

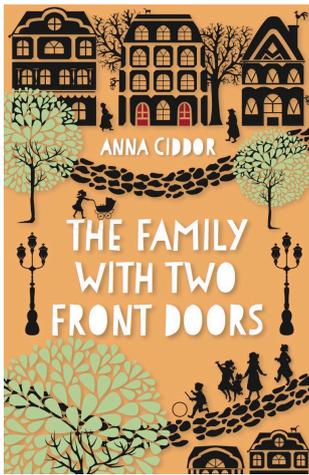


ANNA CIDDOR

author
and illustrator

'Anna had the audience locked on to her presentation from start to finish. She unfolded a fascinating story of literary detective work, tracing the lives of her Polish grandmother and her family, and the audience couldn't wait for a formal question-and-answer period at the end – they threw in questions as the session went along, and she handled them brilliantly and honestly.'
Chris, committee member of Williamstown Literary Festival 2016

Anna Ciddor has made her name as a versatile writer and illustrator of fiction, travel and historical books for primary school children and older readers. Her Viking Magic historical fantasy series earned her fans throughout the world. Her latest book, *The Family with Two Front Doors*, is a historical novel based on her grandmother's childhood in 1920s Poland – a heart-warming Jewish story that is NOT a holocaust story. In 2017 it was chosen as a Notable Book by the Children's Book Council of Australia.



Meet the Rabinovitches: mischievous Yakov, bubbly Nomi, rebellious Miriam, solemn Shlomo, and seven more! Papa is a rabbi and the family's days are full of intriguing rituals and adventures. But the biggest adventure of all is when big sister Adina is told she is to be married at the age of fifteen - to someone she has never met.

Based on the author's real family, the Rabinovitches dance, laugh and cook their way through an extraordinary life in 1920s Poland.

In the classic tradition, this highly readable story is fascinating, engaging, and as warm as freshly baked bread.

The Family with Two Front Doors
is published by Allen and Unwin

Presentation topics:

Uncovering a lost world

Vividly illustrated by photos, documents and heirlooms, Anna Ciddor describes her epic hunt to uncover the lost world of her late grandmother's 1920s childhood – an emotional, surprise-filled quest that lasted four years and carried her across the world to Poland.

Tricks of the trade

Anna Ciddor reveals all! Using the actual photos, historic documents, and interview samples that were used to create ***The Family with Two Front Doors***, Anna demonstrates her process of research, writing and illustrating, including how she coped with the challenge of building eleven distinct main characters.

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