

Maryland Association of School Librarians – Fall Conference 2007

School Libraries for 21st Century Learners!

October 18-19, 2007 • MSTA Conference Days

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Featuring Keynote:

Debbie Abilock

- Speaker, Consultant, Writer - School Library Media and 21st Century Literacy

Debbie Abilock is an educator with over 25 years experience as a Curriculum Coordinator, Director of a unified Library and Technology Department, and a school administrator. As founding editor of *Knowledge Quest*, the print journal of the American Association of School Librarians, she applies extensive knowledge of educational research to the practical issues and tasks of teaching and learning. In a recent interview for *Super Searchers Go to School (2005)* she describes "messing around and clumping" strategies for teaching our youngest searchers to be information literate. Debbie edited the *Standards and Guidelines for Strong School Libraries (2004)* published by the California School Library Association in cooperation with Scholastic Publishers. She currently serves on the national Advisory Board for Project LEAD (ILMS) and BayNet Multitype Library Assn. Debbie considers consulting offers which provide an opportunity to coach, team and build institutional capacity. Learn more about Debbie at: <http://www.noodletools.com/debbie/bio/>



Featuring Guest Author – Mid-Atlantic Author's Luncheon:

Vivian Vande Velde

- Award-Winning Author

A two time Black-Eyed Susan Award Winner and 2000 Edgar Award Winner, Vivian Vande Velde mostly writes books set "long ago and far away," because that's the kind of story she's always enjoyed best. A novelist, Vande Velde also writes short fiction, which has appeared in many anthologies and publications, including 'Cricket Magazine,' 'Aboriginal Science Fiction,' and 'Asimov's Science Fiction'.

Vivian Vande Velde is the author of numerous fantasy novels for young adult readers. She has turned Grimm's fairy tales upside down in *Tales from the Brothers Grimm and the Sisters Weird (1995)*. Her vampire tale, *Companions of the Night (1995)*, earned her an ALA Best Book for Young Adults, and was called "a tingly thriller" by 'Horn Book.' Vivian Vande Velde's sense of humor is delightfully showcased in *Smart Dog (1998)*. One of her most recent books is a funny and imaginative murder mystery entitled *Never Trust a Dead Man (1999)* received the 2000 Edgar Award in the Best Young Adult category. Her latest book *All Hallows' Eve: 13 Stories (2006)* was the February 2007 - VOYA's Top Shelf Fiction for Middle School Readers List. Learn more about Vivian at: <http://www.vivianvandevelde.com/>

Also featuring: ❖ Great Conference Sessions! ❖ The Mid-Atlantic Author's Luncheon ❖ Vendor's Exhibit ❖ The Ocean and Boardwalk

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