

About Pumpkinheads

Written to teach children self-esteem, tolerance, courage, perseverance, generosity, awareness and understanding, along with other character development lessons, the Pumpkinheads™ series published by Nina Charles LLC was developed by a Florida mother with a vision. Karen Kilpatrick, a mother of three, had a dream that has become a reality - to teach young children in their formative years character education lessons that will last a lifetime in a fun and engaging manner. The result is the award winning Pumpkinheads™ series of children's books.

The Pumpkinheads™ series of books are written for toddlers and preschoolers. The books capture the effervescent spirit of young children and teach life lessons such as tolerance of others, kindness, appreciation, and self-love. The book series is designed for character education during the most formative years of childhood. Each book is beautifully illustrated with characters that leap off of the pages and address the child in each and every one of us.

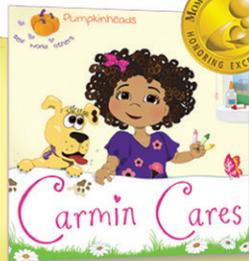
The Pumpkinheads™ series currently is comprised of five books, with three of the books due for release later this summer. In addition to the books, Pumpkinheads™ also offers an array of products such as children's t-shirts, bodysuits, and tote bags that feature the characters from the series.

Animated videos, an online drawing game, and learning lessons are available on the Pumpkinheads™ website, www.pumpkinheads.com.



Welcome to the World of Pumpkinheads™

Pumpkinheads books focus on character education and emotional development while delighting children with fun, relatable story lines and endearing characters.



Carmin Cares

When a day at the park doesn't go as planned, find out how Carmin takes a stand! Ready to play, Carmin and her pup, Peanut, find themselves in a sticky situation! When Carmin gets gum stuck on her shoe, she decides something has to be done about the mess on the playground. This charming picture book for children teaches kids to take responsibility for their world, proving that even small hands can make a big difference! Mom's Choice Awards Gold Honoree. 978-1-938447-06-8 \$5.99 (Board Book)



Ella's Toys

Ella's toys are beyond compare, but playtime's more fun when she learns to share! Flaunting her toys but keeping them to herself is not much fun after the other kids lose interest. Left alone, Ella decides to make it up to her friends. Toddlers and preschoolers will learn an important lesson in this endearing book about sharing, generosity and friendship. 978-1-938447-00-6 \$5.99 (PB)



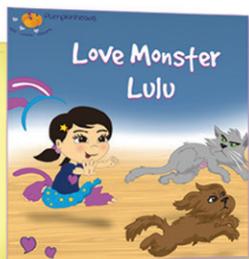
Sage's Song

Find out what listening is really worth as Sage makes music from the sounds of the earth. Banging away on her drum, Sage can really make a racket! Stopping to listen to the world around her, Sage learns that music surrounds her in the simplest of sounds. This sensory exploration teaches the value of listening and inspires an awareness of the beautiful music nature creates. 978-1-938447-01-3 \$5.99 (PB)



Danza's Message

Playing and dancing, you're a star! Listen to Danza: Beautiful is what you are! Danza and her friends are silly and sweet. Playing before the mirror, they are reminded of just how special they are. Parents and children alike can relate to this valuable book about self-esteem and love of self. 978-1-938447-02-0 \$5.99 (PB)



Love Monster Lulu

Love Monster Lulu's scaring up snuggles! But with no one around, who's left to cuddle? Lulu, the Love Monster, is sad when she can't find anyone to share her love with, but her mother and sister give the comfort she needs in this sweet story showcasing the importance of family. 978-1-938447-03-7 \$5.99 (PB)

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Meet the Pumpkinheads Team



Karen Kilpatrick is the founder, author, and creator of Pumpkinheads™. A graduate of Georgetown University School of Foreign Service and New York University School of Law, as well as a practicing attorney, her greatest and most rewarding role is that of mom to three children - two daughters and a son. Many of the ideas that form the basis of the Pumpkinheads™ books came from observing her children and their friends. She originally began telling stories to her son, and later began illustrating them after her daughters were born. She marvels at how children can remind us of all the amazing, important and wonderful things about life.

Founding Pumpkinheads™ and drawing on the stories that she told to her children, Karen sought to entertain, yet also teach toddlers and preschoolers important lessons of self-confidence, kindness, appreciation, tolerance, and awareness. She believes that teaching these concepts at any early age will help shape and develop character, and will serve as a foundation for further character development throughout life.

While running Pumpkinheads™, Karen also maintains her legal practice, KPK Legal, but considers being a present and involved mother her number one priority.



Tara Louise Carpenter is one of the artistic talents that brings the stories and characters of the Pumpkinheads™ alive. Tara has been drawn to art and illustrating since an early age. She is the owner of Sunshine Creative Studios, which serves as an outlet for expressing her passion for creating children's art.



Matt Wilson is an illustrator and animator for the Pumpkinheads™ series. He was trained by classic Walt Disney animator, John Ewing. Matt has worked as an animator on both Warner Brothers and Disney TV series, such as Steven Spielberg's Tiny Toons and Animaniacs, Disney's Timon and Pumbaa, Hercules and Duck Daze. Now he has brought his creative ingenuity to create a truly memorable experience in the Pumpkinheads™ series.



An-Lon Chen serves as an illustrator, animator, and editor for the Pumpkinheads™ series. An-Lon brings a diverse portfolio and background to the Pumpkinheads™ team. Her background goes from visual effects and animation to public policy work. Like everyone at Pumpkinheads™, she brings a special love of children and a desire to help make them the best people possible from their early years on.

FAQS



- Tell me about the books?
- What led you to develop the series?
- When is the right age to begin teaching children about sharing, tolerance, and self-love?
- How does the Pumpkinheads™ series teach these lessons?
- Why do you think there is a need to teach character education to children?
- How do children and parents respond to the book?
- Tell me about the characters and what they represent?
- Tell me about the illustrations?
- Why do you think young children are so responsive to your books and lessons?
- What do your children think about the books?
- The concepts that you teach in the series run counter to stories in the media recently where some educators and parents are saying children should not be taught about sharing and that sharing is bad for young children, what is your take on this?
- How are you able to wear the hats of children's author and lawyer, do you ever forget which hat you are wearing?
- What is next in the Pumpkinheads™ series?



Pumpkinheads Characters



Ella



Lulu



Peanut



Sage



Danza



Carmin