Telling Tales is proud to feature Canadian authors and illustrators in our 2019–2020 Telling Tales Reading List. From board books and young adult novels to new releases and award-winning stories, Telling Tales has something for all ages and reading abilities.

Find books by age range and themes that interest you and your family. Pick up these books at your local bookstore or library. It will make the experience of meeting their creators at Telling Tales all the more meaningful!

Titles highlighted in Blue will be launched at Telling Tales!!

Titles highlighted in Green will be published over the summer.

**Main Event**

**S.K. Ali**

*Love from A to Z*

2019, Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers

Themes: young adult, contemporary romance, social themes
ISBN: 9781534442726

Ages: 14 and up

**Karen Bass**

*Two Times a Traitor*

2017, Pajama Press

Themes: adventure, time-slip
ISBN: 9781772778024

Ages: 12 and up

**Erin Bow**

*Stand on the Sky*

2019, Scholastic Canada

Themes: people and places, Asia
ISBN: 9781443163798

Ages: 9–12

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**Charlene Chua (illustrator)**

*Amy Wu and the Perfect Bao*

2019, Aladdin

Themes: people and places, family
ISBN: 9781534411333

Ages: 0–8

**Terry and Eric Fan**

*The Scarecrow*

2019, HarperCollins

Themes: friendship, seasons
ISBN: 9780062475763

Ages: 4–8

**Melanie Florence**

*Just Lucky*

2019, Second Story Press

Themes: YA fiction, foster care, resilience
ISBN: 9781772801046

Ages: 13–17

**Shauntay Grant**

*Africville*

2018, Groundwood Books / House of Anansi Press

Themes: Africville, Black History

Ages: 4–7

**Holly Hatam (illustrator)**

*Dear Boy*

2019, HarperCollins

Themes: boys, encouragement
ISBN: 9780062422514

Ages: 4–8

**Amy Wu and the Perfect Bao**

2019, Aladdin

Themes: people and places, family
ISBN: 9781534411333

Ages: 0–8

**The Wind Plays Tricks**

2019, Albert Whitman & Company

Themes: picture book, animals, sounds
ISBN: 0807587354

Ages: 3–5

**Ocean Meets Sky**

2018, Simon and Schuster Books for Young Readers

Themes: picture book, family, imagination, nature
ISBN13: 9781481499595

Ages: 4–8

**He Who Dreams**

2017, Orca Book Publishers

Themes: middle reader fiction, Indigenous, identity
ISBN: 9781498011027

Ages: 12–18

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[TellingTales.org](http://tellingtales.org)

[skalibooks.com](http://skalibooks.com)

[karenbass.ca](http://karenbass.ca)

[erinbow.com](http://erinbow.com)

[thefanbrothers.com](http://thefanbrothers.com)

[melanieflorence.com](http://melanieflorence.com)

[shauntaygrant.com](http://shauntaygrant.com)

[hollyhatam.com](http://hollyhatam.com)
**Main Event**

**Nadia L. Hohn**

A *Likkle Miss Lou: How Jamaican Poet Louise Bennett Coverley Found Her Voice*
- 2019, Owlkids Books
- Themes: picture book biography, language, diversity
- ISBN: 9781771473507
- Ages: 4–8

**Jess Keating**

**Qin Leng**

**Lesley Livingston**

**Godfrey Nkongolo**

**A Likkle Miss Lou: How Jamaican Poet Louise Bennett Coverley Found Her Voice**
- 2019, Owlkids Books
- Themes: picture book biography, language, diversity
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- Ages: 4–8

**Malaika’s Costume**
- 2016, Groundwood Books
- Themes: picture book, people and places, Caribbean and Latin America
- ISBN: 9781554987542
- Ages: 3–7

**Elements of Genius: Nikki Tesla and the Ferret Proof Death Ray**
- 2019, Scholastic Canada
- Themes: action and adventure
- ISBN: 97814434411653
- Ages: 8–12

**Good Night, Good Night**
- 2018, HarperCollins Canada
- Themes: picture book, poetry, bedtime
- ISBN: 97814434411653
- Ages: 0-5

**The Almost Epic Squad #3: Super Sketchy**
- 2019, Scholastic Canada
- Themes: humorous stories, action and adventure, superheroes
- Ages: 9–12

**Light a Candle**
- 2019, Orca Book Publishers
- Themes: historical fiction, picture book, Africa
- ISBN: 9781459817005
- Ages: 4–8

**Jay Odjick (illustrator)**

Bears for Breakfast
- 2019, Scholastic Canada
- Themes: humorous stories
- ISBN: 9781443170550
- Ages: 3–8

**Kevin Sands**

**Richard Scrimger**

**Sharon and Bram**

**Ashley Spires**

**Bears for Breakfast**
- 2019, Scholastic Canada
- Themes: humorous stories
- ISBN: 9781443170550
- Ages: 3–8

**Blackflies**
- 2017, Scholastic Canada
- Themes: picture book, people and places, Indigenous
- ISBN: 9781443157919
- Ages: 3–8

**Call of the Wraith: Blackthorn Key #4**
- 2018, Simon & Schuster
- Themes: historical fiction, friendship, secret societies
- ISBN: 9781534428478
- Ages: 8-12

**The Almost Epic Squad: Irresistible**
- 2019, Scholastic Canada
- Themes: humorous stories, action and adventure, superheroes
- ISBN: 9781443157888
- Ages: 9–12

**The Assassin’s Curse: Blackthorn Key #3**
- 2017, Simon & Schuster
- Themes: historical fiction, friendship, secret societies
- ISBN: 9781534405240
- Ages: 8-12

**Downside Up**
- 2016, Tundra Books
- Themes: family grief, alternate world, illusion/reality, dragons
- ISBN: 9781770498457
- Ages: 10+

**Fairy Science**
- 2019, Tundra Books
- Themes: science, fairies
- ISBN: 9780735264290
- Ages: 3–7

**Skinnamarink**
- 2019, Tundra Books
- Themes: music, friendship
- ISBN: 9780735264089
- Ages: 3–7

**The Most Magnificent Thing**
- 2014, Kids Can Press
- Themes: picture book, perseverance
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Helaine Becker

Megabugs
2019, Kids Can Press
Themes: bugs, science
ISBN: 9781443107891
Ages: 4–8

The Canadian Kids’ Guide to Outdoor Fun (05/2019)
2019, Scholastic Canada
Themes: sports and recreation, camping and outdoor activities
ISBN: 9781443148450
Ages: 6-12
helainebecker.com

Eric Hogan and Tara Hungerford

2019, Firefly Books
Themes: nonfiction picture books, TV tie-in series, nature, mystery
ISBN: 9781443101973
Ages: 3–7

The Case of the Story Rock: A Gumboot Kids Nature Mystery
2019, Firefly Books
Themes: nonfiction picture books, TV tie-in series, nature, mystery
ISBN: 9781443101901
Ages: 3–7
gumbootkids.com

Chief Lady Bird and Sunshine Tenasco

Nibi’s Water Song
2019, North Winds Press
Themes: picture book, people and places, Indigenous
ISBN: 9781443107891
Ages: 4–8
flare.com/how-i-made-it/chief-lady-bird
herbraids.com

Andrew Larsen

Me, Toma and the Concrete Garden
2019, Kids Can Press
Themes: picture book, nature, friendship
ISBN: 9781771389174
Ages: 3–7

The Imaginary Garden
2009, Kids Can Press
Themes: picture book, family, creating art, imagination
ISBN: 9781554532797
Ages: 3–7
andrewlarsen.ca

Irene Luxbacher

Treasure
2019, Orca Book Publishers
Themes: picture book, treasure hunt, natural world
ISBN: 9781443107891
Ages: 4–8

The Not-So-Far-Away Adventure
2016, Kids Can Press
Themes: picture book, grandparents, adventure
ISBN: 9781771389737
Ages: 3–7
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Mireille Messier

Trésor
2019, Orca Book Publishers
Themes: picture book, treasure hunt, nature
ISBN: 9781443103273
Ages: 4–6

The Branch
2016, Kids Can Press
Themes: picture book, caring for the environment, intergenerational friendship
ISBN: 9781771385640
Ages: 3–7
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Barbara Reid

Picture the Sky
2017, North Winds Press (imprint of Scholastic Canada)
Themes: picture book, nature
ISBN: 9781443163026
Ages: 3–8

The Case of the Wooden Timekeeper: A Gumboot Kids Nature Mystery
2019, Firefly Books
Themes: nonfiction picture books, TV tie-in series, nature, mystery
ISBN: 9781443101963
Ages: 3–7

The Case of the Growing Bird Feeder: A Gumboot Kids Nature Mystery
2019, Firefly Books
Themes: nonfiction picture books, TV tie-in series, nature, mystery
ISBN: 9781443101901
Ages: 3–7

Picture a Tree
2011, North Winds Press (imprint of Scholastic Canada)
Themes: picture book, nature
ISBN: 9781443107891
Ages: 3–8

Joanne Robertson

The Water Walker
2017, Second Story Press
Themes: nonfiction picture book, Indigenous, water protection
ISBN: 9781772600384
Ages: 6–9

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