Janet Riehecky is the author of 124 books for children, including thirty-four books on dinosaurs. The first five books in her Dinosaurs! series won the Summit Award for Best Children's Nonfiction. She writes both fiction and nonfiction titles, including the popular Red Door Detective Club Mystery Series.

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Kids Love Dinosaurs!

Janet Riehecky is the author of 34 children's books on dinosaurs. She will captivate your students with her highly visual and very entertaining presentation as she shows students her extensive collection of fossils and museum-quality replicas of real dinosaur bones – including a 5' 7" Apatosaurus femur and an entire foot of a Tyrannosaurus rex.

Follow the clues to learn the latest theories about dinosaurs: how big they grew, what they ate, how they lived together, and why they fought. Examine a tyrannosaur's tooth, an iguanodon's thumb, or a velociraptor's claw. Find out why some dinosaurs ate rocks and which dinosaurs were good mothers.

Dinosaur Encounter is an ideal presentation for teaching about dinosaurs and about how scientific theories are formed. Talks are geared to the students' grade level. Individual talks last about an hour, but can be adjusted to any schedule.

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Additional Presentations

The Magic of Writing
Ms. Riehecky uses magic tricks and illusions to teach the writing process and to illustrate her unique tips. She leads students through the steps of generating ideas, structuring a story, developing characters, and editing copy. Kids see that writing can be fun and learn to "change the ordinary into the extraordinary." The presentation is geared to the age level of the audience and is an ideal way to kick off a creative writing unit or a Young Authors program.

Dinosaur Workshop
This program is a hands-on workshop for small groups. Students rotate through four or five centers, where they make a cast of a velociraptor's claw, create a colorful 3-D dinosaur diorama, decorate a dinosaur mug, construct a dinosaur flip book or mobile, and dig for dinosaur bones. There is a materials fee for each student.