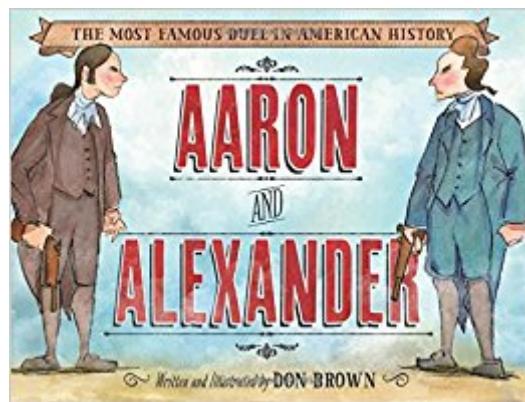


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# Aaron And Alexander: The Most Famous Duel In American History



## Synopsis

The most famous duel in American history dramatized by leading nonfiction picture book illustrator, Don Brown. Aaron Burr and Alexander Hamilton were both fierce patriots during the Revolutionary War, but the politics of the young United States of America put them in constant conflict. Their extraordinary story of bitter fighting and resentment culminates in their famous duel. For young patriots who may not yet know the shocking and tragic story, Aaron and Alexander captures the spirit of these two great men who so valiantly served their country and ultimately allowed their pride and ego to cause their demise.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

“Brown tells this troubling tale succinctly, capturing the drama and ultimate tragedy of the situation.”  
School Library Journal “Brown’s loose, minimally detailed watercolors convey the emotions that governed each man’s personality, as well as the tumult of the nascent nation.”  
Publisher’s Weekly

Don Brown is the author and illustrator of many highly praised picture book biographies and histories for children. He lives on Long Island, New York.

My 5 year old son is obsessed with the Revolutionary War and Alexander Hamilton (thanks to Daddy's obsession with the musical Hamilton). We homeschool and I get really excited about books that make history come alive for children. The illustrations are lovely, and the comparisons and parallels between Burr and Hamilton are intriguing. There are a few typos in the book (I am a former teacher so very very picky about these things) but I always use typos as a teachable moment for my kids. I also appreciated that the book wasn't violent or gory when it came to the war or eventual duel. It is definitely appropriate for mature 5 year olds. So thankful this was written!

I purchased this book to accommodate my recent Hamilmania. We have been listening to the Hamilton Musical soundtrack (on the Music app!) and my whole family is obsessed. My children (ages seven and two) ask to listen to Hamilton every time we are in the car. I checked out this book from the library to share with my sixth grade students (who still love well-written picture books!) last school year. I knew I wanted to own a copy to both share with my own children and have in my classroom library as well. Don Brown is a well-known nonfiction children's author. I can always count on his writing to be both informational and high interest for kids. His book about September 11 is a must-have for all children's libraries. I actually had the pleasure of meeting Brown at a recent literacy conference. This book does not disappoint. The parallels between the lives of Aaron Burr and Alexander Hamilton are almost uncanny, which is the ultimate main idea of this book. The illustrations help the young reader to understand the parallels. This is a higher-level text and appropriate for children grades 3 and beyond. Brown admits in his author's note that he tends to side with Aaron Burr. As a Hamilnerd myself, I will forgive him for that.

Purchased hoping this would help my 5 year old understand the Hamilton soundtrack we're listening to all the time. But it's a bore, well above the comprehension level of kids. The art work is great, but the text is like the simplified biography I might expect on panels at a museum. A good summary, sure, but definitely not written for kids.

Perfect book written in children's language. Hamilton tickets accompanied several books written on different levels for the family holiday gift!

Well done - I love children's books that explain out American history and heritage - and I love to read these children's books as I always learn something new from them.

This was a perfect book for my 5 year old son who is obsessed with the musical Hamilton. It has kept his attention through repeated readings and he will now often ask for it.

A great book for the #Hamilkid in your life. My 5 year old is VERY into this, though it's probably better for a slightly older child

Very cool book for my 6 year old daughter who is obsessed with Alexander Hamilton!

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