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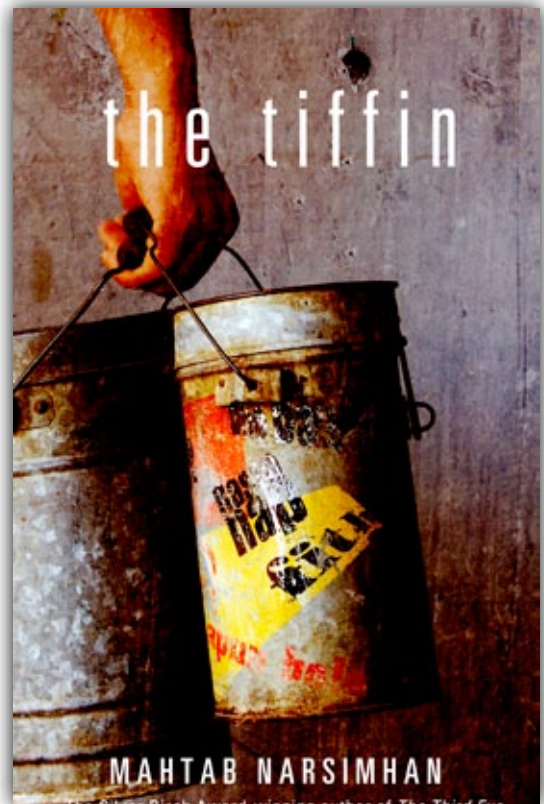
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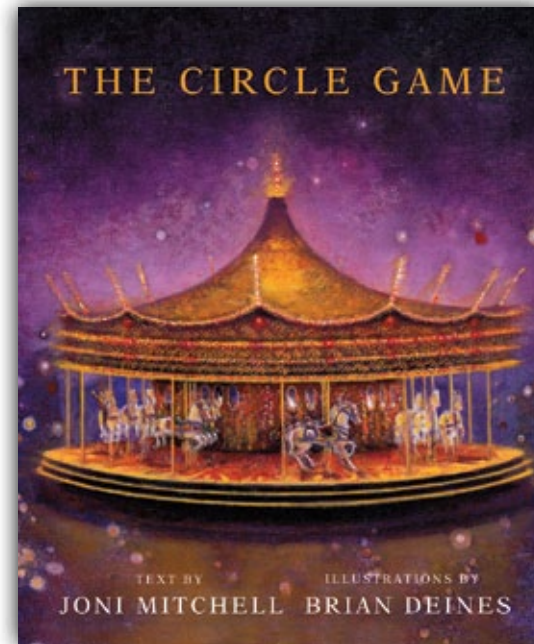
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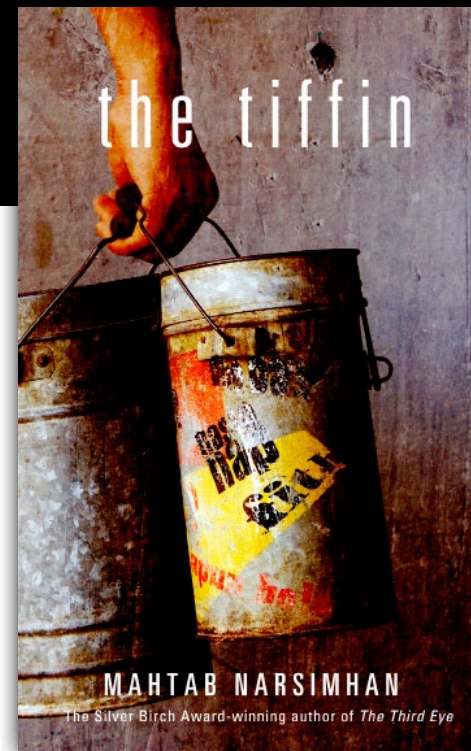
The *dabbawallas* of Mumbai deliver box lunches — called *tiffins* — to whitecollar workers all over the vast city. They are legendary for their near-perfect service: for every six million lunches sent, only one will fail to reach its intended destination. **THE TIFFIN** is about that one time in millions when a box goes astray, changing lives forever.

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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

MAHTAB NARSIMHAN won the Silver Birch Award for her first novel, *The Third Eye*. Its sequels, *The Silver Anklet* and *The Deadly Conch*, have received critical acclaim. A native of Mumbai (Bombay), Narsimhan lives in Toronto.



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Release Date: September 2011

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Age: 9-12 | 176 pp | \$12.95

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More than forty years ago, Joni Mitchell's music helped define a generation of young people. Now, one of her classic songs is introduced to a new generation through the remarkable art of Brian Deines.

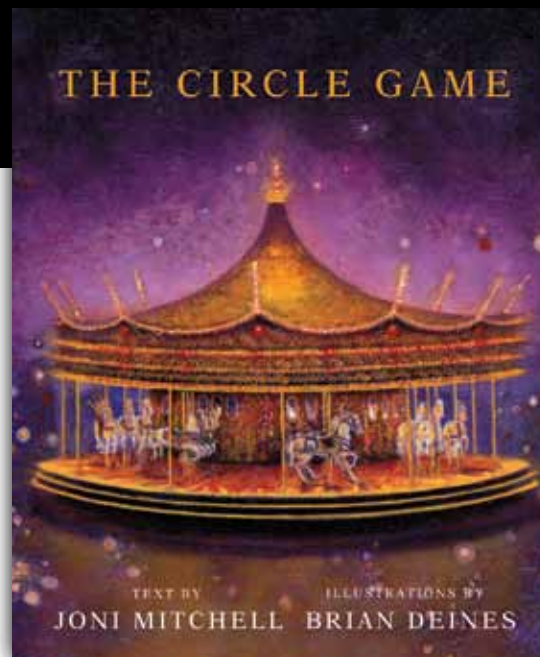
THE CIRCLE GAME, a charming nod to childhood dreams and memories, tells the story of a young boy experiencing the simple wonders of life: dragonflies in jars, the night sky, frozen streams, and carousels. As the years go by, cartwheels are replaced by car wheels and the boy's dreams change, but the sense of wonder remains.

THE CIRCLE GAME captures the timeless magic of youth.

ABOUT THE CONTRIBUTORS

JONI MITCHELL was born in Fort Macleod, Alberta, and began her career singing in coffeehouses of Saskatoon and busking on the streets in Toronto. Her albums *Song to a Seagull*, *Clouds*, and *Ladies of the Canyon* helped her to become a folk music icon, and in 1997 she was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. She was appointed a Companion to the Order of Canada in 2002.

BRIAN DEINES has illustrated numerous books for children, including *Skysisters* (written by Jan Bourdeau Waboose), *Dragonfly Kites* (written by Thomson Highway), and *One Hockey Night* (written by David Ward). He has been nominated for numerous awards, including the Governor General's Literary Award, the Ruth and Sylvia Schwartz Children's Literature Award, the Martha Baillie Picture Book Award, and the Lillian Shepherd Memorial Award. A native of Red Deer, Alberta, Brian lives in Toronto.



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