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Chidori

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Gorgeous collage illustrations use multiple mediums to complement this touching tale of finding hope within loss. Hana is at school when a devastating tsunami crashes over Japan; from her protected spot on a hill, she has an intimate view of the destruction. When the waters recede, she finds the ocean has taken more than just trees and boats. To find respite from her grief, she begins painting *chidori*, a thousand birds.

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