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—Lori Oczkus, national literacy expert and author

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Eagle is wild and free, a powerful hunter in the sky until she is shot and her beak is shattered. This is the true story of how science and engineering gave her a new beak.

From a tiny chick breaking out of her egg, to a fullgrown raptor ripping off pieces of her prey to eat, Beauty the Bald Eagle must use her beak to survive in the wild. Then one day she is shot, and the top of her beak is shattered, leaving her starving and helpless.

Rescued in Alaska, Beauty is brought by raptor biologist Janie Veltkamp to her Birds of Prey Northwest raptor center in Idaho. Janie has a special idea to help Beauty by somehow giving her a new beak, but how? When Janie teams up with engineer Nate Calvin, together they design Beauty's prosthetic beak and make it using 3D printing. After many months of design, testing, and retesting—and three hours of intense beak surgery—Beauty's new beak is finally attached. Will it work?

Beauty's inspiring, true story, told here with stunning photographs, has captured the hearts of both children and adults ever since her pioneering surgery. She is a symbol of how human innovation is combining science, engineering, and technology to offer hope for animals (as well as humans) challenged by the loss of a limb or other body part from injury or disease.

of the United States national symbol—the Bald Eagle. This species was endangered by human activity, but is now thriving thanks to Bald Eagle conservation efforts and human compassion.

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For Ken, who shares the wonder of watching eagles with me—DLR

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## **About The Authors**



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