

## **Press Release from Sedona Public Library**

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### **Saturday Youth Storytime features Sedona Guest Author**

The public is invited to a special presentation by Diane Phelps Budden, guest author of her book SHADE; A story about a very smart raven on Saturday, July 24 from 11 a.m. to Noon during our regular storytime for youth. The program will include a reading of her book with a craft following the reading. Books will also be available for purchase after the storytime event.

Pre-registration is recommended to reserve a space for this special event. Please call the youth dept. at 928-282-7714 Ext. 19 for registration and to ask questions about this or other programming for children.

Sedona author Diane Phelps Budden knew she would be a children's author one day when, as a librarian, she shared many fun story hours with children, and, as a parent, she read book after book to her own engaged children. For many years, in both the corporate and academic worlds, she honed her marketing skills, and in her free time, she was a painter and printmaker. Then, five years ago, she began putting pen to paper to encourage children to see and experience the world in other ways through her writing.

The author self-published "Shade; a Story About a Very Smart Raven" in 2010 after learning about the amazing intelligence of ravens and wanting children to understand these "backyard birds" more completely. Diane can be contacted at [smartraven.budden@gmail.com](mailto:smartraven.budden@gmail.com) or visit her blog at [www.redrockwriting.com](http://www.redrockwriting.com).

The Sedona Public Library offers a myriad of programs for all ages and all interest. For information about this or any program as well as the wide variety of services the Library offers, please call 282-7714.