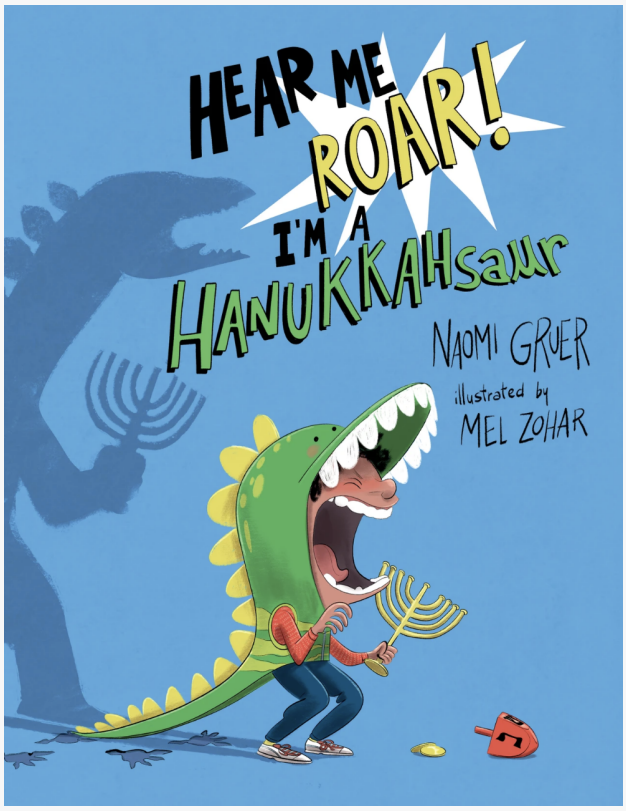
New Picture Book Reimagines Hanukkah Through a Dinosaur-Obsessed Kid's Eyes

HEAR ME ROAR! I'M A HANUKKAHSAUR, a debut picture book by author Naomi M. Gruer, embraces Jewish traditions with a side of irresistible dinosaurs.



Hear Me Roar! I'm a HANUKKAHsaur by Naomi M. Gruer

BROOMFIELD, CO, UNITED STATES, September 29, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Hanukkah and dinosaurs may not seem like a likely combination, but author Naomi M. Gruer's charming debut picture book HEAR ME ROAR! I'M A HANUKKAHSAUR, published by Kalaniot Books, brings them together.

Miles is a dinosaur expert with a Jurassic-sized imagination. When Hanukkah begins, he stomps into action as a whole herd of helpful dinosaurs. Each night, Miles becomes a new dino—flipping latkes, spinning dreidels, and lighting the menorah. While excitedly celebrating the holiday, Miles learns that even when things go wrong, he can help make them right.

"Right now, there is a need for Jewish joy," said Gruer. "This book shows a dino-loving kid enthusiastically celebrating Hanukkah and learning traditions, while embracing his imagination, which is so important for children's growth and creativity."

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As a mother and preschool teacher, Gruer knows how much dinosaurs resonate with younger audiences.

"I was inspired by my preschool students who roared like dinosaurs every day. I understand dino energy because I have it too!" continued Gruer.

Packed with clever wordplay like VeLATKEraptor instead of Velociraptor, rich Jewish tradition, and

dinosaur-sized enthusiasm, and brought vividly to life by illustrator Mel Zohar, HEAR ME ROAR! I'M A HANUKKAHSAUR celebrates family, perseverance, and the belief that dinos can do it all.

HEAR ME ROAR! I'M A HANUKKAHSAUR (40 pages, ages 4-7, ISBN: 978-1962011198, $19.99) will be released on September 29, 2026, and will be available everywhere books are sold. For more information and to learn about upcoming book events, interviews with the author, or to secure a review copy, please visit the author's website.


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Naomi Gruer is a freelance writer who has published articles, essays, a column, and a blog. As a Microsoft Guest Educator, she's participated in World Read Aloud Day by Skyping with schools in Spain, Canada, and the U.S. She's a preschool teacher in New Jersey, where she's raised triplets and a younger daughter. This is her first picture book. For more information, visit https://naomigruer.com/.

ABOUT THE ILLUSTRATOR
Mel Zohar brings HEAR ME ROAR! I'M A HANUKKAHSAUR to life with vibrant, playful illustrations that capture Miles's dino-sized imagination and the warmth of the Hanukkah season.

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