

Schedule a School Visit with Minnesota Children's Author Laura Goering!



“This book gets a high five for keeping the reader's interest from beginning to end, creativity, beautiful illustrations, and beautiful text. A future classic and a present day ‘must read’ and ‘must have’ for sure!” - *Stories for Children Magazine*

NEW RELEASE! DEBUT CHILDREN'S BOOK! FALL 2008!

Whistling Wings. Marcel, a young tundra swan, is tired from the first half of a winter migration. One thousand miles is long way to fly—too long for Marcel, so he hides in the rushes to stay behind while his parents and the flock continue south. But with the lake nearly frozen over, he soon realizes that he is not cut out for life on ice. Other animals offer advice about how to survive the winter, but their ways of living aren't right for the swan. Hungry and scared, he falls asleep—only to be awakened by a big surprise!

I'll bet you didn't know..... Laura Goering

- “I spent four months in Mainz, Germany, a summer traveling solo around Europe, and four months in the Soviet Union.”
- “During grad school at Cornell University, I took up ultimate frisbee, which I played competitively for twelve years in six countries on three continents. In 1992 I played on the US women's team at the World Championships in Utsunomiya, Japan, where we came in third.”
- “For the past twenty years I have taught Russian language and literature at Carleton College in Minnesota. I still hope to bring Russian children's literature to English speakers, but for now that will have to wait. I have too many stories of my own to write!”



Not only is Laura's book fun, it's educational, too!

The back of all Sylvan Dell books feature a "[For Creative Minds](#)" section:

Whistling Wings

- Tundra Swan Fun Facts
- Life Cycle Sequencing Activity
- Migration Fun Facts
- Animal Adaptation Matching Activity



Additional Online Resources include: Cross-curricular [Teaching Activities](#), [English/Spanish eBooks](#), [Audiobooks](#), child-friendly [Related Websites](#), Comprehension & Math [Quizzes](#). Aligned to [national and state curriculum Standards](#), and AR & Reading Counts Quizzes.



Visit Details:

- "Contact me if you are interested in having me speak at your school, bookstore or library. For rates and more information, e-mail me at laura37@lauragoering.com."
- "For schools I do a presentation for grades K-3 that uses my book *Whistling Wings* as a point of departure for discussing tundra swans, migration, and wintering behaviors of various animals. The presentation lasts about 45 minutes and can be tailored to the needs of a given age group or curriculum."
- For more information about Laura Goering and her book, *Whistling Wings*, visit <http://LauraGoering.com> and www.SylvanDellPublishing.com!

How To Schedule:

1. Coordinate with other classes (or schools or libraries), and decide what day works best.
2. Contact author directly to schedule date, time and details.
Laura Goering, laura37@lauragoering.com
3. Send letter home to parents announcing the author visit and offering them the opportunity to order autographed books for their children. (Form letter enclosed!)
4. Preorder books and coordinate book sales with author.

Dear Parents,

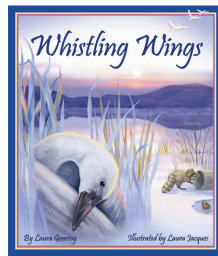
We are excited to announce that children's author Laura Goering (*Whistling Wings*) will be visiting our school on _____ to meet our students, talk about her book and lead the classroom(s) in fun, educational discussions and activities! To purchase a copy of her book so that your child can receive an autograph and remember this special day, please fill out and return the attached order form by _____.

Best wishes,

**Yes! I would like to help my child remember
Laura's school visit!**

Name of Child: _____ Name of Teacher: _____

Grade: _____ Personalize Autograph To: _____



Title	Retail Price	School Fair Price	Quantity	Total
Whistling Wings (Hardcover)	\$16.95			
Whistling Wings (Paperback)	\$8.95			

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Parent Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____