ARTIST STATEMENT

“Children see the extraordinary in everything. Cracks in the sidewalk become gaping canyons to be crossed. Clouds in the sky are rocks in an upside down tide pool. Everything is a revelation. I’m fascinated by the space between the imagined and the real where children spend so much time, and I seek to capture its richness and potential in my illustration work.

Working with a combination of digital and traditional media, I create rich, textured characters and vibrant worlds. I avoid the cartoon smiles and eye-watering colors too often prized by a market that seeks to hold a child’s attention at all costs. I believe children deserve better - beautiful, intentional artwork and stories with real depth. My hope is that my pictures are a launch pad for the viewer’s own imagination.”

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