



Janie Bynum

Author & Illustrator

I write and illustrate children's picture books.

Originally from Dallas, Texas, I have spent nearly half my life in southwest Michigan. I currently live in Texas and spend time in Michigan, too.

I graduated with a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in graphic

design from the University of North Texas. Over the years I developed my illustration and writing skills and attended two kid's book illustration classes at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago. In addition to writing and illustrating books, I have operated a graphic design business for many years.

In 1997 I got my first picture book contract based on a story I wrote and for which I created rough illustrations. The book, ALTOONA BABOONA, hit the shelves in the spring of 1999. Since then, I've written and/or illustrated another 20+ picture books—including KIKI'S BLANKIE and THE TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS IN TEXAS!

I can't wait to visit you! See you soon!