

Annual ELAN Conference - Grade 7 to 12

May 7, 2009 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board
40 Matheson Boulevard West, Mississauga, ON L5R 1C5



KEYNOTE SPEAKER — KATHLEEN GOULD LUNDY - 9:15 – 10:45

Kathleen Gould Lundy is presently Co-ordinator of Destination Arts at York University, Toronto, Canada-- a joint venture of the Faculty of Education and the Faculty of Fine Arts that undertakes to foster partnerships amongst artists, educators and the community. Her work with elementary and secondary teachers focuses on helping them understand and advocate for the crucial role that the arts and the imagination play in every student's education. She has had extensive experience working in literacy, equity and drama education, first as secondary school teacher, then as a drama consultant, Coordinator of the Language Study Centre at the Toronto Board of Education and as the District-wide Coordinator of Drama and Dance for the Toronto District School Board.



KEYNOTE SPEAKER — DAN YASHINSKY - 11:00 – 12:30

Dan Yashinsky (www.tellery.com) is the author of *Suddenly They Heard Footsteps - Storytelling for the Twenty-first Century* (2007 Anne Izard Storytellers' Choice Award). In 1979 he founded the Toronto Festival of Storytelling. He has performed and taught at festivals in Holland, Wales, Belgium, Singapore, Brazil, Ireland, England, Israel, Germany, Austria, the US, and throughout Canada. He has worked in schools for many years, and developed the Telling Bee, a storytelling and publishing program which has been produced in more than 40 schools. In 1999 he received the Jane Jacobs Prize for his work with storytelling in the community. He tells a mix of traditional folktales from around the world, personal experiences, and his own "re-wondered" fairytales.



KEYNOTE SPEAKER — DIANNE DILLABOUGH - 1:30 – 3:00

Dianne is a retired elementary school teacher. Most of her teaching career was in the junior and intermediate grades with the Peel District School Board but also included teaching in Ottawa, Moosonee, and Terrace, British Columbia. She is the author of *Text Structures: Teaching Patterns in Reading and Writing*, published by Thomson Nelson in 2008 and has conducted workshops across the country. With her 30 years of teaching experience and her passion for helping junior and intermediate students communicate more effectively, Dianne provides teachers with **practical** ideas to introduce students to the various text patterns found in non-fiction text. Dianne received the Prime Minister's Award of Teaching Excellence for her work in this area.

GOOD NEWS!

Conference is **FREE** for current ELAN members!
Non-members: \$20.00
Lunch will be included for all participants.

8:00 – 8:45 Registration / Refreshments
8:45 – 9:15 Welcome, Updates
Revised Constitution
ELAN Executive 2009-10
9:15 – 10:45 Kathleen Gould Lundy
10:45 – 11:00 **Break**
11:00 – 12:30 Dan Yashinsky
12:30 – 1:30 **Lunch**
1:30 – 3:00 Dianne Dillabough

Pre-register for **ELAN 2009-10 membership** for **\$50.00** at the conference.

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