

School Presentations & Workshops

by children's book author & illustrator, Anita Riggio

Booktalks

A Booktalk is a multi-media presentation, which documents the process Anita Riggio used in creating one of her books. Books are recommended for specific grade levels as follows:

Grades K-1 Smack Dab in the Middle (30 - 45 minutes)

Grades 2-3-4 Beware the Brindlebeast
Secret Signs Along the Underground Railroad (60 - 75 minutes)

Grades 4-5-6 The Whispering Cloth (60 - 75 minutes)

Anita begins each Booktalk by reading the selected story and showing slides of the illustrations. She continues the slide program explaining details of writing the story, revising the manuscript, making preliminary sketches, creating book dummies, drawings and final illustrations. After the slide presentation, Anita shares original artifacts from the book, including dummies, drawings, final illustrations, press sheets and folded & gathered sheets. A lively question and answer period typically concludes the program.

For Teaching Guides, please visit: <http://www.anitariggio.com/pages/gds.html>

AV needs: screen
standard Kodak projector with extra bulb
large table for portfolio and book display
microphone (hands-free preferred)

NOTE: Booktalks must be scheduled in a room that can be sufficiently darkened for effective presentations.

Up to three Booktalks may be scheduled in one day. \$1500 per single day; \$1200 per day for two or more days. Payment in full should be rendered on the day of the presentations. Please make check payable to Coveside Studio. The school is asked to provide bottled water and light lunch.

Books may be purchased for signing through your local bookstore or Coveside Studio.

Writing Workshops “My hand was leaking words!”

Recipe for Writing is recommended for grades 3-5

Which Way to True North? is recommended for grades 6 - adult

Recipe for Writing

In this large group workshop, Anita Riggio dons an apron and wields a spoon as she cooks up her rollicking recipe for good writing: five ingredients that make writing dee-licious! (75 - 90 minutes)

AV needs: screen
overhead projector

Up to two Recipe for Writing presentations may be scheduled in a day. \$1400 per single day; \$1200 per day for two or more days. Payment in full should be rendered on the day of the presentations. Please make check payable to Covese Studio. The school is also asked to provide bottled water and a light lunch.

Which Way to True North?

If writing resonates with the reader, it must resonate with the writer first. This series of three one-hour writing workshops help students discover the stories only they can write.

Teachers are asked to participate in each workshop with their students.

No AV needs.

Up to three Which Way to True North? workshops may be scheduled in a day. \$1500 per single day; \$1200 per day for two or more days. Payment in full should be rendered on the day of the presentations. Please make check payable to Covese Studio. The school is also asked to provide bottled water and a light lunch.

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