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Your Favorites: Our Best Selling New and New in Paperback Books of 2003

*"So I picked out a book
on my own
from the shelf
and I started to read
on my own
to myself.
And nonsense and knowledge
came tumbling out,
whispering mysteries,
history's shout,
the wisdom of wizards
the songs of the ages,
all wonders of wandering
wonderful pages."*

~ *Moon, Have You
Met My Mother?*

Picture Books



1. My New York by Kathy Jakobsen. The 10th anniversary edition of the perennial favorite boasts 23 new paintings and 7 foldout scenes.

Becky's friend Martin is moving to New York, so she writes him an enthusiastic letter describing some of her favorite places. Lively, detailed paintings and a clever landmark map (Look for Bank Street Bookstore!) combine in a lovely gift for natives, visitors, or armchair travelers. \$17.95. Ages 4-7.

2. This is New York by M. Sasek. First published in 1960 and now back in print, *This is New York's* playful text, detailed illustrations, and fun facts combine in a nostalgic tribute to the city's past and present. \$17.95. Ages 5-9.

3. Jimmy Zangwow's Out-of-This-World Moon-Pie Adventure by Tony DiTerlizzi. After his mom tells him he can't have a Moon Pie before dinner, Jimmy Zangwow flies his junk jumbilee jalopy straight to the source: the moon! Then he swings by the Milky Way, crash lands on Mars, saves himself and 999 Mars Men from the Grimble Grinder, and flies a Moon-Pie-Wrapper Balloon home in time for dinner. \$6.99. Ages 5-7.

4. Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus! by Mo Willems. When the bus driver takes a break, he gives us just one instruction, "Don't let the pigeon drive the bus." This proves to be more difficult than one might think. The pigeon cajoles, sweet talks, bargains, and finally furiously demands that he be allowed to drive the bus. Young readers will certainly identify with the hilarious, frustrated pigeon. \$12.99. Ages 2-4.

5. Diary of a Worm by Doreen Cronin, illustrated by Henry Bliss. Charming illustrations and droll text introduce a most endearing worm, who, despite his icky reputation, happily

spends his days escaping fishermen, eating his homework, and doing the hokey pokey (sort of). Children will delight in the hilarious latest from the author of *Click, Clack, Moo*. \$15.99. Ages 4-7.

6. The Dragon Machine by Helen Ward, illustrated by Wayne Anderson. Nobody but George can see the dragons, but they are everywhere, and they are causing trouble. So George builds a dragon machine to take the dragons to the great wilderness where they belong. George misses his dragons dreadfully until his parents give him a dog for his birthday, and George is the only one who notices anything unusual about the dog. \$15.99. Ages 4-7.

7. Brundibar by Tony Kushner, illustrated by Maurice Sendak. Aninku and Pepicek run to town to get fresh milk for their sick mother. But they don't have any money. They try to earn money by singing in the town square, but the bellowing Brundibar frightens them off. Luckily, some talking animals and 300 schoolchildren come to their aid. The zany, satisfying story and over-the-top illustrations made this an instant classic. \$19.95. Ages 5-7.

8. I'm Mighty by Kate McMullan, illustrated by Jim McMullan. \$15.99. "When big ships get to the harbor, they need ME! 'Cause I'm mighty! And I can nudge, bump, butt, shove, ram, push,

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and pull 'em in. Here I go." Kids will love the tugboat who's small in stature, but big on confidence. Big, bold harbor illustrations and exciting text make this a fantastic read aloud. \$15.99. Ages 2-4.

9. Baby Food by Saxton Freymann and Joost Elffers. Kids and grown-ups alike just can't get enough of Saxton Freymann and Joost Elffers' ingenious creations. Baby animals made from fruits and vegetables peer out from every page, and each one is cleverer than the last. \$12.95. Ages 2-5.

10. Diary of a Wombat by Jackie French, illustrated by Bruce Whatley. In what may be the cutest book ever, a loveable wombat describes his days, sleeping, eating grass, sleeping, scratching, sleeping, and eating grass. When his new neighbors (humans!) move in, his life gets much more exciting. But, don't worry; he still keeps his priorities straight. \$14.00. Ages 3-5.

11. How Do Dinosaurs Get Well Soon? by Jane Yolen, illustrated by Mark Teague. Even the crankiest toddlers will find themselves giggling at the melodramatic antics of these ailing dinosaurs. Hilarious, larger-than-life illustrations and clever, rhyming text will have sick toddlers visiting the doctor, drinking lots of fluids, and swallowing their medicine with good cheer. \$15.95. Ages 2-4.



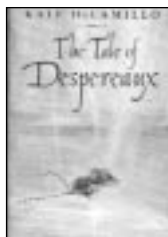
12. A-Tisket A-Tasket by Ella Fitzgerald, illustrated by Ora Eitan. Vibrant, sophisticated collages delightfully illustrate Fitzgerald's jazzy rendition of a classic nursery rhyme. City scenes and lively lyrics combine in an entirely unique book for singing along. \$15.99. Ages 2-5.

Chapter Books and Novels

1. Tale of Despereaux

by Kate DiCamillo.

There is a mouse, Despereaux, who loves music, stories, and the Princess Pea. There is a rat, Chiaroscuro, who shuns his dark dungeon home in favor of the light. There is Miggery Sow, the unloved and dim-witted serving girl who dreams of becoming a princess. Together the outcasts just may find happily ever after, fairy tale style. \$17.99. Ages 9-12.



2. Love that Dog

by Sharon Creech. "I don't want to/because boys/don't write poetry./Girls do." Readers will fall completely in love with Jack, that dog, and this novel in verse that incorporates well-known poems. \$5.99. Ages 9-12.

3. A Single Shard

by Linda Sue Park. Now in paperback, the 2002 Newbery Award winner is a remarkable story set in 12th century Korea. Orphaned and homeless, Tree-ear is determined to learn to be a great potter from his harsh, exacting master, Min. \$5.99. Ages 10-13.

4. Just Ask Iris

by Lucy Frank. Twelve-year-old Iris Diaz-Pinkowitz starts a business doing odd jobs for the residents of her Manhattan apartment building. In the process, she discovers the Cat Lady, whose 44 cats might lead to her eviction, and 13-year-old Will, a paraplegic who misses school because the building's elevator is broken. Together, they just may come up with a solution that will help them all. \$4.99. Ages 10-13.

5. Second Summer of the Sisterhood

by Ann Brashares. The sequel to the enormously popular *Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants* is just as hip, realistic, and enjoyable as the first. The four friends explore friendships old and new, romance, and their relationships with their families, particularly their mothers. \$15.95. Ages 12 and up.

6. Mango Shaped Space by Wendy Maas. Mia has been keeping a secret for years: she sees colors when reading or hearing numbers, letters, or words. When she finds out that her condition has a name, synesthesia, and that other people have it too, she begins an exciting journey of self-discovery. *A Mango-Shaped Space* is fascinating exploration of a little-known neurological condition as well as a well-written story of family, friendship, and growing up. \$16.95. Ages 11 and up.

7. 13: Thirteen Stories That Capture the Agony and Ecstasy of Being Thirteen

edited by James Howe. Meg Cabot, Bruce Coville, Ann Martin, Rachel Vail, and 9 other popular writers present 13 wonderfully written stories that will have readers laughing aloud one minute and wiping away tears the next. All the excitement, angst, terror, embarrassment, and fun of being 13 are here in this book. \$16.95. Ages 11-14.

8. The Meanest Doll in the World

by Ann M. Martin and Laura Godwin. If you think dolls just sit around waiting to be played with, you're wrong. In this sequel to *The Doll People*, Annabelle Doll and Tiffany Funcraft face new adventures as they accidentally get carried to school in a backpack, end up in the wrong house, and then have to deal with the terror of all dolls, Mean Mimi. Brian Selznick's lively illustrations are perfect for this delightful story. \$15.99. Ages 7-10.



9. Goose Girl

by Shannon Hale. Anidori-Kiladra Talianna Isilee, Crown Princess of Kildenree is betrayed by her guards and her lady-in-waiting. Her name stolen, Ani must become a goose girl to survive. Her gift for communicating with animals is her only weapon to fight the people who plot against her. Beautifully written and surprisingly suspenseful, with a touch of fairy tale

romance, *The Goose Girl* will enthrall. \$17.95. Ages 10–14.

10. Inkheart by Cornelia Funke. After a mysterious man called Dustfinger appears at her house, Meggie discovers her father's fantastic secret. He can read characters and objects out of books and into reality. But his novel talent has dangerous consequences. A terrible villain he long ago read out of a book must be stopped before it's too late. The author of *The Thief Lord* delights again with a marvelous, magical tale. \$19.95. Ages 11 and up.

11. East by Edith Pattou. Full of absolutely enchanting characters and locations, this sophisticated retelling of *East of the Sun and West of the Moon*, a Norwegian Beauty and the Beast tale, is eloquently written and nearly impossible to put down. Pattou has brought the tale of an enchantment, a Troll Queen, a talking polar bear, and a fabulous ice castle so completely to life that it hardly seems like fantasy. \$18.00. Ages 11 and up.

12. The Amulet of Samarkand by Jonathan Stroud. Talented but misunderstood apprentice magician Nathaniel summons a djinni, Bartimaeus, to play a sort of prank. Before he knows it, Nathaniel is in way over his head as ruthless magicians and their supernatural servants battle it out for the priceless Amulet of Samarkand. This first in a trilogy is a must-read for any fantasy lover. \$17.95. Ages 11 and up.

Baby and Toddler



1. Tails by Matthew Van Fleet. Curious kids will learn about different animals (and their tails) as they touch-and-feel, pull-the-tab, lift-the-flap, and even scratch-and-sniff in a new book by the creator of the beloved *Fuzzy Yellow Ducklings*. \$12.95. Ages 2–4.

2. My World by Margaret Wise Brown. Now back in print after over 30 years, this companion to *Goodnight Moon* has quickly become as well loved as the classic itself. Children will enjoy seeing all the things the familiar rabbit family does during the day – from brushing their teeth to reading stories and getting into bed. \$7.99. Ages infant–2.

3. The Little Quiet Book by Katharine Ross, illustrated by Jean Hirashima. “Quiet is a moth flapping its wings. Quiet is a mockingbird after it sings.” Gentle rhyming text and lovely illustrations are just right for soothing a little one. And the chunky foam book is perfect for little hands. \$4.99. Ages infant–2.

History/Social Studies/Biography



1. Ten Mice for Tet by Pegi Deitz Shea and Cynthia Weill, illustrations by To Ngoc Trang, embroidery by Pham Viet Dinh. Ten busy mice get ready to celebrate Tet, the Vietnamese New Year. Colorful embroideries make uniquely beautiful illustrations, and additional information about Tet traditions can be found at the back of the book. This year, the traditional four-day Tet celebration will begin on January 22, the first day of the new lunar year. \$15.95. Ages 4–9.

2. If a Bus Could Talk by Faith Ringgold. The bus on which Rosa Parks made her famous refusal to give up her seat narrates this unique and lavishly illustrated introduction to the Civil Rights Movement. \$6.99. Ages 7–11.

3. Muhammad by Demi. Interesting, informative, and accessible text recounts the life and teachings of the Prophet Muhammad. Readers will learn about the historical time period (the late 500s), the birth of Islam, and the writing of the Koran. Demi's stunning illustrations are based on traditional Islamic artwork. \$19.95. Ages 7–12.

4. Abe Lincoln: The Boy Who Loved Books by Kay Winters, illustrated by Nancy Carpenter. Rhythmic text and lovely illustrations make this early biography of Abraham Lincoln a wonderful read aloud. Lincoln's love of books permeates the story of his rise from one-room cabin to President of the United States. \$16.95. Ages 5–8.

5. Coming to America by Bernard Wolf. Eight-year-old Rowan and her family are recent Egyptian Muslim immigrants living in Queens, New York. Engaging, personal text and amazing photographs capture the excitement, hardship, dignity, and determination of each of the family members as they maintain their beliefs and traditions while adjusting to life in America. \$7.95. Ages 7–12.

The Arts

1. Uncle Andy's by James Warhola. “Uncle Andy thought everything was art in some way or another. That's why his house was so fantastic. Each of the rooms was filled to the brim with all sorts of neat things.” Illustrator and now author James Warhola remembers one of his childhood visits with his uncle Andy Warhol. Faabbbulous, detailed paintings and engaging text introduce children to the magical world of pop art. \$16.99. Ages 7–11.



2. M is for Music by Kathleen Krull, illustrated by Stacy Innerst. From anthem, accordion, aria, and (Louis) Armstrong to zydeco and zither, this richly illustrated alphabet book is brimming with musical vocabulary words. \$16.00. Ages 3–7.

3. Dan's Angel by Alexander Sturgis, illustrated by Lauren Child. With the help of the Angel Gabriel, on loan from Fra Angelico's *Annunciation*, Dan, an amateur detective, learns to interpret the clues (symbolism) in paintings. Kids

will love becoming art detectives as they look at 12 high quality reproductions. \$16.95. Ages 6–10.

4. Mosque by David Macaulay. From the multiple award-winning author of *The Way Things Work*, *Castle*, and *Cathedral* comes a fascinating examination of the methods and materials used to build a mosque in 16th century Istanbul. He explains the religious, social, and political significance of the mosque and its attendant buildings. As always, his drawings are simultaneously perfectly clear and completely astounding. \$18.00. Ages 8–13.



5. Shakespeare Stories by Andrew Matthews, illustrated by Angela Barrett. Accessible and exciting retellings of eight of Shakespeare's plays, including *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, *Romeo and Juliet*, *Hamlet*, and *Macbeth* are accompanied by lush illustrations. \$20.95. Ages 7–11.

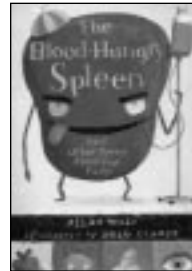
Poetry

1. Family Poems edited by Belinda Hollyer. All the joys, annoyances, triumphs, confusion, warmth, jealousy, and love of families – biological, adopted, step, half, and every kind in

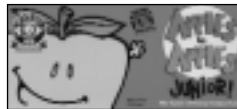
between is celebrated here, in over 150 poems written by over 100 acclaimed poets. \$18.95. Ages 6–12.

2. Moon, Have You Met My Mother? by Karla Kuskin. For the first time, beloved poet Karla Kuskin's classic and never-before-published poems have been collected into one amusing, inspiring, silly, sincere, delightful volume. \$16.99. Ages 5–10.

3. The Blood Hungry Spleen by Allan Wolf, illustrated by Greg Clarke. Over thirty poems and illustrations as chock full of facts as they are of fun introduce readers to the functions of various body parts - inside and out. \$17.99. Ages 5–10.



Toys and Games



Apples to Apples Junior. Creativity scores big in a family

game in which players compete to match nouns with a particular adjective. Let's say the judge plays the adjective "noisy." Each player picks a card with a noun that can be described as noisy. Choices might include A Surprise, Kittens, My

Grandpa, or Winnie the Pooh. It's up to the judge to decide which is most noisy. \$16.99. Ages 7 and up.

River Crossing. From the makers of Rush Hour comes a new, super-challenging puzzle. Move the planks among the tree stumps to help the hiker cross the river without getting near alligators, snakes, or piranhas. \$14.99. Ages 8 and up.

Blink. In a zany high speed version of Uno, Players race to get rid of all their cards by playing cards that match the shape, count, or color of the card at the top of the discard pile. \$9.99. Ages 7 and up.

Events

Thursday, January 15, 4pm

Join us for an after-school event with author and photographer **Nina Crews**. She will read from her latest book, *The Neighborhood Mother Goose*. Nina combines the classic rhymes of Mother Goose with a modern twist, illustrated with photo collages of New York. Ages 4–8.

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