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SHOW**





# THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

A huge heartfelt thank you to everyone that made Biggest Show a success, from the cast, to all those who attended in person or tuned in online, to our sponsors, to our volunteers and staff that make Young Storytellers happen - and of course most of all, our amazing students!

We were blown away by everyone's support. With your help, we were able to raise \$160,000 in support of our programming here in Los Angeles and nationwide through our toolkits.

Thank you again, and see you next year!



Bill Thompson  
Executive Director





# MEET THE YOUNG STORYTELLERS



**KASHMALA NADEEM**



**DAVID NYAMEKYE**



**HEATHER CRUZ**



**LAUREN GUDINO**



**VENUS SEPÚLVEDA**



**EMMANUEL GUTIERREZ**

# MEET OUR CAST!



**APARNA NANCHERLA**



**MAX GREENFIELD**



**CHRIS ESTRADA**



**TONY HALE**



**NATASHA ROTHWELL**



**RANDALL PARK**



**JAINA LEE ORTIZ**







Art by Ana Hernandez



# THE BIG BAND CLUB

“How Zacky becomes  
the lead singer”

By David Nyamekye and Heather  
Cruz, Grant Elementary School  
Mentored by Taryn Falkenstein





# THE MILLIONAIRE GONE MISSING

“Don’t worry, there are two rookie  
detectives on the case...”

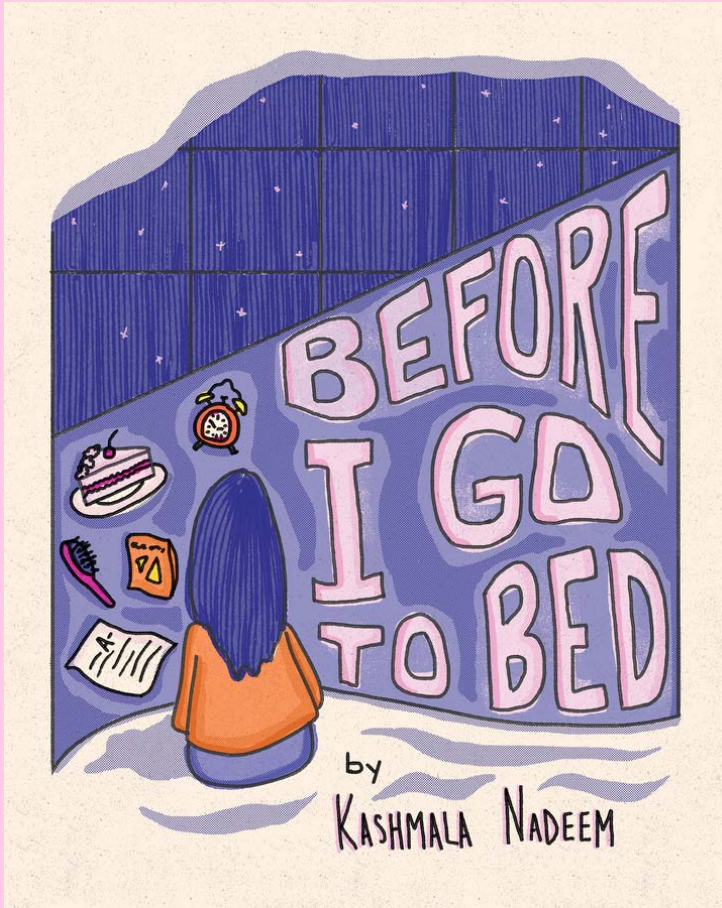
By Lauren Gudino, Dolores  
Mission School  
Mentored by Tabitha Petrini



Art by Christine Jung Lew







Art by Jaylene Benggon Chung



# BEFORE I GO TO BED

By Kashmala Nadeem, Mark  
Twain Middle School  
Mentored by Ariana Garcia





# WHAT HAVE YOU DONE?

By Venus Sepúlveda, Highland  
Park Continuation School  
Mentored by Amy DeGaetano and  
Jacqlyn Cope



WHAT HAVE YOU DONE?

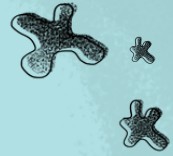
by VENUS SEPÚLVEDA



Art by Jaylene Benggon Chung



Art by Kevin Page



# THE LAST PIZZA SLICE

“You’ll die for a pizza pie!”

By Emmanuel Gutierrez, Palms  
Elementary School  
Mentored by Nicholas Nieves







# **CELEBRATING THE 2023 VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR:**

Robert Taylor  
Volunteer since 2010





**CELEBRATING OUR VOLUNTEERS WITH AN AWARD...**

**...AND A SURPRISE PROPOSAL!**





## **MEET OUR INCOMING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:**

Dr. Gary Hardie, Jr.







# **THE YOUNG STORYTELLERS LEADERSHIP AWARD**

Bill Thompson, Outgoing Executive Director



# THANKS TO OUR HOST COMMITTEE:

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