

## STANISLAUS COUNTY LIBRARY

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Renowned author and illustrator Rosemary Wells to visit Modesto Library and Petersen Event Center

Rosemary Wells, renowned children's book author and illustrator of the *Ruby and Max*, and *Yoko Cat* series, will be featured at two special events on Monday, April 3. Wells is the author of more than 120 books. She has won numerous awards and is an inspirational speaker.

At 11:15 a.m. April 3, children and their families are invited to the Modesto Library to enjoy a reading and book signing by the author.

At 6:30 p.m. Wells will lead a free workshop for adults at the Stanislaus County Office of Education Petersen Event Center, located at 720 12th Street in Modesto. The author will explore the role books and art play in children's early development. The workshop is designed to offer parents, teachers and caregivers practical skills that support school readiness. Simultaneous translation into Spanish and Chinese will be available. A book signing will follow the workshop.

The workshop is a collaboration between the Friends of the Modesto Library and the Stanislaus County Office of Education, sponsored through grants from Omega Nu and the Stanislaus Community Foundation. It is part of the Día initiative to bring multicultural children's literature to all families, regardless of cultural and linguistic background.

For more information, please contact the Modesto Library Children and Teen Services at 209-558-7810.