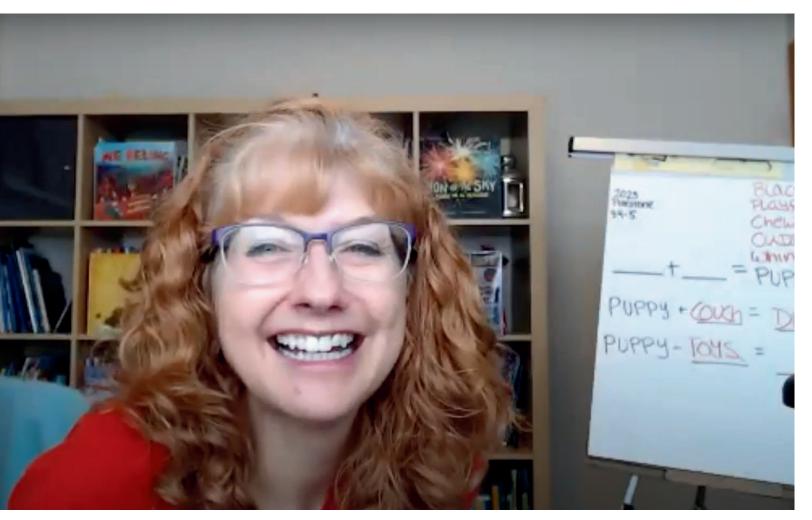
In-person author visits are fabulous, but they're not always an option. Virtual visits can be a great alternative, and they have lots of advantages, too.



### VIRTUAL AUTHOR VISITS LAURA PURDIE SALAS

#### author - poet - speaker



Celebrating science, poetry, and wonder with young readers and writers

"LAURA'S TEACHING SKILLS, GENUINE PERSONALITY, AND TALENT AS AN AUTHOR ARE THE PERFECT OMBINATION FOR ENGAGING WRITERS OF ALL AGES AND ABILITIES." - DIANNA JO CRAWFORD, MEDIA SPECIALIST, LEBANON JUNCTION ELEMENTARY, VIRTUAL VISIT "LAURA'S ENERGY AND ENTHUSIASM FOR WORDS IS CONTAGIOUS. THE KIDS IN OUR PROGRAM WERE INSPIRED TO WRITE POETRY LIKE NEVER BEFORE."

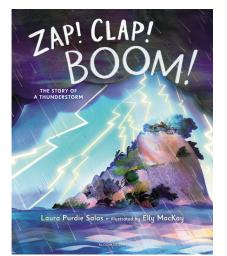
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I'm a former teacher turned children's author. I've written more than 135 books, mostly nonfiction and poetry. Since 2008, I've visited more than 150 schools and libraries, sharing my excitement about reading and writing with thousands of students!

## **SELECTED BOOKS**

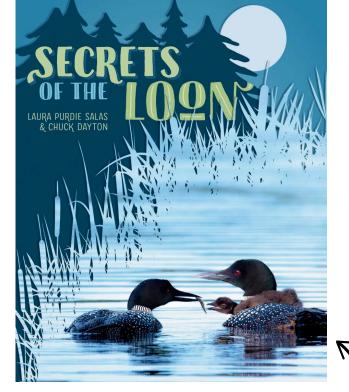
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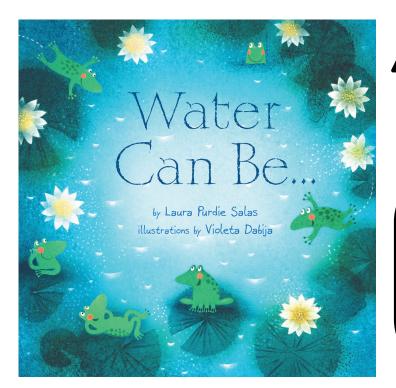




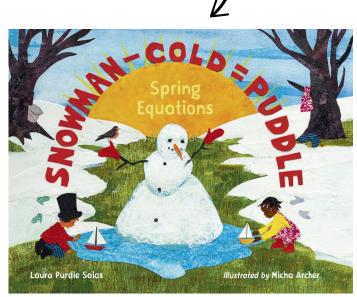


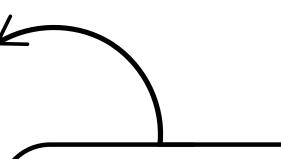


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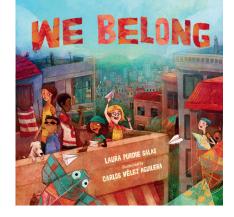




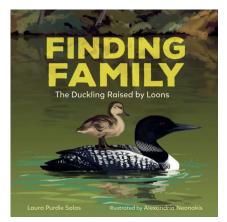




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If You Were the MOON



Most sessions include: INTERACTIVE READING; MY WRITING JOURNEY; MY WRITING AND **REVISION PROCESS; MOVEMENT (YOUNGER GRADES); WRITING A GROUP POEM; AND Q&A.** 

I'm ENTHUSIASTIC, ENCOURAGING, AND KIND. I help educators meet standards, and I help students embrace the joy and **POWER OF READING** and writing.

#### SELECTED PROGRAMS

- Poetry Time (Lion of the Sky & more)
- Loons, Life Cycles, & Adaptations (Secrets of the Loon/Finding Family)
- Friendship & School (*Clover Kitty Goes to Kittygarten*)
- Wild Weather (*Zap! Clap! Boom! & Puddle Song*)
- We All Belong (*We Belong/Meet My Family*)
- Rocks Rock (A Rock Can Be...)
- Ready for Winter? (Snack, Snooze, Skedaddle)
- You Are a Creator (If You Want to Knit Some Mittens)
- Good Night! (If You Were the Moon/In the Middle of the Night)
- *BookSpeak!* (stories behind the poems)
- Snowman Cold = Puddle (a poetry writing workshop)
- Ask a Writer Anything (a Q&A session)

Have a favorite book or topic? I'll customize a session for you!