DIANA B. THOMPSON

Speaker - Author - Educator

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Specializing in social/emotional intelligence, problem-solving and identity shaping. Identity shaping is an original technique in which a participant creates the person they wish to become using the same tools an actor uses to create a role for the stage.

Speaker

- Earned a spot in the World Championship of Public Speaking semi-finals 2017. Placing in the top 20 out of 30k competitors. Also the winner of 20+ speaker competitions.
- Delivered a wide range of presentations to educational conferences, schools, libraries, parenting forums, community organizations and bookstores.
- Created and delivered an interactive theatre based program for children and families entitled: Fairytales and Feelings running from 2003 2013.

Author

- Wrote and published 16 children's picture books including: *CinderSilly* and 14 titles in the *Heroes Leaders Champions* ™ training series. Endorsed by Dr. Philip Zimbardo, former president of the American Psychological Association and creator of the Stanford Prison experiment.
- Wrote and published children's chapter book, *Battle of the Books*, which follows the story of a child learning the steps to becoming a hero. This book includes a special note from Dr. Zimbardo.
- Sold thousands of books through retail, wholesale distributors, direct sales and trade shows.
- 30 years of experience as a playwright and play-building director.
- Created many original works for schools, museums and organizations including: *Garbage Stew*, in partnership between the Children's Museum of Denver, and the Environmental Protection Agency. Toured throughout Colorado.
- Created original play, *The Gingerbread Man*, the #1 educational program of the Children's Museum of Denver since 2001.

Educator

- Created and delivered customized workshops for corporations, educators, and parents.
- Created 7 curriculums to teach essential life skills including a year-long lesson plan curriculum from the Heroes Leaders Champions series for PreK- 8th grades.
- Former Theatre education director of the Children's Museum of Denver. (1998 2001)
- Created and delivered skills development programs for at-risk and high needs populations including students with ASD and gang members through Denver Juvenile Court.
- Facilitated Heroes Leaders Champions training in three schools where the entire school population was trained including parents, teachers, students, administration and support staff.