



Biography

Todd Parr is the author and illustrator of more than 60 books for children, including the *New York Times* bestselling **The I Love You Book**, **The Earth Book**, and **The Thankful Book**. He has inspired, empowered, and entertained millions of children around the world with his bold images, unique sense of humor, and inclusive storytelling. His books have received numerous awards and are available in 20 languages. He is the co-creator of the popular Daytime Emmy®-nominated animated TV series *ToddWorld* with Gerry Renert of SupperTime Entertainment, and several short films for *Sesame Street* have been based on Todd's work. In 2022, the Mermaid Theatre of Nova Scotia launched a stage adaptation of Todd's books titled *It's Okay to Be Different – Stories by Todd Parr*. Kindness and empathy remain at the forefront of Todd's books and in his collaborations with the San Francisco-Marin Food Bank, Stouffer's, *People* magazine, and other companies and organizations working toward helping people and animals, and promoting literacy. He lives in California with his adopted pit bulls.