

Monica Brown

Monica Brown, Ph.D. is the author of many award-winning books for children, including *Pablo Neruda: Poet of the People* (Henry Holt), winner of the Américas Award for Children's Literature and an Orbis Pictus Honor for Outstanding Nonfiction, and *Waiting for the Biblioburro* (Random House), a Christopher Award winner. Her picture book *Side by Side: The Story of Dolores Huerta and Cesar Chavez/Lado a lado: La historia de Dolores Huerta y Cesar Chavez* (Rayo/HarperCollins) was an NAACP Image Award nominee and Texas Star Book Award finalist.

Monica's books are inspired by her Peruvian-American heritage and desire to share Latino/a stories with children. "I write from a place of deep passion, joy, and commitment to producing the highest possible quality of literature for children. In my biographies, the lives of my subjects are so interesting and transformational that I am simply giving them voice for a young audience. I don't think it is ever too early to introduce children to the concepts of magical realism, social justice, and dreaming big!"

Her other books include *Marisol McDonald Doesn't Match/Marisol McDonald no combina* (Lee & Low), winner of the International Latino Book Award and a Pura Belpré Honor for Illustration, *Clara and the Curandera/Clara y la curandera* (Piñata Books), *Pelé, King of Soccer/Pelé, el rey del fútbol* (Rayo/HarperCollins), and *Chavela and the Magic Bubble* (Clarion).

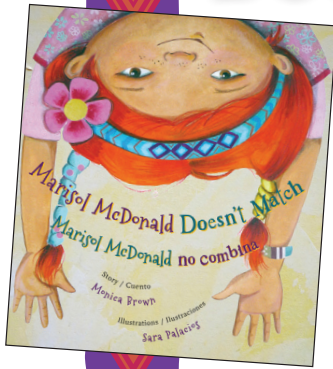
Monica Brown is a Professor of English at Northern Arizona University, specializing in U.S. Latino Literature and Multicultural Literature. She also writes and publishes scholarly work with a Latino/a focus, including *Gang Nation: Delinquent Citizenship in Puerto Rican and Chicano and Chicana Literature*; and numerous scholarly articles and chapters on Latino/a literature and cultural studies. She is a recipient of the prestigious Rockefeller Fellowship on Chicano Cultural Literacies from the Center for Chicano Studies at the University of California. She lives with her husband and two daughters in Flagstaff, Arizona. For more information, visit her website at: www.monicabrown.net.



"Multicultural children's books are a celebration of the imagination! In my stories, new voices are heard, ideas take flight, and I affirm the connectedness of us all."

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Books by Monica Brown



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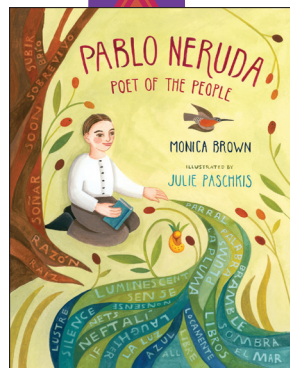
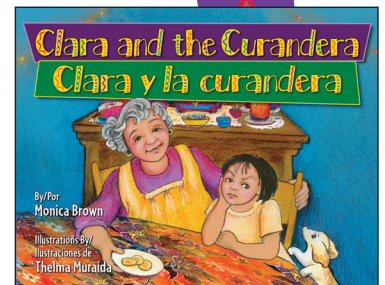
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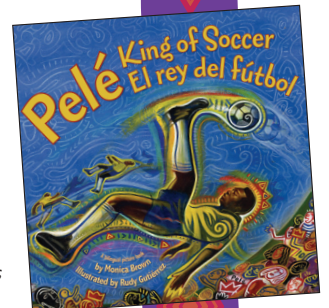
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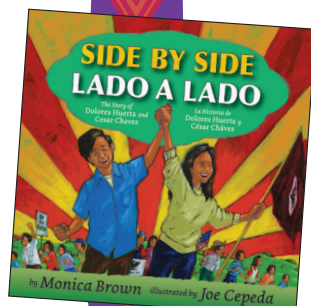
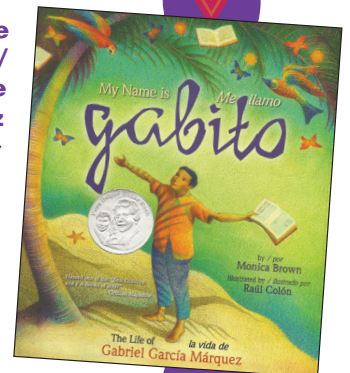
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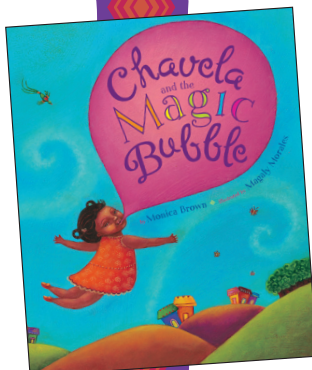
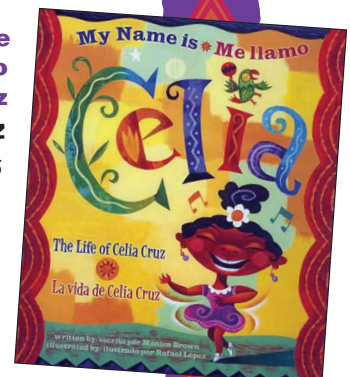
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