

MICHELLE HOUTS

Author and Speaker

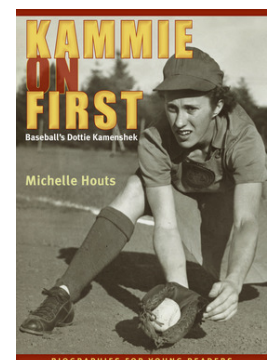
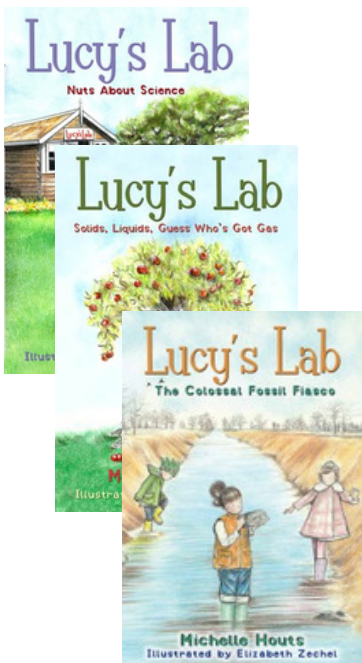
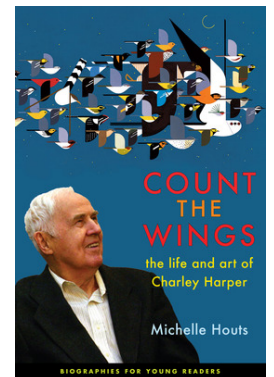
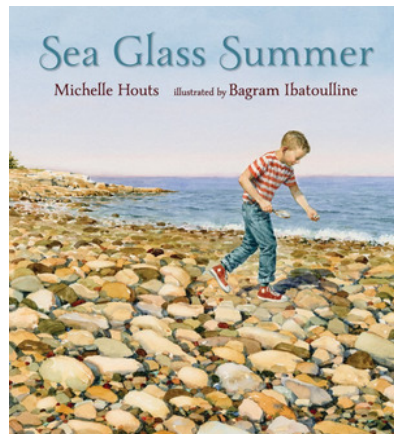
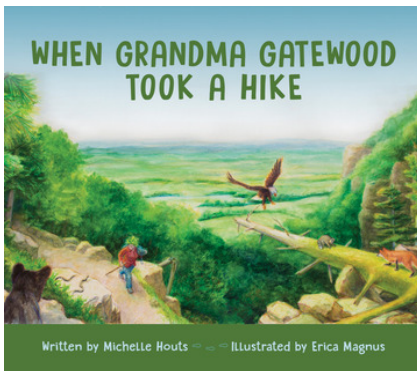


WHO IS MICHELLE?

Michelle Houts is the award-winning author of a dozen books for young readers, ranging from picture books to middle-grade novels.

She's an active speaker, engaging school children across the United States, presenting to teachers and librarians at conferences, and supporting up-and-coming writers via her own workshops and the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators.

Find her at www.michellehouts.com, on Facebook: Michelle Houts and on Twitter and Instagram @mhoutswrites.



AWARDS AND HONORS

Starred Review - Kirkus - SEA GLASS SUMMER
ALA Notable Children's Book Nominee- SEA GLASS SUMMER
IRA Children's Book Award, Intermediate Fiction - THE BEEF PRINCESS OF PRACTICAL COUNTY
Junior Library Guild Selection - WINTERFROST
Bank Street College Best Book with Outstanding Merit - WINTERFROST
Nebraska Children's Ag Book of the Year - THE BEEF PRINCESS OF PRACTICAL COUNTY
Buckeye Book Award Finalist - THE BEEF PRINCESS OF PRACTICAL COUNTY
Ohioana Book Award Finalist - COUNT THE WINGS: THE LIFE AND ART OF CHARLEY HARPER
Maude Hart Lovelace Award Finalist - THE BEEF PRINCESS OF PRACTICAL COUNTY



SELECT SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Lorain Co ESC Young Authors and Illustrators - Keynote
Cleveland State University Literacy Conference - Keynote
Ohioana Book Festival - Featured Author
Northern Kentucky University BookFest - Keynote
Truman State University Children's Book Festival,
Claire's Day, Buckeye Book Fair, Books by the Banks, Orange County Public Schools, Glendale Unified School District (LA), Walnut Springs Middle School, East Central Indiana Reading Council, Mazza Summer Institute -Writer's Strand Instructor, Wright State University, Illinois Farm Bureau and Ag in the Classroom, Indian Hill Elementary, Lakota Schools, St. Helen School, Mason Public Schools (Michigan), Toledo McKinley Elementary School, Westerville City Schools, Versailles Schools, Coldwater Elementary, and more.



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Connecting with young readers and writers....

To me, the best part of being an author is listening - listening to young people tell their own stories. When a child says, "I'm an author, too" I take them seriously. Playing with words is hard work - for a five year old, a fifteen-year-old, a fifty-year-old. I love hearing from my readers. I encourage letter-writing every chance I get for many reasons: Letters have been an integral part of my research process, whether I'm writing fiction or nonfiction; letters are personal and they s-l-o-w us down in this fast-paced world; letters last as long as you keep them - a letter sent today will someday be a voice from the past. Visit www.michellehouts.com and click the envelope photo to access my 52LettersChallenge.

Most of all, keep in touch, won't you?