

# Catherine Linka Speaking Experience

## Featured Speaker:

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

Children's Book Writers of Los Angeles

"Taking a Scene from Ho-Hum to Holy Crap" 2015

"Baiting the Hook: Nabbing Your Reader at the First Page Workshop" 2014

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:

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 2015

"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

Pasadena Teen Book Fest  
"Thrills and Chills" panelist 2014

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  
YA Author Panel, moderator 2015

### **School visits:**

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:**

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

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

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

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