# **Catherine Linka Speaking Experience**

#### Featured Speaker:

*Write on the Sound* Conflict and Desire: The Fuel of Unforgettable Writing, webinar 2022

*SCBWI-WA* "Desire: The Story's Heart" webinar 2022

Children's Book Writers of Los Angeles

"Let the Character Drive the Bus: How to Craft a Story" online workshop 2022 "Character and Conflict for Picture Book, Middle Grade and Young Adult Writers" online workshop 2021 "Taking a Scene from Ho-Hum to Holy Crap" 2015 "Baiting the Hook: Nabbing Your Reader at the First Page Workshop" 2014

SCBWI-LA, Montrose Lit Mingle "What Publishers Don't Tell You About Publishing" 2019

#### SCBWI-Los Angeles Writer's Day

"From Character Desire to Satisfying Resolution, Move Your Story Forward" 2018 "Getting On the Shelf: What Every Writer Should Know About Retail Book Buying" 2014

*Teen Author Boot Camp* "Writing That's Ripped" 2016

Los Angeles Writers Conference "Channeling Your Inner Teen: Writing for Teens and Tweens" 2015

*California Library Association, Central California Spring Workshop* "What Inspires Writers to Write" 2015

*SCBWI Los Angeles, San Fernando Lit-Mingle* "What Rejection Really Means, and How to Deal With It" 2015

*Bay Area Book Festival 2015* Young Adult stage

SCBWI-Central California Writer's Day "Writing From the Life Boat" 2014 "Historical Fiction is Still Kicking" 2013 "Novels Reimagined: Illustration's New Narrative" 2012 "Dystopian Fiction: The Modern Monster Story" 2011 "Shape-Shifting of Paranormal" 2010 Vermont College of Fine Arts, Alumni Mini-Residency "What Every Writer Needs to Know About Retail Book Buying Today" 2014

*Mysterious Galaxy* "Getting It Published: An Author and Editor Talk About Their Journey from First Draft to First Print" 2014

#### Panels:

Pasadena Teen Book Fest "Against All Odds" moderator 2019 "Thrills and Chills" panelist 2014

Ontario Teen Book Fest

"Sophomore Sisters: The Second Time Around" moderator 2017 "The Debut Authors of TBF 2015" moderator 2015 "Hidden Paths: Escaping Your Past" moderator 2105 "Is This Your First Time" & "It's Not Me, It's Society" panelist 2014

Association of Writing Programs National Conference "The Role of Gatekeepers in Children's Literature" panelist 2016

Los Angeles Times Book Festival "Young Adult Fiction: Lurking in the Shadows" panelist 2015

American Library Association National Conference "Zombies, and Vampires and Spooks—Oh My" panelist 2015

Los Angeles Public Library

Teen Author Series, Panorama City panelist 2015 Teen Read Week, Tujunga Branch panelist 2014 Teen Author Series, Silver Lake Branch panelist 2014 Banned Book Week panelist 2013

*Comikaze Expo* "YA Sci-Fi Brave New Worlds" panelist 2014

LA Sizzles, panelist 2014

*Not Your Mother's Book Club* YA Author panelist 2014

*Flintridge Bookstore* Discussion in Celebration of Atwood's *The Testaments* 2019 YA Author Panel, moderator 2015

## School visits:

Eastside High School, Lynbrook High School, Fremont High School, Adrian Wilcox High School, Flintridge Preparatory, Santa Barbara HS, Sequoyah School, Hillside Learning Center, Discovery Charter School, Santana High School, Carpenteria High School, Flintridge Sacred Heart Academy, Auburn Public Library (Skype)

### Live Interviews:

Middle Grade Ninja with Rob Kent, February 18, 2020.

Babbling Books podcast, February 2, 2020.

Must Read Fiction podcast, February 10, 2020.

Words and Whimsy Book Club, FB live chat February 16, 2020.

MomsRising with Kristin Rowe-Finkbeiner, June 2015: <u>http://www.momsrising.org/page/</u> moms/radiopage

Conversations Live with Cyrus Webb February 4, 2020 June 2015 <u>http://www.blogtalkradio.com/conversationslive/2015/06/23/author-catherine-linka-talks-a-girl-undone-on-conversationslive</u>

Write Spa Oasis for Teens with Kendall Shaffer, May 2014: <u>http://</u> www.blogtalkradio.com/writespa/2014/05/15/catherine-linka-on-writespa-teen

Interview with Kate Boorman, November 2014, <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?</u> v=Q4p8JHeIH0s