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### ***The King with Dirty Feet***



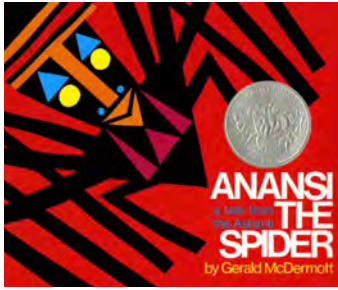
A delightful and funny tale from India about a very important invention! There once was a king of India who hated bath time so much that he never washed... a very smelly king! The king finally consents to bathe in the river but no matter how clean he is, his feet stay dirty. At last one old man steps forward with leather and a pair of scissors, and to the king's amazement, he creates the first pair of shoes! The king with dirty feet is inspired by a Bengali folktale called The King and the Cobbler. Recommended for ages 4 and up. \$17.99, hardcover.

### ***The Hero Twins: Against the Lords of Death***



In this graphic novel, the Hero Twins, Hunahpu and Xbalanque, were blessed by the Mayan gods with special powers. But their incredible skill at playing Pok-ta-Pok, the Mayan ball game, angers the lords of Xibalba, rulers of the land of the dead. When the lords challenge them to a Pok-ta-Pok game in Xibalba, the twins know they must use all of their powers and cunning to defeat the lords' many challenges. Will they survive the land of the dead? Recommended for ages 9-14. \$9.99, paperback.

## **Anansi the Spider : A Tale from the Ashanti**



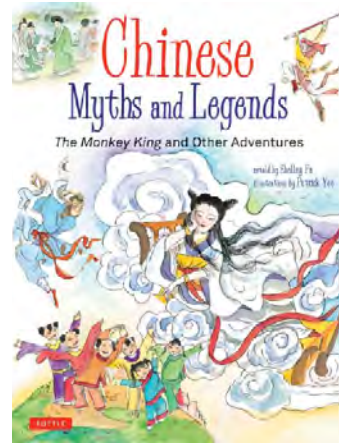
An award-winning Carlos Museum Bookshop bestseller! Anansi the Spider is one of the great folk heroes of the world. He is a rogue, a mischief maker, and a wise, lovable creature who triumphs over larger foes. In this traditional Ashanti tale, Anansi sets out on a long, difficult journey. Threatened by Fish and Falcon, he is saved from terrible fates by his sons. But which of his sons should Anansi reward? Calling upon Nyame, the God of All Things, Anansi solves his predicament in a touching and highly resourceful fashion. In adapting this popular folktale, Gerald McDermott merges the old with the new, combining bold, rich color with traditional African design motifs and authentic Ashanti language rhythms. Recommended for ages 4-7. \$8.99, paperback.

## **We Are Water Protectors**



Just published! Water is the first medicine. It affects and connects us all. When a black snake threatens to destroy the Earth and poison her people's water, one young water protector takes a stand to defend Earth's most sacred resource. Inspired by the many indigenous-led movements across North America, this bold and lyrical picture book issues an urgent rallying cry to safeguard the Earth's water from harm and corruption. Recommended for ages 3-6. \$17.99, hardcover.

## **Chinese Myths and Legends: The Monkey King and Other Adventures**



This delightful collection of seven classic Chinese stories makes for a great reading adventure. From the stories of Pan Gu and Nu Wo, creators of the world, to Bai Su-Tzin, a snake who took on human form and found true love, this mesmerizing book includes myths of creation, mortality, and love. *Chinese Myths and Legends* also explores the origins of each tale as well as its impact on Chinese culture and history, inviting you and your children to enjoy many layers of meaning. The included pronunciation guide as well as information for further reading, makes this a perfect tool for educators, librarians, and parents. Recommended for ages 5-14. \$17.99, hardcover.

## **The Ghoul**



A story about facing your fears and accepting differences, this book is inspired by Arabic folk tales. The villagers are afraid of the Ghoul. For years, they've tiptoed around the village for fear of disturbing it. The monster doesn't look like them, and it is believed to eat humans. One day, the brave Hassan embarks on a dangerous mission to face the long-feared Ghoul. When Hassan finally meets the Ghoul living on top of the mountain, he discovers that the Ghoul is just as terrified of people as they are of him. Hassan and the Ghoul realize that they can still be friends, despite their differences. This is a beautifully illustrated story that can be used as a springboard to discuss how we perceive those who are different and how our fears and prejudices may be built on false assumptions. Recommended for ages 8-12. \$17.95, hardcover.



## Tales from Old Ireland



A longtime Carlos Museum Bookshop bestseller! For this collection, Belfast-born author Malachy Doyle has chosen seven of the brightest jewels of traditional Irish storytelling. With his lively use of language, he's polished them into new brilliance, ready to be read aloud at every hearth. Larger-than-life-characters, dramatic landscapes, and a multitude of magical happenings will transport the reader to another world. Stories include: The Children of Lir, Fair, Brown, and Trembling, The Twelve Wild Geese, Lusmore and the Fairies, Son of an Otter, Son of a Wolf, The Soul Cages, and Oisín in Tir na nÓg; and a glossary and pronunciation key for Irish terms. Recommended for ages 8-11. \$16.99, paperback.

## Songs in the Shade of the Cashew and Coconut Trees: Lullabies and Nursery Rhymes from West Africa and the Caribbean



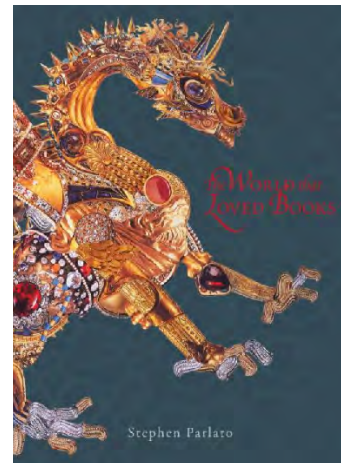
Songs about children playing in the schoolyard, sisters braiding each other's hair at the beach, and parents dancing late into the night mesh together thanks to the music. A wide array of styles—nursery rhymes from Gabon, lullabies from Cape Verde, and rumbas from the Congo—are performed in more than a dozen languages. Lyrics appear in their original language and in English, along with notes on culture, a world map, and a code for song downloads and print-outs. A striking and wholehearted celebration of music and heritage. Recommended for ages 5-7. \$16.95, paperback.

## Beowulf, Dragon Slayer



In this thrilling retelling of the Anglo Saxon legend, Beowulf, the renowned British children's historical fiction writer Rosemary Sutcliff recounts Beowulf's most terrifying quests: against Grendel the man-wolf; against the hideous sea-hag; and, most courageous of all, his fight to the death with the monstrous fire-drake. Sutcliff is universally considered one of the finest writers of historical novels for children, and was awarded the OBE for services to Children's Literature and the CBE in 1992. Recommended for ages 8-12. \$12.99, paperback.

## The World That Loved Books



Stephen Parlaro's award-winning picture book of colorful, intricate collages is now available in paperback! In a world where all creatures read, marvelous transformations occur. Cats reading about mice become mice. Horses reading about fish become fish. Even a rhinoceros that reads about butterflies turns into a flock of butterflies. This beautiful, uniquely illustrated fable about how books can change us in marvelous and unexpected ways has captured the imaginations of many children and adults around the world. Recommended for ages 6-9. \$8.99, paperback.

## The Phoenix of Persia



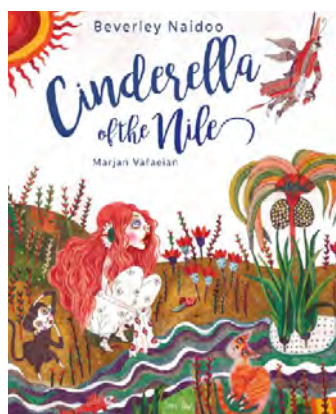
Just published in the US, this book is part of the British *One Story, Many Voices* series, which celebrates well-known tales told from different cultural perspectives. In a bustling marketplace in Iran, a traditional storyteller regales her audience with this tale adapted from Shahnameh, a collection of myths and legends by the 10th century-poet Ferdowsi. High up on the Mountain of Gems lives the Simorgh, a wise phoenix whose flapping wings disperse the seeds of life across the world. When King Sam commands that his long-awaited newborn son Zal be abandoned because of his white hair, the Simorgh adopts the baby and raises him alongside her own chicks, and teaches him everything she knows. But when the king comes to regret his actions, Prince Zal will learn that the most important lesson of all is forgiveness. Recommended for ages 5-8. \$17.95, hardcover.

## Under the Great Plum Tree



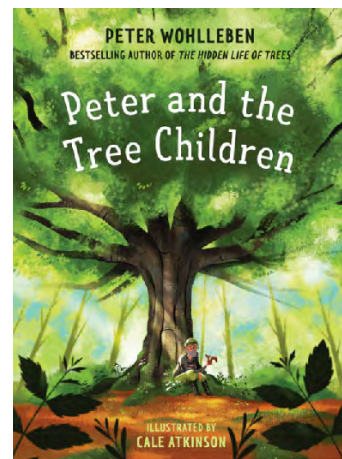
Just published in the US, this book is part of the British *One Story, Many Voices* series. An unlikely friendship between Miss Bandari and Mr. Magarmach forms when the pair meet under the great plum tree, deep in the heart of India. Mr. Magarmach is old and his hunting days are over, but Miss Bandari loves hearing his stories as they munch plums together. One day their friendship is tested, but with courage, trust, and forgiveness, they discover that living happily together tastes just as sweet as Miss Bandari's golden plums. The story of the monkey and the crocodile is a fable from the Panchatantra, an ancient Indian collection of animal fables dated to 300 BCE, but it's a tale from around the world, and versions can be found in Kenya, Tanzania, Ghana, China, Japan, and the Caribbean. Recommended for ages 8-12. \$17.95, hardcover.

## Cinderella of the Nile



Recently published in the US, this book is part of the British *One Story, Many Voices* series. Beautifully retold by the award-winning author Beverley Naidoo, this earliest-known version of Cinderella is brought to life for the modern-day reader. Rhodopis is a Greek girl who is sold into slavery by bandits and taken to Egypt. Along the way she becomes friends with the storyteller Aesop and a host of playful animals. Her master gives her a pair of beautiful rose-red slippers, making three other servants jealous. But when Horus, the falcon god, sweeps in to steal her slipper, Rhodopis has little idea that this act will lead her to the King of Egypt. Recommended for ages 7-11. \$17.95, hardcover.

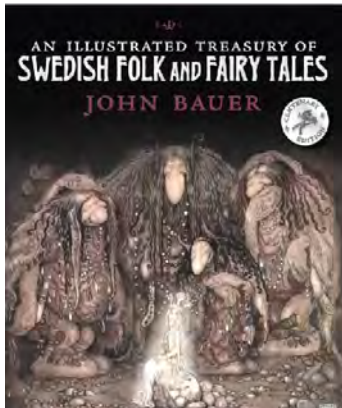
## Peter and the Tree Children



New from the author of the *New York Times* best-selling nonfiction book for adults, *The Hidden Life of Trees*, comes this spirited picture book for kids, which shares the true story of how trees communicate, feel, and grow. Piet the squirrel feels all alone in his forest home. Luckily, Peter the Forester has the perfect plan to cheer him up: a search for tree children. You can't be lonely in a forest full of friends! Peter shares amazing facts about trees, how they communicate and care for each other, and the struggles they endure. Soon, the little squirrel is feeling much better—especially when he realizes he's helped the tree children grow. Recommended for ages 4-7. \$17.95, hardcover.



## **An Illustrated Treasury of Swedish Folk Tales and Fairy Tales**



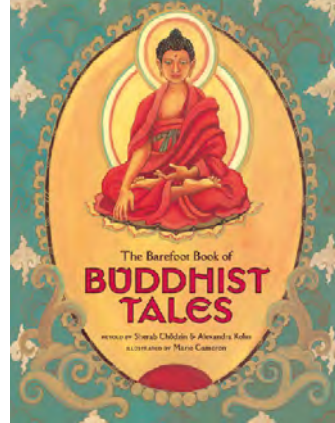
From good natured Scandinavian trolls through giants, tomtes, shepherd boys, and princesses, the 23 classic stories by well-known Swedish authors are delightfully told, full of adventure and magic with clever, resourceful children outwitting fairy-tale villains. John Bauer's art—renowned for its detail, character and subtle humor—has never looked more luminous and evocative than in this gorgeously produced new centenary gift edition. Extra pictures have been added along with an illustrated biography of Bauer, celebrating his work and life after 100 years. Recommended for ages 6-12. \$24.95, hardcover.

## **Mythics: Heroes Reborn**



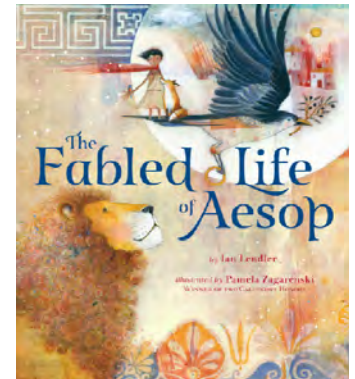
Just published! In the ancient times of gods and heroes, evil attempted to seize the world disguising themselves as six different gods. While they were spreading all their power of destruction, six heroes, each with extraordinary powers and brandishing sacred weapons, rose against these incarnations of evil. The evil was defeated and sealed in a secret place within the red desert on the planet Mars. Today, enter six young heirs: Yuko of Japan, Parvati of India, Amir of Egypt, Abigail of Germany, Miguel of Mexico, and Neo of Greece suddenly pulled from their everyday lives. About to face the greatest threat that the contemporary world has ever known, in a flash, they get to discover just how worthy successors they may be of the ancient heroes. Book 1 of the *Mythics* graphic novel series. Book 2 will be published in July and Book 3 in December. Recommended for ages 8-12. \$14.99, paperback.

## **The Barefoot Book of Buddhist Tales**



A longtime Carlos Museum Bookshop bestseller! The Buddha taught that life is like a dream, yet real. The ways in which we may fruitfully engage with this mystery are playfully explored in numerous tales from the folk traditions of countries including India, China, Japan and Tibet. Meet a generous merchant's son, an outlaw-turned-monk and more in 13 thought-provoking stories with gentle illustrations that provide context to help young readers grasp the warmth, wisdom, and compassion of the Buddhist tradition. Recommended for ages 8-11. \$16.99, paperback.

## **The Fabled Life of Aesop: The Extraordinary Journey and Collected Tales of the World's Greatest Storyteller**



Honoring the path of a slave, this dramatic picture book biography and concise anthology of Aesop's most child-friendly fables tells how a child born into slavery in ancient Greece found a way to speak out against injustice by using the skill and wit of his storytelling and inventing a form of storytelling that has survived for 2,500 years. Stunningly illustrated by two-time Caldecott Honor winner Pamela Zagarenski. Recommended for ages 4-7. \$18.99, hardcover.

**Rick Riordan  
Presents: Race to the  
Sun**



Lately, seventh grader Nizhoni Begay has been able to detect monsters from Navajo heritage... Nizhoni, her brother Mac, and Nizhoni's best friend, Davery, are thrust into a rescue mission that can only be accomplished with the help of Diné Holy People, all disguised as quirky characters. Timeless themes such as the importance of family and respect for the land resonate in this funny, fast-paced, and exciting quest adventure set in the American Southwest. Recommended for ages 9-12. \$16.99, hardcover.

**Rick Riordan  
Presents: Tristan  
Strong Punches a  
Hole in the Sky**



Tristan finds himself in the middle of a battle that has left black American gods John Henry and Brer Rabbit exhausted. In order to get back home, Tristan and these new allies will need to entice the god Anansi, the Weaver, to come out of hiding and seal the hole in the sky. But bartering with the trickster Anansi always comes at a price. Can Tristan save this world before he loses more of the things he loves? First book in the *Tristan Strong* series. Recommended for ages 9-12. \$17.99, hardcover.

**Rick Riordan  
Presents: The Storm  
Runner**



Zane has always enjoyed exploring the dormant volcano near his home in New Mexico. What Zane doesn't know is that the volcano is a gateway to another world and he is at the center of a powerful prophecy from Maya myth. To survive, Zane will have to become the Storm Runner. But how can he run when he can't even walk well without a cane? Recommended for ages 10-14. \$7.99, paperback.

**Rick Riordan  
Presents: Dragon  
Pearl**



New in paperback! Thirteen-year-old Min comes from a long line of fox spirits, but you'd never know it. She's counting the days until she can follow her older brother, Jun, into the Space Forces and see more of the Thousand Worlds. This science fiction/space opera adventure with the underpinnings of Korean mythology will transport you to a world far beyond your imagination. Recommended for ages 9-12. \$7.99, paperback.

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