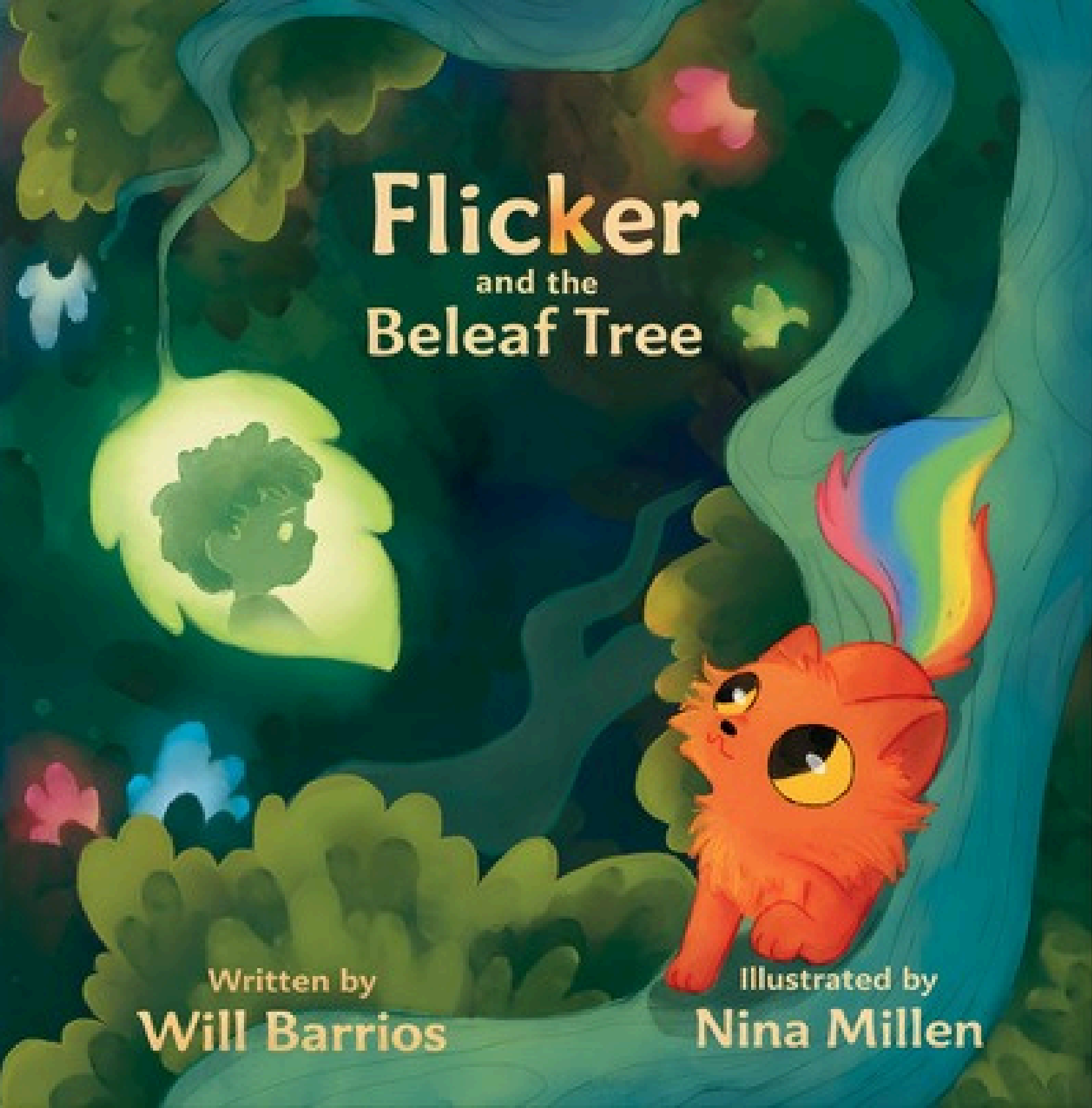




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***For Mom and Dad, who let me be fully
myself, who gave me time, patience, and
love, and who trusted my path.***

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The world is very big.

*It has oceans with edges
and skies without ends.*

*It is loud in small places,
and quiet in large ones.*





*And inside that big world
is a small forest.*



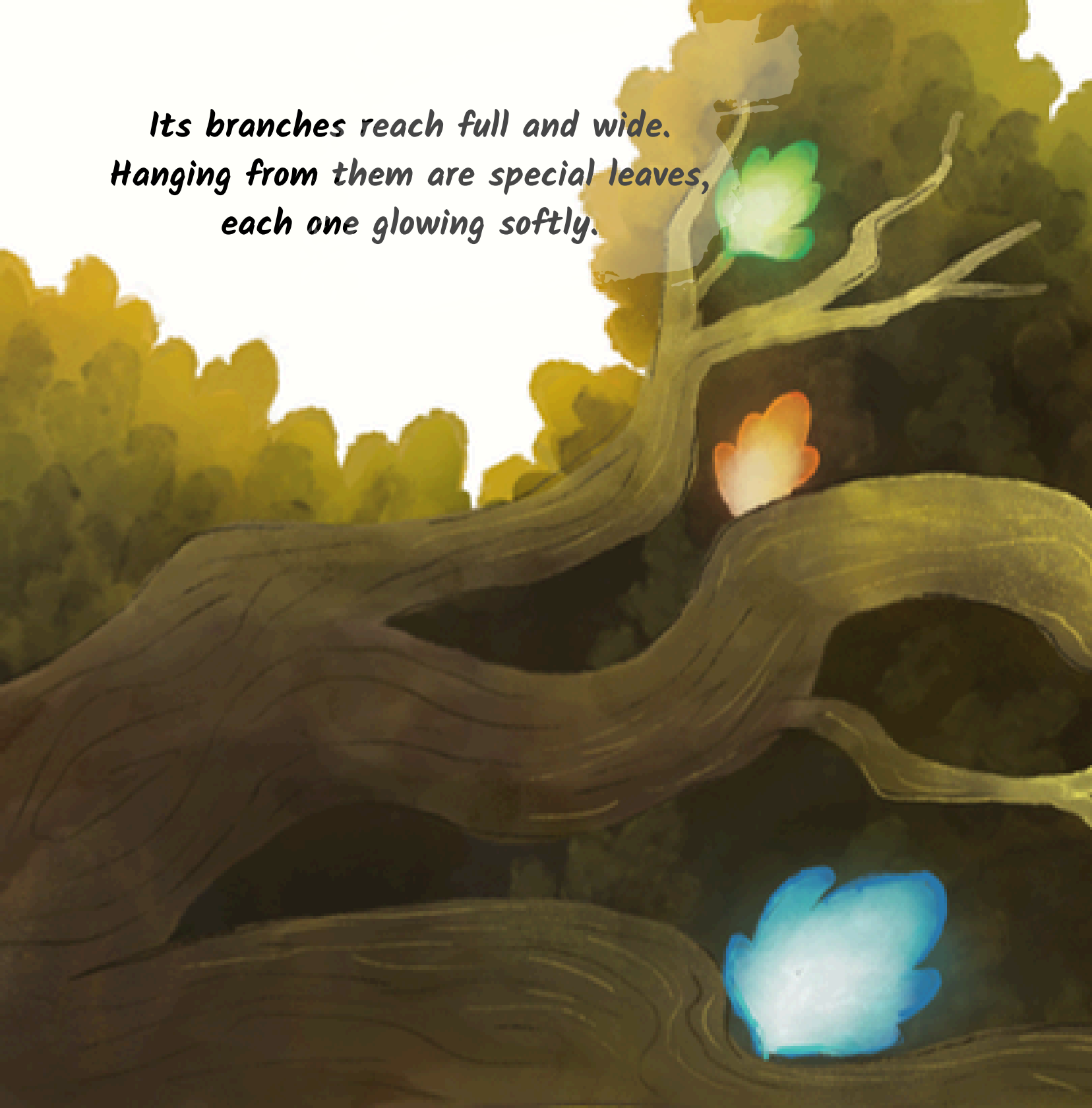


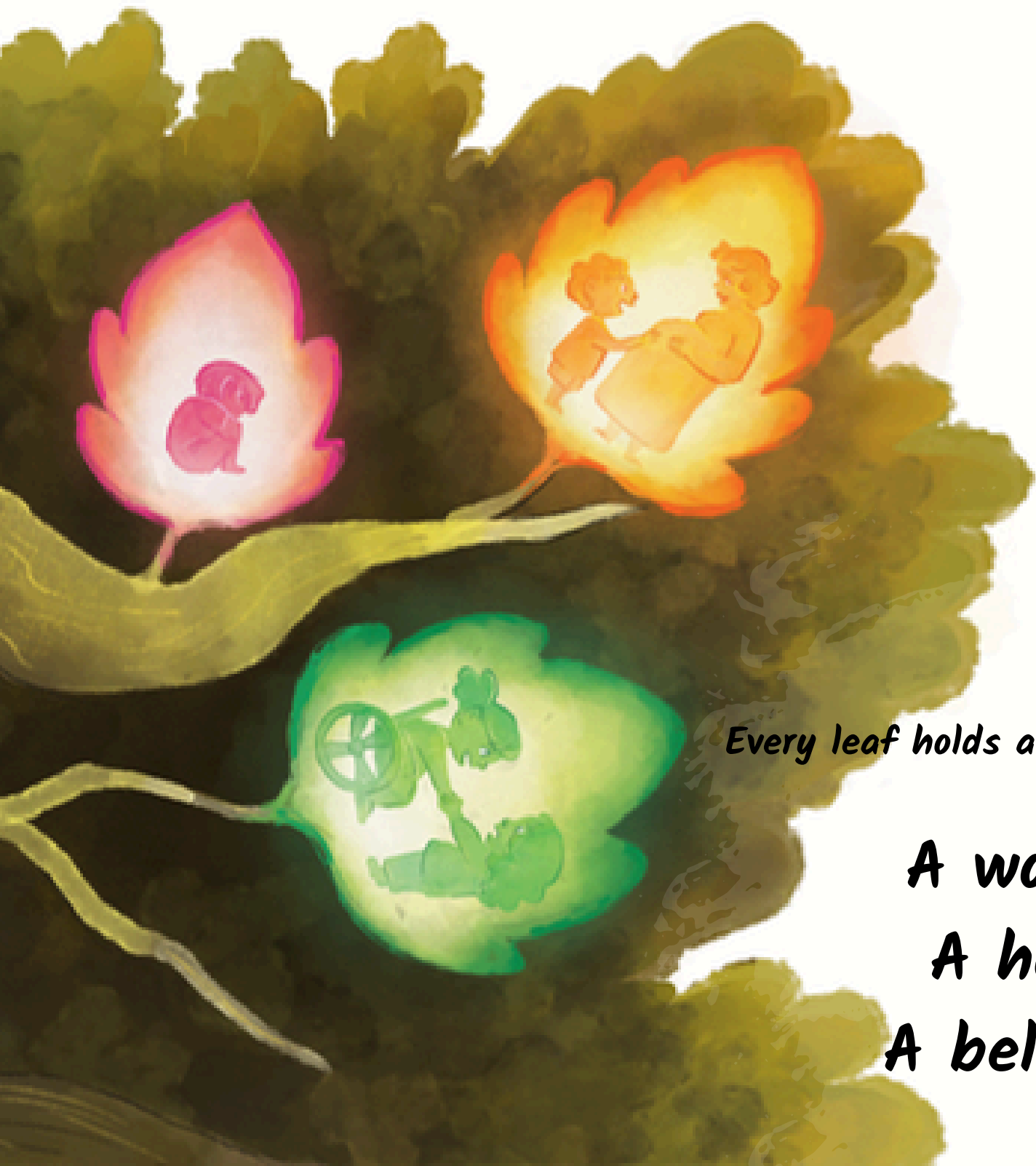
*And inside that forest
is a special tree.*

The Beleaf Tree.



*Its branches reach full and wide.
Hanging from them are special leaves,
each one glowing softly.*





Every leaf holds a story.

A worry.

A hope.

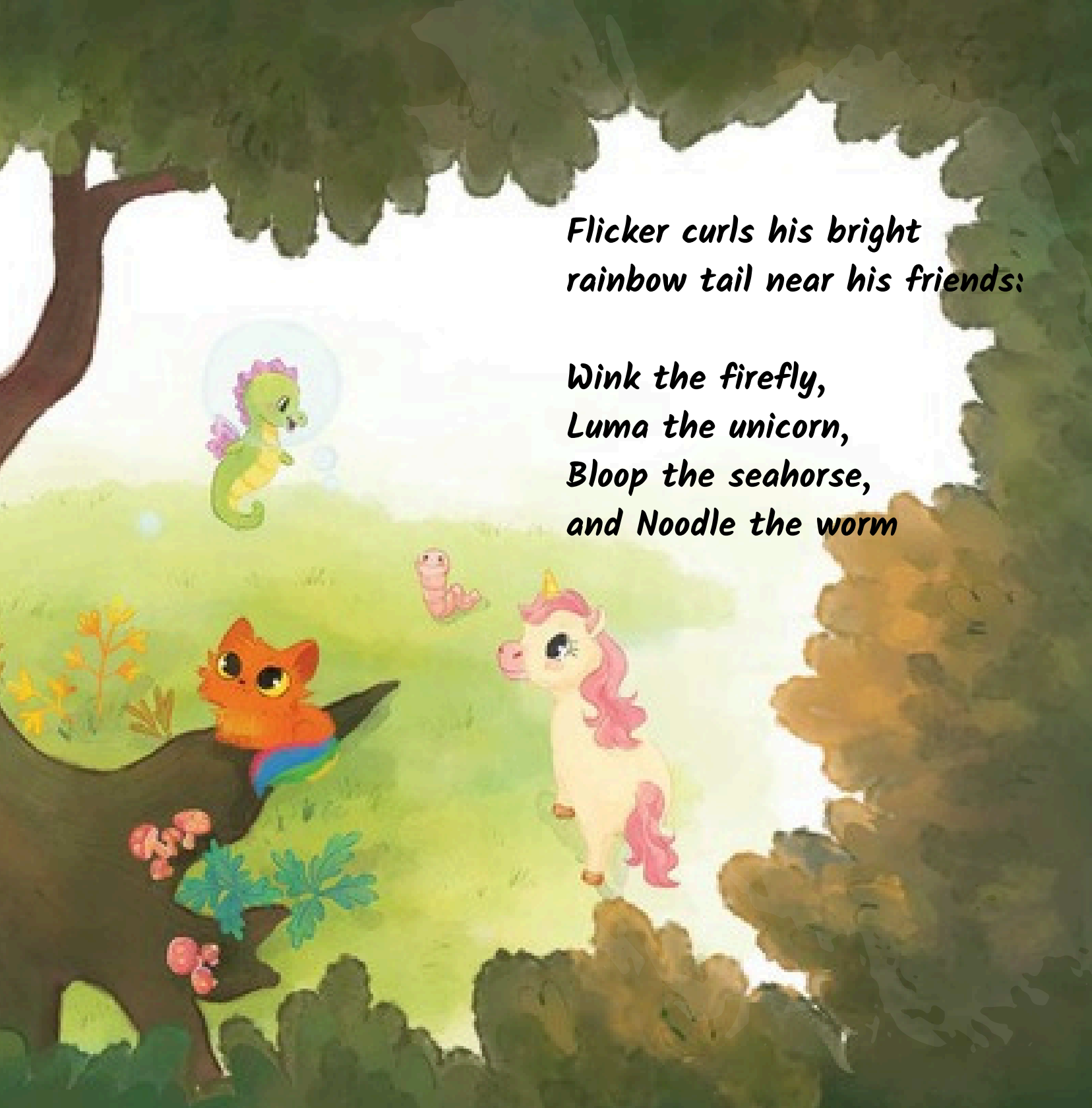
A beleaf.

*This is where Flicker the fox
and his friends live.*



*Flicker curls his bright
rainbow tail near his friends:*

*Wink the firefly,
Luma the unicorn,
Bloop the seahorse,
and Noodle the worm*



*When a leaf trembles,
they know.*

*Someone
needs help.*



Sample End

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