



Janet Riehecky is the author of 114 books for children. She published her first book, *Sharing*, in 1988, and has gone on to publish both fiction and nonfiction titles, including the popular Red Door Detective Club mystery series and a 24-volume series, *Dinosaurs*, which won the Summit Award for Best Children's Nonfiction.

Ms. Riehecky is a member of the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators, the Dinosaur Society, Mystery Writers of America, and the Society of American Magicians. She has a B.A. in English Education from Illinois Wesleyan University, an M.A. in Communication from Illinois State University, and an M.A. in English Literature from Northwestern University. She served as the National Director for *Kids Love A Mystery*, a literacy program, from 1998 to 2004.

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Basic Fee Schedule

Single presentation: \$350

Double presentation: \$600

Three programs: \$800

Full day: \$1000

Travel expenses for distances
 over fifty miles

The Magic of Writing



**Invite award-winning children's
 author Janet Riehecky
 to share her tips on creative
 writing and help motivate your
 students to write.**

The Magic of Writing

Students often approach writing with fear and reluctance. Ms. Riehecky overcomes those inhibitions with a presentation full of enthusiasm, humor, and magic.

In *The Magic of Writing*, Ms. Riehecky uses magic tricks and illusions to teach the writing process and to illustrate her unique writing tips. She takes students through the steps of generating ideas, structuring a story, developing characters, and editing copy. Students see that writing can be fun and learn to "change the ordinary into the extraordinary."

The presentation is an ideal way to kick off a Young Authors program or to motivate students at any time. Talks are geared to the grade level of the students. Individual talks last about an hour, but can be adjusted to any schedule.



What Others Have Said



"It is very evident that she has a special rapport with children as she shares with them her enthusiasm and excitement about writing."

Margaret Young, Asst. Director
Instructional Services
Deerfield Public Schools

"She amazed our students with her magic tricks. All of the students were very responsive as she involved them in discussions. She was very enthusiastic and communicated well with the students at all of the grade levels."

Kathleen Morrissey, Reading
Specialist
Pheasant Ridge School, Glendale Heights

"Ms. Riehecky did an excellent job inspiring the students to be authors themselves. She is not only a wonderful author of children's books, but has a presentation that is visual, inspiring, and

Additional Presentations

Dinosaur Encounter



Janet Riehecky, author of 34 children's books on dinosaurs, presents a highly visual and very entertaining interactive program, featuring the latest theories of how the dinosaurs lived and more than thirty fossils and museum-quality replicas of real dinosaur bones. Students will be able to view a tyrannosaur's tooth, an iguanodon's thumb, a velociraptor's claw, a 5' 7" long Apatosaurus femur, and even an entire Tyrannosaurus foot. They will also learn how scientists form their theories about dinosaurs.

Mystery and Magic



Kids choose to read mysteries more often than any other genre of books. This program encourages this interest with a presentation that is both a magic show and a "how to" for writing mysteries. Ms. Riehecky shows students how to build a mysterious plot, heighten suspense, plant clues, and create spooky characters, illustrating each step with a magic trick or illusion.