



A Celebration of Children's Literature
at the Concord Museum

FAMILY TREES



"Family Trees is such a joyous celebration of the holidays and books. It's so much fun to see your favorite book come to life on a tree, to see all the small decorations and to know why they are there. It feels like knowing a secret—much like knowing someone's special holiday present ahead of time. You can't wait for them to open that gift you know they are going to love. When people see the Family Tree of your favorite book, you just can't wait for them to read the book you know they are going to love, too. It's been an honor to have my books used as inspiration and I can't wait to see the trees this year."

~ author and illustrator **Grace Lin, Honorary Chair 2021**

26th Annual Family Trees

2021

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The 26th annual *Family Trees* is organized by the Museum's Guild of Volunteers as a benefit for the Museum's education initiatives November 24, 2021 through January 2, 2022

Gateway to Concord

The Last Marshmallow

written and illustrated by Grace Lin, 2021 Honorary Chair of *Family Trees*

It's a cold day and, along with hot cocoa, Olivia and Mei have three large marshmallows to share between them. Olivia gets one and Mei gets one. How will they share the last marshmallow? This is a math problem even very young people might be clever enough to solve!

Decorators: Janice Hart, Joyce Yoshizumi

Brooke Hall

Barefoot Books WATER: A Deep Dive of Discovery

by Christy Mihaly; illustrated by Mariona Cabassa

Immerse yourself in fascinating facts about water! A friendly water droplet character leads the way through topics ranging from melting and freezing to the ways in which water shapes the Earth. Tales by storytellers from around the world are sprinkled through the book along with hands-on activity ideas for learning about and protecting one of our planet's most precious resources.

Decorators: The Barefoot Books Design Team, with Jen Lannan

Bring Home a Book (or two)!

Family Trees books are for sale in the Concord Museum Shop in the Gateway in partnership with **The Concord Bookshop**

Don't miss the **Zak Family Gallery**
Concord: At the Center of Revolution.
Explore Concord's remarkable history
in just twelve objects.

People of Musketavid

We Are Water Protectors

by Carole Lindstrom; illustrated by Michaela Goade
2021 Caldecott Award Winner

Inspired by the many Indigenous-led movements across North America, one young water protector takes a stand to defend Earth's water from harm.

Decorator: Brittney Walley, Nipmuc

In the Rasmussen Education Center

Dozens of Doughnuts

by Carrie Finison and Brianne Farley

LouAnn (a bear) prepares for a long winter's nap by baking a dozen doughnuts. But before long, she has shared ALL her doughnuts with her woodland neighbors. Winter is here and there's nothing left for LouAnn to eat. Or, will there be?

Wreath Decorators: Milldam Nursery School,
Ruth Ann Teitelman, Debbie Duggan

Peace Train

by Cat Stevens; illustrated by Peter Reynolds

As a peace train glides across country towards a better future, the train comes closer, the song gets louder, and everyone is invited to jump on board!

Wreath Decorators: Maria Sacco and the children of the Magic Garden's Infant and Young Toddler Center, Lincoln

Daisy

by Jessixa Bagley

Walking with her head down lets Daisy notice things other people rarely see, like the treasures she finds and keeps in a secret fort in the woods. Could the person who starts leaving new items at the door to her fort be a new friend?

Wreath Decorators: Laurie Engdahl,
Katy Meyer-McEwen

Three Little Kittens

written and illustrated by Barbara McClintock

Make way for the three rollicking kittens who lost their mittens in this favorite nursery rhyme. As warm as pie from the oven is the fresh new twist to the classic story of the naughty, messy little kittens!

Wreath Decorators: Concord Council on Aging:
Grace Byers, Joanne DiNardo, Rut Johnson,
Cheryl Stetson (Lead), Marge Stetson,
Victoria Jacobson (Volunteer Coordinator)

Margaret Burke Classroom

Trees Make Perfect Pets

by Paul Czajak; illustrated by Cathy Gendron

Abigail chooses a pet for her birthday. It's a tree and it becomes her best friend, going everywhere with her. But Fido the tree grows too big to keep in the house. Planted outside, the tree becomes everyone's good friend!

Decorators: Tricia Writer, Jon Byrd, and the Fenn School 5th Grade students

Click Clack Moo: Cows That Type

by Doreen Cronin; illustrated by Betsy Lewin

When Farmer Brown's cows discover an old typewriter in the barn and begin airing their grievances, Farmer Brown is dumbfounded. Come join the fun as this bunch of literate cows turns the farm upside down.

Decorator: Carolyn Shute

Almost Time

by Gary D. Schmidt and Elizabeth Stickney;
illustrated by G. Brian Karas

Waiting for spring to come can be hard, especially when you've run out of maple syrup. It can seem as long as waiting for a loose tooth to come out! A boy and his father collect sap, haul buckets, and tend the fire in this rite of spring.

Decorators: Teresa MacNutt, Melissa Truehart,
Isabella Rodriguez, Anthony Rodriguez, and family helpers Massiel, Anthony, and Antonella

Deysher Family Classroom

Welcome Flower Child: The Magic of Your Birth Flower

written and illustrated by Brigette Barrager

Do you know what your birth flower is? Depending on what month you were born, there is one special flower that blooms every year and is distinctly special like you. Find out which birth flower is yours!

Decorators: Garden Club of Concord:
Julia Farwell-Clay, Mary Pope, Elizabeth Berk,
Chandler Woodland, Jane Coutre, Joan Campbell

The Hundred-Year Barn

by Patricia MacLachlan; illustrated by Kenard Pak

Have you ever spent time exploring the world inside a barn? A magnificent red barn that was built on the prairie 100 years ago symbolizes more than just shelter for the animals that have lived there.

Decorators: Judy and Kamala Bose

Round

by Jennifer Ward; illustrated by Lisa Congdon

It is amazing how many things in nature are round. Round is everywhere, but not necessarily as a perfect circle. Forms that are arched, coiled, oval, or spiral have roundness. Where can you find roundness in the outside world?

Decorators: Ann Ritchie, Marilyn Crone,
Gretchen Friend, Marygrace Barber

A Gift for Amma: Market Day in India

by Meera Sriram; illustrated by Mariona Cabassa

Our senses are imbued with the rich colors, smells, tastes, and sounds of an outdoor market in India with its array of spices, fabrics, bangles, vegetables, and flowers. How to choose just one gift from all the beautiful treasures?

Wreath Decorators: Jennifer Jacoby,
Kathi Terwilliger

Sally Lanagan Classroom

Let's Taco about How Great You Are

written and illustrated by Bob Holt

Playing with words is fun when you turn different foods into silly sayings and sage advice. This pun-derful book is full of everyday expressions and other useful wisdom. Best of all, it's all about YOU!

Decorators: Stacey Charbonneau, Lauren McClure,
Fiona Stevenson, and the Teen Volunteers
at Concord Free Public Library

* Many thanks to all the librarians in school and public libraries in Concord, Carlisle, Lincoln, and Greater Boston communities who support *Family Trees*.

Eric Carle's Animals Animals

Compiled by Laura Whipple;

illustrated by Eric Carle

in memory of Eric Carle (1929-2021)

Award-winning illustrator Eric Carle celebrates the wonder of Earth's wild and domestic animals in colorful collage designs accompanying animal poems, sayings, and verses by a variety of authors from around the world.

Decorators: Mary Beth Stevenson and her First Grade Class from Thoreau Elementary School

* Many thanks to all the teachers in public and private schools throughout our community who support *Family Trees*.

Dear Treefrog

by Joyce Sidman; illustrated by Diana Sudyka

You never know when you might run into a tree frog! Did you know that they have sticky toe pads so they can climb bushes and trees? When a shy girl moves to a new place, she finds a new friend in a tiny treefrog who lives in a secret spot.

Decorators: Emily Richardson, Heather Keefe Rivero,
and Carlisle Girl Scout Troop 76161

Churchill and Janet Franklin Lyceum

Change Sings: A Children's Anthem

by Amanda Gorman; illustrated by Loren Long

As a young girl leads a cast of characters on a musical journey, they learn that they have the power to make changes—big or small—in the world, in their communities, and in themselves.

Decorators: The Robbins House:
Rebecca Pearson Lo and Jessica Kaplowitz
with Mia Lo, Max Lo, and Stella Kaplowitz

Apple Cake: A Gratitude

by Dawn Casey; illustrated by Genevieve Godbout

Do you know all the things that go into making a delicious apple cake? Take a walk with a young girl as she gathers ingredients, being sure to thank nature for each of the elements.

Decorator: Angela Kadlec

Have You Ever Seen a Flower?

written and illustrated by Shawn Harris

Learn how to see a flower so deeply that you feel what it's like to be one! From the inside out, in all its vibrant color, being nourished, stretching toward the sun, growing stem to roots, feeling the life inside.

Decorators: Polly Meyer, Karen Burns,
Lynn Morel, Prow Sarns, Laurie Stefanov,
Michelle Stewart, Missy Wahl, and
Elisabeth Winterkorn

Ada and the Galaxies

by Alan Lightman and Olga Pastuchiv;
illustrated by Susanna Chapman

Ada loves looking at the stars, but the city lights make it hard to see the twinkling in the sky. She looks forward to visiting her grandparents' house in Maine where the night sky is very dark and she can see lots of stars... but then the fog rolls in!

Decorators: Mardi Hutchinson and
Concord Recreation AfterSchool

Mice Skating

by Annie Silvestro; illustrated by Teagan White

Lucy discovers how much fun it is to slip and slide on the frozen pond, and then glide, swirl, twirl, and dance. How does she get her friends to join her in discovering the joy of ice skating and how much fun winter can be?

Decorators: Emerson Auxiliary: Susannah Benner,
Rhonda Campagna, Caty Fledderjohn, Julia Hurley,
Melissa Karczewski, Amy Leahy, Mika Minots

Two Little Trains

by Margaret Wise Brown; illustrated by Greg Pizzoli

Follow these trains down the track heading west. Crossing rivers and plains, through tunnels, into the mountains, they will travel through the night, through rain and snow, in a hurry. They may be little trains, but they are on a big journey.

Decorators: Anita Hill and
Concord Carousel Preschool

If You Come to Earth

written and illustrated by Sophie Blackall

How would you explain our world to someone from outer space? We are all different from one another, but we all share this beautiful planet which provides us with everything we have.

Decorators: Melinda Nasardinov,
Tuna Chatterjee, Ali Lynch, and their Families

Now continue back through the
Rasmussen Education Center hallway
and up the ramp outside of the
People of Musketaquid Gallery
to visit ALL of the Museum's
newly-designed history galleries
on the 1st and 2nd floors.

Be sure to enjoy the various family activity
stations throughout the galleries.

After exploring the new
Earle-Mendillo Family Gallery featuring
April 19, 1775

and the other two galleries on the 2nd floor,
walk through the **Midnight Ride Passageway**
and then visit the **Gross Family Gallery**
for more *Family Trees*.

Gross Family Gallery

High Adventure on Lake Angelus

by Cindy V. H. Reynolds; illustrated by Swapan Debnath

Two brothers find themselves "lost at sea" during a storm. Without technology to guide them, they must rely on their own instincts and each other to navigate their way across the lake.

Decorator: Cindy V. H. Reynolds

Lisa H. Foote History Learning Center

The First Day of Winter

written and illustrated by Denise Fleming

Snow is lightly falling on the first day of winter and everything needed for making the perfect snowman is ready. What happens to the snowman when everyone is done playing outside? Only the creatures of the forest know!

Decorators: Pam Bracco, Karen Ahearn

Yayoi Kusama Covered Everything in Dots and Wasn't Sorry

written and illustrated by Fausto Gilberti

A young girl dreams of becoming an artist. She paints hundreds of dots, at first on canvases, but then the dots come off her pictures and appear all over other objects. She becomes the world's greatest polka dot artist!

Decorators: Fayth C. Chamberland and the students of Mrs. Ellis's Kindergarten and Mrs. Hollander's 5th Grade at the Thoreau School

History Learning Center, continued

Unbound: The Life and Art of Judith Scott

by Joyce Scott with Brie Spangler;
illustrated by Melissa Sweet

The true story of renowned artist, Judith Scott, who was born with Down syndrome and flourished as an artist famous for her wrapped and woven sculptures which often contain an object buried inside. Her work has been exhibited in the world's most famous museums!

Decorators: Cary Stough and the families of the Concord Free Public Library Children's Room

Go back through the
Gross Family Gallery to the balcony
with the three round windows.

In the Balcony Windows

My Favorite Color: I Can Only Pick One?

written and illustrated by Aaron Becker

Who says you can only have one favorite color? Hues or colors can be everchanging and varied, reminding us of beautiful things we've seen, like the sky at sunset or the surface of water.

Decorators: Lincoln Public Library Children's Room: Sarah Feather and Tory Black

Magnificent Homespun Brown: A Celebration

by Samara Cole Doyon; illustrated by Kaylani Juanita

A young girl celebrates all the things she loves about the color brown—from her hair and skin to walks in the woods, hot cocoa, honey, autumn leaves, caramel apples, and most of all her grandmother's quilt.

Decorators: Carol Haines, with Cathy Perea

In the Balcony Windows, *continued*

Jan Brett's The Nutcracker

written and illustrated by Jan Brett

Enter the enchanted world of one of our most beloved holiday stories. Meet Marie, Fritz and the magical Nutcracker. Witness a battle with the Fierce Mouse King and a journey to the always charmed land of the Sugar Plum Fairy.

Decorator: Betsi Mandrioli

Outside of Wallace Kane Gallery

Little Sap: The Magical Story of a Little Forest Family

by Jan Hughes; illustrated by Ruth Hengeveld

A young tree is in a hurry to grow tall and touch the sky just like the other large trees around it. The forest is an incredibly busy place where nourishment is carried from the mother trees to baby trees almost like magic.

Decorators: Pam Nelson, Hallie Nelson, Eric Nelson

Don't miss the special exhibitions
in the **Wallace Kane Gallery**

HOME: Paintings by Loring W. Coleman
on view now through January 30, 2022

Alive with Birds:
William Brewster in Concord
on view March 4 - September 5, 2022



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2021 Family Trees

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Carolyn Myers and Pam Nelson
Guild of Volunteers Co-Presidents

Pam Nelson
Family Trees Chair

Lyn Carroll • *Book Descriptions*

Lisa McAfee • *Decorator Thank You*

Michelle McArdle and Elizabeth Acquaviva
The Fête Co-Chairs, December 3

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with the Guild of Volunteers Board
Holiday House Tour: Inside Out
December 11

and the Staff of the Concord Museum with
Tom Putnam, Edward W. Kane Executive Director



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