

School Programs *unlike any other... combining MUSIC, ART and SCIENCE!*

IN-CLASSROOM WORKSHOPS for all ages (*can combine two or three classes together*)

“Initial Cap Design” workshop (Grade 3 & up)

Ms. Feeney conducts hands-on workshops where the students will study one of the most creative parts of a picturebook, the “Initial Cap”. This element of design and illustration is based on the first capital letter of the story which is enhanced in some way. The Initial Cap is one of Ms. Feeney’s favorite parts of illustrating a book and it is also something that she really enjoys teaching students how to create themselves for their own writings.

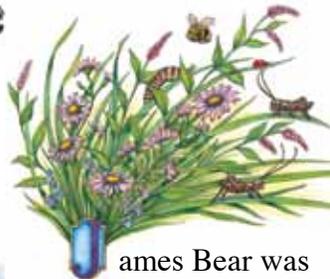
Initial Cap Examples



here’s a hole in the bottom of the sea,



Maude and Mike liked to fly kites.



ames Bear was a vegetarian...



ust a little puddle of muddy water left there after the rain,

Environmental Workshop: NEW BOOK and SONG coming Spring 2012!



Appropriate for K-4

Student participation is a *must* as 13 **giant flash cards** are used to illustrate the book’s green-friendly song!

Inspired by the Gulf Oil Spill of 2010, Christine Lavin has written all-new lyrics for a familiar folk tune. “**Hole in the Bottom of the Sea**” weaves a hopeful tale of how clean energy can help with our power needs without harm to the environment or its very precious inhabitants. Besides illustrating the book, Betsy Franco Feeney has written the science-filled appendix with several consultants, all experts in their fields. Renewable energy, conservation of our resources and wildlife rehabilitation are all explored.

In addition, a **pinwheel** pattern is provided for students to color and create their very own wind ‘machines’!



“Giant Book & Song” workshop (K-2nd grade)

For younger students, it’s an eye-popping experience to see an almost 6-foot wide picturebook open before them! The smallest of worlds comes to life in a big way when Ms. Feeney turns the pages of her giant book. The *American Association for the Advancement of Science* has praised the book saying, “**Amoeba Hop** is an innovative approach to introduce young students to the world of microbiology, using song lyrics.”



The students also perform the story of “**Amoeba Hop**” right in the classroom using large cut-out characters from the book and the little girl’s umbrella and rain coat!



About the Illustrator and Co-Author, Betsy Franco Feeney

Read what schools are saying...

“It was an excellent workshop. Our children truly enjoyed the hands-on experience and benefited from this activity. I would certainly recommend Mrs. Feeney’s presentation.”

*Mr. Sheldon Silver, Principal,
East Brook Elementary, Park Ridge, NJ*

“[Ms. Feeney’s] work is outstanding”

*S. Karben, Teacher,
Liberty Elementary, Valley Cottage, NY*

“I truly enjoyed [Ms. Feeney’s] program Amoeba Hop.

My students enjoyed the enlarged look at the swamp water, the large super colorful storybook along with the very catchy song! **What a great idea! Thanks for bringing a little science and fun to our Brooklyn school!** “

*Lisa Syrdahl, 1st grade Teacher,
The Ovington School, PS 176, Brooklyn, NY*



Betsy Franco Feeney is an award-winning illustrator working in commercial art for almost thirty years. Her work has been described as “*meticulously detailed with rare humor and imagination*” (*Kirkus Reviews*). She has also co-authored two books with celebrated songwriter Christine Lavin. The *American Association for the Advancement of Science* honored “**Amoeba Hop**” as one of its “**Best Books for Children**”. Their second book “**Hole in the Bottom of the Sea**”, has already won high praise: “*If the fate of the planet is in the hands of our children then reading them books like this one might be a wise idea*” (*Kirkus Reviews*).

Call now for pricing on school and library programs for Earth Day or PARP!

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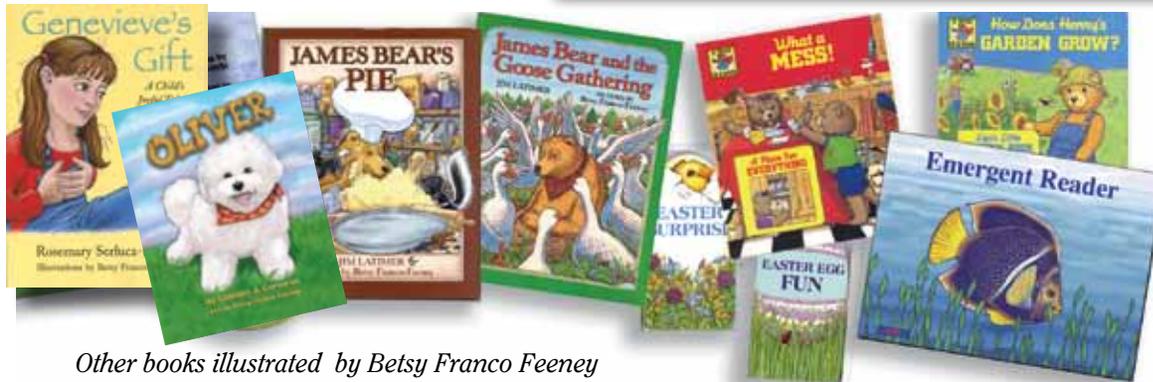
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Note:

Program prices are negotiable and can be tailored to fit your school’s budget.

No additional cost for travel within 90 minutes of Rockland County, NY.



Other books illustrated by Betsy Franco Feeney

School Assembly “The Making of a Book..... An Illustrator’s Tale” (For all Ages)

In a colorful slide presentation, the fascinating process of illustrating a picture book evolves before students’ eyes! They come away from this program with a deeper understanding of the book-making process as Ms. Feeney illustrates the many aspects of creating a book. From initial pencil sketch to final paintings, she describes the proper way to use research along with your imagination to come up with art that is truly unique. She even brings examples of her early work to show students how she drew at their age. Thumbnail sketches, a book dummy and the use of a computer in the design of the pages are all part of the interesting process.

