

INTRO CARD

A suggested guide for introducing Kathy. Feel free to edit!

Kathy Jessup began her public career as a broadcast journalist with CBC radio. One day, she attended her first storytelling concert, and from that moment on---she was hooked! Kathy began writing stories for children, and was soon performing at schools, libraries, concerts and festivals across Canada and internationally.

Although much of Kathy's time is spent entertaining young children, she also loves telling stories to teens and adults. Some of her work has been published in magazines and story anthologies, and her CD of original stories ***LISTEN UP! Tellable Tales for Hungry Ears*** is recommended by the Canadian Children's Book Centre Guide: *Best Books for Kids and Teens*. In addition to performing, Kathy also enjoys leading storytelling and writing workshops, for all ages.

10 FUN FACTS ABOUT KATHY:

- She was raised in a large family with 4 brothers & 1 sister (she is in the middle)
- She grew up in a small village in northern British Columbia, on the Alaska Highway (Fort Nelson)
- She played piano as a child, and loves a wide range of music.
- Her broadcast career included work on 3 Olympic games (Calgary- Alberta, Seoul- Korea, and Vancouver -BC), and the Pan American Games in Santo Domingo- Dominican Republic.
- She has a husband, 3 grown daughters and 1 dog.
- Her favourite hobby is to travel. She has visited every province in Canada except Manitoba, and every territory except Nunavut
- She has also visited 16 countries (some of the twice) - so far!
- Her favourite food is lasagna. Her least favourite food is turnips.
- Her favourite activity is to walk with her dog, in the creek ravine near her home in Edmonton.
- She has flown in a hot air balloon and would love to try floating in a glider!