

# I'M NOT GOING TO BED

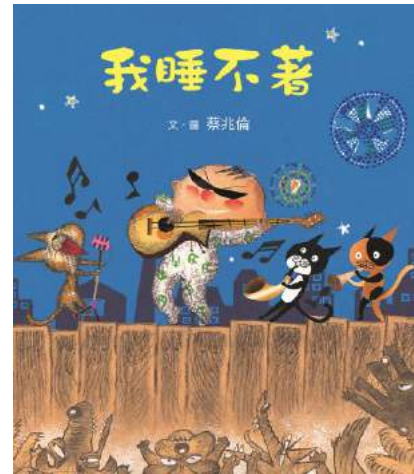
## 我睡不著

Our young hero's been put to bed, but doesn't want to go to sleep. In fact, he refuses flat out. And why should he, when there's so much to do? As soon as his mother closes the door, he and his cat jump out of bed and start off on a night's worth of adventures. They play basketball, make magic potions, give a backyard rock concert, and go fishing on a lazy stream. He doesn't need to sleep – he'll just rest for a moment in the boat while his cat catches a fish...

Tsai Chao-Lun seamlessly integrates multiple artistic media – collage, pencil, pastels, newsprint – into a visual smorgasbord as rich and diverse as a young boy's imagination.

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Knock! Knock! Knock!

Mommy's at the door.  
"Time for bed sweetie pie!"

But...

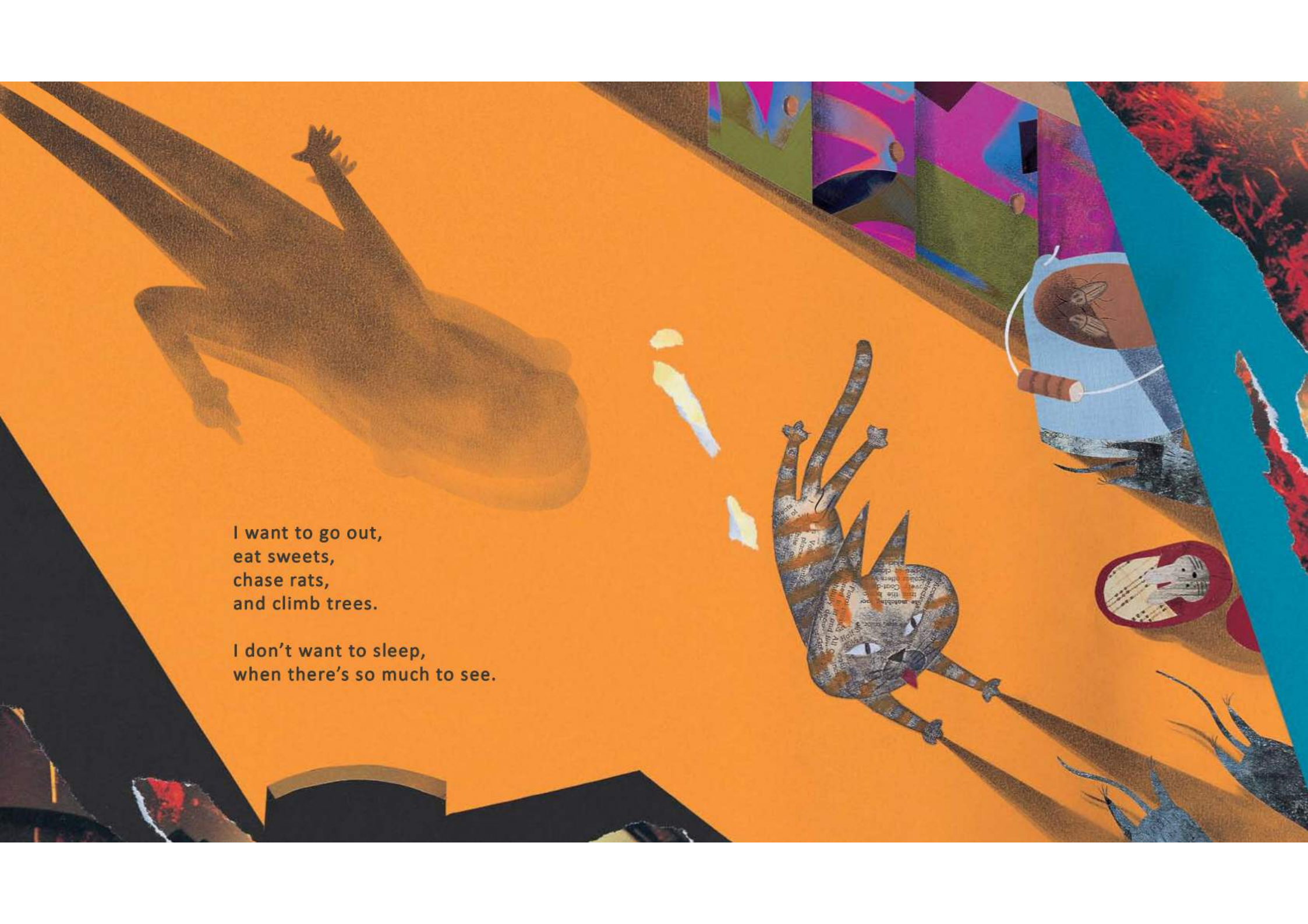
I'm not sleepy.





The stars are awake, I can see them winking.  
The fireflies haven't yet gone to bed.

I can hear a train clatter on the other side of the city,  
And a party is starting inside my head.



I want to go out,  
eat sweets,  
chase rats,  
and climb trees.

I don't want to sleep,  
when there's so much to see.

-MAIL DRINK



At night all is quiet,  
I can ride like I've got wings.  
Play basketball if I want,  
Or go on the swings.



The cats like to sing and I play my guitar.

The dogs come to listen, I'm a midnight rock star.

