

Andrea Davis Pinkney



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All About Me

- Born September 25, 1963 in Washington D.C.
- Parents were involved in the civil rights movement.
- Aspired to write for magazines
- Mary Tyler Moore Show .
 - Mary Richards, a big-city journalist.

Making Dreams Happen

- Majored in journalism
 - University of Syracuse 1985
- Senior editor for Essence Magazine
- Switched to childrens books with encouragement from her husband
 - Married Brian (children's book editor) in 1991
- noticed the lack of African-American literature geared toward and available to children
- She decided to create something that would operate around their cultural norms and morals, something that would reflect their lives, their cultural heritage, and the achievements of African-American figures.

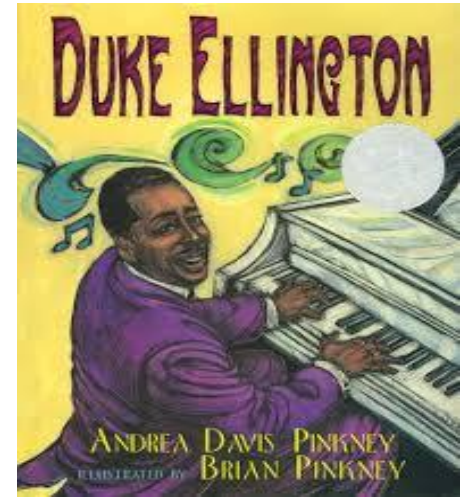
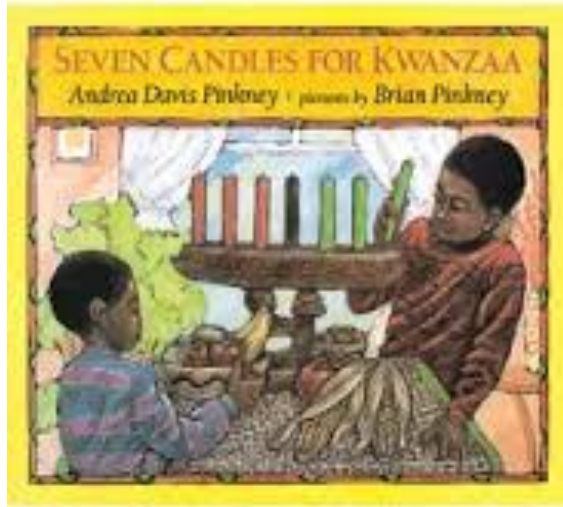
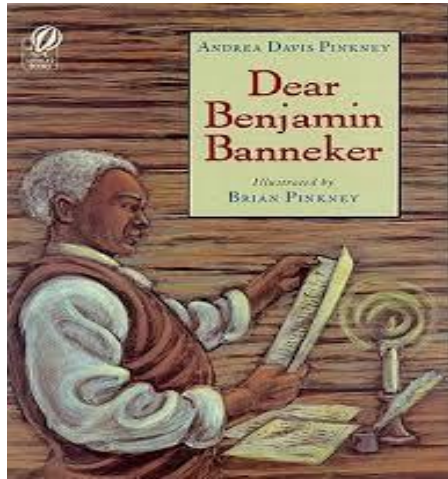
What I'm doing now

- Pinkney now lives in Brooklyn, New York
- managing editor for a new imprint
- Hyperion label called Jump at the sun
 - celebrate the experiences of the African-American community
 - include books that go beyond a particular niche, that are for every child's pleasure.
- Vice President and Editor at large for Scholastic Books

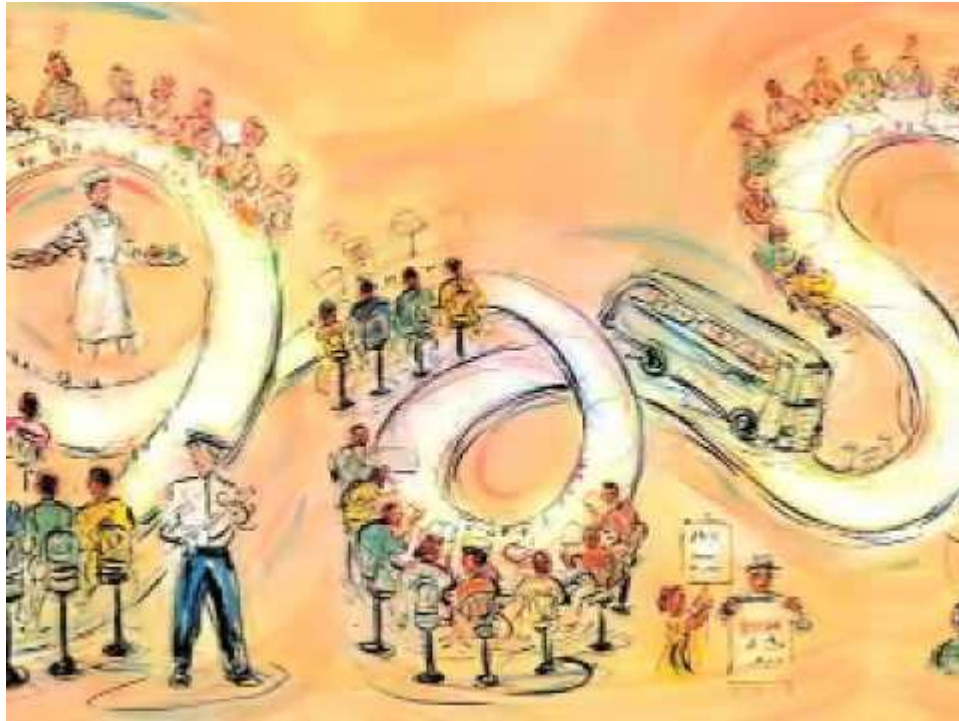
Other Books

- Ella Fitzgerald: The Tale of a Vocal Virtuosa (2002)
- Mim's Christmas Jam (2001)
- Dear Mr. President: Abraham Lincoln: Letters from a Slave Girl (2001)
- Let it Shine! Stories of Black Women Freedom Fighters (2000)
- Silent Thunder: A Civil War Story (1999)
- Raven in a Dove House (1998)
- Watch Me Dance (1997)
- Shake Shake Shake (1997)
- Solo Girl (1997)
- Pretty Brown Face (1997)
- I Smell Honey (1997)
- Bill Pickett, Rodeo Ridin' Cowboy (1996)
- Hold Fast to Dreams (1995)
- Alvin Ailey (1993)

Collaboration with the husband



The sit in



Awards

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zw2rJL2YaPw>

- **25 most influential black women in business**
 - the Network Journal

- **The 25 Most Influential People in Our Children's Lives**
 - Childrens Health Magazine.

Awards

- Best Arts Feature award Highlights for Children Foundation, 1992
- Parenting Publication award, 1993
- Pick of the List designation-American Booksellers, 1993, for *Seven Candles for Kwanzaa*
- Notable Children's Trade Book in the Field of Social Studies
- National Council for the Social Studies/Children's Book Council, 1994, for *Dear Benjamin Banneker*
- Notable Book citations, Society of School Librarians International, and American Library Association Notable Book.
- Coretta Scott King award, 2013 (Hand in Hand)

To learn more...

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