

**Charlotte S. Huck
Children's Literature Festival**

March 1 & 2, 2024



**University of Redlands
Redlands, CA**

Welcome to the 27th Annual Charlotte S. Huck Children's Literature Festival

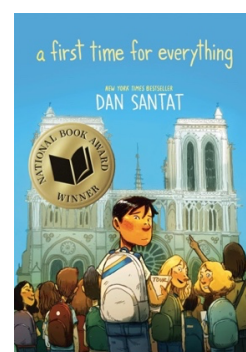
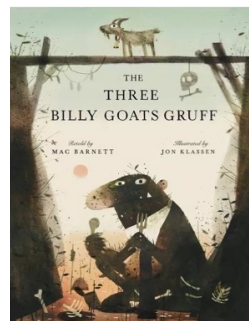
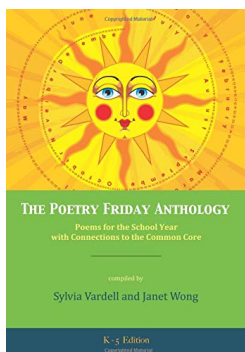
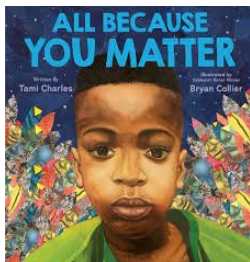
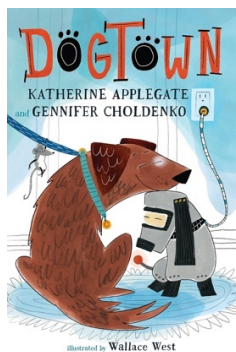
Before you read the program, take a look at who is here and how we are celebrating!

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- **Featured speakers will be signing books:** Mac Barnett, Tami Charles, Gennifer Choldenko, Dan Santat, Sylvia Vardell, and Janet Wong. Innovative authors, illustrators, publishers from across the nation. Fiction, nonfiction, poetry, picture books—they're all here!
- **The following breakout presenters will also be signing books:** Diane Adams, Caroline Arnold, Kimberly Gordon Biddle, Ellie Huynh, Kari Ann Gonzalez, Mike Graf, Karen Jameson, Kirsten Larson, Kristen Nordstrom, Matt Ritter, Dianne White, and Michelle Worthington.
- **Breakout sessions** offer a mix of styles and views with something for everyone at each time slot.
- **Book Signings** on Friday evening and Saturday morning.
- **Books for sale** by all Festival authors plus best sellers, award winners, used vintage books, rescued book journals, and gift books for babies.
- **Opportunity drawing** tickets will be sold for \$5.00 each or 5 tickets for \$20 or visit all three vendors with your festival passport (found in your folder) to earn one free raffle ticket.
- **Contribute to our endowment** during the festival by bidding on our silent auction basket.
- **Jennifer Pryor** will be taking photographs during the festival that may be used on our website or Facebook page. If you do not want your picture taken, please let the photographer know.
- **Meet People** who are as passionate about children's books as you.
- **Learn about other children's literature events** around southern CA including:

The Children's Literature Council of Southern California (CLC) found online at www.childrensliteraturecouncil.org/ encourages excellence in the production and selection of books for children and young people. CLC sponsors author meet ups and book discussion groups creating a community that honors and promotes children's and young adult literature. Every fall they honor books by Southern CA authors and illustrators at their Fall Awards Event.

The California School Library Association (CLSA) found online at www.csla.net/ advocates for excellence in school library programs and collaborates with other educational leaders to ensure that all California students are effective, responsible users and creators of ideas and information. CLSA is the force behind the California Young Readers Medal.





FESTIVAL PROGRAM | FRIDAY MARCH 1ST

8:00 - 8:45 | REGISTRATION, BOOK MARKET OPEN

Location: Orton Center

8:45 - 9:00 | OPENING GENERAL SESSION

Location: Orton Dining Room

Charlotte Burgess, Vice President and Dean Emerita, University of Redlands
 Dr. Nicol Howard, Dean of University of Redlands School of Education
 Juan Cabral, Superintendent of the Redlands Unified School District

9:15 - 10:15 | KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Location: Orton Dining Room

TAMI CHARLES: Permission to Feel: How Stories Fuel SEL & Teach Empathy

10:30-11:20 | CHOICE OF BREAKOUT SESSIONS

1. Dogtown: The Wild Ride of Collaboration

Location: Gregory 270

Hear the inside story of how two well-respected authors, Katherine Applegate and Gennifer Choldenko teamed up to write *Dogtown* and what is in store for this soon to be illustrated series for middle school.

Most appreciated by: eachers 2-8, librarians, book lovers

Speaker: Gennifer Choldenko, a native Californian, has sold more than two million books--picture books, middle grade books and YA including Newbery Honor Book *Al Capone Does My Shirts*.

2. It's All in the Details

Location: Gregory 272

You think making picture books is easy? Explore a study of the picture book medium and examine how the combination of pictures with words which can dramatically change the communication with just a few tweaks.

Most appreciated by teachers, librarians, writers, artists

Speaker: Dan Santat, author and/or illustrator of over a hundred books for young people, including *Beekle: The Unimaginary Friend*, which was awarded the 2015 Caldecott Medal.

3. Give a Poem, Get a Poem: A Writing Workshop with Janet Wong

Location: Gregory 175

Children often experience anxiety over gift-giving, worrying when birthdays and holidays approach because they might not have enough money for a "good gift." In this session you will create a gift with Janet Wong in a simile poem-writing exercise that you can replicate with your students.

Most Appreciated by teachers K-8, librarians

Speaker: Janet Wong, publisher, author of more than thirty books for children and teens including *A Suitcase of Seaweed* and *MORE, You Have to Write*, and *The Trip Back Home*.

4. Turning Pages: Exploring the Best of Children's Literature from the Past Year **Location:** Orton Vineyard

What are the latest and greatest publications that captivate young minds? This presentation will curate a diverse selection of literary treasures from the past year for grades K-6. Emphasis is on their literary quality and their potential to spark creativity, promote empathy, and foster a lifelong love of reading among children.

Most Appreciated by all festival attendees but especially teachers and librarians

Speaker: Erin Rivera, owner of The Frugal Frigate Bookstore in downtown Redlands.

5. The World's Best Places **Location:** Orton San Geronimo
Tour some of the most unique, fascinating, and protected places on our planet through literature. Learn why they are preserved and what is special about each location. World geography and mapping, science concepts and social studies are included in this exciting new presentation.

Most Appreciated by librarians, teachers 3-8, multiple subject and science, and any lover of literature, music, and creative invention.

Speaker: Mike Graf, upper grade elementary school and GATE teacher for 10 years, weathercaster on air for 25 years, instructor for Child Development and Education Departments at California State University, Chico, CA, author of more than 90 published works both fiction and nonfiction.

6. A Dive into Social Emotional Learning **Location:** Gregory 176
From Word Splashes to Bubble Wands, TK-5 teachers will learn how to implement Social Emotional Learning (SEL) strategies and skills in the classroom using current children's literature. Teachers will learn how to develop ways to motivate and instill an early love of reading to help expand vocabulary, build independence, and self-confidence so they can learn to make sense of not only the world around them but also people, building SEL skills, and using their imagination. Attendees will participate in hands on activities to share with students.

Most appreciated by teachers TK-5, librarians

Speakers: Ellie Huynh & Mary Wolfe. Ellie is a poet, published children's book author, artist and kindergarten and TK teacher for over 20 years. Mary is a Redlands Unified School District Reading Coach, Adjunct Professor at Crafton Hills College, and K- 5 teacher for over 20 years.

11:35-12:20 CHOICE OF BREAKOUT SESSIONS

7. The Making of *Extra Yarn* and of *Sam & Dave Dig a Hole* **Location:** Gregory 272
Join Mac Barnett as he discusses the creative decisions and collaborative process behind two of his picture books, both illustrated by Jon Klassen.

Most Appreciated by teachers K-3, librarians, anyone who love picture and wants to know more about them

Speaker: Mac Barnett, *New York Times*-bestselling author of more than 50 books for children including *Twenty Questions* illustrated by Christian Robinson and Caldecott Honor winner *Extra Yarn*, illustrated by Jon Klassen.

8. Creative Alternatives for Sharing Poetry **Location:** Gregory 176
This session will introduce several creative ways to jazz up your sharing of poetry from using props, to inviting student participation to using images, sound effects, and music as your poem backdrop.

Most Appreciated by teachers K-8, librarians

Speaker: Sylvia Vardell, recently retired as Professor in the School of Library and Information Studies at Texas Woman's University, has published extensively, including five books on literature for children as well as over 25 book chapters and 100 journal articles.

9. The Best Multicultural Books for 2024—a Book Talk **Location:** Orton Vineyard
Dr. Claudette McLinn and Michael McLinn share the best multicultural books from the past year including ALA award winners. A copy of the list is in your folder.

Most Appreciated by teachers, parents, and librarians

Speakers: Dr. Claudette McLinn & Michael McLinn. Claudette is the Executive Director for the Center for the Study of Multicultural Children's Literature (CSMCL); 2023 recipient of the Coretta Scott King-Virginia Hamilton Award for Lifetime Achievement; 2020 recipient of the ALA/ALSC Distinguished Service Award; Chair of the 2023 National Book Awards for Young People's Literature Jury. Michael is the CFO of CSMCL; Retired LAUSD administrator, Gifted & Talented Programs and Schools for Advanced Studies.

"If you don't hear a poem spoken, it's like never hearing a song sung."

- Ashley Bryan

10. Scary Something! The Key to Being Published

Location: Gregory 270

Diane Adams will share with you the plot arcs (or what every publisher demands of your story) of some deliciously scary stories that speak to children's fears in a humorous, non-threatening, problem solving way. Writers and illustrators include Jon Klassen, Mac Barnett, Marla Frazee, Lemony Snicket and more. Plus, the books used in the presentation, as well as some of Diane's favorite writing books will be given away.

Most Appreciated by teachers grade 3 and above, librarians, writers, and aspiring authors

Speaker: Diane Adams, an internationally published author with 100,000 copies sold of her latest book, *Love Is*, former University Professor of Children's Literature.

11. Graphic Picture Books Keep Young Readers Turning the Page

Location: Gregory 161

Find out how graphic picture books combine text, images, word balloons, sound effects, and panels to capture young readers. Author Caroline Arnold shares her new book, *My Friend from Outer Space*, showing how a favorite book from the past has been reborn as a graphic picture book. Teacher Rachel Kendall and her students will share how the book has inspired her 6th graders own writing projects including writing for younger students.

Most Appreciated by teachers K-6, librarians, parents

Speakers: Caroline Arnold & Rachel Kendall. Caroline is an award-winning author/illustrator, has published 170 books for children, including her newest fiction title *My Friend from Outer Space*. Rachel is a teacher at Redlands Adventist School and will be bringing her 6th grade students to share their experiences.

12. Something Wonderful: The Magical World of Figs, Nature, and Biodiversity

Location: Orton San Gorgonio

Dr. Matt Ritter will give the audience a photographic tour of the awe-inspiring world of fig trees as a teaching tool for children to learn more about ecology, conservation, and biodiversity. He will show images and artwork for *Something Wonderful*, his National Outdoor Book award winning children's book.

Most Appreciated by teachers K-6, librarians

Speaker: Matt Ritter is a botany professor at Cal Poly, SLO and author of 7 books of fiction and non-fiction for adults and children.

12:35-1:25 | GENERAL SESSION & LUNCH SERVED

Location: Orton Dining Room

Announcements, Recognition of Charlotte Huck Honoree

1:30 - 2:30 | POST LUNCHEON SPEAKER

Location: Orton Dining Room

DAN SANTAT: A Slowing Mass of Tangible Thoughts

2:45 - 3:35 CHOICE OF BREAKOUT SESSIONS

13. The Making of *The First Cat in Space Ate Pizza*

Location: Gregory 177

Examine the creative decisions and collaborative process behind these graphic novels with author Mac Barnett.

Most Appreciated by teachers 3-8, librarians

Speaker: Mac Barnett, *New York Times*-bestselling author of more than 50 books for children including *I Series* and *Mac B, Kid Spy* series.

14. Ignite Your Inner Author!

Location: Gregory 272

No one is born a journalist, novelist, or poet, though we all have our own stories to tell. Many of these stories are based on experiences or observations of the world around us. Mentor texts and collaborative "remix" writing activities will spark the imagination, while creating a student-centered framework to help ignite the budding authors in your classrooms, libraries, and even within yourself.

Most appreciated by all festival participants

Speaker: Tami Charles, bestselling author of books for children, middle grades, and young adults. *All Because You Matter* illustrated by Bryan Collier, *Like Vanessa*, a middle school novel, and *Muted* a YA novel in verse.

15. The Gangster Next Door: Writing Kid Friendly Historical Fiction **Location:** Orton San Gorgonio
Capturing the hearts and minds of kids with historical fiction is all about the hook. Learn how a series about gangsters on a prison island has sold nearly three million copies and about the weirdly prophetic novel about a contagious disease (circa 1900) that everyone including the President denied.

Most Appreciated by teachers 4-8, librarians, book lovers

Speaker: Gennifer Choldenko, *NYTimes* bestselling author and Newbery honoree. Author of the *Tales from Alcatraz* series, *Chasing Secrets*, *Orphan Eleven* and *The Tenth Mistake of Hank Hooperman* (out in June).

16. Beatrix Potter From Peter Rabbit to Conservationist **Location:** Gregory 175

Step into the world of Beatrix Potter and learn about the life of imagination and impact led by this beloved author and illustrator. Trace the remarkable journey of a young woman with a vivid imagination who brought to life timeless characters like Peter Rabbit and Jemima Puddle-Duck. Her passion for the natural world led her to become a pioneering conservationist. Her role in preserving the landscapes of England's Lake District and her dedication to protecting her cherished countryside left an indelible mark on both literature and conservation.

Most Appreciated by all festival participants

Speaker: Lisa Silverman, Director, Sperber Jewish Community Library, (retired), Los Angeles.

17. Before Bluey: A Journey Through Australian Picture Books **Location:** Orton Vineyard

Embark on a captivating exploration of Australian picture books with award winning Australian author Michelle Worthington to discover how these captivating stories and illustrations resonate beyond Australia's borders. Journey through picture books that highlight themes of adventure, resilience, and overcoming challenges. Learn how these universal themes resonate with young readers in the US, while also introducing them to the spirit of Australian exploration.

Most Appreciated by teachers K- 3 and librarians

Speaker: Michelle Worthington, internationally published award- winning author of books for children of all abilities that promote inclusion, diversity, and sustainability

3:50 - 4:50 | GENERAL SESSION

Location: Orton Dining Room

Friday Closing Speakers: SYLVIA VARDELL & JANET WONG: Poetry for Brain Breaks

5:00 - 6:30 | RECEPTION & BOOK SIGNING

Location: Orton Dining Room

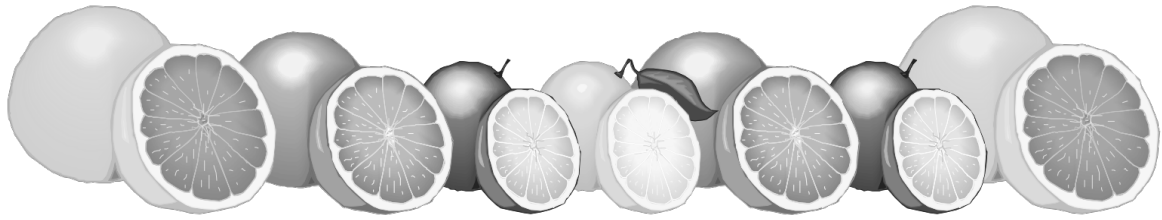
All Festival participants are invited for small bites and drinks, to meet the speakers, and to have their books signed. All vendors will be open—be sure you see everything! This is an opportunity to mingle. Take advantage of this time with fellow book lovers. The book market remains open during this time.

BOOK SIGNING PROCEDURES

- Stand in line. Eat, drink, and visit while you are waiting!
- Please do not ask an author to sign more than five books at any one time. Take another turn in line for additional books.
- If you wish to have a name in your book, print it on a post-it for the author's reference. Festival hosts can provide post-its.
- Books by Festival authors will be on sale in the Book Market throughout the Festival, including the book signing.

*"Ideas are all around us; we are never far from the language of a story.
We simply don't slow down long enough to notice."*

- Steven Layne



FESTIVAL PROGRAM | SATURDAY, MARCH 2ND

8:00-8:45 | BOOK SIGNING

Location: Orton Center

Registration and Book Market open

8:45-9:00 | GENERAL SESSION

Location: Orton Dining Room

Welcome and Introductions

9:00-10:00 | SATURDAY OPENING SPEAKER

MAC BARNETT: How to Read a Picture Book

10:15-11:05 CHOICE OF BREAKOUT SESSIONS

18. Poetry Makerspace with Sylvia Vardell and Janet Wong

Location: Gregory 161

A Poetry Makerspace is a place where we can think, create, share, and grow as we learn. This form of learning encourages exploration and promotes inquiry as participants build skills and develop social-emotional wellness. Let's take poetry off the page and into the classroom with fun and easy makerspace activities such as poetry collage, building a Poetry Suitcase, blackout poetry, and more.

Most Appreciated by everyone who loves poetry—or thinks they don't

Speakers: Sylvia Vardell & Janet Wong first met during a conference signing for Janet's book *A Suitcase of Seaweed*. They now sign books together including the dozen books they have created in *The Poetry Friday Anthology*[®] series for teachers and students, as well as the *Poetry Friday Power Book* series for young writers.

19. Children's Literature That Makes a Difference

Location: Orton San Gorgonio

This highly interactive and practical session will explore new and classic children's literature, primarily picture books, available for educators and parents to help children in grades K-8 better understand the issues confronting them daily, as well as provide the skills necessary to think through and cope with those issues. We will recap how books can be Windows, Mirrors, and Sliding Glass doors, as well as their potential for helping children find answers to enduring questions about the who's and what's of life.

Most Appreciated by teachers, librarians, anyone interested in children's books that can make a difference

Speaker: Kathy Bloomfield, Immediate Past President of the Association of Jewish Libraries, subject matter expert on using children's picture books to teach values in the home and classroom.

20. From Classroom Teachers to Published Authors: Building on Your Strengths

Location: Orton Vineyard

Have you thought about writing books for young readers? If you're an educator, librarian, or a lover of books for kids, you already know more than you think. Seasoned educators Karen Jameson and Dianne White will begin with a short writing prompt, then jump into the strategies and tips that set them on the path from classroom teachers to award-winning authors. Handout provided.

Most Appreciated by teachers, librarians, and booklovers interested in writing for children, in learning more about an author's journey to publication, and in the business of writing books for kids.

Speakers: Karen Jameson & Dianne White. Karen is the author of lyrical and STEM picture books, including *Woodland Dreams*. Dianne is a writing teacher and award-winning author of picture books.

21. Launching into Literacy and Family Fun**Location:** Gregory 270

This fun, informative, interactive, and evidence-based presentation will showcase research, theory, and practical techniques for families to foster reading literacy in their children. Teachers, librarians, and other education professionals who work with families will find this session helpful, too. The focus will be on children in grades TK-3, delivered by PowerPoint presentation, with supportive handouts distributed.

Most Appreciated by parents, teachers, librarians, and other educational professionals who work with kids TK-3

Speakers: Dr. Kimberly A. Biddle & Kari Ann Gonzalez. Dr. Biddle is Emeritus Professor of Child and Adolescent Development at Sacramento State University, author of children's books, and co-author/co-editor of textbooks in her field. Kari Ann is a commercial underwriter specializing in coaching, teaching, and development, and is the author of *How to Hatch a Reader* as well as three forthcoming children's books.

22. Pop Up a Response to Literature**Location:** Gregory 176

In a workshop format Christina LeRoy shares pop-up books children have created over the past 10 years. These books can be adapted to a variety of grade levels as well as using writing and illustration appropriate to the child and the grade level. Then, using Mac Barnett and Dan Santat's book *Oh No!*, Kandis Therien will guide participants to create their own pop-up book. Classroom kits will be raffled off.

Most Appreciated by teachers K-6, librarians, parents

Speakers: Christina LeRoy & Kandis Therien. Christina, an SLP in SBCUSD, incorporates children's literature in sessions with students, uses pop-up books as a response to Literature, Smiley Library Family Day Planning Committee. Kandis is a Library Assistant with SBCUSD, literature enthusiast, jane-of-all-trades, crafter, and convention volunteer since 2014.

11:20 - 12:10 CHOICE OF BREAKOUT SESSIONS**23. Let's Get Lit! The Power of the Picture Book (no matter the grade)****Location:** Gregory 272

Contrary to popular belief, picture books aren't just for little kids. Rich in both language and imagery, picture books can be used across grade levels in memorable ways. Theme, repetition, symbolism, conflict, and more! No matter the ELA skill you'd like to teach, guaranteed there's a picture book that covers the topic. Join author, Tami Charles, for a deep dive into some new classics and fire up ideas that'll hook your ELA students!

Most appreciated by all Festival participants

Speaker: Tami Charles, bestselling author of books for children, middle grades, and young adults. *All Because You Matter* illustrated by Bryan Collier, *Like Vanessa*, a middle school novel, and *Muted* a YA novel in verse.

24. Graphic Novels Are Books**Location:** Gregory 176

A study over the long debate as to why graphic novels are essential for child development and a valuable tool for the love of reading. We discuss how author Dan Santat struggled with reading comprehension at a young age and how comic books and graphic novels became a bridge to loving the written word while also discussing how contemporary picture books have changed in the last 15 years by influence of comics.

Most appreciated by teachers K-8, librarians, parents

Speaker: Dan Santat is the author and/or illustrator of over a hundred books for young people including the bestselling graphic novel, *The Aquanaut*, and Young People's National Award, *A First time for Everything*.

25. Because Books Matter: Teaching Literacy Through Literacy Groups**Location:** Orton Vineyard

Have you ever heard a child say, "but I can't read"? Join to learn about teaching literacy and a love of literature! All too often our young learners feel that if they can't read a book on their own, there is no purpose for them to pick up a great piece of children's literature. With the infusion of technology, author studies, and super author group names, literacy groups provide an engaging, hands-on and rich learning experience for young learners.

Most Appreciated by educators TK-3 who are interested in upping their literacy group skills

Speaker: Camille Dahnke, inclusion kindergarten teacher, Redlands Unified School District, 2021 San Bernardino County Teacher of the Year.

26. Crank Up the Curiosity: Ignite a Love of Nonfiction in Young Readers **Location:** Orton San Gorgonio
Calling all nonfiction lovers, teachers, librarians, and homeschoolers! Join nonfiction authors Kirsten W. Larson and Kristen Bott Nordstrom to learn concrete, hands-on methods for cultivating kids' love of nonfiction. These include engaging readers in role-playing and simulation to ignite interest in wildlife crossings and building paper airplanes to explore how things fly.

Most Appreciated by nonfiction lovers, teachers 1-8, librarians, and homeschoolers

Speakers: Kirsten W. Larson, former NASA employee and author of nonfiction books for kids including the STEM titles *WOOD*, *WIRE*, *WINGS* and *THE FIRE OF STARS*. Kristen Nordstrom is a founding teacher of a Title 1 STEAM magnet school. She is the lead primary teacher and is a nationally STEM-certified educator.

27. The End Is Only the Beginning: Exploring Endpapers in Picture Books **Location:** Gregory 177
This presentation will highlight endpapers as an aspect of picture book design that is worthy of careful attention. McNair will share both older and recently published picture books while exploring the different ways that illustrators utilize endpapers to provide key details about literary elements (e.g., plot, setting, characterization) in fiction and information about people's lives, contributions and occupations in picture book biographies.

Most Appreciated by teachers K-6, librarians

Speaker: Dr. Jonda McNair, Charlotte S. Huck Endowed Professor of Children's Literature, The Ohio State University, former professor of literacy education and a former primary grade teacher of students K-2.

12:25 - 1:25 | LUNCH SERVED, OPPORTUNITY DRAWING

Location: Orton Dining Room

1:30 - 2:35 | CLOSING GENERAL SESSION

GENNIFER CHOLDENKO: The Secret Life of a Children's Author

*"I'm often asked why I chose to become an artist.
I think it's the other way around: art chose me."*

- Lois Ehlert



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The Book Market

Open from 8:00 a.m. on Friday through the close of the Festival on Saturday

All exhibitors in The Book Market are independent Southern California vendors and donate a percentage of their sales at the festival to support its continuation. They do their best to bring the right books in the right quantities to satisfy everyone's purchasing wishes, however, estimating how many books people will purchase is not an exact science. The vendors you see here are part of a dying breed – independent bookstores. Please join us in thanking them for being here. We can't imagine a festival without them.

Vendors at the Festival 2024

The logo for San Marino Toy & Book Shoppe is written in a white, cursive font on a dark blue rectangular background.

Founded in 1975 by Betty Takeuchi, **San Marino Toy and Book Shoppe** has several generations of San Gabriel Valley families. Their book collection includes best sellers, new releases, local authors and illustrators, graphic novels and board books. They also offer classic toys and games as well as on trend novelties and puzzles. You can find them online at sanmarinotoys.com.

LOCATION: Orton Mt. McKinley

The logo for Brown Bag Books features the text "Brown Bag Books" in a large, bold, black serif font, with "cool books...cheap." in a smaller, black serif font below it, all on a textured brown background.

Brown Bag Books began as a 'mobile book store,' and their ever-growing book collection now holds thousands of titles, all available either in person, or from their online selection. They have traveled the world to bring back Classics and fascinating finds from other lands. Current non-fiction that leans towards social justice, historical facts, and world cultures

remain a staple in their collection. At the Festival, they feature handpicked children's books and rescued book journals. During the rest of the year, look for Brown Bag Books at Fairs and Farmer's Markets around Southern California and online at brownbagbooks.biz.

LOCATION: Orton Mt. Harrison

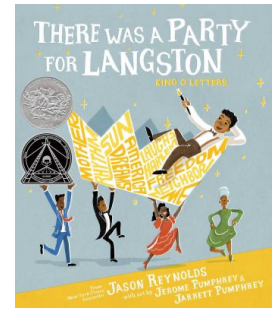
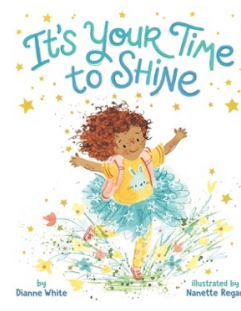
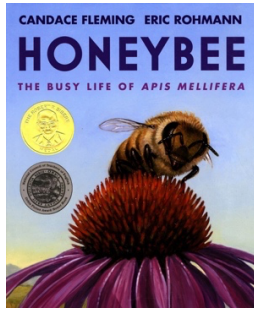
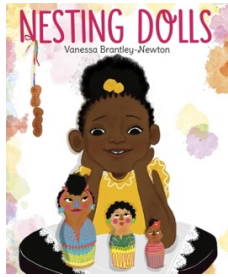


Established in 1988, **The Frugal Frigate** is located at 9 N 6th Street in historic downtown Redlands. They proudly offer the best in both new titles and beloved favorites of children's literature. They have books for children to young adults, and carry a selection of plush toys, journals, stationary, cards,

and all sorts of things to stir the imagination. The store is currently owned by local Redlands resident Erin Rivera. Erin's first job in high school was working for the founder and original owner Katherine Thomerson. You can find them online at FrugalFrigate.com.

LOCATION: Orton San Bernardino

We hope you will support our vendors all year long!



**Join us for the 28th Annual
CHARLOTTE S. HUCK
CHILDREN'S LITERATURE FESTIVAL**

March 7 & 8, 2025

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**Vanessa Brantley-Newton,
Candace Fleming,
Mitali Perkins, Jarrett Pumphrey,
Jerome Pumphrey, Dianne White,
and more — much more!**

"A library is not a luxury, but one of the necessities of life."

- Henry Ward Beecher