

happy new year!



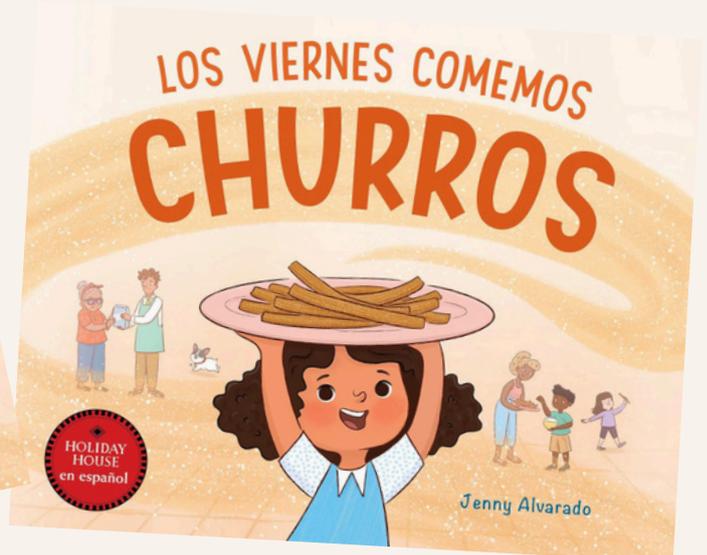
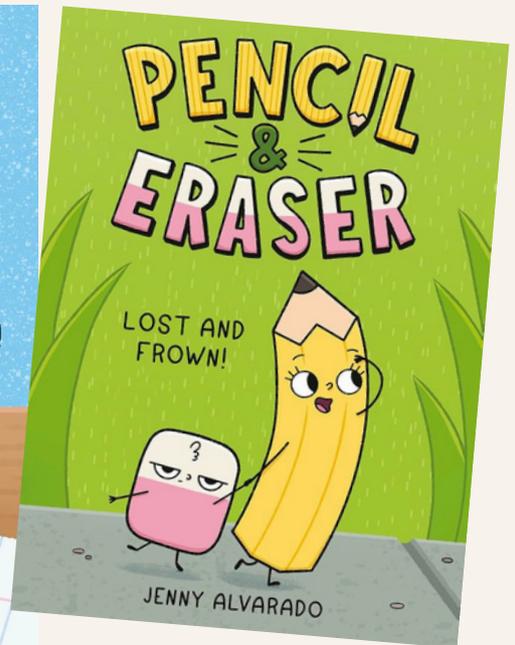
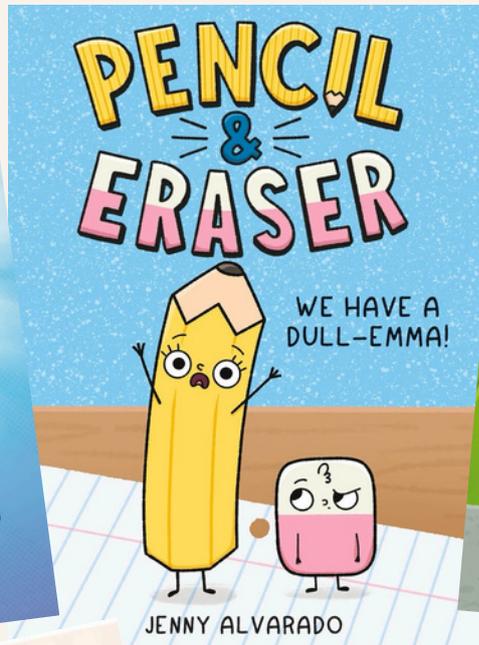
It's been quite a while since I've sent a newsletter. A year and six months for anyone counting. I know! I couldn't believe it either. A lot has happened in that time! I'll try to cover as much as I can in this newsletter. Here are the things I'll be going over:

- Books
- New agent
- Awards & Lists
- Upcoming books
- Upcoming Events
- Other news

Let's talk books!

I've had 4 books publish since my last newsletter. Five if you count the Spanish version of one of them. WILD!

These two even celebrated their first birthdays!



Made moves



In this time I also signed with a new literary agent. I'm now represented by Kelly Sonnack at Andrea Brown Literary Agency!



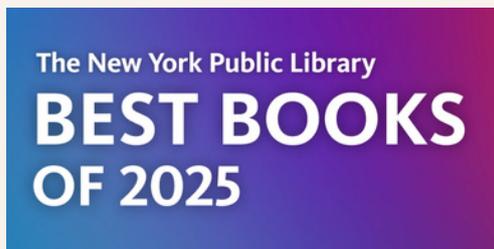
Shortly after signing with her, Kelly became the new president and owner of Andrea Brown Literary Agency! Go Kelly!

Awards & Lists

Very surprising to me but my books won awards!

A couple of my books even made some BEST OF 2025 lists. I'm an award winning author-illustrator.

WOAH!



2024 Junior Library Guild Gold Standard for Pencil & Eraser: We Have A Dull-emma!

2025 Junior Library Guild Gold Standard for Pencil & Eraser: Lost & Frown!

2025 Junior Library Guild Gold Standard for Pencil & Eraser: New Friends Rule!

2025 Good Housekeeping Kids Book Awards Winner for Pencil & Eraser: Lost & Frown!

2025 The New York Public Library Top 10 Los mejores libros para pequeños for Los Viernes Comemos Churros

2025 Maryland Blue Crab Young Reader Award for Pencil & Eraser: We Have A Dull-emma!

2025 Children's Book Council Children's Favorites Winner for Pencil & Eraser: We Have A Dull-emma!

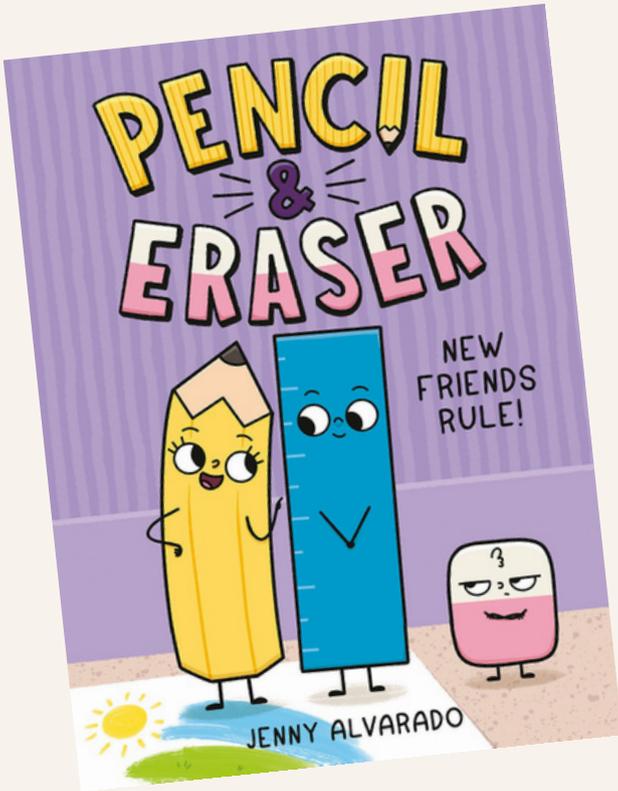
2025 Children's Book Council Teacher Favorites Winner for Agent Unicorn

2025 Children's Book Council Building A Better Home Library Selected Title for Pencil & Eraser: We Have A Dull-emma!

2025 Denny O'neil Graphic Novel List for Pencil & Eraser: We Have A Dull-emma!

New books!

I have some new books coming out this year!
One of them publishes tomorrow in fact!
I'm hitting the ground running this year whether I
want to or not!

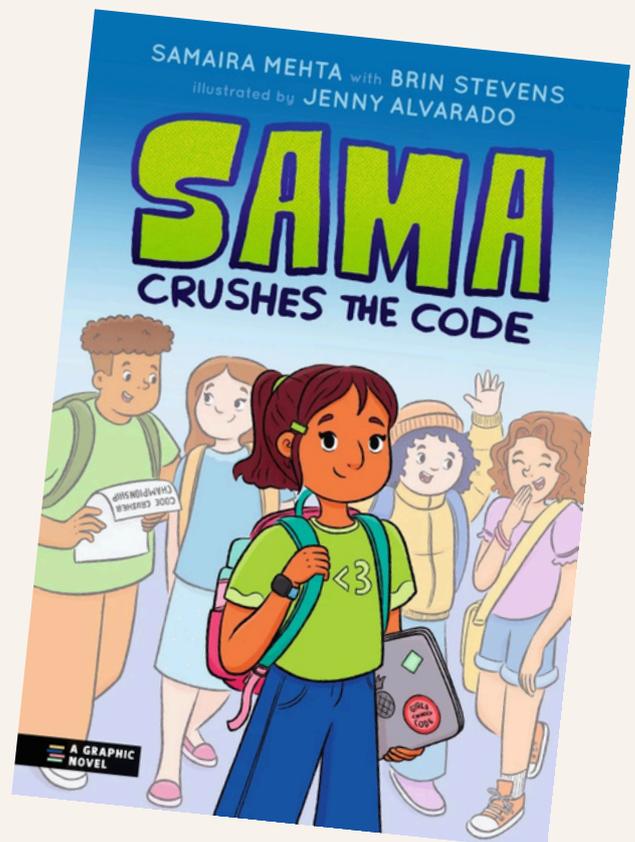


The third book in the
Pencil & Eraser
series publishes
tomorrow on
January 6, 2026!

It's a Junior Library Guild
Gold Standard Selection,
meaning all 3 books hold
that honor and will have the
chance to be in the hands of
more kids!

Sama Crushes The Code
written by Samaira
Mehta publishes on
July 14, 2026!

This is my first middle
grade graphic novel
project and I'm so
excited for it to be out!



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to order my books at Bookshop where a
portion of all proceeds go towards helping
local independent bookstores

Events

I have some events coming up and if you're able to make any of them I'd love to see you there!

First up, is my book launch at Moonstruck Market!

BOOK LAUNCH
SATURDAY, JANUARY 17TH 2026

12:30 PM
AT >>>

MOONSTRUCK MARKET

PENCIL & ERASER
NEW FRIENDS RULE!
JENNY ALVARADO

- BOOK READING
- BOOK SIGNING
- DRAWING ACTIVITIES

JENNY ALVARADO
AUTHOR-ILLUSTRATOR

329 N BABCOCK ST
MELBOURNE, FL 32935

The poster features a purple background. At the top, the text 'BOOK LAUNCH' is in large white letters, followed by 'SATURDAY, JANUARY 17TH 2026'. Below this, the time '12:30 PM' and 'AT >>>' are shown. To the right is the 'MOONSTRUCK MARKET' logo in a white cloud-like shape with yellow stars. In the center is the book cover for 'PENCIL & ERASER' by Jenny Alvarado, which shows a yellow pencil and a blue eraser with faces, and a small pink eraser. To the right of the book cover is a list of activities: 'BOOK READING', 'BOOK SIGNING', and 'DRAWING ACTIVITIES'. Below the book cover is the author's name 'JENNY ALVARADO' and 'AUTHOR-ILLUSTRATOR' in a curved banner. At the bottom left is the address '329 N BABCOCK ST MELBOURNE, FL 32935'. On the bottom right is a portrait of Jenny Alvarado, a woman with dark hair wearing a yellow patterned top.

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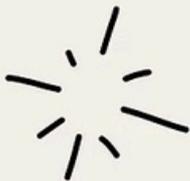
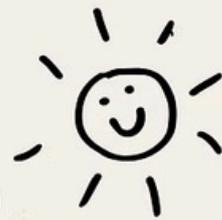
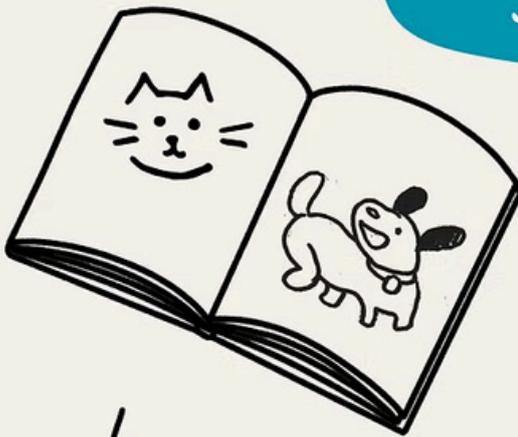
LET'S DRAW!

JOIN ME FOR A CREATOR CREW SESSION



JANUARY
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DROP IN TO PLAY
DRAWING GAMES WITH
AUTHOR/ILLUSTRATOR
JENNY ALVARADO



3 PM - 4:30 PM

West Melbourne Library
2755 Wingate Blvd.



Come hang out after school as we play some
drawing games at the library!

Drop in any time from 3 to 4:40 pm

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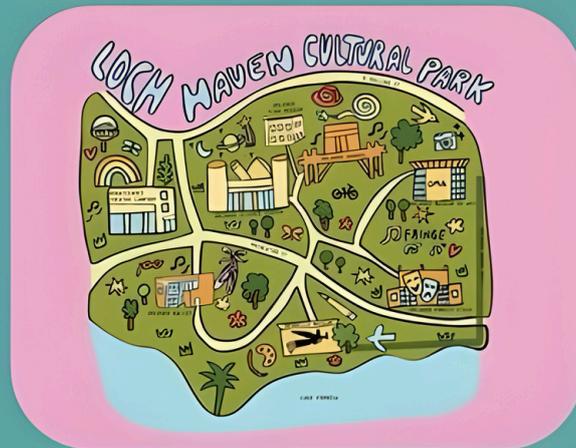
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THE FIRST EVER



**FLORIDA CHILDREN'S
BOOK FESTIVAL**

FEBRUARY 20-22, 2026
AT LOCK HAVEN CULTURAL PARK



ART BY JENNYFER MARIE

THE FLORIDA CHILDREN'S BOOK FESTIVAL WILL
FEATURE AUTHOR PANELS, ENGAGING TALKS, BOOK
SIGNINGS, AND MORE—ALL DESIGNED TO CONNECT
YOUNG READERS WITH THE PEOPLE WHO BRING THEIR
FAVORITE CHARACTERS AND ADVENTURES TO LIFE.

My first festival!!!
If you're in Orlando, come say HI!

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In other news

I signed a thing!
It hasn't been announced yet but there will
be another book by me coming your way!

AUTHOR

Jenny Alvarado

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Jenny Alvarado

I'll also be doing something fun and new
this year that I'm excited for that will be
announced later this month so keep an eye
on my socials!



THANK
you

Thank you for signing up for my newsletter and taking the time to read it. Your support means so much to me!

If there's anything you'd like to see here in the future, like art tips, questions you'd like me to answer, etc. then let me know by hitting the suggestions button.