

Myth and Imagination Student Art Contest

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The Joseph Campbell Foundation, Colorado Roundtable
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Use your Imagination and Bring a Myth to Life!

Win: Lunch with Caldecott illustrator/author **Gerald McDermott** on Saturday, January 27 and a chance to talk with him about your work, which will be exhibited at the Library that day.

Deadline: 5pm - Monday, January 22

Medium: All media will be considered, no size restrictions

Content: must show a scene from a story from any world mythological tradition or a personal dream.

Three Age Categories:

Elementary (grades 1 – 5)

Middle School (grades 6 – 8)

High School (grades 9 – 12)

2 students (and a parent or teacher) from each category will be selected to have lunch with Mr. McDermott at the Library and to have their work exhibited at the Library through the end of January.

The lunch will happen between the programs to be presented by Mr. McDermott (see below)

No application fee! Information: Carol Heepke at 303-441-3196 or heepkec@boulder.lib.co.us

Saturday, January 27

Gerald McDermott

Winner of the Caldecott Medal for **Arrow to the Sun: A Pueblo India Tale**; a Caldecott Honor for **Anansi the Spider: A Tale from the Ashanti**; and Caldecott Honor for **Raven: A Trickster Tale from the Pacific Northwest**

“ McDermott is not only a picture-book artist of the first rank, but also one of our most gifted retellers of myth and folktale.” – The New York Times

10:30 am – **Anansi to Zomo: Tricksters abound the World**

Caldecott Medal illustrator and author Gerald McDermott invites young listeners to go on a journey around the world in search of trickster heroes from many different cultures. He shares, in words and pictures, his popular renditions of Raven, Coyote, Anansi the Spider, Jabuti the Tortoise, and Zomo the Rabbit. Mr. McDermott shows how he follows the path from imagination to printed book. A preview of his forthcoming trickster tale, PIG-BOY, provides a special ending.

For ages 5 and up.

2 pm – **Myth and Image**

Gerald McDermott's long career as a writer and illustrator of mythology and folklore, his early association with Joseph Campbell, and his many award-winning books that have become part of the curriculum make him uniquely qualified to discuss the role of myth in education. Illustrated with images from his many works, McDermott traces the origins and symbolism of the tales he has written. Join with him in discussion of the ways in which myth can be used as a creative catalyst. He also previews his work in progress, “Joseph Campbell's Favorite Tales.”

For adults: parents, teachers, librarians, storytellers and all who love myth.

Learn more about McDermott's work on his website: www.geraldmcdermott.com

