



**BONNIE KELSO**

AUTHOR ILLUSTRATOR

## Virtual Author Visit Packet

### Virtual Presentation Menu:

#### **THE NUDIBRANCH SHOW!**

##### **Best for grades K-2nd (45 minutes)**

In this program, Bonnie shares her love for strange and unusual sea animals. She'll introduce a cast of odd marine characters and describe each of their special talents. Bonnie will read aloud her informational picture book NUDI GILL. Afterwards, she will guide the class in some creative role playing exercises as they imagine the life of a nudibranch. The students will be guided step-by-step as they draw Gill, the nudibranch. Lastly, Bonnie will answer questions and challenge students to discover more about nudibranchs after the presentation.

#### **DESIGN YOUR OWN NUDIBRANCH**

##### **Best for grades K-5th (45 minutes)**

In this program, Bonnie shares explains that there are over 3,000 species of nudibranchs and that additional species are still being discovered. She will read aloud her informational picture book NUDI GILL. She will identify and explain the different parts of nudibranch anatomy. Afterwards, she will guide students step-by-step as they invent their own undiscovered species of nudibranch. Lastly, Bonnie will answer questions and challenge students to discover more about nudibranchs after the presentation.

## **Virtual Pricing:**

**45 minute single presentation - \$200**

## **Tips for a GREAT Visit:**

**For virtual presentations, I will need:**

- Any virtual meeting platform (such as Zoom) hosted by the school.
- Someone to monitor the students, chat and questions during the meeting in person or online.
- Paper and pencil for each student so they can follow along during the drawing demonstration.

## **Making the MOST of our time together:**

- Prepare the students and teachers. There's nothing better than speaking to a group of students and staff who are excited I'm there! Students will be more engaged and will ask great questions if they know a bit about me and my book BEFORE the event day. My website, [www.BonnieKelso.com](http://www.BonnieKelso.com), is a great place to start.
- Order a copy of the book for your classroom before the event so students can become familiar with it.
- Encourage teachers to follow-up the presentation with class discussion or an activity. There are writing and drawing activities located on my website, [www.BonnieKelso.com](http://www.BonnieKelso.com), that are FREE for the taking.

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