



## Press Release

### That's Al!

By **Billy Baldwin** Illustrations by **Liesl Bell**

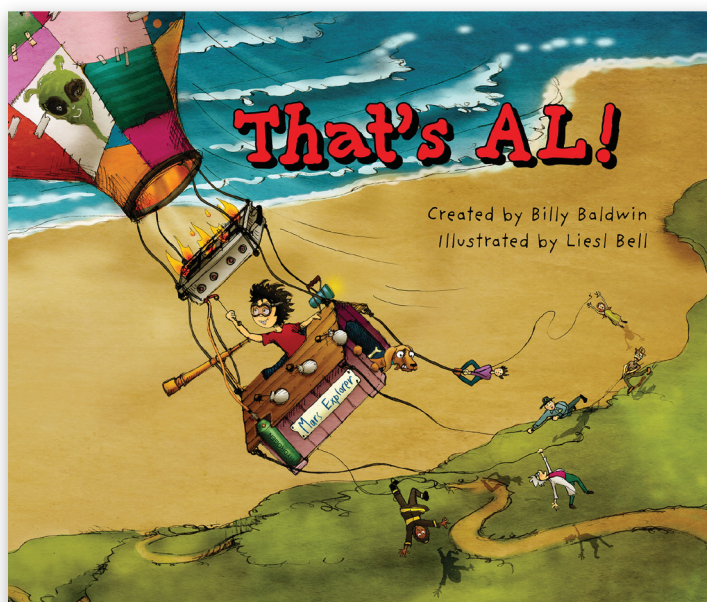
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*"Billy Baldwin is a thoughtful writer who has created a well-written and triumphant story steeped in endearing life lessons."*

**- The Children's Book Review**

**Al Looks at the world very differently than his parents and the local town folk. He feels anything mechanical needs modification, that hiking trails need detours, and the laws of gravity must be tested. A good dose of imagination fuels most of Al's thinking! Most people don't believe his wild, unpredictable, adventurous behavior will amount to anything positive. Then, one day, Al spots a baby whale beached on the shore. For Al, saving the whale is another adventure. For his parents and the townsfolk, it's a look into Al's world - and a lesson in the fact that Al's take on life may just make the world a better place. This exciting story, which alternates between the way Al sees the world and the way everyone else sees it, is sure to spark the imagination of every young child and entertain all who read it.**

**BILLY BALDWIN** is an award winning author and the creator of numerous stories for children & young adults. Creating fictional worlds and then building story structures to bring them to life is Billy's true passion. Diagnosed with dyslexia at an early age, Billy is often asked why he chooses to challenge himself with writing books. His response is always the same: his desire to create stories is far more rewarding and fulfilling than any of the struggles or frustrations he experiences due to dyslexia.

*Story Glass* is Billy's fourth children's book. *Wipeout the Wave*, *The Cookie That Saved Christmas* and *The Last Leaf*, which won the 2017 Silver Moonbeam Book Award, are his previous publications. Billy lives in the idyllic beachside town of Sag Harbor, NY.

**LIESL BELL** has been illustrating books with Billy Baldwin from halfway across the world. Illustrating *Story Glass* was an exciting journey of collaboration and creativity for Liesl. She spent hours discussing all aspects of the book with Billy on FaceTime. Together Liesl & Billy hashed out the illustrations for the characters of Jen, the quirky fairies, the beast, the evil wizard, and the variety of scenes and settings the book describes.

Liesl's mantra is simply: to create with a smile and a wink! The unfolding of Liesl's life's adventure takes place in Jeffreys Bay, South Africa where she lives with her son, Thomas. *Story Glass* is Liesl's fourth children's book in partnership with Billy.

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