

Ard Hoyt



Biography

Ard Hoyt was born in Temple, Texas and raised on picture books. From a very early age he discovered that even though he wasn't allowed to cross the street, he could go anywhere in a picture book. He fell in love with the worlds created by Robert Lawson, Steven Kellogg and H.A. Rey.

This freedom grew to include his own pictures. Before long, Ard discovered that with a white sheet of paper he could change the weather. He knew that he wanted to be a children's book illustrator and dreamed of one day having a book with his name on it next to the great ones.

Ard graduated from the Art Center College of Design in Pasadena, California in 2001 and has illustrated over 25 children's books since including two New York Times Best Sellers (*I'm a Manatee* by John Lithgow and *The Hair of Zoe Fleeffenbacher Goes to School* by Laurie Halse Anderson). Ard hopes that you can open up one of his picture books and travel to a different world, just as he does. Enjoy!

—from www.ardhoytbooks.com

Books at Bentonville Public Library

Picture Books

Alice from Dallas (2014) by Marilyn Sadler
 [PIC Sadler Marilyn]

Bobby the Bold (2006) by Donna Jo Napoli
 [PIC Napoli Donna Jo]

Chasing George Washington (2009)
 by Ronald Kidd [JF Kidd Ronald]

The Day Dirk Yeller Came to Town (2011)
 by Mary Casanova [PIC Casanova Mary]

The Hair of Zoe Fleeffenbacher (2009)
 by Laurie Halse Anderson

[PIC Anderson Laurie Halse]

I'm a Manatee (2003) by John Lithgow
 [PIC Lithgow John]

The Impossible Patriotism Project (2007)
 by Linda Skeers [PIC Skeers Linda]

Love the Baby (2007) by Steven L. Layne
 [PIC Layne Steven]

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Mr. Murry and Thumbkin (2004)
by Karma Wilson [PIC Wilson Karma]
My Daddy and Me (2005) by Amy E. Sklansky
[PIC Sklansky Amy E]
One-Dog Canoe (2003) by Mary Casanova
[PIC Casanova Mary]
One-Dog Sleigh (2013) by Mary Casanova
[PIC Casanova Mary]
Piggies in Pajamas (2013) by Michelle Meadows
[PIC Meadows Michelle]
Piggies in the Kitchen (2011) by Michelle
Meadows [PIC Meadows Michelle]
Saying Goodbye to Lulu (2004)
by Corinne Demas [PIC Demas Corinne]
Share With Brother (2011) by Steven L. Layne
[PIC Layne Steven]
Some Cat! (2012) by Casanova Mary
[PIC Casanova Mary]
Some Dog! (2007) by Mary Casanova
[PIC Casanova Mary]
Stay With Sister (2012) by Steven L. Layne
[PIC Layne Steven]
Teacher's Night Before Halloween (2008)
by Steven L. Layne [PIC Layne Steven]
Teddy Roosevelt and the Treasure of Ursa Major
(2008) by Ronald Kidd [PIC Kidd Ronald]

Tilly the Trickster (2011) by Molly Shannon
[PIC Shannon Molly]
Utterly Otterly Day (2008) by Mary Casanova
[PIC Casanova Mary]
Utterly Otterly Night (2011) by Mary Casanova
[PIC Casanova Mary]
When the Cows Got Loose (2006) by Carol Weis
[PIC Weis Carol]
Winnie Finn, Worm Farmer (2009) by Carol
Brendler [PIC Brendler Carol]
Wisteria Jane (2015) by Amber Harris
[PIC Harris Amber]

Easy Non-fiction

Daniel Boone's Great Escape (2008) by Michael
P. Spradlin [ENF 976.9 SPR]

Juvenile Fiction

Unleashed: The Lives of White House Pets
(2011) by Ronald Kidd [JF Kidd Ronald]

Related Illustrators Recommended by BPL

Henry Cole
Maurice Sendak
Peter H. Reynolds
Kay Chora

Dave Coverly
Roger Roth
Amy Bates
Matt Davies

Link to Lesson Plan

<http://www.bentonvillelibrary.org/assets/YLF/pdfs/hoyt-lesson.pdf>

Additional Library Resources

Print

For Future Illustrators –

Drawing How to:

5 Steps to Drawing Faces (2012) by Susan Kesselring [JNF 743.4 KES]

5 Steps to Drawing People (2012) by Pamela Hall [JNF 743.6 HAL]

Draw 50 People (1994) by Lee J. Ames [JNF 743.4 AME]

How to Draw Pets (2012) by Mark Bergin [JNF 743.6 BER]

Portraits & Animals (2015) by Carolyn Franklin [JNF 743.6 FRA]

Illustration Techniques:

Basic Drawing Techniques (2013) by Richard Box [ANF 741.2 BOX]

Just Draw It! (2012) by Sam Piyasena [ANF 741.2 PIY]

Watercolor Pencil Magic (2002) by Cathy Johnson [ANF 741.2 JOH]

Watercolors (2014) by Mari Bolte [JNF 751.42]

About Illustrators/Illustration:

Artist to Artist: 23 Major Illustrators Talk to Children About Their Art (2007) by Eric Carle [JNF 741.6 CAR]

Look at My Book: How Kids Can Write & Illustrate Terrific Books (2004) by Loreen Leedy [ENF 808.02 LEE]

For Fun –

Picture Books:

Art and Max (2010) by David Wiesner [PIC Wiesner David]

Ben Draws Trouble (2015) by Matt Davies [PIC Davies Matt]

Draw! (2014) by Raul Colon [PIC Colon Raul]

Ish (2004) by Peter Reynolds [PIC Reynolds Peter]

The Pencil (2008) by Allan Ahlberg [PIC Ahlberg Allan]

E-Learning on BPL's Student Portal Page

For Future Illustrators –

Drawing How to:

"Drawing." *World Book Kids*. World Book, 2016. Web. 17 Feb. 2016.

"Drawing." *Encyclopedia. Issues & Controversies*. Infobase Learning, n.d. Web. 17 Feb. 2016.

Ward, Roger. "Drawing." *World Book Advanced*. World Book, 2016. Web. 17 Feb. 2016.

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Illustration Techniques:

- "Pen and pencil." *World Book Kids*. World Book, 2016. Web. 17 Feb. 2016.
- "Pen." *World Book Advanced*. World Book, 2016. Web. 17 Feb. 2016.
- "Pencil." *World Book Advanced*. World Book, 2016. Web. 17 Feb. 2016.
- "Water color." *World Book Advanced*. World Book, 2016. Web. 17 Feb. 2016.
- "Watercolor." *Encyclopedia. Issues & Controversies*. Infobase Learning, n.d. Web. 17 Feb. 2016.

About Illustrators/Illustration:

- "Cartoon." *World Book Advanced*. World Book, 2016. Web. 17 Feb. 2016.
- "Illustration." *World Book Advanced*. World Book, 2016. Web. 17 Feb. 2016.
- "Illustration." *Encyclopedia. Issues & Controversies*. Infobase Learning, n.d. Web. 17 Feb. 2016.
- Nolan, Abby McGanney. "Shelf Lives: From Bookseller to Bestseller." *Horn Book Magazine*. 01 Jan. 2016: 63. *eLibrary Elementary*. Web. 17 Feb. 2016.