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Erno Rubik and His Magic Cube

This first picture book biography of Erno Rubik, creator of the Rubik's Cube, reveals the obsession, imagination, and engineering process behind the creation of this bestselling puzzle that is celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2024.


A solitary child, Erno Rubik grew up in post-World War II Hungary, curious about puzzles, art, nature, and their underlying patterns and structures. He became a professor of architecture who was still fascinated with how objects work.


In a quest to help his students understand three-dimensional objects and how they move, he fashioned a cube made up of smaller cubes that twisted and turned without breaking, unexpectedly inventing the most popular puzzle in history!


About the Author


Kerry Aradhya loves puzzling over words and immersing herself in the creative process. She is the author of *Erno Rubik and His Magic Cube* and more than a dozen poems in award-winning children's magazines such as *Babybug*, *Ladybug*, and *Highlights High Five*. When not writing for children, Kerry works as a science editor, occasionally performs with a quirky modern dance ensemble, and supports young writers in her role as a collaborating artist with the nonprofit Society of Young Inklings. She lives in the San Francisco Bay Area with her family and their cute but naughty pooch named Sofie.



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