



Lynnor Bontigao was 10 years old in the Philippines when she drew a story and stapled the pages together. After emigrating to the United States, she became a computer programmer but never forgot her love of drawing. Lynnor is the recipient of the SCBWI Tomie dePaola Professional Development Award, Kweli /SCBWI Emerging Voice Award, Kweli *Sing the Truth!* Mentorship, and the IBPA Benjamin Franklin Gold Award.



I'D LOVE TO ILLUSTRATE a story with a strong family bond and finding inner strength; a plus if food plays a part in it like *Cora Cooks Pancit* meets *The Remember Balloons*, or a simple, humorous book with a unique twist, like *I Want My Hat Back*.



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