



## The Marriage of Words and Pictures Andrea Davis Pinkney and Brian Pinkney

Andrea Davis Pinkney is an award-winning author of 70+ books for children and young adults. Brian Pinkney is a best-selling illustrator and frequent collaborator of his wife, Ms. Davis Pinkney.

### Special Guest: Jerry Pinkney

Renowned award-winning illustrator of 100+ children's books, and father to Brian Pinkney.

**Tuesday, January 19, 2021, 7:00 PM Central**

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This event is #freeandopentothe public and will be recorded. Suitable for youth 12+

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**Tuesday, January 19, 2021, 7:00-8:00 PM, *The Marriage of Words and Pictures*, a FAN Webinar feat. Andrea Davis Pinkney and Brian Pinkney. Interviewer: Jerry Pinkney. REGISTER: [www.bit.ly/PinkneyFANWebinar](http://www.bit.ly/PinkneyFANWebinar).**

Join the *New York Times* bestselling and award-winning husband and wife collaborators, **Andrea Davis Pinkney** and **Brian Pinkney** as they ignite imagination by offering an exclusive behind-the-scenes look at how they've created over 70 books for children and young adults, including three that will be the focus for this event: *Martin Rising: Requiem for a King*; *Sit-In: How Four Friends Stood Up by Sitting Down*; and *Loretta Little Looks Back: Three Voices Go Tell It*.

Through storytelling, imagery, and theatricality, the Pinkneys impart their wisdom on what we can all do to become social justice practitioners through book selection. In this highly interactive program, the couple shares how books and reading have the power to help generations of caregivers, educators, librarians, and communities build life-long literacy habits, from the earliest ages through young adulthood. The Pinkneys invite you into their creative studio to show what it takes to make a difference through reading, drawing, and visual literacy. Their presentation includes storytelling, imagery, drawing demonstrations, humor and music, as well as practical tools for motivating kids to embrace the joy and power of reading!

Ms. Davis Pinkney is the *New York Times* bestselling and award-winning author of numerous books for children and young adults, including picture books, novels, works of historical fiction and nonfiction. Her books have been awarded multiple Coretta Scott King Book Awards, Jane Addams Children's Literature Honor citations, and the *Boston Globe*/Horn Book Honor medal. In addition to her work as an author, Ms. Davis Pinkney has had an illustrious career as a children's book publisher and editor.

Mr. Pinkney has been awarded the Coretta Scott King Honor Award for illustration on three occasions, and the Coretta Scott King medal for *In the Time of the Drums* by Kim Siegelson. He is a five-time NAACP Image Award nominee, the recipient of many American Library Association Notable Book citations, and he was acknowledged by National Council for Teachers of English for his vast contribution to the field of children's literature.

The Pinkneys will be interviewed by **Jerry Pinkney**, Brian's father, who has illustrated 100+ books over his renowned, award-winning career spanning six decades.

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