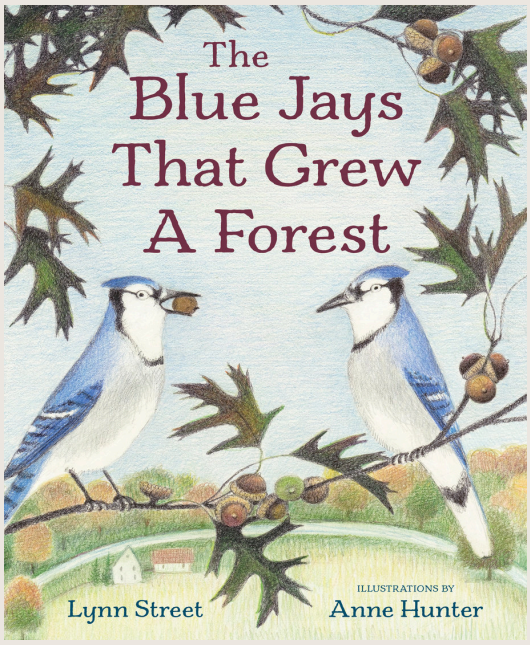
The Blue Jays That Grew a Forest



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This engaging picture book, both science-based and poetic, celebrates the connection between blue jays and oaks. It takes readers on a journey on the wings of blue jays as autumn approaches, when the birds race to collect and carry, hide and bury, thousands of acorns for hungry winter days ahead.

But the jays do not have a map where X marks the spot. When wintry winds whip through the hills, the birds must remember every location of their hidden gems.

Not all the acorns will be found. Some of those gems left behind may become the beginning of a new oak forest.

"The blue jay gets its due in this sharply written appreciation of the bird's critically important symbiotic relationship with oak trees."
-Publishers Weekly

About the Author

Lynn Street is a science-inspired author sharing lively STEAM stories with young readers. She holds an MFA in poetry from Vermont College of Fine Arts and enjoys bringing lyrical language to life. Lynn is a Master Birder and Georgia Master Naturalist and volunteers for local nature organizations. She is dedicated to environmental education and integrating art, science, writing, and nature for kids.

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