

# REESE ESCHMANN

children's book author



## VISITING AUTHOR INFORMATION PACKET

# ABOUT REESE & HER BOOKS

Author Reese Eschmann holds a Master's degree in Social Work from the University of Illinois-Chicago and worked in schools for six years. When she's not writing or taking naps, Reese enjoys rock climbing, baking, and making movies with her family. She lives outside of Chicago with her husband and their hound dog.



A girl with hearing loss and a boy adjusting to life in a new country connect through their love of comics and get entangled in their own fantastical adventure. For readers aged 8-12.

"With snappy narration that's rich in sensory detail and metaphor, readers progress through well-paced storytelling that is ethereal and artfully inclusive.

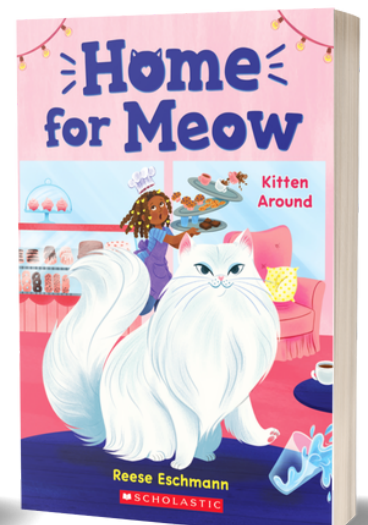
This hopeful adventure leaves an indelible mark."

-Kirkus, starred review

"A wonderfully imaginative, big-hearted story."

-Anne Ursu, author of The Troubled Girls of Dragonmir Academy

All the "awws" of animal adoption stories are combined with sugary sweetness in this new, fun-filled chapter book series about a cat cafe! For readers aged 7-10.



# IN-PERSON AND VIRTUAL SCHOOL VISITS

## *Reese's Author Journey: From Idea to Bookshelves*

Join Reese as she discusses her writing journey in an interactive presentation suitable for groups of all sizes. Students will get a glimpse at some of Reese's earliest writing, starting when she was in first grade! Reese will share how she comes up with ideas and researches her stories, what the editing and revision process looks like, how to persevere in the face of rejection, and an inside peek at how a book gets made, with examples of notes from her editors and early drafts of the illustrations found in her books. Presentation will be tailored for age group and is suitable for groups containing students from grades 1-3, 3-5, or 5-8. 45-60 minutes including Q&A.

## *Comic Creation Workshop*

Reese talks about what it was like to work with illustrator Gretel Lusky to create the comic panels in *Etta Invincible*. She'll share a behind-the-scenes look at how comics are made, from script to panel. Students will work in pairs to create their own superhero characters and learn to map out a story using comic panels. Suitable for classroom workshops or small groups, grades 4-8. Can be combined with a shortened version of Reese's Author Journey.

## *Writing with (Furry) Friends*

Reese shares pictures and stories of all the animals who have been in her life—dogs, hamsters, ferrets, hermit crabs, and more! Reese will talk to your class about how her experiences with animals impact her writing, and which scenes in *Home For Meow* were inspired by real-life animal shenanigans! Reese will guide students as they learn to craft their own animal story. Suitable for classroom workshops or small groups, grades 1-4. Can be combined with a shortened version of Reese's Author Journey.

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## *Chicagoland Area Visits*

**\$350 | single appearance**

**Includes 1 presentation + signing**

**OR**

**\$350 book purchase for classrooms**

(Approximately 23 discounted copies of Etta Invincible, 17 sets of Home For Meow, or combination of your preference)

**\$700 | full day**

**Includes up to 3 presentations + signing + lunch with students**

\*Reese is happy to work with local schools and local bookstores to schedule a visit that fits into their budget.



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The kids LOVED it & the 2nd grade teachers stopped me to say how amazing you were!!

Thank you for such an awesome experience for these kids & for showing them they can be authors one day too!

*-Mrs. Taveling,  
1st grade teacher*

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## *Virtual Visits*

**\$150 | single visit**

## *Out of Area Visits*

**\$800 per full day + travel + accommodations**

**Includes up to 3 presentations or workshops + signing + lunch with students**

Books will be made available for sale at all author visits. Reese will facilitate pre-orders of her books through local bookstores, and will provide schools with all needed promotional material, including order forms to go home ahead of and on the day of the visit. Reese will bring book orders on the day of the visit.

These rates are valid through 12/31/2022

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