

## **Children's book author and poet Janice Clark to speak at Oakville library**

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OAKVILLE, Wash. - Meet Janice Clark, children's book author, poet and essayist, for readings from her books and conversation about her experiences as a writer. The Oakville Timberland Library hosts the event on Thursday, September 17 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the library. Ms. Clark's books of poetry and the first book in her "Hall of Doors" series for children will be available for purchase and signing.

"I've been a dreamer of dreams and a teller of tales all my life," writes Clark on her Web site, [www.janiceclark.net](http://www.janiceclark.net). The "Halls of Doors" series tells the adventures of a little girl who follows her cat to a magic world. In book one, "The Mountains of the Moon," Sammy (Samantha Jane) follows her cat BB (Princess Buttermilk Biscuit) up a moonbeam to a magical place where Sammy learns something unexpected about BB and faces the most important, and the hardest, decision of her life. The second book, "The Door in the Sky" is expected to be out any day. Hard on its heels, the third book is through the editing process and Clark is writing the fourth book now.

Clark will discuss her experiences as a writer. She'll talk about her learning-to-write novel, "Teeka: Apprentice Healer," her writing and rewriting process, participating in writing groups both in-person and online, and searching for an agent.

"Once my children were grown, or nearly so, I began writing in earnest, producing a prolific profusion of poems, stories, songs, and even a few sermons," writes Clark, though her main writing interest is fantasy books for children and young adults. Born and raised in California, Clark has been a Washingtonian nearly 40 years.

The Oakville Timberland Library is located at 204 Main Street, Oakville. For more information, contact the library at (360) 273-5305 or go to [www.TRL.org](http://www.TRL.org).