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Objective: Speaking and writing

Summary: Award-winning speaker and freelance writer for over 20 years

- Author of six trade books and two educational books
- Frequent speaker for elementary schools as well as keynote speaker for professional organizations
- 20+ years in business and technical writing, editing, and management
- Articles in *San Jose Mercury News*, *San Francisco Examiner*, *High Technology Careers*, *East-West* newspaper and other publications

Education: Harvard University, B.A. *magna cum laude* in East Asian Studies, 1980.

East-West Center, Honolulu, HI, graduate fellow in East Asian literature, 1980 – 1981.

Trade and Educational Publications:

Author, *Benny's New School*, (leveled reader, first grade), Scott Foresman Reading Street Series, to be published in 2008.

Author, *Akira to Zoltan: Twenty-Six Men Who Changed the World*, Charlesbridge Publishing, 2006.

Author, *Amelia to Zora: Twenty-Six Women Who Changed the World*, Charlesbridge Publishing. 2005.

Author, Easy Reader for Raintree Steck-Vaughan, Pair-it Books. 2000.

Author, *It's Who You Know*, multiple editions, by BookPartners, Wilsonville, OR; Pfeiffer and Company, San Diego; Avant Publishers, San Marcos, CA, 1991, 1993, 1998.

Co-Author with Terri de la Pena, *A Is for the Americas*, Scholastic Orchard Books, NY, 1999.

Author, *A Is for Asia*, Scholastic Orchard Books, NY, 1997.

Author, *Almond Cookies and Dragon Well Tea*, Polychrome Publishing, 1993.

Numerous articles (1981 to 1996) on high technology, the Internet, careers, and the Pacific Rim in many publications, including the *San Jose Mercury News*, *San Francisco Examiner*, *High Technology Careers Magazine*, *A Magazine*, and *East-West Newspaper*.

Teaching Experience:

Palo Alto Adult School, 1996 -1997. *Untangling the World Wide Web*.

Santa Clara University, 1989 -1993. *Communication for Engineers*.

De Anza College, 1985 -1989. *Technical Writing, Introduction; Technical Writing, Short Forms and Technical Writing, Long Forms*.

Staff Positions:

Sun Microsystems, Nov. 2003 to present. Documentation Manager. Manage staff of eight, five staff and three contractors.

Remedy, a BMC Software company, March 2003 to Nov. 2003. Staff Technical Writer.

i2 Technologies, July 2000 to July 2002. Documentation Manager.

Oracle Corporation, June 1999 to April 2000. Documentation Manager.

Note: From 1986 to 1999 I was an independent writing consultant at Apple, Oracle, Sun Microsystems, Intuit, and other companies.

Leadership and Awards:

Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators, member, 1992 to present.

Texas Assn for the Gifted and Talented, Legacy Book award for *Amelia to Zora*

Children's Book Council/National Council on Social Studies, Outstanding Social Studies Book for Young People for *Amelia to Zora*, *Akira to Zoltan*, and *A Is for the Americas*

Amelia Bloomer project, *Amelia to Zora*

National Association for Parenting Publications Award (NAPPA) Gold Award, *Amelia to Zora*

Finalist, **Disney Magazine** Juvenile Book Award, *Amelia to Zora*

Children's Choice Award, *Amelia to Zora*

ABC Best Books for Children, *Amelia to Zora*

Best 100 US Children's Books of the Century, **Ruminator Review**, 2000, *A Is for Asia*

Languages: Conversational Chinese (Mandarin), French, and Latin

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