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ABOUT US

"Giralangolo" is an imprint of EDT srl founded in 2007. Our publishing program spans over children's books through to teenage and fiction for teenage and young adults. Using a witty and ironic language our books tackle and explore crucial issues such as friendship, knowledge of foreign cultures, accepting and embracing otherness and differences, respect for nature and the environment.

We have launched new publishing projects such as our award winning series **LeMilleunaMappa** (OneThousandAndOneMaps) with its innovative design and artwork, and our most recent enterprise **Sottosopra** (Upside-down), a series of picture books focused on sexual identity – a crucial issue in today's society – which aims at rejecting all stereotypes, introduces a new perception of female and male roles and encourages an open-minded and non-judgmental approach to gender and sexual diversities.

In addition to publishing books by Italian authors, we take pride in acquiring and publishing foreign titles as well.

We have established strong and successful partnerships with foreign publishers, both major, leading publishers and smaller, independent ones.

Our approach to book publishing has earned us many prestigious awards and prizes. Despite being a small imprint within a parent publisher, our catalogue now includes more than 200 titles, and we publish approximately 15 new titles a year.



Series Sold in: China, Taiwan



- ▶ Little Red Riding Hood
- ▶ The Three Little Pigs
- ▶ Snow White
- ▶ Alice in Wonderland **SOLD IN RUSSIA**
- ▶ The Journey of Marco Polo
- ▶ Around the World in Eighty Days
- ▶ The Journey of Charles Darwin **SOLD IN RUSSIA**
- ▶ Hansel and Gretel
- ▶ The Journey of Ulysses
- ▶ The Battle of Little Bighorn
- ▶ Journey to the Center of the Earth
- ▶ The Incredible Adventures of Pinocchio
- ▶ The Amazing Journey of a Banana Skin
- ▶ Journey to Never-never Land
- ▶ The Map of Monsters
- ▶ The Adventures of Salgari's Pirates
- ▶ The Mysterious Map of Egyptians

One Thousand and one Maps

King-size drawings featuring the paths described in our favourite fairy tales and classics of children's literature, the wonderful places of renowned itineraries and routes of real and imaginary travel tales. Real maps, like those used by adults, by which children can go through the most famous fairy tales and discover new ones with the help of short texts explaining the most important steps of the journeys. This new way of approaching texts tickles the fancy of children and adults and arouses the spirit of adventure and the eagerness for new experiences with fine drawings and vibrant colours. A different illustrator has made each map to give rich visual suggestions using very different graphic styles and techniques.



On the back of the maps, information and curious facts about the stories and their origin, children's classics and travel books.



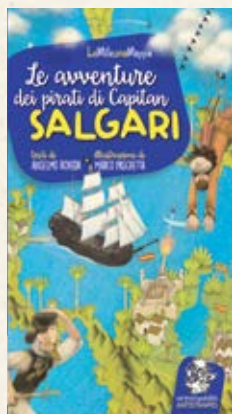
A table of contents so you can find your way and follow the steps of the story.



Short texts, arranged in dedicated boxes, show the main steps in the development of the story.



A well-traced path leads the readers into the settings of the most well-known fairy tales and accompanies them along the routes of either real or fictional great journeys.



NEW

Anselmo Roveda, Marco Paschetta

The Adventures of Captain Salgari's Pirates

Emilio Salgari writer of action adventure, wrote more than two hundred adventure stories and novels. One of the most translated Italian authors, arguably the best selling Italian author of all time, like his adventure-writing counterparts Jules Verne in France and Henry Rider Haggard in England, he was knighted for his contribution to literature. A century after his death, Salgari can still yank readers into his magical world. Salgari's works have been published by numerous publishing houses worldwide. Salgari's two series, the Pirates of Malesia and the Corsairs of the Caribbean, come to life in this map which tells the story of their deeds and travels. Sandokan, the Pearl of Labuan, The Black Corsair, the Daughter of the Caribbean... the most fascinating characters of timeless novels travel all over the seas and oceans, following itineraries visualized on a large format map.



NEW

Sofia Gallo, Sandro Natalini

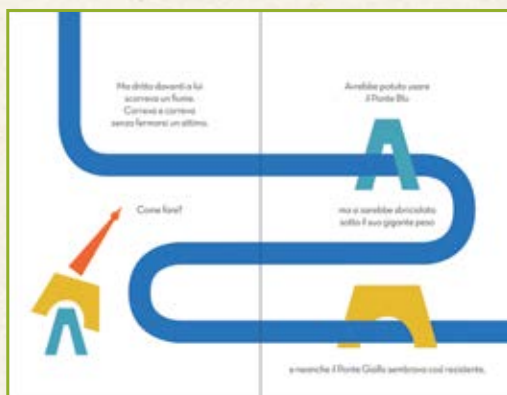
Travelling in Time With the Ancient Egyptians

The history, habits and customs of one of the most fascinating ancient civilizations told in the guise of a map. A fresh look at a population about which you thought you had already read everything there was to read. A special package contains the map and 50 cards about history and daily life. Following the icons on the map the children will have to find the corresponding card: follow the course of the Nile finding out interesting and surprising facts!

NEW



Sold in China, France

Authors Ginevra Dondina and Emiliano Mattia Fadda**Type** Picture Book**Age** 5+**Bookbinding** hardcover with die-cuts**Size** 19 x 30**Illustrations** full colour**Pages** 48 full colours

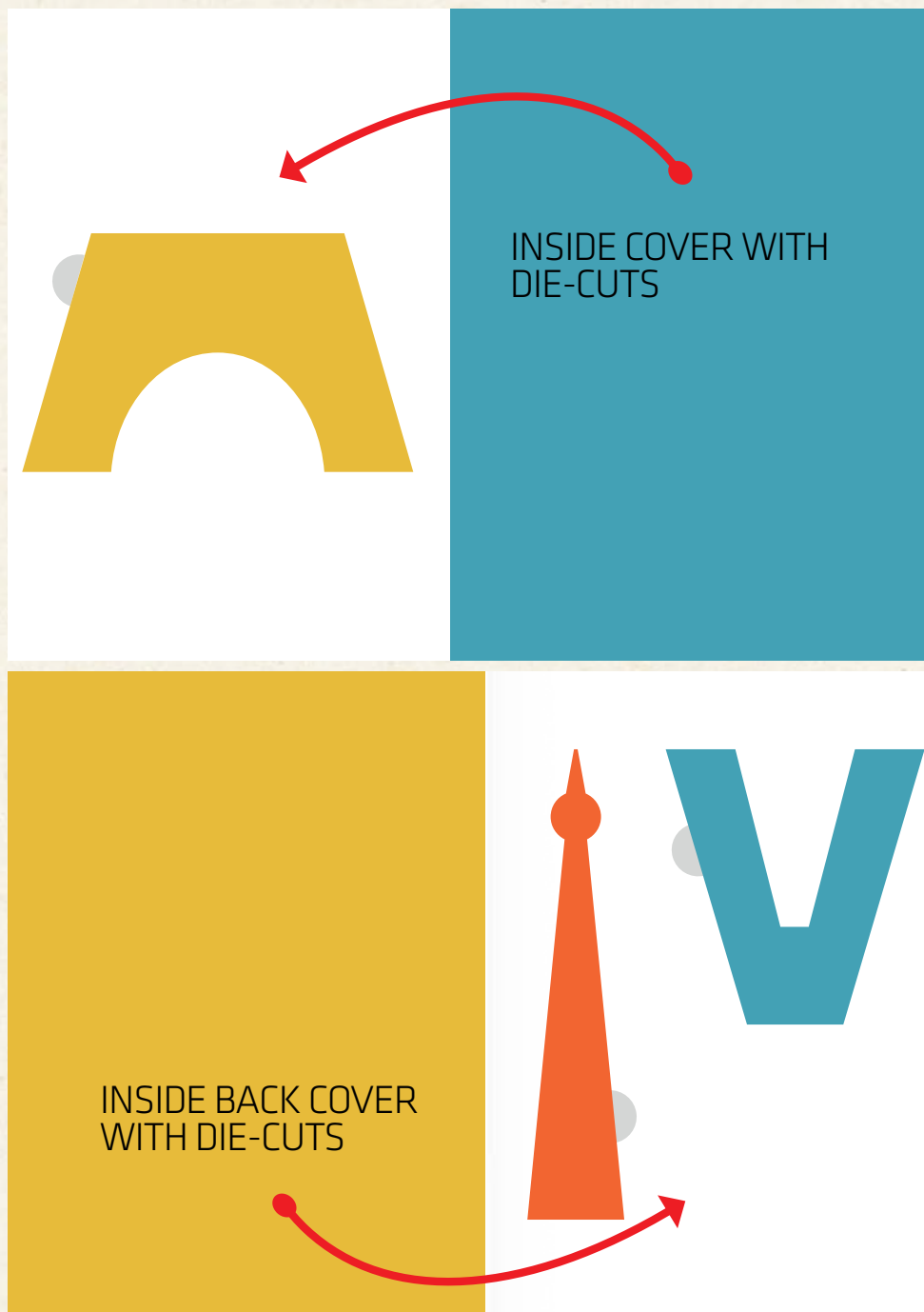
The Giant arrives in Paris

The story, characterized by conceptual and graphic illustrations, is about a giant (it's not until the last page of the book that we find out it's the famous "Eiffel tower") who has to deal with a city that has been an unknown planet to him up till then. We see our unwieldy character struggling through the various episodes he's involved in.

Here the illustrations play the leading role, describing the events with authentic simplicity. The readers will hear all about the city from the giant's point of view and with a child's imagination.

It is not only a book with a story, but thanks to the addition of the shapes (attached to the book), this can be enriched, reinvented and small readers can have a hands-on experience. We would like to give everyone the chance to have fun and be amazed, just like we were!"

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Sottosopra (Upside-Down)

Books for girls **and** boys on gender expression and against stereotypes

The protagonists of this book series are girls and boys, free to behave, think, and act without being bound by their biological sex. They present a fresh portrayal of life, family, friends, and feelings; a world where people are no longer shocked if a boy plays with his doll, where the princess saves the prince, and where grandmother drives the tractor while grandfather is in the kitchen baking delicious pies. They represent an incredibly wide range of models that can inspire us and contribute to shaping our own gender expression: role models that aren't constrained by the usual feminine and masculine stereotypes, too often depicted in children's books and responsible for a sexist perspective on family and society. Sottosopra, the Upside-Down Collection, is intended for young readers, ages 3-5 and 6-8. Since gender identification processes play a decisive role in these stages of a child's development, they are more receptive to change in the new generations.

Editor

IRENE BIEMMI has worked at the University of Florence's School of Education since 2004, where she carries out her research focused on the pedagogy of gender and equal opportunities.

She teaches training courses to sensitize the world of education to the culture of gender equality. She has written many books on the topic as: *Teaching Equality. Educational Proposals to Address Gender Perspectives* (*Educare alla parità. Proposte didattiche per orientare in ottica di genere*. Edizioni Conoscenza, Rome, 2012); *Sexist Education. Gender Stereotypes in Children's Books* (*Educazione sessista. Stereotipi di genere nei libri delle elementari*. Ed. Rosenberg & Sellier, Turin, 2010)



Premio **Narrare la parità** 2017

Author Daniele Bergesio

Illustrator Francesco Fagnani

Type Picture Book

Age 5+

Bookbinding hardcover

Size 25 x 25

Illustrations full colour

Pages 28



Rock'n'Roll Rugby

Tito dreams of becoming a rugby player, but his physique is definitely not a rugby player's: long and thin, his chances seem to be almost nil. Besides, what he's effortlessly good at is dancing: with all sorts of music he dives in with pirouettes and phenomenal vaults. One day the coach decides to give him a chance: at the next match Tito will join the team. The start is not auspicious, the opponents are warlike and the scrums that seem to exciting on television are really very frightening. But when Tito hears a rock 'n' roll coming from the loudspeakers, Tito grabs the ball and dodges everyone, dancing as if possessed, and manages to score: a rugby player's career has begun! A story which overturns the gender stereotypes which act not just from outside, but which tie up people who do not fit their idea of what they want to be. Being oneself is the best way to be happy, and sometimes achieving one's objectives can help: the important thing is not to be afraid of them. When Tito lets himself go, he succeeds in an undertaking that leaves everyone gobsmacked: scoring a goal is a victory in itself, but also for all those who were not sure of him but who finally believe in him.

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Premio

Nature la parità

2016

Author Simona Miola

Illustrator Daniela Volpari

Type Picture Book

Age 5+

Bookbinding hardcover

Size 25 x 25

Illustrations full colour

Pages 24



A Birthday in the Jungle

It's Beatrix's birthday and her grandparents give her an explorer's uniform. Off she goes: she leaves the cake on the table, prepares her backpack and goes out to explore the garden. Each tree looks enormous to her, every flower a wonderful tropical bloom, a lizard is a crocodile and the cat is a tiger. She crosses the garden, feeling free and happy, with the tall grass brushing her face, her lungs filling with air. And finally she reaches her goal – it wasn't so difficult to get to the neighbours' house!

Little Beatrix has a taste of freedom in this illustrated story of the exploration of the garden – what joy, what fun! In this series, which tells stories free from stereotypes, and promotes the interchangeability of male and female roles, Beatrix is the main figure in an adventure which is for her the equivalent of a test of courage, an experience which makes her feel important and gives her the chance to decide freely how to have fun. That freedom will help her to grow up in the knowledge that she will always be able to make autonomous and informed choices.



Premio

Nature la parità

2015

Author Francesca Bossini

Illustrator Agnese Baruzzi

Type Picture Book

Age 5+

Bookbinding Bookbinding hardcover

Size 25 x 25

Illustrations full colour

Pages 28



Whoever Finds a Treasure Finds a Pirate

What do pirates look like? Some have huge mustaches, some carry sparkling sabers, and some well, some look like Lilla! Lilla is the type of girl who exclaims "Ahoy! Shiver me timbers!" and scans the horizon from high up in the treetops, in search of a treasure that will take her far, far away. But as everybody knows, treasure chests are usually buried on the beach. Therefore, our bold little girl heroine embarks on a search digging up every single inch of the city's ugliest shores, hoping to find the treasure chest. Indeed, she'll eventually find it with the help of an unexpected friend, and it will be a real feast for everybody.

The beautiful and colorful illustrations by Agnese Baruzzi, with funny swords, huge mustaches, wooden legs, parrots perched on shoulders and binoculars pointing at the horizon, will never put you in doubt about Lilla's "piratesque" soul!



Sold in China

Author Irene Biemmi

Illustrator AntonGionata Ferrari

Type Picture Book

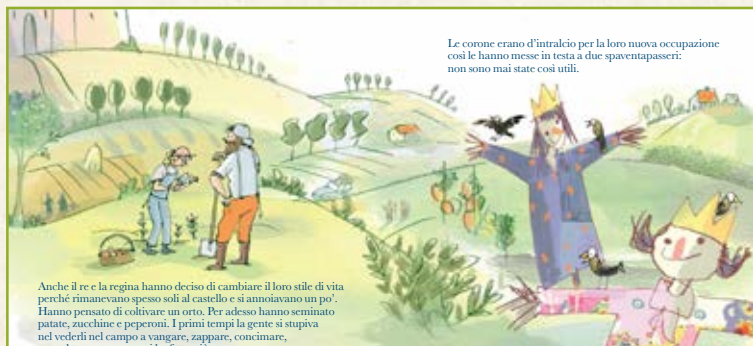
Age 5+

Bookbinding hardcover

Size 25 x 25

Illustrations full colour

Pages 28



The Little Prince Dismounts

Life as a prince is not easy, when you are still a child. Among many duties, you absolutely have to be able to ride. But the horse is so big, and the little prince is so small, that he is ashamed to go around the kingdom on the back of such a big animal. He doesn't look at anyone and doesn't greet anybody, hoping that no one will notice him. This is not the best way to look good! But one day a skinny little girl, with tousled hair and twinkling dark eyes, puts herself in front of the horse until the prince looks up: What's wrong? Asks he. Guess! She replies. Get off that horse and try to see what fun it is to do somersaults in the meadows, laugh out loud and get covered in chocolate. The world looks different seen from down there, you become even nicer... So the horse is happy to graze the grass and gallop freely, the prince discovers what fun it is to be a child, and a role from which it seemed that he could not escape proves not so necessary in the end: just wanting to, or trying... can be enough.

Sold in Russia, United States, Greece



Author Mara Dal Corso
Illustrator Daniela Volpari
Type Picture Book
Age 5+
Bookbinding hardcover
Size 25 x 25
Illustrations full colour
Pages 28



Amelia Who Could Fly

An amazing illustrated book that tells the story of little Amelia Earhart, who would later become the first female aviator to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean, in 1932. A versatile character, Amelia was and is a fine example of how it can be possible to reconcile the realization of a dream which was unconventional for her time with a femininity which was never overshadowed: a style icon who appeared on «Vogue», a «Cosmopolitan» contributor, Amelia also created her own line of clothing.

The narrative of Mara Dal Corso relates with freshness and immediacy little Amelia's great desire to fly, and the special, soft illustrations by Daniela Volpari, perfectly matched with the style of the decade, add grace and joy to the adventures of Amelia, with a beautiful rendering of the natural environment in which she spent her childhood.

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Author Anselmo Roveda

Illustrator Paolo Domeniconi

Type Picture Book

Age 3+

Bookbinding hardcover

Size 25 x 25

Illustrations full colour

Pages 28

Grandma's Tractor

Grandma and grandpa wake up at dawn and they have breakfast together. Then, grandma puts on her rubber boots and sets off on her tractor to pick apples, pears, and figs in the field on top of the hill. Meanwhile, grandpa tidies up the kitchen, he does the laundry and he writes a few emails to his friends; then he bakes a pie for the afternoon snack, so it will be ready when grandma returns.

This story explores the theme of subverting stereotypes, starting from two unexpected protagonists (the grandparents) and an inspiring setting full of natural cues skillfully captured by the delicate illustrations.



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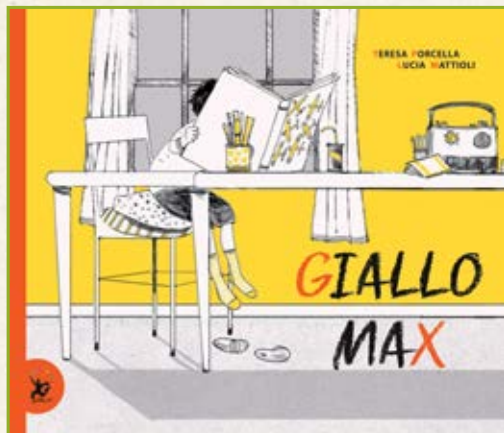
Author Lucia Giustini
Illustrator Sandro Natalini
Type Picture Book
Age 3+
Bookbinding hardcover
Size 25 x 25
Illustrations full colour
Pages 28



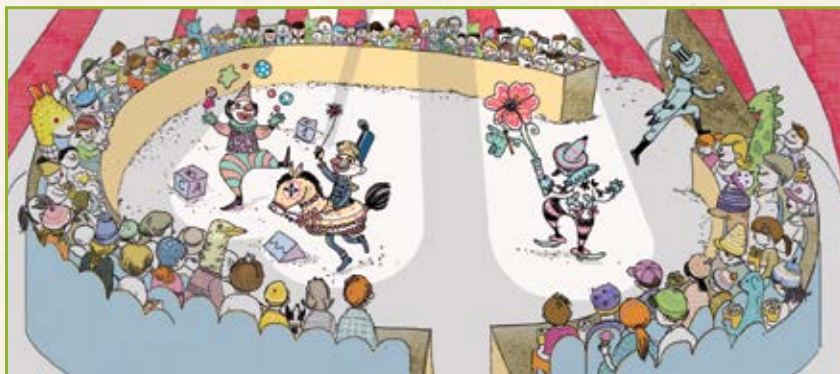
The King Who Did not Want to Make War

This is the story of the sweet, quiet, poetic King Fiorenzo, peaceful and not ambitious. At the same time he is extremely resolute in defending his ideas even when everyone around wants him to expand the realm, make war, get up an army to defend against enemies ... The strength of King Fiorenzo is one of perseverance, tenacity, never aggression. When the ghost of war approaches, King Fiorenzo refuses to be misled: "Will you be at war, finally, His Majesty"? - "No, I do not like xx war". After all, in the course of his journey King Fiorenzo realizes he is not the only one who has not an army and doesn't like war. There is another King who loves to wake up early in the morning to "look at the sky with the colours of the dawn" ...

NEW



Author Teresa Porcella
Illustrator Lucia Mattioli
Type Picture Book
Age 5+
Bookbinding hardcover
Size 28,5 x 5
Illustrations full colour
Pages 28



Yellow Max

Yellow Max is a story which uses the stylistic and linguistic mechanism of accumulation to gradually build up the tension of waiting, page after page, until little Max finally sees his daddy come home. Are the events of the previous pages just his imagination or do they really happen? The readers will find out slowly thanks to Lucia Mattioli's rich illustrations. We solve the puzzle by following the thread she provides with her crafty use of colour. The decision to alternate black and white pages with colour in only a few details, and others totally in colour, shakes young readers and at the same time excites their curiosity. This book gives children pleasure in making discoveries and warmth of affection of the family.

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NEW



Author and Illustrator Marco Viale

Type Picture Book

Age 5+

Bookbinding hardcover

Size 21 x 26

Illustrations full colour

Pages 40



Why are Midges Always Happy?

Happy by day and by night, on their own or in company. How come midges are always so happy? Brightly coloured, amusing illustrations tell us, page after page, in a series of scenes that will make up the complete picture. The flight of the midges is the link, the funny characters that appear on each page are the curious observers of the little insects and their airy movements in all situations.

A book to be read in company to grasp the beauty of little things, the importance of being able to adapt to different situations, the meaning of this mysterious word – happiness.

A book to dip into alone, to have fun following the midges, to find out what happens on the next page, to look for the characters who pop up here and there, and to imagine what else might happen – because happiness is also using your imagination.

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Author Daniele Movarelli

Illustrator Michele Rocchetti

Type Picture Book

Age 5+

Bookbinding hardcover

Size 28,5 x 25

Illustrations full colour

Pages 28



Those

They had been our neighbours forever. But none of Us had ever seen Them. Because They lived over there. And We lived over here.

"Dear children, today I'm going to tell you about Them. I warn you, They're the cruelest and most awful creatures you can meet. So I hope I won't frighten you too much."

The beginning of this story certainly does not bode well for young readers. But right from the start you notice that They are the neighbours we've always had, feared as ugly, nasty, cruel and awful. But no-one has ever really met Them, and when rumours start going round that They are about to attack the city, all the citizens, led by the King, get busy to defend themselves. THEM is a bright, amusing story which uses irony to tell a story of diffidence towards the Stranger, a universal theme which covers different times, cultures and places.

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Author Chiara Lorenzoni
Illustrator Paolo Domeniconi
Type Picture Book
Age 5+
Bookbinding hardcover
Size 28,5 x 25
Illustrations full colour
Pages 28



Amali and the Tree

Amali and the tree is a lyrical picture book in which we'll get to know Amali, a strong little girl who arrives from a far-away land with her burden of fears, and who will find in her new country many friends, new delicious smells and tastes, and happiness.

A bare Tree wandering sadly in the dark, in search of its roots makes Amali remember her journey, that brought her far away from home. She recalls the warm sun of her homeland, but also the fear that used to seize her from time to time. In her new country Amali has many friends, she can experience the startling taste of the snow, and when people say her name, it tinkles like a silver bell.

One night the Tree does not come back but she finds a branch full of leaves and flowers on the windowsill: sweet cocoa-smelling flowers, fragrant with the salty scent of sea drops.

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Premio "Nati per leggere" 2013

Author & Illustrator Marco Viale

Type Picture Book

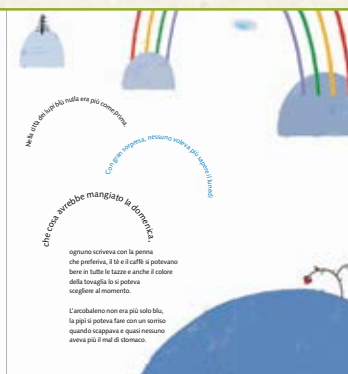
Age 3+

Bookbinding hardcover

Size 30 x 30

Illustrations full colour

Pages 32



The Blue Wolves' Town

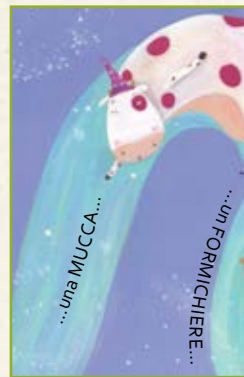
A case-bound album which explores themes like adventure, discovery, diversity, welcoming attitudes, nonconformity. In the blue wolves town live the blue wolves that lead a repetitive and dull life: the only weird thing is that they are so blue that you need to put an accent on the 'u' to talk about all that existing blue. One day their boring life is turned upside down by the arrival of a red wolf that is so red that you need three Rs to talk about all that red. The rred wolf can whistle, a skill unknown to the blue ones, and by repeatedly doing so he eventually brings to town cheerfulness, mess and the awareness that there are many things to find out and learn about. So, when the rred wolf suddenly goes away, the blue wolves have learnt something new. No wonder then that the yellow wolf arriving in town one fine day will not be welcomed with distrust anymore; on the contrary he will be taken as a new opportunity.

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Author Carolina D'Angelo
Illustrator Francesca Assirelli
Type Picture Book
Age 3+
Bookbinding hardcover
Size 27,5 x 28,5
Illustrations full colour
Pages 32



Guinevere and the Magic Formula

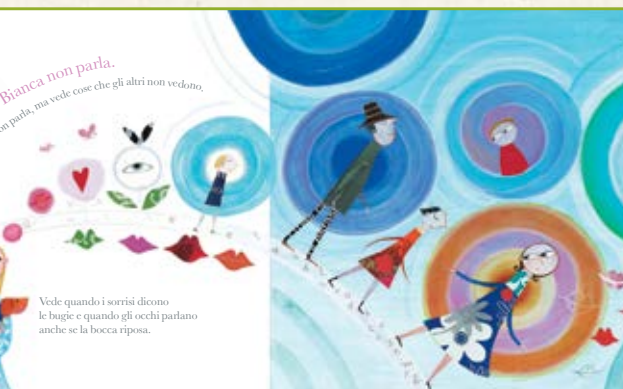
Tiny witch Guinevere hates going to school wearing clothes her grandma dresses her in. The only way to escape from this is to turn invisible. But what's the right formula? Abra... abra... and then? She tries again and again, and after some attempts Uguette yells out: 'Amberarabia!' ... and magically Amber of Arabia, Grandma's worst enemy, appears! From there on it's a chase: they run around throwing spells at each other until the unexpected end. A great and hilarious picture book full of colours and magic.



Author Chiara Lorenzoni
Illustrator Sophie Fatus
Type Picture Book
Age 6+
Bookbinding hardcover
Size 30 x 30
Illustrations full colour
Pages 32



WLS-symbols for AAC users, I libri di Camilla, Uovonero, 2016



Bianca's Words are Butterflies

Bianca cannot talk, but she sees things that other people don't see. She sees when smiles tell lies and when eyes talk although mouth does not move. She sees the awkwardness disguised on the ear edge and silent rage that slips in the forehead veins. Bianca cannot hear, but she sees sounds. The sparkling and sharp sounds of a smack on the chin. The smooth and slow sounds when hands run through hair. Round and soft sounds that bounce on her in the last moments before she falls asleep. Bianca cannot talk, she cannot hear, but her hands are butterflies that dance in the air and tell all the stories and all the sounds in the World.

An intense and delicate story accompanied by the soft and sweet illustrations of Sophie Fatus, that masterfully captures and translates in images the playful and cheerful soul of this fascinating book.



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Author Chiara Lorenzoni

Illustrator Francesca Vignaga

Type Picture Book

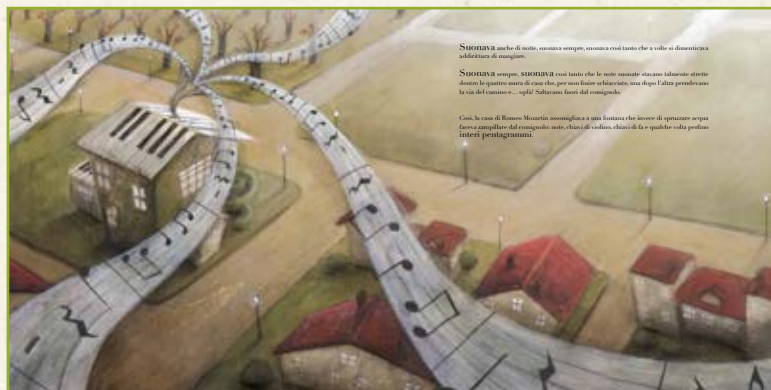
Age 3+

Bookbinding hardcover

Size 30 x 30

Illustrations full colour

Pages 32



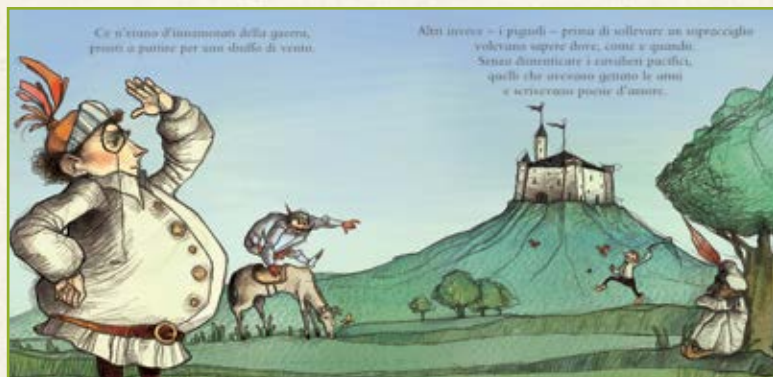
Romeo Mozartin and the Singing Fruits

A case-bound album, in big format and printed in 4 colours, which explores themes like music, nature, coexistence.

Romeo Mozartin is such an enthusiastic musician that his house is full of instruments and he cannot help but play all day long. His neighbour Topazio is a keen farmer, who loves his orchard and hates music. Romeo Mozartin's notes are so many that they come out of the chimney, spread in the air and splatter all over the ground, dirtying Topazio's orchard and piercing his apples. Topazio is fed up... but when an accident puts Romeo out of action, the silence, at first pleasant, turns out to be an unbearable emptiness with the passing of time. So Topazio makes a deal with Romeo and together they find the way to play music to everybody's joy, apples included!



Author Guia Risari
Illustrator Ilaria Urbinati
Type Picture Book
Age 6+
Bookbinding paperback
Size 22 x 22
Illustrations full colour
Pages 32



The Knight who Trampled on the Dragon's Tail

A case-bound album, in big format and printed in 4 colours, which explores themes like friendship, courage and the strength of will to accomplish one's dreams.

A knight who studied the stories of dragons from all over the world leaves in search of a frightening monster he read about in his books: a dragon who is apparently used to frying in a pan whoever dares to tread on his tail. But, at the end of the journey, the knight discovers that things are not exactly like that.

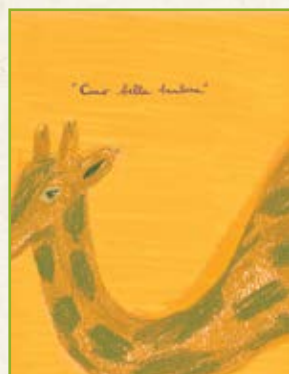


Sold in: Brazil, China

Author Silvia Serrelli
Illustrator Allegra Agliardi
Type Picture Book
Age 5+
Bookbinding hardcover
Size 27,5 x 28,5
Illustrations full colour
Pages 32



White Ravens 2010



Viola Moves to a New School

After a long journey, Viola and her parents arrive in their new country at last. For the little girl this transfer will represent a great shock: while she goes around the town, she hears incomprehensible words, smells new scents and sees strange things. But worse is to come: the first day of school dozens of inquiring eyes are on her. As we all know, integration is not easy: Viola wishes she could run away from this hostile and threatening world. But sometimes even small and simple actions can transform fears and prejudice into moments of discovery and understanding. And Viola will realise it very soon and she will also realise that something has changed in her lifestyle, but, first of all, in her soul.



Author Luca Lissoni
Illustrator Valentina Bucci
Type Picture Book
Age 6-10
Bookbinding paperback with flaps
Size 20 x 26
Illustrations full colour
Pages 40



Leo and the Endless Tie

An album with full-page pictures. The drawings intertwine with the text, revealing a hidden world and a deep mystery that only the brave little Leo will solve. This book encourages children to be curious, to go beyond appearances and not to accept "ready prepared answers". The book printing was closely studied, in order to reproduce the original drawings. They were created using different techniques, such as collage and watercolour, and materials, such as tissue, cardboard, newspapers sheets, luminescent paper and small objects.



Selected for CJ PICTURE BOOK AWARD 2010

Author Ramón Gómez de la Serna

Illustrator Allegra Agliardi

Edited by Elena Rolla

Type Picture Book • **Age** 6+

Bookbinding paperback with flaps

Size 20 x 27

Illustrations full colour

Pages 48



ALPI APUANE
NATIONAL PRIZE
The Best Children's
book 2010



Kids Pull Ideas out of Their Nose

A rainbow is the ribbon nature puts on after washing her hair.

Children's dreams hide in coloured pencil boxes.

The letter A is the camping tent of the alphabet.

The letter O is the yawning of the alphabet.

This is a book of illustrated aphorisms for kids of all ages, but also for adults. Ramón Gómez de la Serna's Greguerías are in fact for an adult public, but some include images and suggestions very suitable for younger readers. It is an ageless text, however we recommend it for age 6 and above.



PREMIO ITAS
DEL LIBRO DI MONTAGNA 2015

Author Sofia Gallo

Type Fiction

Age 12+

Bookbinding paperback with flaps

Size 13,5 x 20,5

Pages 216

Wolves Come With The Cold

Wolves come in winter, they come down in the valley, bringing fear. Just like the wolves that Fuad meets: cruel men that lead murky and hidden lives, always on the run. They capture him to make him a perfect guerrilla fighters. First, Fuad is stricken with anger, then gripped by fear and a devastating feeling of powerlessness. But two boys he meets by chance help him to rediscover himself and make him want to react: forming a strong friendship, the three boys will travel together through a large part of East Turkey, a much-divided country. Here, around Lake Van, Turks and Kurds live side by side, in a conflict sometimes muffled, sometimes violent, at times cleverly smoothed out, but always present, always there; this contrast will trace the path for the protagonist and determine the outcome of the story. A tale of escapes and pursuits, love, friendship; an adventure among breathtaking landscapes and small villages, where the protagonist meets people of great humanity. Tense and passionate until the liberating ending, the story stirs the reader's curiosity over a far away place and teenagers that live and grow up, in those so difficult lands, like every other adolescent in the world.



LEGAMBIENTE

PREMIO UN LIBRO
PER L'AMBIENTE 2012

Author Paola Dalmasso

Type Fiction

Age 12+

Bookbinding paperback with flaps

Size 13,5 x 20,5

Pages 176

The Underworld Gang

This thriller is inspired by the real story of the clown Miloud Oukili and his no-profit NGO Parada. The aim of the organization is to help street children who live in Bucharest sewers.

The author of this fictional novel took this situation as a starting point to create a compelling story of mystery, intrigues and friendship. The main character is a boy who wants to find out the truth about a dreadful murder, and by doing so to save his friends: but to succeed he must see incredible things and face breathtaking chases through the Bucharest drains system. The unexpected end is a tribute to brotherhood and solidarity.



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The Best Series

Author Sofia Gallo, Dalila Mebarki

Illustrator Marco Paci

Type Picture Book

Age 6-13

Bookbinding hardcover

Size 20,5 x 20,5

Illustrations full colour

Pages 36



Countries and people of the world

Anatuf and the Blue Men

Through the eyes of a kid, the main character of this story, you will discover the lifestyle of other people. Through the eyes of a kid, who is also a foreigner, you will plunge into a new and different world. The authors and the illustrators either come from the country in question or they lived there for a while. Unusual pictures, which were made with different techniques, supply the text.

In "Anatuf and the blue men", a Targi kid takes us through Algeria, Libya, Niger and Mali and so we discover the Tuareg, those charming men who live in the Sahara desert.



Sold in China

Authors and Illustrators Pino Pace, Giorgio Sannacal

Type Picture Book

Age 6+

Bookbinding paperback with flaps

Size 20 x 27

Illustrations full colour

Pages 48

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The Incredible adventures of two explorers

In this series the author and the illustrator try to recreate creatures that are sometimes frightening, sometimes ridiculous and always extremely improbable. They try to imagine what kind of noise a Butterlion – the improbable union between a butterfly and a lion – would make. Or whether we should be afraid of a Kangodile, a combination of kangaroo and crocodile, or a pizza-man, a periscope-worm, a seaweed-shark, the thousand-eyes-pinecone ... All this is reported in a sort of logbook that the two authors-explorers have filled with descriptions of the impossible animals seen during their imaginary voyage.

From mediaeval bestiaries to fairy tales and the most recent fantastic zoologies (Borges, Cortázar), many ancient and contemporary narratives have used whimsical animals to enrich their stories: ethereal and mysterious creatures like the unicorn, monsters like dragons or werewolves, capable of stirring deep fears or of challenging the laws of physics and common sense.



Author Barbara Pumhösel, Anna Sarfatti

Illustrator Simone Frasca

Type Fiction

Age 7-9

Bookbinding paperback

Size 12 x 19

Illustrations full colour

Pages 64



The Magnetific Class 3E

The series *The magnetific Class 3E* features a multicultural class, as often happens in school. The stories focus on those common situations which help to strengthen a group. At the same time they highlight cultural differences, memories and images typical of people who have lived somewhere else. Each of these things will contribute to build a “familiar lexicon” of the class, in which we can find words and expressions taken from other languages, but also rare or completely made-up ones. Each story is written as a diary and the different students take turns in telling us their adventures.

Published titles

1. *Danger and sheep*
2. *Love and lice*
3. *Sunflowers and twirls together*
4. *Getaways and ghosts*
5. *Balls and planets*
6. *Turtles and red berries*
7. *Handstands and trepidations*
8. *Searching for fossils and dinosaur's bones*



Author Anna Sarfatti
Illustrator Giuliana Donati
Type Fiction
Age 5-7
Bookbinding hardcover
Size 14 x 19
Illustrations full colour
Pages 48



Oscar, Where Are You?

The series *Oscar, where are you?* features a child who grows up surrounded by love and affection. His parents often prompt him to simply look at things with curiosity and to investigate all the small mysteries of the world around him (the shadow projected by an object, a glass that fogged up...), with particular attention to his developing relationship with nature. Each episode is written as a diary and is accompanied by detailed illustrations. The series spans a period of two years, during which we follow Oscar as he grows up and faces his first emotional issues.


Published titles

1. ... searching for the fleeing guests
2. ... in the crocodile's mouth
3. ... saving Princess Paquita
4. ... where the eagles live
5. ... meeting my little sister
6. ... at a birthday party that ended in feathers
7. ... In the tomb of Tutankoscar
8. ... riding under the stars
9. ... in the cave of the sea-creature

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