



Presenting... Kathleen Odean:
What's New in YA Literature

December 7th

8:15 - 3:30

Gick Road Training Center

27 Gick Road, Saratoga Springs

Kathleen Odean is a nationally recognized expert and popular speaker on books for young people, best known for her four guides, *Great Books for Girls: More than 600 Recommended Books for Girls Ages 3-14*. Kathleen was the chairperson of the 2002 Newbery Award Committee as well as a member of an earlier Newbery Award Committee, Caldecott Award Committee, Notable Children's Books Committee, and Carnegie Award Committee for videos.

She has been featured on NBC's Today Show, All Things Considered, CNN, Fox Network, Minneapolis Public Radio, San Francisco's KQED, and Parents' Radio. Her books have been featured and reviewed in the *New York Times Sunday Book Review*, *Christian Science Monitor*, *US News and World Report*, *USA Today*, *Ms.*, *Newsday*, *Boston Globe*, *Denver Post*, *Dallas Morning News*, *Business Week*, and the *Providence Journal*, among others.

Kathleen frequently speaks throughout the U.S. to parents, teachers, and librarians about books for young people and how to encourage reading. She is a seminar presenter for TTL Seminars (Tools for Teaching and Learning) on "The Best New Young Adult Books." She gave YA book seminars for BER for many years, and now will bring us the same seminar – free of charge for librarians.

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Topics covered include:

- The best new young adult books of the year
- The best new nonfiction books — biography, sports, music, and more
- Poetry collections and verse novels by and for today's young adults
- The best new books in popular genres — mysteries, humor, fantasy, & more
- Practical strategies and surefire books for reaching reluctant readers
- The most useful professional journals and books about young adult literature
- The best online resources for keeping current with young adult books
- Ways to find and evaluate the best books for young adults
- Excellent novels to use in teaching young adults
- New books by the most popular young adult authors



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Attn: Jennifer Ferriss

22 Whitney Place

Saratoga Springs, NY 12866

Limit 50 registrants. (WSWHE will have 50 also.)

Light breakfast and lunch will be served.

Directions to Gick Road

Take Exit 15 of the Northway heading west on Route 50 towards Saratoga Springs. (If you are coming from the north bear right off of Exit 15; from the south take a left at the exit.) Gick Road will be your first right at a traffic light on Route 50. Proceed on Gick Road approximately 1/10th of a mile. You will see a sign that says Plaza 15. Take a right at this point. You will see the Gick Road facility, bear left around to the back of the building (which is actually the front of the Gick Road facility.)

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