



Author and illustrator

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Event information

I greatly enjoy bringing events to libraries, schools, book festivals and book shops. They include interactive readings as well as step by step drawings together with the children.

The response is always fantastic. Testimonials from years of events are on my website - <https://gerrydalyart.ie/events.html>



Athy Library, ISL festival. Photos: Frank Fanning



An event lasts approx 60 min and comprises of:

- a quick intro to myself, what I do and what we'll be doing for the session.
- An event will feature at least two books I have illustrated or written and illustrated.
- For example, with **Finn's First Song** I'll introduce Finn and chat about whales and their song, I demonstrate how easy it is to replicate a humpback whale song and encourage the children to join in with the story as Finn makes his whale sounds.
- Then we'll do a step by step drawing of Finn together. It's best if the children have markers, pencils and paper handy and ready to go.
- With **the Puffling series**, I'll introduce Puffling, chat about Puffins and we'll read one of the stories. Again we'll do a step by step drawing together of Puffling, and often a drawing of one of the others characters too.
- I aim to have some time at the end for any questions the children might have. There are always many questions!
- Depending on the group, and if there is time, I sometimes show some of the process that goes into making a picturebook ie. early roughs, dummy books, storyboard etc.

Sometimes I will visit several branches over a few days within a county. I am happy to have up to three sessions in a day if that works best. Event times can be adjusted to suit.

Fees

Following the recommended guidelines from Children's Books Ireland and Poetry Ireland my fee is approx €250 per 1 hour event in person or digital. There is no VAT charged on the events.

I'm living in Dublin, transport is extra when I'm traveling outside the Dublin area and an approx quote for rail or bus would be given beforehand.

Age range

I've brought events to a range of ages from Junior infants to Fourth Class. Numbers at my events to date have ranged from 5 to 300. I will adjust as needed depending on the group.

Online events

I'm very happy to facilitate online events too and have brought many to schools outside of the immediate Dublin area.

I make sure an online event remains interactive, we will of course still do drawings together. If a school happens to have several classes that would like to attend an online event, this is totally fine. Any online event would of course be administered by the library or the school.

There are several activity sheets available at <https://gerrydalyart.ie/downloads.html>

If you need any more info please email hello@gerrydalyart.ie

Across social media I can be found @gerrydalyart      



Carlow Library - Askea BNS



County Library Tallaght - CDI Tallaght family fun day



Sligo Central Library - Cruinniú na nÓg



Leixlip Library - Children's Book Festival

“Gerry is so professional, conscientious, friendly and just a wonderful facilitator to work with. He is fantastic with children, parents and teachers alike and the workshops are filled with fun, interaction, engagement and learning. Every time we programme a Gerry Daly workshop the demand is huge, and the feedback is always phenomenal. I cannot recommend Gerry and his workshops highly enough.”

- Emma Doran, Kildare Libraries



Dublin Central Library - Children's Book Festival



Dubray Bray - World Book Day



Pearse Street Library - Children's Book Festival



Halfway Up The Stairs - World Book Day



Stradbally Library - Children's Book Festival



St Oliver Plunkett NS Malahide - Book Week