

Meet the Authors

Endless Stories Book Fest 2025
Books-Art-Movies





Meet the Author: **Gina C. Edwards**Faith Builder-Creative Encourager-Founder of I Am Royalty Ministries

Author of *Refreshing: Rekindle Your Passion for Life!* – a powerful devotional guide for anyone feeling stuck, weary, or ready for a spiritual reset

Her message: You are not forgotten. You are called. You are royalty.

Known for:

- Bible-based encouragement with practical steps for healing and growth
- Reminding readers that God's timing is perfect--and your story isn't over

Say hello and ask Gina about her favorite "God-awakening" moment



Meet the Author: **Lisa R. Frazier** *Empathy Advocate-Children's Storyteller-Voice for Inclusion*

Author of *A Boy With a Magic Hat* – a heartfelt tale about Carson, a nonverbal autistic boy navigating a new school and teaching his classmates the power of kindness, understanding, and acceptance, and **Where Is Mimi**, inspired by a tender conversation with her granddaughter after the loss of her grandmother

- Promoting safe, loving environments for all children
- Encouraging readers to choose kindness--even when they don't understand

Say hello and ask Lisa about Carson's journey and how the magic hat came to be



Meet the Author: L.S. King

Science Fiction Explorer-Space Opera Architect-Genre-Bending Visionary

Author of *two epic series* – *Sword's Edge Chronicles* - where science fiction meets fantasy in a galaxy of intrigue, honor, and ancient secrets and *Deuces Wild* - a fast-paced space opera with rogue heroes, high-stakes missions, and unexpected alliances

Known for:

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Blending futuristic tech with medieval mysticism Creating rich worlds filled with action, heart, and humor Say

hello and ask L.S. about her favorite sci-fi trope to twist



Meet the Author: Tim Linehan

Historical Novelist - Holocaust Educator - Voice of Courageous Youth

Author of *Hannah Gould* and *Drums of Courage* --gripping young adult novels that explore the impact of war on teens through true-to-life historical fiction **Known for:**

- Deep historical research and emotional authenticity
- Presentations at libraries, synagogues, and schools across Delaware

Say hello and ask Tim about the real events behind Hannah Gould



Meet the Author: **Tabitha Mellette** *Grief Guide - Educator - Creator of Comfort*

Author of *My Heart Remembers* -- a tender, inclusive coloring and activity book designed to help children navigate loss with creativity, conversation, and care **Known for:**

- The Comfort Pages--a growing collection of healing resources for kids
- Advocating for emotional wellness in classrooms and families

Say hello and ask Tabitha how My Heart Remembers came to life



Meet the Author: **Lina Miller** *Early Literacy Champion - Decodable Storyteller - Creator of Jax & Ren*

Author of the *Jax and Ren series*--adorable, science-backed books designed for new and struggling readers

Known for:

- Simple, decodable sentences with charming illustrations
- Empowering young readers to feel successful and joyful

Say hello - Jax and Ren love meeting new friends!



Meet the Author: **TJ Perkins** *Mystery Spinner - Fantasy Weaver - Holistic Storyteller*Author of *The Healthy Witch*, *Shadow Legacy* series, and award-winning young adult mysteries
Known for:

- Magical wellness, enchanted adventures, and suspenseful twists
- Winner of multiple chapter book awards and the COVR Visionary Art Award

Say hello to TJ and discover how storytelling and healing go hand in hand



Meet the Author: **Bill Peschel** *Mystery Historian - Sherlockian Curator - Literary Mischief-Maker*

Author of Writers Gone Wild and the 223B Casebook Series

Known for:

- Sherlock Holmes parodies and pastiches from Conan Doyle's era
- The Casebook of Twain & Holmes--where Mark Twain meets Sherlock!

Say hello and ask Bill about the quirkiest mystery he's every uncovered



Meet the Author: Teresa Peschel

Mystery Maven - Mars Dreamer - Maker of Stories

Author of *Agatha Christie, She Watched* --one-of-a-kind guide to over 200 film and TV adaptations of the Queen of Crime

Known for:

- Anthony Award-nominated and featured at the International Agatha Christie Festival in England
- Her sharp insights, global perspective, and love of literary sleuthing

Say hello and ask Teresa about her favorite Christie adaptation



Meet the Author: **Doug Poore**Railroad Historian - Local Storyteller - Curator of Forgotten Tracks

Author of several books based on the City of Harrington and the Railroads

Known for:

- Stunning archival photos of stations, trains, and rail lines
- Personal memories and local lore from Harrington and beyond

Say hello and ask Doug about the rail line that ran through his backyard or share your own railroad memory – he's always ready to listen



Meet the Author: **Jennifer Ann Richter** *Kidlit Author - Birdwatcher - Stargazer of Stories*

Author of *Bird Nerd* - A BCALA "Best of the Best" pick and *The Star of Moon Village* – coming January 2026!

Known for:

- Celebrating nature, identity, and curiosity
- Empowering middle-grade readers to embrace who they are

Say hello and ask Jennifer about her favorite bird call or constellation



Meet the Author: Skyler Robinson

Youth Writer - Family Collaborator - Celebrator of Beauty and Joy

Author of *My Hair Day* -- a heartwarming picture book told through the eyes of young Skye, who prepares for her special hair day with her mom and sister **Known for:**

- Bringing youthful perspective and authenticity to storytelling
- Exploring themes of joy, self-expression, and family connection

Say hello to Skyler and celebrate her debut-she'd love to hear what makes your hair day special!



Meet the Author: Christy Shaffer

Fantasy Artist - Sticker Sorceress - Coloring Book Creator

Illustrator of over 30 beloved Dover titles, including: **Unicorns Coloring Book, Fairies Around the World, Carousel Horses Stained Glass Coloring Book, Glow-in-the-Dark Tattoos: Dragons, Snowflakes and More!**

Known for:

- Whimsical creatures and magical worlds
- Bringing joy to children and families through art and imagination

Say hello and share your fantasy creations - she loves seeing young artists shine!



Meet the Author: S.M. Sykes

Resilient Storyteller - Sci-Fi Dreamer - Voice of the Everyday Hero

Author of the Eyes of Blue series and Message on the Wind

Message on the Wind was inspired by a real-life tornado cleanup with his nephew-proof that stories can rise from the rubble

Known for:

- Emotionally rich science fiction and young adult fiction
- Themes of perseverance, identity, and finding meaning in chaos

Say hello, share your story idea--he loves hearing what sparks imagination in others



Meet the Author: Ray Van Horn, Jr.

Metalhead Memoirist - Coming-of-Age Chronicler - Voice of the Outsiders

Author of Revolution Calling, Mentor and Coming of Rage

Known for:

- A career as a veteran music and film journalist, amplifying underground scenes and unheard stories
- Blending memoir and fiction to reflect the real-life struggles of teens navigating violence, belonging, and survival

Say hello and share your favorite metal anthem--he just might have a story to match



Meet the Author: Sheona Wodarczyk

Faithful Storyteller - Homeschool Mom - Creator of Royal Adventures

Author of **Destiny's Royal Dilemma** -- a gospel-rooted fairy tale reminding children of their true identity as beloved sons and daughters of God

Known for:

- Wholesome storytelling with a spiritual heart
- Empowering messages of identity, healing, and divine love

Say hello and share your favorite fairy tale--she loves hearing what makes children feel royal!