



The Wheelchair WALK





About the writer

Philip Wells has performed as the Fire Poet from Buckingham Palace to the Edinburgh Fringe while his published poems have appeared everywhere from the Financial Times to Harper's Bazaar.

Currently Poet-in-residence at St Ann's Hanwell, he has run a weekly zoom group for the profoundly disabled for over twenty years, and has shared his interactive poetry in psychiatric units, children's hospices and hospital schools, high security prisons and 10 Downing Street.



About the illustrator

As a child, I developed a passion for sketching, drawing, and watercolour painting.

This love for art led me to pursue a career in architecture.

However, I also had a deep appreciation for children's picture books and the way they told stories through images.

After having children of my own, I felt a strong desire to pursue my dream of illustrating children's books. In 2017, I enrolled in the London Art College and completed my diploma in Illustrating Children's Books in 2018.

Illustrating children's books is not just a hobby or profession for me; it is a way to express my creativity and share it with others. I believe that books have the power to educate, entertain, and inspire, and I am honoured to be a part of this wonderful world of storytelling.

St Ann's Entesar Foundation



St Ann's Entesar Foundation is a registered charity dedicated to supporting the students of St Ann's School by providing additional resources and services. The funds that we will raise will help to procure specialist equipment, learning materials and provide new extracurricular experiences that will cultivate social interaction, promote personal growth and facilitate the acquisition of essential life skills for the students. Our mission is to make a lasting impact on the lives of these remarkable young people and empower them to overcome challenges and nurture their potential and embrace a brighter future.

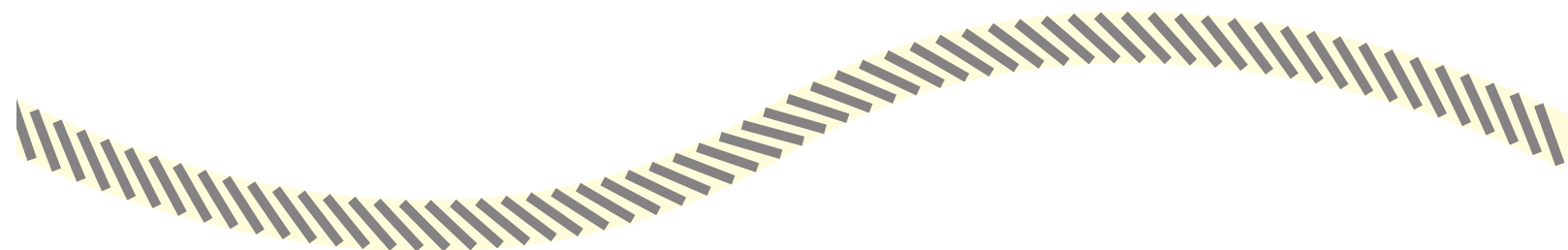


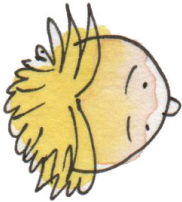
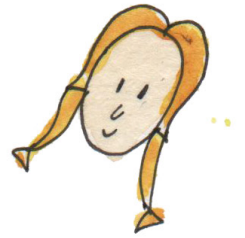
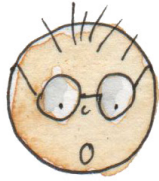
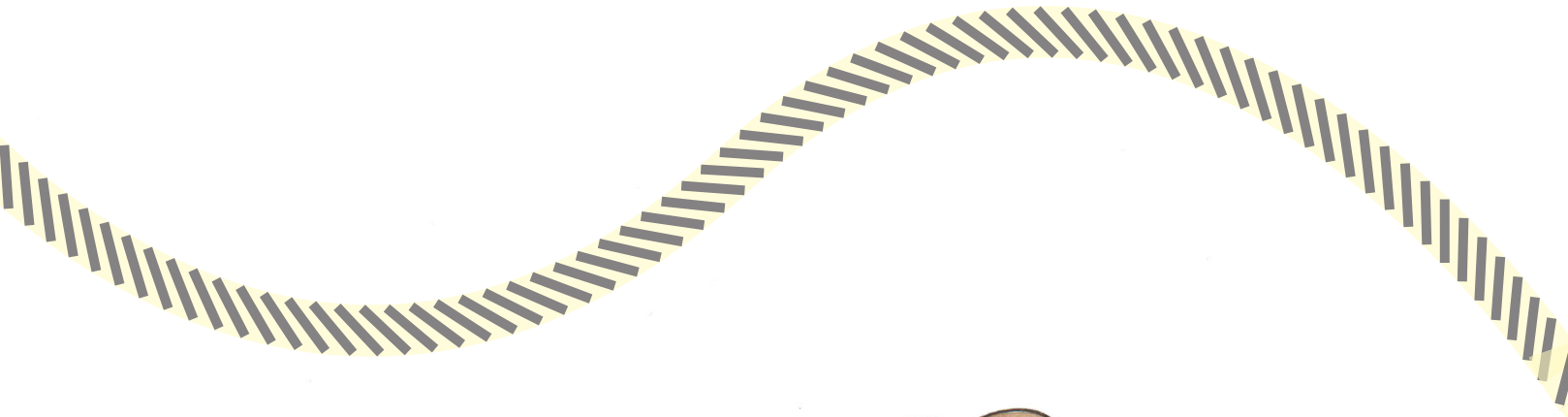
Whizz Kidz is the UK's leading charity supporting young wheelchair users up to 25 years old. We provide them with the equipment and skills they need to live life as independently as possible.

To enjoy all the opportunities and activities that so many others take for granted – at home, at school, at work and beyond. Our vision is a society in which every young wheelchair user is mobile, enabled and included.

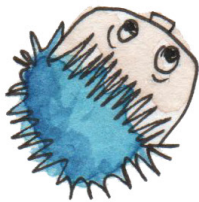
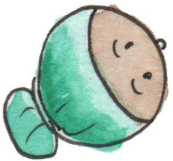


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Please look.
Please listen.
Listen to your heart
as you look.





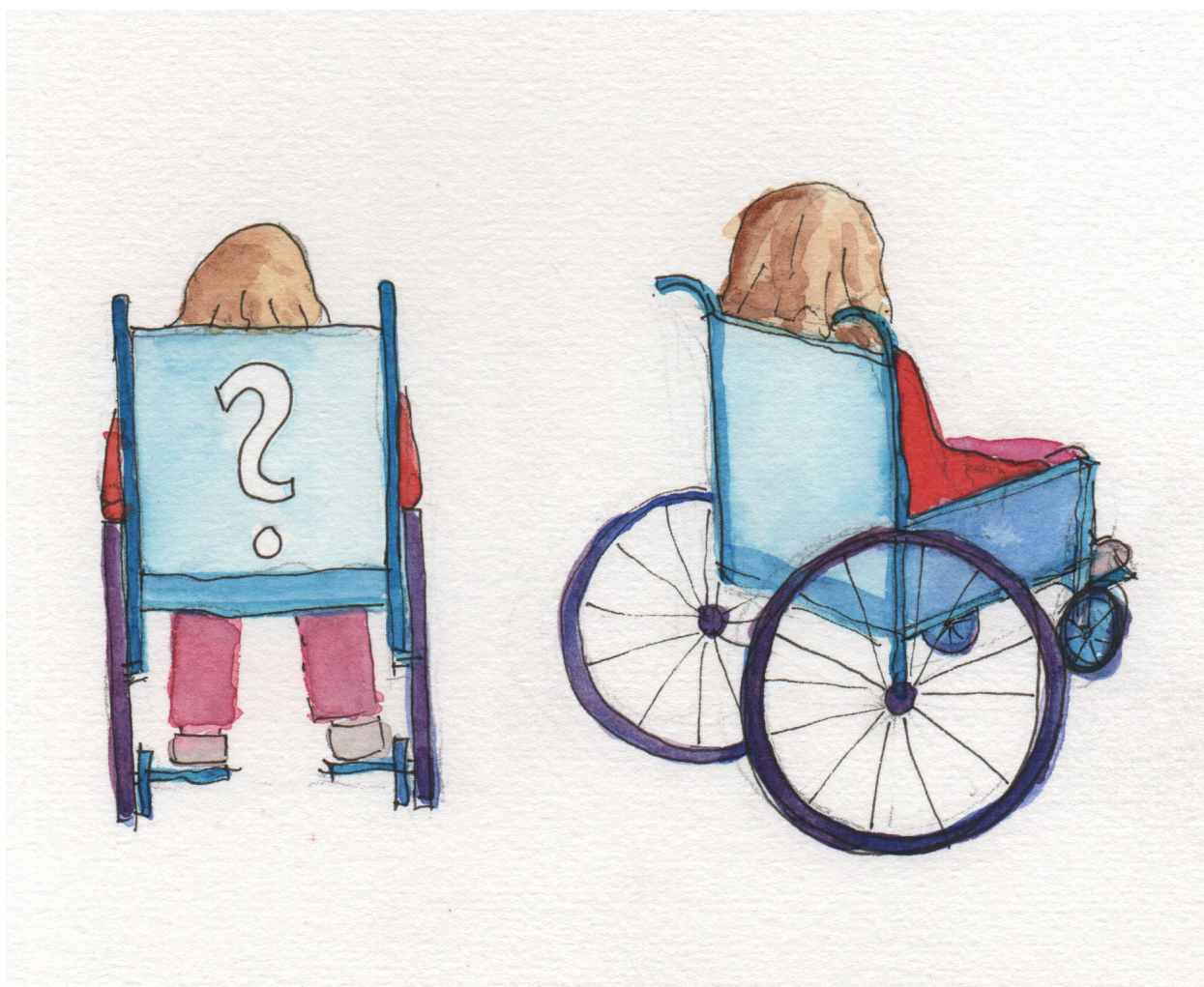
My wheelchair walk



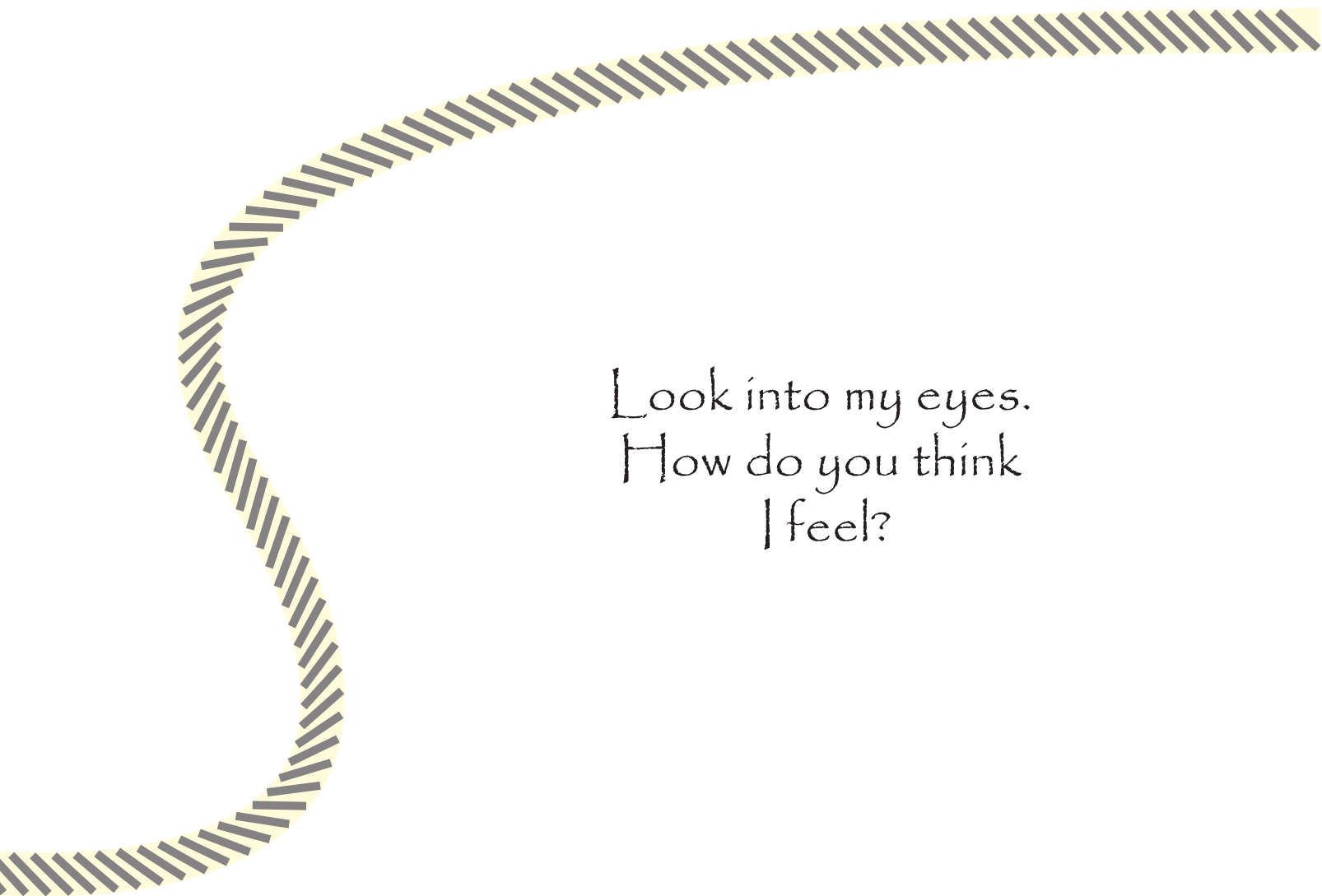
is writing



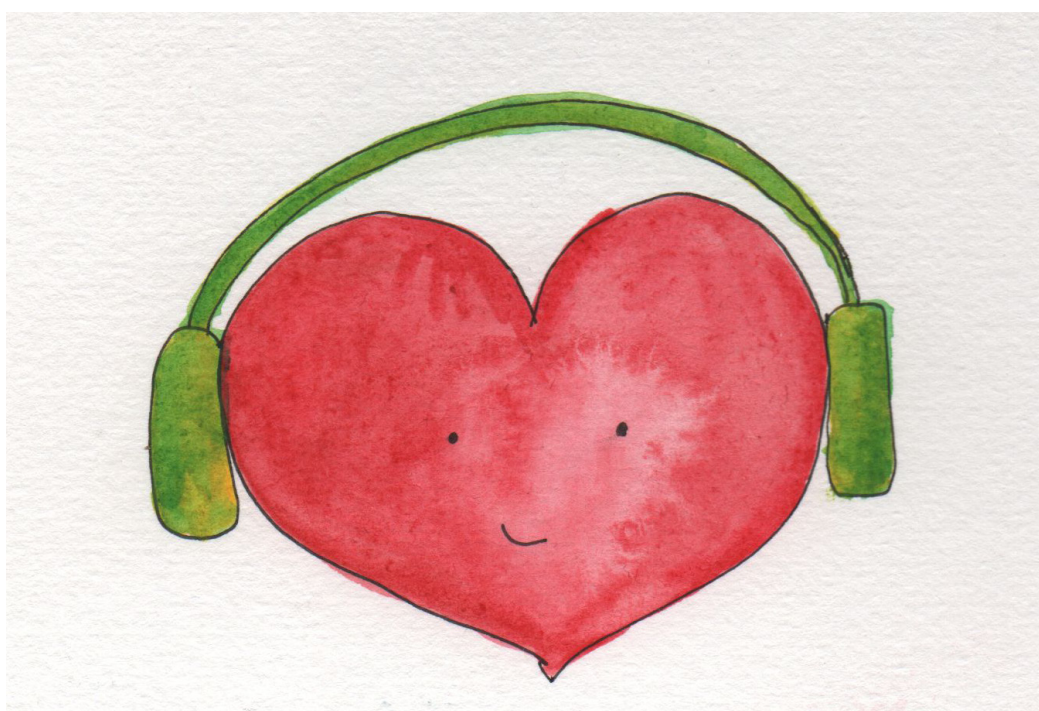
A wonderful new



Look beyond
the chair.
See above
the wheels.

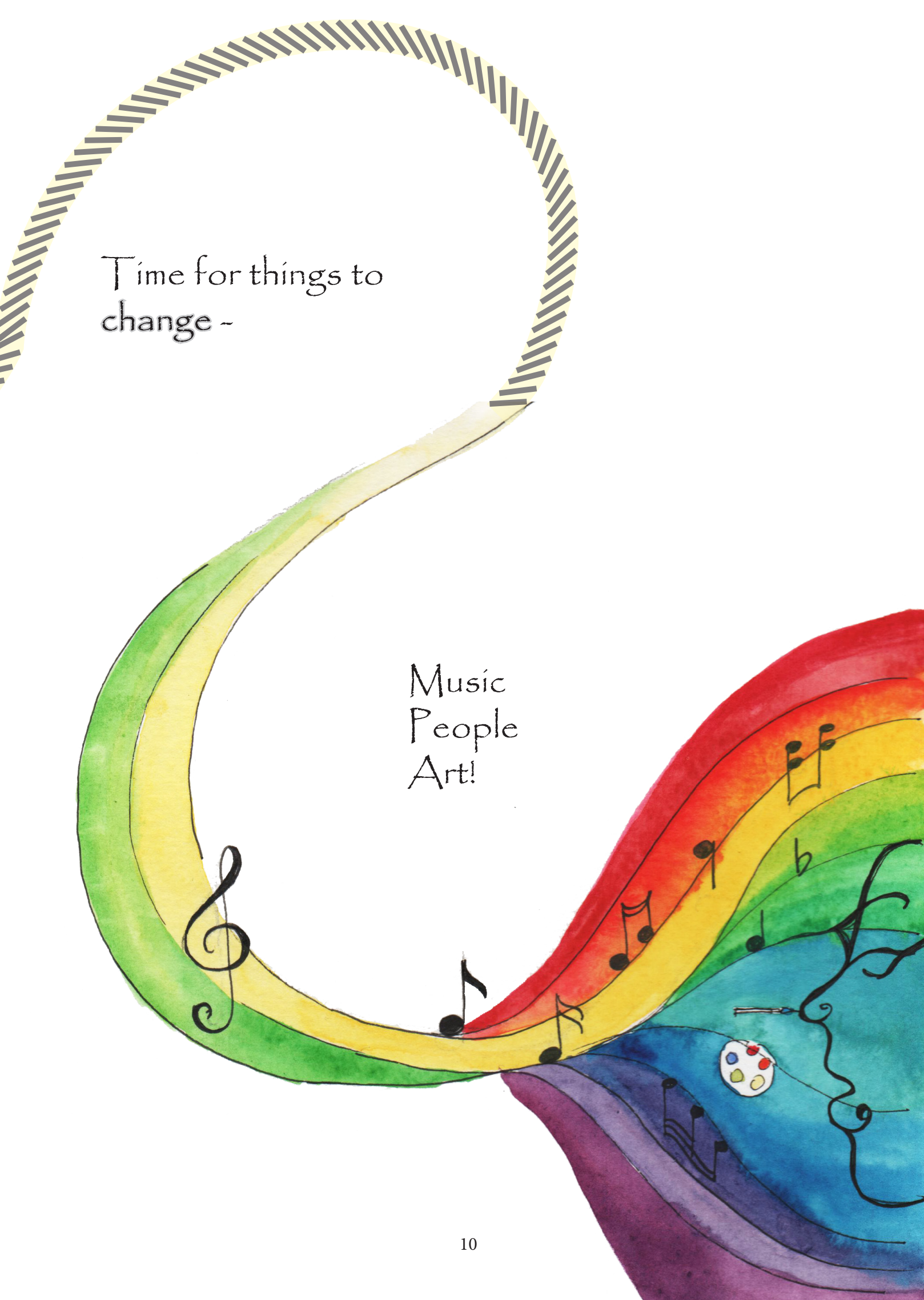


Look into my eyes.
How do you think
I feel?



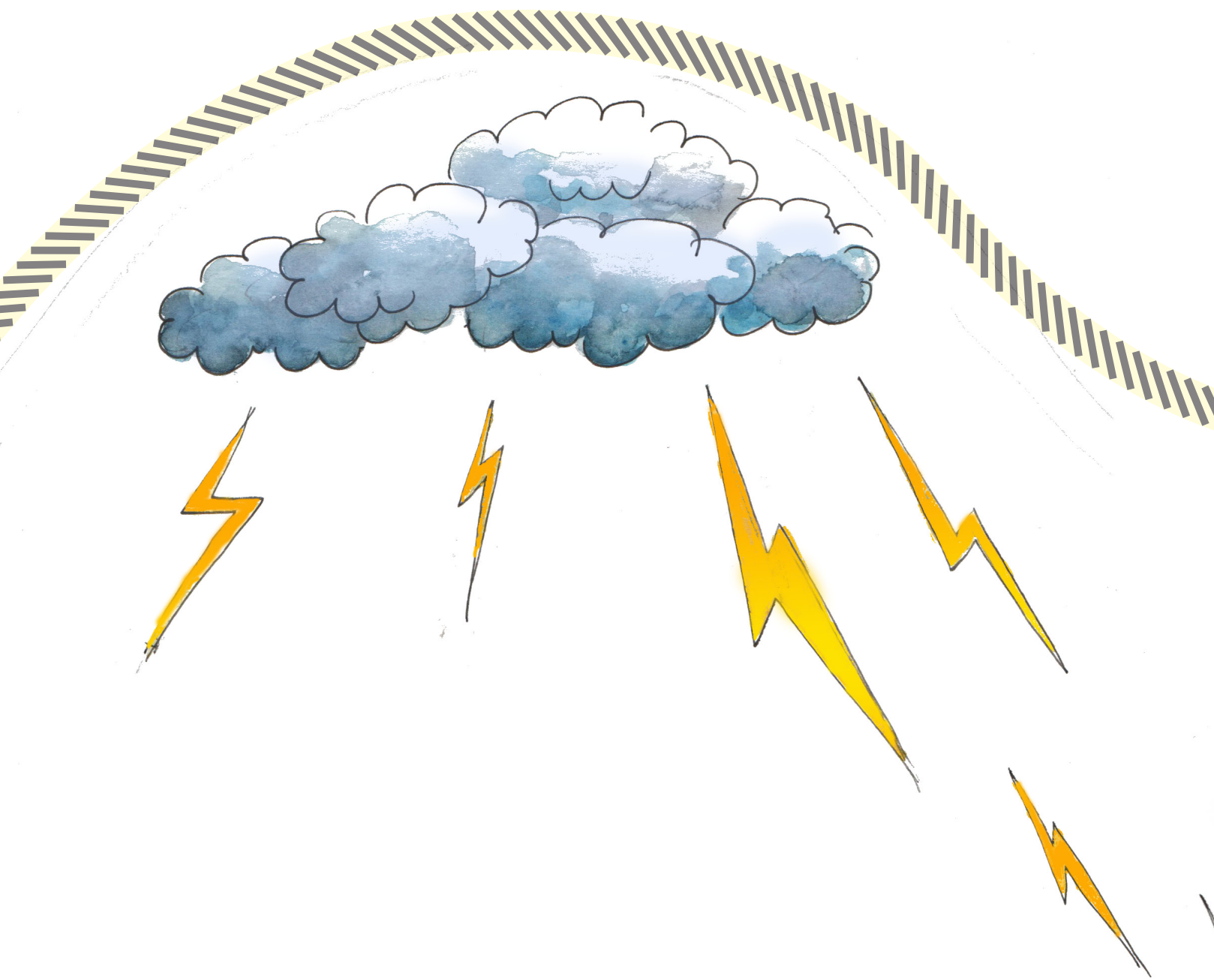
I can feel
your smile.
I understand
your heart.





Time for things to
change ~

Music
People
Art!



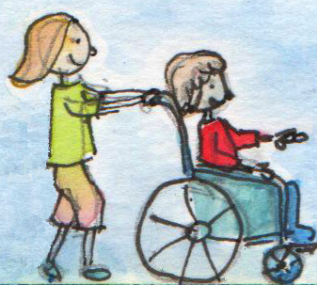
To sense the one
connection:
Lightning electricity!

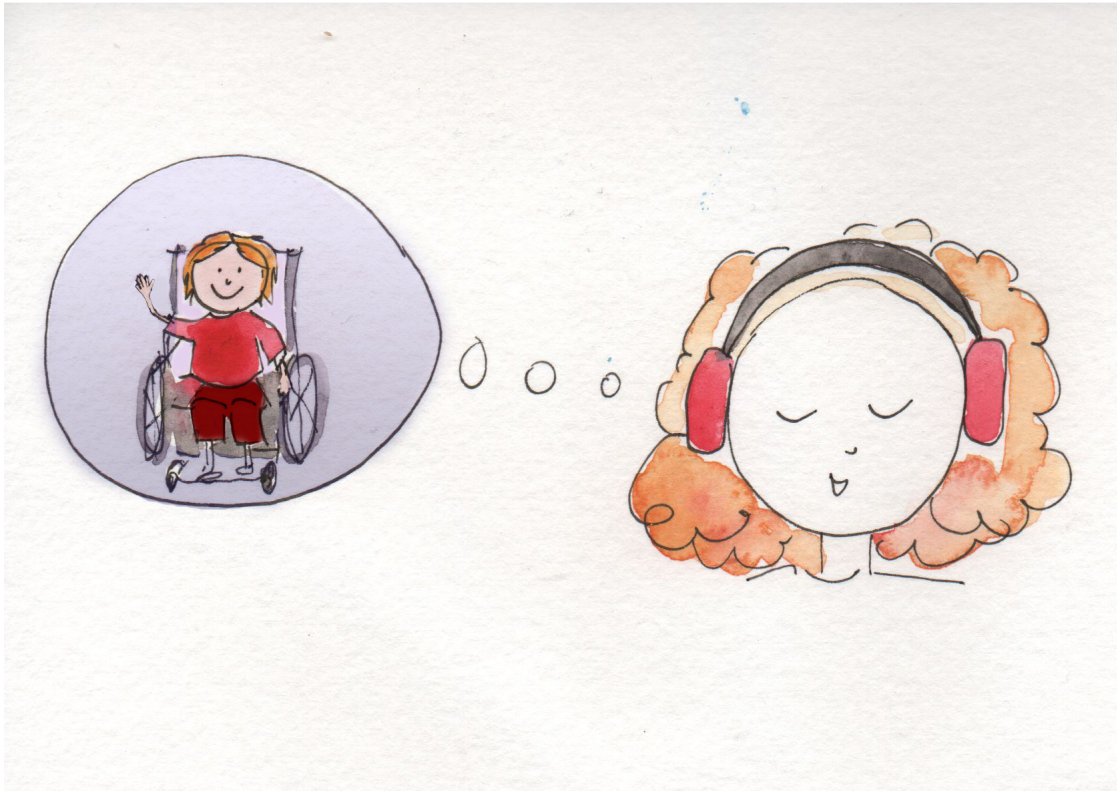
Now you're reading
the rhythm -
Outside the book
we're free.





It's like we've
met before.
We're travelling
the same way.

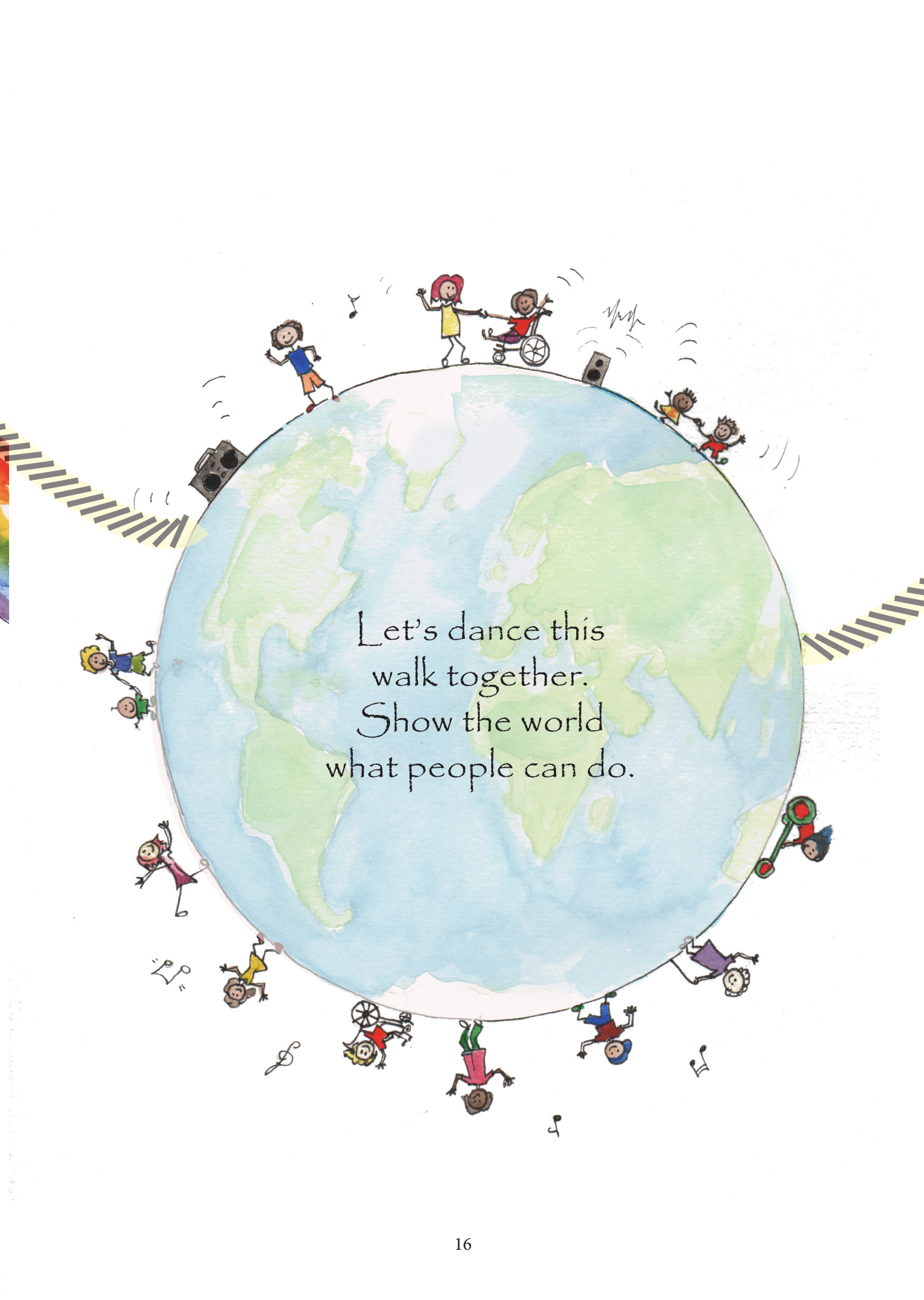




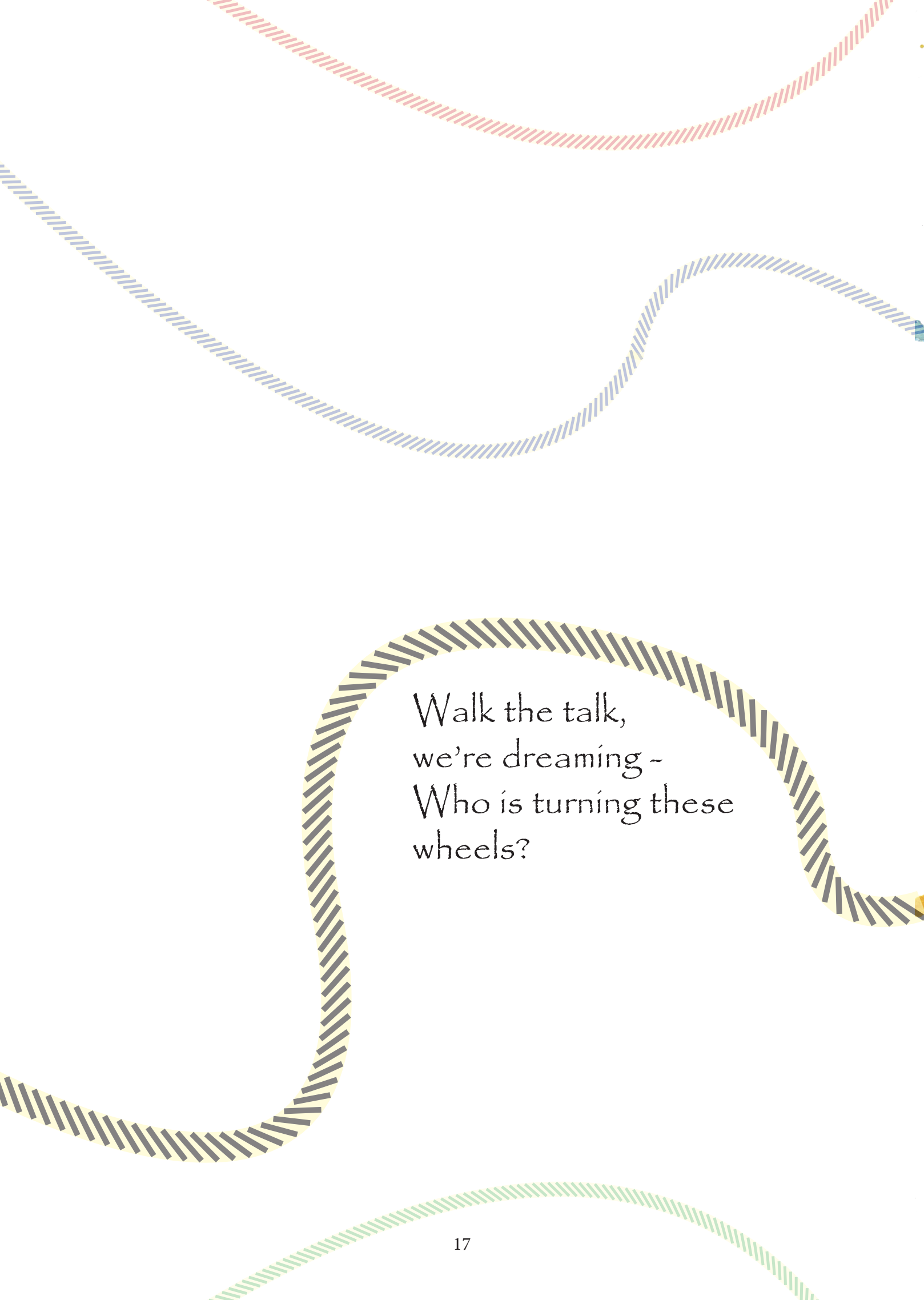
Now I've heard
your smile.
I can't look the other
way.



This is mission,
not competition.
I'm no more special
than you.



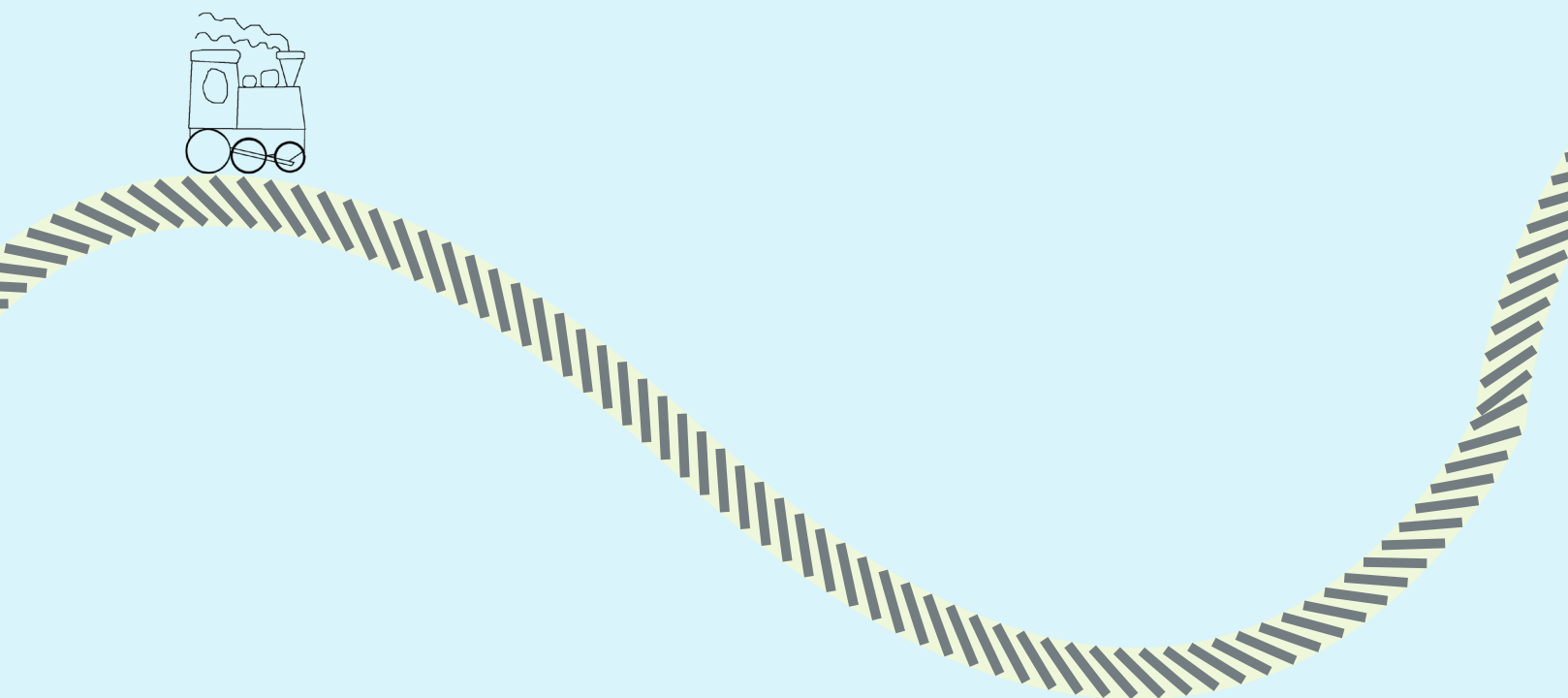
Let's dance this
walk together.
Show the world
what people can do.



Walk the talk,
we're dreaming -
Who is turning these
wheels?



We are gathering in
a listening
Where our hearts
restart the real.



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