We Recommend...Picture Books

The Birdman

Charles, Veronika Martenova / JP Charl

The true story of a poor tailor who buys sick caged birds and nurses them back to health.

Dim Sum for Everyone

Lin. Grace / JP Lin

A child describes the dishes that the family enjoys on a visit to a restaurant in Chinatown.

Naomi's Tree

Kogawa, Joy / JP Kogaw

Naomi's tree awaits her return from a Japanese internment camp.

Love as Strong as Ginger

Look, Lenore / JP Look

A Chinese American girl comes to realize how hard her grandma works to fulfill her dreams when they spend a day together.

Grandfather's Dream

Keller, Holly / JP Kelle

After the war in Vietnam, a young boy's grandfather dreams of restoring the wetlands of the Mekong delta, hoping that the large cranes that once lived there will return.

Ruby's Wish

Bridges, Shirin Yim / JP Bridg

A girl in 19th century China dreams of going to university with her brothers & male cousins.

Silly Chicken

Khan, Rukhsana / JP Khan

In Pakistan, Rani believes that her mother loves their pet chicken Bibi more than she cares for her, until the day that a fluffy chick appears and steals Rani's own affections.

Erika-San

Say, Allen / JP Say

After falling in love with Japan as a little girl, Erika becomes a teacher and fulfills her childhood dream by moving to a remote Japanese island.

Mama's saris

Pooja Makhijani / JP Makhi

An East Indian American daughter pleads with her mother to be allowed to wear one of her mother's colorful saris in honor of her seventh birthday.

Tea with milk

Allen Say / JP Say

After growing up near San Francisco, a young Japanese woman returns with her parents to their native Japan, but she feels foreign and out of place.