

RUTH SPIRO

Bestselling Children's Book Author



Ruth Spiro writes innovative books for children on the topics of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math. Her areas of interest include the many benefits of introducing STEM subjects and makerspace activities to even the littlest learners. Ruth believes success comes from a willingness to explore the unfamiliar, take risks, and view mistakes as learning experiences. She hopes her books inspire kids to observe their world, ask questions, and when it comes to their futures, DREAM BIG.

Bio

Ruth Spiro is the author of more than 30 children's books, with over one million copies in print worldwide. Her bestselling *Baby Loves Science* board books are the groundbreaking originals that introduce big ideas to the littlest listeners in an age-appropriate and engaging style.

In addition to these board books, Ruth is the author of picture books including *Made by Maxine*, *Maxine and the Greatest Garden Ever*, and *Love Grows*. The enthusiastic response to the *Baby Loves Science* books inspired a new picture book series perfect for early elementary readers, *How to Explain Science to a Grown-Up*. Her new picture book, *One Small Spark: A Tikkun Olam Story* received starred reviews from Publishers Weekly and Kirkus.

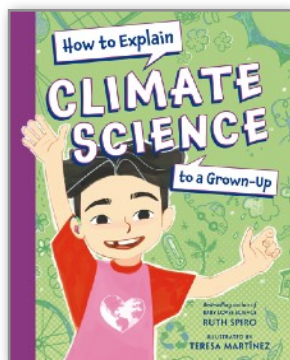
Ruth's work has been praised by the Los Angeles Times, NPR, TODAY, Popular Science, Bank Street College of Education, Purdue Engineering, and more. Fans who have publicly shared their love of her books include Gabby Giffords, Chelsea Clinton, and Chance the Rapper.

Ruth graduated with a B.S. in Communications from the University of Illinois at Urbana/Champaign and earned an MBA from Loyola University of Chicago. She worked for advertising agencies in both account management and broadcast production, and coordinated a large-scale research grant at DePaul University funded by the National Institutes of Health.

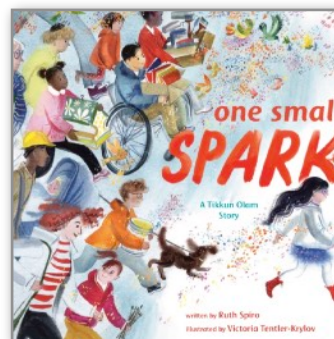
A frequent speaker at schools and conferences, Ruth's previous appearances include Windy City Live on WMAQ-TV, Los Angeles Times Festival of Books, World Science Festival, Chicago Tribune Printer's Row LitFest, Children's Festival of Stories, and the National Association for the Education of Young Children. She hopes her books inspire kids to observe the world, ask questions, and when it comes to their futures, DREAM BIG!

Ruth lives in suburban Chicago, Illinois. Find more information at www.RuthSpiro.com.

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Charlesbridge Publishing



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“Baby Loves” Series

Charlesbridge Publishing - 25 titles in print and forthcoming

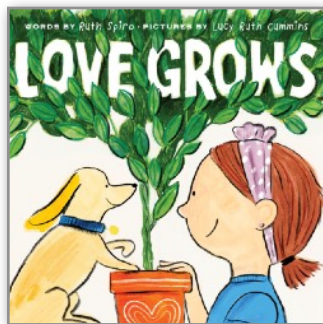
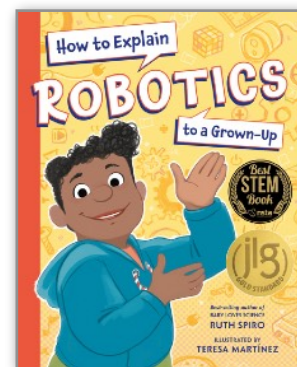
These bestselling board books encourage a child's natural sense of wonder while introducing complex concepts in a research-based, developmentally appropriate format. Translation rights have been sold in ten languages and the series has received praise from TODAY.com, The Los Angeles Times, POPSUGAR, A Mighty Girl, Popular Science, The Planetary Society, NPR and more.



How to Explain Science to a Grown-Up

Charlesbridge Publishing

This fun and fact-filled picture book series introduces kids (and their grown-ups!) to the world of coding, robotics, climate science and aerospace engineering.



Love Grows

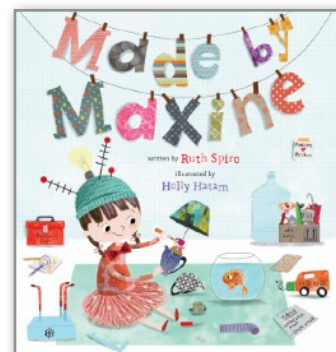
HarperCollins Children's Books

A delightful celebration of family, plants, and the boundlessness of love told in lively, poetic letters from aunt to niece.

Made by Maxine

Dial/Penguin Random House

An inspiring young “Maker” discovers that with persistence, imagination, and recyclables, it's possible to invent anything!



Previous Appearances

Ruth has presented at venues including the Rotunda at Mall of America, museums, conferences, and large outdoor festivals. She is comfortable speaking to audiences of all sizes, on panels, and in on-camera interviews. Select previous appearances include:

World Science Festival (NY)

Toddler Tuesday-Mall of America (MN)

Chicago Tribune Printer's Row LitFest

Children's Festival of Stories (CO)

Chicago Public Library STEAM Saturday

American Writers Museum

Windy City LIVE - ABC-TV (Chicago)

Los Angeles Times Festival of Books

Early Childhood STEM Conference (CalTech)

Museum of Science & Industry (Chicago)

National Assn. for the Ed. of Young Children (NAEYC)

Virginia Festival of the Book

Select Testimonials

"It was a pleasure to work with Ruth Spiro for our Toddler Tuesday event in the Mall of America Rotunda and at Fourpost. She did equally well commanding an audience in the Mall's large event space and having intimate conversations with parents in our store. Her books are very appealing and I would be happy to work with her on any event in the future."

- Karen Walne, on behalf of Mall of America & Fourpost

"It has been such a pleasure working with you. The kids and their parents were so thrilled for the opportunity to learn more about the scientific method and how to become makers. This hands-on program showed them the range of possibilities for their future. Thank you for sharing your time and expertise, and inspiring the next group of scientists and authors!"

- Zoe Hockenberry, World Science Festival

Presentations & Keynote Topics

- STEM and Storytelling: Parallel Plot Lines
- Making Makers: The Importance of Girls in STEM Picture Books
- Surprising STEM
- Creating Picture Books: From Idea... to First Draft... to FINISHED!
- For Kids Only: Ruth Spiro's Smartypants Celebration!

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