

# Keeping Lakes in the Family

## Sharing the Magic Through Stories

### Kids



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This year we're showcasing books about sharing. Sharing isn't new, and it's worth revisiting when thinking about our lakes and rivers in Wisconsin, as well as life in general.

### Human Kindness

Written by John Francis\*  
Illustrated by Josy Bloggs  
Ages 8+

Kids

"This book made me feel good while reading it. Kindness is everywhere and anywhere. It discussed different people and how they spread kindness through living. It has fun facts, quotes, and colorful and bright illustrations! We NEED more books like this for young readers."

- NetGalley



### Waabooz miinawaa Nigig (Rabbit and Otter)

Written by Liz Granholm  
Illustrated by Anna Granholm  
Ages 5+

A delightful story about when Rabbit and Otter go out on the lake to harvest wild rice, and learn about sharing. Beautifully illustrated.

Written in English and Ojibwemowin (Ojibwe).  
- Review adapted from Wisconsin Historical Society and Amazon

### The Water Hole

Written and Illustrated by Graeme Base  
Ages 2-5

This story takes young readers on an exhilarating journey of discovery with an ingenious fusion of counting book, puzzle book, storybook, and art book. From the plains of Africa and the jungles of the Amazon to the woodlands of North America and the deserts of outback Australia, the animals come together to drink from the water hole. Young readers find and count hidden animals that are all sharing one finite and necessary resource – water!

- Review adapted from Amazon

\*Friday's Keynote Speaker at the 2023 Wisconsin Lakes and Rivers Convention.

Adults

### Wisconsin's Wild Lakes

A Guide to the Last Undeveloped Natural Lakes

Written by John Bates (Lake Leader, Crew 3)  
Illustrated by Rebecca Jabs

Of Wisconsin's over 15,000 lakes, very few wild lakes remain. These are rare places where remarkable peace and beauty abounds, and where native wildlife flourishes. Author John Bates has paddled or visited all of Wisconsin's remaining wild lakes over 30 acres, and he describes them in detail in this comprehensive, illustrated guide.

### Ripple Effects

How We're Loving Our Lakes to Death

Written by Ted Rulseh (Lake Leader, Crew 11)

"A marvelously thorough synopsis of the many daunting issues surrounding lake management. Rulseh utilizes case studies, interviews, and a storytelling format to frame the issues, making the book an easy and pleasurable read. He also doesn't leave the reader wallowing in the problems, instead offering sage advice on the many ways we can turn our love of waters into positive actions to protect them."

- John Bates

### How's the Water?

Planning for Recreational Use on Wisconsin Lakes & Rivers

Written by Tamara Dudiak and Robert Korth

The story of water recreation is a story of access. Recreational use on our waterways is growing not just in the number of people, but also in the variety of ways in which they use our lakes and rivers. Providing practical advice, guidance, and the insight needed to design a lake/river recreational use plan, this book is intended for elected officials, citizens, property owners, and others who want to maintain a healthy water ecosystem and build a strong water community. 🌊



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