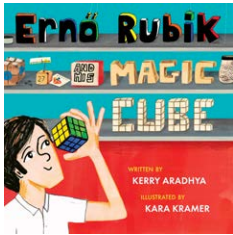
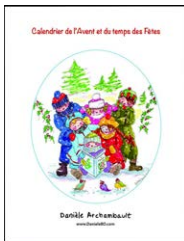



Directory of Regional San Francisco/South Authors & Illustrators Available for School, Library, & Bookstore Visits - 2024-2025


This directory lists authors & illustrators from the [San Francisco/South Region of the Society of Children’s Book Writers and Illustrators](#) (SCBWI), including the counties of San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Monterey, and San Benito.

The authors are listed in alphabetical order. Please visit the author’s website for more books, descriptions of specific presentations and presentation fees. When you contact authors, be sure to let them know you saw their name in this directory!

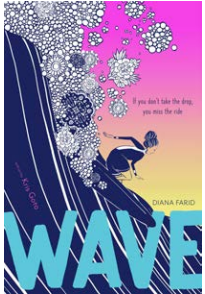



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Author/ Illustrator	Website, email, and social media	Genre of Books	Audience	Books & Publishers (1-3 listed, check website for more titles)
Kerry Aradhya	www.kerryaradhya.com Kerryaradhyabooks@gmail.com Twitter/X: @kerryaradhya IG: @kerry.aradhya FB: @authorkerryaradhya Pinterest: @kerryaradhya	Picture book, Non-fiction	Preschool, Elem: K-2, Elem: 3-5, Public Library, Bookstore	 ERNO RUBIK AND HIS MAGIC CUBE (Peachtree, 2024); also poetry and action rhymes for preschoolers
Danièle Archambault	DanieleBD.com daniele@danielebd.com Facebook: daniele.archambault Twitter: @DanieleBD Instagram: @daniele_archambault	Graphic novel	High School: 9-12, Public Library, Bookstore	  SMILING THROUGH THE MASK (ISBN: 9780989693288) CALENDRIER DE L'AVEANT ET DU TEMPS DES FÊTES (ISBN:9780989693264) UNE ANNÉE DE CÉLÉBRATIONS (ISBN: 9780989693226)

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Author/ Illustrator	Website, email, and social media	Genre of Books	Audience	Books & Publishers (1-3 listed, check website for more titles)
Nicole Chen	www.storiesbynicolechen.com hello@storiesbynicolechen.com instagram.com/ncheny	Picture book, Middle grade	Elem: K-2, Elem: 3-5, Middle School: 6-8, Public Library, Bookstore	 <p>HOW WE SAY I LOVE YOU (Knopf/Penguin Random House) IT'S BOBA TIME FOR PEARL LI! (Quill Tree Books/Harper Collins) LILY XIAO SPEAKS OUT (Quill Tree Books/Harper Collins)</p>
Charlotte Cheng	https://charlotte.art/ hello@charlotte.art Instagram: @charlottemakesbooks Twitter/X: @charlottedraws	Picture book	Preschool, Elem: K-2, Elem: 3-5, Public Library, Bookstore	 <p>NIGHT MARKET RESCUE ROAR-CHOO! I MISS YOU MOST (all Rocky Pond Books)</p>
Christine Evans	www.pinwheelsandstories.com christinenancyevans@gmail.com @ChristineNEvans on Twitter, Instagram, Threads	Picture book, Chapter book/early reader	Elem: K-2, Elem: 3-5, Middle School: 6-8, Public Library, Bookstore	 <p>DEAR MR G (Union Square) THE WISH LIBRARY series (Albert Whitman) EVELYN THE ADVENTUROUS ENTOMOLOGIST (Innovation)</p>



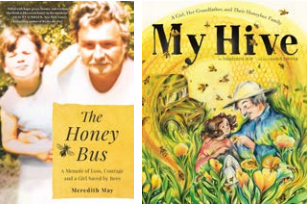
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<p>Diana Farid</p>	<p>https://dianafarid.com/ Instagram: @_artelixir X: @_artelixir</p>	<p>Picture book, Middle grade, Young adult, Non-fiction, board books, poetry</p>	<p>Preschool, Elem: K-2, Elem: 3-5, Middle School: 6-8, High School: 9-12, Public Library, Bookstore</p>	 <p>WHEN YOU BREATHE (Abrams, 2020)</p> <p>WAVE (Abrams, 2022)</p> <p>THE LIGHT OF HOME (Scholastic, 2024)</p>
<p>Heather Ferranti Kinser</p>	<p>www.heatherkinser.com hethfeth@yahoo.com Twitter(X) - @hethfeth / Instagram - @hethfeth</p>	<p>Picture book, Non-fiction</p>	<p>Elem: K-2, Public Library, Bookstore</p>	 <p>IN A CAVE (Gnome Road Publishing)</p> <p>NATURE IS A SCULPTOR (Millbrook Press)</p> <p>SMALL MATTERS (Millbrook Press)</p>
<p>Sandra V. Feder</p>	<p>www.sandravfeder.com sandravfeder@gmail.com Socials: @sandravfeder</p>	<p>Picture book, Chapter book/early reader</p>	<p>Preschool, Elem: K-2, Elem: 3-5, Public Library, Bookstore</p>	 <p>ANGRY ME (Groundwood Books)</p> <p>PEACEFUL ME (Groundwood Books)</p>
<p>Rachel S. Hobbs</p>	<p>www.rachelshobbs.com hobbs_rachel@yahoo.com Rachel_S_Hobbs (Twitter and IG) Rachel.S.Hobbs (TikTok)</p>	<p>Picture book</p>	<p>Preschool, Elem: K-2, Elem: 3-5, Public Library, Bookstore</p>	 <p>TANGO RED RIDING HOOD (Gnome Road Publishing)</p>


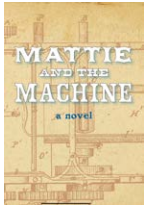

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Jilanne Hoffmann	https://jilannehoffmann.com jilannehoffmann@gmail.com @Jill_SF (Twitter) @jilanne2694 (IG)	Picture book, Middle grade	Elem: 3-5, Middle School: 6-8, Public Library, Bookstore	 <p>A RIVER OF DUST: The Life-Giving Link Between North Africa and the Amazon</p> <p>HEARTLAND (a MG novel in prose & verse, coming Fall 2025)</p>
Emily Jiang	www.EmilyJiang.com emily@emilyjiang.com	Picture book, Middle grade, Young adult, Non-fiction, Poetry & Songs	Preschool, Elem: K-2, Elem: 3-5, Middle School: 6-8, High School: 9-12, Public Library, Bookstore	 <p>SUMMONING THE PHOENIX: POEMS & PROSE ABOUT CHINESE MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS (Shen's Books / Lee & Low Books)</p>
Darshana Khiani	www.darshanakhiani.com darshana@gmail.com @darshanakhiani - Twitter, Instagram	Picture book	Elem: K-2, Elem: 3-5, Middle School: 6-8, Public Library, Bookstore	 <p>HOW TO WEAR A SARI (Versify)</p> <p>I'M AN AMERICAN (Viking/PRH)</p> <p>BUILDING A DREAM (Eerdmans)</p>
Isabella Kung	www.isabellakung.com kungisabella@gmail.com Instagram: @isabellakungill Twitter: @isaberryk Substack: https://isabellakung.substack.com/	Picture book	Elem: K-2, Elem: 3-5, Public Library, Bookstore	 <p>NO FUZZBALL! (Orchard Books/Scholastic) NO SNOWBALL! (Orchard Books/Scholastic)</p>





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Gwen Lee	https://www.gwen-lee.com/ Instagram: @gwenleeauthor	Picture book, Middle grade	Preschool, Elem: K-2, Elem: 3-5, Middle School: 6-8	 <p>EIVEN AND THE PUZZLE BOX</p> <p>Elven and The Puzzle Box (Penguin Random House SEA); Little Cloud Wants Snow! (Marshall Cavendish)</p>
Bonnie Lindauer	bonnielindauer.com @blindauer46 facebook/bonnie.lindauer.923.	Picture book, Middle grade	Elem: 3-5	 <p>HANNAH G. SOLOMON DARED TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE</p> <p>HANNAH G. SOLOMON DARED TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE (Kar-Ben, 2021)</p>
Meredith May	www.meredithamay.com meredithamay@gmail.com Authormeredithamay on FB. @meredithamay on Instagram	Picture book, Non-fiction	Elem: K-2, Elem: 3-5, Public Library, Bookstore	 <p>The Honey Bus My Hive</p> <p>MY HIVE: A GIRL, HER GRANDFATHER, AND THEIR HONEYBEE HOME (Cameron Kids/ AbramsBooks)</p>
Tim McCanna	www.timmccanna.com tsmccanna@gmail.com Instagram: @tmccanna	Picture book, Chapter book/early reader, Graphic novel	Preschool, Elem: K-2, Elem: 3-5	 <p>How Far You'll Go Peach and Plum Rule at School! In a Garden</p> <p>PEACH AND PLUM: RULE AT SCHOOL! (Little, Brown/LB Ink) HOW FAR YOU'LL GO (Disney)</p>


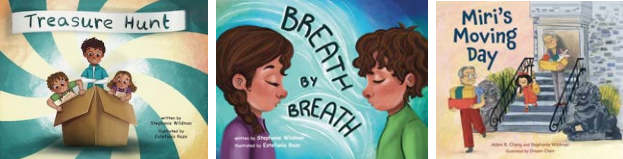

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				IN A GARDEN (Simon & Schuster/Paula Wiseman Books)
Tim J. Myers	www.timmyersstorysong.com tmyers@scu.edu Facebook: TimJMyers1 TimJMyers1/tmyersstorysong	Picture book, Middle grade, Young adult, Non-fiction, Poetry	Elem: K-2, Elem: 3-5, Public Library, Bookstore	 YAO BAI AND THE EGG PIRATES (West Margin); DOWN AT THE DINO WASH DELUXE (Union SquareKids– Sterling); FULL OF EMPTY (Familius)
Lynn Ng Quezon	ngquezon.wordpress.com ngquezon@gmail.com Socials: @ngquezon	Middle grade, Young adult	Middle School: 6-8, High School: 9-12, Public Library, Bookstore	 MATTIE AND THE MACHINE (Santa Monica Press)
Shirley Ng-Benitez	shirleyngbenitez.com shirley@shirleyngbenitez.com Socials: @shirleysillos	Picture book, Graphic novel, Author/illustrator, and illustrator of 35+ books Including board books and a 12 book early reader series	Preschool, Bookstore	 MINDFUL DAY by Deborah Hopkinson (Sounds True Publishing) THE PERFECT GIFT by Paula Yoo (Lee and Low, early reader) HEARTS IN MY POCKET by Nancy Tupper Ling, (Union Square)

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<p>Danna Staaf</p>	<p>http://www.dannastaaf.com/ dannajoy@gmail.com @dannastaaf (twitter, bluesky) @dannajoystaaf (instagram)</p>	<p>Middle grade, Young adult, Non-fiction</p>	<p>Elem: K-2, Elem: 3-5, Middle School: 6-8, High School: 9-12, Public Library, Bookstore</p>	 <p>THE LADY AND THE OCTOPUS (Lerner) MONARCHS OF THE SEA (The Experiment)</p>
<p>Sam Subity</p>	<p>samsubity.com samsubityauthor@gmail.com @sjsubity - X, Instagram, Threads,</p>	<p>Middle grade</p>	<p>Elem: 3-5, Middle School: 6-8, Public Library, Bookstore</p>	 <p>THE LAST SHADOW WARRIOR (Scholastic) VALOR WINGS (Scholastic)</p>
<p>Helen Taylor</p>	<p>www.helenstaylor.com htaylorwrites@gmail.com Socials: @heyhelentaylor</p>	<p>Picture book, Middle grade, Non-fiction</p>	<p>Elem: K-2, Elem: 3-5, Public Library, Bookstore</p>	 <p>HOW TO EAT IN SPACE (Little, Brown Books for Young Readers) CHASING GUANO (Tilbury House)</p>
<p>Deborah Underwood</p>	<p>DeborahUnderwoodBooks.com vegdeb@gmail.com Socials: @underwoodwriter</p>	<p>Picture book, Chapter book/early reader</p>	<p>Elem: K-2, Elem: 3-5, Public Library</p>	 <p>INTERSTELLAR CINDERELLA (Chronicle), OUTSIDE IN (Clarion), THE QUIET BOOK (Clarion)</p>

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Seina Wedlick	www.seinawedlick.com seina.wedlick@gmail.com Instagram: @seinawedlick	Picture book, Middle grade, Young adult	Elem: K-2, Public Library, Bookstore	 <p>THE NIGHT MARKET (Random House); NAMING CEREMONY (Abrams Books for Young Readers)</p>
Stephanie Wildman	stephaniewildman.com swildman@scu.edu @SWildmanSF (on X/Twitter)	Picture book, MG work in progress but only published in PBs thus far	Preschool, Elem: K-2, 3-(possibly 4) on writing, Public Library, Bookstore.	 <p>TREASURE HUNT, BREATH BY BREATH, GHOST WRITER (all illustrated by Estefania Razo, Lawley Publishing). All books are available in Spanish.</p>
Addie Woolridge	https://addiewoolridge.com addie@addiewoolridge.com IG: @AddieWoolridge TikTok: @AddieWoolridgeAuthor	Young adult, Adult	High School: 9-12, Public Library, Bookstore	 <p>THE HOMECOMING WAR (Underlined/ Penguin Random House)</p>