

Louise Bourgeois Made Giant Spiders and Wasn't Sorry.

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In this biographical picture book, a girl loves all creatures—even busy, tickly spiders. Drawing on happy memories of her bucolic childhood and her tapestry-weaving mother, she becomes a writer, a sketch artist, and a sculptor. At almost ninety, she introduces her magnum opus: a bronze spider sculpture so tall that whole families can stand beneath its legs. Spare black-and-white illustrations feature occasional bursts of pink in this true story about a wide-eyed farm girl who became a world-renowned artist.

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