of his life. The book addresses directly to him. How is that possible?



Daniel Hernández Chambers | Daniel published his first novel, *La ciudad gris*, in 2006 and it meant the beginning of a popular career as a writer with books like *Un fragmento de noche en un frasco*, **Everest Juvenil Award**, *Las aventuras de Alonso y Sancho* or *Muéstrame la eternidad*. He also likes to write series such as *Chelo Holmes*, *detective privado* or *La clase Monster* or a dystopic tetralogy for YA, *Olkraan*. He has lately received **Ala Delta Edelvives Award**.

Lookfar

#Discover #Friendship
#ConflictResolution



Lit- Juvenil Alandar Award, 2017

Spanish – Edelvives, 2018

168 p.

+12 years

Julio, a 7 years old boy, receives a curious gift that will mark his existence: a telescope (or "lookfar", as he calls it) with which he watches the horizon and with what he imagines to be the Guard of Gorgos, the coastal town where he spends his summer vacation. From that moment, together with his friend Irene, he **will discover the world that surrounds them, they will see what is far and what is not. But to look that much might carry on other unexpected situations... an unsolved crime, a missing person and, above all, the face of a monster, known as the Lord of Forests.**

Alonso & Sancho Adventures

#ConflictResolution
#Tolerance #Dialog #Respect



Spanish – Edelvives, 2018

152 p.

+10 years

A story of **imagination without limits**. Alonso, an avid ten year old reader obsessed with adventure novels (his parents have even confiscate his library) dreams to be an adventurer himself. Together with his friend Sancho, who follows him everywhere, will live extraordinary stories on the backs of their bicycles: **facing giants, rescuing elders in distress or unmasking pettythieves.**

I'm an Animal

A Series by Llorc & Macip
Illustrated by Sergi Càmara

#ADVENTUROUS #FRIENDSHIP #SCIENCE

Catalan – Barcanova, 2015, 2016

Spanish – Anaya, 2015, 2016, 2017

Galician – Xerais, 2015, 2017

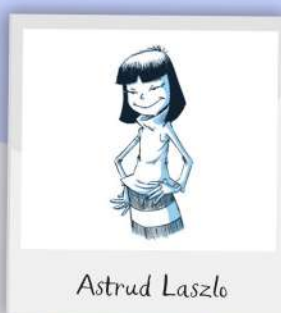
+8 | 190 p



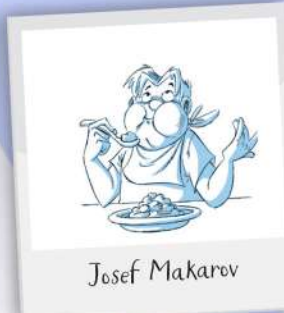
The books of Arman and his pet lemur Tim are a unique mix of adventure, humour and imagination. Where else are you going to find a boy that can transform into all sorts of animals to help his friends, solve mysteries and even do his homework? If only he could control his powers...



Lijulina Zhirkova



Astrud Laszlo



Josef Makarev



Vasili Weisz



Carlota has
also a movie!!

Carlota's Diaries

MORE THAN 150.000 COPIES SOLD

Carlota is a teenager eager to learn & survive in this world. There is not a single social, ethical or moral problem she has not faced. So far, she has written 5 diaries.

Catalan
Spanish
Portuguese
Italian

THE MOST SUCCESSFUL FEMALE SERIES IN THE LAST TEN YEARS

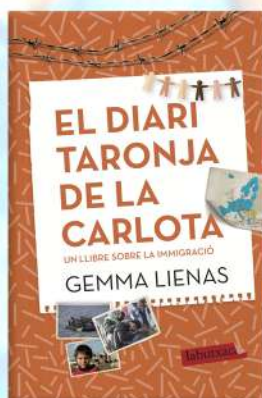
The Red Diary

#Sexuality
#Adolescence



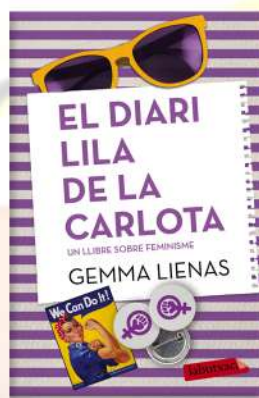
The Orange Diary

#Immigration



The Purple Diary

#Women_Discrimination



The Yellow Diary

#Drugs_Effects
#Teenagers



The Blue Diary

#Gender_Violence



Gemma Lienas is a very well known writer, an activist and a person seriously involved with social, ethic, moral and political issues. Her books normally talked about the weaker or the social injustices. She has received several national awards and she is devotedly admired by her readers.

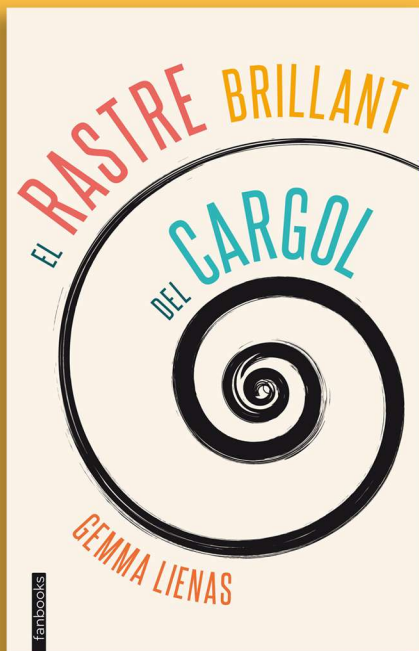
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The Bright Snail Trail

#Crossover
#Asperger
#Pederasty #Firstlove

Sam is 16 years old and has Asperger's syndrome. He is a kind person but singular and although he is a computer genius (he is a white Hacker), he has few friends and difficulties interacting with others in the everyday life. One day he meets Martina and his all world changes. He likes her a lot but he is not sure how to get close to her. Thanks to his sister, he would succeed, at least, to talk to her! But very shortly after they talk for the first time, Sam finds out that a stalker is putting her in grave danger. Sam will have to work hard to overcome his limitations if he wants to help her and unmask the criminal.



Catalan - Fanbooks, 2014
Spanish - Destino, 2014
360 p | +14

#Crossover
#Streetbands
#Streetviolence



Catalan - Bromera, 2015
Spanish - Algar, 2015
118 p | +13

The Black Panthers' Revenge **Fundació Bancaixa Award, 2016**

Oscar is a teenager with no horizons. His only illusion is his little sister, Mabel, and his band, Black Panthers. Next to them he feels part of something. Leader Baldo, self-confident, seductive and charismatic, is driven by violence and the desire of revenge: to get rid of Daniel, the traitor who incriminated him and caused his bigger humiliation ever. After all what happened, now Daniel has to go back to the city. Who will find Daniel first? The inspector or the Black Panthers? And more: on which side will Oscar be?

**Mercedes
Olivet**

has carried out her professional career within the industrial and technological fields, but writing stories is her vocation. In 2014 she published her first children book, *The W*, and now she presents *El espejo*.

The Mirror

Finalist XXIV Edebé Award
Edebé, 2017
328p. | +12

#Friendship
#Grandmother
#Growing-up

Anna has just turned 13 years old and she and her mother are going to spend the Summer in the house of her grandmother Elena, who has just died. Anna had a very special relationship with her grandmother and she misses her very much. When they arrive at the house, Anna discovers an enormous package hidden in the closet. On the wrapping there are 3 words written: «Mirror. For Anna». She soon discovers that when she looks in the mirror something strange and magical happens, instead of seeing herself, shadows appear and turn into the figure of a young girl. This girl is not her, but a girl from a different time named Nina. The two can see each other, and converse back and forth, slowly becoming friends. They continue to get to know each other until their talks discover a mystery from the past that has yet to be revealed.



Lenia Major | is a professional pharmacist and storyteller, passionate about cooking and animals, which has a strong impact on her rich and diverse literary work. More info: www.leniamajor.com

#IDENTITY_QUEST

#SELF_ESTEEM

#PARENTS_&_SONS



Caballero

French – Samir, 2016

464 p. | 13+

2018 – Sélection **Prix** Littéraire Paul Langevin

2017 – Lauréat du **Prix** de la ville de Cherbourg - Octeville

2017 – Lauréat du **Prix** Des Mots et des Merveilles

Catégorie Chrysalide

2016 – Sélection annuelle de La Revue des livres pour enfants
Coup de cœur

Genaro, a 13-year-old boy who used to be a brilliant student, has decided to stop studying because of his fear of being rejected by his classmates. He is now part of a group of teenagers who push him to binge drinking until he falls into an alcoholic coma. Shocked, his parents decide to send him to Spain to a cousin who holds a refuge for the abused and abandoned dogs, galgos and greyhounds. This «punishment» will completely transform him. Genaro discovers an unknown world, the world of cruelty and dog abuse. During the time spent in Spain, he also discovers the true meaning of friendship and the importance of solidarity and fighting for a good cause. He will fall in love for the first time with Lucy, young and compassionate volunteer.

CABALLERO IS PERFECT FOR TEENAGERS SINCE TALKS ABOUT ALL THEIR PROBLEMS LIKE IDENTITY QUEST, SELF-ESTEEM, FEAR OF THE GAZE OF OTHERS, TENSE RELATIONSHIPS WITH PARENTS.

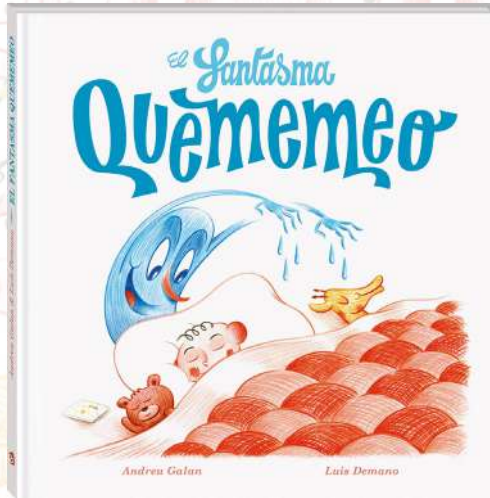
Tinkle-tush the Ghost

(El fantasma Pixallits)

Andreu Galan

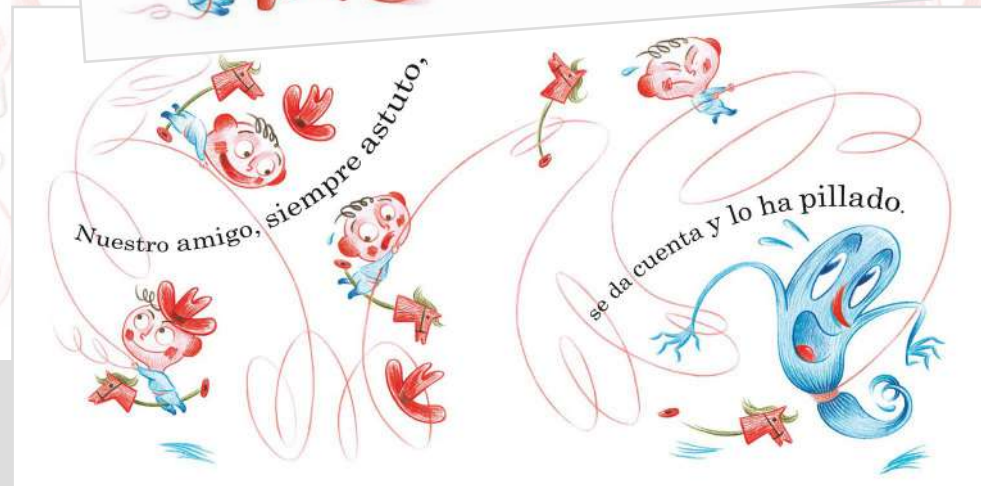
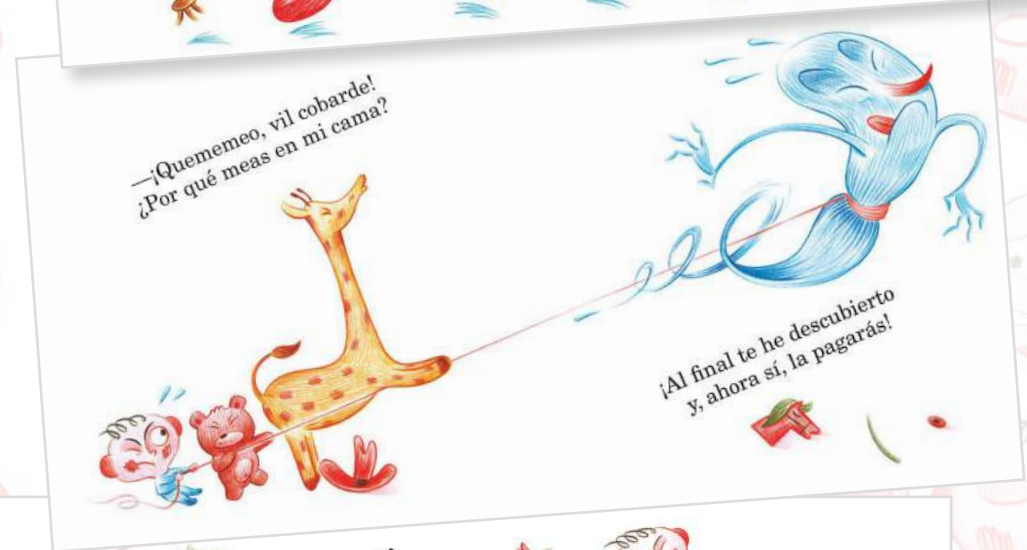
Illustrated by Luis Demano

30 pages / age 3+



Tinkle-tush the Ghost is a fun picture book about a little boy who discovers that it's not kids who wet their beds.

This book deals with the issue of bed wetting in an entertaining and unashamedly way. It's aimed especially at children of primary education.



Grandma Tangles Up the Skein

(La iaia embolica la troca)

Xavi Simó

Illustrated by Roger Simó

38 pages / 24,5x25 cm / age 5+

Since grandma Rosalia became a widow, she's had a hard time living on her own. She feels like the walls are coming down on her and spends the days looking out the window.

But one day she receives a proposal that will fill her life with colors.



Vivían en las afueras, en una casita que se había convertido en un lugar de paso para todos los que iban y venían del pueblo: los vecinos hacían allí una parada para descansar y charlar con los abuelos. Y cuando tenían un momento de tranquilidad, la anciana pareja solía sentarse junto a la ventana para hacer lo que más les gustaba: estar el uno con el otro.



Maria Is Not Afraid

(La Maria no té por)

Francesc Gisbert

Illustrated by Riccardo Maniscalchi

48 pages / 24 x 31 / Age 5+



Maria spends a few days with her grandmother. In a very dark room she finds the book of monsters, the monsters that scare the children when they don't behave properly. One night, one of these monsters visits Maria and asks for her help. Together they will live an exciting adventure trying to save the children who are locked in the witch castle.



Butoni's Friends

(Els amics del Butoni)

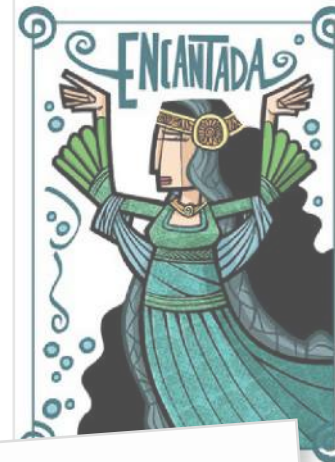
Francesc Gisbert

Illustrated by Cristina Duran

48 pages / Format 21x17



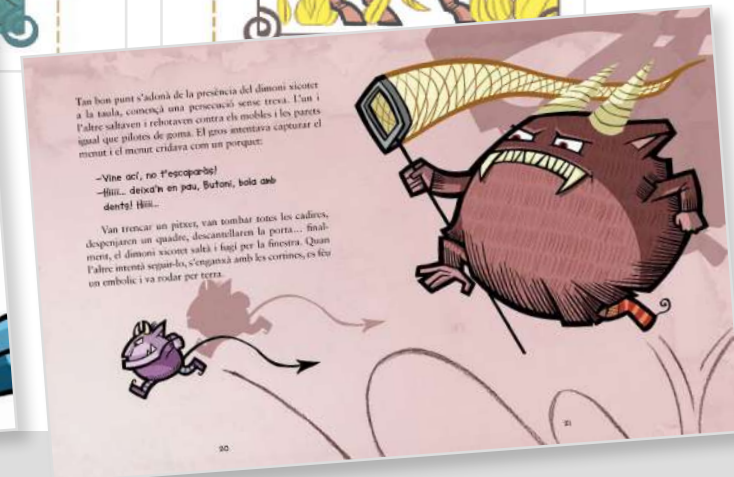
Maria and her dog Busca will live an adventure full of magic and fantasy accompanied by the small demon, the Quarantamula, the haunted lady, and Henoc the knight, the fearsome monsters' hunter. The small demon has escaped from the school of monsters and Maria and her friends will have to find him, before the evil hunter does.



JOC DE CARTES DEIS ESPANTACRIATURES



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Back List

The Ladybug Without Stains

#LiteraryTale #Cooperation

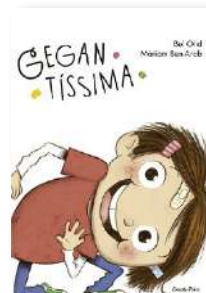


TINA VALLÈS

Catalan (Combel)
Spanish (Combel)
32 p. | 14 x 19 cm
Illustrated book +6

Little Giant

#HavingASibling #Family #OlderSister



BEL OLID

Catalan (EstrellaPolar)
Spanish (TimunMas)
32 p. | 24,5 x 27 cm
Illustrated book +6

Dripperlipper

#OnDifferent #LessIsMore



TINA VALLÈS

Catalan, Spanish & Portuguese,
(Fragmenta)
42 p. | 28,5 x 24,5 cm
Illustrated book

Five Days in Another Planet

#OtherCultures #UFO #Friendship

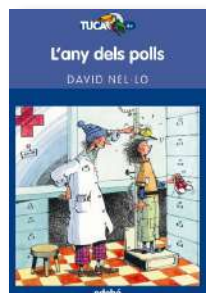


SALVADOR MACIP

Catalan (La Galera)
Spanish (La Galera)
24 p. | 14 x 19 cm
+6 years

The Year of Lice

#RebelwithoutCause #SchoolMates

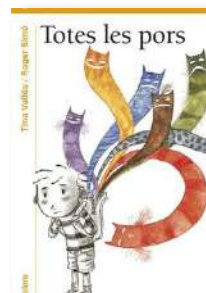


DAVID NEL-LO

Catalan (Edebé)
Spanish (Edebé)
Turkish (Final Yayincilik)
192 p.
+9 years

All Fears

#ClassMates #Companionship



TINA VALLÈS

Catalan (La Galera)
32 p.
+7 years

My Family and the Angel

#AnAngelInTheKitchen #Humor #Family

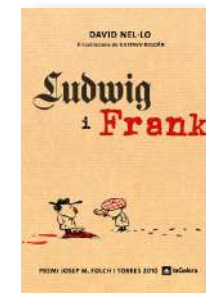


GEMMA LIENAS

Catalan (Estrella Polar)
Spanish (SM)
Also in **German, Italian, Euskar**
104 p.
+8 years

Ludwig & Frank

#OtherCultures #Friendship



DAVID NEL-LO

Catalan (La Galera)
Spanish (La Galera)
French (Magnard)
178 p.
+10 years

Mr. Rutin New Life

#StopRoutine #Family #Humor



DAVID NEL-LO

Catalan (Edebé)
Spanish (Edebé)
Portuguese (Edebé)
Korean (Sigongsa)
148 p.
+10 years

Japler's Ball

#Brother&Sister #Football



JORDI CERVERA

Catalan (Edebé)
208 p.
+10 years

Maic

#DisfunctionalFamily #Tenderness



TINA VALLÈS

Catalan (Baula)
86 p.
+10 years

That's Life, Carlota!

#Feminism #BeingOneSelf



GEMMA LIENAS

Catalan (Estrella Polar)
Spanish (Destino)
Also in **Portuguese, German, Serbo-Croat & Basque**
152 p.
+11 years

Author's List

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Jordi de Manuel
Borja de Riquer
Tània Juste
Sylvia Lagarda-Mata
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Joan-Lluís Lluís
Salvador Macip
Adam Martín
David Nel·lo
Bel Olid
Vicent Partal
Pep Puig
Adrià Pujol
Josep M. Quintana
Sebastià Roig
Josep N. Santaeulàlia
Francesc Serés
Jaume Subirana
Tina Vallès

On *Translation* Grants

PURPOSE

Translation of the following types of original Catalan-language works:

- a) Literature (fiction, poetry, theatre and graphic novels)
- b) Philosophy (non-fiction and humanities)

BENEFICIARIES

These grants are available to public and private, Spanish and foreign publishers, natural persons and legal entities that are planning to translate works of Catalan literature and philosophy into other languages during the year the application process takes place or the following year and have acquired, to this effect, the rights to publish the work in print format and distribute it commercially.

CONTACT

Any questions regarding the application submission procedure and/or documentation that must accompany the application should be addressed to:



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Asterisc Agents & Awards

Asterisc Agents was born in 2016 from the infatigable curiosity of two literary agents dynamic in mind and innovative in spirit.

Since then, Asterisc has grown with permanent attention to detail without losing the essence that drives the project, and convinced that only with tenacious work, personal deferential contact and the tireless will of growth and improvement, any goal set can be reached.

Today, Asterisc Agents already has a carefully selected list of authors and foreign representations that consolidate and project the agency to the international market.

The authors who have trusted the agency have received awards and recognitions of first national level and their works do travel around the world, where they are being discovered by new readers from other latitudes. Attendance to international salons and book fairs (London, Guadalajara, Frankfurt, Bologna, Turin...) is the way for us to share our books and keep doing what we love and know how to do: to spread the passion for good stories next to its authors, the publishers who publish them and the readers who read them. Want to join us?

Awards to our Authors

Sant Joan Award - Fiction

El fil invisible (Gemma Lienas, Edicions 62)

Sant Jordi Award - best Catalan novel unpublished.

Jo soc aquell que va matar Franco (Joan-Lluís Lluís, Proa)

Prudenci Bertrana Award - Fiction.

Melissa & Nicole (David Nel·lo, Columna)

Crítica Serra d'Or Award, best novel 2016 - Fiction.

El Navegant (Joan-Lluís Lluís, Proa)

Anagrama de Novel·la Award - Fiction.

La memòria de l'arbre (Tina Vallès, Anagrama)

Mancomunitat de la Ribera Alta Award - Non Fiction.

Cafarnaüm (Jaume Subirana, Bromera).



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