



About Toni Buzzeo



Toni Buzzeo's award winning picture books for children celebrate the importance of family and new adventures in a wide and welcoming world as well as the fun of learning through books and libraries.

A former elementary school librarian and secondary teacher, Toni Buzzeo is an experienced public speaker who travels internationally speaking in schools, at international and national library and reading conferences, and in district and regional staff development trainings.

Her books for teachers and librarians encourage excellence in teaching and collaborative practice among educators.

Picture Books by Toni Buzzeo—More Than 2,300,000 Books in Print!

PENELOPE POPPER, BOOK DOCTOR illustrated by Jana Christy (UpstartBooks, 2011)

NO T. REX IN THE LIBRARY illustrated by Sachiko Yoshikawa (McElderry/S&S, 2010)
 "A definite MUST-HAVE for that 'back-to-school' story time" ~ Shonda Brisco, OK State University; 2010 Cheerios Spoonfuls of Stories title; Scholastic paperback edition; Scholastic audio edition; hardcover sales: 8,781; General Mills paperback bilingual edition: 1,556,385

ADVENTURE ANNIE GOES TO KINDERGARTEN illustrated by Amy Wummer (Dial, May 2010)
 "Buzzeo's dauntless heroine's attitude is infectious." ~ *Kirkus*; Judy Freeman's 100 Best Children's Books for 2010; hardcover sales: 4,388

ADVENTURE ANNIE GOES TO WORK illustrated by Amy Wummer (Dial, 2009)
 "'A strong mother-and-daughter story with an exuberant lead.'" ~ *SLJ*; Pick of the Decade 2000-2010: The Best Books For Children K-2. Woodbridge Public Library; Indonesian edition; hardcover sales: 5,603

THE GREAT DEWEY HUNT: A MRS. SKORUPSKI STORY illustrated by Sachiko Yoshikawa. (Upstart Books, 2009)
 "Purchase this delightful book." ~ *CLCD*; hardcover sales: 10,726

THE LIBRARY DOORS illustrated by Nadine Wescott (Upstart Books, 2008)
 "clever ideation of the familiar chant" ~ *CLCD*; hardcover sales: 10,375

R IS FOR RESEARCH illustrated by Nicole Wong (Upstart Books, 2008)
 "quickly engage students while walking them through the research process. Highly recommended." ~ *Library Media Connection*; hardcover sales: 6,068

FIRE UP WITH READING: A MRS. SKORUPSKI STORY illustrated by Sachiko Yoshikawa (Upstart Books, 2007) “an inspiring story about the relationship between children and their school librarian” ~Colorado Association of Libraries; hardcover sales: 5,614

OUR LIBRARIAN WON'T TELL US ANYTHING! A MRS. SKORUPSKI STORY illustrated by Sachiko Yoshikawa (Upstart Books, 2006) “a perfect read-aloud to introduce a class to the research process.” ~ *Library Media Connection*; 2007 Joan Kindig’s Best Bets for the Classroom; hardcover sales: 25,355

READY OR NOT, DAWDLE DUCKLING illustrated by Margaret Spengler (Dial, 2005) “an excellent choice that is tailor-made for preschoolers” ~*School Library Journal*; Polish edition; hardcover sales: 7,973

LITTLE LOON AND PAPA illustrated by Margaret Spengler (Dial, 2004) “An appealing story about paternal guidance and support.” ~*School Library Journal*; Dolly Parton Imagination Library title; 2004 Bank Street College Best Children’s Books of the Year; 2004 Brodart Top Juvenile Titles of the Year; Raising Readers Anthology; hardcover sales: 13,211; Dollywood Imagination Library: 511,822

DAWDLE DUCKLING illustrated by Margaret Spengler (Dial, 2003) “Buzeeo's gentle lesson [is] just right for the preschool set.” ~*Kirkus*; Children’s Book-of-the-Month Club selection; Dolly Parton Imagination Library title; Raising Readers selection; New Jersey State Library Pick of the Decade List; Scholastic Honeybee Book Club selection (with Audio); Korean edition; Polish edition; 2003 Judy Freeman’s Best Books of the Year; 2004 Dr. Peggy Sharp’s Books + Schools; Pick of the Decade 2000-2010: The Best Books For Children K-2. Woodbridge Public Library; hardcover sales: 17,213; Dollywood Imagination Library: 124,388; paperback sales: 12,761; paperback special sales: 1,043; Scholastic audio sales: 4,726

THE SEA CHEST illustrated by Mary GrandPre (Dial, 2002) “The combination of exquisite language and enchanting illustrations makes this a unique and outstanding book.” ~Starred, *School Library Journal*; Junior Library Guild selection; Scholastic Book Fairs edition; Raising Readers selection; Kansas-NEA Reading Circle Catalog; 2002 Maine Lupine Honor Award; 2002 Bank Street College Best Children’s Books of the Year; 2002 Oppenheim Toy Portfolio Gold Award; 2003 Dr. Peggy Sharp’s Select Good Books; 2004-2005 Crown Gallery Award; 2005-2006 Young Hoosier Book Award nominee; hardcover sales: 40,250; hardcover special sales: 11,812

Forthcoming Picture Books by Toni Buzzeo

PENELOPE POPPER, BOOK DOCTOR illustrated by Jana Christy (Upstart Books, Spring 2011)

A LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTMAS illustrated by Nancy Carpenter (Dial, September 2011)

INSIDE THE BOOKS illustrated by Jude Daly (Upstart Books, Spring 2012)

STAY CLOSE TO MAMA illustrated by Mike Wohnoutka (Hyperion, Spring 2012)

ONE COOL FRIEND illustrated by David Small (Dial, Spring 2012)

JUST LIKE MY PAPA illustrated by Mike Wohnoutka (Hyperion, Spring 2013)



Professional Books for Teachers and Librarians by Toni Buzzeo

ABC READ TO ME: TEACHING LETTER OF THE WEEK IN THE LIBRARY AND THE CLASSROOM (Upstart Books, 2009)

THE COLLABORATION HANDBOOK (Linworth, 2008)

READ! PERFORM! LEARN! TWO: READER'S THEATER PROJECTS FOR LITERACY ENHANCEMENT (Upstart Books, 2007)

COLLABORATING TO MEET STANDARDS: TEACHER/LIBRARIAN PARTNERSHIPS FOR K-6. Second Edition (Linworth, 2007)

COLLABORATING TO MEET LITERACY STANDARDS: TEACHER/LIBRARIAN PARTNERSHIPS FOR K-2 (Linworth, 2007)

READ! PERFORM! LEARN! TEN READER'S THEATER PROJECTS FOR LITERACY ENHANCEMENT (Upstart Books, 2006)

TONI BUZZEO AND YOU (Libraries Unlimited, 2005)

35 BEST BOOKS FOR TEACHING U.S. REGIONS: USING FICTION TO HELP STUDENTS EXPLORE THE GEOGRAPHY, HISTORY, AND CULTURES OF THE SEVEN U.S. REGIONS—AND LINK LITERATURE TO SOCIAL STUDIES with Jane Kurtz (Scholastic Professional, 2002)

COLLABORATING TO MEET STANDARDS: TEACHER/LIBRARIAN PARTNERSHIPS FOR K-6 (Linworth, 2002)

COLLABORATING TO MEET STANDARDS: TEACHER/LIBRARIAN PARTNERSHIPS FOR 7-12 (Linworth, 2002)

TERRIFIC CONNECTIONS WITH AUTHORS, ILLUSTRATORS, AND STORYTELLERS: REAL SPACE AND VIRTUAL LINKS (Libraries Unlimited, 1999)

Awards & Honors

- **2010 General Mills Spoonfuls of Stories, *NO T. REX IN THE LIBRARY***
- 2010 Maine Literary Awards, Youth Category, Honorable Mention, Novel in Progress
- 2006 Young Hoosiers Award List, *THE SEA CHEST*
- 2005 Children's Crown Gallery Award, *THE SEA CHEST*
- 2004 University of Michigan-Dearborn School of Education Distinguished Alumnus of the Year
- 2002 Lupine Honor Award, *THE SEA CHEST*
- 2002 Oppenheim Gold Award, *THE SEA CHEST*
- 2000 Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators Barbara Karlin Grant Winner
- 1999 Maine Library Media Specialist of the Year

Professional Memberships

- Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators
- Maine Writers and Publishers Alliance
- Association of Booksellers for Children
- Beta Phi Mu: International Library Science Honor Society
- American Library Association
- American Association of School Librarians
- Maine Association of School Libraries

Conferences & Appearances

Toni speaks extensively, in every region of the United States and internationally reaching thousands of children in schools as well as teachers and librarians at reading and library conferences. In the past ten years, she has visited over 200 schools, bringing her inspiring story and interactive programs to audiences preschool through grade 6. She is also a frequent keynote speaker at library, reading, and teaching conferences as well as a popular staff development and inservice presenter. In addition, she uses Skype and related technologies to visit schools and deliver inservice training virtually. Toni is also an active member of the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators (SCBWI). [Note: Full speaking vita, 1998-present, available at www.tonibuzzeo.com/speaking.html]

Conference Highlights

- 5/11 International Reading Association Conference, Orlando, FL—symposium
- 3/11 Central and Eastern European Schools Association Conference, Budapest, Hungary—workshops
- 2/11 Colorado Council of the International Reading Association Conference, Denver, CO—keynote and workshops
- 12/10 New Jersey Association of School Librarians Conference, Long Branch, NJ—keynote and workshops
- 11/10 Florida Association of Media Educators Conference, Orlando, FL—workshop and session
- 4/10 International Reading Association Conference, Chicago, IL—symposium
- 3/10 Louisiana Association of School Librarians Conference, Baton Rouge, LA—keynote and workshops
- 11/09 American Association of School Librarians Conference, Charlotte, NC—workshops
- 10/09 Maryland Association of School Librarians Conference, Frederick, MD—keynote and workshops
- 10/09 Georgia Council of Media Organizations Conference, Columbus, Georgia—keynote and workshops
- 5/09 International Reading Association Conference, Minneapolis, MN—symposium
- 2/09 New York Library Association, School Library Media Section Conference, Syracuse, NY—keynote and workshops
- 2/09 National Heritage Academies Librarian Conference, Grand Rapids, MI—keynote and workshops
- 5/08 New Hampshire Educational Media Association Conference, Nashua, NH—keynote and workshops
- 2/08 European Council of International Schools Librarian Conference, Berlin, Germany—keynote and workshops
- 5/07 New York Library Association, School Library Media Section Conference, Syracuse, NY—keynote and workshops
- 3/07 Illinois Reading Council Conference—keynote and workshops
- 4/06 International Reading Association Conference—institute and symposium
- 4/06 Texas Library Association Conference—TxASL featured speaker session
- 4/06 Public Library Association Conference, Boston, MA—session
- 11/05 Virginia Educational Media Association Conference, Williamsburg, VA—keynote and workshops
- 11/05 Michigan Association for Media in Education Conference, Detroit, MI—keynote and workshops
- 10/05 American Association of School Librarians, Pittsburgh, PA—workshops
- 9/05 Library EXPO, Plano, TX—keynote and workshops
- 5/05 International Reading Association Conference, San Antonio, TX—institute and symposium
- 4/05 Texas Library Association Conference, Austin, TX—TxASL featured speaker session
- 4/05 Missouri Association of School Librarians Conference—keynote and workshops
- 3/05 South Carolina Association of School Librarians Conference—keynote and workshops
- 11/04 Association for Indiana Media Educators Conference, Indianapolis, IN—keynote and workshops
- 11/04 Tennessee Association of School Librarians Conference, Chattanooga, TN—keynote and workshops
- 10/04 Institute for Library and Information Literacy Education, Kent State University—Regula Lecture
- 10/04 Minnesota Educational Media Association Conference, St. Cloud, MN—keynote and workshops
- 5/04 International Reading Association Conference, Reno, NV—symposium
- 10/03 American Association of School Librarians Conference, St. Louis, MO—workshops
- 5/03 International Reading Association Conference, Orlando, FL—symposium

Blog Buzz Featuring Toni Buzzeo and Her Books

- 2009x2010
- Betsy Bird/Fuse 8
- Book Log (For Readers of Books for Children)

- Bookish Ruth
- The Children's Book Review
- Cute Potato: Your Guide to Kid Friendly Maine
- Cynsations
- Happy Working Mom
- Humor Me
- Hunger Mountain
- Journey Through Book
- Katie's Literature Lounge
- Kid Lit
- Kid's Book Blog
- Librarians' Choices
- Library Digs: Resources and Research
- Lionden Landing
- Litlbook's Spot
- Oh Boy, Books!
- The Picnic Basket
- Picture Book of the Day
- Planet Esme
- Reading Tub
- Real Working Mom
- Russia Adoption
- Sara's Lit Blog
- Set Sail for Adventure
- Stone Stoop
- Story Time Blog
- Suite 101
- Three Silly Chicks
- Tutu's Two Cents

Select News, Media & Reviews

- Toni Buzzeo interview featured in *Raising Maine Magazine*, January 2011
- NO T. REX IN THE LIBRARY one of five books in the General Mills 2010 Spoonfuls of Stories promotion: 1.25 million copies distributed November and December 2010
- NO T. REX IN THE LIBRARY featured in *BusinessWire* press release for General Mills Spoonfuls of Stories, November 3, 2010
- Article in *Sun-Journal* (Lewiston, ME) May 13, 2010
- *ADVENTURE ANNIE GOES TO WORK* featured in *Working Mother Magazine*, January 2010
- *ADVENTURE ANNIE GOES TO WORK* featured by Rutgers University Project on Economics and Children, 2009
- Article in *New Hampshire Sunday News* (Manchester, NH) February 22, 2009
- Article in *California Kids!* April 5, 2005
- *READY OR NOT, DAWDLE DUCKLING* reviewed in *The Gazette* (Cedar Rapids-Iowa City, IA) April 3, 2005
- *DAWDLE DUCKLING* reviewed in the *Boston Herald* (MA) March 6, 2005
- Article in *The Oak Ridger* (TN) November 19, 2004
- *LITTLE LOON AND PAPA* reviewed in *Journal Inquirer* (Manchester, CT) July 6, 2004
- *LITTLE LOON AND PAPA* reviewed in *Boston Herald* (MA) June 13, 2004
- *LITTLE LOON AND PAPA* reviewed in *Augusta Chronicle* (GA) June 2, 2004
- Article in *Portland Press Herald* (Portland, ME) December 11, 2003
- Article in *The Derby Reporter* (TN) October 28, 2003
- *DAWDLE DUCKLING* reviewed in the *Boston Herald* (MA) May 18, 2003
- Article in *Maine Sunday Telegram* (Portland, ME) November 24, 2002
- *THE SEA CHEST* featured by *Maine Sunday Telegram* (Portland, ME) October 24, 2002
- *THE SEA CHEST* reviewed in *Miami Herald* (FL) August 13, 2002
- Interview in *Maine Sunday Telegram* (Portland, ME) May 14, 2000

- Articles in *Portland Press Herald* (Portland, ME) frequent
- Interviews on NBC affiliate WCSH news magazine “207” (Portland, ME)
- Interviews on NPR affiliate MPR “Maine Things Considered” (Portland, ME)
- Interviews on WBACH (WBQI, Kennebunk, ME and WBQX, Rockland, ME)

For more information, please visit Toni Buzzeo’s Web site

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