

ITE Member Jonathan French Publishes Children's Book on Roundabouts



Author and ITE member **Jonathan French, P.E.**, along with [Build The Era](#), has just released the first edition of a new and groundbreaking children's book about roundabouts and road user safety. The book, *Ronda Loves Roundabouts*, is the first known children's book about roundabouts to be published in the United States.

Jonathan, a transportation engineer from Maine and Build The Era co-founder and board member, teamed up with illustrator Liyin Yeo, a graphic designer from Malaysia. Their voluntary efforts, along with those of Build The Era and other volunteers, produced a book with rhyming verse and beautiful full-color illustrations to

further its goal of providing road user education to children starting at an early age. The book features Build The Era's joyful mascot, and roundabout-come-to-life Ronda Bout and her pal Bee. Ronda navigates roundabouts as a driver, pedestrian and bicyclist, and teaches readers about road user safety.