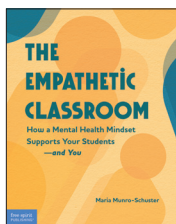




# Buzzworthy Announcements

September 2025

## Reviews



**The Empathetic Classroom** (9798885549431)  
by Maria Munro-Schuster

"Exceptionally well written and thoroughly reader friendly in organization and presentation."  
—Library Bookwatch August 19th, Midwest Book Review

## Features, Articles & Highlights

**How to Train Your Amygdala** (9798885543736) was mentioned on the Transformative Principal podcast by Dr. Erin Bailey from Reading Is Fundamental. (July 6, listenership: 1k-10k monthly listeners)

**The Empathetic Classroom** (9798885549431) and author Maria Munro-Schuster were [profiled in Bozeman Daily Chronicle](#). (August 7, average monthly visitors: 97,295)

**How to Train Your Amygdala** (9798885543736) author Anna Housley Juster was mentioned in the Boston Globe article about a [new local author fair](#). (August 18, average monthly visitors: 2,975,625)

Nanny to Mommy published a listicle of [35 must-reads to support positive classroom behavior](#) and included: **Voices Are Not for Yelling** (9781575425009), **Hands Are Not for Hitting** (9781575422008), **Feet Are Not for Kicking** (9781575421582), **Teeth Are Not for Biting** (9781575421285), **Words Are Not for Hurting** (9781575421568), and **Sharing Time** (9781575423142). (June 14, average monthly visitors: 1,603)

The summer 2025 Children's Book Council theme for their summer showcase was [An Ocean of Stories](#); they included four of our books: **Going Blue** (9781631987465), **Laney Dances in the Rain** (9781631986659), **Make a Splash!** (9781631987496), and **Thank You, Rain** (9798885544870). (June 23)

The School Library Journal review for **Hi, Worry. Bye, Worry!** (9798885545211) also appeared in their [roundup of how-to guides for young readers](#). (August 20, average monthly visitors: 95,021)

**Bea's Balikbayan Box of Treasures** (9798885546416), **Bravo for Backstage!** (9798885544030), and **Tummies Flip, Hearts Skip** (9798885543811) were included in the Publishers Weekly [Indie Bookshelf roundup](#), in print and digital. (August 25, average monthly visitors: 443,643, print distribution: 68,000)

The **Mini-Musical Tales of Bird Mountain School** (**Bravo for Backstage!**, 9798885544030; **Chicken Predicament**, 9798885544061; **The Great Dance-On**, 9798885544092) were included in the Black Children's Books and Authors [roundup of September 2025 children's and young adult new releases](#). (August 26)

**Neurodiversity-Affirming Schools** (9798885543972) was included in [Edutopia's list of must-read education books](#). (August 29, average monthly visitors: 465,080)

## Interviews

Deborah Farmer Kris appeared on a segment of CBS Morning Plus, talking about [how we can help kids rediscover wonder in a distracted world](#) and her book **Raising Awe-Seekers** (9798885549349). (August 4, average monthly visitors: 45,774,216)

Erin Walsh, author of **It's Their World** (9798885547949), joined Minnesota Public Radio host Angela Davis for [a segment on digital detoxing](#). (August 20, average monthly visitors: 57,939)

Amanda Davis [answered six questions on Mary Boone's site about her forthcoming title, Sometimes Stormy](#) (9798885546980). (August 26)

## Author News & Events

### Author Preorder Partnerships

Check out these exciting preorder campaigns, created by authors in partnership with local bookstores.

- **Sometimes Stormy** (9798885546980; pub date October 7, 2025) at [The Silver Unicorn Bookstore](#)
- **Arlo All Over Again** (9798885547642; pub date April 21, 2026) at [Books of Wonder](#)



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## Upcoming Author Events

October 1: TCM presents [Idea to Page: A Children's Book Author Showcase](#), panel discussion, virtual  
 October 3–5: **Connie Bergstein Dow**, *Tap and Rap, Move and Groove* (9798885540520), participation on Cincy Bookstore Crawl, Cincinnati area, OH & KY  
 October 18: **Lucy Payne & Sue Strom**, *Academic Intervention Success* (9798330903740), presenting a book-related session at the NCTM conference, Atlanta, GA  
 October 18: **Dan McCauley**, *Thank You, Sun* (9798885544887), storytime at Barnes & Noble, Huntington Beach, CA  
 October 24–25: **Richard Cash**, keynote speaker at New Mexico Association for the Gifted conference, Albuquerque, New Mexico  
 October 25: **Christine Alemshah**, *Bea's Balikbayan Box of Treasures* (9798885546416), Liwanag Lit Festival, Long Beach, CA  
 November 1: **Joy Jones**, *The Sky Is Not Blue* (9798885544153), appearance at the Louisiana Book Festival, Baton Rouge, LA  
 November 11: Free Spirit Publishing presents picture books in *School Library Journal* webinar  
 November 15: **Christine Alemshah**, *Bea's Balikbayan Box of Treasures* (9798885546416), storytime at Barnes & Noble, Huntington Beach, CA  
 November 19: **Chris Amirault**, *Spark Learning in Young Children* (9798765971956), leading a session at the National Association for the Education of Young Children annual conference, Orange County Convention Center, Orlando, FL  
 November 22: **Mélina Mangal**, Picture Books Are for Everyone panelist, National Council of Teachers of English annual conference, Denver, CO  
 February 23, 2026: **Yvette R. Murray**, *Celebrate We Gullah Geechee* (9798330905065), book launch at Buxton Books, Charleston, SC

## New Releases & Returning Favorites

From Holiday-themed board books to Spanish and bilingual favorites, we've got a fantastic lineup to kick off Fall. And back by popular demand, our In a Jar® Cards.



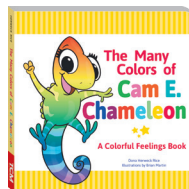
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