

Maureen Crethan Santora Releases Poignant Children's Book on September 11: The Day the Towers Fell

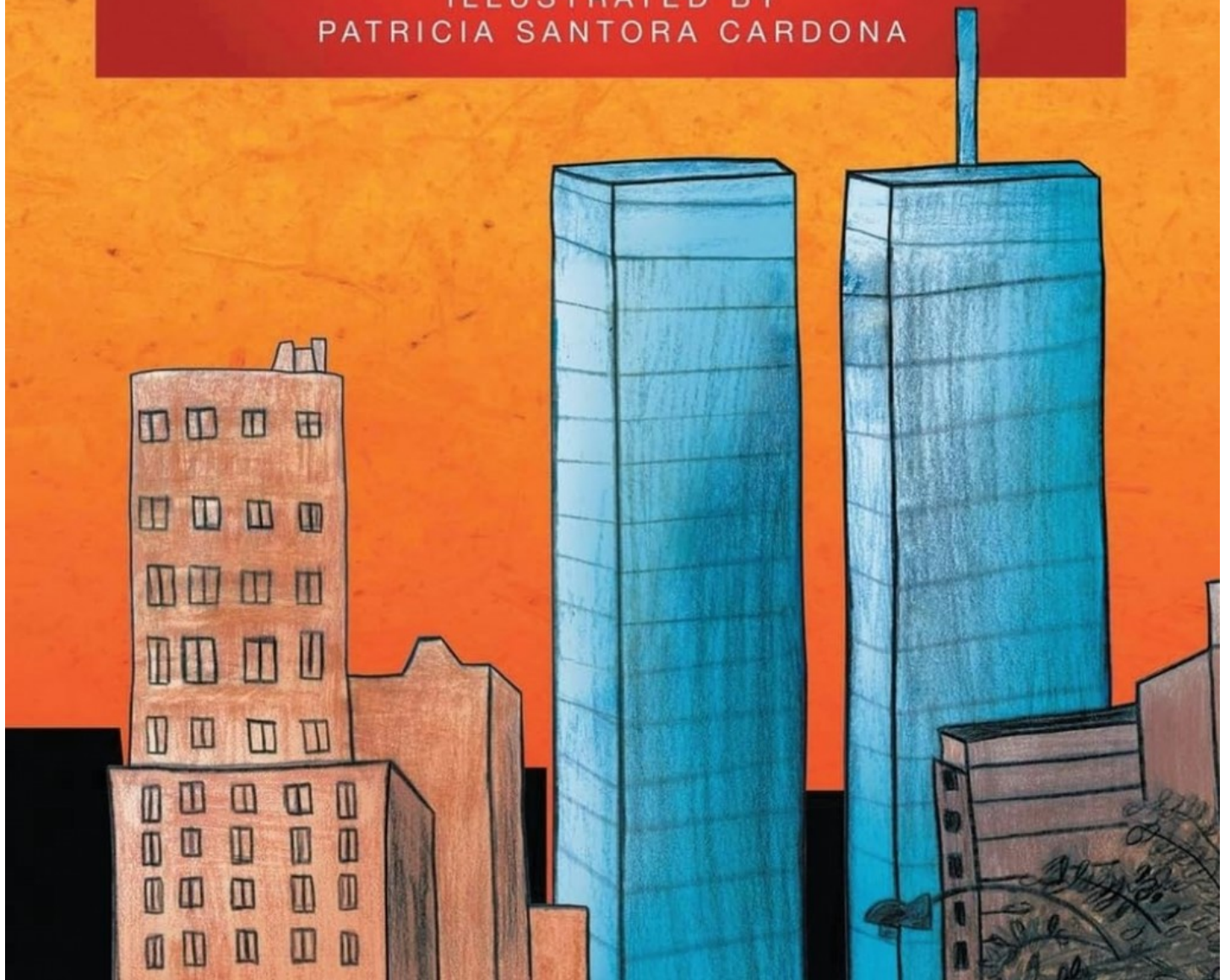
An Age-Appropriate Guide to a Defining Moment in History, Written by a Mother and Educator Deeply Touched by the Tragedy

The Day The Towers Fell

The Story of September 11, 2001

by
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San Francisco, California Sep 25, 2025 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - Author and seasoned educator Maureen Crethan Santora presents her newest book, [The Day the Towers Fell \(The Story of September 11, 2001\)](#)—a heartfelt tribute and educational guide designed to introduce young readers to the events of September 11 in a thoughtful, age-appropriate way. This moving release, published in partnership with Atticus Publishing, is dedicated to her son, firefighter Christopher Santora, who made the ultimate sacrifice on that tragic day.

Blending gentle storytelling with historical accuracy, Santora provides an accessible narrative that helps children understand the gravity of 9/11 without overwhelming them. Through simple language and vivid illustrations, the book communicates not only the events of that day, but also the emotional aftermath and the importance of compassion in the face of hatred.

“As an educator and a mother, I saw a need for a resource that could explain this monumental event in terms children can grasp,” said Santora. “This book is my way of preserving the memory of my son and ensuring future generations understand both the loss and the resilience that followed.”

With nearly three decades in early childhood education, two master’s degrees, and numerous accolades including Teacher of the Year awards, Santora brings both professional and personal depth to her work. She has channeled her grief into purpose, advocating for remembrance and supporting students through the Christopher Santora Educational Scholarship Fund.

The Day the Towers Fell serves as a tool for parents, teachers, and caregivers seeking a gentle way to start difficult conversations. More than a story, it’s a tribute to the fallen and a call to remember the lessons of unity, bravery, and love.

Santora is also the author of *My Son Christopher* and *We Remember*, both of which provide further insights into the personal and collective impact of September 11.

To learn more about the book and Maureen Santora’s work, visit MaureenSantorabooks.com and santorafund.org.



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