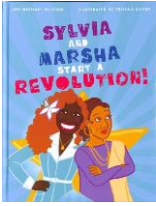


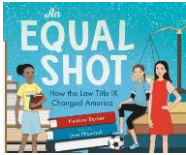
# Celebrate Women's History Month!

## Picture Books



**[Sylvia and Marsha Start a Revolution](#) by Joy Michael Ellison, illustrated by Teshika Silver**

A picture book telling the story of Sylvia Rivera and Marsha P. Johnson, the transgender women of colour who fought for LGBTQ+ equality. Depicting the events that surrounded the Stonewall Riots, this is a playful introduction to trans identities and LGBTQ+ history for young children.



**[An Equal Shot: How the Law Title IX Changed America](#)**

**by Helaine Becker, illustrated by Dow Phumiruk**

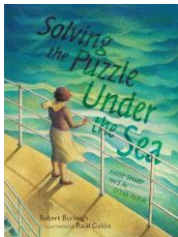
You've likely heard of the law Title IX. It protects the equal rights of students, athletes, and professionals in America regardless of gender. But do you know about the women who fought to enact this new law? Here is the rousing account of how Title IX was shaped at the hands of brave politicians who took risks to secure women's dreams and their futures under the Constitution.



**[Spring After Spring: How Rachel Carson Inspired the Environmental Movement](#)**

**by Stephanie Roth Sisson**

As a child, Rachel Carson lived by the rhythms of the natural world. Spring after spring, year after year, she observed how all living things are connected. And as an adult, Rachel watched and listened as the natural world she loved so much began to fall silent. Spring After Spring traces Rachel's journey as scientist and writer, courageously speaking truth to an often hostile world, and ultimately paving the way for the modern environmental movement.

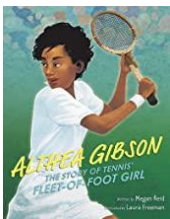


**[Solving the Puzzle Under the Sea: Marie Tharp Maps the Ocean Floor](#)**

**by Robert Burleigh, illustrated by Raúl Colón**

Throughout history, others had tried and failed to measure the depths of the oceans. Even today, scientists are trying to measure the depth by using echo sounder machines to track how long it would take a sound wave sent from a ship to the sea floor to come back. But for Marie, it was like piecing together an immense jigsaw puzzle.

Despite past failures and challenges--sometimes Marie would be turned away from a ship because having a woman on board was "bad luck"--Marie was determined to succeed. And she did, becoming the first person to chart the ocean floor, helping us better understand the planet we call home.

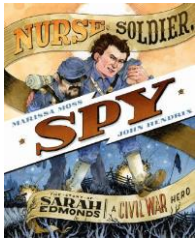


**[Althea Gibson: The Story of Tennis' Fleet-Of-Foot Girl](#)**

**by Megan Reid, illustrated by Laura Freeman**

Althea Gibson was the quickest, tallest, most fearless athlete in 1940s Harlem. When she put her mind to it, the fleet-of-foot girl reigned supreme at every sport--stickball with the boys, basketball with the girls, paddle tennis with anyone who would hit with her.

Because of segregation, black people weren't allowed to compete against white people in sports. Althea didn't care. She just wanted to play tennis against the best athletes in the world. And with skill and determination, she did just that, eventually becoming the first black person - man or woman - to win a trophy at Wimbledon.



### ***Nurse, Soldier, Spy: The Story of Sarah Edmonds, a Civil War Hero***

**by Marissa Moss, illustrated by John Hendrix**

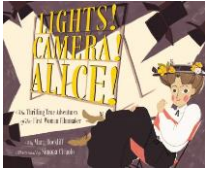
Only nineteen years old, Sarah has already been dressing as a man for three years and living on the run in order to escape an arranged marriage. She's tasted freedom, and as far as she's concerned, there's no going back.

Eager to fight for the North during the Civil War, Sarah joins a Michigan infantry regiment. Because of her heroism, she is asked to become a spy, cross enemy lines, and infiltrate a Confederate camp. For her first mission, Sarah must once again disguise herself and rely on the kindness of enslaved people to help her do her job in this incredible true story.

### ***Lights! Camera! Alice!: The Thrilling True Adventures of the First Woman Filmmaker***

**by Mara Rockliff, illustrated by Simona Ciruolo**

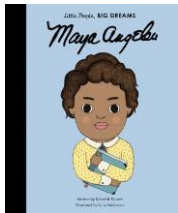
Driven by her passion for storytelling, Alice saw a potential for film that others had not seen before, allowing her to develop new narratives, new camera angles, new techniques, and to surprise her audiences again and again. With daring and vision, Alice Guy-Blaché introduced the world to a thrilling frontier of imagination and adventure, and became one of filmmaking's first and greatest innovators. Mara Rockliff tells the story of a girl who grew up loving stories and became an acclaimed storyteller and an inspiration in her own right.



### ***Maya Angelou (Little People, Big Dreams Vol. 4)***

**by Lisbeth Kaiser, illustrated by Leire Salaberria**

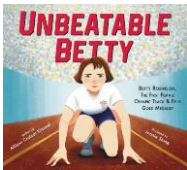
Maya Angelou spent much of her childhood in Stamps, Arkansas. After a traumatic event at age eight, she stopped speaking for five years. However, Maya rediscovered her voice through wonderful books, and went on to become one of the world's most beloved writers and speakers. This moving book features stylish and quirky illustrations and extra facts at the back, including a biographical timeline with historical photos and a detailed profile of Maya Angelou's life.



### ***Unbeatable Betty: the First Female Olympic Track & Field Gold Medalist***

**by Allison Crotzer Kimmel, illustrated by Joanie Stone**

At only sixteen years old, Betty Robinson became the first female gold medalist in track and field in the 1928 Olympics and an overnight sensation. She her eyes on the 1932 Olympics. Her plans changed forever when a horrible plane crash left her in a wheelchair, with one leg shorter than the other. But Betty didn't let that stop her. In less than five years, she relearned how to stand, to walk, and finally to run again and try to taste gold once more in the 1936 Olympics in Berlin.



### ***Around America to Win the Vote: Two Suffragists, a Kitten, and 10,000 Miles***

**by Mara Rockliff, illustrated by Hadley Hooper**

In April 1916, Nell Richardson and Alice Burke set out from New York City in a little yellow car, embarking on a bumpy, muddy, unmapped journey ten thousand miles long. The women's suffrage movement was in full swing, and Nell and Alice would not let anything keep them from spreading the word about equal voting rights for women. Braving blizzards, deserts, and naysayers--not to mention a whole lot of tires stuck in the mud--the two courageous friends made their way through the cities and towns of America to further their cause. \*Booklist Starred Review\* \*School Library Journal Starred Review\*

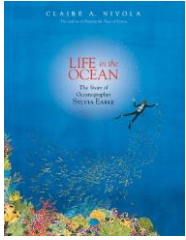


### ***Planting Stories: the Life of Librarian and Storyteller Pura Belpré***

**by Anika Aldamuy Denise, illustrated by Paola Escobar**

When she came to America in 1921, Pura Belpré carried the cuentos folklóricos of her Puerto Rican homeland. Finding a new home at the New York Public Library as a bilingual assistant, she turned her popular retellings into libros and spread story seeds across the land. Today, these seeds have grown into a lush landscape as generations of children and storytellers continue to share her tales and celebrate Pura's legacy. \*Junior Library Guild Selection\* \*Indie Next List Pick\* \*School Library Journal Starred Review\*





***Life in the Ocean: the Story of Oceanographer Sylvia Earle* by Claire A. Nivola**

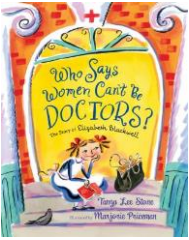
Sylvia Earle first lost her heart to the ocean as a young girl, when she discovered the wonders of the Gulf of Mexico in her backyard. Whether she's designing submersibles, swimming with the whales, or taking deep-water walks, Sylvia Earle has dedicated her life to learning more about what she calls "the blue heart of the planet." With stunningly detailed pictures of the wonders of the sea, Life in the Ocean tells the story of Sylvia's growing passion and how her ocean exploration and advocacy have made her known around the world. \*Booklist Starred Review\* \*Washington Post's Best Kids Book List of 2012\*



***It Began with a Page: How Gyo Fujikawa Drew the Way*  
by Kyo Maclear, illustrated by Julie Morstad**

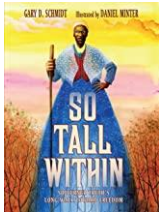
Growing up in California, Gyo Fujikawa always knew that she wanted to be an artist. During World War II, Gyo's family was forced to abandon everything and was taken to an internment camp in Arkansas. Far away from home, Gyo worked as an illustrator in New York while her innocent family was imprisoned. Seeing the diversity around her and feeling pangs from her own childhood, Gyo became determined to show all types of children in the pages of her books. There had to be a world where they saw themselves represented.

\* A Chicago Public Library Best Book of 2019\* \*Kirkus Best of 2019 Picture Book\*



***Who Says Women Can't Be Doctors: The Story of Elizabeth Blackwell*  
by Tanya Lee Stone, illustrated by Marjorie Priceman**

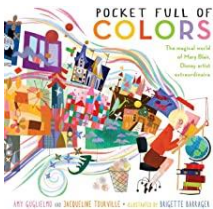
In the 1830s, when a brave and curious girl named Elizabeth Blackwell was growing up, women were supposed to be wives and mothers. Elizabeth refused to accept the common beliefs that women weren't smart enough to be doctors, or that they were too weak for such hard work. And she would not take no for an answer. Although she faced much opposition, she worked hard and finally--when she graduated from medical school as the first female doctor and went on to have a brilliant career--proved her detractors wrong. \*NPR Best Book of 2013\* \*Starred Booklist Review\*



***So Tall Within: Sojourner Truth's Long Walk Toward Freedom*  
by Gary D. Schmidt, illustrated by Daniel Minter**

Sojourner Truth was born into slavery but possessed a mind and a vision that knew no bounds. So Tall Within traces her life from her painful childhood through her remarkable emancipation to her incredible leadership in the movement for rights for both women and African Americans.

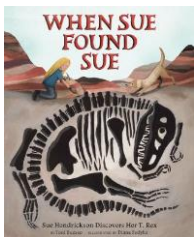
***Pocket Full of Colors: The Magical World of Mary Blair, Disney Artist Extraordinaire*  
by Amy Guglielmo and Jacqueline Tourville, illustrated by Brigette Barrager**



Mary Blair lived her life in color: vivid, wild color.

From her imaginative childhood to her career as an illustrator, designer, and animator for Walt Disney Studios, Mary wouldn't play by the rules. At a time when studios wanted to hire men and think in black and white, Mary painted twinkling emerald skies, peach giraffes with tangerine spots, and magenta horses that could fly. \*Booklist Starred Review\*

***When Sue Found Sue: Sue Hendrickson Discovers Her T. Rex*  
by Toni Buzzeo, illustrated by Diana Sudyka**



From a very young age, Sue Hendrickson was meant to find things: lost coins, perfume bottles, even hidden treasure. Her endless curiosity eventually led to her career in diving and paleontology, where she would continue to find things big and small. In 1990, at a dig in South Dakota, Sue made her biggest discovery to date: Sue the T. rex, the largest and most complete T. rex skeleton ever unearthed. Named in Sue's honor, Sue the T. rex would be placed on permanent exhibition at the Field Museum of Natural History in Chicago. When Sue Found Sue inspires readers to take a closer look at the world around them and to never lose their brave, adventurous spirits.





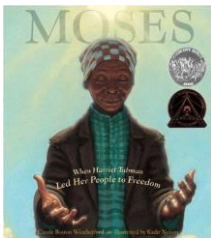
***Fearless Flyer: Ruth Law and Her Flying Machine*** by Heather Lang, illustrated by Raul Colón  
Discover a thrilling moment in history when pioneering aviator Ruth Law attempted to do what no other aviator had done before: fly nonstop from Chicago to New York.

On November 19, 1916, at 8:25 a.m., Ruth Law took off on a flight from Chicago to New York City that aviation experts thought was doomed. Sitting at the controls of her small bi-plane, exposed to the elements, Law battled fierce winds and numbing cold. When her engine ran out of fuel, she glided for two miles and landed at Hornell, New York. Even though she fell short of her goal, she had broken the existing cross-country distance record. And with her plane refueled, she got back in the air and headed for New York City where crowds waited to greet her. \*Booklist Starred Review\* \*National Science Teachers Association Best STEM Book\*



***Dancing Hands: How Teresa Carreño Played the Piano for President Lincoln***  
by Margarita Engle, illustrated by Rafael López

As a little girl, Teresa Carreño loved to let her hands dance across the beautiful keys of the piano. If she felt sad, music cheered her up, and when she was happy, the piano helped her share that joy. Soon she was writing her own songs and performing in grand cathedrals. Then a revolution in Venezuela forced her family to flee to the United States. Teresa felt lonely in this unfamiliar place, where few of the people she met spoke Spanish. Worst of all, there was fighting in her new home, too--the Civil War. Still, Teresa kept playing, and soon she grew famous as the talented Piano Girl who could play anything from a folk song to a sonata. So famous, in fact, that President Abraham Lincoln wanted her to play at the White House! Yet with the country torn apart by war, could Teresa's music bring comfort to those who needed it most? \*A Kirkus Reviews Best Picture Book\* \*Winner of the Pura Belpre Illustrator Award\*



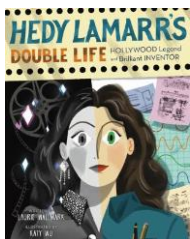
***Moses: When Harriet Tubman Led Her People to Freedom***  
by Carole Boston Weatherford, illustrated by Kadir Nelson

In lyrical text, Carole Boston Weatherford describes Tubman's spiritual journey as she hears the voice of God guiding her north to freedom on that very first trip to escape the brutal practice of forced servitude. Tubman would make nineteen subsequent trips back south, never being caught, but none as profound as this first one. Courageous, compassionate, and deeply religious, Harriet Tubman, with her bravery and relentless pursuit of freedom, is a testament to the resilience of the human spirit. \*Caldecott Honor Book\* \*Coretta Scott King Award Winner\*



***Shaped by Her Hands: Potter Maria Martinez***  
by Anna Harber Freeman and Barbara Gonzalez, illustrated by Aphelandra

The most renowned Native American Indian potter of her time, Maria Povika Martinez learned pottery as a child under the guiding hands of her ko-ōo, her aunt. She grew up to discover a new firing technique that turned her pots black and shiny, and made them--and Maria--famous. This inspiring story of family and creativity illuminates how Maria's belief in sharing her love of clay brought success and joy from her New Mexico Pueblo to people all across the country. \*School Library Journal Starred Review\* \*Kirkus Best Picture Book Biographies of 2021\*



***Hedy Lamarr's Double Life: Hollywood Legend and Brilliant Inventor***  
by Laurie Wallmark, illustrated by Katy Wu

To her adoring public, Hedy Lamarr was a glamorous movie star, widely considered the most beautiful woman in the world. But in private, she was something more: a brilliant inventor. And for many years only her closest friends knew her secret. This is the inspiring story of how, during World War Two, Lamarr developed a groundbreaking communications system that still remains essential to the security of today's technology.