

★ **The Red Canoe****Anne Yvonne Gilbert**

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Classical illustrations with muted colors, involving details, and fine lines complement this nostalgic historical tale set in a lonely boathouse that's been encroached upon by time and nature. There, a dilapidated boat remembers the boy who once loved to take him out on the lake, searching for adventures. Celebrations of the natural world weave through this haunting story of an incalculable loss—and about the healing power of the long-delayed return of summer fun.

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