

Do you need someone inspirational? Do you need someone who can get everyone motivated about reading and writing? Are you tired of hiring speakers who fail to impress?

Want to invite someone who'll get your students talking about reading and writing weeks after she's gone? Look no further...

Author Cynthea Liu's presentations are designed to inform, entertain, and inspire.

Every student is involved when Cynthea visits!

Each presentation will be tailored for your audience's age level—from pre-school through high school, and even adults.

Cynthea conducts assembly presentations, classroom workshops, Skype visits, writing classes, Literacy nights, and much, much more.

Cynthea makes learning about writing, story development, and authorship FUN. As an author of picture, middle grade, and teen books, Cynthea specializes in grades pre-K-8th and high school students.

From keynote speeches to writing workshops, Cynthea can fulfill your need for a children's book author!

Choose from a list of popular presentations or talk to Cynthea about planning a tailored visit just for you!

Most Popular Presentations (Pre-K to 3rd)

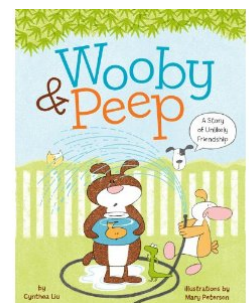
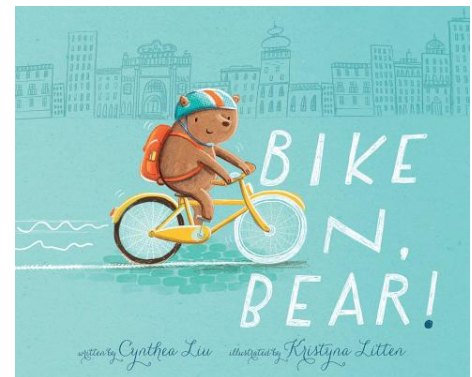
Bike On, Bear: "Every Bear has a Dream"

Cynthea Liu introduces her book *Bike On, Bear!* through a reading of the story, acted out by the kids themselves. Following that, the children will then demonstrate how stories are made by creating one themselves and acting it out. Establishing a likeable character and developing obstacles for characters will be emphasized. At the end of this entertaining presentation, students will have the basics of their own stories to take home! **Common Core Emphasis: Characters, Story Structure, and Events.**

Wooby and Peep "Let's Be Friends!"

In an interactive presentation with the younger set, Cynthea Liu covers the basics of writing and illustrating a great story. With Cynthea Liu's help, kids will act out the making of a story as the characters themselves, and afterward, friendly guests (Wooby and Peep) will come out and meet the kids! Not only will your students learn the basics of creating a great story, they will also learn a thing or two about the value of good friendships, as exemplified by the adorable

**Cynthea is celebrating her latest book
BIKE ON, BEAR! (S&S)**



characters themselves, Wooby and Peep! **Common Core Emphasis: Characters, Setting, and Events.**

Most Popular Presentation for the Upper Elementary Students! (Grades 3rd-7th)

So You Think You Can Write? A Reader's Theater

Cynthea gets kids excited about writing by breaking down common myths and obstacles that stop kids from writing today. Using real-life examples, Cynthea shows kids that nothing can stop a writer if one shows up to write. Then through a Reader's Theatre (where students act out one of the biggest scenes in PARIS PAN), she shares three magic writing tips that'll help any book get off to a great start. Includes videos, music, and some seriously funny acting! **Common Core Emphasis: Theme, Story Structure (Chapters/Scenes), POV**

Most Popular Presentation for the Middle Schoolers! (Grades 5th-12th)

The REAL Life of an Author

This presentation begins with a brief three-minute video to get the audience excited about the topic and a quick overview of the REAL life of an author. Then through a rousing game that involves all participants, attendees get an inside peek to a children's book author's life. Using Cynthea's books as examples, students will learn surprising facts about what it takes to do the job successfully, from weathering the writing process, to dealing with rejection, to scoring a sale with publishers. **Common Core Emphasis: Theme, Setting, Character, Plot, POV**



Most Popular Presentation for Classroom Workshops (Grades 5th-12th)

Write at the Top of Your Voice!

Cynthea will help attendees develop the one thing that makes their writing stand out like no other-voice! Interactive and fun exercises will help participants gauge if their voices are cracking or if they're singing loud and clear. **Common Core Emphasis: Craft and Structure**

Perfect for Literacy/Family Nights/Pajama Day (Grades Pre-K-8th):

So You Think You Can Write? A Reader's Theater. Pajama Party!

(Great for assemblies, all ages) Invite Cynthea Liu to speak at your school on Pajama day or make the day a slumber party! In true Paris Pan style, students attend a slumber party while participating in a reader's theater. Have the kids wear purple. Bring a flashlight, pillow, a favorite wooby? **Common Core Emphasis: Theme, Story Structure (Chapters/Scenes), POV**

Format

Session length can be adjusted according to your needs. Typical sessions for schools last from 45-minutes to an hour for older students for Grades 3 and up; 30-minutes to 45 min for Pre-K through 2nd. Each session includes an interactive presentation and a signing where every student receives an

autographed bookmark or bookplate from Cynthea, regardless of whether or not the recipient has purchased a book.

Cynthea is also very comfortable working with large and small audiences. She can speak to many grade levels in a day without sacrificing quality time with the students.

Keynote Speeches

Perfect for Middle School and High School events.

Does your school or district host a writer's conference or literary festival? Do you need a keynote speaker—someone who knows how to get every student to rise up for that standing ovation? Cynthea has often served as a judge or a keynote speaker and can make sure your students leave the event inspired.

Fees

2016-2017 Rates for Chicago Area Schools

After-School Family Reading Nights/Literacy Nights: \$600 (up to 2 hours)

School Visits: One presentation: \$600, 2 Presentations \$750. Three/four presentations (full day): \$1000. Honorariums may also be shared among schools for visits performed on the same day or sequential days.

Please note: nominal travel expenses may apply for schools more than 30 miles from Chicago.

Out-of-town visits, requiring air travel: \$1750 flat (includes all expenses). In many cases, however, in-town rates may apply if the visit coincides with another out-of-town event on Cynthea's calendar.

Virtual Visits

The REAL Life of an Author (Virtual visit, All ages)

A fabulous option for organizations wishing to bring Cynthea into the classroom, virtually through Skype. Cynthea gives attendees an inside peek to an author's life, filled with fun facts and behind-the-scenes info about her books and a Q&A session with students.

No Cost Meet the Author Visit: 15 minutes. However students should be familiar with at least one of Cynthea's books in advance of the visit (a three-chapter sample reading is sufficient).

In-Depth Visit Length: 30-45 minutes including Q&A.

In-Depth Visit Cost: A virtual visit is \$150 for each session, \$250 for 2 sessions in one day. \$325 for 3 (the maximum # of sessions per day).

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