



**Title:** Dear Muslim Child  
**Author:** Rahma Rodaah  
**Published:** May 2024

**Picture Book**

Dear Muslim Child, your story matters. In this lyrical ode to Islam, Muslim children all over the world are encouraged to celebrate their faith and traditions.



**Title:** Zao Fan Breakfast of China  
**Author:** Michael Zee  
**Published:** September 2024  
**Indyreads**

**ebook**

Contains over 40 recipes with QR codes that allow you to watch how the dishes are made in China Breakfast in China is an important affair. At dawn, the streets come alive with vendors setting up for the morning breakfast rush. Each will have their speciality that they make day in, day out, honing their recipe over years, and even generations. Locals are spoilt for choice, with a huge variety of spicy noodles, plump dumplings and fluffy buns all made fresh to order right on their doorsteps.

# HARMONY WEEK

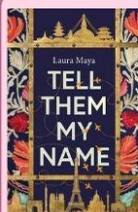


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**Title:** Tell Them My Name  
**Author:** Laura Maya  
**Published:** February 2022  
**Adult Non-Fiction**

*Tell Them My Name* is an inspiring true story that explores how even the most impossible dreams can come true when unlikely friendships are built across cultures. In this offbeat travel memoir, four strangers from three countries, with barely a common language between them, decide to adopt each other as family and take on the world.



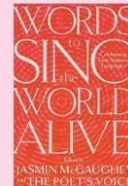
**Title:** The Last Dragon of the East  
**Author:** Katrina Kwan  
**Published:** December 2024  
**Adult Fiction**

Inspired by Chinese myths of ancient dragon gods and threads of fate. At the spry young age of twenty-five, Sai has led a quiet life, keeping the family teahouse up and running—even if that means ignoring the past-due notices—and taking care of his ailing mother. But he has a not-so-secret gift that he's parlayed into a side career: he was born with the ability to see the red threads of fate between soulmates, which lends itself nicely to matchmaking



**Title:** Safe Space  
**Author:** Alyssa Huynh  
**Published:** June 2024  
**Adult Non-Fiction**

Growing up, Alyssa Huynh heard stories from her family about their journey from Vietnam to Australia following the fall of Saigon and the racism they experienced upon arrival. While the discrimination she faced was different, she never quite felt like she belonged either. Longing for a safe space, she turned to the internet. Through sharing her writing online, she created a supportive community for fellow Asians and people of colour with similar experiences, as well as for allies.



**Title:** Words to Sing the World Alive  
**Author:** Jasmin McGaughey  
**Published:** October 2024  
**Adult Non-Fiction**

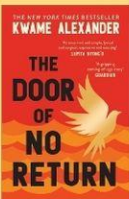
*Words to Sing the World Alive* celebrates First Nations languages from across the continent. Forty First Nation writers and thinkers, journalists and lawyers, artists and astronomers come together to reveal their favourite and significant words. Words that evoke the power of childhood and the wonder of Country; that explore the essence of mother, of fire, of time. Words that are imbued with family and belonging, and that surprise with their connections.



**Title:** All Four Quarters of the Moon  
**Author:** Shirley Marr  
**Published:** July 2022

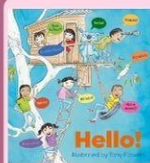
**Junior Fiction**

A big-hearted story of love and resilience from CBCA award-winning author Shirley Marr, starring sisters and storytellers Peijing and Bijou, a lost family finding their way, a little world made of paper, a Jade Rabbit, and the ever-changing but constant moon.



**Title:** The Door of No Return  
**Author:** Kwame Alexander  
**Published:** September 2022  
**Teen Fiction**

In his village in Upper Kwanta, 11-year-old Kofi loves his family, playing aware with his grandfather and swimming in the river Offin. He's warned though, to never go to the river at night. His brother tells him "There are things about the water you do not know." "Like what?" Kofi asks. "The beasts," his brother answers.



**Title:** Hello!  
**Author:** Tony Flowers  
**Published:** February 2024  
**Picture Book**

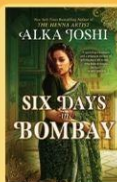
Yiasou! That's hello in Greek! Or would you like to speak Chinese? What about Italian or Korean? Murinhpatha or Kaurua? Meet 12 Australian friends who can speak different languages. They tell us how to count from 1 to 10, say hello and goodbye and lots of other words in their languages about play, food, hobbies and clothes. Once we've said hello, we can watch Emiko playing the Japanese drum and Pilihi performing an Aboriginal dance. We can see how to make gnocchi with Sophia and flat bread with Amal.



**Title:** Marigold Mind Laundry  
**Author:** Jungeun Yun, Translated by Shanna Tan  
**Published:** October 2024

**Adult Fiction**

We will wash away your pain and iron away any creases in your heart. Overnight, in the village of Marigold on top of a hill, old Jieun has conjured up a magical Mind Laundry, where she cleanses painful experiences from her customer's hearts, transferring them into stains on a T-shirt and transforming them into dazzling red petals.



**Title:** Six Days in Bombay  
**Author:** Alka Joshi  
**Published:** April 2025

**Fiction - coming soon!**

From the New York Times bestselling author of *The Henna Artist*, this sweeping novel of identity and self-discovery takes readers from 1937 Bombay to Istanbul, Prague, Florence, Paris and London to uncover the mystery behind a famous painter's death.



**Title:** The Kindness Project  
**Author:** Deborah Abela  
**Published:** May 2024  
**Teen Fiction**

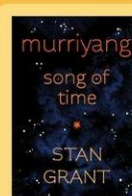
Ms Skye thinks kids can change the world with a Kindness Project. Nicolette wants to but how can she when Layla treats her like she's invisible and DJ picks on everything she says? Leaf thinks Nicolette can be a superhero. So maybe if they work together they just might do it.

A heartwarming story about four kids who overcome their differences and take on the world.



**Title:** House of Kwa  
**Author:** Mimi Kwa  
**Published:** June 2021  
**Adult Non-Fiction**

The dreamer boy travelling on dragon hide ... a tiger running alone in the night ... Mimi Kwa ignored the letter for days. When she finally opened it, the news was so shocking her hair turned grey. Why would a father sue his own daughter? The collision was over the estate of Mimi's beloved Aunt Theresa, but its seed had been sown long ago. In an attempt to understand how it had come to this, Mimi unspools her rich family history in *House of Kwa*.



**Title:** Murriyang  
**Author:** Stan Grant  
**Published:** December 2024  
**Adult Non-Fiction**

*Murriyang*, in part Grant's response to the Voice referendum, eschews politics for love. Informed by spiritual thinkers from around the world, *Murriyang* is a Wiradjuri prayer in one long uninterrupted breath, challenging Western notions of linear time in favour of a time beyond time – the Dreaming.