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*The Amazing Erik* selected as *Learning*® Magazine 2015 Teacher's Choice<sup>SM</sup> winner

Saint Paul, Minnesota – November 24, 2014 – Redleaf Lane's *The Amazing Erik*, written by Mike Huber and illustrated by Joseph Cowman, is a *Learning*® Magazine 2015 Teacher's Choice<sup>SM</sup> Award for the Children's Books.

Each year, the educational professionals at *Learning* Magazine judge new books and products by using them in actual educational settings. The Teacher's Choice Awards picks the best products for engaging and teaching children based on real-world feedback and helps connect parents and educators to them.

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### **About *The Amazing Erik***

Sometimes when children are sad, it can be difficult for them to imagine ever feeling happy again. This uplifting story provides a helpful reminder to children that sadness is a temporary feeling. Lessons in dealing with sadness and offering compassion dominate this picture book.

Erik becomes upset and like a lot of kids gets overwhelmed by his emotions. With the help of a classmate named Rita, Erik transforms the cause of his sadness into a source of fun. The beautiful illustrations highlight the diversity of today's children while showing how we are all alike at the core – we all get scared, need compassion from others, and can use play as a source of happiness.

### **About *Learning* Magazine**

*Learning* Magazine is dedicated to making a difference in children's lives and helping educators do that as well. The team is made up of former educators who know the needs of the teacher and the child's growing mind. They have been reviewing products, designing activities and lessons, and motivating educators since 1979. *Learning* Magazine reaches over 150,000 educators and parents every issue.

### **About Redleaf Lane**

Redleaf Lane publishes engaging, high-quality picture books for children. Our books are unique because they reflect developmentally appropriate practices and research-based standards.

Redleaf Lane is an imprint of Redleaf Press, a leading nonprofit publisher of exceptional resources for early childhood professionals. Established in 1973, Redleaf Press publishes curriculum, management, and business resources for early childhood professionals. Redleaf Press is the publishing division of Think Small, a nationally recognized nonprofit organization specializing in issues related to child care. Learn more at [www.RedleafLane.org](http://www.RedleafLane.org) and [www.RedleafPress.org](http://www.RedleafPress.org).

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