2020 YSS CONFERENCE
STONE SOUP: STRONGER LIBRARIES THROUGH INCLUSION AND COLLABORATION
05.15.20 CLAYTON, NY
KEYNOTE SPEAKER
ELLEN OH

KEYNOTE: ONCE UPON A TIME
An author’s self reflection on the power of words in the journey of life from immigrant child to lawyer to writer. She will also discuss the importance of the grassroots movement We Need Diverse Books and why it is important for all children to see positive representation of themselves and others in the pages of a book.

MAKING OF A BOOK
Reading and writing short stories make better writers. But they also make better readers. Using the WNDB anthologies, Ellen will discuss how MG and YA anthologies are the perfect books to bring reluctant readers into becoming life long readers.

THE IMPORTANCE OF SHORT STORIES
Getting a book published can be a long and arduous process. Ellen will share her publishing journey from being an unpublished writer to getting an agent and selling her book. She will share how the seed of an idea would take her on a ten year journey to publishing her first book.
CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

8:15 AM - REGISTRATION & BREAKFAST | 9:00 AM - WELCOME & KEYNOTE
10:45 AM BREAKOUT SESSION #1 | 12:00 PM - LUNCH & SPEECHES
1:30 PM - AUTHOR SIGNING & VENDOR SHOW | 2:30 PM - BREAKOUT SESSION #2
3:45 PM - BREAKOUT SESSION #3 | 4:30 PM - END OF CONFERENCE

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Making of a Book
Ellen Oh

The Importance of Short Stories
Ellen Oh

The Science of Comics: Using Graphic Novels to Enhance STEAM Programming in Your Library
Lyndsie Guy and Keturah Cappadonia
Southern Tier Library System

Sneaky Programming
Samantha Morgan
Adams Free Library

Tick, Tick, Tick...The Eleventh Hour of Summer
Lorie Brown, Southern Tier Library System

Books & Badges: Collaborating with the Girl Scouts
Suzanne Macaulay
Clifton Springs Library

Stone Soup Storytime: Tackling Poverty through Outreach
Kate Kosior
Clifton Community Library

Baby and Me at the Library
Brigid Hubberman
Children’s Reading Connection

Thriving in Youth Services
Hope Decker,
Pioneer Library System

HS to College Transition: A Collaborative Effort
Christi Sommerfeldt
Northern New York Library Network

The Great Give Back
Derek Ivie
Suffolk Cooperative Library System

Inspiring Sensory Play; Babies and Toddlers
Jennifer Preisser
Greece Public Library

Picture Book Genrefication: Public and School Perspectives
Amy K. Smith
Red Hook Public Library
Meghan Harney
Lowville Free Library
Amanda Schiavulli
Onondaga County Public Library
Jenna Thorn
Netherwood Elementary School

Good Neighbors: Partnering with your Local PBS Station
Celeste Oppito
WPBS-DT

NYS Loves Talking is Teaching
Cate Teuten Bohn
NYS Council on Children and Families

PAST PRESIDENTS’ DINNER
May 14th, 2020 | 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Bella’s - 602 Riverside Drive, Clayton, NY
Tickets: $35.00
OPEN TO ALL

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