

# ***The Maupin House Speakers Bureau features:*** **BROD BAGERT**

**Available for customized school and district training  
or conference appearances!**



## **About Brod**

Like a poetic Johnny Appleseed, Brod Bagert travels America, visiting schools and conferences with the message that poetry comes alive for children when they perform it. His own poems are often funny, sometimes sad, and always highly performable.

Brod has written poetry his whole life. He started in third grade with a poem for his mother, wrote a few poems in high school, then picked up the pace in college because "GIRLS LOVE POETRY!" During his lawyer days, Brod wrote fewer and fewer poems. Then one of his children asked him to write a poem for her to perform at school, and that was the beginning of a flood of poetry. In 1992, Brod closed his twenty-one year law practice and became a fulltime poet.

His book *Giant Children* (Dial, 2004) was nominated for the 2005 K-3 Children's Choice Award, while another one of his books, *Hormone Jungle*, won both the Association of Educational Publishers Distinguished Achievement Award and the Independent Publisher Gold Book Award in 2007, and more recently, the International Reading Association's Young Adults' Choice Award in 2008.

Through the Maupin House Speakers Bureau, Brod customizes professional development to fit the needs of his audience. See booking information below.

## **Specialized Topics**

- The Performance Method to teach poetry
- Writing demonstration
- Family Poetry
- Enjoying, understanding, and learning poetry

## **Booking Information:**

### **Training**

*Price per day:* \$1500 (one day);

\$1300 (three or more days)

*Date reservations:* Call for author availability

### **Conference Speaking**

Availability and prices vary; call for more information

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## **Published Books**

### **Publications from Maupin House**

*Hormone Jungle: Coming of Age in Middle School; Rainbows, Head Lice, and Pea-Green Tile: Poems in the Voice of the Classroom Teacher; Steel Cables: The Poetry of Permanent Love; A Bullfrog at Cafe du Monde: Poems from the Heart, Soul and Funnybone of New Orleans*

### **More Poetry Books by Brod**

*School Fever; SHOUT! Little Poems That Roar; Giant Children; The Gooch Machine: Poems For Children To Perform; Elephant Games and Other Playful Poems To Perform; Chicken Socks and Other Contagious Poems; Let Me Be The Boss: Poems For Kids To Perform; Edgar Allen Poe: Poetry For Young Readers*

## **Past Conference Participation**

- IRA Annual Conference
- Florida Reading Association
- National Council of Teachers of English
- Kentucky Council of Teachers of English
- Various state and regional reading association conferences



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