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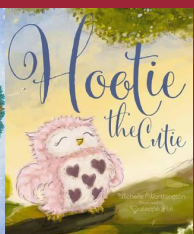
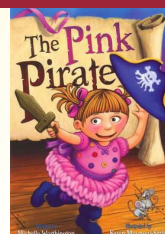
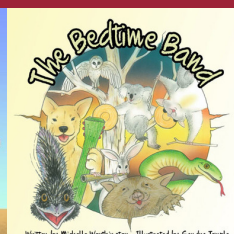
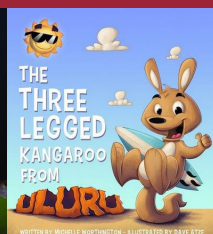
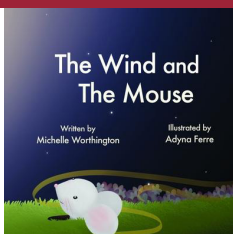
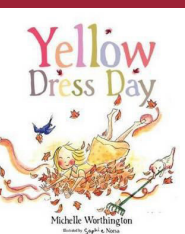
Michelle Worthington is an international guest speaker, award-winning business woman and author of empowering books for children and adults. With over ten years in the book industry, she is a two-time winner of the International Book Award for Children's Hardcover Fiction and finalist in the USA Best Book Awards. Michelle also received a Gellert Burgess Award for Children's Literature and a Silver Moonbeam Award for her contribution to celebrating diversity in Picture Books. Two of her picture books were listed on the CBCA Picture Book of the Year award Notables list and two have been shortlisted for the Speech Pathology Awards and NSW Society of Women's Writers Award. Michelle's profit for purpose consultancy business, Share Your Story, was the winner of the 2018 AusMumpreneur Gold Award for Business Excellence and finalist in the Redlands Bar Awards for Best Start Up. She is a real life book fairy.

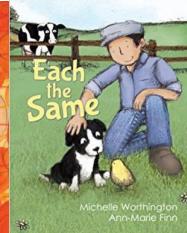
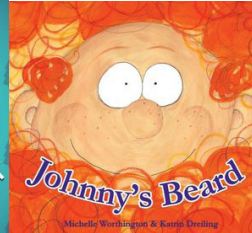
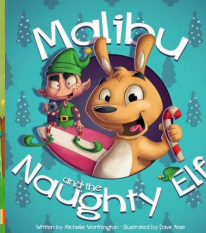
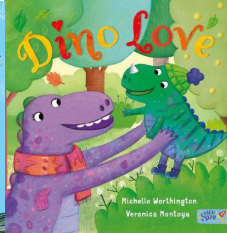
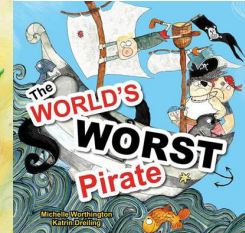
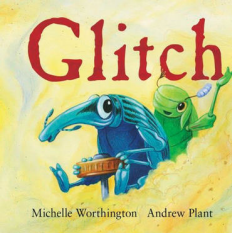
An energetic and dynamic storyteller

Michelle is dedicated to encouraging a strong love of reading and writing in young children and conducts author visits at primary and special schools, libraries and bookstore storytelling and publishing workshops for adults. She especially enjoys meeting people through her speaking engagements for women's groups and charities.

Books

Dino Love	(New Frontier Publishing 2020)	Glitch	(Ford Street Publishing Pty Ltd 2017)
Possum Games	(Novella Distribution 2020)	Malibu and the Naughty Elf	(Big Sky Publishing 2017)
Super Nicholas	(Spork 2020)	My Brother Tom	(Novella Distribution 2017)
The Wind and the Mouse	(Daisy Lane Publishing 2020)	The Three Legged Kangaroo	(Big Sky Publishing 2017)
Animal Baby Paperback	(Library for All 2019)	From Uluru	
I'll Ride With You	(Library for All 2019)	The World's Worst Pirate	(Redleaf Lane – Early Experiences 2015)
Lead With a Story	(Share Your Story 2019)	The Pink Pirate	(Gidgeymo Illustrations 2015)
Little Gnome's Christmas Wish	(Spork 2019)	Hootie the Cutie	(New Frontier Pty Ltd 2014)
Johnny's Beard	(Little Pink Dog Books 2018)	Yellow Dress Day	(New Frontier Pty Ltd 2014)
Pugs Don't Wear Pyjamas	(New Frontier Pty Ltd 2018)	Each the Same	(Ambassador International 2013)
Sharing Your Story	(Share Your Story 2018)	The Bedtime Band	(Novella Distribution 2011)

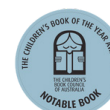




Study and Awards

- 1990 • 1st place in the Little Swaggie Awards for "The Floods" from the Dorothea Mackellar Poetry Competition
- 1992 • Certificate of Commendation for the play "Virginia Woolf" from the Camalco Making Contact Playwriting Competition from Queensland's State Theatre Company
- 1996 • Graduated from the University of Queensland with a Bachelor of Arts
- 2001 • Diploma of Professional Children's Writing from Australian College of Journalism
- 2006 • 1st place in the 2006 Stockman's Statue Written Bush Poetry Competition for "Charlotte Sturt" from the Katherine Country Music Muster/March 2007; Certificate of Commendation for the Poem "Aussie Pub ABC" from Adelaide Plains Poets Inc Country Pubs & the Bush Poetry Competition
- 2007 • Certificate in Short Story Writing from Thomson Education Direct
- 2012 • Out of the Box Children's Festival guest storyteller Gold Coast Writers Festival Children's Programme Workshop at Surfers Paradise State School
- 2013 • Queensland Writers Centre How to Create a Picture Book Workshop
• Moreton Bay College Grade 10 Careers Information Night
• 4KQ Special Children's Christmas Party Performer as Fairy Belle, the book fairy
• USA Best Book Award finalist for Each The Same
• International book award finalist The Pink Pirate

- 2014 • Moreton Bay Queenslander of the Year for Contribution to the Arts
• Moreton Bay College Grade 10 Careers Information Night
• Queensland Writers Centre How to Create a Picture Book Workshop
• Gold Coast Writers Festival Children's Programme Workshop at Helensvale State School
• International Book Award for Each The Same
- 2015 • Silver Moonbeam Children's Book Award for Noah Chases the Wind
• International Book Award for Hootie The Cutie
• Gellet Burgess Award for children's literature for Noah Chases the Wind
- 2016 • Founder of Share Your Story Australia
- 2017 • My Brother Tom finalist in the Book Excellence Awards
- 2018 • CBCA Picture Book of the Year Notables for Glitch
• CBCA Picture Book of the Year Notables List for The World's Worst Pirate
• Founder of The Boss Lady Club
• Winner of the Gold Award for Business Excellence in the AusMumpreneur Awards
- 2019 • Winner of the Best Startup Business at the Redlands BaR Awards
• Guest Speaker at Charlotte Huck Children's Literature Festival, Los Angeles
- 2020 • Guest presenter on Channel 9's Reading@home TV Show
• Featured on Duchess Sarah Ferguson's Fergie and Friends Storytime
• Featured on Storytime with the Met by the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York
• Speaking role in The Mr Winston Show short film



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