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Liz interviews Sophie Beer



Sophie Beer is an award-winning illustrator/author living in Brisbane, Australia.

She completed a dual degree in Law and Creative Industries with distinction at Queensland University of Technology but found the whole law thing unutterably dull and now works primarily in children's and editorial illustration. She is perpetually astounded that she has somehow hoodwinked people into paying her money to draw all day long. Revelling in colour, shape and texture, she lives by one simple rule: art should never be boring. As a writer, her work has appeared in Frankie Magazine and The Big Issue.

When she's not illustrating and writing, she thinks a lot about plants, animals, music, books, and equality.

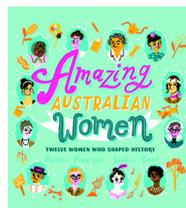
Sophie is the winner of the 2016 SCBWI Penguin/Random House Portfolio award.

Find out more about Sophie at:

Website: sophie-beer.com

Instagram: [@sophiebeerdraws](https://www.instagram.com/sophiebeerdraws)

Sophie's books include:



Lismore Flood Relief Spots - Rebecca Timmis



Before she started writing magical and adventurous stories, Rebecca wrote code for websites (which is not nearly as exciting). She's had lots of real-life adventures like almost falling off the Great Wall of China, hiding from grizzly bears in Canada and being chased by giant pigs in outback Queensland. When Rebecca isn't writing or drawing, she's working hard to turn her rambunctious three boys into polite members of society or watching superhero movies with her husband.

Find out more about Rebecca at:

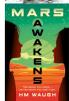
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Whatcha Readin'?



Kate recommends **Seven Days** by Fleur Ferris, published by Penguin Random House penguin.com.au/books/seven-days-9781761043352



Mars Awakens by H.M. Waugh, published by Allen and Unwin allenandunwin.com/browse/books/childrens/Mars-Awakens-HM-Waugh-9781760526979



How to Tackle Your Dreams by Fiona Hardy, published by Affirm Press affirmpress.com.au/publishing/how-to-tackle-your-dreams



Big Magic by Sarah Armstrong, published by Hardie Grant hardiegrant.com/au/publishing/bookfinder/book/big-magic-by-sarah-armstrong/9781760508432



Charlie's Swim by Edith Wright and Charmaine Ledden-Lewis, published by Magabala Books magabala.com/products/charlies-swim



Liz recommends **The Way of Dog**, written by Zana Fraillon, illustrated by Sean Buckingham and published by UQP. uqp.com.au/books/the-way-of-dog



Let's Build a Backyard by Mike Lucas, illustrated by Daron Parton and published by Lothian Books at Hachette hachette.com.au/mike-lucas-daron-parton/lets-build-a-backyard



Sere's Story written by Irma Gold, illustrated by Wayne Harris and published by Walker Books walkerbooks.com.au/book/9781925126990/



Miimi Marraal by Melissa Greenwood, published by ABC Books at Harper Collins harpercollins.com.au/9780733341632/miimi-marraal-mother-earth/



Keeping with the Dachshunds written by Carla Fitzgerald, illustrated by Rebel Challenger and published by Larrikin House. larrikinhouse.com.au/products/keeping-up-with-the-dachshunds

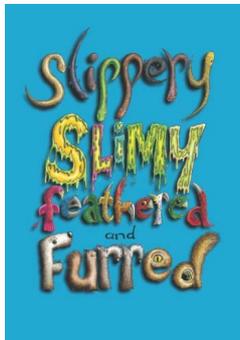
A Sprinkle of Sadie by Lana Spasevski, illustrated by Joanie Stone and published by Affirm Press. affirmpress.com.au/publishing/a-sprinkle-of-sadie/

Shout-out

This episode, Kate gives a shoutout to Nat's new middle grade book *We Run Tomorrow*. Here on the pod, we're all incredibly excited to be celebrating the release of this awesome new middle-grade book that comes with a graphic novel twist courtesy of the fabulous Mike Barry of Action Tank fame. If you'd like to find out more about *We Run Tomorrow*, check out Georgina's review over on our [book reviews](#) page.



On Our Radar



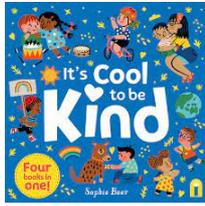
On Liz's radar is a new anthology - **Slippery, Slimy, Feathered and Furred** - shining a spotlight on Australia's endangered species. It's aimed at primary school readers aged 7-12.

Put together by the Hunter Writers' Centre with support from Create NSW, it features contributions by authors from Newcastle and surrounds, including Gabrielle Reid, Emily S. Smith, Kelli Hawkins and lots more, plus illustrators including Liz Anelli and Kirrili Lonergan.

Find the anthology on Booktopia [here](#) or request it via your local independent bookshop!

Competition Details

This episode, we have a fabulous book pack to give away thanks to our friends at **Hardie Grant Children's Publishing** and their imprint, **Bright Light**. The prize consists of a Sophie Beer collection of her Cool to be Kind board books, *How to Say Hello*, *Kindness Makes us Strong*, *Love Makes a Family* and *Change Starts with Us*.



Head to our [WIN](#) page and simply tell us what you would do at an arty party, plus let us know you've followed Bright Light on social media (@brightlightpublishing on Instagram or Facebook)!

Enter your answer (or ask a parent to) by 5pm Tuesday 14 June to be in the running.

Thanks

To illustrators Ramona Davey and Marianne Khoo for all our wonderful One More Page images. And to our sound editor Adam Orlowski for his wonderful audio genius - check out his other work at www.aosd.tk

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all illustrations have been done by Marianne Khoo who we love & appreciate more than she can ever imagine!

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