

# Shachi Kaushik



## Short Bio

Shachi Kaushik is a bilingual Hindi-English children’s media enthusiast who is passionate about sharing stories. Part of the Children’s Media Industry, she creates content for children that is entertaining, enlightening, and educational. Raised in India, Shachi currently lives in Vancouver with her husband. Shachi loves taking walks on the beach and eating gelato.

## Long Bio

Shachi Kaushik is a bilingual Hindi-English children’s media enthusiast who is passionate about sharing stories of cultural diversity and authenticity.

Raised in India, Shachi moved to the United States with her husband to begin a new life. She immediately became an active member of her community, volunteering at the Round Rock Public Library, where she hosted a Hindi-English storytime.

The sessions became quite popular, receiving a significant response from parents and beaming smiles from children. The joy on children’s faces has always been a driving force for Shachi – she receives happiness and gratification through reading to little ones and watching their expressions as the stories develop.

Shachi began to seek other ways to connect with children through storytelling, so she joined the children’s media industry.

Today, Shachi contributes to a monthly column, ‘The Picture Book World’ for the Austin South Asian journal. Her entries focus on what she believes to be most important: diversity, inclusion, and authenticity. Additionally, she short-lists some of the best works available in the children’s literature market.

To further explore her passion for valuable content that expands little growing minds, Shachi created SmartyHathy, a free downloadable activity book for children, and a YouTube Channel called “Happy Hindi Learners”, a resource for parents who wish to introduce their children to the Hindi language and Indian culture.

She has also co-produced the audio documentary Living Without Borders, hosted the radio show Austin On Da Go (Karma Radio).

Shachi now lives in Vancouver, British Columbia, where she is working on a YouTube Original animated series 'The Guava Juice Show.'

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## About Diwali In My New Home

**Book Description:** Priya loves being with family and friends to watch fireworks and celebrate Diwali. But this year Priya and her parents are living in the United States, and no one seems to know about the holiday. Priya misses the traditions in India. But as she strings lights outside and creates rangoli art, Priya introduces the festival of lights to her neighbors. And even though the celebration is different this year, it's still Diwali.

