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| Summer Library Program Workshop Presenters Application  **BIO:** Lorraine Hartin-Gelardi is a versatile performer, emcee and workshop presenter whose stories captivate audiences of all ages. In 2011, Lorraine was awarded a member grant from NSN for her project, **“Reach for the Stars: Developing a Culture of Storytelling with Early Childhood Educators”** which enabled her to conduct workshops for early childhood educators and develop a long-standing relationship with the teachers at the Dutchess Community College Day Care Center. Teachers incorporated storytelling into their classroom curriculum. One of the teachers became a director of the lab school at DCC and now trains early childhood educators in the art of storytelling.  Lorraine has taught ***The Art & Significance of Telling A Good Story*** to adults in the Special Studies Program at Chautauqua Institution as well as at local libraries. She is also a co-founder of an Interfaith Story Circle which holds monthly gatherings where participants share stories from various faith traditions.    **Workshop Description:** My goal is to create enthusiasm and empower participants to tell stories.  **Empowering the Storyteller Within**   1. Why Stories Work (lecture) 2. Tell Cinderella variant without ending. Elicit possible endings from listeners. (participatory) 3. We know more than we think we know. Co-create The Three Bears with listeners. (participatory) 4. Name your tools: what did you or others do to bring story alive? (self-assessment) 5. Make a group list of stories. (participatory) 6. Story improvisation. Break into pairs/small groups and work on a story to tell. (participatory) 7. Tell the stories. (participatory) 8. Observations and self-assessment. What did we see and learn? (self-assessment assisted by lecture) 9. Empowerment! You can do this…you are storytellers! 10. Reinforce significance of storytelling for social/emotional/imaginative/cognitive development of children. (lecture)   **Learn More About Me:** *Reference:* Carol Garboden Murray, Educational Director at Bard Abigail Lundquist Botstein Nursery School and Children's Center Contact Info: [cmurray@bard.edu](mailto:cmurray@bard.edu)  Website: **Lorrainetells.com** Publications ***Wisdom in the Telling: Finding Inspiration and Grace in Traditional Folktales and Myths Retold* *Winner of the 2008 Storytelling World Resource Award for Special Storytelling Resources***  **Fees and scheduling information:**  Above workshop is 2.5 hours and I charge $400.00 per workshop. Multiple workshops are discounted as follows: 1 = $400.00, 2 = $700.00, 3 = $650.00  **How much are you willing to travel?** I live in New York State and am willing to travel throughout the Northeast: NY, CT, MA, NH, ME and RI provided accommodations are included as well as travel expenses (mileage, etc.)  **Contact information:**  Lorraine Hartin-Gelardi  Tales of Imagination & Inspiration  [lhartin@aol.com](mailto:lhartin@aol.com)  845-235-7800  64 Lincoln Avenue, Beacon, NY 12508 |