

Brian Selznick is the author and illustrator of many books for children, including *The Invention of Hugo Cabret*, winner of the Caldecott medal and the basis for the Oscar-winning movie *Hugo*, directed by Martin Scorsese. For Todd Hayne's film adaptation of his book *Wonderstruck*, Brian wrote the screenplay. Brian also wrote the story for a new version of *The Nutcracker* at the Joffrey Ballet in Chicago, choreographed by Tony Award winning choreographer Christopher Wheeldon, and his newest book, *Big Tree*, inspired by an idea from Steven Spielberg, was named one of the best books of 2023 by the New York Times. Meryl Streep narrated the Grammy nominated audiobook. Brian and his husband Dr. David Serlin divide their time between San Diego, California and Brooklyn, New York.