

Saskatchewan Book Awards for Children's Literature, and have either won or been nominated for a selection of other awards. Her latest book *Dinosaur Blackout*, is the last in her "Dino" series. Her website can be found at <http://www.judithsilverthorne.ca/>.

Maureen Ulrich

In Lampman where Maureen Ulrich resides, sports are religion. When she isn't teaching or writing student and community theatre productions, Maureen can be found worshipping at the hockey rink with her husband and two daughters. Her YA novel *Power Plays* is rooted in her passion for the female game. Her website: <http://www.maureenulrich.com/>.

Edward Willett

Edward Willett of Regina is the author of more than 40 books for children, young adults and adults. He's the author of four young adult fantasy and science fiction novels, one of which, *Spirit Singer*, won the 2002 Regina Book Award. His most recent children's nonfiction book is *Janis Joplin: Take Another Little Piece of My Heart*. Ed writes a weekly science column for the Regina *Leader Post* and is a regular guest on CBC Saskatchewan's *Afternoon Edition*. His website is at <http://www.edwardwillett.com>.

World Book Day is the perfect opportunity to also celebrate us — Saskatchewan authors — and what we do — write books and entertain children....and to promote literacy and reading.

Timetable of Author Readings

Reading 1

9:30–10:15 am

Gr 1–2

Jean Freeman
Anne Patton/Wilfred Burton
Lori Punshon
Sharon Plumb Hamilton

Reading 2

10:30–11:15 am

Gr 7–8

Alison Lohans
Maureen Ulrich
Deana Driver
Edward Willett

Reading 3

1:00–1:50 pm

Gr 3–4

Warren James
Glenda Goertzen
Myrna Guymer
Mary H Bishop

Reading 4

2:00–2:50 pm

Gr 5–6

Mercedes Montgomery
Dave Glaze
Linda Aksomitis
Judith Silverthorne

Saskatchewan Children's Authors Celebrate

WORLD BOOK DAY

APRIL 23, 2009

Bring your classroom to hear a selection of authors read from their newest books for a one hour session of your choice. Afterwards, take your students to meet and chat with the authors, or purchase books and have them autographed.

For more information and to register your class, please go to:

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Apply by **March 27** to
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Admission is Free !

Event Location:

*St. Gabriel & Jack Mackenzie Elementary
Schools' Gym, Regina, SK*

AUTHOR BIOS

Linda Aksomitis

Linda Aksomitis is the author of 19 books, including four novels for young readers along with six nonfiction titles. *Run*, an historical novel, was shortlisted for Best Young Adult novel in the 2008 Saskatchewan Book Awards. *Longhorns and Outlaws*, her latest historical novel, was named by Resource Links as one of the Best Books of 2008 for readers in grades 3-6. <http://www.aksomitis.com>

Mary Harelkin Bishop

Mary Harelkin Bishop is a Saskatoon teacher and author of the best-selling *Tunnels of Moose Jaw Adventures*. Her new award-winning novel is *Seeds of Hope: A Prairie Story*, her first self-published book. <http://www.members.shaw.ca/olandkivi>

Wilfred Burton

Wilfred Burton is Métis, originally from Midnight Lake, Saskatchewan, currently living in Regina. Wilfred has co-authored *Fiddle Dancer* with his friend Anne Patton. Reading and jigging are his two favorite pastimes and *Fiddle Dancer* combines these two passions.

Deana Driver

Deana Driver is a journalist, editor, and book publisher based in Regina. She is the author of *Never Give Up: Ted Jaleta's Inspiring Story*, which was a finalist for the 2007 Saskatchewan Book Awards. <http://www.driverworks.ca>

Jean Freeman

Jean Freeman is an actor (Corner Gas) as well as a writer who loves the laughter of children. *Where Does Your Dog Sleep?* is her first book. <http://www.yournickelsworth.com/wdyds.html>

Dave Glaze

Dave Glaze writes contemporary and historical fiction for children. His titles include: *Pelly*, *Waiting for Pelly*, *Who took Henry and Mr. Z?* *The Light-fingered Gang*, *The Last Flight of the Birdman*. www.daveglaze.ca.

Glenda Goertzen

Glenda Goertzen gave up a career in television in 2000 to work in libraries and become an author. She wrote *The Prairie Dogs* and *City Dogs* in a way young readers could relate to—through the eyes of an inquisitive outsider, a creature who lives through his senses. <http://www.glendagoertzen.ca>

Myrna Guymer

Myrna Guymer, an avid sportswoman, who lives in a log cabin in Denare Beach, is a writer, researcher, educator, and traveller. *The Canadian Shield Alphabet* is her first children's book. <http://www.books4kids.ca/myrnaguymer>

Warren James

Warren James is a storyteller and cryptozoologist living in Regina. His idea of a good time is a bowl of popcorn and a book about monsters! *Return of the Fearsome Critters* is his first book. <http://www.yournickelsworth.com/fearsome.html>

Mercedes Montgomery

www.walkwithapolarbear.com is a novel for middle grade children, and is Mercedes Montgomery's first book. She has also written non-fiction and short stories. <http://www.yournickelsworth.com/walkwithapolarbear.html>

Sharon Plumb Hamilton

Sharon Plumb Hamilton is the author of *Bill Bruin Shovels his Roof*, which is part of Scholastic's *Literacy Place* series for grades K - 3. She has written two novels and also designs websites. You can find her at <http://www.books4kids.ca/sharonplumb/index.html>

Alison Lohans

Alison Lohans is the author of 17 internationally-published books for children and young adults, and one poetry chapbook. Many are Canadian Children's Book Centre "Our Choice" selections and have been finalists for awards. *This Land We Call Home* won the 2008 Saskatchewan Book Award for Young Adult Literature. Other new books include *River Rat* and an all-new edition of *Germy Johnson's Secret Plan*. <http://www.books4kids.ca/alison-lohans/index.html>

Anne Patton

Anne Patton taught primary grades in the Regina Public School system until her retirement. Then she began writing Saskatchewan stories. Anne is best known as co-author of *Fiddle Dancer* with Wilfred Burton. <http://www.books4kids.ca/annepatton/index.html>

Lori Punshon

He Who Flies By Night: The Story of Grey Owl is Lori Punshon's first book, and is the winner of the 2007 Moonbeam Children's Book Award for Multicultural Non-Fiction. <http://www.loripunshon.com>.

Judith Silverthorne

Judith Silverthorne is a multiple-award winning Regina-based author of eight books; six of which are children's novels. Two of them have won