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**Vaughan Public Libraries hosts *Vaughan Kids ♥ Reading*
at Pierre Berton Resource Library on Sunday, June 11, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

WHAT: Vaughan Public Libraries (VPL) hosts *Vaughan Kids ♥ Reading* at Pierre Berton Resource Library. Activities begin at 11 a.m. at 4921 Rutherford Road.

Highlights of the day include appearances by authors Diya Lim (French), Frieda Wishinsky and Kevin Sylvester. An interactive writing workshop with Joel A. Sutherland will be offered for children ages 8 and up to create their own book and learn how to plan their own book launch party! Activities such as a puppet show by Applefun Puppetry and bookmark and button-making will also be held throughout the day.

The community is welcome to enjoy the fun until 4 p.m.

WHEN: **Sunday, June 11, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

11 a.m. **Children’s writing workshop with Joel A. Sutherland**

12 p.m. ***Robin Hood and the Dragon Puppet Show* by Applefun Puppetry**

1 p.m. **Author visit in French with Diya Lim**

2 p.m. **Author visit with Frieda Wishinsky**

3 p.m. **Author visit with Kevin Sylvester**

WHERE: Pierre Berton Resource Library
[4921 Rutherford Road, Woodbridge](#)

ATTACHMENTS: Joel A. Sutherland / Applefun Puppetry / Diya Lim / Frieda Wishinsky / Kevin Sylvester

JOEL A. SUTHERLAND:

Joel A. Sutherland is an author, workshop facilitator and librarian. He wrote children's books *Be a Writing Superstar*, *Haunted Canada 4*, and *Frozen Blood*, a horror novel that was nominated for the Bram Stoker Award. His short fiction has appeared in many anthologies and magazines, including *Blood Lite II & III* (Pocket Books) and *Cemetery Dance Magazine*, alongside the likes of Stephen King and Neil Gaiman. For more information on Joel, visit <http://www.joelasutherland.com/>.

DIYA LIM:

Originally from Mauritius, Diya Lim is a French editor and children's book author, penning such titles as *La petite fille qui ne rêvait jamais*, *L'arbre qui voulait être entendu*, *Amandine adore la galette des Rois!*, and *Larouspiol suivi de Les enfants du ciel*. She currently lives in Mississauga with her husband, two daughters and a dog. For more information on Diya, visit <http://www.diyalim.com/>.

FRIEDA WISHINSKY:

An award-winning author and teacher with a Master of Science in special education, Frieda Wishinsky has had sixty trade and educational books published in Canada, the U.S. and the UK. Her first picture book, *Ooonga Boonga*, was voted "Pick of the List" by American booksellers, and *Each One Special* was nominated for a Governor General's Award. Frieda lives with her family in Toronto. Visit her website, <http://friedawishinsky.com/index.html>, for more information.

KEVIN SYLVESTER:

A Canadian writer and cartoonist, Kevin Sylvester is based in Toronto. He has written and illustrated a number of best-selling children's books including his most famous series, *the Neil Flambé Capers*. For more information, visit <http://kevinsylvesterbooks.com/>.

APPLEFUN PUPPETRY:

Since 1997, Applefun Puppetry has been performing its hilarious brand of

entertainment throughout Ontario. Visit <http://www.applefun.ca/index.html> for more information.

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