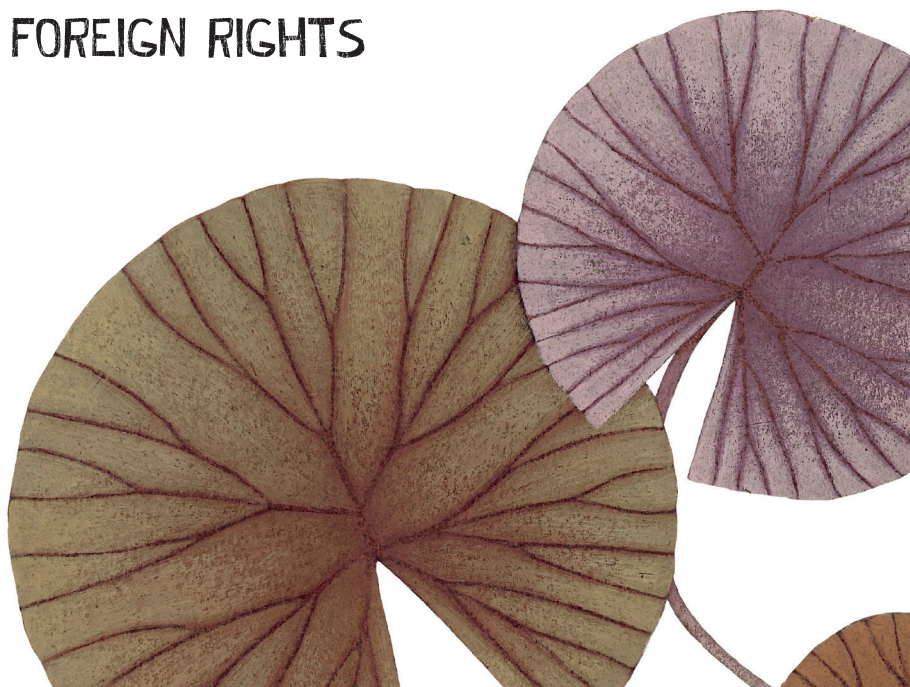




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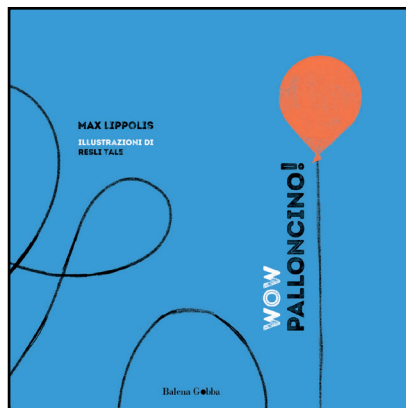
WOW PALLONCINO!

In “Wow red balloon!,” watch as little Lalla’s eyes widen in surprise as her red balloon slips from her grasp and embarks on a cosmic journey!

With each dazzling page turn, join Lalla on an enchanting adventure as her balloon floats higher and higher, venturing beyond the clouds into the vast expanse of space.

Amidst a symphony of vibrant colors and silent whispers, follow the red balloon as it dances among the stars. So buckle up, hold tight, and prepare for a breathtaking ride with Lalla and her runaway balloon in this enchanting silent tale!

Temi: silent book, game, balloons, sounds, colors, escape, adventure.



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Illustrazioni di R. Tale**

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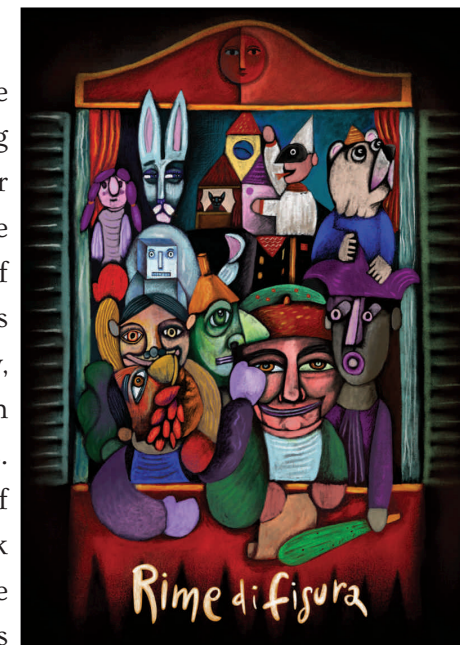
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**Rime di figura**

Welcome to “Rhymes from the Puppet Theater,” where enchanting nursery rhymes penned by a master puppet theater author come to life through the vibrant illustrations of a Sicilian Puparo! Each page unveils a whimsical world of puppetry, where characters dance and sing in harmony with the rhythmic verses. And as the rhymes spin tales of adventure and merriment, peek behind the curtain to discover the hidden wonders of the puppeteer’s workshop, where mysteries and secrets are lovingly crafted into every string and stitch, waiting to be revealed to those who believe in the enchantment of the stage.



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Temi: puppet, theater, rhymes.



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L'ACQUARIO SPAZIALE

Meet a baby alien who's thrilled to play with his favorite pet - fish! But there's a twist - his planet lacks water, leaving him feeling down. Determined to help, human children rally around him as they embark on a quest to gift him some fishes (unfortunately only drawn) and uncover the mystery of his delicious popcorn scent. Join the Pip gang as they discover the magic of friendship and the power of creative problem-solving in this delightful tale!

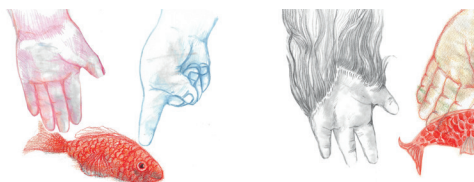
**Testo e illustrazioni di A. Ferretti**

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Price: 15,00 euro

23 cm x 23 cm - 24 pp. -
plastic-free, eco-friendly ink,
Printed "km O"..

Themes: friendship, space, aquarium, fish.



ALDA

*I always wake up fit and deform
through others.*

This illustrated book invites you to explore the magical realm of poetry of Alda Merini as a lifeline amidst the mindless and chaos. Through mesmerizing illustrations and evocative prose, join Alda on her journey of salvation from the madness threatening to consume her. With each turn of the page, you'll be drawn deeper into the metaphorical landscapes of her verses, discovering a secret way where words become wings and imagination knows no bounds. Get ready to be captivated by the beauty and resilience of the human spirit as Alda Merini's poetry ignites a spark of inspiration in your heart.

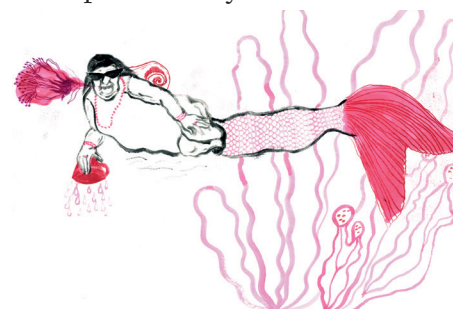
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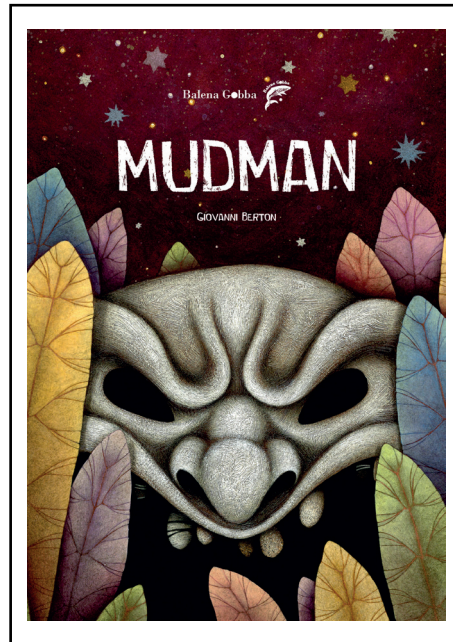
Temi: poetry, madness, escape.



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MUDMAN

Inspired by the ancient legend of warriors from Papua New Guinea, a brave child crafts their own Asaro mask to conquer the monsters lurking in the shadows. With each stroke of mud and every shell and rock, the child transforms fear into courage, embarking on a daring mission to face the darkness head-on. Will their mask be enough to vanquish the monsters and reclaim the night? Prepare to be spellbound as the child discovers the true strength that lies within, waiting to be unleashed beneath the guise of a fearsome mask.



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Temi: mask, darkness, monster.



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SELFIE MADE MAN

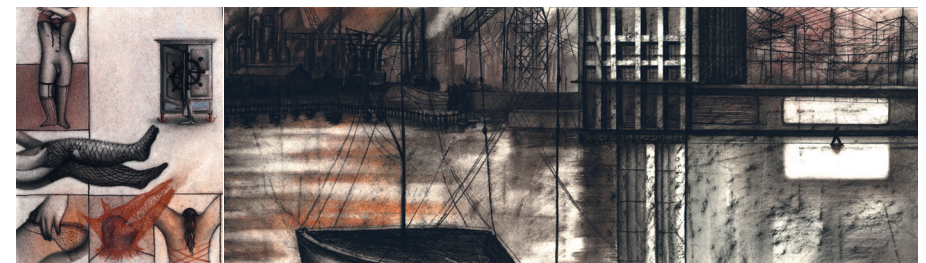
Follow the story of a man who wakes up one day not recognizing himself, lost in a sea of social media and shallow identities. As he searches for answers, he realizes the true struggle lies within, in accepting himself for who he truly is. Through twists and turns, he learns the power of self-acceptance and embraces his gender fluidity with courage and resilience. This captivating tale explores universal themes of identity crisis and the quest for belonging, reminding readers of the beauty in embracing one's authentic self, no matter the journey it takes. Join the adventure and discover the transformative power of self-love in this inspiring illustrated book!

Temi: change, dystopia, fluidity, social networks, nightmares, urban landscapes.



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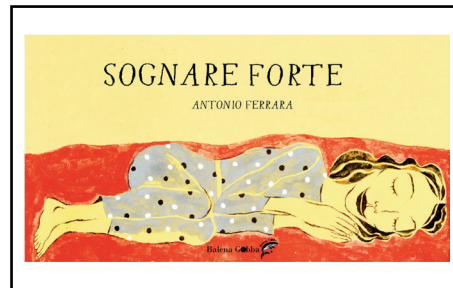


SOGNARE FORTE

In this captivating book, boys will embark on a magical journey through the dreamscape, where anything is possible.

From traversing towering walls to exploring enchanted forests and mysterious seas, they'll uncover the fears and desires that fuel their wildest imaginations. But fear not, for in the darkness of night, the light of fantasy guides them, illuminating their peaceful slumber and instilling courage to chase their dreams. Join the quest and discover the power of dreaming big in this enchanting tale that will inspire boys to reach for the stars!

Temi: dream, nightmare, desires, imagination, night, moon. 6+



Testo e illustrazioni di A. Ferrara

ISBN 979-12-80724-03-8

Price: 18,00 euro

29,7cm x 15,8 cm - 24 pp. - leporello

Printed "km O".



E FU SERA E FU MATTINA

Enter the mysterious realm of "Night's Embrace," where darkness unveils its secrets in this poetic exploration of death. Follow the nocturnal flight of a moth as it dances through the shadows, revealing the hidden depths of existential restlessness within us all. But beware, for beneath the peaceful facade of the night lies a world of turmoil and uncertainty.

Through mesmerizing illustrations, this book delves into the profound beauty and complexity of death, on a surreal journey that will leave them spellbound and contemplative.

Temi: moth, cycle of life, blue.



Testo e illustrazioni di G. Bertoni

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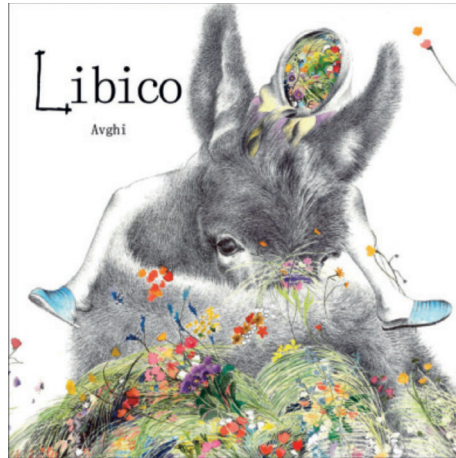
23 cm x 23 cm - 32 pp. -

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LIBICO

Get ready to join Libyan and Antiópi on an unforgettable adventure in "Libyan's Escape"! Set against the backdrop of the stunning island of Crete, this illustrated book follows the heartwarming bond between a donkey named Libyan and his caretaker, Antiópi. Together, they dream of breaking free from the constraints of a patriarchal society that has kept them from experiencing the beauty of the sea. With vibrant descriptions of the island's scents and colors, readers will be transported to a world filled with helichrysum, thyme, and roses, where the desire for freedom burns bright. Join them as they embark on a journey of friendship and liberation, inspiring readers to chase their own dreams and embrace the richness of life's adventures.



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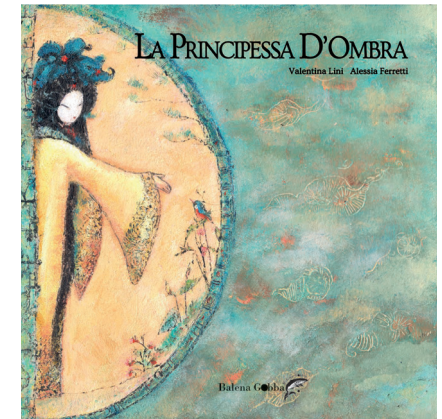
Printed "km O".

Temi: escape, Greek, desires, sea.



LA PRINCIPESSA D' OMBRA

In this spellbinding illustrated book for children, the fate of Wu and Li becomes entwined with the legendary creation of Chinese shadow theater. With vibrant illustrations and a passionate, informal tone, readers will be drawn into a tale of romance, intrigue, and human genius. Get ready to embark on an adventure filled with discovery and wonder as you uncover the origins of one of China's most cherished cultural treasures.



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23 cm x 23 cm - 36 pp. - Cop. Printed
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Temi: shadows, princess, legend.



IL BOSCO

Get ready for an adventure like no other in “The Forest’s Brave Journey”! Follow the enchanting tale of a forest that thrives in harmony with its animal inhabitants, until a noisy, smelly city disrupts its peace. When the forest feels abandoned and forlorn, a strange discovery ignites its spirit: the strength and determination to reclaim its rightful space. As the forest races toward the city, readers will be captivated by the suspense: what will stop its courageous journey? Could it be the possibility of a new alliance with humans? This story will inspire you to join Teo and the forest on a quest for ecological harmony and sustainable coexistence.



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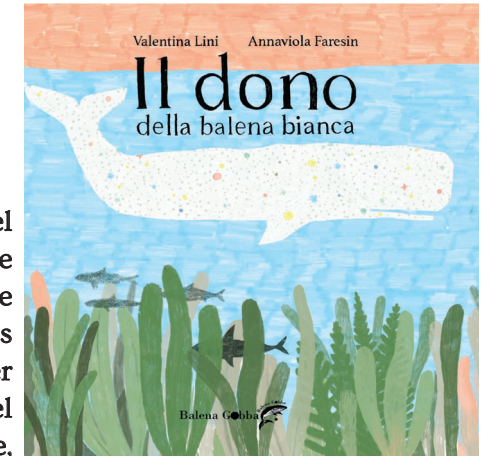
Temi: ecological, forest, coexistamince.



IL DONO DELLA BALENA BIANCA

While exploring the atlas, Ishmael discovers his favorite page: the silhouette of a majestic white whale leaping from the ocean’s depths, just like his grandfather described. This tale brings Ishmael to the memory of the rare perfume, gray amber, created by the whale and the bond it creates between them. With passionate prose and vibrant illustrations, readers will be drawn into a story of wonder and friendship, as Ishmael presents a small gift to the whale as a symbol of renewed connection and respect for nature. Prepare to be swept away by the magic of this special bond and the importance of protecting our oceans and the creatures within.

Temi: whale, ambergris, giant squid, atlas.



**Testo di V. Lini e
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COS'HAI NELLA TESTA, PAPÀ?

In this whimsical illustrated book for boys, follow a child as he navigates the puzzling world of his slightly eccentric dad. Through their adventures in their animated city, readers will discover a new and bizarre idea of normality, where the roles of parents and children are delightfully redefined. With humor and heart, this story highlights the importance of mutual care and understanding within the family, inviting readers to embrace the unique quirks that make each family special.

Tem: diversity, dad, fantasy.



**Testo e illustrazioni
di M. Gubellini**

ISBN 978 - 88 - 944881 - 0 - 4

Price: 17,00 euro

23 cm x 23 cm - 40 pp.

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TI HO FATTO UNA VALIGIA

As a young mother prepares a suitcase for her son's journey forced upon him by war, she lovingly sews gifts of hope into the fabric of his belongings. Inspired by the tragic story of a migrant child, this book explores the universal longing for a better future and the hope that sustains us through adversity. Through vivid illustrations and heartfelt verse, readers are invited to reflect on the plight of migrant children and to join in the collective effort to create a more inclusive and compassionate world for all.

Tem: migrants, travel, suitcase. hope,

ti ho fatto una valigia

Franca Perini Anna Pedron



**Testo di F. Perini,
illustrazioni di A. Pedron**

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Price: 16,00 euro

22,5 cm x 22,5cm - 36 pp. -

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PAOLINA E L'ATELIER DELLE NUVOLE

Meet a curious little girl who spends her days marveling at the different types of clouds drifting above. With excitement bubbling in her heart, Pauline plans a unique parade to showcase the diverse characters of the clouds she adores. From the wispy cirrus clouds to the mysterious fog and haze, readers will be involved into a world of wonder and discovery. This book will spark the curiosity of young readers as they learn about the various cloud formations, from the gentle ones that don't bring rain to the mighty cumulonimbus that heralds a storm. Get ready to soar with Pauline and uncover the magic hidden in the sky above!



**Testo e illustrazioni
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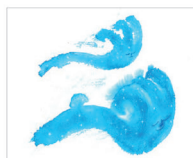
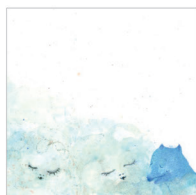
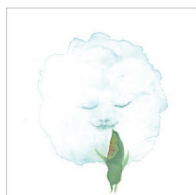
ISBN 979-12-80724-00-7

Price: 15,00 euro

22,5 cm x 22,5 cm - 24 pp. -

Printed "km O".

Temi: nursery rhyme, clouds, sky.



NINNANANNA DEI PESCI DI CARTA

In this enchanting illustrated book, a father sings a soothing lullaby to his little girl, weaving tales of fantastical fish that inhabit the ocean. From the whimsical canned fish adorned with ribbons to the graceful fighting fish resembling fans, each page is teeming with extraordinary creatures. Piranhas and angelic fish alike grace the pages, captivating readers with their beauty. But the magic doesn't end there! The book also includes cut-out fishes to create a dream catcher, inviting readers to bring the enchantment of the sea into their own dreams.

Temi: ninnananna, fishes, dream.



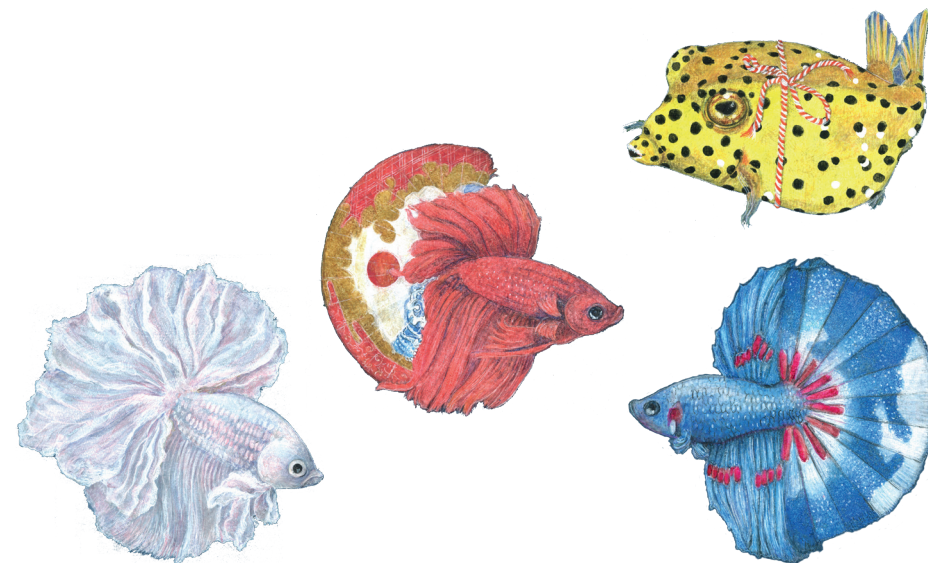
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23 cm x 23 cm - 40 pp. -

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TANALIBERATUTTI'

In this enchanting illustrated book, follow the adventures of a child as they navigate through dreams, imagined realities, and the joys of everyday life. From soaring through the clouds on the back of a dragon to splashing in puddles after a rainy day, each page celebrates the magic of free play and uninhibited exploration. Through vibrant illustrations, readers are invited to embrace their own creativity and curiosity, reminding us all that childhood should be a time of joy, discovery, and boundless possibility. Join the adventure and rediscover the magic of being a child!

Temi: rhymes, daily routine, dream,

fantasy.

Albo awarded at the Schwanenstadt competition in 2017 with the title "A journey into my thoughts".



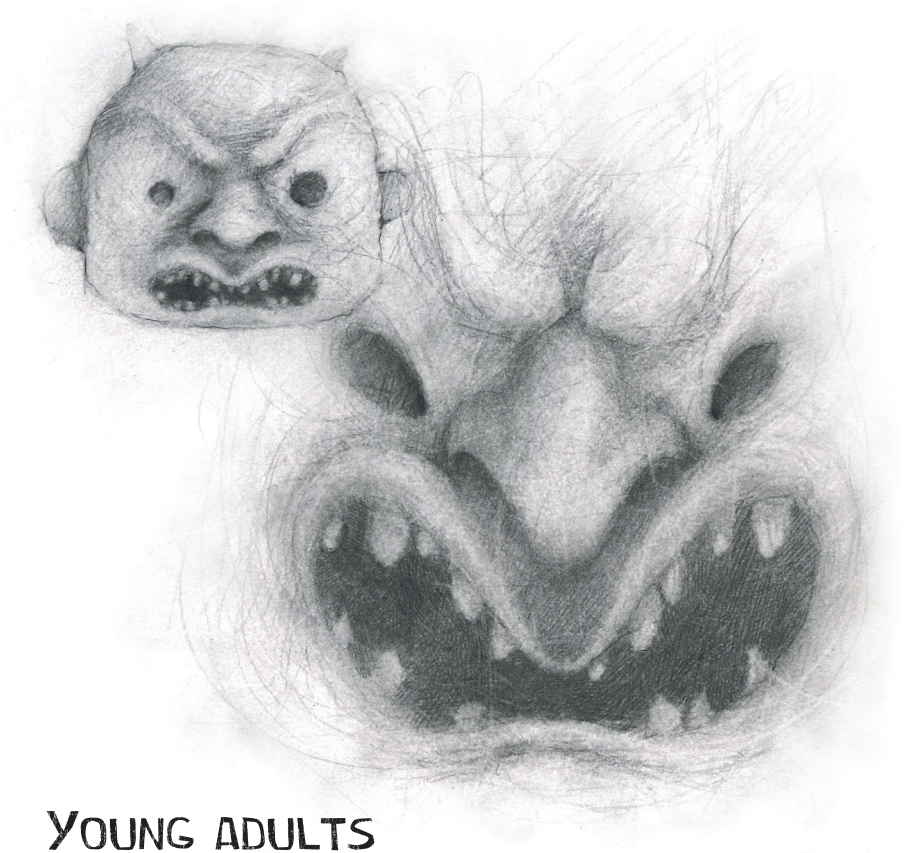
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Price: 15,90 euro

23 cm x 23 cm - 36 pp. -

Printed "km O".



YOUNG ADULTS



IL DIAVOLO SUL PONTE. UNA BALLATA

Come close and listen to the tale,
Of lovers lost, their hearts turned pale.
On Torcello's isle, where shadows creep,
A devil's bridge, where secrets sleep.
With witch's help, they strike a deal,
But beware, for fate's dark wheel.
A night ballad to thrill and chill,
Set to music, a milonga's thrill.



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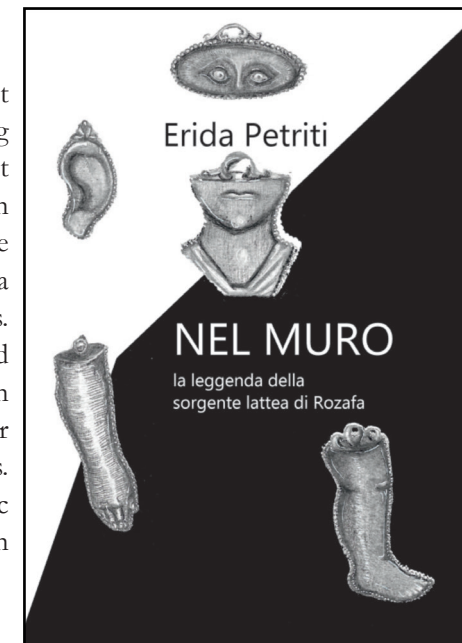
Temi: witch, pact with the devil, unfortunate lovers, Venice



NEL MURO

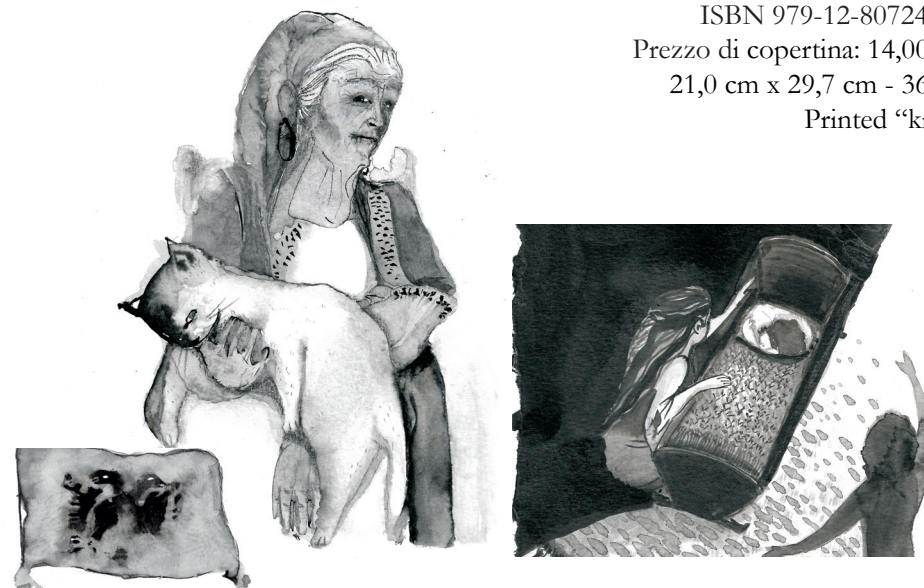
Step into the chilling world of "The Secret of Rozafa Castle"! Follow a brave young woman as she delves into the ancient legend she heard from her Albanian nanny long ago. But as she arrives at the ominous Rozafa Castle, she uncovers a sinister truth lurking within its dark walls. The castle's foreboding atmosphere and whispered secrets will send shivers down your spine as you journey alongside our protagonist into the heart of darkness. Prepare to be enthralled by the gothic and horror-laden tale that unfolds within the shadowy confines of Rozafa Castle.

Temi: Legends, ghosts; Albania.



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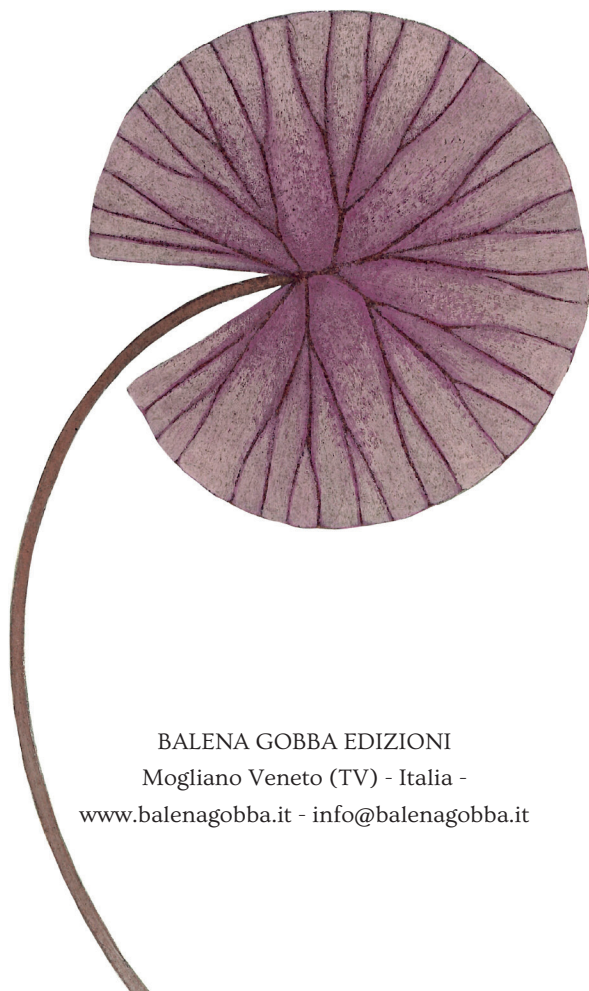
Our passion lies in preserving ancient stories, legends, and illustrated poetry, with a twist of noir and gothic themes to ignite the imagination. But our commitment doesn't end with storytelling; we're deeply invested in sustainability.

From plastic-free books to eco-friendly inks and local printing, we strive to minimize our environmental impact. Join us in exploring worlds of wonder and mystery while treading lightly on our planet. Follow the hump!

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The partnership between Balena Gobba Publishing House and Energia Capitale represents a significant step towards advancing environmental sustainability in both the publishing and energy sectors. Balena Gobba's unwavering commitment to green transition is evident in its use of recycled paper, local suppliers, and incorporation of green themes in publications. Energia Capitale's dedication to renewable energy aligns perfectly with Balena Gobba's vision, as they prioritize transitioning towards 100% renewable sources. Their joint efforts extend beyond business collaboration; they share a common goal of fostering environmental stewardship and promoting circularity. The creation of the Energy Farm exemplifies their commitment to innovative, sustainable solutions that utilize organic waste to generate renewable energy. Through this partnership, Balena Gobba and Energia Capitale aim to inspire others to embrace sustainability and contribute to a greener, more resilient future for all. Together, they exemplify the power of collaboration in driving positive change and shaping a more sustainable world for generations to come.



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