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Book Review: *Tonga, The African Elephant Story*

White-tailed Deer and Black Bears in Africa? Who Knew?

Wonderful new children's book follows a young elephant's discovery of her new home - only to find out that everything is not as it seems. As only a young, curious elephant can, Tonga's enthusiasm to see the wild hippos, lions, and zebras in her native Africa has her bounding out of bed early one morning.

But as she and her two friends uncover the secrets of the wild, she finds that things are not exactly as they seem.

A black bear, splashing around for fish and a white-tailed deer, drinking out of a lake throws her for a loop. Where is Tonga, exactly? And can she be happy in a place that is similar, but not exactly like her homeland?

In her new book, *Tonga, The African Elephant Story*, author Debbie Buttar takes children - and adults too - on a wild

ride through the African plains...or is it Tennessee? Find out for yourself in this lushly illustrated, delightfully written book inspired by Buttar's support of elephant sanctuaries in America.

Story Background:

The details of this story were inspired by several non-profit sanctuaries that have provided home and protection to elephants rescued from zoos and circuses. A portion of the proceeds from the sale of *Tonga* are being donated to the Advanced Medical Education and Services Physician Association Research and Treatment Foundation for the medical treatment of children suffering from cancer or autism. For more information, visit www.ChildrensStoriesThatTeach.com.

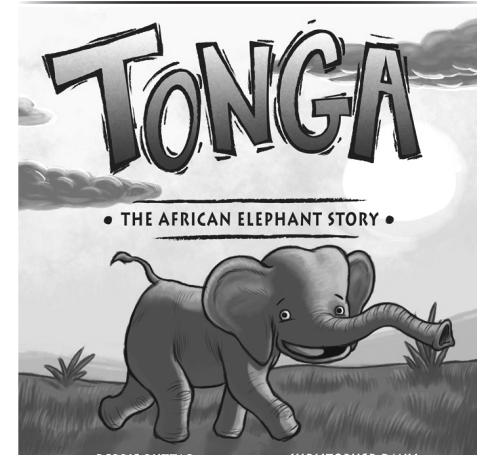
Praise for Tonga, The African Elephant Story

About the Author:

Debbie Buttar is inspired by animals and places that help them. *Tonga*, her first book, was inspired by an elephant sanctuary in Tennessee after she told her young ones a similar version as a bedtime story. She is married and has a young son, as well as stepson and stepdaughter. Her husband treats those with cancer and children with autism in his clinic. Proceeds from the sale of *Tonga* will go to a foundation to help children with autism or cancer and who are without healthcare.

About the Illustrator:

Christopher Davis liked to doodle cartoons growing up and later decided to go to the Art Institute of Pittsburgh to study computer animation. After earning his degree from the Art Institute he is now currently working in television as a graphics and effects artist. In his free



time Christopher still enjoys drawing and other creative opportunities.

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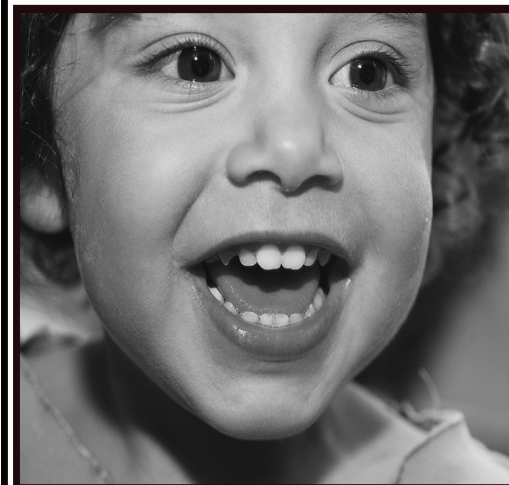
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