

MEDIA RELEASE

DRAWN ONWARD

by MEG MCKINLAY and
ANDREW FRAZER

ABOUT THE BOOK

From the masterful pen of multi-award winning Meg McKinlay and dynamic new illustrator, Andrew Frazer, *Drawn Onward* explores shifting perspective and the inner voice. The text is a palindrome that takes readers from the glass half empty: 'There is no light on the horizon and it is foolish to think you can change anything at all'; to the glass half full: 'You can change anything at all. It is foolish to think there is no light on the horizon.' This powerful picture book for older readers is a call to hope that cleverly illustrates how the very same situation can be viewed quite differently depending on your perspective.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Meg McKinlay is a children's writer and poet whose work ranges from picture books through to young adult fiction. Meg grew up in central Victoria, and spent her childhood roaming through the bush, striking it rich at least once a week on a vein of fool's gold. Raised in a TV-free household, she was a bookish kid, in love with words, excited by dictionaries and spelling bees. These days she lives near the ocean in Fremantle and spends her days writing, reading and rambling. She is always busy cooking up more books.

ABOUT THE ILLUSTRATOR

Andrew Frazer is a multidisciplinary artist from Bunbury, Western Australia. From public murals, illustration, hand lettering, design and arts management - Andrew's arts practise continues to expand and refine as a testament to his passion for personal growth.

KEY POINTS

- Meg McKinlay's novel *A Single Stone* won the 2016 Prime Minister's Literary Award, the 2015 Queensland Literary Award, and the 2015 Aurealis Award. She has been shortlisted for numerous other awards. *Ten Tiny Things* won the 2013 Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators Crystal Kite Award and was shortlisted for the 2013 Wilderness Society's Environment Award.
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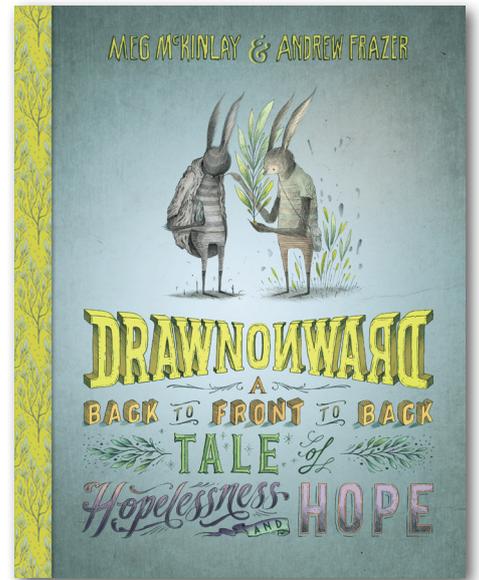
PRAISE FOR THE AUTHOR'S PREVIOUS WORKS

'*Ten Tiny Things* will certainly be treasured by younger readers.'
Books+Publishing

'Children's author Meg McKinlay is guaranteed to set young imaginations alight with a wonderful new story.'
The West Australian

'This is a feel-good story about a house that knows what it is looking for, and with help from Bella, finally finds a home.'
Child Magazines

'I love everything about this book.'
Magpies



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