

Critical Praise

The **Tim and Sally** Series  
Written by Grady Thrasher & Illustrated by Elaine Hearn Rabon

***Tim and Sally's Vegetable Garden***

2008 Georgia Author of the Year for Picture Books

2008 Independent Publisher Book Awards, Children's Picture Books (All Ages) Bronze Medal

Amazon Top Ten Bestselling Children's Books on Vegetables

— [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com)  
— [www.washingtonexaminer.com](http://www.washingtonexaminer.com)

"A wonderfully written and stunningly illustrated children's book about the gardening of the soil – and of the soul."

— Terry Kay, Author  
***To Dance with the White Dog***, and others

"If you've resolved to introduce your family to more vegetables this year, a children's picture book from an Athens author can provide the inspiration.... The book is a fun introduction to gardening for preschoolers and children."

— *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*  
— *Miami Herald*

#1 Bestselling Children's Book on [www.cooking.com](http://www.cooking.com)

"Join Tim and Sally as they embark on a learning adventure about the joys of vegetable gardening. Written in verse and perfect for early readers, in *Tim and Sally's Vegetable Garden*, Grady Thrasher teaches the mechanics of planning and sowing a garden through the eyes of children experiencing it for the first time."

— [www.cooking.com](http://www.cooking.com)

"If you've resolved to introduce your family to more vegetables this year, a children's picture book from a Georgia author can provide the inspiration."

— *Houston Chronicle*

"This rhyming tale of a young brother and sister is wonderful.... The illustrations in this book are brilliant, too. Elaine Hearn Rabon definitely adds a classically beautiful touch to the book."

— *Athens Banner-Herald*

"Tim and Sally's Vegetable Garden is another great children's book.... Every time we read this now, Madison wants to know when we are planting our garden!"

— [www.lisareviews.com](http://www.lisareviews.com)

"Written in verse and perfect for early readers."

— *Athens Parent*

"I personally feel proud to have met you. You love libraries and you love children. Thank you for allowing Greene County Library and me to participate in what you are sowing into the lives of others."

— Jackie Broderick, Managing Librarian  
Greene County Library, Ga.

"This wonderfully written and delightfully illustrated book is a joyful experience for the whole family."

— *Cathedral Times*, Cathedral of St. Phillip, Atlanta, Ga.

"A personal favorite is "Tim & Sally's Vegetable Garden." It is written for a young reader's skill level, but is also enjoyable for the younger kids to listen to at storytime. What a great way to incorporate a little science lesson about plants and their growth while relaxing with a short story book!"

— [http://www.lavender-peonies.com/were\\_onmission.html](http://www.lavender-peonies.com/were_onmission.html)

"...beautifully illustrated..."

— *The Herald Journal*, Greensboro, Ga.

"...this book teaches teamwork and the satisfaction of reaping the harvest of one's own labor...written in rhythmical verse reminiscent of Dr. Seuss...wonderfully illustrated."

— *The Carroll Star News*

"His 44 pages of beautifully written verse follow siblings Time and Sally as they learn how to garden. Thrasher's book is perfect for children between the ages of four and eight..."

— *The Glazebok Gazette*

"I've just finished reading this precious book! I wanted to crawl inside the pages and be part of the gardening project."

— Julie Bishop, retired school teacher

### ***Tim and Sally's Beach Adventure***

"...each page an enchantment."

— *The Oconee Enterprise*

"I love the way the author rhymes; it is so fun and exciting, the whole family will love it.... And the illustrations are just spectacular! Elaine Hearn Rabon's pale, pastel colors give it a nice, old fashioned look, and beautiful details. She has a great style of art, which is fun for kids and adults alike."

— Athens Banner-Herald

"If you want a great story, Tim and Sally's Beach Adventure is a book you need to get at your house. Mom and Dad will enjoy it just as much as the kids."

— [www.lisareviews.com](http://www.lisareviews.com)

### ***Tim and Sally's Year in Poems***

"...a delight for kids and adult alike.... It focuses on a sense of place and the importance of tradition.... The poems are written in easy metric rhyme, they sing along by themselves.... The book has no page numbers, but who counts enchantment?"

—The Oconee Enterprise

"His carefully chosen words, coupled with illustrations that are equal to his writing, result in books that both parent and child can read and savor and delight in for years of nighttime snuggling.... Illustrations are reminiscent of children's books from earlier decades, done in intricate detail and with warm pastel tones. The pictures are thoroughly modern, but have enough of a vintage feel to appeal to parents and grandparents who grew up reading books painstakingly illustrated.... Thrasher has found that perfect balance of appealing to both parent and child."

—The Oconee Leader

"The words and the pictures in the Tim and Sally series celebrate days when children reveled in the unpretentious pleasures of visiting the beach or watching a garden grow."

—The Oconee Leader

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