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## ANDREA WANG

Chinese American Author CALDECOTT MEDAL (2022) APAAL (2022) Born: 1970 (Cambridge, Massachusetts)

Andrea's parents were immigrants from Hong Kong and Taiwan. For a short while, they lived in Ohio where one of Andrea's poems in the second grade was published in the newspaper. After earning a master's degree and working as an environmental consultant, Andrea took online classes to earn a master's degree in creative writing for young people. Her third picture book was semi-autobiographical and entitled *Watercress* (2021). In 2022, it won the Caldecott Medal and APAAL (Picture Book Category).