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New this week

Time for Bed, Miyuki

Like children everywhere, Miyuki’s imagination peaks at bedtime, when she remembers all the things she has to do before she can possibly go to bed: she needs to water the vegetables, gather snails, and prepare for the arrival of the Dragonfly Queen. Her patient grandfather follows along on her adventures, gently encouraging her to go to sleep. In this beautiful story about family, nature, and love, young children and their parents find a welcome companion for their own bedtime journey. The sequel, Patience, Miyuki, is also available. For ages 4-8. $17.95, hardcover.

The Princess Bride: S. Morgenstern’s Classic Tale of True Love and High Adventure

This tale of true love, high adventure, pirates, princesses, giants, miracles, fencing, and a frightening assortment of wild beasts, as depicted in the 1987 film directed by Rob Reiner, is now available in a beautiful new package, with foil and embossing on the cover and an interior printed on elegant uncoated cream stock with rough-cut edges. This keepsake edition also includes 50 full-page color illustrations, full-color chapter openers, and a gorgeous color map printed on the endpapers. A stunning package no fan will be able to resist! For ages 8 and up. $35, hardcover.
NEW THIS WEEK

Out of This World: The Surreal Art of Leonora Carrington

This is the inspiring story of the childhood of the enigmatic artist Leonora Carrington, one of the best 20th-century surrealist painters. Ever since she was a little girl, Carrington loved to draw on walls, in books, on paper—and she loved the fantastic tales her grandmother told that took her to worlds that shimmered beyond this one, where legends became real. Carrington’s parents wanted her to become a proper English lady, but there was only one thing she wanted, even if it was unsuitable: to become an artist. For ages 4-8. $17.99, hardcover.

What a Masterpiece!

Just published! In this wordless picture book celebrating creativity across the centuries, the Western world’s greatest art is closer than you expect. A boy’s daily routines bring him face-to-face with Escher’s winding stairs, Banksy’s balloon girl, Picasso’s dancing fauns, and more familiar sights. Maybe the boy’s bedroom looks a little like Van Gogh’s. Maybe that apple looks a bit like Magritte’s. An art index after the story helps readers identify the cultural treasures behind the illustrations. For ages 4-8. $17.99, hardcover.

Behind the Scenes at the Museum: Your All-Access Guide to the World’s Amazing Museums

Just published! This beautiful new book gives you exclusive access to hidden objects that aren’t normally on public display. It lets you into a world of animal specimens pickled in jars, priceless jewelry too valuable to be on display, and fragile papers that must be kept in carefully controlled conditions. Filled with incredible images, step-by-step explanations of exciting techniques, and job profiles of the people that make it happen, Behind the Scenes at the Museum offers unique, behind-the-curtain access to the secret delights of the world’s most interesting museums. For ages 9-12. $19.99, hardcover.

Garden Jungle

Just published! Tom, a little boy who’s bored, follows a butterfly deeper than he’s ever been in his backyard and discovers uncharted territory. Here, the grass becomes a jungle, the cat turns into a leopard, and the only sounds come from leaves blowing in the wind. But all too soon, it’s time to go back. Tom realizes his house is just behind those shrubs… This beautiful, colorful storybook is illustrated with laser-cut silhouettes that make the garden come alive. For ages 3-5. $24.95, hardcover.
The Mini Mandala Coloring Book

While not originally intended for children, this collection of 48 portable mandala designs are a restful activity that opens the way for discussions about meditation and non-Western traditions. Coloring the traditional circular designs known as mandalas is a meditative practice, a healing exercise in times of crisis, and a pleasurable act of creativity. As a symbol of the Self, the mandala provides a connection to our innermost being. The 48 drawings presented here for coloring include designs inspired by forms of nature, Native American and Tibetan sand paintings, Hindu yantras, Turkish mosaics, and the art of M. C. Escher. $9.95, pocket size paperback.

Build a Castle: 64 Slot-Together Cards for Creative Fun

This pack contains 64 cards (4 x 2⅜ inches) with a variety of graphic designs. Clever paper engineering allows you to slot the cards together, building up and out in whichever way you like! Also included is a short 10-page booklet, with descriptions of the card designs and suggestions of stacking methods. The instructions tell you how to build a castle, or you can let your imagination run riot and design your own! Renowned illustrator Paul Farrell has designed these cards in a cool, graphic style—turning the image of a castle into a work of art. For ages 3 and up. $19.95, card deck.

Eyewitness: Mesopotamia

Travel back to the land where human history was first recorded, the land of kings, queens, gods, goddesses, nomads, and scribes. Be an eyewitness to the “land between the rivers,” from the first Sumerian city-states to the mighty Babylonian empires. Richly detailed full-color images and photographs of ancient artifacts, architecture, and maps combine with a comprehensive overview of the Sumerian, Assyrian, and Babylonian civilizations. Includes CD with clip-art and wall chart. Other books in the series include Bible Lands, Ancient Egypt, Ancient Greece, Ancient Rome, and more. For ages 10-13. $16.99, hardcover.

The Dalai Lama

When the 13th Dalai Lama died in 1933, the highest holy men in Tibet searched throughout the land for his successor. They were spiritually guided to the humble dwelling of a loving family high in the Himalayas. When the search party greeted the youngest son, the child told them, “Now I am going home!” In simple language and glorious art, bestselling author/artist Demi pays tribute to the 14th Dalai Lama’s remarkable life. She captures the beauty of Tibetan culture as well as the charm, talent, and vision of one of the world’s best-known spiritual figures. For ages 6-10. $9.99, paperback.
NEW THIS WEEK

**Ramayana: Divine Loophole**

One of Hindu mythology’s best-loved and most enduring tales gets a modern touch: artist and veteran Pixar animator Sanjay Patel lends a lush, whimsical illustration style and lighthearted voice to one of Hindu mythology’s best-loved and most enduring tales. Teeming with powerful deities, love-struck monsters, flying monkey gods, magic weapons, demon armies, and divine love, this version of the ancient tale tells the story of Rama, a god-turned-prince, and his quest to rescue his wife Sita after she is kidnapped by a demon king. Featuring more than 100 colorful full-spread illustrations, a detailed pictorial glossary of the cast of characters who make up the epic tale, and sketches of the work in progress. For ages 10 and up. $29.95, hardcover.

**Howl’s Moving Castle**

Carlos Museum best seller! Sophie has the great misfortune of being the eldest of three daughters, destined to fail miserably should she ever leave home to seek her fate. But when she unwittingly attracts the ire of the Witch of the Waste, Sophie finds herself under a horrid spell and her only chance at breaking it lies in the ever-moving castle in the hills: the Wizard Howl’s castle. To untangle the enchantment, Sophie must handle the heartless Howl, strike a bargain with a fire demon, and meet the Witch of the Waste head-on. Book One of a classic YA trilogy, and Castle in the Air and House of Many Ways. For ages 8-12. $8.99, paperback.

**The Big History Timeline Wallbook**

Created in association with the American Museum of Natural History, this timeline is uniquely broken out into 12 sections, by subject areas (such as sea, land) and continents as well as by date with more than 1,000 pictures and captions. From the rise of the dinosaur to the creation of the smartphone, the nearly six-foot-long timeline allows you to compare events across the world at any given moment in time. Other features include a 50-question quiz and a pocket magnifier to make it easier to explore all the timeline’s details. For ages 6-14. $19.95, hardcover.

**The Mouse and His Child**

50th anniversary edition of a classic! Caldecott Medalist David Small lovingly shows us the heart of Russell Hoban’s classic. The mouse and his child are wind-up toys forever joined at the hands. But when their mechanism breaks they are discarded, separated from the doll house where they lived and the toy elephant that the child calls mother (much to her chagrin). Thus begins the suspenseful journey that is heartbreaking, harrowing, and ultimately joyful as the mice seek what seems at first to be impossible: independence (self-winding) and the way back home. For ages 7-9. $9.99, paperback.
**Natural World: A Visual Compendium of Wonders from Nature**

Originally published in the UK, and now in the US! This beautifully designed and illustrated guide to the natural world illustrates myriad ways in which plants and animals have adapted to give themselves the best chance of survival. In a series of visually compelling informational charts, *Natural World* explores and explains why living things look and behave the way they do. Book jacket unfolds into a wall poster! For ages 9-12. $27.99, hardcover.

**The Strange Birds of Flannery O’Connor**

Just published! When she was young, Georgia writer Flannery O’Connor was captivated by the chickens in her yard. She’d watch their wings flap, their beaks peck, and their eyes glint. At age six, her life was forever changed when she and a chicken she had been training to walk forwards and backwards were featured in a movie newsreel. Flannery realized that people want to see what is odd and strange in life. But while she loved birds of all varieties and kept several species around the house, it was the peacocks that came to dominate part of her life, and she said, “I intend to stand firm and let the peacocks multiply, for I am sure that, in the end, the last word will be theirs.” For ages 4-8. $18.95, hardcover.

**The Arabic Quilt: An Immigrant Story**

Kanzi wraps herself in the beautiful Arabic quilt her teïta (grandma) in Cairo gave her and writes a poem in Arabic about it. Her teacher sees the poem and gets an entire class excited about creating a “quilt” (a paper collage) of student names in Arabic. Kanzi’s most treasured reminder of her old home provides a pathway for acceptance in her new one. This authentic story with beautiful illustrations includes a glossary of Arabic words and a presentation of Arabic letters with their phonetic English equivalents. For ages 6-8. $17.95, hardback.

**Burn**

Just published! New by bestselling YA author Patrick Ness! Sarah and her father, outcasts in their little town of Frome, Washington, are forced to hire a dragon to work their farm, something only the poorest of the poor ever have to resort to doing. The dragon, Kazimir, has more to him than meets the eye, though: For an animal who supposedly doesn’t have a soul, he is seemingly intent on keeping Sarah safe. The dragon knows about something she doesn’t—a prophecy that involves a deadly assassin, a cult of dragon worshippers, and Sarah herself. For ages 14 and up. $18.99, hardcover.
The story of Sundiata, son of the king of Mali in the time of the great trading empires of Africa some eight hundred years ago, is a powerful tale of courage and determination. As a boy, Sundiata was unable to speak or walk. He overcame these obstacles, but he was driven into exile by a rival queen. When Mali was overrun by intruders, 18-year-old Sundiata returned to defeat them and reclaim the throne. For ages 4-7. $7.99, paperback.

“Painting is poetry that is seen rather than felt, and poetry is painting that is felt rather than seen.” Based on this simple statement by Leonardo da Vinci, 18 poets have written new poems inspired by some of the most popular works in the collection of The Metropolitan Museum of Art. This collection represents a wide range of poets and artists, including acclaimed children’s poets Marilyn Singer, Alma Flor Alda, and Carole Boston Weatherford, along with popular artists such as Mary Cassatt, Fernando Botero, Winslow Homer, and Utagawa Hiroshige. For ages 6-9. $16.99, hardcover.

Explore ancient Egypt from the Nile to the pyramids, and learn what life was like for pharaohs, slaves, and scribes in this fascinating search-and-find adventure. Use the magnifying glass to spot more than 200 things in each eye-boggling illustration and discover what happened in the market, temple, school, and palace with authentic detail and cutaway scenes. For ages 4-8. $22.99, hardcover.

Fun with Hieroglyphs

Carlos Museum Bookshop best seller for more than 20 years! Discover the secrets of hieroglyphs with this innovative kit from the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Learn the sounds and letters of the hieroglyphic alphabet, find out which symbols were thought to have magical powers, and read how this mysterious language was decoded after hundreds of years. Then, with the alphabet chart as your guide, use the 24 hieroglyphic stamps and ink pad to write messages, create designs, and make cards. For ages 8-12. $34.99, stamp kit with book.
Combining world cultures, history, geography, and architecture, this visually stunning picture book of ancient cities around the globe takes readers to such places as the Hanging Gardens of Babylon, the cliff dwellings of Mesa Verde, and the mysterious sculptures of Angkor Wat. Perfect for families, including fans of *Atlas Obscura*. For ages 6-9. $17.99, hardcover.

In this powerful and hopeful account, arts writer, curator, and activist Kimberly Drew reminds us that the art world has space not just for the elite, but for everyone. *Pocket Change Collective* is a series of small books with big ideas from today’s leading activists and artists. In this installment, arts writer and co-editor of Black Futures Kimberly Drew shows us that art and protest are inextricably linked. Drawing on her personal experience through art toward activism, Drew challenges us to create space for the change that we want to see in the world, because there really is so much more space than we think. For ages 12-17. $8.99, paperback.

It sounded like a simple folk song that an old sailor named Peg Leg Joe taught to a group of plantation slaves, but it was really a map to freedom: Hidden in the lyrics were directions to the Underground Railroad. This is the story of one family following the drinking gourd north to freedom. For ages 3-7. $7.99, paperback.

A Carlos Museum Bookshop best seller! Every night, the king locks his 12 daughters in their room. Every morning, he finds them looking pale with their new dancing slippers in tatters. Can a young gardener solve the mystery without becoming bewitched himself? For ages 4-8. $7.99, paperback.
Discover the legendary labyrinths and mythologized mazes of ancient Greece in a beautifully designed book of paths and stories. Each turn of a page lands the reader in a new and exciting Greek classic through which to chart a path, learning along the way. From the 12 labors of Hercules to the labyrinth of the Minotaur, from the trials of Odysseus to the Colossus of Rhodes, illustrations present ancient stories as new and puzzling quests to complete. Packed with intricate details and plenty of information about the history and mythology of ancient Greece, this tome will astound explorers and inquisitive minds of all ages. For ages 10 and up. $35, hardcover.

**Greek Myths and Mazes**

Just published! In this thought provoking book, curious readers will discover all kinds of fascinating information about how and why we think about time. Chapters on mythology discuss Chronos, Janus, and the legend of the phoenix. Others look at how different cultures perceive time—as a straight line or in circles. Young readers will learn how animals and plants tell time, how the study of longitude and latitude is related to clocks, and why an hour used to last one hundred minutes. Along the way, they’ll encounter historic time pieces such as sundials, chronometers, and Al-Jazari’s famous 12th-century elephant clock. These concepts are introduced in accessible chapters and illustrated with vibrant drawings. Absorbing and world-enlarging, this elegant book explores a challenging concept in an engaging way that encourages discussion and further learning. For ages 7-10. $37.99, hardcover.

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One winter morning, Otto the cat looks out the window and sighs, “Why is everything so gray today?” Luckily his friend Leon the chameleon is around to show him just how many colors there are in the world. In these exciting and funny spreads filled to the brim with brilliantly illustrated objects, Otto and Leon identify people, places, and things of every hue. On pages dedicated to infinite shades of a single color, Tom Schamp’s brilliant drawings play with perspective and unexpected pairings. An enormous Bengal tiger lords over an orange-tinted world, while a giant blue whale dwarfs elephants, pairs of jeans, and police officers. For ages 2-5. $19.95, hardcover.

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Monsters, mortals, gods, and warriors: Since 1942, readers have chosen Edith Hamilton’s narratives to discover the world of Western mythology. From Odysseus’s adventure-filled journey to the Norse god Odin’s effort to postpone the final day of doom, Hamilton’s Mythology not only retells these stories with clarity but shows us how the ancients saw their own place in the world and how their themes echo in our consciousness today. This new deluxe hardcover edition, published in celebration of the book’s 75th anniversary, is fully illustrated throughout with all-new, specially commissioned art. For young adults and up. $29.99, hardcover.

Numbers one to 10 are sumptuously illustrated in watercolor with gold and silver leaf, and include elephants, tigers, swans, mice, and more. A playful, lyrical text and striking images make this a spectacular counting book by an internationally renowned author and illustrator. Jackie Morris’s work is informed by a deep love of the natural world and a long-time fascination with the myths of transformation. For ages 1 and up. $18.99, hardcover.

This illustrated poem is a love letter to black life in the United States, from an award-winning author and contributor to NPR’s Morning Edition. The Undefeated highlights the unspeakable trauma of slavery, the faith and fire of the civil rights movement, and the grit, passion, and perseverance of some of the world’s greatest heroes. The text is also peppered with references to the words of Martin Luther King Jr., Langston Hughes, Gwendolyn Brooks, and others, offering deeper insights into the accomplishments of the past, while bringing attention to the endurance and spirit of those surviving and thriving in the present. For ages 6-9. $17.99, hardcover.

Selkies, wyverns, witches, and giants. Perilous quests, true love, and animals that talk... The traditional stories of Ireland, Scotland, Brittany, and Wales transport us to the fantastical world of Celtic folklore. These timeless tales brim with wit and magic, and each one is brought to life with elegant silhouette art in this special illustrated edition. For middle readers to young adults. $22.95, hardcover.
**The Story of Gilgamesh**

Godlike Gilgamesh, King of Uruk, has built a beautiful city, but he is also a terrible tyrant. In answer to the prayers of his oppressed citizens, the gods create Enkidu, a wild man whose destiny is to first fight Gilgamesh, and then become his lifelong friend. When they—together—kill the Bull of Heaven, Enkidu must pay the ultimate price. In his grief and fear of his own death, Gilgamesh goes on a journey to discover the secret to immortality. Translated from the Italian edition. For ages 8-12. $19.95, hardcover.

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**Children of Blood and Bone and Children of Virtue and Vengeance**


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**Timeline: A Visual History of Our World**

Take a journey through the history of our planet... This is a perfect introduction to history for young and old through a lens that captures myths and legends, dinosaurs, the great civilizations, kings and knights, discoveries, and inventions. *Timeline* shows the human race building settlements, fighting wars, exploring the oceans, living in castles, yurts, and skyscrapers. It takes our planet from the Big Bang to the threats of climate change. And it does not neglect the imagination—here, too, are dragons, icons, and fictional heroes rendered in hip/retro illustrations. For ages 10 and up. $29.99, oversize hardback.

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**My Painted House, My Friendly Chicken, and Me**

“Hello, Stranger-Friend,” begins Maya Angelou’s story about Thandi, a South African Ndebele girl, her mischievous brother, her beloved chicken, and the astonishing mural art produced by the women of her tribe. With photographs of the very private Ndebele women and their paintings, this unique book shows the passing of traditions from parent to child and introduces young readers to a new culture through a new friend. For ages 6-9. $7.99, paperback.
This irreverent and informative primer asks tricky questions about what makes art art. What is with all the fruit? Why is art so weird nowadays? There are questions about how art views the world, from cave paintings through to Cubism, from the Renaissance to contemporary art, questions about different genres, including still-life painting, landscapes, portraits, and questions about the role and value of art in the past and today. Through this provocative approach the book offers an introduction to art history and a toolkit to enable young people to feel confident asking questions, searching for answers, and “reading” art for themselves. $19.95, hardcover.

Award-winning author Vicky Alvear Shecter is also a long-time Carlos Museum docent, and her newest book shines a light on six powerful ancient queens. Highlighting women warriors who ruled in ancient eras, like Hatshepsut in 1492 BCE Egypt and Zenobia in 260 CE Palmyra, the stories span the globe to reveal the hidden histories of queens who challenged men and fought for the right to rule their kingdoms. For ages 9-12. $17.99, hardcover.

A longtime Carlos Museum best seller, this complete compendium of Greek and Roman mythology, specially arranged by an educational expert, is designed specifically to be read to children ages five and up. Fascinating histories of many common words that originated in these myths provide a perfect way to raise a child’s level of “cultural literacy.” Selections include Jason and the Golden Fleece, stories from the Iliad and the Odyssey, and more. $16.00, paperback.
You’re Snug with Me

At the start of winter, two bear cubs are born, deep in their den in the frozen north. “Mama, what lies beyond here?” they ask. “Above us is a land of ice and snow.” “What lies beyond the ice and snow?” they ask. “The ocean, full of ice from long ago.” And as they learn the secrets of the earth and their place in it, Mama Bear whispers, “You’re snug with me.” Large single- and double-page spreads showcase beautiful, minutely detailed art produced by digitally-enhanced pen and ink drawings. Booklist Editors’ Choice: Books for Youth, 2018. $17.99, hardcover.

A Dragon on the Roof: A Children’s Book Inspired by Antoni Gaudí

Set in Casa Batlló, one of Antoni Gaudí’s most renowned buildings, this joyful story introduces young readers to the architect’s work. While her nanny is sleeping, young Paloma hears a noise. She climbs the stairs until she reaches the roof, where a dragon is perched. Unafraid, Paloma reaches out to pet the dragon—but he is ticklish, and as he laughs, he spews a host of sea animals that he had unwittingly swallowed. The house is transformed into a dreamy aquarium and the dragon settles into a deep sleep on the roof. The playful story and boldly graphic illustrations are the perfect accompaniment to Gaudí’s exuberant vision. $14.95, hardcover.

Flower Power: The Magic of Nature’s Healer

German artist Olaf Hajek’s paintings spring to life, populated by insects, birds, fruit, and fairytale flowers that illustrate the drama of the natural world. Accompanying each painting are engaging texts that explore various cultural and medicinal aspects of the flowers as well as their importance to artists, writers, and healers. As they learn how iris roots were used to alleviate teething pain in babies and how poppy plants led to the invention of the salt shaker, kids will also get to know a garden’s worth of blooms from wild roses to carnations and peonies to marigolds. Kids will look at flowers in a whole new light and will delight in this beautiful keepsake of botanical illustrations by a celebrated artist. $19.95, hardcover.

The Creature Garden: An Illustrator’s Guide to Beautiful Beasts & Fictional Fauna

This bookshop favorite is an illustrator’s step-by-step sourcebook for drawing and painting 50 real and imagined creatures in a whimsical folk-art style. With an embossed cover, striking endpapers, and extraordinary interior illustrations, this beautifully crafted book is a unique piece of art in itself. $25, hardcover.
The Proudest Blue

With her new backpack and light-up shoes, Faizah knows the first day of school is going to be special. It’s the start of a brand-new year and, best of all, it’s her older sister Asiya’s first day of hijab—a hijab of beautiful blue fabric, like the ocean waving to the sky. But not everyone sees hijab as beautiful, and in the face of hurtful, confusing words, Faizah will find new ways to be strong. For ages 4-7. $17.99, hardcover.

Egyptology: Search for the Tomb of Osiris

Carlos Museum Bookshop super best seller! In 1926, four years after the discovery of King Tut’s tomb, the feisty Miss Emily Sands leads an expedition up the Nile in search of the tomb of the god Osiris... but she soon vanishes into the desert, never to be seen again. Written as a fictional travel journal from 1926, each page covers a distinct area of antiquity with papyrus pull-outs, pop-up art, mini-books, and fold-out maps and an envelope in the back with period postcards. Includes the ancient game of Senet including board, pieces, original-style dice, and rules; a souvenir booklet showing how to read simple hieroglyphs; even (on paper) a scrap of textured “mummy cloth.” For ages 8-12. $24.99, bejeweled hardcover.

The Odyssey: A Graphic Novel

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