

MWC and sponsors present:

## The David R. Collins Children's Literature Festival

**Tuesday, October 2, 2018**

8:30 a.m. — 1:30 p.m.

RiverCenter, Davenport

Free books for  
all schools  
that attend!

The David R. Collins Children's Literature Festival is named after its eponymous founder, a beloved author and teacher who passed away in 2001. It continues in his memory, dedicated to his goal of encouraging future generations of readers and writers.



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# FEATURED SPEAKERS

## SARAH PRINEAS

**Sarah Prineas** is the author of the award-winning *Magic Thief* series which has been published in 20 languages around the world. Her other books from Harper Collins include the *Winterling* trilogy and *Ash & Bramble* and *Rose & Thorn*. She delights youth and young adult readers with *The Scroll of Kings*, a tale of a snarky kid librarian, encounters with dangerous books and sword fighting. Sarah has a PhD in English literature and lives in the Iowa countryside.



## LARRY DAY

**Larry Day** is the award-winning illustrator of over 25 fiction and non-fiction titles. Recent publications include *Voices from the Underground Railroad* (Kay Winters), and soon to be published, *Beware!* (Bob Raschka), and *Bim Bam Bop and Oona* (Jacqueline Briggs Martin). Mr. Day is the recipient of numerous state awards, a Golden Kite Award and three gold medals from the Society of Illustrators. Illustrating is his passion but during office hours Mr. Day is a senior storyboard artist in the advertising industry.



Special program featuring **Pamela Metivier**, writer of STEAM team books, and **Gary Metivier**, children's author.

## Additional Presenters

**Miriam Busch** is an accomplished author of the picture books *Lion, Lion and Raisin*, *The Littlest Cow* and the National Geographic Early reader, *Storms*. Nationally recognized, Ms. Busch is the winner of the DE Camillo's Herman W. Block award and the IRT prize!

**Ryan Collins** is Executive Director of MWC, a St. Ambrose University professor and author of *A New American Field Guide and Songbook*. His sessions engage students in writing poetry.

**Carolyn Crimi**, an author with over 30 state and regional awards and recipient of the SCBWI Golden Kite Award and the Prairie State Award, has published many popular books for children. Her titles include *Boris and Bella* and her new book, *There Might Be Lobsters*.

**Connie Heckert** first appeared at the Children's Literature Festival with her book, *Miss Rochelle and the Lost Bell*. Since then she has published 14 books for children, teens and adults including her 2018 release, *Ride, Patriot Guard, Ride!*

**Belinda Holbrook** is known to students at Harrison Elementary as their recently retired media specialist. Hundreds of students at the Literature Festival know her as the string lady who makes cradles and shapes with her hands as she weaves long tales.

**Jason Platt**, author, illustrator, and cartoonist, delights web readers all over the world with his web-comic, *Mister and Me*. His stories are so popular they have been adapted for the stage.

**Linda Skeers** loves writing but it is her research that makes her stories so interesting. Digging through old newspapers and archives led her to write, *Women Who Dared, 52 Stories of Fearless Daredevils, Adventurers and Rebels*.

## Description of Events

All students in grades 3-6 are invited to share in the excitement at the David R. Collins Children's Literature Festival at the Davenport RiverCenter on October 2, 2018.

**You may bring an unlimited number of students but you must have one adult supervisor for every ten students.** Registration is \$5 for each student and accompanying chaperones. Children, with their supervisor, will be provided an assigned schedule they need to follow. Each group will see both nationally and regionally acclaimed authors.

**Students should bring snacks, a sack lunch, and any money they wish to spend at the book sale.** If you are bringing a large group of children, be advised your group will be divided into different sessions.



There will be an opportunity to purchase the speakers' books during lunch, as well as between presentations. Books range from \$3-\$25. Proceeds from these sales will be used for future Festivals.

## To Register:

Fill out the registration page of this brochure and mail it by September 25th to:

**ATTN: Children's Literature Festival**  
Connie Huber  
2903 Woodland Ct.  
Davenport, Iowa 52803

OR

E-mail Connie Huber at [conniehuber@live.com](mailto:conniehuber@live.com) to reserve your place. If you have any questions about registration, email or call (563)340-1585 (cell)

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## Registration Form

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School Name

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School City, State, Zip Code

Grade Level	# of students
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	

Total Adults Attending\* \_\_\_\_\_

Total Students Attending \_\_\_\_\_

Grand Total Attending \_\_\_\_\_ x \$5 each

Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*Remember 1 adult required for every 10 students