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ILLUSTRATED BOOKS



Mathilde Baudy is an illustrator. She worked in animation before studying to become an art teacher. When she had her daughters, she realized the need to work towards a better world and became committed at her level in environmental and women's rights issues.

Tiphaine Dieumegard has been a midwife for over 13 years and has three daughters. Her work and maternity have shaped her feminist vision of society. The Picture Book of Intimacy, of Conceptions, Adoption, Families, Parentality etc.

Le petit illustré de l'intimité, des conceptions, de l'adoption, des familles, de la parentalité etc.

by Mathilde Baudy and Tiphaine Dieumegard

05/2022 56 pages Atelier de la Belle Étoile

The Picture Books of Intimacy are the first committed, inclusive and taboo-free books to discuss anatomy and intimacy with children. These books treat subjects such as puberty, gender identity, consent or love outside the scope of anatomy. Necessary books to put into all children's hands as soon as they express an interest and need for information.

This third volume focuses on conception, adoption, parenthood and family in general. It begins with an anatomical and scientific part presenting fertilization, the development of the baby, being twins, the different techniques of ART (Assisted Reproductive Technology), birth, breastfeeding, adoption, perinatal mourning, etc. A second, more sociological part presents the different ways to be a family, education, the rights of the children, etc. At the end of the book, there is a glossary and a page listing the contacts of associations.









The Picture Book of Intimacy, of the Vulva, the Vagina, the Uterus, the Clitoris, Menstruations etc.

Le petit illustré de l'intimité, de la vulve, du vagin, de l'utérus, du clitoris, des règles etc.

05/2021 56 pages Atelier de la Belle Étoile



The first volume, dedicated to the vulva, the vagina, the uterus, the clitoris and menstruations was published in Spring 2021.



The Picture Book of Intimacy, of the Penis, the Scrotum, Testicules, Foreskin, Erections etc.

Le petit illustré de l'intimité, du pénis, du scrotum, des testicules, du prépuce, des éréctions etc.

09/2021 48 pages Atelier de la Belle Étoile

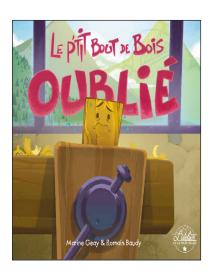


The second volume on the penis, the scrotum, testicles, foreskin and erections was published in September 2021.

by Mathilde Baudy and Tiphaine Dieumegard

Mathilde and Tiphaine both wrote these books, and Mathilde illustrated them. They were published within their own editorial structure, Atelier de la Belle Étoile, with over 31.000 copies sold for the first volume and over 20.000 for the second volume.

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The Small Piece of Wood that was Forgotten



Le p'tit bout de bois oublié

by Marine Geay and Romain Baudy 09/2021 45 pages Atelier de la Belle Étoile

Since the carpenter had a baby, he no longer looks after his workshop, and the small piece of wood feels abandoned... But with perseverance, it will prove its strength and autonomy by sanding, sawing, and planing itself, until it becomes Albert, the first wooden robot of a long line!

With a poetic pen and a fun drawing, the authors and illustrators bring a beautiful message to children who might feel alone, rejected, or chosen last.

The smallest seed often makes the biggest tree. Indian proverb



Romain Baudy

Author and illustrator of fantasy comics, this is his first children's album. Romain is also the co-creator of the toys of the Atelier de la Belle Etoile, whose universe inspired this book full of poetry. Every day in his workshop he handmades the pretty robots that are featured in this book.



Marine Geay

Author, illustrator of children's books on the theme of the mountains, which she travels and enjoys, she takes the pen and leaves the brush to Romain for a co-edition with the Atelier de la belle étoile.



Mina the Brave

Mina la Brave

by Val-Bleu 05/2022 64 pages Editions du Remue-ménage

Mina lives close to the forest. One day, she gets lost and afraid. What are the dangers? Will she be able to fight back if the animals attack her? With the help of a loving cougar, Mina learns that she is resourceful and that animals she once feared can become allies. A tale of self-esteem, courage and confidence, *Mina the Brave* is full of fun details about life in the forest and the secret it hides.

Set in the forests of Quebec, this book describes the environment as an ally and no longer a threat, as soon as the child shows solidarity and cooperation with its inhabitants.

An album on the ecology of courage, drawn from the esteem of others and given back to those who need it.





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Ines Wanted to Dance

Ines voulait aller danser

by Manon Bouchareu 03/2020 64 pages Editions Libertalia

Formerly a doctoral student in educational sciences and gender studies, **Manon Bouchareu** is an elementary school teacher of deaf and disabled children. Ines is a young but almost adult rat who lives with her family in the quiet town of Candy-Rat. She receives an invitation to the dance for those who are single, an institution where young female rats and male rats usually find their "better half". Ines loves to dance but doesn't want to go to the ball. Why should she have to conform to "norms" instead of being free to do what she really wants?

Yes, I know you are concerned and want me to succeed in my life. But even if it means being wrong, I don't wish to force myself yo make a choice that is not me juste to please you.



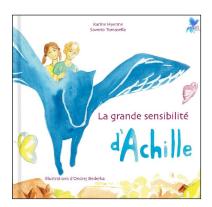
- Ines







Illustrated Books



Karine Hyenne is a poet. She writes stories for children, and novels, including *Comme un enfant* (Éditions Leduc), co-written with Saverio Tomasella.

Ondrej Bederka is an illustrator, stylist and fashion designer.



Achille's Great Sensitivity

La grande sensibilité d'Achille

written by S.Tomasella and K.Hyenne, illustrated by O. Bederka

04/2020 - 48 pages - Editions Ailes & Graines

Achille likes to watch nature and animals, without being in a rush, he is very sensitive. One day, he meets his new neighbor, Capucine, who is different from him, and upsets his habits a bit. The two children get closer as they find an injured cat. Taking care of him will allow them to become friends and to accept their mutual differences. Together, they discover a wonderful and benevolent world, where nature speaks, and where Achille learns that his great sensitivity is a strength and that he must take care of it.





Approximately 30% of people are affected by high sensitivity. This book is made for all children, to not be afraid of hypersensitivity, to accept it and value it. This is also an explanatory guide for adults which helps them understand the needs of these children.



Focus on Saverio Tomasella:

He is a psychoanalyst and doctor in psychology. He founded the Observatory of Sensitivity in 2016, which studies high sensitivity profiles to provide keys to professionals and seeks to promote a positive vision of these profiles. His research distinguishes between different degrees of sensitivity (hypersensitivity, ultrasensitivity, high sensitivity). Tomasella used his knowledge on the subject for popularization books (published with Éditions Larousse, Eyrolles, Éditions Leduc, Éditions Albin Michel), for adults with high sensitivity or for those who take care of children with high sensitivity, but also books for children.





Yaëlle Henry and Cévany are sisters. Together, they want to transmit positive values from their chilhood and actual lives to children.

Happiness Is Everywhere for Those Who Want to See It



Le bonheur est partout pour qui veut bien le voir

written by Yaëlle Henry and Cévany, illustrated by Cévany

12/2021 40+ pages Editions Ailes & Graines

Family is the privileged place of the psychosomatic development of children, which nourishes and impacts their relationship to the world. And, if optimism is not an innate personality trait, it is possible to nurture it in children's minds, so that they understand that happiness is within easy reach. This book deals with the little joys of daily life, with family and friends, through sharing and mutual respect, to help parents and children share how wonderful small and big events can be, and look to the future with serenity, enthusiasm and optimism.

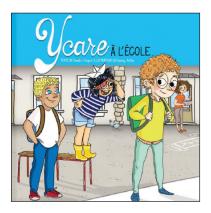




Happiness is about sharing.

Among our toys, there are many that we don't use anymore. What if we tidy up? We will make some space in our room and we'll be able to give them to other children to light up their day.

Illustrated Books



Élodie Crépel is a psychotherapist specialized in hypersensitivity and the author of children and adult books. She is one of the founders of Éditions Ailes & Graines.

At School with Ycare

Ycare à lécole

written by Élodie Crépel, illustrated by Fanny Vella

2018 - 56 pages - Editions Ailes & Graines

Ycare à l'école is a benevolent children's book written to prevent bullying at school and facilitate tolerance and respect of one another. It is composed of two stories for children, parents and school professionals, an ideal tool to discuss and help prevent certain difficulties. Accepting singularity and being tolerant are at the heart of the first story "What animal are you?". The second story "A captain's superpower" talks about the issue of bullying and stresses benevolence, communication and emotions. It provides great tools to better communicate as a family.

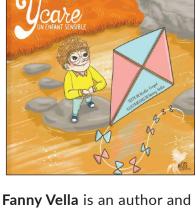
Ycare, a Sensitive Child

Ycare, un enfant sensible

written by Élodie Crépel, illustrated by Fanny Vella

2019 - 56 pages - Editions Ailes & Graines

Ycare un enfant sensible is a children's book that helps hypersensitive children to gain self-confidence. Hypersensitivity is neither a fault nor a weakness or fragility and it affects 30% of people. How to address this subject with children? How can we make them understand that some children are hypersensitive the same way that others are short or tall? It is a fun learning tool revolving on an important axis: transforming the outlook of what children see like a handicap into a magical superpower.



illustrator. She illustrated the "Ycare" series published by Ailes & Graines, as well as a graphic novel about toxic romantic relationships: *Le Seuil* (Big Pepper).



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June and Her Family

June et sa famille



written by Élodie Crépel, illustrated by Cévany

2019 - 49 pages - Editions Ailes & Graines

This book sheds light on a family's needs and emotions, children and parents alike, in order to open discussion avenues with benevolence at an early age. *June et sa famille* plunges the reader in a warm, peaceful and gentle environment, where all members of the family are mindful of each other. The arrival of a little sister or brother, evenings where everyone is tired, the needs for security and affection are all examples of the themes that are addressed in this book with simple words, straightforward illustrations for nice stories that can be shared.

June and Her Siblings

June et sa fraterie

written by Élodie Crépel, illustrated by Cévany

2019 - 56 pages - Editions Ailes & Graines

The aim of this book is to talk about interactions between siblings with non-violent communication from a very young age. Sharing toys, parents dividing their time with all their children, communication on needs and emotions are the themes addressed in this book with simple words, straightforward illustrations for nice stories that can be shared. And as a bonus, a family mediator gives us some "chat cards" to help deal with sibling conflicts.



Cévany is an author and illustrator of several books published with Ailes & Graines that aim to help children adress tolerance, diversity, inclusion and ecology.



Anaëlle Sanzey is a trainer, speaker and consultant in relational communication. She has been working for years with parents, children and childcare professionals.

A School Bag Full of Emotions

Des émotions plein le cartable



written by Anaëlle Sanzey, illustrated by Cévany

06/2021 - 40+ pages - Editions Ailes & Graines

What is happening inside me?

The beginning of the school year, especially the first times, can provoke many different, and sometimes contradictory, emotions for children: enthusiasm, excitement, sadness, missing family, anger, fear... This book helps children put into words what they may feel at school, through the stories of diverse characters who encounter different problems. These situations show them that it is normal to be afraid to meet new people or to be disappointed to come home after a great day!

Parents, caregivers and educators will find tools to accompany and support the children in this journey and determine, with them, what could help them to feel better.

The Waterfall

La cascade

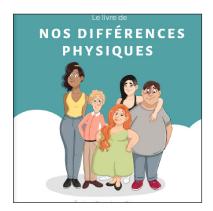
by Cévany

08/2020 - 48 pages - Editions Ailes & Graines

It is not easy to get children to be aware of ecological values without making them feel anxious or guilty. This book gives a simple and concrete example of the consequences of their actions on the planet. Calie is an energetic and enthusiastic young girl. Like a lot of children, she is motivated by her wishes and cravings in the moment. So when she goes out, she leaves the wrapping of her snack on the ground, and gradually, this beautiful place is degraded. This story helps to address the consequences of our everyday gestures to raise awareness on ecological damage, it underlines important values like friendship and solidarity. The book also offers practical solutions children can implement.



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Our Physical Differences

Nos différences physiques

by Cévany

11/2020 - 40 pages - Editions Ailes & Graines

This children's book aims to convey the richness of diversity. Handicap, skin colors, hair styles, weight, height... There is no "standard" body, and everyone has an appearance that is their own. How can we help children to be aware of this tolerance? They all have their own outlook on the world and that is precisely where differences begin. It's an invitation for children to take their time and find their rhythm to watch the illustrations. As they evolve and get older, they can find new details to focus on which are all occasions to communicate on the subject. The evolutive aspect of the book offers nice moments of complicity between parents and children and among siblings.

In My Classroom

Dans ma classe

by Daisy

09/2020 - 48 pages - Editions Ailes & Graines

Come discover extraordinarily ordinary children!

When we talk about school, we mainly talk about children. Children who come with their backgrounds, cultures, dreams, needs, skills and also with their differences. What if we considered these differences as specificities that have their rightful place in school and not as handicaps? In this book, 14 characters have their own singularity: dyslexia (and other dys troubles), handicap, social and cultural differences, hypersensitivity, gifted children etc.

Each particularity has a definite color that helps underline all the specifities without bringing any judgment in the process. Every child can identify with one or more of the characters as well as their siblings, family, friends, classmates etc.

Daisy is a joyful and optimist illustrator and author who wields her art with humor and poetry to convey nice messages. She worked as a

love: drawing. She has an art-therapy degree and is the commited mother of two children, very active in the fight against discriminations at school.

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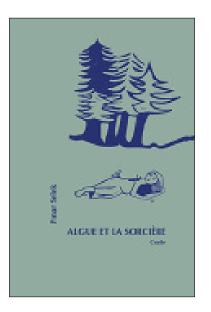
going back to her first







FICTION



Pinar Selek is a writer and sociologist. A feminist activist, antimilitarist, she works on the themes of marginalization and exclusion. Persecuted by the judiciary, she had to leave Turkey and has been in exile since 2009.

Algue and the Witch

Algue et la sorcière

written by P. Selek (translated from Turkish by L. Lavoisier), illustrated by E. Reboulet

11/2021 - 56 pages - Editions des Lisières

Algue is a curious and fearless child, who does not let herself be intimidated by the fears that pollute the life and harmony of her island... The day the Black Cape Witch attacks her brother, Algue plucks up the courage to go see her and call her to account... Who is this Black Cape Witch?

After *Verte et les oiseaux*, this second tale by Pinar Selek questions the fear of the other and the preconceived ideas, and the courage it takes to overcome them.

Verte and the Birds

Verte et les oiseaux

written by P. Selek (translated from Turkish by L. Lavoisier), illustrated by E. Reboulet

2017 - 64 pages - Editions des Lisières

Verte and her grandmother have a fabulous power: they speak the language of birds... Well, fabulous, not for everyone! If it's a miracle for humans, it's a disaster for birds! Humans are already taking up so much space... Will they use this new power to extend their empire even further? For the birds, it's action stations now...

The first children's tale by Pinar Selek to be translated into French, *Verte et les oiseaux* is an initiatory tale, a hymn to freedom, friendship and to a joyful (of course!) sobriety!





YOUNG ADULT

Young Adult



Élise Saint-Jullian is a journalist who has worked for media such as Le Monde and TV5 Monde. Through her articles, she promotes the defense of women's rights and gender equality.

Trained as a landscape architect, **LK.Imany** put her career on hold to devote herself to illustration. She works on the representation of minorities in France. Her universe revolves around feminism, science fiction and fantasy, sprinkled with her penchant for streetstyle and video games. She has designed several book covers.

Muslim Women of the World



Musulmanes du monde

by Élise Saint-Jullian, illustrated by L.K. Imany

04/2021 86 pages Editions Faces Cachées

With this series of 30 portraits, meet inspiring Muslim women around the world. Sportswomen, scientists, activists, entrepreneurs, contemporary or more ancient figures, they have worked (or are still working) for a better world, by committing themselves, breaking prejudices and being brave.

Inspirational role models, these women's journeys are an invitation to pursue one's dreams, without barriers of religion, gender or social background. This book aims to give children and teenagers role models, to portray Muslim women in all their complexity and to celebrate their diversity.

Muslim Women of the World intends to celebrate the diversity of Muslim women of the past and present.







The Friendzone: A Guide to Non-Sexual and Harmonious Relationships Between Good Willing Straight People



La zone de l'amitié : Guide des rapports non sexuels et harmonieux entre hétéros de bonne volonté

by Val-Bleu

2018 - 64 pages - Editions du Remue-ménage

At a party, two girls discuss a seemingly ordinary topic: can men and women be friends or does desire always corrupt everything? How do you not consider a person of the opposite sex as a potential lover? And if sexual attraction is sometimes inevitable, is it possible to overcome it?

Soon, all the guests join the conversation and add their two cents. The rabbit, the troubadour, the frustrated spinster, the big macho, the shy guy... A merry band of cheeky people who will try to clear up the issue with arguments, anecdotes, insults. And the party goes sour...

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- I love you.

- Damn, I just want to be friends.
- What do you mean, JUST friends? Why do people say it like that? Friendship is fucking awesome!
- Yeah, but I wanted to have sex with it.



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Young Adult



Where the Fire and the Bear



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Là où le feu et l'ours

by Corinne Morel Darleux

05/2021 256 pages Editions Libertalia

The story of the encounter between a young woman, Violette, and a baby bear, Têtard, in a hostile, arid environment, where the climate is dysregulated and lightnings strike the earth randomly, creating fires. They meet fellow travelers on their way to escaping the fires and finding a garden to temporary settle in. But one day, Violette brutally remembers her past and an old legend, stating the existence of a community based on interdependence and cooperation, where humans and non-humans learn, grow and live in harmony, and where nature is luxuriant: the Oasis.

Corinne Morel Darleux is a French politician, journalist, author and ecosocialist activist. After being involved in several left-wing parties, she decided to dedicate herself to writing and doing fieldwork. *Là où le feu et l'ours* is her second book.



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Get ready for a great journey.

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THE STARPOINT PROJECT TRILOGY

by Marie Lorna Vaconsin



Book 1: The Red Haired Girl

Tome 1 : La fille aux cheveux rouges

03/2017 - 480 pages - Editions La belle Colère

Pythagoras lives a quiet and predictable life until he meets Foresta, a mysterious red-haired girl, who irritates and attracts him in equal measure. One night, she shows up at his house to tell him that his best friend Louise disappeared. To bring her back, they must pass through the mirror's 'dead angle'. Pyth follows her, never suspecting that he is going to enter a parallel universe.

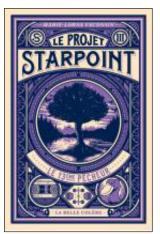
Book 2: The Adjinns' Awakening

Tome 2 : Le réveil des Adjinns

10/2018 - 432 pages - Editions La belle Colère

Though finally out of his coma, Pythagoras' father roams about as if in a trance. Pyth desperately seeks a means to save him, but a more urgent danger is threatening him: in Foresta's world, the fight over the Sublittoral's resources still rages and a new force appears in this already strained context. The Adjinns, those capable of creating bridges between two dimensions, are rising up against their age-old enemies — the Safe-Guards.





Book 3: The 13th Fisherman

Tome 3 : Le 13^{ème} pêcheur

04/2020 - 430 pages - Editions La belle Colère

After the great victory won by Pythagoras and the Adjinns, the boy's father finally wakes up from his coma. But the Adjinns are about to invade the huge Forest of Emerlynd, an opencast penal colony where, for centuries, their brothers have been tortured. On their journey, the three heroes will finally discover the secret that haunts that land at the end of the earth...

