MONSTROUS

IS COMING TO YOUR SCHOOL

BOOK YOUR 2019-2020 AUTHOR VISIT before Godzilla attacks..

EARN THE SCIENCE BEHIND:

- Godzilla
- The Kraken
- Dracula
- The Wolfman
- Frankenstein
- King Kong
- Bigfoot
- And other monsters

CARLYN BECCIA'S PRESENTATIONS:

Like a zombie feeding on dead flesh, a great author visit gets kids devouring books. Beccia has been giving author presentations for over 12 years. Her talks help students learn about the writing process, the research (find out how to correctly apply leeches) and end with a demo on digital painting for the computer savvy kid.

Grades: K - 6th

Each presentation is geared to the appropriate grade level and the academic focus of the school. K-1st grade presentation highlights becoming an author and the importance of reading. 2nd and 3rd grade presentation focuses on research, writing, and creating digital art while the 4th- 6th grade talk applies those concepts with more detail.

Cost:

\$1000 for the day. Up to 4 presentations.\$500 for 1/2 day or 2 presentations.\$200 Library visit. One hour presentation.

- Travel expenses (air fare, hotel, gas mileage if beyond 50 miles)
- All talks include lunch with the author and book signing so students can ask questions not answered in the presentation.
- *Note: travel expenses can be shared between neighboring schools.

Time

Each presentation is 35-50 minutes depending on the grade level with 10 minutes for questions.

What you will need

Projector, space to fit assembly

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WHY HOST A MONSTROUS SCIENCE DAY?

Monster Survival Skills Meets Real-World Science

If you become a vampire, should you bite a vein or an artery? (Better learn the circulatory system...) How do you survive a nuclear fall out from Godzilla's breath? (Hint: wear white and stay inside your school.) What are the signs a werewolf (or other beast) is about to attack? These questions and more are answered in a **Monstrous Science Day**.

Encourage Critical Thinking

What is happening in our brains when we feel fear? After you become a zombie, which part of your brain still works? How does the square-cube law make King Kong's size impossible? Using monsters as a guide, Beccia encourages students to use innovative thinking to conquer fears.

Prepare Students for Technology Advancements

Get kids excited about STEM-based careers! Scientists might not be able to turn a man into a wolf, but they can use transgenics to modify organisms. Dr. Frankenstein's machine may not give life, but electricity is being used to save lives. Have medical researchers found a way to survive blood loss from vampires (or other attacks)? Students will learn the latests advancements in medicine, science, and technology to tame any monster.

Encourage Creativity

Using an iPad and Apple pencil, Beccia demos digital painting. Students get excited about this portion of the presentation because the technology



is becoming affordable and accessible to all students wanting to learn this exciting media.

Eating brains is not the answer!

PRAISE FOR BECCIA'S BOOKS:

"Her stylish mélange of witty illustrations -silhouettes with speech bubbles, dramatic tableaux, caricatures-and interactive text demands reader participation ... "

-Publisher's Weeklv

"Frequent black-and-white spot art and snarky footnote asides add comedy to this already high-interest blend of history and science. Entertaining and fascinating, with a clever incorporation of STEM topics."

-Booklist

AWARDS & RECOGNITION:

- Golden Kite Honor Recipient
- International Reading Association's 2009 Children's and Young Adult Book Award for Intermediate-Nonfiction
- Cybil Award Winner
- Parent's Choice Silver Honor medalist
- Oppenheim Toy Portfolio Award Winner
- A Blue Stem Award Nominee
- · California Reading Association's Eureka! Award
- ·Chicago Public Library's Best of the Best
- Nonfiction Children's Book 2019-2020 Indiana
- Young Hoosier Award (Nominee)
- Booklist Books for Youth Editors' Choice 2018 pick
- •2019 Texas Topaz Nonfiction List
- Junior Library Guild selection

GET \$100 OFF YOUR AUTHOR VISIT IF YOU **SCHEDULE DURING YOUR CITY'S SCIENCE WEEK**

SOME OF BECCIA'S BOOKS:



ABOUT CARLYN BECCIA

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Carlyn Beccia (pronounced Betcha) is an award-winning author, illustrator and graphic designer with blood type B+ (in case any vampires are reading this). She was a commentator on the PBS documentary. Secrets of Henry VIII's Palace and spoken at the Computer Electronics Show, Boston Children's Book Festival, several SCBWI events, and schools across the country. If you would like to know what she has in her zombie preparedness kit, visit her at www.CarlynBeccia.com