Call for Papers

Bookbird: A Journal of International Children’s Literature
Deadline: July 1, 2015

Bookbird: A Journal of International Children’s Literature invites contributions for a special issue exploring Indigenous Children’s Literature from around the world. Taking our cue from studies like Clare Bradford’s germinal Unsettling Narratives, which examines First Nations’ issues in texts by Indigenous and non-Indigenous authors, this issue welcomes articles that focus on texts for children and young adults by Indigenous/Native/Aboriginal/First Nations authors. Topics might include, but are not limited to:

- nations within and across nations
- decolonization and survivance
- orality and storytelling
- history and context
- formation of identity
- borders and journeys
- place and the natural world
- spirituality and sacred folkways
- origin stories and the trickster figure
- tribal politics and sovereignty
- community and culture

Full papers should be submitted to the editor, Björn Sundmark (bjorn.sundmark@mah.se), and guest editor, Roxanne Harde (rharde@ualberta.ca), by 1 July 2015. Please see Bookbird’s website at www.ibby.org/bookbird for full submission details. Papers which are not accepted for this issue will be considered for later issues of Bookbird.