

## School District No. 73 - 2021 Young Authors' Conference (Virtual)

### Grades 4-5 Writing Workshops

<p><b>Thursday, April 29</b> <b>8:45-10:00</b></p>	<p><b>Zoom Link:</b> TBA via SD73 School Contact prior to April 28th <b>Meeting ID:</b> TBA      <b>Password:</b> TBA</p>	
<p><b>Kallie George</b></p> 	<p><b>KALLIE GEORGE</b> is an author, picture book editor, and creative writing teacher living in Gibsons, BC. She has written numerous acclaimed books for children, including <i>The Lost Gift</i>; <i>Secrets I Know</i>; <i>Goodnight, Anne</i>; <i>The Magical Animal Adoption Agency</i> series; <i>The Heartwood Hotel</i> series, and <i>Wings of Olympus</i>. She has also taught writing workshops for children and adults alike.</p> <p><b>How can teachers prepare students?</b> "If students are introduced to any of my books - in particular <i>Heartwood Hotel</i> or <i>Wings of Olympus</i> - that would be great!"</p>	<p><b>ENCHANTED KEYS</b></p> <p>In this workshop, Kallie will share the stories of how and why she was inspired to write her books, including how she builds stories through brainstorming and plotting, and her editorial work in publishing. Students will be led in an activity to design and create an enchanted key that leads a character on a magical adventure. What does the key unlock? A door to a magical realm? A treasure chest? Or does it wind up a robot?</p> <p><b>Supplies:</b> pencil or other writing utensil, lined paper, blank paper</p>
<p><b>Thursday, April 29</b> <b>1:15-2:25</b></p>	<p><b>Zoom Link:</b> TBA via SD73 School Contact prior to April 28th <b>Meeting ID:</b> TBA      <b>Password:</b> TBA</p>	
<p><b>Marcie Nestman</b></p> 	<p><b>MARCIE NESTMAN</b> is an actor, voice-over actor, and writing and theatre instructor. She is the playwright, along with Kari-Lynn Winters of <i>On My Walk</i>. Marcie is a graduate from the Theatre program at Mount Royal University in Calgary, and also studied at The Neighborhood Playhouse in New York City. She has appeared in numerous TV commercials, Film, TV, and theatre productions. Marcie has taught numerous workshops for young actors and writers in Canada, Korea, and Thailand.</p> <p><b>How can teachers prepare students?</b> -</p>	<p><b>A MILE IN SOMEONE ELSE'S SHOES</b></p> <p>In this workshop, Marcie Nestman explores the behaviours, mannerisms, and fashion associated with "high" and "low" status characters to help writers build stronger descriptions. Marcie will guide the class through interactive role-playing activities to help participants explore character interactions.</p> <p><b>Supplies:</b> pencil or other writing utensil, blank paper</p> <p><b>Note:</b> This workshop is open to students in Grades 4-7.</p>
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<p><b>Lee Edward Fodi</b></p> 	<p><b>LEE EDWARD FÖDi</b> is an author, illustrator, and specialized arts educator—or, as he likes to think of himself, a daydreaming expert. He is the author of several books for children, including <i>The Secret of Zoone</i>, <i>The Guardians of Zoone</i>, the <i>Kendra Kandlestar</i> series, and the forthcoming <i>Spell Sweeper</i>. In his free time, he's a maker of dragon eggs and other magical props. He lives a creative life in Vancouver, BC, with his wife, Marcie, and son, Hiro.</p> <p><b>How can teachers prepare students?</b> "Visit <a href="https://www.leefodi.com/">https://www.leefodi.com/!</a>"</p>	<p><b>IF THESE WALLS COULD TALK</b></p> <p>In this workshop, fantasy author Lee Edward Födi provides young writers with some top tips for bringing some personality to their settings. He will lead attendees through a creative writing session in which they will get to experiment with these strategies. Each attendee will end up with a descriptive piece to share and celebrate.</p> <p><b>Supplies:</b> pencil or other writing utensil, lined paper <b>Handout:</b> <a href="#">The Home's Point of View</a></p>