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VISITS!**



Presentations:

Journey to a Book: Diane takes students through her writing process, from the first *AHA!* moment through drafting, revising, copyediting, proofreading, and choosing cover art to the finished product — a bound book!

Villains and Monsters: Diane talks about the “bad guys” of classic fairy tales, describes her own evil witches, bad fairies, and nasty monsters, and has students create either illustrations or descriptions of their own villains.

Each presentation is 45 minutes long and includes PowerPoint slides, readings from Diane’s novels, and a Q and A session. They are suitable for grades 3-6. To schedule a school visit, please contact Diane at dlzahler@gmail.com.

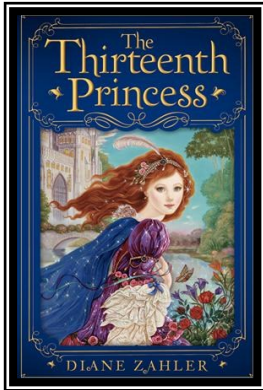
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**CHILDREN’S
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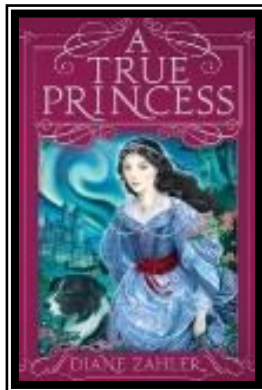
DIANE'S BOOKS



Zita is the last-born of thirteen princesses. When her twelve sisters fall ill, she and her friends—Breckin the stable boy, Babette the witch, and Milek the soldier— follow

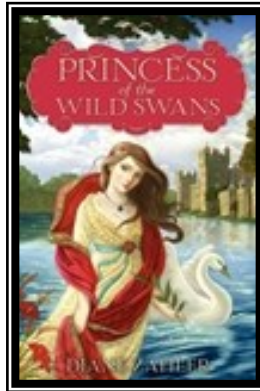
the bewitched princesses into a magical world of endless dancing and dreams. But something more sinister is afoot—and unless Zita and her friends can break the curse, the twelve princesses will surely dance to their deaths.

Lilia must save her best friend Kai from a terrible enchantment caused by their perilous encounter with the Elf-King and his beautiful daughter. The only way Lilia can break the spell is to find a



mysterious jewel of ancient power hidden somewhere in the North Kingdoms. But

the castle where the jewel lies is caught up in a different kind of search -- the search for a true princess!

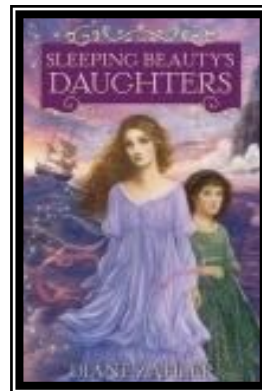


A dreadful enchantment has transformed Princess Meriel's brothers into swans who swim on a heart-shaped lake that lies just beyond the palace walls. To rescue her beloved brothers, Meriel vows to finish a seemingly impossible

task. But she must act quickly! Once first frost reaches the lake, the princes will have to fly south -- or perish.

And coming in August 2013: *Sleeping Beauty's Daughters!*

A classic fairy tale is transformed into a dazzling new story about Sleeping Beauty's daughters, Princesses Aurora and Luna, and the perilous quest they undertake when Aurora falls prey to a terrible curse.



Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books writes: "Zahler shines in her ability to set an exquisite scene."

From Publishers Weekly: "Zahler takes a light story and gives it gratifying depth, rounding out the characters and their motivations without betraying the source material and wrapping it all together in a graceful and cohesive romantic drama."



Diane grew up in Ithaca, New York, where she spent most of her time reading children's books. In high school she started working in the children's room of the public library, and she kept reading children's books. After college, she came to New York City and got a job in children's book publishing. And finally she decided to write her own!