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Judy Penz Sheluk Letter of Endorsement

Judy Penz Sheluk has provided many successful online programs at the Barrie Public Library (BPL), most recently in 2024. Judy's range of experiences as an author, editor, in self-publishing and membership and roles in various writers' associations, professional organizations, brings a wealth of varied knowledge to her presentations.

Neighbouring libraries recommended Judy for her engaging and professional talks and ability to draw a crowd. Judy has offered the following programs at BPL; the statistics don't lie that she is an engaging presenter:

- Finding Your Path to Publishing Zoom Wednesday, April 10, 2024 <u>http://barrielibrary.libnet.info/event/10198302</u>; 20 participants
 - Presentation feedback included:
 - "I want to say thank you for the learning at tonight's session. It was really informative, and it
 was nice to hear about other ways to connect with different access to get paid differently. :)
 Thank you"
 - "Hi. I'd like to thank Judy for the eye-opening presentation."
- Local Author Series: Author Interview Thursday, November 18, 2021 http://barrielibrary.libnet.info/event/5596290 ; **15 views**
- Local Author Series: Thriller Panel Sunday, November 14, 2021 https://barrielibrary.libnet.info/event/5561377; 61 participants

Judy's writing and publishing talks offered professional development opportunities for local authors and for Simcoe NaNoWrimo participants. Judy's author interview, part of a reader's advisory series spotlighting local authors, helped our customers decide 'what to read next'.

Judy's titles in our <u>collection</u> are a testament to her writing, both the short crime fiction and mystery novels, as they continue to be checked out. In our years of collaborative work with Judy, she has been a reliable professional resource for local author talks and learning in our community.

Sincerely,

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