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UPCOMING EVENT ALERT FOR PLANO/DALLAS AREA

Texas author Bettina Restrepo educates and entertains with *Moose and Magpie*

WHAT

Debut children's book author, Bettina Restrepo, grew up in a military family and moved fourteen times as a child. "I never felt rooted in a community," she said. Her new release **Moose and Magpie** hits bookshelves nationwide this month and reaches out to "migrating" military families in Texas and beyond. **Moose and Magpie** introduces the factual difficulties of moose growth and migration through humor. Young Moose is lucky to find a friend and guide in the wisecracking Magpie. "What do the liberty bell and moose have in common?" the Magpie asks as the seasons begin to change. Then, when fall comes: "Why did the moose cross the road?" For more about the book, visit <http://sylvandellpublishing.com/Moose.php>.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Saturday, July 11, 11AM-1PM, Barnes and Noble, Highland Village, Book Signing
- **Friday, July 17, 7-8PM, Legacy Books, Plano, LAUNCH PARTY! Author Mingle and Pajamarama Storytime**
- Wednesday, July 29, 10AM-12PM, Katy Budget Books, Houston, Storytime and Book Signing
- Thursday, August 6, 10-11AM, Barnes and Noble, Frisco, Storytime, Snacks, and Signing
- Tuesday, August 11, 10AM, Barnes and Noble (15th St. Location), Plano, Storytime
- Saturday, October 10, 1-3PM, Barnes and Noble, Southlake, Educator Appreciation Reception
- Saturday, October 17, 11AM, Barnes and Noble (15th St. Location), Plano, Educator Appreciation Week Reception
- Saturday, October 24, 2:30PM, City of Frisco Chambers, National Friends of the Library Week, Frisco, Presentation and Signing
- Wednesday, November 4, WOW Wednesday for K-2 at the Frisco Library, Frisco, Reading

MEET BETTINA

Bettina Restrepo is a professional writer in Frisco, Texas, who has appeared in *Highlights for Children*, *Nature Friend*, and *Boy's Life* magazines. Bettina graduated from the University of Texas at Austin with a degree in Speech Communications and spent more than fifteen years in the retail industry as a merchandise manager and auditor. She achieved her dream and now writes at home with her husband, son, and dog in Texas.

Moose and Magpie is her debut book, and she just signed a contract with Harper Collins for her young adult novel that will be published in winter 2012. For more about Bettina, visit her website:

<http://bettinarestrepo.com>.

GET IN ON THE ACTION

Take advantage of Bettina's expertise and schedule an interview today! Contact Sylvan Dell publicist, Sara Dobie, at SaraDobie@SylvanDellPublishing.com or (877) 958-2600.

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