

## Author Visit with Catherine Thimmesh

*Award-winning author, Sibert Medalist, Creativity Champion*

Got ideas? Let's set them in motion. Catherine Thimmesh's author visits bring energy, imagination, and hands-on learning to your school through presentations that inspire students to think differently and critically, build confidently and creatively – and have fun doing it.

- Perfect for K–8 (optimal: K–6)
- In-person visits preferred (virtual available)
- \$1,500 full day — includes 3 presentations, lunch with students, book signing

### Featured Program

*SMASH, CRASH, TOPPLE, ROLL! — The Inventive Rube Goldberg*

Explore the wild world of Rube Goldberg — cartoonist, inventor, and creative genius!

This interactive session blends storytelling, biography, STEAM, and the six simple machines.

Kids will be inspired to create their own over-the-top contraptions and discover how creativity powers invention. A hit for assemblies, classrooms, or Family Creativity Night.

### Other Popular Programs

#### **Creativity Unleashed!**

A fast-paced, hands-on workshop that uses real examples and creative challenges to show students how they already have what it takes to be creative thinkers. Encourages divergent thinking, tinkering, and joyful experimentation.

#### **STEAMtastic!**

Through Catherine's award-winning books, students discover the real-life connections between science, innovation, and creativity. Features women inventors, space travel, and animal conservation. Includes STEAM mini-challenges.

#### **The Story Behind the Book**

From idea to finished product, this behind-the-scenes look at how books are made lets students experience research, revision, and creation — and even start their own story projects.

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***“Most kids stop thinking they're creative by 4th grade. These workshops prove them wrong.”***

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Catherine Thimmesh is the author of *Girls Think of Everything*, *Team Moon*, and *Camp Panda*, among many others. Her newest title, *Smash, Crash, Topple, Roll!* is a Junior Library Guild Gold Selection and releases May 6, 2025.

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