

Latinx Characters and Culture Booklist

Picture Books

Across the Bay by Carlos Aponte, illustrations by the author
All Around Us by Xelena González, illustrations by Adriana M. Garcia
Alma and How She Got Her Name by Juana Martinez-Neal, illustrations by the author
Between Two Windows by Keisha Morris, illustrations by the author
Bisa's Carnaval by Joana Pastro, illustrations by Carolina Coroa
Brick by Brick by Heidi Woodward Sheffield, illustrations by the author
Carmela Full of Wishes by Matt de la Pena, illustrations by Christian Robinson
The Cazuela That the Farm Maiden Stirred by Samantha R. Vamos, illustrations by Rafael López
The Children of the Sun: an Inca legend by Micaela Chirif, illustrations by Juan Palomino
Coquí in the City by Nomar Perez, illustrations by the author
The Coquíes Still Sing by Karina Nicole González, illustrations by Krystal Quiles
The Cot in the Living Room by Hilda Eunice Burgos, illustrations by Gaby D'Alessandro
A Day Without Sugar by Diane DeAnda, illustrations by Janet Montecalvo, translation by Gabriela Baeza Ventura
The Day You Begin by Jacqueline Woodson, illustrations by Rafael López
Desert Song by Laekan Zea Kemp, illustrations by Beatriz Gutiérrez Hernández
The Dream Catcher by Marcelo Verdad
Dreamers by Yuyi Morales, illustrations by the author
Dreams of Green: a Three Kings' Day Story by Mariel Jungkunz, illustrations by Mónica Paola Rodríguez
Drum Dream Girl by Margarita Engle, illustrations by Rafael López
Fire! Fuego! Brave Bomberos by Susan Middleton Elya, illustrations by Dan Santat
Galápagos Girl by Marsha Diane Arnold, illustrations by Angela Dominguez, translations by Adriana Domínguez
A Girl Like Me by Angela Johnson, illustrations by Nina Crews
Gracias = Thanks by Pat Mora, illustrations by John Parra, translation by Adriana Domínguez
Granny's Kitchen by Sadé Smith, illustrations by Ken Daley
Green is a Chile Pepper: a book of colors by Roseanne Greenfield Thong, illustrated by John Parra
How Are You? = Cómo estás? by Angela Dominguez, illustrations by the author
How Do You Say? = Cómo se dice? by Angela Dominguez, illustrations by the author
I Am Enough by Grace Byers, illustrations by Keturah A. Bobo
I Believe I Can by Grace Byers, illustrations by Keturah A. Bobo
I Got a Chicken For My Birthday by Laura Gehl, illustrations by Sarah Horne
Imagine by Juan Felipe Herrera, illustrations by Lauren Castillo
Julián is a Mermaid by Jessica Love, illustrations by the author
Julián at the Wedding by Jessica Love, illustrations by the author
Just Ask! Be Different, Be Brave, Be You by Sonia Sotomayor, illustrations by Rafael López
Just Like Home by Elizabeth Miller, illustrations by Mira Reisberg, translation by Teresa Mlawer
Just a Minute: A Trickster Tale and Counting Book by Yuyi Morales, illustrations by the author
Kaia and the Bees by Maribeth Boelts, illustrations by Angela Dominguez
The Last Tamale by Orlando Mendiola, illustrations by Teresa Martinez

Little Roja Riding Hood by Susan Middleton Elya, illustrations by Susan Guevera
Lola's Fandango by Anna Witte, illustrations by Micha Archer
Looking for Bongo by Eric Velasquez, illustrations by the author
Lucía the Luchadora by Cynthia Leonor Garza, illustrations by Alyssa Bermudez
Lupe Lopez: Rock Star Rules! by e.E. Charlton-Trujillo and Pat Zietlow Miller, illustrations by Joe Cepeda
A Maleta Full of Treasures by Natalia Sylvester, illustrations by Juana Medina
Mamá's Magnificent Dancing Plantitas by Jesús Trejo, illustrations by Eliza Kinkz
Mango, Abuela, and Me by Meg Medina, illustrations by Angela Dominguez
Maria Had a Little Llama by Angela Dominguez, illustrations by the author
Marisol McDonald Doesn't Match by Monica Brown, illustrations by Sara Palacios, translation by Adriana Domínguez
Marta! Big & Small by Jen Arena, illustrations by Angela Dominguez
May Your Life Be Deliciosa by Michael Genhart, illustrations by Loris Lora
My Papi Has a Motorcycle by Isabel Quintero, illustrations by Zeke Peña
My Two Border Towns by David Bowles, illustrations by Erika Meza
A New Kind of Wild by Zara Gonzalez Hoang, illustrations by the author
Niño Wrestles the World by Yuyi Morales, illustrations by the author
No Dogs Allowed! by Sonia Manzano, illustrations by Jon J. Muth
Not a Bean by Claudia Guadalupe Martinez, illustrations by Laura Gonzalez
The Notebook Keeper: a story of kindness from the border by Stephen Briseño, illustrations by Magdalena Mora
Octopus Stew by Eric Velasquez, illustrations by the author
One is a Piñata: a book of numbers by Roseanne Greenfield Thong, illustrated by John Parra
Our Day of the Dead Celebration by Ana Aranda, illustrations by the author
Un Pájaro en Casa by Blanca Gómez, illustrations by the author
Pancho Rabbit and the Coyote by Duncan Tonatiuh, illustrations by the author
Papá's Magical Water-Jug Clock by Jesús Trejo, illustrations by Eliza Kinkz
Pedro for President by Fran Manushkin, illustrations by Tammie Lyon (and others in the *Pedro* series)
Plátanos Are Love by Alyssa Reynoso-Morris, illustrations by Mariyah Rahman
Popo the Xolo by Paloma Angelina Lopez, illustrations by Abraham Matias
La Princesa and the Pea by Susan Middleton Elya, illustrations by Juana Martinez-Neal
Reina Ramos Works It Out by Emma Otheguy, illustrations by Andrés Landazábal (and others in the *Reina Ramos* series)
Round is a Tortilla: a book of shapes by Roseanne Greenfield Thong, illustrated by John Parra
Rubia and the Three Osos by Susan Middletown Elya, illustrations by Melissa Sweet
Skeletown: Sí. No! by Rhode Montijo, illustrations by the author
A Sled for Gabo by Emma Otheguy, illustrations by Ana Ramírez González
Sofía Valdez, Future Prez by Andrea Beaty, illustrations by David Roberts
Spanish is the Language of My Family by Michael Genhart, illustrations by John Parra
Sumo Libre by Joe Cepeda, illustrations by the author
Sundust by Zeke Peña, illustrations by the author
The Three Billy Goats Buenos by Susan Middleton Elya, illustrations by Miguel Ordoñez
Tía Fortuna's New Home by Ruth Behar, illustrations by Devon Holzwarth
Tía Isa Wants a Car by Meg Medina, illustrations by Claudio Muñoz
Vamos! Let's Go Eat! by Raúl the Third, illustrations by the author (and others in the *Vamos!* series)

Waiting for the Biblioburro by Monica Brown, illustrations by John Parra
Where Are You From? by Yamile Saide Méndez, illustrations by Jaime Kim

Junior Fiction

90 Miles to Havana by Enrique Flores-Galbis
Across So Many Seas by Ruth Behar
Alebrijes by Donna Barba Higuera
Barefoot Dreams of Petra Luna by Alda P. Dobbs
Basketball Camp Champ by Jake Maddox, illustrations by Berenice Muñiz
Big Apple Diaries by Alyssa Bermudez, illustrations by the author
BlancaFlor: the hero with secret powers by Nadja Spiegelman, illustrations by Sergio García Sánchez
Boy Bites Bug by Rebecca Petruck
Catch Soccer's Beat by Jake Maddox, illustrations by Eduardo Garcia
Chews Your Destiny by Rhode Montijo, illustrations by the author (and others in the *Gumazing Gum Girl* series)
Doña Quixote: Rise of the Knight by Rey Terciero, illustrations by Monica M. Magaña
The Dreamer by Pam Muñoz Ryan
Each Tiny Spark by Pablo Cartaya
Efrén Divided by Ernesto Cisneros
An Encantadora's Guide to Monstros and Magic by Sarah J. Mendonca
The Enchanted Life of Valentina Mejía by Alexandra Alessandri
The Epic Fail of Arturo Zamora by Pablo Cartaya
Esperanza Rising by Pam Muñoz Ryan
Falling Short by Ernesto Cisneros
The First Rule of Punk by Celia C. Pérez
Flor and Miranda Steal the Show by Jennifer Torres
The Fresh New Face of Griselda by Jennifer Torres
Frizzy by Claribel A. Ortega, illustrations by Rose Bousamra
Ghost Squad by Claribel A. Ortega
The Ghosts of Rancho Espanto by Adrianna Cuevas
The Girl and the Robot by Oz Rodriguez and Claribel Ortega
Graciela in the Abyss by Meg Medina
Halfway to Somewhere by Jose Pimienta, illustrations by the author
Harbor Me by Jacqueline Woodson
A Hero's Guide to Summer Vacation by Pablo Cartaya
How to Say Goodbye in Cuban by Daniel Miyares, illustrations by the author
How Tía Lola Came to Visit Stay by Julia Alvarez (and companion, ***How Tía Lola Saved the Summer***)
I Lived on Butterfly Hill by Marjorie Agosín
Isla to Island by Alexis Castellanos, illustrations by the author
Iveliz Explains It All by Andrea Beatriz Arango
Julieta and the Diamond Enigma by Luisana Duarte Armendariz
Juana & Lucas by Juana Medina, illustrations by the author
Land of the Cranes by Aida Salazar
The Last Beekeeper by Pablo Cartaya
The Last Cuentista by Donna Barba Higuera

Lola by Karla Arenas Valenti
Lola Levine is Not Mean by Monica Brown, illustrations by Angela Dominguez (and others in the *Lola Levine* series)
The Lords of Night by J.C. Cervantes (and sequel, ***Dawn of the Jaguar***)
Lowriders in Space by Cathy Camper, illustrations by Raúl the Third (and sequel, ***Lowriders to the Center of the Earth***)
Lucky Broken Girl by Ruth Behar
Lucy Lopez, Coding Star by Claudia Mills, illustrations by Grace Zong
Lupe Wong Won't Dance by Donna Barba Higuera
Mañanaland by Pam Muñoz Ryan
Marcus Vega Doesn't Speak Spanish by Pablo Cartaya
Maximilian & the Mystery of the Guardian Angel by Xavier Garza, illustrations by the author
Merci Suárez Changes Gears by Meg Medina (and sequels, ***Merci Suárez Can't Dance*** and ***Merci Suárez Plays It Cool***)
Mexikid by Pedro Martín, illustrations by the author
Miles Morales: Shock Waves by Justin A. Reynolds, illustrations by Pablo Leon
Miosotis Flores Never Forgets by Hilda Eunice Burgos
Miss Quinces by Kat Fajardo, illustrations by the author
Mixed Feelings by Sara Amini, illustrations by Shadia Amin
Monster Locker by Jorge Aguirre and Andrés Vera Martínez
The Moon Within by Aida Salazar
Mountain Dog by Margarita Engle
El Niño by Pam Muñoz Ryan
Paola Santiago and the River of Tears by Tehlor Kay Mejia (and others in the *Paola Santiago* series)
The Pecan Sheller by Lupe Ruiz-Flores
Pilar Ramirez and the Escape from Zafa by Julian Randall (and sequel, *Pilar Ramirez and the Curse of San Zenon*)
Sal and Gabi Break the Universe by Carlos Hernandez (and sequel, ***Sal & Gabi Fix the Universe***)
Salsa Magic by Letisha Marrero
A Sea of Lemon Trees: the Corrido of Roberto Alvarez by María Dolores Águila
Shine On, Luz Véliz by Rebecca Balcárcel
Sofía Acosta Makes a Scene by Emma Otheguy
Something Like Home by Andrea Beatriz Arango
Stef Soto, Taco Queen by Jennifer Torres
Stella Díaz Has Something to Say by Angela Dominguez, illustrations by the author (and others in the *Stella Díaz* series)
Strange Birds by Celia C. Pérez
They Call Me Guero: a border kid's poems by David Bowles
The Total Eclipse of Nestor Lopez by Adrianna Cuevas
Tumble by Celia C. Pérez
Twin Cities by Jose Pimienta, illustrations by the author
Valentina Salazar is NOT a Monster Hunter by Zoraida Córdova
The Way to Rio Luna by Zoraida Córdova
The Water Bears by Kimberley Baker
Wild Survival: Crocodile Rescue! by Melissa Cristina Márquez
Xolo by Donna Barba Higuera, illustrations by Mariana Ruiz Johnson

Biographies

Alberto Salas Plays Paka Paka con la Papa by Sara Andrea Fajardo, illustrations by Juana Martinez-Neal

Alicia Alonso: Prima Ballerina by Carmen T. Bernier-Grand, illustrations by Raúl Colón

Areli is a Dreamer by Areli Morales, illustrations by Luisa Uribe

Call Me Roberto! Roberto Clemente Goes to Bat for Latinos by Nathalie Alonso, illustrations by Rudy Gutierrez

Clemente! by Willie Perdomo, illustrations by Bryan Collier

Dancing Hands: How Teresa Carreño Played the Piano for President Lincoln by Margarita Engle, illustrations by Rafael López

Danza! Amalia Hernández and el Ballet Folklórico de México by Duncan Tonatiuh, illustrations by the author

Diego Rivera: his world and ours by Duncan Tonatiuh, illustrations by the author

Enchanted Air: two cultures, two wings: a memoir by Margarita Engle

Esquivel! Space-Age Sound Artist by Susan Wood, illustrations by Duncan Tonatiuh

Frida Kahlo and Her Animalitos by Monica Brown, illustrations by John Parra

Funny Bones: Posada and His Day of the Dead Calaveras by Duncan Tonatiuh, illustrations by the author

A Girl Named Rosita: the story of Rita Moreno: Actor, Singer, Dancer, Trailblazer! by Anika Aldamuy Denise, illustrations by Leo Espinosa

Growing Up Pedro by Matt Tavares, illustrations by the author

Harvesting Hope: the story of Cesar Chavez by Kathleen Krull, illustrations by Yuyi Morales

Hear My Voice: the testimonies of children detained at the southern border of the United States compiled by Warren Binford

How to Hear the Universe: Gaby González and the Search for Einstein's Ripples in Space-Time by Patricia Valdez, illustrations by Sara Palacios

I Am Frida Kahlo by Brad Meltzer, illustrations by Christopher Eliopoulos

I Am Sonia Sotomayor by Brad Meltzer, illustrations by Christopher Eliopoulos

Martí's Song for Freedom by Emma Otheguy, illustrations by Beatriz Vidal, translation by Adriana Domínguez

Nacho's Nachos: the story behind the world's favorite snack by Sandra Nickel, illustrations by Oliver Dominguez

Pelé, King of Soccer by Monica Brown, illustrations by Rudy Gutierrez

Phenomenal AOC: the roots and rise of Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez by Anika Aldamuy Denise, illustrations by Loris Lora

Planting Stories: the Life of Librarian and Storyteller Pura Belpré by Anika Aldamuy Denise, illustrations by Paola Escobar

Schomburg: the Man Who Built a Library by Carole Boston Weatherford, illustrations by Eric Velasquez

She Persisted: Pura Belpré by Meg Medina, illustrations by Marilisa Jiménez García

Soldier for Equality: Jose de la Luz Saenz and the Great War by Duncan Tonatiuh, illustrations by the author

Tito Puente, Mambo King by Monica Brown, illustrations by Rafael López, translation by Adriana Domínguez

Turning Pages: my life story by Sonia Sotomayor, illustrations by Lulu Delacre

Viva Frida! by Yuyi Morales, photography by Tim O'Meara

Wanda Hears the Stars: a Blind Astronomer Listens to the Universe by Amy S. Hanson with Wanda Díaz Merced, illustrations by Rocío Arreola Mendoza

When Angels Sing: the story of rock legend Carlos Santana by Michael Mahin, illustrations
by Jose Ramirez