Deedee Press Release for This is the Earth

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A Diverse Children’s Book with a Timely and Universal Message about Peace.

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 Nurturing peace, hope, love, and understanding, while taking responsibility for our interactions is just one of the many concepts that are skillfully addressed in the award-winning children’s book **This is the Earth** by Deedee Cummings.

 As a therapist, attorney, author, and CEO of Make A Way Media, Cummings is passionate about passing down the lessons that she has garnered through her work with families and kids in foster care. All ten of Cummings’ diverse picture books, poetry books, and workbooks are not only enjoyable for readers of all ages, they also work to teach coping skills, reinforce the universal message of love, encourage mindfulness, and facilitate inclusion for all. But it’s her latest book that is striking a chord with parents, educators, and librarians across the globe.

 A recent Purple Dragonfly Award First Place winner, Cummings uses bold and bright illustrations in [**This is the Earth**](https://makeawaymedia.com/shop/loving-books/this-is-the-earth)  to share a message of respect and inclusion. Published in early 2019, the book’s message bears repeating: peace is meant for all of us and it is everyone’s responsibility to unite as a global family. The book encourages people of all backgrounds to unite together and create a force of peace and respect for all instead of viewing their part of the world as a secluded island. Kids and adults will love the lyrical message and thoughtful artwork that reinforces the fact that every human being is our neighbor and part of a larger family.

 “My hope for *This is the Earth* is that it will spark conversations in schools and day cares, around dinner tables and during bedtimes,” Cummings noted. “These conversations can include discussions about why it has been so hard for humans to exist on the same planet together and how we can change that. I hope children read the story, look at the pictures, and are able to feel peace. My hope is that *This is the Earth* also helps readers of all ages understand that feeling ‘at peace’ and learning about each other with an open mind and loving heart is a better way to navigate life.”

To learn more about the Deedee Cumming, visit her on the web [https://makeawaymedia.com](https://makeawaymedia.com/).

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