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### **Editorial Review**

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Vardell's books include: Poetry Aloud Here: Sharing Poetry with Children and The Poetry Teacher's Book of Lists.

JANET WONG is a children's poet whose 30 books for children touch on a wide variety of subjects: voting (Declaration of Interdependence: Poems for an Election Year), writing (You Have to Write), recycling (Dumpster Diver), diversity (Apple Pie 4th of July), cheating (Me & Rolly Maloo), and chess (Alex & the Wednesday Chess Club).

Vardell and Wong collaborated on The PoetryTagTime Trio: PoetryTagTime (K-5), P\*TAG (for teens), and Gift Tag (holiday poems for K-8).

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