

Dear Educator, Librarian, and Lover of Literature,

This is our Twenty-sixth Year Celebrating Children’s Literature. Our full-day conference for teachers and librarians is Saturday, April 13, 2024. Act 48 credits are offered. We have amazing, award-winning presenters: Beth Ferry John Steven Gurney, Jennifer A. Nielsen, and Carole Boston-Weatherford. Beth Ferry is an ILA Children’s Choice Award winning author. John Steven Gurney is best known for his *A-Z Mysteries* and *Fuzzy Baseball*. Jennifer Nielsen’s historical fiction is the recipient of a Whitney Awards for Best Middle Grade Book. Carole Boston-Weatherford is the winner of a John Newbery Honor Medal and the Coretta Scott King Award. The following core standards will be aligned to presentations: CC.1.3. (PK-5).B - Reading Literature – Key Ideas and Details – Text Analysis and [CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RI.5.3](http://www.corestandards.org/ELA-Literacy/RI/5/3/) –– Historical Fictional Texts, CC1.4.3 P (PK-5) – Content – Writing Process and Word Play.

We have decided to continue to host virtual presentations for schools as we did last year. They were a huge success. No buses are necessary to bring students to campus and allows us bring renowned authors/illustrators to children in the classroom. It also allows us to reach many more students and any school that wishes to attend. The presentations will be held **Wednesday, April 10, 2024. Cost is $20.00 per class. A registration form for school presentations is included.**

**Grades 1-3 10:00 AM -11:00 AM with Beth Ferry (Zoom webinar)**

**Grades 5-8 1:00 PM-2:00 PM with Jennifer A. Nielsen (Zoom webinar)**

Please share this information with interested parties in your school. We are always looking for new individuals to participate in our conference. Check out our website at [www.kuchildrensliterature.weebly.com](http://www.kuchildrensliterature.weebly.com) as well as Facebook. For additional information contact Jamie at 610-683-4627 or email ChildLitConfKU@gmail.com

Sincerely,



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