

FINLAND'S #1 BESTSELLING CHARACTER!

RICKY RAPPER AND THE SCROOGE OF SEVILLE

(*Risto Rappääjä ja Sevillan saituri*, Tammi 2014, 109 pp)
RICKY IS INTRODUCED to a fabulously wealthy relative who is contemplating giving him a large inheritance. Ricky's aunts coach and groom him for the meeting – although he is more interested in a new drum set than a hefty bank account. Inside the grumpy scrooge's labyrinthine mansion, Ricky and Nelly find out that there is more than meets the eye, and false accusations eventually give way to unexpected friendships.



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IF YOU LIKE WIMPY KID, YOU WILL LOVE RICKY RAPPER

“The enduring popularity of *Ricky Rapper* reflects the fact that Sinikka Nopola and Tiina Nopola have managed to keep their readership happy. The latest book is outstanding...the Nopolas are masters of charming storytelling and skillful language.

– SAVON SANOMAT NEWSPAPER, FINLAND

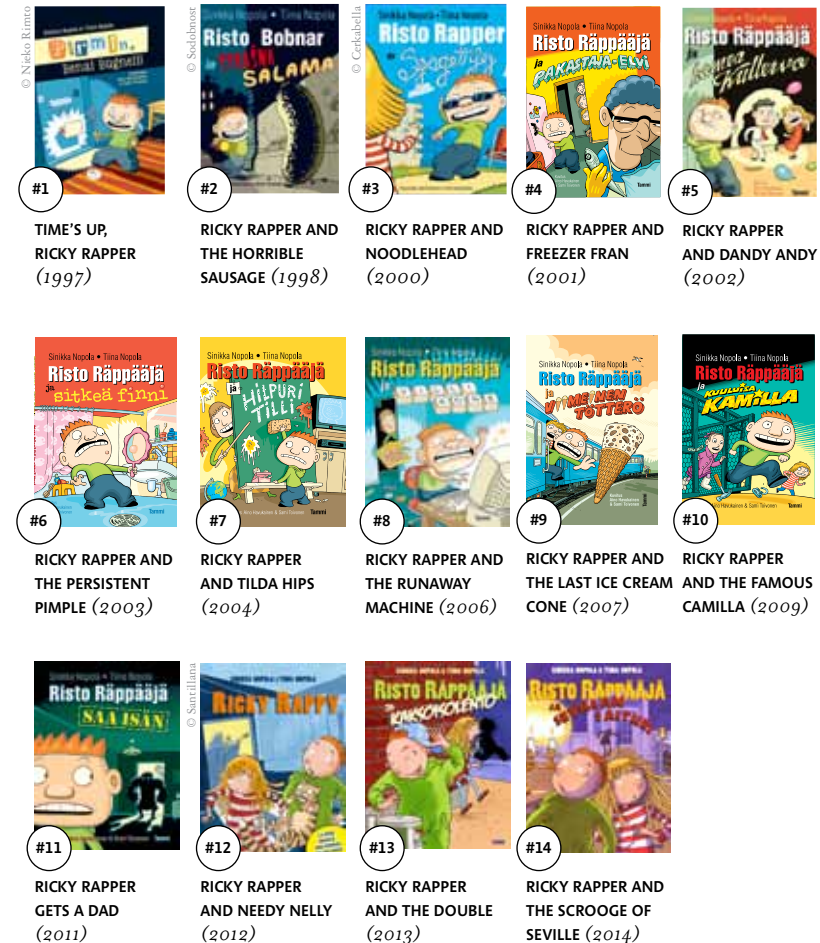
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SINIKKA & TIINA NOPOLA

Sinikka Nopola (b. 1953) and Tiina Nopola (b. 1955) have together authored more than 50 children's books as well as dozens of plays and musicals and several screenplays. Their work has earned them several awards, including the State Award for Children's Culture. Both were also nominees for the 2014 Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award. Their bestselling book series feature some of the most beloved characters in Finnish literature: *Hayflower and Quiltshoe* and *Ricky Rapper*, who is the country's bestselling and most famous contemporary children's character. www.sinikkanopola.com | www.tiinanopola.com



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THE RICKY RAPPER SERIES

LAUNCHED IN 1997, the Ricky Rapper books star a red-headed boy who loves playing drums and rapping, and lives with his aunt Serena. Their circle of friends includes Ricky's best friend Nelly, Freezer Fran, Serena's boyfriend Mr. Lindberg and many others. Ricky Rapper's success in Finland is unparalleled in books for young readers. In addition to plays, musicals and animated television programmes based on Ricky Rapper, these bestsellers have been adapted into five films; four have been major box office hits, and the fifth will arrive in Finnish cinemas in February 2015.

ILLUSTRATOR **CHRISTEL RÖNN** (b. 1960) is an acclaimed illustrator and graphic designer whose innovative and humorous artwork has earned her several prizes and nominations, including the Finlandia Junior Prize in 2012. Rönn's illustrations have been part of Ricky Rapper's world since 2012.



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READING MATERIAL

BOOK 1: GERMAN SAMPLE
BOOK 3: ENGLISH SAMPLE
BOOK 12: FULL ENGLISH TEXT,
SPANISH EDITION
BOOK 13: FULL GERMAN TEXT,
ENGLISH SAMPLE
BOOK 14: ENGLISH SAMPLE



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