



Inciting Incident

August Events & Opportunities

Opportunities for Illustrators



In honor of Tomie dePaola, the legendary children's book author and illustrator and long-time member of the SCBWI board of advisors, SCBWI will award two emerging artists with a cash prize of \$2,500. The money can be used to advance professional artistic development and growth, and can include items such as supplies, equipment, research, learning experiences, travel, creative sabbaticals, child care, or any legitimate expenses that allow the winners to develop or improve their art. It is not to be used for promotion of a book or career advancement, but rather to advance work.

The award is for SCBWI members who are early in their illustration careers and as such, is limited to those who have published at least one but no more than three books.

!! Deadline Approaching !!

Submissions are open from **July 15 through August 15**.

[Learn more and submit your work.](#)

See Your Art Featured by SCBWI!

Illustrators, check out these monthly and quarterly opportunities to spotlight your art through SCBWI!

Art Spot & Bulletin Art

Each issue of the SCBWI Bulletin features a winning "Art Spot" illustration. The

art spot winner receives \$100 for their winning piece. Each quarterly issue of the Bulletin also features many pieces of spot art submitted from members. Members receive \$50 for each piece used. *SCBWI retains only the first-time rights, the artist keeps all other rights to use the art.* [Submission guidelines.](#)

Draw This!

Share your take on our monthly art prompt in the SCBWI Insight publication. All submissions shown on the online gallery, and two winners featured in Insight, on the website, and on social media. Each month's prompt for Draw This! can be found in the most recent Insight issue. [View digital Insight archive.](#)

Featured Illustrator

Each month, one SCBWI illustrator member's art is featured in SCBWI's online Illustrator Gallery. To qualify, you must upload your art to the SCBWI Illustrator Gallery. [View past featured illustrators.](#)

Free National SCBWI Event

Watch the Replay:

Did you miss the free webinar **Sticks and Stones: And the Stories We Tell?** You can watch the replay now!

Log in to the SCBWI website as a member. Then visit the [Digital Workshop Archive](#). If you are not a current member and would like to join or renew, [click here](#).

The poster features a central green box with the event title and details. Surrounding this box are ten portraits of the participants and their respective book covers. The top row includes Crystal Allen, Floyd Cooper, Pat Cummings, Lamar Giles, and Rafael López. The bottom row includes Meg Medina, Linda Sue Park, Christian Robinson, Shadra Strickland, and Lisa Yee. Book covers shown include 'How Lamar's Bad Frank', 'Judecentric', 'You Matter', 'Prairie Lotus', 'Merci Suarez Changes Gears', 'The Day You Begin', 'Not So Pure and Simple', 'Trace', 'Savvy Shipping', and 'Milliecent Min'.

**STICKS AND STONES
AND THE STORIES WE TELL:**
Children's Book Creators on Channeling Random Acts of Racism
Thursday, July 16 • 1:00pm - 2:15pm PDT
<https://scbwi.zoom.us/j/94310882818>

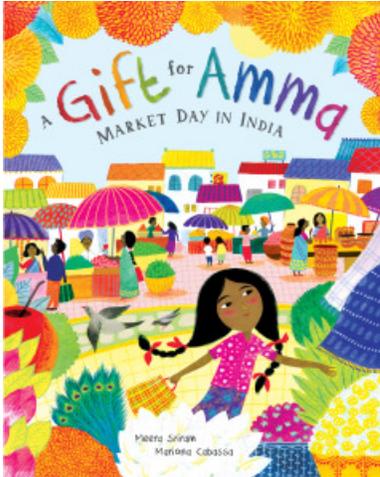
Ten BIPOC authors and illustrators will discuss how they have used the negative experience of racism to fuel their artistic expression. As part of SCBWI's Equity and Inclusion Initiative, this event will be free for all members AND for the general public.

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Member Events & Good News



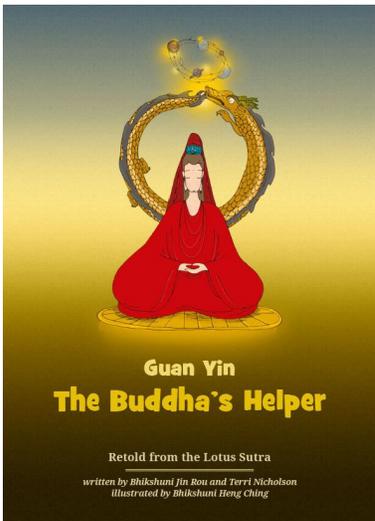
PASSPORT TO INDIA!

Get ready to travel with your kids this August to the bustling and beautiful market streets of India with Meera Sriram's second picture book, ***A Gift for Amma: Market Day in India!***

Kirkus calls it a "culturally authentic journey." The book comes out AUGUST 21, 2020. Look out for updates on the VIRTUAL BOOK LAUNCH [here!](#)

In A Gift for Amma: Market Day in India, a little girl explores a vibrant rainbow of delights at a bustling

outdoor market in India while trying to pick the perfect gift for her mother. Endnotes explain all the items on sale and introduce readers to markets around the world. This is an #OwnVoices picture book, inspired by the author's hometown in Southern India.



Guan Yin: The Buddha's Helper Wins 2019 Silver Nautilus Award

Congratulations to Bhikshuni Jin Rou and Mendocino County Coordinator Terri Nicholson for winning the Silver Nautilus Award!

What do children do when they are afraid of monsters at night? Are face to face with creepy, crawly bugs? Have trouble with friends? Lose a loved one? Or make a mistake?

In this book, the gentle narrative encourages children to call on Guan Yin, the Buddha's helper, in times of trouble. The text explains that Guan Yin is known by different names in China, Vietnam, Korea, Japan, India, and America and can appear in different forms to help, but she never tells you who she is.

Repetitive, soothing sentences and exquisite illustrations spark children's imaginations to perceive the compassionate nature of Guan Yin, as well as their own innate potential to be calm, caring, and peaceful. [Learn more about the book.](#)

Want to promote YOUR good news or free event in the Inciting Incident?

If you are a SCBWI San Francisco North & East Bay member, your awards, announcements, book launches, or author events could be featured here. All events must be free and include a member as a speaker, panelist, or showrunner.

Share your good news or author event with your fellow SCBWI members!



[Submit it here.](#)

Deadline for September submissions: August 24th

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