

Press Release



I Live in Brooklyn

by Mari Takabayashi

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"[Mari] Takabayashi, who now lives in Carroll Gardens herself, offers a love letter to the neighborhood." — *Booklist*

*In Brooklyn, in a place called Carroll Gardens,
lives a girl named Michelle.
She is six.
And she loves her neighborhood.*

From days spent sitting on the stoop and playing hopscotch on the sidewalk, to nights watching fireworks from the rooftops, to school field trips into the city, where zoos and museums await, Michelle introduces readers to her favorite places and things to do. Readers will enjoy their adventures with Michelle as she goes to Central Park and the Museum of Natural History, trick-or-treats through her Carroll Gardens neighborhood, window-shops on Fifth Avenue, skates in Prospect Park, and takes the F train to Coney Island.

Mari Takabayashi's diminutive scenes, busy with cheerful detail, bring the beauty and bustle of New York City to life. *I Live in Brooklyn* will be a welcome walk in the neighborhood for Brooklynites, and children around the world will relish seeing the daily activities of this city girl, her family, and neighbors.

About the Author

Mari Takabayashi was born in Tokyo and studied at Otsuma Women's College. She moved to New York in 1990 and now lives in Carroll Gardens with her husband and their two children. Ms. Takabayashi is also the author and illustrator of *I Live in Tokyo*. To see more of Mari Takabayashi's artwork, visit www.maritakabayashi.com.