

Kim Tomsic

Menu of Author Visit Options:

www.KimTomsic.com



Kim Tomsic is the author of four new releases: ***GUITAR GENIUS***, *How Les Paul Engineered the Solid Body Electric Guitar and Rocked the World*, a Junior Library Guild selection (Chronicle Books, April 2019). This is a STEM centered nonfiction picture book about inventing and perseverance (for readers ages 6-11).

The Elephants Come Home (Chronicle Books releases May 2021) a narrative nonfiction picture book about friendship and trust. (ages -4-100)



The 11:11 Wish Bestowed the Southwest Region SCBWI Crystal Kite Award (Katherine Tegen Books/HarperCollins Feb. 2018), a funny middle grade novel about a 7th grade math whiz who uses magic to try to fit in at her new school (for readers ages 9-13).



The 12th Candle is Kim's newest release. BULLYING vs. Kindness featured in a humorous story of a family curse vs. choices. *The 12th Candle* has received outstanding reviews from Kirkus, Booklist, BCCB, and more (readers ages 9-13).

General Assembly or Workshops

Kim can speak to general assemblies, K-8th grade, or host small-group writing workshops. Please see rates and contact information on page four.



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11 Magical Tips to Make Fiction Writing Come Alive

This writing workshop includes eleven tricks and tips for fiction writing (i.e. first lines, emotional building blocks, making verbs the workhorses, objective correlative, story beats, and more!)—Kim has a bag of tricks to help add sparkle to stories.



STEM Girls in Literature: Why this Matters (presentation)

One-hour presentation for parents, teachers, or PTOs about what's happening with girls and the future of STEM careers, and why literature can help keep girls in STEM classes.



Five Steps for Crafting a Compelling Book Proposal (writing workshop)

Attendees will learn how to bring their nonfiction ideas to fruition by crafting a five-part proposal. Not only will we discuss ways to curate language to add color and texture to a story, but we'll also focus on finding a story's "heartbeat."

KEYNOTE: Dream like a Unicorn

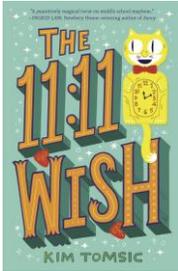
Unicorns, dreams, possibilities, quantum physics, biology manipulation, and messages from snowflakes. The power of claiming your vision.



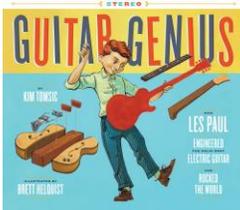
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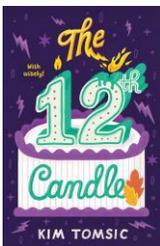


***The 11:11 Wish* BOOK TALK: Wishes, Magic, and STEM** One-hour presentation includes slideshow, audience Q&A, and a fun and interactive talk about an author's life, the inspiration to write *The 11:11 Wish*, and how the protagonist uses the scientific method to try and solve the mystery of the story's magical consequences. Students vote in a few polls including one on animals, and several volunteers wear lab coats and serve as assistants as we go through the scientific method. A good time is had by all! (Ideal for 3rd-6th grade)



BOOK TALK: Curiosity and Perseverance *GUITAR GENIUS*

One-hour presentation ideal for K-5th grade students about Hall of Fame icon Les Paul and how the inventions he created changed the music industry. Includes reading and interactive slideshow. STEM, curiosity, innovating, and PERSEVERENCE (and of course FUN). (Ideal for K-5th grade)



BOOK TALK: Family Curse, Magic, & Choice *The 12th Candle*

One-hour presentation includes slideshow, audience Q&A, and a fun and interactive talk about an author's life, the inspiration to write *The 12th Candle*, and more! (Ideal for 3rd-6th grade)



BOOK TALK: *The Elephants Come Home* May 2021

One-hour presentation includes slideshow, Q&A, and a fun and interactive talk about trust & friendship. *The Elephants Come Home!* (Ideal for K-5th grade) **COVER REVEAL TO COME**



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SPEAKING FEES

LOCAL: Colorado, Arizona, or Virtual

Single Presentation \$500

Two Presentations \$750

Three Presentations \$1000

When travel is involved +air, +lodging, +ground transportation

I'm currently scheduling virtual presentations

CONTACT: ktomsic@gmail.com

Zoom/Skype: Let's set it up!

HOSTING A VISIT

If you would like to host Kim for a speaking engagement, please work with your local bookstores for book ordering and sales. When visits are in-person, Kim will bring her laptop and USB with the presentation file. The event/school will need to provide a projector, dongle, and microphone. When hosting a virtual visit, the school will provide the Zoom hosting (or hosting service) and the moderator will make Kim a co-host so she can share her presentation screen.

Let's do it!

