

Sherri Maret (picture book author) & veteran teacher/librarian **Program Reviews**

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J. Eastabrook-As an Intermediate Unit coordinator tasked with arranging academic enrichment opportunities for gifted learners across schools and districts, I love meeting experts in their field who can effectively share their passion with learners. Through the IU13 Student Enrichment Experience program, Sherri Maret provided two online sessions for gifted students, grades 4-6, who were interested in writing and reading. They loved hearing from a published author who could share personal experiences and read us one of her very special picture books, **The Cloud Artist**. Even through Zoom, Sherri's enthusiasm for teaching and writing came shining through. I know I will reach out to her again for more programming. (Lancaster-Lebanon Intermediate Unit 13-PA)

M. Lang-Sherri Maret's Magic Makerspace is fun for all ages! She was engaging, creative, and enthusiastic! Her book, **The Magician**, tied in nicely with the activities she had carefully planned for both the students and teachers. She provided materials for the students to take home and she made connections with our students immediately! (North Schuylkill Elementary School-PA)

H. Brown-Sherri Maret recently visited our 3 –5 grade students to share her wonderful books, **The Cloud Artist** and **The Magician**. **The Cloud Artist** tied in with our 3rd grade Native American research projects, making it extra special for the students. She also shared some amazing magic tricks and even showed the students how to create the props needed to do some of the magic tricks at home for their families. She was engaging, fun, and took the time to answer their questions about writing! Thank you for visiting and sharing with our students! (Lurgan Elementary School, Chambersburg Area School District-PA)

K. Fink-Sherri recently visited with our Kindergarten-2nd grade students. She read her new book, **The Magician**. The students absolutely loved her visit! Their favorite part was having the chance to be an illustrator! And of course the magic tricks were a hit, too! The activities matched the book perfectly and were completely age appropriate! This would be a great opportunity to put an artifact in students' portfolios for Career Readiness! (Lurgan Elementary School, Chambersburg Area School District-PA)

G. Cates-We appreciate Sherri Maret sharing her wonderful story, **The Cloud Artist**, and making it come alive for our students. Not only did she encourage their writing, but also inspired some budding artists. We enjoyed having her and hopefully we will see her again! I think her book activities will be very helpful. (Fort Smith School District, AR)

A. Schwartz-What a treat Woods 3rd graders had this morning! Sherri Maret came to share her award winning book finalist, **The Cloud Artist**, with the students! (Fort Smith School District, AR)

K. McCauslin-My kindergarten students are writing books this week and they keep saying, "We want to be like Mrs. Maret!" Such an awesome experience for them to meet you! (Shippensburg Area School District, PA)

B. Jones-Sherri Maret presented to our 4th-5th graders during the last days of the school year. She and her illustrator did a great job explaining the publishing process. We had large group assemblies and even in the waning days of the school year, students were engaged in her presentation and with her story. It's easy to see that she has a natural rapport with kids and was in the classroom for many years herself. It was amazing to see the number of hands raised during the Q and A portion of her program—kids were definitely interested in what she had to say, and I heard many making enthusiastic comments about the author visit. (Shippensburg Area School District, PA)

J. Shirk-Thank you so very much for presenting to my high school Children's Literature class! My high school students were still talking about your visit today and how much they enjoyed your presentation. They found your experience and information very beneficial. The opportunity to hear a published writer will definitely help them begin their own stories which they will be reading to elementary students at the end of the course. Thank you! (Shippensburg Area School District, PA)

A. Ledebur-Sherri Maret presented at our public library and I booked her for two school presentations at my elementary school. Her reading was fun and interactive for the children. She has many follow-up activities/worksheets for her books and a book care video which I use at the beginning of school. (Chambersburg Area School District, PA)