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***TeachingBooks.net* Adds Two New Original Author Programs**

Authors Lauren Child and Angela Johnson Reveal the Creative Process Behind Their Works

MADISON, WIS. (Jan. 4, 2007) – To welcome the New Year, *TeachingBooks.net* announces the addition of two new original author programs to its collection of multimedia book and author resources. These original *TeachingBooks.net* resources bring award-winning authors and illustrators directly into libraries and classrooms, allowing students to learn first hand how ideas, art and text come together to create a book.

The first new author program features an interview with British writer and illustrator Lauren Child, the creator of the Clarice Bean books, the Charlie and Lola series, “The Princess and the Pea,” “Who’s Afraid of the Big, Bad Book,” among others. The Lauren Child author program includes a five-minute movie, during which Child reveals her interest in reinventing fairy tales, plus an additional movie of Child reading from “Clarice Bean Spells Trouble.” See and hear Child discuss her books and demonstrate her collage illustrations at <http://TeachingBooks.net/LChild>.

The second new author program features an interview with Angela Johnson, a three-time Coretta Scott King Author Award winner for “Toning the Sweep” (1994), “Heaven” (1999), and “The First Part Last” (2004). The Angela Johnson author program includes six interactive slide shows, including Johnson reading from “The First Part Last.” Listen to Johnson discuss her African-American protagonists and universal stories at <http://TeachingBooks.net/AJohnson>.

TeachingBooks.net original author programs include in-depth written interviews about the authors’ background, books and writing process, plus links to relevant websites and book guides. For more information, or to sign up for a free 14-day trial, visit www.teachingbooks.net.

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