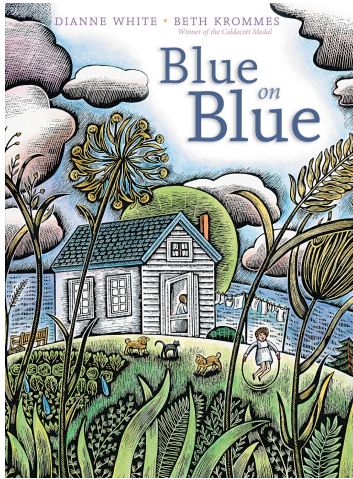


School Assemblies and Writing Workshops

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Celebrate Reading and Writing

with Children's Book Author and Educator, Dianne White



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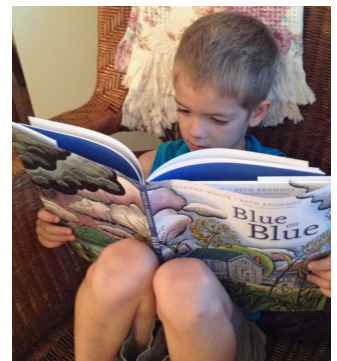
ASSEMBLIES: In a highly interactive assembly which includes a digital slide presentation, student participation, and props, Dianne talks about her life as a writer. Younger audiences usually have a stronger interest in her picture book, BLUE on BLUE. Older audiences are often curious about the collaboration of author, illustrator, editor, art director, and the process of creating a book from story idea to draft, revision to publication.

While the program varies depending on the age of the participating students, but its ultimate goal remains the same: each one of us has a story to share in a voice uniquely our own. Sharing these stories is a privilege and a gift.

SMALL GROUP/ WORKSHOP/ PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SESSIONS:

Workshops are appropriate for class-sized or small groups of creative writers and are adjusted according to the grade level of students. Dianne also offers professional development workshops for educators. Below is a sampling of the types of workshops she has offered in the past:

- **Poem-Making:** Students review features of poetry, look at a collection of poems/ books about a single subject, collect words, and compose out-loud. After a group poetry-writing session, students write (and share) their own poems. *(Grades K-6)*
- **The Extraordinary Ordinary:** Observation is one “way in” to writing poetry. Students consider poems, noticing how poets discover the extraordinary within the familiar. Students begin a poem as a class and write their own. *(Grades K-6)*
- **Piecing a Story Puzzle:** Using a mentor text, students discuss story elements in order to innovate an original story. Kindergarten and 1st grade students will write a group story. 2nd and 3rd graders will write their own. *(Grades K-3)*



AUTHOR VISIT PACKET: Once a school visit date has been agreed upon, Dianne will provide detailed information that includes an organizational checklist, display materials, and reproducible handouts for teachers and parents.

BOOK SALE OPPORTUNITY: Schools often choose to work with a local bookseller to offer Dianne’s book for sale to staff and students, with profits going to the school. Dianne will autograph and personalize these books as well as any that your school already has on hand. Please email for further information.

FEES for 2016-2017 School Visit:

Local, Phoenix Metro rates:

1/2 day: (2-3 presentations) \$400 - \$600

Full day (4-5 presentations) \$800 - \$1000

Feel free to inquire for more information on fees and presentations, including venues outside the Phoenix metro area.



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