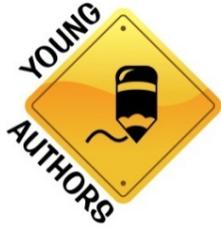


# Southeast Service Cooperative 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Young Authors, Young Artists Middle School Conference

**For students in grades 6-8  
Either October 25 or 26, 2018**



Registration for the Young Authors, Young Artists Middle School Conference will be accepted on a first-registered basis. There will be 150 seats each day (total 300 seats) for students in grades 6-8.



*Early Bird Registration (OPEN NOW – September 27) - \$45 per student*  
*Standard Registration (September 28 – October 18) - \$50 per student*

Students will be assigned to 4 captivating sessions from knowledgeable presenters. This conference will be held at the Wood Lake Meeting Center in Rochester, MN. Chaperones are encouraged to attend.

## Sessions & Presenters

### A. **Light Up Your Art!**

Would you like to make your artwork really pop? Create your own light-up birthday card, friendship card or other piece of artwork using colored pencils, paper, a battery, conductive tape and LED lights. *John Bartucz*

### B. **Once Upon a Time...Is Dead to Me**

Reach beyond the realm of "Once upon a time..." and indulge yourself by writing a captivating opening scene no reader will dare to put down. We'll study techniques used by professional authors, including how to introduce the main character and setting in a way that hooks your reader's attention in the first line or paragraph. After the discussion, students will write an opening scene to a piece of fanfiction using their favorite fictional character. *Jennifer Davidson*

### C. **Amazing Origami**

Origami has been an enjoyable art form for hundreds of years all over the world. Maybe you've tried origami - a fortune teller, a jumping frog or even a crane? Origami models are constantly being created and the principles of origami are used in the fields of science, medicine and space travel. Origami is truly amazing and fun! In this session you will fold your own origami spinner to take home. *Kathleen Sheridan*

### D. **Dynamic Comic Cover Design**

Do you like to create your own comics? Every comic deserves a dynamic cover to attract the readers eye! In this class we will first discuss what makes a cover design dynamic and look at iconic covers that have been drawn by professional comic artists. By using a tutorial and a helpful hints handout, you will create your own customized comic cover that will excite and engage readers! *Scott Rolfs*

### E. **Create, Carve, and Decorate Clay Pumpkins**

Students will create a pumpkin out of Air Dry Clay. Carving out clay or adding features to create a unique fall decoration; the only limit is imagination. Projects are taken home the same day, but won't be completely dry for 3-4 days. After the clay is dry the creations can be painted with acrylic paint from any local craft store. *Tracy Calmes*

### F. **Creating Cartoons with Real Character**

Greg Bro has created over 40 animated short films and recently launched a new DreamworksTV series on Amazon Prime called "NEIGHBORHOOD SUPER WATCH." During this session, Bro will give tips for character creation, story development, and an overview of the animation process so students can create their very own animated worlds filled with interesting characters. *Greg Bro*

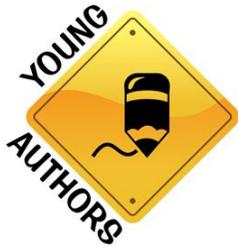
### Conference Schedule

8:30 am	Check-in Opens
9:00-9:05 am	Announcements
9:05-10:05 am	Session 1
10:10-11:10 am	Session 2
11:10-11:45 am	Lunch
<i>(Bring your own, refrigeration not provided)</i>	
11:50-12:50 pm	Session 3
12:55-1:55 pm	Session 4

## Interested in registering for this conference?

Classes or individuals can register.

Please visit our website at [www.ssc.coop/Page/147](http://www.ssc.coop/Page/147) or see next page



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**STEP ONE: There are two simple ways to register:**

1. **By Phone:** Katie Hartman, 507.281.6667

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2. **By Email:** [khartman@ssc.coop](mailto:khartman@ssc.coop)

Information needed by email: district, school, student name, student grade

**STEP TWO: Payment Options:**

- To pay by credit card, please call or email Katie Hartman, [khartman@ssc.coop](mailto:khartman@ssc.coop), 507.281.6667
- To pay by check (payable to Southeast Service Cooperative) send your payment to:

**Southeast Service Cooperative**

Attn: Katie Hartman

210 Wood Lake Drive SE

Rochester, MN 55904

**If you have questions or concerns, please contact:**

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