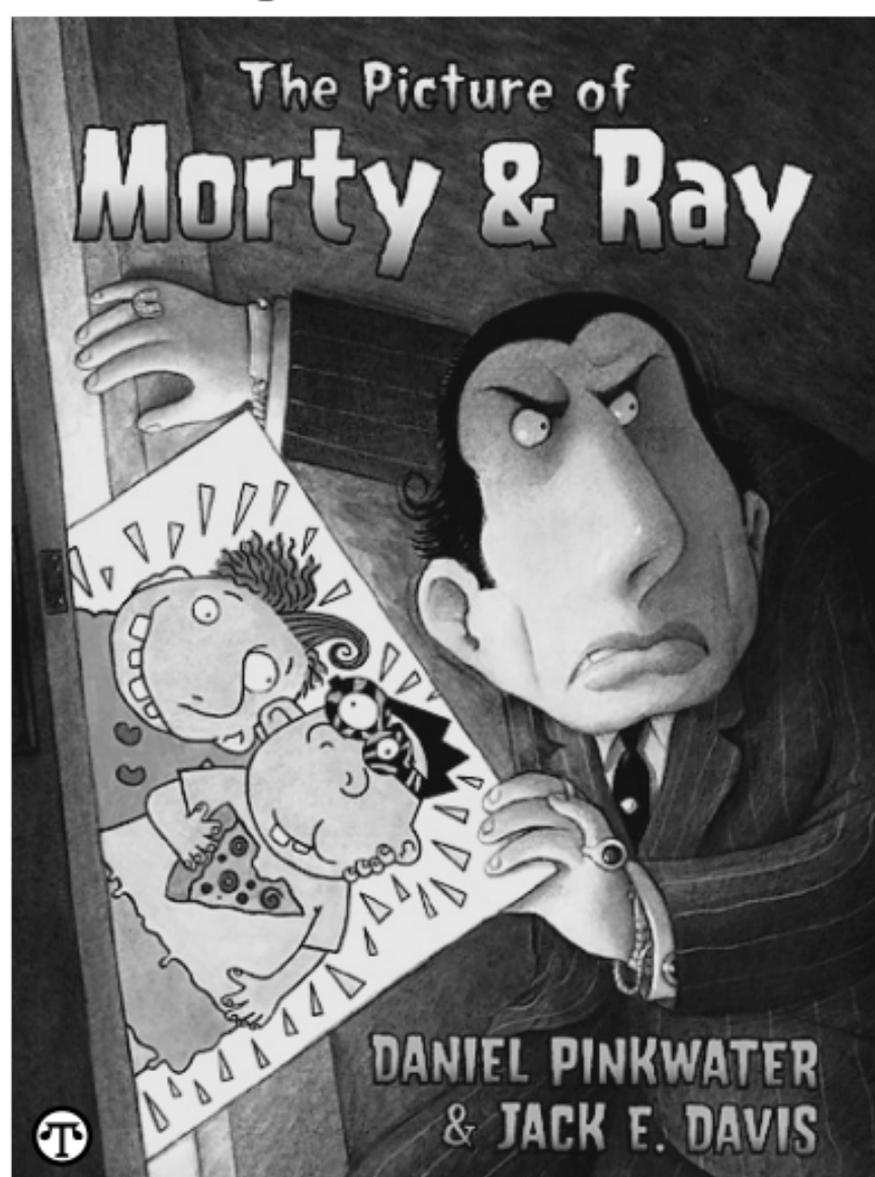




## Children's Books

### The Picture Of Morty And Ray

(NAPSA)—Things get a little scary in Daniel Pinkwater's new book, *The Picture of Morty and Ray* (HarperCollins, \$15.99)—but only after the two boys decide to draw self portraits.



***The Picture of Morty and Ray* is a funny book about the way two boys go bad.**

Best pals Morty and Ray stay up late one night watching a classic horror movie about an evil handsome guy whose portrait gets uglier with every mean thing he does. Morty and Ray find the whole idea so neat, they decide to test it out for themselves.

The experiment works but the boys are having way too much fun to realize they are heading straight for trouble. On this wild ride, friendships are tested but their mutual love of pickle juice prevails.

Pinkwater is the author of *The Hoboken Chicken Emergency*, *Alan Mendelsohn*, *The Boy From Mars* and *The Big Orange Splot*. The drawings are by Jack E. Davis who illustrated *Music Over Manhattan* and *Marsupial Sue*.