



## **World Animal Day**

**Harcourt Church, 87 Dean Avenue, Guelph  
Saturday, October 5, 2024**

### **~ Schedule of Events ~**

#### **Speakers' Presentations**

**Time: every hour from 10 am to 4pm  
Location: sanctuary**

#### **Vendors' Tables**

**Time: all day  
Location: sanctuary**

#### **Children's Crafts and Activities**

**Time: all day  
Location: gym**

#### **Children's Storytime**

**Time: every 45 minutes 10 am to 4pm  
Location: library**

***Note: This document will be updated with details on all of the above events and activities as they become available, so keep checking back!***

# World Animal Day: Storytime (p 1 of 2)

Following are the books being read by the authors who wrote them.  
Time for each book/author TBA.

## Benjamin

A loving story about a dog  
and his lasting impact on the animal kingdom



Written by Malcolm N. Bernstein  
Illustrated by Shannon Tracey-Boggett

*Benjamin* – A loving story about a dog and his lasting impact on the animal kingdom teaches children about the responsibilities of taking home a new pet and the core essential aspects of pet ownership while encouraging them to consider adoption from a local animal shelter.



The adventure never ends as Johnny and Veronica meet new animals in the forest. Can they trust their new acquaintance? And who are the planters?

The Girl Who Talked  
The Hind Legs Off a Donkey  
by Jeanette Clarke



Illustrated by Annabelle MacRae

Keira is a little girl who likes to talk, a lot ... so much so that her grandma told her she could “talk the hind legs off a donkey.” Keira thinks this is funny, but after a donkey ride on a hot day she thinks she has actually caused the donkey to collapse. Keira is so upset that she stops talking.

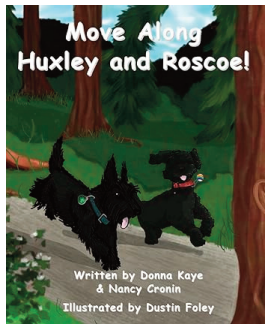
## Mac the Dragon



Written by Ashley Pamerter & Mary Almeida  
Illustrated by Mary Almeida

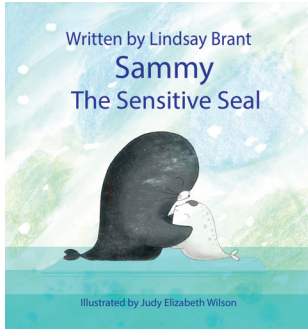
Mac is a salamander who wants to be a dragon! As he journeys through the reptile house meeting all the other creatures, he learns that sometimes, all you really need to be is yourself.

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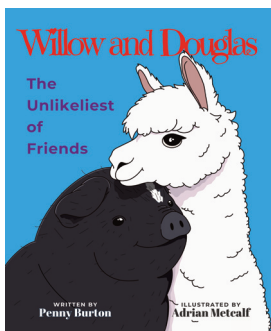


*"Holy moly, what's that?"*

Come along on an adventure with Huxley and Roscoe, two curious characters who meet new friends as they explore and learn about the forest. A lively story to read aloud on its own or with fun forest facts offered when you peek through the magnifying glasses.



*Sammy The Sensitive Seal* is about a young seal with big feelings. He has trouble navigating his feelings, as well as life in the sea. By the end of the story, we see Sammy is able to begin to express his feelings, and feel more comfortable in his ocean home.



This beautiful story of Willow and Douglas is true. It is a tale about compassion, understanding and acceptance, reminding us that even in the most unexpected places, we can find the truest form of friendship. The story imparts a valuable lesson about the beauty of diversity, the power of kindness and the importance of keeping your heart open when everything seems at a loss.



This is the story of Zola, an ambitious, zealous pig who wears aviator glasses and designs over-the-top adventures for herself. Her zany personality sparkles in the sequined outfits she adores. Zola is an inspiration as she overcomes obstacles and discovers a way to accomplish her dreams.



**One more to come ... stay tuned!!**