

TOWER BLOCK BOOKS

# CALL FOR DRAWINGS

**Deadline 11th December 2017**  
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## **Public Buildings**

Tower Block Books invites illustrators, artists and architects to contribute to a children's picture book that celebrates public buildings. Alongside the publication, a workshop session will be put together and travel to primary/ elementary schools. The publication and workshop will launch in Spring 2018. This is a not-for-profit project.

## **What is a public building?**

Public buildings are those open to all people. They can be civic, institutional or community spaces, and/or possibly commercial, for example a launderette or a pub. Some other examples of community buildings and spaces: assembly hall, archive, café, cinema, city hall, church, college, crèche, fire station, garden, hospital, library, meeting hall, market, mosque, museum, post office, playground, school, temple, train station.

## **Why drawings of public and community buildings and places?**

All buildings have a story and most humans have a strong affinity to places. Buildings house our personal memories, remind us of meaningful events, transport us to a different time or mood. We want to encourage children to reflect on the environment around them from a young age, to show them that community buildings and places exist in many cultures and that they are wonderful shared spaces where we exchange ideas and do things together. We aim to gather an eclectic selection of drawings, depicting a broad range of building types and an extensive geographical spread.

WE WOULD LOVE  
TO HAVE YOU  
ON BOARD

## **What and where is your favourite public building?**

It can be located anywhere on Planet Earth.

## **Send us a drawing of it.**

Fast and furious, an impression, a collage, a measured drawing, the whole building, its entrance, a favourite area, an unusual detail, a treasured texture, a detailed façade... whatever you feel inclined to draw.

## **Tell us something about it in less than 150 words.**

Why you love it, the first time you visited, something you've observed, where it sits, something about its architecture, something about its smell, something about a person that works there, a true story, a myth, an anecdote... your most intuitive response.

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## Submission

- 1. Drawing:** submit a single drawing of a community building or a community space saved as JPG file. Submissions must be black and white on a white background. In order to avoid cropping of the artwork, landscape format is encouraged. Submission is online only.
- 2. Words:** on a separate text document, submit up to 150 words about your community building or space.
- 3. Credit information:** Please include your name, the building's name and full address.
- 4. Method of submission:** Digital submission, one JPG minimum size 210 × 297mm at 600dpi, one text document via WeTransfer or Dropbox to [info@towerblockbooks.com](mailto:info@towerblockbooks.com)
- 5. Deadline:** Work to be submitted online by midnight GMT 11th December 2017. Tower Block Books will acknowledge receipt of submissions and aim to notify participants whose work will be selected for publication by 31st January 2018.

## Clarifications

- Drawings submitted will be final
- Tower Block Books will select work for publication and the decision will be final
- Artwork may be enlarged or reduced to fit publication size; text will be edited
- Artists invited to contribute to the publication will be asked to sign a contract
- Artists remuneration will be in the form of royalties; Tower Block Books operates on a 50/50 artists/publisher share of net revenue sale; Tower Block Books share of net revenue will be invested back in the project
- Tower Block Books reserves the right to include any submission in a digital catalogue
- Tower Block Books will ensure that all work is accurately credited.

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## About Tower Block Books

Tower Block Books is a recently established small press publisher with a focus on architecture and design-related children's picture books. We publish stories about places: cities, neighbourhoods, streets, buildings, rooms, dens, nooks and crannies. Tower Block Books was founded by a designer and an architect. We are fascinated by the stories each place has to tell and love finding beautiful and imaginative ways to bring these place-stories to the printed page. Tower Block Books has international rights representation by Koja Agency and we are currently self-distributing our titles in Europe and the USA.  
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