

## Children's book illustrators and authors with NE connections

(found in various LCL locations)

jC Rylant. *The Eagle*. Illus. by Preston McDaniels.

jC Rylant. *The Turtle*. Illus. by Preston McDaniels.

jF Hayward. *Pepe and Papa*. Illus. by Laura Huliska-Beith.

jP Baring-Gould. *Now the Day is Over*. Illus. by Preston McDaniels.

jP Harrington. *The Chicken Chasing Queen of Lamar, County*. Illus. by Shelley Jackson.

jP Harrington. *Going North*. Illus. by Jerome Lagarrigue.

jP Hoberman. *The Looking Book*. Illus. by Laura Huliska-Beith.

Hoffman, Rosekrans. See attached flyer.

jP Johnson. *Violet's Music*. Illus. by Laura Huliska-Beith.

jP Low. *Aunt Lucy Went to Buy a Hat*. Illus. by Laura Huliska-Beith.

jP McDaniels. *A Perfect Snowman*. Illus. by Preston McDaniels.

jP Milligan. *The Prince of Ireland and the Three Magic Stallions*. Illus. by Preston McDaniels.

jP Moore. *The Wheels on the School Bus*. Illus. by Laura Huliska-Beith.

jP O'Neill. *The Recess Queen*. Illus. by Laura Huliska-Beith.

jP Sharp. *Effie's Image*. Illus. by Dorothea Rohner.

jP Sharp. *The Ring Bear*. Illus. by Michael T. Hassler, Jr.

jP Sharp. *Today I'm Going Fishing with My Dad*. Illus. by Chris Demarest.

jP Stewig. *Whuppity Stoorie*. Illus. by Preston McDaniels.

jP Wheeler. *Bubble Gum, Bubble Gum*. Illus. by Laura Huliska-Beith.

j Dowell. Phineas L. *MacGuire Erupts!: The First Experiment*. Illus. by Preston McDaniels.

j Dowell. Phineas L. *MacGuire -- Gets Slimed*. Illus. by Preston McDaniels.

Heritage j Starks. *The Spirit of Ancient Africa*.

Hoffman, Rosekrans. See attached flyer.

j917.82 She. Shepherd, Rajean Luebs. *C is for Cornhusker: A Nebraska Alphabet*.

j917.82 She. Shepherd, Rajean Luebs. *Husker Numbers: A Nebraska Number Book*.

jAudio Harrington. *Going North*.

jCD Harrington. *Going North*.

DVD 813 Har. *Janice Harrington reads Going North*.

DVD 813 She. *Rajean Shepherd reads her book C is for Cornhusker*.

DVD 813 She. *Rajean Shepherd reads her book Husker Numbers*.

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Sandy Appleoff illustrated two books that Rajean Luebs Shepherd, North Platte, NE, wrote, *C is for Cornhusker* and *Husker Numbers*. Sandy has NE roots; she lived in Falls City and still visits there. (j917.82 She) There are also Ames DVDs at BMPL of Rajean reading her books. (DVD 813 She)

Janice Harrington wrote *Going North*, a picturebook about moving from Alabama to Lincoln in the 1960's; Jerome Lagarrigue illustrated it. Janice was a librarian at the Champaign, IL, Public Library. I think that she recently left the Champaign Public Library and is on the faculty of the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. She also wrote *The Chicken Chasing Queen of Lamar, County*. (jP) LCL has a DVD of Janice sharing stories and reading *Going North* at Eiseley Library several years ago (jDVD 813 Har) as well as audio and CD of *Going North* ( Audio j & CD jHarrington).

Ruth Rosekrans Hoffman, born in Denton, NE, died in 2007, but she gave some of her work to the LCL's Jane Pope Geske Heritage Room of Nebraska Authors; we have "start to finish" items for Lee Bennett Hopkins' *Go to Bed: A Book of Bedtime Poems*, a book that she illustrated. Her books are located in various LCL sites; I'm enclosing a list that will help you find the books she illustrated.

Laura Huliska-Beith grew up in Omaha. According to the information we found, she is a free-lance illustrator living in Kansas City. The Lincoln City Libraries own seven picturebooks that she has illustrated during the 2000's, including O'Neill's *The Recess Queen*. (jP)

Preston McDaniels, Aurora, NE, has illustrated lots of children's books, including some of Rylant's Lighthouse Family books. (jC Rylant) Most recently, he wrote and illustrated *A Perfect Snowman*.

Virginia Starks wrote and illustrated a book entitled *The Spirit of Ancient Africa* in 1997. It was published by Black Pyramid Press, Omaha, NE. This one is located only in the HR.

Nancy Sharp Wagner, aka N.L. Sharp, wrote *Today I'm Going Fishing With My Dad*, *The Ring Bear*, and *Effie's Image*, each with a different illustrator. She lives in Fremont.

This was book #13. The Chicken-Chasing Queen of Lamar County by Janice N. Harrington and illustrated by Shelley Jackson. This is the cutest story about a farm girl that chasing chickens. There are phrases that remind me of my grandma..."brush my teeth whiter than a biscuit"; "quick as a flea bite"; and "you catch more flies with honey than with vinegar". The illustrator, Shelley Jackson, used the author's onomatopoeia throughout the book to her advantage and mixes real objects within the paintings brilliantly. The different uses of patterns in the illustrations give the book an entertaining feel and make it perfect for story time. Recommended for ages 6-10. ...more.

**\*Starred Review\*** Harrington, whose *Going North* (2004) was named a Booklist Top of the List--Picture Book, offers another winning book. "I'm the Chicken-Chasing Queen of Lamar County," announces a young African American girl. Gray-haired Big Mama warns her to leave the birds alone, but the girl can't restrain herself: the chase is too much fun, and the elusive Miss Hen is her ultimate prize. When the girl finally manages to sneak up on Miss Hen in the grass, she discovers her prize surrounded by chicks, and the girl instantly reforms: "I know you're a mama now . . ."

JANICE HARRINGTON's *Going North*, for which she received the Ezra Jack Keats New Writer Award, was a Top of the List Booklist Editors' Choice. She lives in Champaign, Illinois. SHELLEY JACKSON is the author-illustrator of several picture books and author of adult fiction. She lives in Brooklyn, New York. No customer reviews. 5 star (0%). 0%. 4 star (0%). 0%.