

Cassandra Federman Biography

Cassandra was born and raised in Massachusetts, where she spent her childhood reading comic books, playing action figures, drawing superheroes, and participating in all things nerdy (before that became cool).

She graduated magna cum laude from Brandeis University, where she co-founded the Brandeis Comic Book Club. After college she moved to Los Angeles, where she worked in film and television. Over the course of her life, Cassandra has been many things — a hand model, a wrestler, a manatee rescuer, an actor, and a mystic wood elf — but her favorite so far has been a children’s book author/illustrator.

Cassandra is the author/illustrator of the picture books *This Is a Sea Cow* (Albert Whitman, 2019) and *This Is a Seahorse* (2020), which received multiple starred reviews and won an ILA Children’s and Young Adult Book Award.

Cassandra’s debut middle grade graphic novel, *Story Spinners: A Sisterly Tale of Danger, A Princess, and her Crew of Lady Pirates* (Aladdin, S&S) and her next picture book, *Gray Squirrel Loses It!* (Random House) come out in 2025.

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