



Killaloe Kids BookFest 2017

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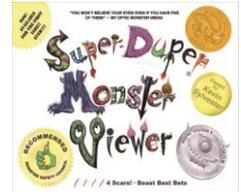
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Picture Books

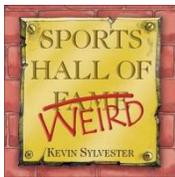
***Super Duper Monster Viewer* (2016)**

Imagine that you are holding a device that will allow you to see the monsters that live invisibly all around us. Technology isn't always easy, and this monster viewer disguised as a book is no exception. If you hold the viewer too high, all you see are the tops of the monsters' heads. Too low, and all you see are their feet. And things don't get any better when the monsters themselves try to help out.



Young Readers

***Sports Hall of Weird* (2005)**



Come on in! Don't be shy. Bizarre, hilarious and just plain gross moments are waiting inside Sports Hall of Weird. From yucky bathroom accidents and crows hungry for golf balls, to cursed teams, haunted stadiums and spectacular losers, this Hall's got it all.

2006 - Silver Birch Award, Ontario Library Association, Winner

2007 - Rocky Mountain Honour Book

***Gold Medal for Weird* (2007)**

In the same vein as *Sports Hall of Weird*, the gold medals handed out in this book are for inept athletes, shameful scandals, cheaters, chokers and worse. But it's not all bad. It includes athletes who went from chump to champ by high-stakes heroism and fair play.

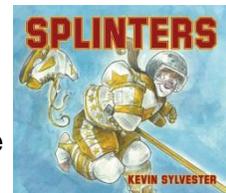
2009 - Silver Birch Award, Ontario Library Association, Winner

2007 - Junior Library Guild Premier Selection, Winner

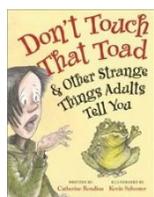
***Splinters* (2010)**

This is a creative take on the classic Cinderella story, with a modern hockey twist. All Cindy Winters wants to do is play hockey. She does whatever she can to make it onto a real team, only to be bullied by the Blister Sisters and benched by their mother. Will Cindy ever get a chance to show how good she can be? Maybe she'll get help from her magic fairy goaltender!

2013 - Nominated for a Blue Spruce Award



***Don't Touch That Toad* (2010) by Catherine Rondina, Illustrated by Kevin Sylvester**



Are your parents lying to you when they tell you that sitting too close to the TV is bad for your eyes? Or when they tell you to stop cracking your knuckles or you'll get arthritis? *Don't Touch That Toad* is a fun examination of the "wisdom" parents offer their children.

2012 - Silver birch Award for Non-fiction, Winner

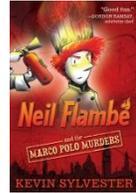
2012 - Hackmatack award for non fiction, Winner

Chapter Books – grades 4 to 8

The **Neil Flambé Capers** present a delicious blend of mystery, history, culture, geography and top-notch cuisine. Neil Flambé is a world-renowned chef and restaurant owner. He's also a kid, who, in his spare time, uses his super-sensitive nose to help the police solve mysteries. Although Neil knows a lot about cooking and scents, he must rely on other people for expertise in other fields. There are six *Neil Flambé Capers*.

1. ***Neil Flambé and the Marco Polo Murders*** (2010)

When some of the best chefs in town turn up dead, the only clues are the scents of mysterious spices and a journal that may have belonged to...Marco Polo? Neil must find a way to connect the past with the present and solve the murders.



2. ***Neil Flambé and the Aztec Abduction*** (2010)

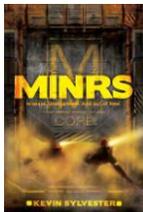
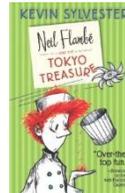
3. ***Neil Flambé and the Crusader's Curse*** (2012)

4. ***Neil Flambé and the Tokyo Treasure*** (2012)

5. ***Neil Flambé and the Bard's Banquet*** (2015)

6. ***Neil Flambé and the Duel in the Desert*** (2016)

Neil Flambé and his friend Larry travel to the Salsa Verde ranch in Arizona with their new food truck to participate in the legendary Broiling Man Festival. Once they arrive, Neil discovers that the Verde ranch is in danger of foreclosure, at the mercy of a developer who wants to turn it into housing and a factory farm. The only hope for the ranch is a treasure map left behind by the very first Verde chef.



MiNRS (2015)

A boy and his friends must find a way to survive in the mining tunnels after their new space colony is attacked in this gritty action-adventure novel

MiNRS 2 (2016)

The attackers are back, and the survivors must find a way to get back to earth.

School Presentations

There are two options:

1. A k-3 presentation which focuses on the book *Splinters* but also includes some silly sports stories and a cartooning lesson for the kids. I prefer class sizes of no more than 100 for this age group. The presentation goes for about 45 minutes.
2. The grades 4-6 presentation includes readings from the *Neil Flambé Capers* as well as stories from all my other books. There is also a cartooning class and time for questions at the end.