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Review of *Beatrix Potter and Her Paint Box* by David McPhail

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Beatrix Potter and Her Paint Box

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This book would mostly appeal to older children who love art, history, and animals. An admirable attempt at a biography of the famous artist and children's book author Beatrix Potter, the author traces Potter's love of painting throughout her life, culminating in the creation of Peter Rabbit. Mostly concerned with young Potter's upbringing, the author paints a story of how a young girl fell in love with art. The illustrations complement the subject matter, realistically and beautifully done in vivid water color and ink. Perhaps a little dated and unknown to children of this generation, I would recommend this book to more advanced young readers, and for those parents, librarians, and teachers looking to keep the legacy of Beatrix Potter and Peter Rabbit alive. Jess Elder, Centennial Library Intern.