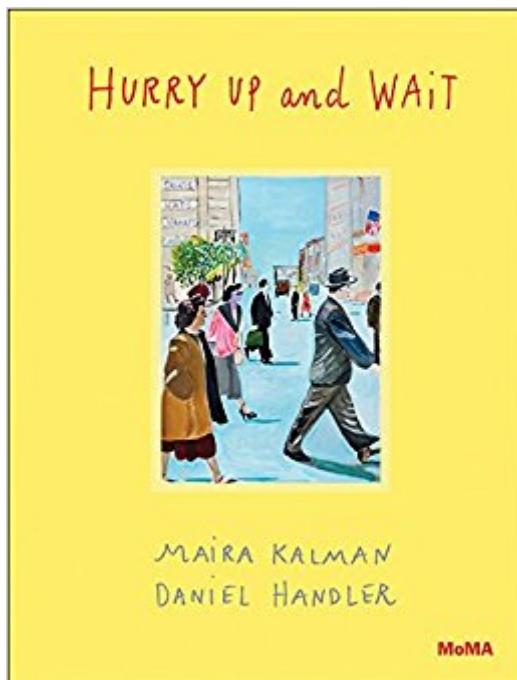


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# Hurry Up And Wait



## Synopsis

You're supposed to stop and smell the roses but truth be told it doesn't take that long to smell them. You hardly have to stop. You can smell the roses and still have time to run all those errands before the sun goes down and it's dinner time. *Hurry Up and Wait* is the second volume in a new series of collaborations between renowned artist and bestselling author Maira Kalman, New York Times bestselling writer Daniel Handler (a.k.a. Lemony Snicket), and The Museum of Modern Art, New York. This time a whimsical collection of images captures people in motion—or not. In snapshots by some of the world's most celebrated photographers, some people stride forth, dash across streets, race on bicycles, and jump over puddles, while others form snaking lines, daydream on park benches, and linger on sidewalks with friends. So what's the rush? With 11 vibrant new illustrations by Kalman inspired by the photographs, and thought-provoking prose by Handler that ponders the merits of action, *Hurry Up and Wait* will charm readers of all ages. A

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## Customer Reviews

Gr 7 Up—On your marks, get set, here we go! This companion to *Girls Standing on Lawns* (Abrams, 2014), the first collaboration between Kalman and Handler with the Museum of Modern Art (MoMA), is another playful and reflective volume of creativity. A work of art in and of itself, this slim volume brings together pictures from a variety of important photographers, along with Kalman's

illustrations, inspired by some of these famous images. Handler's spare prose encourages a stream of conscious musing on how we spend each day, or our entire lives, waiting for various things or events. Text about waiting for the bus is juxtaposed with an image of three boys riding a sled, a reminder that while the going can be playful, the waiting can be mindful. Readers are encouraged to slow down and enjoy the wait: "I didn't even know I was waiting. I thought I was just here." Certainly anyone who has hit puberty can relate. A short appended essay provides some background on the process of curation. The details of the photographs, all from MoMA, are collected, at the end and organized by page number. VERDICT An accessible introduction to looking at works of art and seeing the possibilities beyond the literal image, ideal for sparking ideas for writing or art assignments. —Jessica Cline, New York Public Library

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"Kalman's rich gouaches delight, and viewers may find themselves unaccountably moved, even haunted, by the images." (Publishers Weekly)

Both copies purchased were for gifts to very social people. Their feedback has been so positive, I am thinking seriously about gifting myself.

Great book! I love this series of interesting books. They are displayed on my coffee table and seem to be a great conversation for people to enjoy!

What a gorgeous, witty, and moving book. A treat for anyone over, let's say, the age of 5.

Lovely little book, but very tiny.

As a Maira Kalman fan, found this one somewhat disappointing...

After reading this 'book' of 55 pages, I'm left with one thought, 'Is that all there is?' This is the follow-up to their phenomenally popular GIRLS STANDING ON LAWNS. This book was a collaboration between Maria Kalman and Daniel Handler -- plus the Museum of Modern Art. Bear in mind that I'm not a card-carrying member of the New York Museum of Modern Art. Perhaps I'm too uncouth to understand the deeper meaning of this book. Several interesting paintings and some

vintage photographs were juxtaposed with prose that seemed to be written for a young reader. Perhaps the cadence of the language was the important thing; I couldn't tell. After a few minutes, I was angry to realize that trees had to give their lives for this 'book.' If you understood the deeper meaning, congratulations. Here's a random page's excerpt: "Somewhere in the world, always, somebody is twenty minutes late for something, and I am annoyed at them." This enriching insight was offered at the bottom of a black-and-white photo of a young woman (frowning at the camera). Who cares? I know that each reader will come away from this book with a different perspective. I thought it was a waste of time.

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