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Angela Quezada Padron is a Latina author-illustrator who spent childhood days doodling on garage walls of her New Jersey home and summers visiting family in the Dominican Republic. Angela writes and illustrates both fiction and nonfiction children's books and material for educational publishers. She was chosen as a semi-finalist for the SCBWI Tomie dePaola Award in 2014 and first place in the Florida SCBWI Portfolio Showcase in 2023. Her debut picture book AS THE SEAS RISE: NICOLE HERNANDEZ HAMMER AND THE FIGHT FOR CLIMATE released with Atheneum Books in June 2024.

Other upcoming books include: FROM THE FIELDS TO THE FIGHT: HOW JESSICA GOVEA THORBOURNE ORGANIZED FOR JUSTICE (Atheneum, 2026), AN ISLAND CALLED HOME (Eerdman's Books, 2026), SISTERS ALL THE TIME (Charlesbridge, 2026) and LUCIA'S GOALS (Lee & Low, 2026). When she's not working on stories, Angela loves to create fine art and music, collect seashells, watch sports, and admire the natural world.

Angela is also the founder and publisher of the independent children's book press, Dream Jar Publishing.

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Angela loves creating illustrations that are colorful, bold and full of texture. Her most influential illustrators are Eric Carle, Rafael López, Ezra Jack Keats, Vanessa Brantley-Newton, Raul Colón, Amy June Bates, Leo Lionni, and Denise Fleming.

Angela's debut author/illustrator picture book bio, *AS THE SEAS RISE*, about environmental scientist and activist Nicole Hernández Hammer, released with Atheneum Books in June, 2024. She has several other books releasing in 2026, including: *FROM THE FIELDS TO THE FIGHT: HOW JESSICA GOVEA THORBOURNE ORGANIZED FOR JUSTICE* (Atheneum Books), *AN ISLAND CALLED HOME* (Eerdmans Books), *SISTERS ALL THE TIME* (Charlesbridge) and *LUCIA'S GOALS* (Lee & Low). She has illustrated two other books, *THE HERO IN YOU* (Alberto Whitman & Co., 2014) and *MY BODY BELONGS TO ME* (Free Spirit Publishing, 2014), as well as a short story *Firefighter Mom* in *Cricket Magazine* (2016). She was also chosen as a semi-finalist for the SCBWI Tomie dePaola Award in 2014 and won first place in the Florida SCBWI Portfolio Showcase in 2023.

Angela has been a proud member of SCBWI since 2004. Angela is a director of curriculum as well as a writer, illustrator and developmental editor for educational publishers. When she's not working, you can find Angela walking along Florida beaches with her family collecting shells, singing Broadway musical soundtracks, making fine art in her studio, playing sports and gushing over anything Star Wars.

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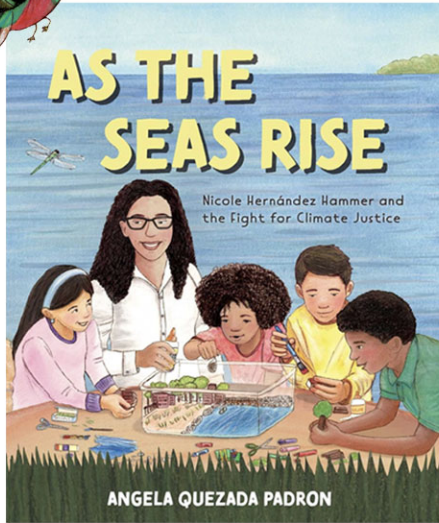


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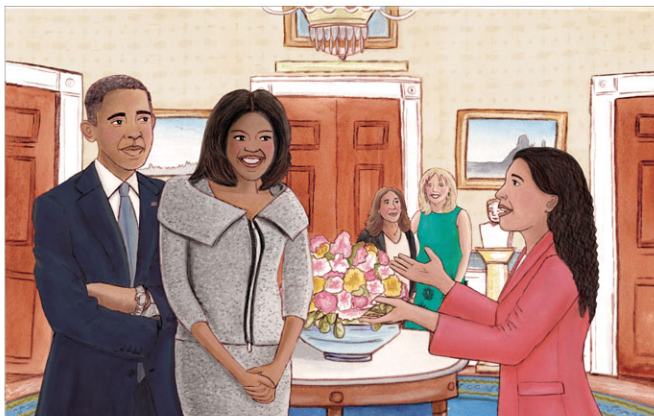
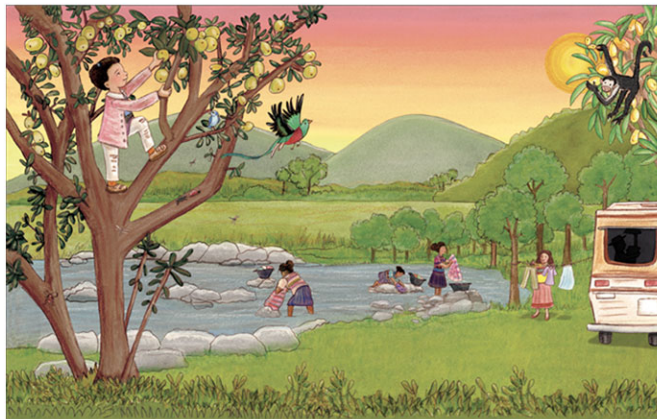
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