



NEWS RELEASE

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The Real D. W. is Visiting the Santa Maria Public Library

Ask any group of elementary-aged children, and they will tell you that D.W. is the precocious and independent sister of Arthur, the star of children's books and a PBS animated series of the same name. D.W. (short for Dora Winifred) is based on Kim Brown, sister of Marc Brown, who has written and illustrated the Arthur series for 25 years. Ms. Brown will be telling stories from her childhood, talking about the characters in the books, and sharing secrets on how to illustrate Arthur books. Join her at the Santa Maria Public Library on Thursday, July 11th at 6:30 p.m. in the Altrusa Theater. Mark your calendars to join us and be sure to bring your Arthur books to be autographed! This special program is open to children ages three and up who are accompanied by their parents or guardians.

Youth Services requires a **free** ticket for admittance to their special programs. Free tickets are currently available at the Children's Desk or may be reserved by phone to be picked up later that day. A maximum of six (6) tickets may be reserved, but reservations can only be made once. This program is graciously sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Parents please remember that only those children, parents, and other family members who have a ticket are able to attend our special events. The Library cannot accommodate infants and must adhere to the age limit as requested by performers.

The Library's hours are 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Mondays through Thursdays, and 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays. The Library is closed on Sundays.

Questions may be directed to Youth Services, Santa Maria Public Library, 925-0994.

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