



ERIN WILLIAMS

I'm the author and illustrator of ten books for adults and children, including the best-selling Big Activity Book Series (Tarcher Perigee). I specialize in creative nonfiction that explores mental, physical and emotional health, medicine, self care, and social justice. I'm also a scientific researcher with a decade of experience in healthcare and a passion for educating others (particularly kids and young adults) on mental health and STEM topics.

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EDUCATION

BACHELOR OF ARTS
Writing & Art
NYU
2005

POST-BACC
Biology and Chemistry
Brooklyn College
2013

MASTERS OF FINE ARTS
Creative Non Fiction
Hunter College
2024

EXPERIENCE

WRITER AND ILLUSTRATOR

Self-employed | 2019-present

- Write and illustrate nonfiction for personal projects (over 250,000 books in print including the bestselling Big Activity Book series)
- Write and/or illustrate freelance work for MoMA Magazine, BuzzFeed, Virginia Quarterly Review, Salon, The Believer, Synopsis and other publications
- Publishers I've worked with include: Tarcher Perigee, Random House Kids, and Abrams Comic Arts

TEACHER, SPEAKER, & WORKSHOP LEADER

Self-employed | 2019-present

- Part time faculty at Parsons (Mental Health Topics for Illustration BFA)
- Guest lecturer at Columbia University (MFA), University of Tampa (BA), Art Center College of Design (BFA), Penn State Altoona (BA)
- Workshop leader for The Believer, The Alano Club of Portland, and Sequential Artists Workshop

DATA MANAGER & SCIENTIFIC RESEARCHER

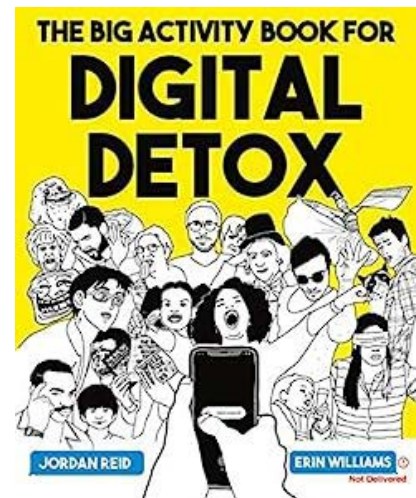
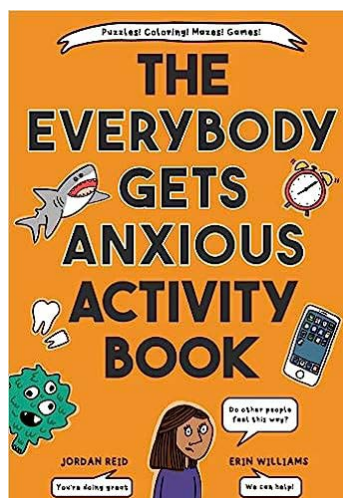
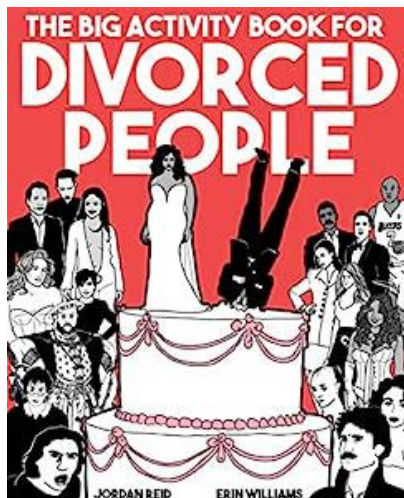
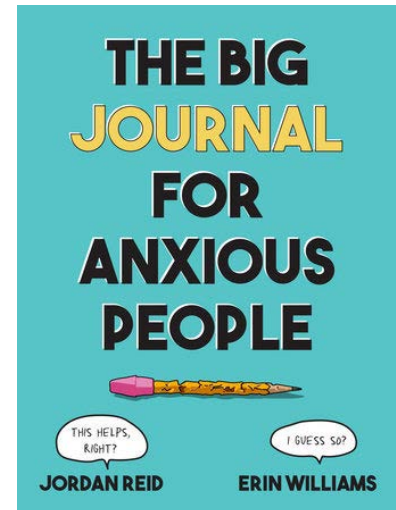
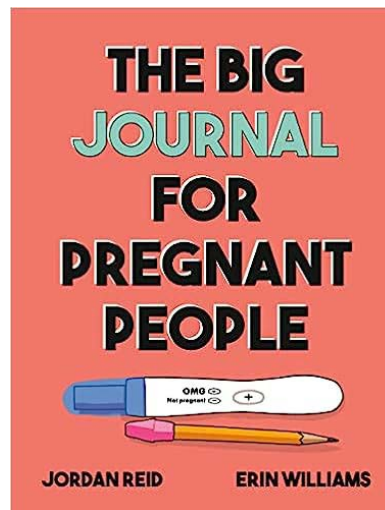
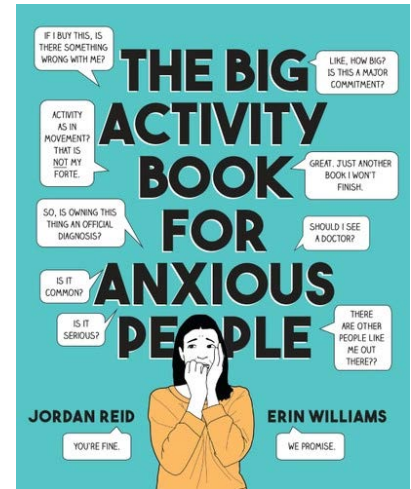
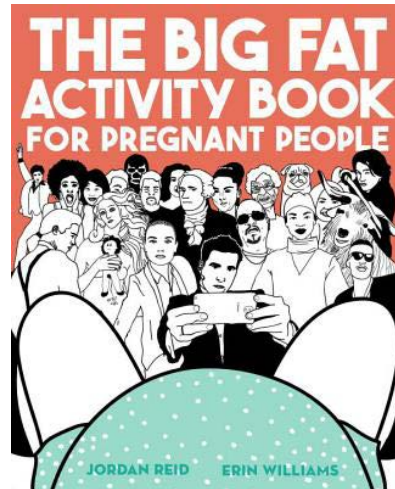
MSKCC, Flatiron Health | 2013-2019

- Developed and led a team at Flatiron Health, acquired by Roche for \$1.9 Billion in 2018
- Managed five clinical trials at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center
- Coauthor of six peer-reviewed publications on racial disparities and inequity in medicine

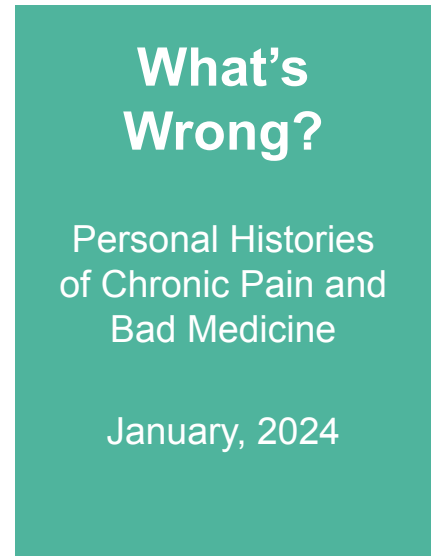
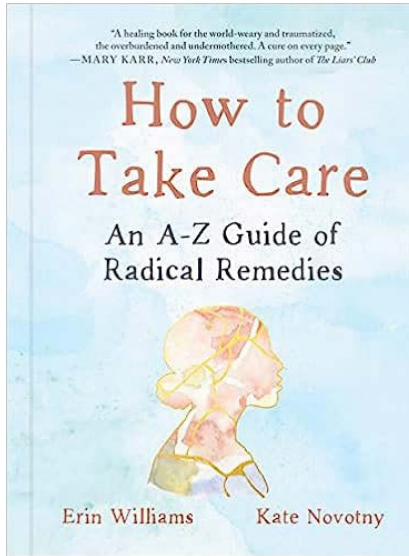
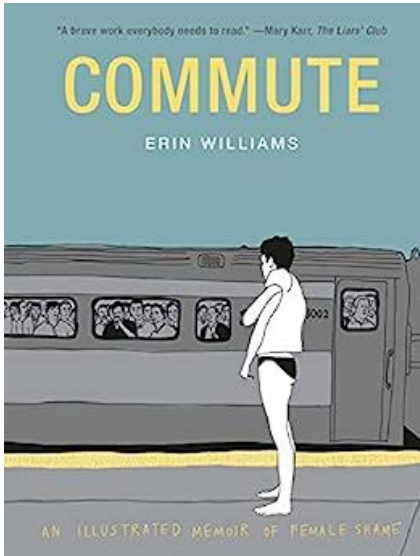
SKILLS

- Journalism
- Creative nonfiction
- Fiction
- Scientific research
- Illustration for kids and adults
- Project development, from initial proposal to final files
- Adobe suite (Illustrator, Photoshop, InDesign, Acrobat), Affinity Design, Procreate
- Diverse styles and mediums, including digital illustration, watercolor, multimedia, sketching
- Layout and cover design
- Character creation
- Making complex science and health topics accessible
- Font design
- Graphic Design
- Collaboration
- Communication

BOOKS



MORE BOOKS



TESTIMONIALS

I have worked with Erin on two full-length illustrated books, and I have been blown away by her creativity, thoughtfulness, and work ethic at every turn. She is sharp as a tack and a wonderfully collaborative partner. Erin elevates everything she does with her incisiveness. I can scarcely think of a more well-rounded author.

- Samantha Weiner, Executive Editor, Simon Element

Erin has been a delight to work with over the course of many years and half a dozen projects. She is receptive to feedback, has a great sense of humor, hits her deadlines, and is generally a wonderful collaborator. I can categorically recommend working with her.

- Nina Shield, Executive Editor, TarcherPerigee

Erin Williams is an amazingly insightful writer. Her art is beautiful, and she can adapt her style as needed. She is very open to feedback and suggestions. She hits every deadline – in fact, she almost always delivers her materials early! Working with Erin is a pleasure. I know that everything she writes or illustrates will be thoughtful and brimming with intelligence.

- Jody Mosley, Vice President, Associate Publisher, Abrams Children's Books, ComicArts