



Missed Connections: Love, Lost & Found

By Sophie Blackall

Workman Publishing. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Missed Connections: Love, Lost & Found, Sophie Blackall, Like a message in a bottle, a "missed connection" classified (usually posted on a website) is an attempt however far-fetched, by one stranger to reach another on the strength of a remembered glance, smile, or blue hat. The anonymous messages are hopeful and hopeless, funny and sad. Ms. Blackall, award-winning illustrator of "Ruby's Wish" and "Big Red Lollipop", has turned some of the most evocative (or hilarious) of them into exquisite paintings. "Missed Connections" is a collection of illustrated love stories. There's "We Shared a Bear Suit." "If Not for Your Noisy Tambourine." "Hairy Bearded Swimmer." Each is told in the shorthand of a "missed connection," and then illustrated in Chinese ink and watercolour. The paintings are extraordinary: delicate yet full of feeling, each springing from one little detail of the post into a fully imagined world. Each brings the voyeuristic pleasure of watching love at first sight, and the pleasure of watching an artist discover a fresh new way to tell a story. And not all the connections are missed. Hidden in the book are three pieces that conjure up the magic of...



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