

LITERATURE FESTIVAL

25th Annual

Saturday, July 27th 2019

8:15 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

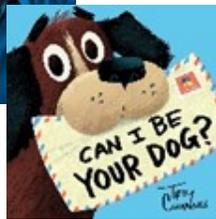
Activities begin at 9:00

Norfolk Public Library

308 W Prospect Ave, Norfolk, NE

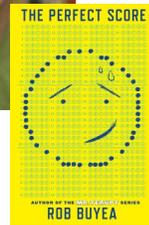
Featuring:

Troy Cummings



2020 Golden Sower Award Nominee for *Can I Be Your Dog?*

Rob Buyea



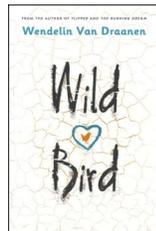
2020 Golden Sower Award Nominee for *The Perfect Score*

Geoff Herbach



2020 Golden Sower Award Nominee for *Hooper*

Wendelin Van Draanen

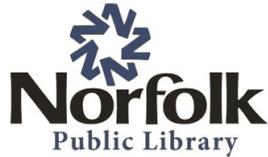


2020 Golden Sower Award Nominee for *Wild Bird*

ALSO: 2019-2020 Golden Sower Previews by Karen Drevo & Amber Peterson;
Book Sales of Golden Sower nominees by Barnes & Noble (20% discount for educators and librarians);
Sales of Golden Sower Items; Autograph Session/Book Signing ; Door Prizes;
Continuing Education Hours from the Nebraska Library Commission for School & Public Librarians;
Professional Growth Points for Teachers/Staff employed by Norfolk Public Schools.

Tickets are available at Norfolk Public Library, online at www.norfolkne.gov/library (Click on Programs & Events) OR by mail order (see attached registration/order form). For more information and details about group rates, contact Karen Drevo at NPL by phone at 402.844.2108 or email at kdrevo@ci.norfolk.ne.us

A wonderful way to spend a summer day for literature lovers of all ages!



LITERATURE FESTIVAL

The Norfolk Library Foundation and the City of Norfolk have funded the 25th Annual Norfolk Public Library Literature Festival.

Doors open at 8:15 a.m. at the Norfolk Public Library, 308 W Prospect Ave, Norfolk, NE. CELL PHONES NEED TO BE SILENCED & NO AUDIO OR VIDEO RECORDING IS ALLOWED.

Schedule for the day:

9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Writer's Workshops by Rob Buyea, Geoff Herbach, or Wendelin Van Draanen. Writer/Illustrator's workshop by Troy Cummings.

OR

2020 GOLDEN SOWER PREVIEWS
by Karen Drevo & Amber Peterson
of Norfolk Public Library.

12:15 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

LUNCH

1:00 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

Presentation by Geoff Herbach
2020 Golden Sower Award nominee for
Hooper

10:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

BREAK

1:45 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Presentation by Troy Cummings
2020 Golden Sower Award nominee for
Can I Be Your Dog?

2:00 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

Presentation by Wendelin Van Draanen
2020 Golden Sower Award nominee for
Wild Bird

11:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

BREAK

2:45 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

DOOR PRIZES – Must be present to win!

11:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Presentation by Rob Buyea
2020 Golden Sower Award nominee for
The Perfect Score

3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

AUTOGRAPH SESSION with authors

PLEASE NOTE:

Norfolk Public Schools teachers who attend will receive Professional Growth Points and Public & School Librarians who attend the full day will receive 5 Continuing Education Hours from the Nebraska Library Commission.

AUTHORS:

TROY CUMMINGS

Troy Cummings has written and/or illustrated more than 30 children's books, including *The Notebook of Doom* series, *Can I Be Your Dog?*, *Caring For Your Lion*, *Little Red Gliding Hood*, and *Mighty Truck*. His illustrations have appeared on magazine covers, jigsaw puzzles, card games, posters, cookbooks, greeting cards, and a box of fish sticks. Troy Cummings lives in Indiana with his wife, two kids, two cats and three robots, all of whom are programmed to laugh at his hilarious jokes.

In the Golden Sower nominated *Can I Be Your Dog?*, Arfy, a homeless dog, is desperate to find a family. He writes letters to everyone on Butternut Street about what a great pet he'd be. He's house broken and he can learn to live with cats! Will anyone open their hearts and homes to this lonely pup? Readers will be happily surprised to learn who steps up to adopt Arfy.

ROB BUYEA

Rob Buyea is the author of the 2010 Golden Sower Award winning chapter book *Because of Mr. Terupt*. The Mr. Terupt series, as well as his new series beginning with the Golden Sower nominated *Perfect Score*, are based on middle school classrooms. Who better to write books set in a classroom than a former teacher. Rob has taught elementary school and high school biology, as well as coached wrestling. He's now a full time writer, living in Massachusetts with his wife and three daughters.

In the Golden Sower nominated *Perfect Score*, no one likes the statewide assessment tests. Not the students in Mrs. Woods's sixth-grade class. Not even Mrs. Woods. But that's not all the kids have to worry about. Under pressure to be the top gymnast her mother expects her to be, Randi starts to wonder what her destiny truly holds. Football-crazy Gavin has always struggled with reading and feels as dumb as his high school-dropout father. Trevor acts tough and mean, but as much as he hates school, he hates being home even more. Scott's got a big brain and an even bigger heart, especially when it comes to his grandfather, but his good intentions always backfire in spectacular ways. Natalie, a know-it-all and aspiring lawyer, loves to follow the rules—only this year, she's about to break them all. The whole school is in a frenzy with test time approaching—kids, teachers, the administration. Everyone is anxious. When one of the kids has a big idea for acing the tests, they're all in. But things get ugly before they get better, and in the end, the real meaning of the perfect score surprises them all.

GEOFF HERBACH

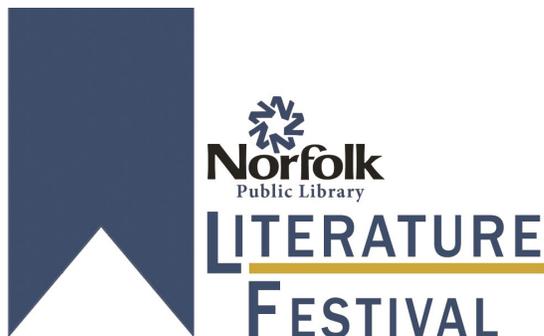
Geoff Herbach is the author of the award winning "Stupid Fast" YA series as well as *Fat Boy vs the Cheerleaders*. His books have been given the 2011 Cybils Award for best YA novel, the Minnesota Book Award, selected for the Junior Library Guild, listed among the year's best by the American Library Association, the American Booksellers Association and many state library associations. In another life, he wrote the literary novel, *The Miracle Letters of T. Rimberg*, produced radio comedy shows and toured rock clubs telling weird stories. Geoff teaches creative writing at Minnesota State, Mankato. He lives in a log cabin with a tall wife.

In the Golden Sower nominated *Hooper*, basketball is Adam Reed's passport. Adam's basketball skills have taken him from an orphanage in Poland to a loving adoptive mother in Minnesota. When he's tapped to play on a select AAU team along with some of the best players in the state, it just confirms that basketball is his ticket to the good life: to new friendships, to the girl of his dreams, to a better future. But life is more complicated off the court. When an incident with the police threatens to break apart the bonds Adam's finally formed after a lifetime of struggle, he must make an impossible choice between his new family and the sport that's given him everything.

WENDELIN VAN DRAANEN

Wendelin Van Draanen has written more than 30 novels for young readers and teens. She is the author of the Edgar-winning *Sammy Keyes* series and *Flipped*, which was named a *Top 100 Children's Novel for the 21st Century* by School Library Journal and became a Warner Brothers feature film, directed by Rob Reiner. Her other stand-alone titles include *Wild Bird*, *The Secret Life of Lincoln Jones*, *Runaway*, *Confessions of a Serial Kisser*, *Swear to Howdy*, and *The Running Dream*, which was awarded American Library Association's Schneider Family Award for its "expression of the disability experience." Van Draanen has also created two four-book series for younger readers. The *Shredderman* books feature a boy who deals with a bully and received the Christopher Award for "affirming the highest values of the human spirit," and was made into a Nickelodeon movie. Her *Gecko & Sticky* books, are perfect for reluctant readers. A classroom teacher for 15 years, Van Draanen lives in California. She and her husband have two sons.

In the Golden Sower nominated *Wild Bird*, they come for Wren Clemmens at 3:47 a.m. She's hustled out of her house and into a waiting car, then a plane, and then taken on a forced march into the desert. This is what happens to kids who've gone so far off the rails, their parents don't know what to do with them anymore. This is wilderness therapy camp. Eight weeks of survivalist camping in the desert. Eight weeks to turn your life around. Yeah, right. The Wren who arrives in the Utah desert is angry and bitter, and blaming everyone but herself. But angry can't put up a tent. And bitter won't start a fire. Wren's going to have to admit she needs help if she's going to survive.



SAVE THE DATE!
Norfolk Public Library's 26th
Annual Literature Festival will
be Saturday, July 25th, 2020

25th ANNUAL NORFOLK PUBLIC LIBRARY LITERATURE FESTIVAL

REGISTRATION/TICKET ORDER FORM

Youth and Adult walk-ins are welcome at full price the day of the Festival but lunch cannot be guaranteed to walk-ins.

Name: (please print) _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Email address: _____

Number of tickets you are ordering (ticket price includes lunch--vegetarian options will be available):

(for group rates, contact Karen at (402) 844-2108 or kdrevo@ci.norfolk.ne.us)

Youth (18 and under/full time college student)	\$15.00 each	
Youth (10-18) with a completed NPL summer reading record	FREE	
Adult (19+)	\$40.00 each	
Adult (19+) with a completed NPL summer reading record (Must be NPL cardholder signed up for 2019 Summer Reading Program and turn in completed summer reading record by Wed., July 24. Discounted tickets must be purchased in person at NPL.)	\$20.00 each	

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

Please indicate number of vegetarian lunches requested: _____

Tickets are available:

- At Norfolk Public Library
- Online at <https://www.norfolkne.gov/library>
- By mail order

To order by mail —

send a completed registration form with full payment (write checks to “Norfolk Library Foundation--Literature Festival”) to:

Literature Festival

Norfolk Public Library

308 W. Prospect Avenue

Norfolk, NE 68701

Pick up your mail order and online tickets at the door the day of the event.

For more information, contact Karen Drevo at NPL by phone (402-844-2108) or e-mail kdrevo@ci.norfolk.ne.us