



## REVIEWS TELL THE STORY

"The characters are pleasantly nutty, with each distinctive voice adding to the mayhem. The story's lighthearted fun promises to amuse with every turn."

-Robyn Gioia,, [School Library Journal](#)

"What a hoot this book is - clever, snarky, convoluted and totally entertaining. This is guaranteed to be a hit with the Lemony Snickett fans....Count me in as a fan with a capital F!"

-Lynn Rutan, [Booklist Online](#)

"Leaving The Bellweathers is absolutely, beautifully, frighteningly brilliant! I can't say enough about this book! Roald Dahl would have been proud to have written this!"

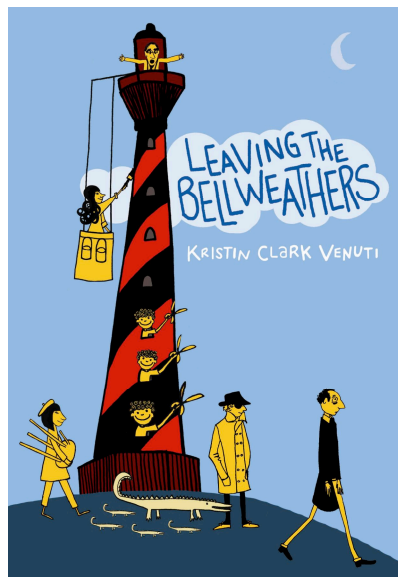
-Jeff Battis, [City Lights Books](#)

"I read a lot of books, and have read a lot of books. It takes a rare book that actually entertains me the whole way through - especially a children's book! My 11 year old, Z, whipped through it and enjoyed it, and to put that in perspective, he's started many books but this is the first one that he finished."

-Curtis Silver, GeekDad - [Wired.com](#)

"... the Bellweather family will, at very least, amuse and may make some laugh out loud."

[Kirkus Reviews](#)



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## EDUCATIONAL AND ENTERTAINING

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### Kristin Clark Venuti



"Kristin's presentation is amazing. Not only does she entertain, but she educates. Students are enthralled and completely engaged. It's wonderful to see."

- Kristy Price, Librarian (retired), Clark County District, Nevada



## KRISTIN CLARK VENUTI EDUCATES AND ENTERTAINS



Kristin Clark Venuti uses her recently published book, *Leaving the Bellweathers*, as a foundation for school visits, book

store appearances, and seminars for professional writers. A former children's theater producer and two-time black belt, Kristin easily handles groups both large and small. An experienced performer, she expertly tailors her dynamic and educational presentations to fit her varied audiences.



## Grades 2 - 3

respond with laughter and joy to her colorful felt board manipulation and silly songs, which explore the fantastic world she created in "*Leaving the Bellweathers*."

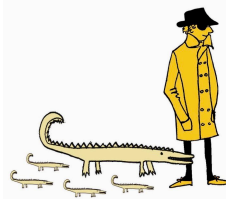
## Grades 3 - 4

are entertained and educated by a presentation that touches briefly on her book, and then explores the craft of writing, culminating in a hands-on group project; writing a concrete poem.



## Grades 5 - 7

are enthralled by a program which includes many of the elements of the presentation for the younger students. Many students identify with



the personal account of her struggles with, and triumph over, her own Attention Deficit Disorder.

## Adults

Kristin Clark Venuti presents talks on the craft (and business) of writing and is also available for workshops with smaller groups of writers of all ages.



## KRISTIN CLARK VENUTI



Kristin Clark Venuti is the author of "*Leaving the Bellweathers*". This uproarious tale about the wackiest

family ever to live in a lighthouse in the village of Eel-Smack-by-the-Bay, and their poor butler's plans to escape the madness, is a sure winner with both kids and adults.

The book, reviewed in "*Booklist Online*", "*The Horn Book*", "*Kirkus*", and even "*Wired*", is available as an Audio Book (Brilliance Audio) and has a German Edition due out Spring, 2010. The sequel, "*The Butler gets a Break*" is due out

Fall 2010 and as with the first, will be published by Egmont/Random House distributing.

