

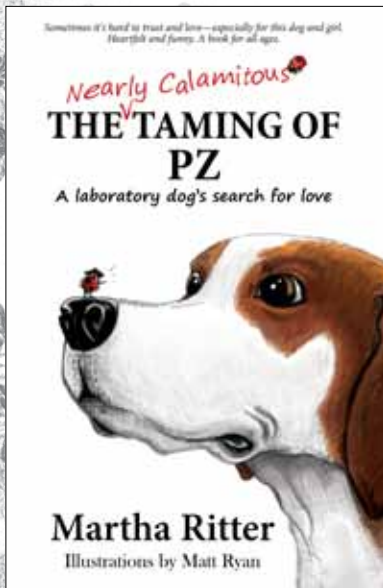
Meet-the-Author Visits

with

Martha Ritter

author of

The Nearly Calamitous Taming of PZ: A laboratory dog's search for love



A mute, nameless foxhound has spent her life in a laboratory cage. She has never seen the sun. When she gets rescued, Dottie, a diva ladybug, helps her understand the world and find a home with Olivia, a restless, solitary girl. It is definitely not love at first sight. The isolated dog and the hesitant girl must face their fear of connecting and learn to tame each other, let go, survive adventures, and find the courage to trust as they search for their place in the sun.

“PZ” is a layered book about being yourself, trusting your instinct, overcoming obstacles, mining experience for what matters, and doing what is necessary for the joy of a hard-won friendship. The classic illustrations are poignant and wacky.

Inspired by the true story of Tess, a laboratory dog who entered civilization.

SKYPE VISITS: (15-30 minutes) Martha loves Skyping with classrooms and libraries where the students are reading “PZ.” Questions written in advance seem to work best.

IN-PERSON VISITS: (\$100 fee) When time and distance considerations allow, Martha greatly enjoys visiting schools and libraries in person. A visit usually lasts about an hour.

TO SCHEDULE A VISIT: Please email info@BradleyStreet Press.com

For more information and the Teacher's Guide:

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MARTHA RITTER wrote her first book when she was in the sixth grade, and the president of the United States requested she give it to Indonesia's president. Reluctantly, she complied—and nearly caused an international incident.

Ritter is a journalist, speechwriter, poet, and actor. She has shared her sense of humor with a national audience in a number of classic TV commercials.