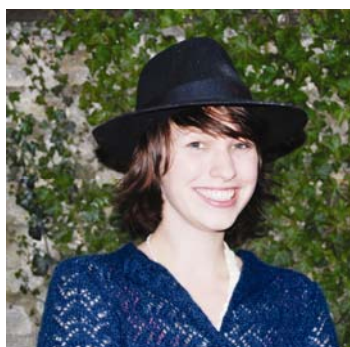


HANNAH SHAW



Hannah Shaw spent her very early life compulsively colouring in pictures in colouring-in books. Fortunately when she started school, Hannah thought that drawing her own pictures and writing new stories would be much more fun. This proved to be an excellent plan for the future.

What seemed like many years later she attended Art College in Stroud then did a degree in Illustration at the University of Brighton. She graduated in 2004 and soon an overwhelming obsession to make books took over her life!

She now lives in a little Cotswold village with her husband and rather special (but totally crazy) rescue dog. Hannah loves to share her passion for characters and stories with others.

Inspired by her love of furry animals Hannah wrote and illustrated *EVIL WEASEL* a funny but subtly moralistic debut picture book about a very evil weasel and his bullying ways.

“Wickedly funny illustrations... there’s a wealth of jokes to enjoy and detail to pore over, especially in the newspaper-style end papers”
Kate Agnew The Guardian

“Hannah Shaw fills the pages with event, as skewed perspectives, comic details and playful use of typefaces, all tell the story of sly faced Evil Weasel...”
Nicolette Jones The Sunday Times

Smartly illustrated and told in a light, confident style as Weasel becomes a reformed character.
Kate Kellaway The Observer

Hannah Shaw’s next picture book *ERROLL*, is all about a boy who finds a talking squirrel in his packet of nuts. To be published in 2009 by Random House.
She has also illustrated books for other authors.

EVENTS

AUDIENCE

Hannah is happy to visit schools and libraries in mainland UK although she prefers to travel for less than 3 hours to a destination from Gloucestershire.

She will speak to boys and girls of all ages, however her books are aimed at 3-7 year olds and will appeal especially to them. Hannah is happy to speak to audiences in small or large groups depending on the format of the event but generally thinks events work best with 10-35 children per group. She can also speak to adults about picture book illustration.

FORMAT

Hannah’s standard event is approx 1 hour and involves an informal talk about being an author and illustrator, a portfolio presentation, (showing her range of illustration work and character designs) then a reading from *Evil Weasel* and *Erroll*. What follows depends on the age group, but generally involves a question and answer session, fun worksheets based on her stories and a chance to get books signed.

Events with older children can take up a whole school day. After the standard talk, a project will be set. This will involve inventing a character and writing down ideas for stories involving the character. Hannah will encourage the children to try different sorts of illustration techniques and be as creative with their writing as possible.

Hannah is always open to suggestions on the exact format of events and can fit in with a library / school’s needs or projects.

COSTS

Hannah charges £90 for the 1 hour standard event and £250 for a full day plus travel expenses. These rates can be negotiated depending on circumstances.

CONTACTS

If you would like to book an event with Hannah please e mail her at
Hannah@hannahshawillustrator.co.uk

PUBLICITY MATERIAL

The following material is available for events:

-Posters
-Author Packs
To request this material please contact:
childrenspublicity@randomhouse.co.uk

BOOKS FOR SALE

If you would like to sell books at your event please contact your local bookshop who will can provide you with copies on a sale or return basis.

Hannah can also sell books herself.

LINKS

To find out more about Hannah Shaw and her books you can visit his website:

www.hannahshawillustrator.co.uk
www.carolinesheldonillustrators.co.uk
To find out more about Hannah’s books please visit the kids website:
www.kidsatrandomhouse.co.uk

