Sac State professor, author will conduct course on fantasy writing

Sacramento State Professor Kim Zarins is a successful professional author who will share her expertise during the California State University Summer Arts program at CSU Monterey Bay.

The Summer Arts program gives students a chance to immerse themselves in their respective arts fields, and develop contacts that could aid their careers.

Zarins teaches medieval literature and children's literary classics at Sac State. She also has published two children’s books – *Playful Bunny* and *The Helpful Puppy*, the latter illustrated by Caldecott Award winner Emily Arnold McCully.

July 15-28, she'll lead the course Writing Fantasy for Children and Teens. With the help of Bruce Coville, author of *Dark Whispers*, and Jill Wolfson, author of *Furious*, students will get the chance to share their novels’ openings with an editor of children’s and young adults’ fantasy literature, spend two weeks with people who share their passion for fantasy writing, and participate in a public reading of their works.

“I designed this course for students who love children’s fantasy but typically can’t find coursework to help them make progress in this genre,” Zarins says. “The people we found to run the workshops will bring students to the next level in their craft.”


The session is one of two being offered this summer. Other courses offered include dance, cinematography, Contemporary Painting, American Classical Guitar, and Stage Combat: Rapier and Dagger.

The deadline to apply for the July 15-28 session is Friday, May 17.

For more information and application forms, visit [www.csusummerarts.org](http://www.csusummerarts.org) or call (562) 951-4060. For media assistance, call Sacramento State’s Public Affairs office at (916) 278-6156.

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