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Plant seeds of kindness and come out of your shell:

Beatrice and the Sunflower Gift

Written by Stephanie Parwulski and illustrated by Tania Ramírez Cuevas

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[Belle Isle Books](#) of Richmond, Virginia is proud to announce the upcoming release of the heartwarming children's picture book [*Beatrice and the Sunflower Gift*](#), written by Stephanie Parwulski and illustrated by Tania Ramírez Cuevas.

Beatrice is afraid to come out of her shell, but with the help of a friendly butterfly, she discovers that the outside world isn't so scary after all. Through a small act of kindness, the timid Beatrice makes friends with a mother robin, and that is just the beginning! A fun read for children and parents alike, *Beatrice and the Sunflower Gift* teaches readers that a case of the butterflies can actually help one overcome personal fears.

About the Author: [Stephanie Parwulski](#) firmly believes that when words are used positively, they have the power to touch others deeply. Because of her lifelong love of children's literature, Stephanie is excited for her authorial debut. *Beatrice and the Sunflower Gift* is her first children's book, and she looks forward to writing more! Stephanie gathers inspiration from reading, singing, and gardening. She enjoys spending time with her family and friends and going on adventures. Stephanie lives in Buffalo, NY, working as a preschool aide and writing mental health articles for "The Mighty."

About the Illustrator: Tania Ramírez Cuevas is an illustrator born in Mérida Yucatán, México. She studied for a degree in graphic design in her hometown, and, after a year of working as a graphic designer, she decided to be a professional illustrator, since her passion has always been drawing. Working mostly as a freelance illustrator, Tania specializes in children's illustration, cartoon, character design, and webcomics. She has her own webcomic called "Un Gato en la Ciudad" ("A Cat in the City"), where she shares her personal experiences and views of life in the cities of México. Tania has also worked giving conferences and drawing classes for teenagers and adults.

For more information about the author, please visit www.stephanieparwulski.com.

Interviews available upon request.

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