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San Francisco based neurologist and painter releases children's book about technology and disability.

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Dorothée Chabas, a French American neurologist and painter based in San Francisco, is launching a children's picture book retelling the story of the Princess and the Pea in San Francisco, a city where real princesses don't sleep with a cell phone in their bedroom, and where disability doesn't define who you are. Images and details of the book can be found online at www.FairyTalesOfTheCity.com.

Called "THE PRINCESS AND THE PEA IN SAN FRANCISCO", the book is the first volume of the picture book series "Fairy Tales of the City", which offers an offbeat retelling of classic fairytales set in today's San Francisco, a city that grapples with technology and inclusiveness. The series is published by Yellow House Publishing.

In "THE PRINCESS AND THE PEA IN SAN FRANCISCO", a prince seeks his princess from his lemon-yellow castle. He seeks far and wide but one day a girl arrives right at his front door. Could this be his princess? His mother knows just the way to tell... A modern, irreverent fairytale retelling with all of San Francisco's trademark fun, diversity, inclusiveness, and a smattering of Silicon Valley tech thrown in, the book invites young readers to reflect on what makes a real princess and what does not. Do real princesses keep their cell phone in their bedroom at night? And what about the wheelchair?

"THE PRINCESS AND THE PEA IN SAN FRANCISCO" is "a delightful children's story with an updated and timely moral," said Dr Heather Fullerton, Child Neurologist, Director of the Pediatric Brain Center at the University of California, San Francisco. "What I love the most is how this story normalizes disability - the heroine's wheelchair is never explained, it is simply a feature of her no more remarkable than the color of her hair."

"Technologies like cell phones can be as addictive and problematic for our children as cigarettes were in previous generations," added Patrick Chanezon, Chief Developer Advocate at Docker, Inc, San Francisco. "Dorothée's modern fairy tales help parents have a conversation with their children about technology usage when they're still young enough to listen."

ABOUT THE SERIES FAIRYTALES OF THE CITY

The series "Fairy Tales of the City" includes fun, irreverent picture books with a San Franciscan twist. Fairy tales are still relevant today. Look around you, there are heroes, villains, plots, rich and poor all around us. San Francisco is a vibrant, magic and ideal setting in which to retell these stories. The series "Fairy Tales of the City" emphasizes universal values such as inclusiveness, which is essential to building families and communities, and promotes human communication in the age of technology.

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