



Dr. Tamara Pizzoli

Author. Curator. Editor. Filmmaker. Producer. Publisher.

Founder and CEO of  




Personal Profile

Dr. Tamara Pizzoli is an award-winning multi-hyphenate creative who has made a significant impact in the areas of art, education, film, storytelling, and publishing through her roles as Founder and CEO of The English Schoolhouse Publishing and Pizzoli Media. Dr. Pizzoli has penned, art directed, edited, and published nearly 70 children's books, and has partnered with several of the top five publishers as well as many formative international brands as a storyteller across mediums. A resident of Rome, Italy for nearly twenty years, Dr. Pizzoli currently resides and continues to create in New Orleans with her husband and four children.

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Education



East Texas A&M

Texas A&M University-Commerce
Doctor of Education (Ed.D.), Supervision,
Curriculum and Instruction
2004 - 2007



East Texas A&M University

Texas A&M University-Commerce
Master's Degree (M.Ed.), Elementary Education
with focus on Early Childhood
2002 - 2003



Southern Methodist University

Southern Methodist University
Bachelor's Degree, Psychology and Education
1998 - 2002

Professional Experience

Founder and CEO, The English Schoolhouse 2014-Present

- Authored, edited, curated, and published nearly 70 children's books, including award-winning titles such as The Ghanaian Goldilocks and Tallulah the Tooth Fairy CEO.
- Secured partnerships with companies such as Google, Netflix, FSG/MacMillan, Simon and Schuster, Harper Collins, and Bvlgari to develop varied content, stories, brand strategies and narratives.
- Directed, narrated, and recorded nearly 70 audiobooks for platforms such as YouTube and Google Assistant.

Founder and CEO, Pizzoli Media 2015-Present

- 2014 Executive produced In Nero: Black Girls in Rome documentary highlighting the varied experiences of Black women living in Rome, Italy.
- 2025 Executive produced, directed, and narrated In Nero: Black Girls in Rome - A Decennial Review documentary that examines if and how Rome has changed over the last decade, as well as the experiences of Black women living in the eternal city from 2015-2025.

Kindergarten Teacher, Dallas, Texas 2002-2007, 2008-2010

- Developed and implemented a shared teaching dual language bilingual (Spanish/English) program.
- Volunteered with neighborhood Spanish-speaking mothers to offer curated English lessons designed to improve their English speaking and reading competencies.
- Ensured all children enrolled in my class met and exceeded state achievement standards by providing caring, effective learning instruction and a safe, encouraging learning environment.

Languages Spoken:

- English
- Spanish
- Italian

Published Works



- Pizzoli, T. (2014). The Ghanaian Goldilocks (P. Howell, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2014). F is for Fufu (P. Howell, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2014). Auntie Nappy (P. Howell, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2014). M is for Marrakech (P. Howell, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2014). K is for Kahlo (P. Howell, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2015). M is for Mohawk Goldilocks (P. Howell, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2015). B is for Breakdancing (P. Howell, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2016). Tallulah the Tooth Fairy CEO (F. Fabiani, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2016). Fatou and the Kora (E. Tommasi Ferroni, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2018). Jewels from Our Ancestors (J. Okubo, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2018). The King and the Flute (M. N'Diaye, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2018). Z is for Zora (P. Howell, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2018). Lotus and the Baby Bird (E. Tommasi Ferroni, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2019). Tallulah the Tooth Fairy CEO (Republished) (F. Fabiani, Illus.). FSG/MacMillan.
- Pizzoli, T. (2021). Tallulah the Tooth Fairy CEO and the Corona Challenge (C. Barrera, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2020). Corona Soup (C. Barrera, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2020). Harriet Hare the Hair Guru (A. Angrick, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2020). Gems from the Elders (J. Okubo, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T.; Pizzoli, N. (2020). Pizza Picasso (A. Angrick, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2020). V is for Vintage (A. Cox, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2020). The Claus Conspiracy (A. Angrick, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2020). The Empress's New Clothes (E. Tommasi Ferroni, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2020). Mis Abuelos Siempre Decían (C. Goepfinger, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2021). H is for Honeysuckle (E. Tommasi Ferroni, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T.; Burchell, Z. (2021). Books are for More than Just Reading (Neneca, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2021). Black is More than Just a Color (S. Digital, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2021). The Boogey Man (A. Cox, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2021). Marielle's Sweet Shop (C. Barrera, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2021). Ogni Riccio Un Capriccio (R. Gola, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2021). Mirella Rosso and the Big Bad Fabulous Wolf (C. Barrera, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2021). Genevieve and the Giant (E. Tommasi Ferroni, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2021). Bethlehem and the Butterfly (E. Tommasi Ferroni, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2021). Be a Voice, Not an Echo (E. Tommasi Ferroni, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.

Published Works



- Pizzoli, T. (2021). B is for Basil (Neneca, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2021). Phoenix the Flower Kid (Neneca, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2021). Aunt Bunny (A. Cox, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2021). DJ the Kid DJ (A. Cox, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2021). Elijah Everett, Kid Principal (T. Chiarolini, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2021). The Hot Chocolate Stand (E. Tommasi Ferroni, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2021). Spencer's Sweet Tooth (A. Cox, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2021). First Day of First Grade (E. Amaro, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2021). Twelve Abyssinian Princesses (E. Tommasi Ferroni, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2021). Tituba the Halloween Witch (E. Tommasi Ferroni, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T.; Burchell, L. (2022). Pilar Picks the Perfect Pet (E. Tommasi Ferroni, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2022). As Tall As You Are (A. Cox, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2022). The Play Date (A. Cox, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2022). Zen Bakes (R. Gola, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2022). Zen Jams (R. Gola, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2022). Zen Zooms (R. Gola, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2023). Zen Builds (R. Gola, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2022). The Hog Hotel (E. Amaro, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2022). Sabah's Snow Globe (E. Tommasi Ferroni, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2022). Godmothers are More than Just Fairies (E. Tommasi Ferroni, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2022). Just the Right Place (E. Tommasi Ferroni, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2022). Bold Words from Black Women (M. Ahanonu, Illus.). Denene Millner/Simon and Schuster.
- Pizzoli, T. (2022). Paloma and the Pasta Pickle (A. Cox, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2022). Halima and the Hot Air Balloon (E. Tommasi Ferroni, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2022). Connie Anne the Comedienne (A. Cox, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2022). Cyrus's Cider (A. Cox, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2022). A Piece of Peace Pie (A. Cox, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2022). When the Schools Shut Down (K. Morris, Illus.). HarperCollins.
- Pizzoli, T. (2023). Belen's Summer (E. Tommasi Ferroni, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2023). Falu's Flowers (E. Tommasi Ferroni, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2023). Christos and the Sunsets of Santorini (E. Tommasi Ferroni, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2024). Grown Goldilocks and her Three Bags of Trash (A. Cox, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2025). The Pied Piper of Positano (A. Cox, Illus.). The English Schoolhouse.
- Pizzoli, T. (2025). Bold Words from Black Men (D. Ngabo, Illus.). Denene Millner/Simon and Schuster.

Awards, Lectures & Exhibitions

Awards and Recognition



One of the Best Kids' Books by Amazon, 2019: Tallulah the Tooth Fairy CEO

Amazon Bestseller: Tallulah the Tooth Fairy CEO

Amazon Bestseller: Bold Words from Black Women

eLit Silver Book Award Winner: The Ghanaian Goldilocks

Lectures

2020 – Guest speaker with given title of “Fairytale Expert” by The British Library

2020 – Temple University in Rome, Italy

2017 – How a Black Girl from Texas Chose a Creative Life in Rome, Kent State University, Florence, Italy

2016 – Black History Month in Florence, Italy

Exhibitions

In Nero: Illustrations and Curated Tales

Curated by Dr. Tamara Pizzoli, Paintings by Elena Tommasi Ferroni

2020 Temple University, Rome, Italy

In Nero: Fairytales and Histories Reimagined and Retold

Curated by Dr. Tamara Pizzoli, Paintings by Elena Tommasi Ferroni

2015 at Fox Gallery, Rome, Italy

