

Local authors & illustrators who visit Libraries ~ summer 2023

Check authors' websites for a full list of their publications; contact author or illustrator for program fees. *This list was compiled by the Society of Children's Book Writers & Illustrators New York West-Central Region.*

KEY: Genre of Books: F = Fiction, NF = Nonfiction, PB = Picture Book, CB = Chapter Book, MG = Middle Grade, YA = Young Adult
Audience Preference: Elem = Elementary School, MS = Middle School, HS = High School

Author / Illustrator	Website	Email	Genre of Books	Audience Preference #1 and #2	Books & Publishers (Check website for more titles)	Open to Summer Reading programs in these areas
Sandra K. Athans	www.sandraathans.com	sandraathans@gmail.com	NF, MG, to come: PB, CB	4th - 7th, MS (can do PreK - Elem, as needed)	Tales from the Top of the World: Climbing Mount Everest with Pete Athans; and Secrets of the Sky Caves, Danger and Discovery on Nepal's Mustang Cliffs	Albany to Buffalo
Kathleen Blasi	www.kmblasi.com	kathy@kmblasi.com	PB	Elementary	Hosea Plays On (Sterling), Milo's Moonlight Mission (Yeahoo Press)	Rochester, Finger Lakes Region
Judy Bradbury	www.judybradbury.com	judy@judybradbury.com	F / PB, CB, MG	Elem, MS	Cayuga Island Kids series; City of Light Publishing	Buffalo/Niagara to Rochester and the Finger Lakes Region
D.J. Brandon	www.djbrandonwrites.com	djbrandonwrites@gmail.com	F/CB, MG	Elem	Graveyard Gruber Series; West 44 Books	WNY to the Finger Lakes
Susannah Buhrman-Deever	www.susannahbuhrmandeever.com	susannahbdeever@gmail.com	NF PB	Elem	If You Take Away the Otter (Candlewick), Predator and Prey: A Conversation in Verse (Candlewick), Before the Seed (Candlewick/MIT Press, Spring 2024)	Rochester, Greater Ithaca/Finger Lakes Region
Lynda Graham-Barber	www.lyndagrahambarber.com	emerley@together.net	F / PB; NF/PB	K-4	Cookie's Fortune, Gryphon Press; Unicorn on a Unicycle, Peachtree	Libraries around Jamestown

Sue Heavenrich	www.sueheavenrich.com	sueheaven@frontiernet.net	NF / PB & MG	elem, MS	Thirteen Ways to Eat a Fly (Charlesbridge); Funky Fungi (with Alisha Gabriel; Chicago Review Press); The Pie that Molly Grew (Sleeping Bear Press, fall 2023)	Libraries around and between Ithaca-Owego-Vestal
Mylisa Larsen	http://mylisalarsen.com	mylisalarsen@gmail.com	PB, MG	MS, Elem	Playing Through The Turnaround, HarperCollins/Clarion; If I Were A Kangaroo, Penguin Random House; How To Put Your Parents To Bed, HarperCollins; Ho Ho Homework, HarperCollins	Greater Syracuse area, Rochester, parts of Finger Lakes region
Cory Leonardo	www.coryleonardo.com	coryleonardobooks@gmail.com	MG	Elem, MS	The Simple Art of Flying (Aladdin/S&S) The Hedgehog of Oz (Aladdin/S&S)	CNY, Finger Lakes, Rochester, possibly WNY
Dee Romito	www.deeromito.com	dee@deeromito.com	NF PB, F CB, F MG	elem, MS	Pies From Nowhere (Little Bee Books), The Last Plastic Straw (Holiday House), Fort Builders Inc. series (Aladdin/S&S), multiple MG (Aladdin/S&S)	Buffalo/Niagara
Tina Shepardson	www.tinashepardson.com	k9.akita@yahoo.com	PB, CB	K-6	Walkout, (Clear Fork Publishing), Canines Unleashed, CFP, Spring 2024	Greater Syracuse area, Rochester, parts of Finger Lakes region
Vivian Vande Velde	www.VivianVandeVelde.com	VivianV@Rochester.rr.com	F: CB, MG, YA	any	Twitvh the squirrel series (Holiday House), Heir Apparent (Clarion)	Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse, Finger Lakes

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