

***Gustavo, the Shy Ghost* by Flavia Z. Drago**

We may be past spooky season, but this picture book is so cute and heartwarming that it can really be read any time of year! The story is very sweet, and the art is absolutely fantastic. I love the use of color and texture. Gustavo is a little ghost who really wants to make friends with his fellow monsters, but he's extremely shy. He keeps trying to put himself out there, but it always proves to be too difficult. He couldn't even get a ghoulish treat from the Eye Scream Truck! But he loves playing his violin, so gathers up all of his courage to invite the other little monsters to come see him play for the Day of the Dead. Will anyone come to his concert? Or will Gustavo be a lonely little ghost forever? You'll need to read it to find out!

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