

Author of the Week

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Lauren Child

Lauren Child is an English children's author and illustrator. She is best known for the Charlie and Lola picture book series and other book series. In 1999 she had two picture books published, *I Want a Pet!* and *Clarice Bean, That's Me*. In 2000 she won a Kate Greenaway Medal for *I Will Not Ever, Never Eat a Tomato* (2000) and a second Nestlé Smarties Book Prize in 2002. In the same year, she wrote her first children's novel, *Utterly Me*, *Clarice Bean* (2002).

In 2008 she was announced as UNESCO's Artist for Peace, in 2010 she was awarded an MBE for services to literature, and she was named the Children's Laureate for 2017-2019.

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