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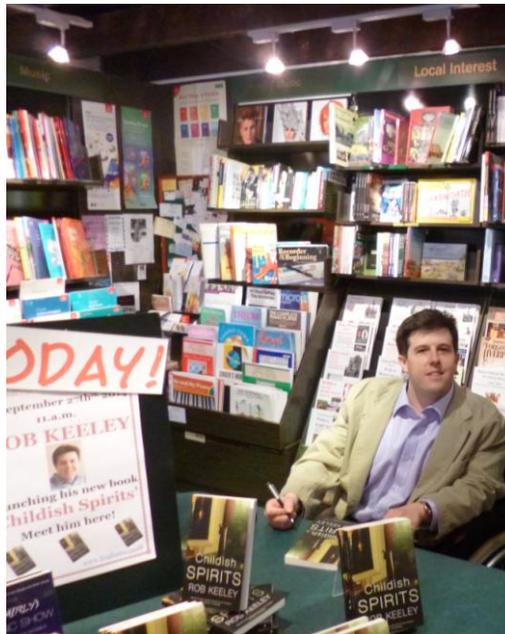
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AUTHOR WORKSHOPS

Would you like an award-winning children's author to visit your school, library, bookshop, book club or event?

Are you interested in holding an author workshop, question and answer session, signing or creative writing group?



I can offer any or all of these options in a style tailored to suit you. I can gear events towards adults, children or an audience of both.

I can offer:

- Readings from my books for children
- Q&A sessions on my books, publishing experiences or writing in general
- Illustrated talks on my books and the publication process using specially-designed animated presentations – adults' or children's version available
- Signed copies of my books – **now included as part of school and library packages**
- Creative Writing workshops for adults or children
- Or a combination of the above

My ghost novel for children, *High Spirits*, was honoured with a Georgina Hawtrey-Woore Award and my other books have been longlisted, shortlisted and nominated for the following awards:

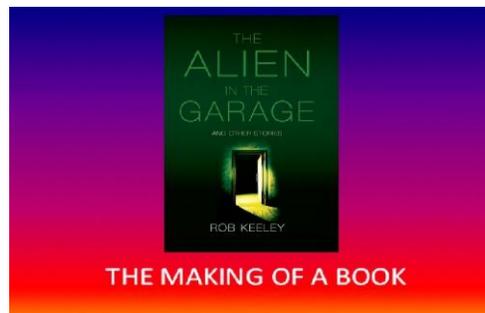
- The Bath Children's Novel Award
- The People's Book Prize
- The International Rubery Book Award
- The Independent Author Book Award

They have also been entered for the Red House Children's Book Award, the UK Literacy Association Children's Book Award and the Blue Peter Book Award.

I have a Master of Arts degree in Creative Writing with Distinction from Lancaster University. I have full Public Liability Insurance and DBS check.

Previous clients include:

- The Rotary Club
- Wirral Youth for Christ
- Culture Liverpool
- Wirral Arts Festival
- Wirral Libraries
- Get Creative UK
- Friends of Bebington Central Library
- The Methodist Church
- Lingham's Booksellers
- Woodchurch High School
- West Kirby Primary School
- Bidston Avenue Primary School
- Liscard Primary School
- St George's Primary School



For more information, please e-mail wordsmithrk@hotmail.co.uk or visit www.robkeeley.co.uk, where you can also download a number of free writing activities for young people based on my books. I am also on Twitter @RobKeeleyAuthor.

The practicalities

I am based in North Wirral and can travel within the North West of England. For visits further afield I may be able to offer a virtual author visit via Skype.

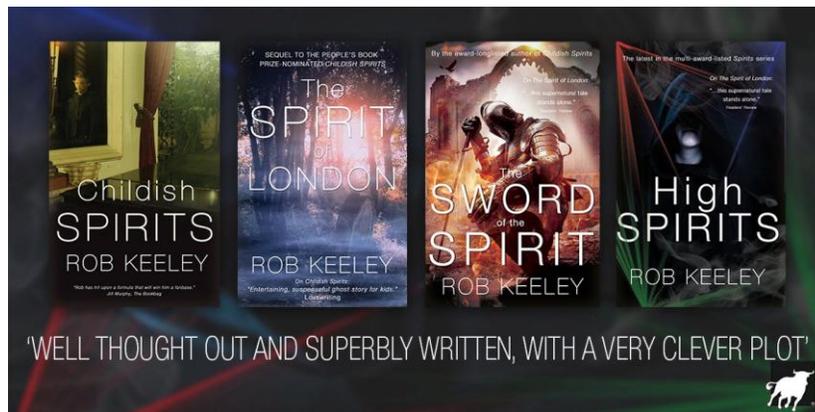
I am a wheelchair user, which means that premises (and for longer visits, toilet facilities) will have to be wheelchair accessible.

If you're interested in one of my animated presentations, please note that these use PowerPoint and will require a computer, data projector and screen to be provided. I will bring the presentation(s) on a portable USB drive (memory stick). They are in a format that will work with most versions of PowerPoint.

I charge the "traditional" Society of Authors rates, whatever the type of event. **However, for short local visits or charitable events these may be open to negotiation:**

Single session up to one hour	£150
Half day visit	£250
Full day visit	£350

For longer journeys I may need to add modest travel expenses, which are **not** included in the above fees.



For a limited period I can also offer, as part of the above packages, five FREE signed copies of my books for children for your school, library etc. These normally retail at between £5.99 and £7.99 per copy and I don't know of any other author who offers such a package!

I am DBS'd to work with young people – however, **organisers please note that you're still legally obliged to have a teacher or second adult present to supervise the session.**

I keep my DBS check current. However, if you wish me to carry out a new check especially for your event, please note that I will have to add the cost of this – £25 – onto my fee for the event. This may also take 3-4 weeks to complete.

Copies of my DBS and insurance certificates are available on request. These will usually be electronic scanned copies.

Please let me have full and complete info on where I'm going, when and why! Disabled parking might also be useful if I'm coming by car.

I have full Public Liability Insurance as mentioned above – however, please note that the final responsibility for your event rests with you as the organiser.

I look forward to meeting you!

A friendly note about signings: I keep a small personal stock of my books and am able to bring a small number to a school or library event. **However, I can't supply them in bulk and don't supply bookshops personally.** This is done by my publisher Troubador Publishing Ltd direct, or via the distributor, Orca Book Services. Therefore, any large signing session in a bookshop or elsewhere will have to use this route. **Please don't wait until the week of an event to order books,** as they may not be through in time and I can take no responsibility for this! Thanks for your understanding.

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