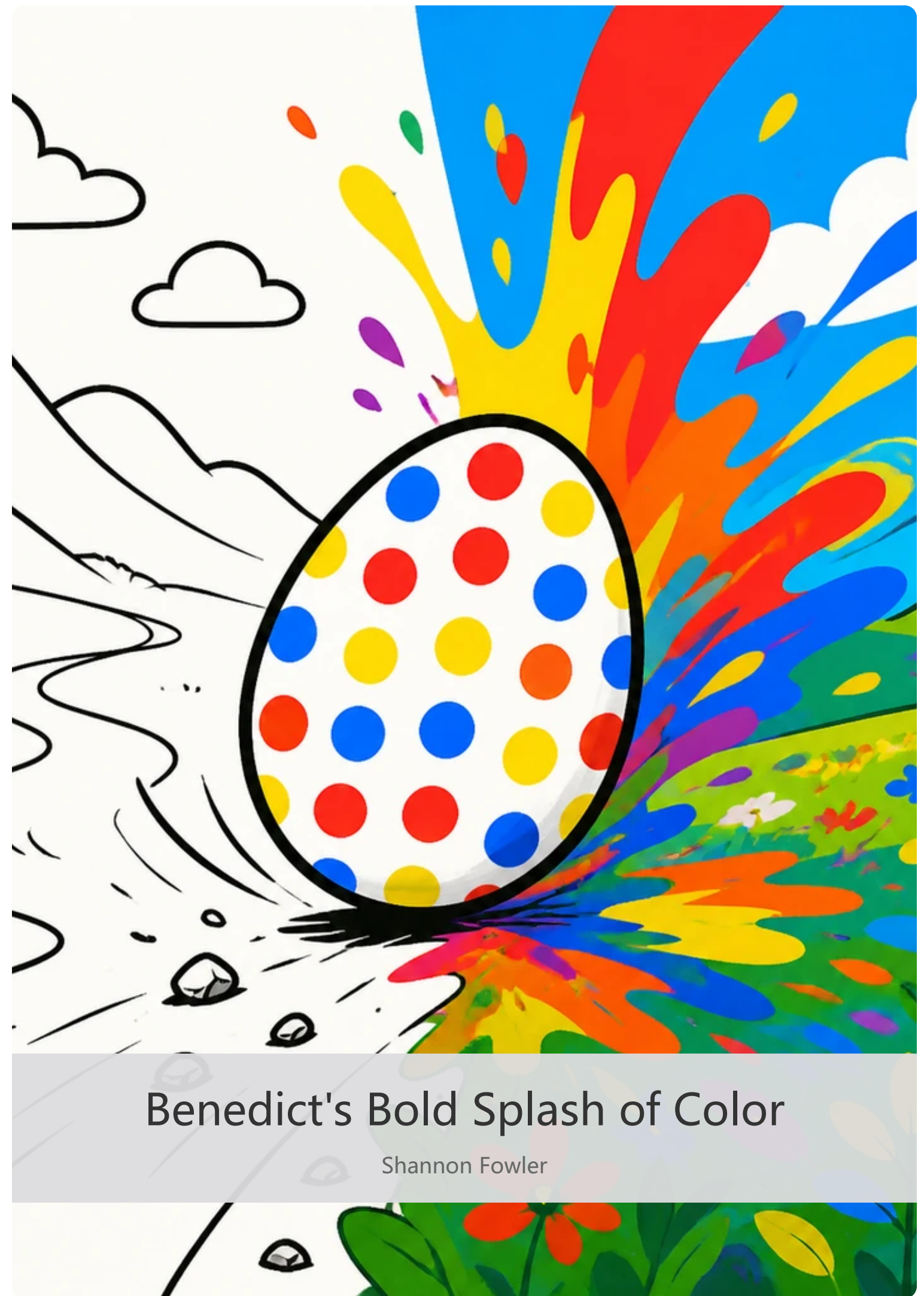
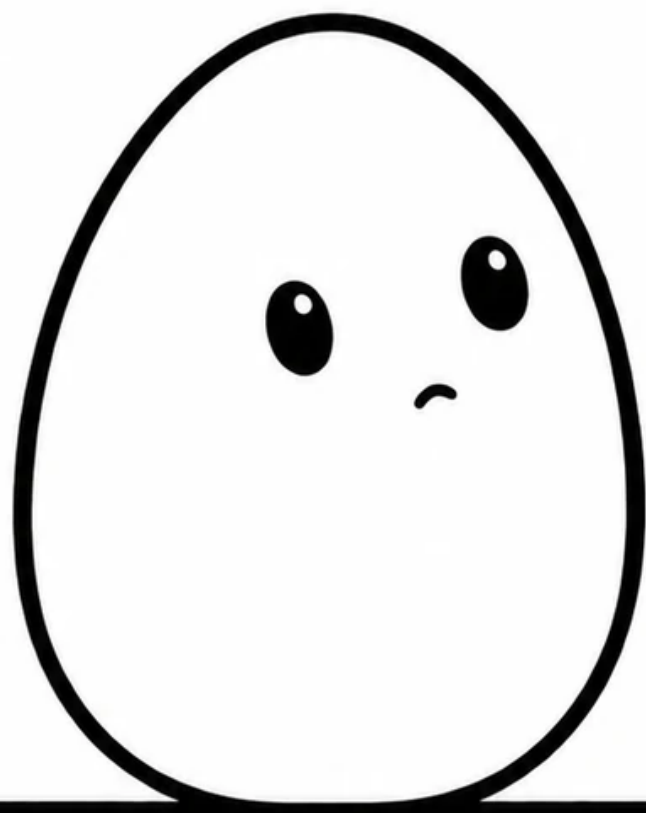




Benedict's Bold Splash of Color

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Benedict was a simple, smooth egg with a bold black outline who lived in a quiet world of white. He sat neatly on his favorite black line, staring out at the blank space and wondering what it would feel like to be a little less plain.



One morning, Benedict wobbled and rolled off his line, bumping right into a magical, glowing paintbrush dripping with bright paint. The moment he tapped the brush, beautiful splashes of primary colors began to ripple across his clean white shell.



With bright polka dots of red, blue, and yellow decorating his shell, Benedict stood proudly beneath a freshly painted rainbow. He was still the same neat clipart egg with the thick black outline, but now his whole world was filled with joy and color.