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## *Full Descriptions of Programs Available*

### **An Author's (and Illustrator's!) Journey** (45-60 minutes, recommended for 7th grade to adult)

A general audience presentation that discusses one author's path to becoming published, and the unexpected element of an accidental illustrating career. Works well with any size audience and allows plenty of time for Q&A.

### **Write Now, Right Now! Workshop** (45 minutes, 2th-6th grades or anyone wishing to learn the basics of story creation)

Have you ever wanted to create a story but didn't know where to begin? This hands-on story starter workshop will help plant the seed of story creation by showing students the basic ingredients in any story recipe. Although geared for a younger audience, adults wishing to dip a toe into the world of telling tales may learn something too!

### **Worth a Thousand Words ~ Illustrating Workshop for the Younger Set** (30-45 minutes, 1st - 4th grades)

Students will learn the basics of telling a story through pictures and how the visual elements work in a team effort to complement the written words of a story. Simple art composition will be discussed as well as comparing two mediums: plain pencil or crayon versus utilizing extra materials such as layering cut paper techniques to create different effects.

Please note: Workshop sessions are limited to twenty students. Larger groups will need to be divided into separate sessions.

### **Doodle Dog Enjoys the Day Storytime** (30-45 minutes, K-3rd grades)

Come along with the floppy-eared puppy as he explores the big, beautiful world outside! Students will be treated to select editions of "Puppy Tails" and a reading of the illustrated picture book "Doodle Dog Enjoys the Day." The session concludes with a basic illustration lesson encouraging participants to create their own "paws"itive pooch.

### **Fairytale Storytime** (30-45 minutes, K-3rd grades)

The Girl in the Green Cloak will transport children to the Enchanted Woodland where butterflies, faeries, and nymphs play freely. A special memento will be given to all participants as an inspirational reminder of their day!

(Each presentation may be reasonably customized to fit the needs of each venue.

For best results, it is recommended to group attendees by age, grade level, or interest.)

*Note:* If you don't see a presentation that fits your event, please ask! Mialie has experience in several areas and is continually expanding the list of available presentations.

Please contact Mialie directly with any questions or to schedule a visit.

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