

SAMERA KAMALEDDINE



AUDIENCE

Stage 3 / Years 3 to 6

DURATION

One hour

COST

\$350



ABOUT MY SESSION

In my author talk I share behind-the-scenes insights into my 2024 CBCA Book of the Year Shortlisted book, *The Sideways Orbit of Evie Hart*. It's a book full of fun facts about space – but also about how to deal when you feel a little different to everyone else in the universe.

I discuss how I take inspiration from my own experiences (and how kids can use their own experiences to create characters and stories too), why it's super important we keep telling Australian stories and more.

THE SIDEWAYS ORBIT OF EVIE HART

Friendship, family and feelings collide in this sparkling middle-grade debut from Matilda Prize winner, Samera Kamaledine

Evie Hart likes rules. A lot. But as she embarks on her very last year of primary school, it feels like all the rules around her are being broken.

When Evie's class starts learning about the Earth's place in the universe, it makes Evie think about her own place in the world and where she belongs. Which has her more worried than ever.

When your mum writes a horoscope page for a living, it's hard not to think about what the future holds. Especially when she and the only dad Evie has ever known are acting like they're on different planets.

But the more Evie learns about the sky and the stars, the more she learns that changes in the world can't always be controlled. And maybe that's not a bad thing.

HOW TO BOOK

Email me at samera@samerak.com to find out available dates.
I look forward to working with you!

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