

Meet Janey Louise Jones, author of the Princess Poppy series



Janey was born in Edinburgh. She grew up by the seaside in Musselburgh, just outside Edinburgh.

She fell in love with reading when she was very young, and enjoyed traditional fairy stories like *Cinderella* and *Snow White*. Her love of ballet meant she was fascinated by the stories behind *Swan Lake*, *Sleeping Beauty* and *The Nutcracker*, and reading Noel Streatfield's classic story *Ballet Shoes*.

She's always wanted to be a writer, always loved flowers, always wanted to be a Princess, and always wanted to be called Poppy. All of this lead to the creation of her beautiful Poppy books.

Janey created and published the first two Poppy books herself. Random House Children's Books was delighted to acquire Janey's stories and team her up with illustrator Veronica Vasylenko in 2006. Janey is still a little girl at heart and strongly believes in fairies and that dreams can come true. She'd love to live where Poppy lives in Honeypot Hill, where's there's time for making things and having fun.

Janey lives in East Lothian with her husband and three sons.

Princess Poppy books are illustrated by Veronica Vasylenko

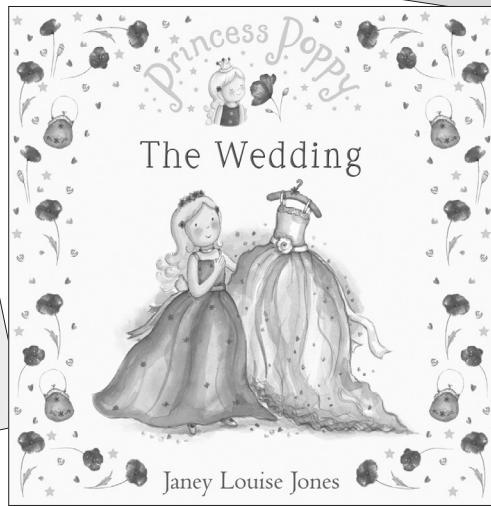
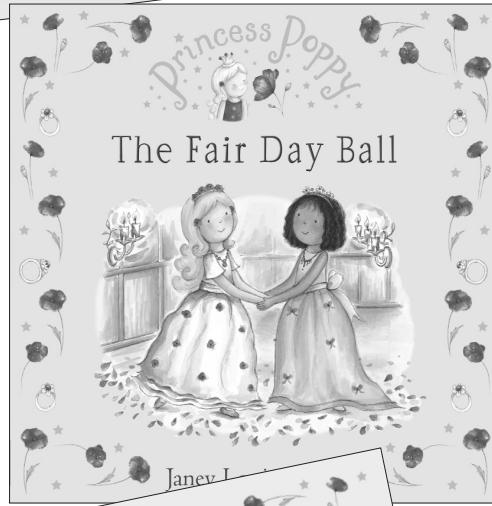
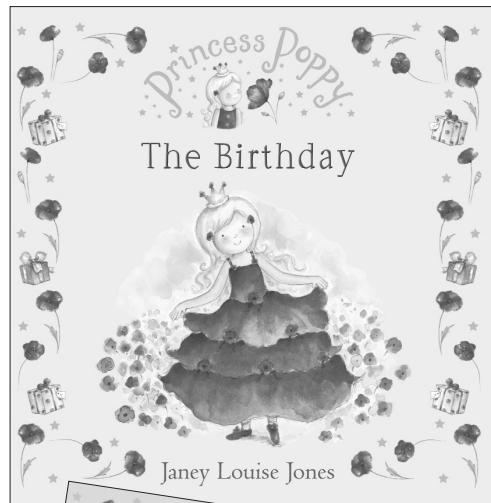
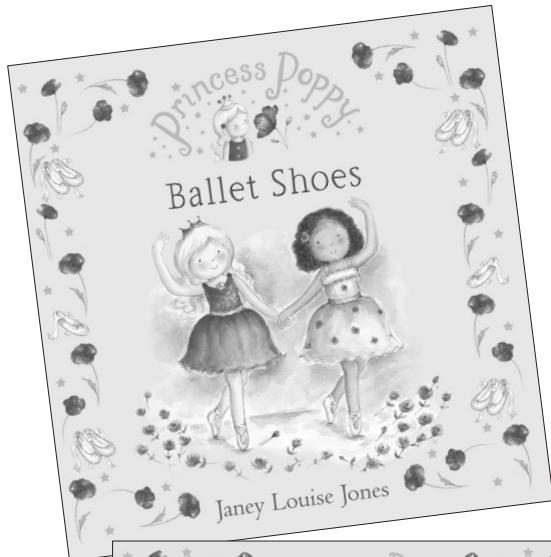
Veronica gained a BA in Graphic Design at Bradford and Liverpool Polytechnic which led her into the world of greetings card design and then book illustration. What Veronica enjoys most about illustrating picture books is inventing characters and bringing them to life through her illustrations.

Veronica lives and works in the small market town of Otley in West Yorkshire, and in her spare time she goes long-distance cycling in the Yorkshire Dales with her partner.

The Princess Poppy series was launched in March 2006 with 4 storybooks and a further 2 were published in June. We are publishing a lavish gift book in October 2006. In 2007 there will be 2 young fiction stories in March, followed by 2 more in the Summer, along with 2 more colour storybooks and 2 full colour activity books. In Autumn 2007, there will be another spectacular Princess Poppy gift book. So lots of exciting things to come!

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