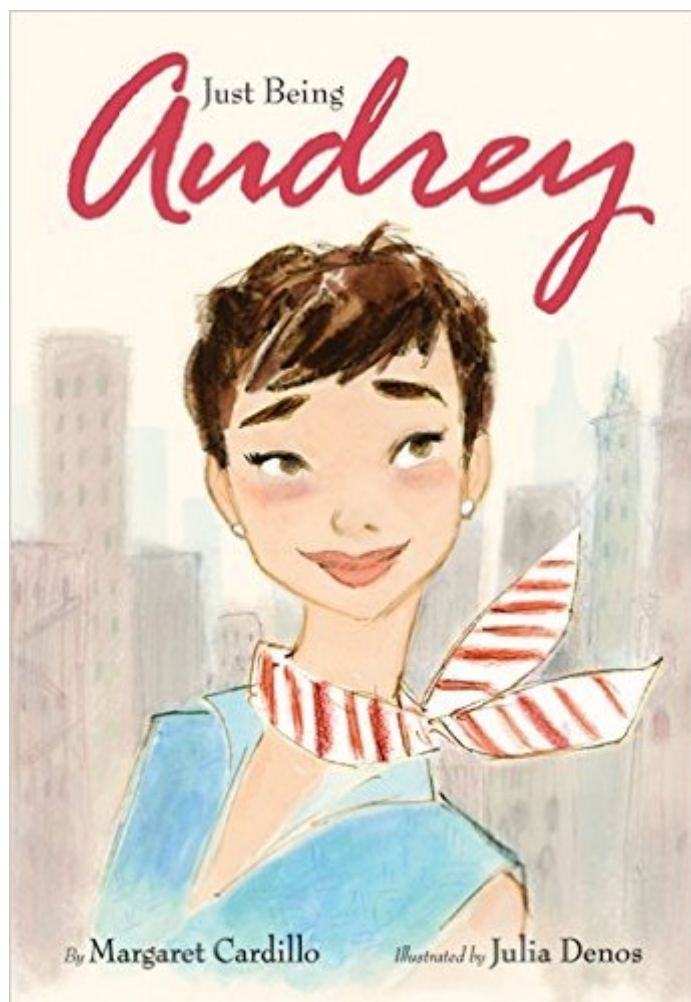


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# Just Being Audrey



## Synopsis

From Roman Holiday to Breakfast at Tiffany's, when Audrey Hepburn starred in a movie, she lit up the screen. Her unique sense of fashion, her grace, and, most important, her spirit made her beloved by generations. But her life offscreen was even more luminous. As a little girl growing up in Nazi-occupied Europe, she learned early on that true kindness is the greatest measure of a person—and it was a lesson she embodied as she became one of the first actresses to use her celebrity to shine a light on the impoverished children of the world through her work with UNICEF. This is Audrey Hepburn as a little girl, an actress, an icon, an inspiration; this is Audrey just being Audrey.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

## Customer Reviews

Just Being Audrey proves to be one of those relatively rare cases where the author and illustrator are completely in synch regarding the theme and tone of the book. Author Margaret Cardillo writes like she has always known Audrey Hepburn by heart and after extensive research by the author and illustrator, Julia Denos, the two artists bring her best qualities to life for a new generation of readers. To be kind above all, a message Hepburn's mother, a baroness, instilled in Audrey, is timely in our age of a disturbing increase in bullying as a result of ignorance of differences and

issues of diversity. It is a welcome theme throughout the book and one that children respond very well to. Audrey always felt different, but with her mother's significant encouragement we learn how she turns her unique qualities into strength of character. It is her strength of spirit that forges an unforgettable film career as well as a life that is dedicated to her own cherished children and, later in life, to children around the globe through UNICEF. Just Being Audrey is a beautifully written and illustrated children's book and a special gift to older generations who have grown up loving Audrey Hepburn.

I preordered this book and received this delightful book yesterday, 1/27/11. I took it to show my students that I tutor the same day. We read the book together. One of my students wants to be a dancer, another an actress and the others were introduced to this time period for the first time. All were impressed with her "courage", while the two aforementioned wanted their own copy. I hope to place one of the copies I purchased in the school library. I will be looking forward to more books done by this author and illustrator-especially biographies that demonstrate the 'choice of hope over sorrow'. (PFM)

A beautiful book about a BEAUTIFUL person. The words and illustrations are as timeless as our Audrey. I am ordering another set of copies for Mother's Day and Easter presents. THANK YOU Margaret Cardillo and Julio Denos for your sincere and amazing work. There's hope for the young girls out there!

This book encourages young girls to be true to themselves, and that you can do a lot with very little if you put your imagination into it. I adore the artwork and I feel this little book pays a lovely tribute to Audrey Hepburn.

This is the nicest book for girls. I like giving biography books as gifts to kids and Audrey's is the best for a girl who loves, music, dance, art, fashion, ballet, life. This really successful woman is a great example of the real life and a proper woman, better than just blinding our little girls of the perfect prince.

This is a charming children's biography of actress and human rights activist Audrey Hepburn. In 32 pages kids can learn about the life of Audrey Hepburn. It covers her childhood, motherhood, career and life work with UNICEF. Audrey had many great characteristics that kids today should strive for

including hard work; kindness; helping others; and self-acceptance. This book would be helpful in report writing as well.

I purchased this for my daughter, Audrey's, 2nd birthday. But I will be honest, I purchased it because I knew I would enjoy reading it to her. Every Audrey Hepburn fan should own it. The most enjoyable part has been my 8 year old reading it to her over and over and really understanding what a beautiful woman Ms. Hepburn truly was.

This is a great book for introducing Audrey Hepburn to a younger generation. I bought this book partly for myself and partly because I just found out that I'm pregnant with a little girl! So I can't wait to read it read it to my little girl, who I am naming Audrey! Its all about being yourself, even if you are different, in a world where people all try to be the same. I think that is a positive message for children, especially girls, today!

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