



Press Release

STORY GLASS

By **Billy Baldwin** Illustrations by **Liesl Bell**

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"Billy Baldwin is a thoughtful writer who has created a well-written and triumphant story steeped in endearing life lessons."

- The Children's Book Review



When Jen unknowingly touches a magic Story Bottle she is transported back in time. Frightened and desperately wanting to get home to safety, Jen soon realizes she's bound by the magic of the bottle. The only way home is to complete five challenges, each one more dangerous than the last.

Guided by a group of fairies, Jen must not only face challenges designed to play on her worst fears, but must also conquer the master of the Story Bottle. This evil wizard will stop at nothing to keep his story from being told.

Does Jen have what it takes to get back home or will she be lost in time for eternity? Will she risk it all to beat the wizard or will his secret remain hidden in the Story Bottle forever?

BILLY BALDWIN is an award winning author and the creator of numerous stories for children & young adults. Creating fictional worlds and then building story structures to bring them to life is Billy's true passion. Diagnosed with dyslexia at an early age, Billy is often asked why he chooses to challenge himself with writing books. His response is always the same: his desire to create stories is far more rewarding and fulfilling than any of the struggles or frustrations he experiences due to dyslexia.

Story Glass is Billy's fourth children's book. *Wipeout the Wave*, *The Cookie That Saved Christmas* and *The Last Leaf*, which won the 2017 Silver Moonbeam Book Award, are his previous publications. Billy lives in the idyllic beachside town of Sag Harbor, NY.

LIESL BELL has been illustrating books with Billy Baldwin from halfway across the world. Illustrating *Story Glass* was an exciting journey of collaboration and creativity for Liesl. She spent hours discussing all aspects of the book with Billy on FaceTime. Together Liesl & Billy hashed out the illustrations for the characters of Jen, the quirky fairies, the beast, the evil wizard, and the variety of scenes and settings the book describes.

Liesl's mantra is simply: to create with a smile and a wink! The unfolding of Liesl's life's adventure takes place in Jeffreys Bay, South Africa where she lives with her son, Thomas. *Story Glass* is Liesl's fourth children's book in partnership with Billy.

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