

About the Author



Susan Nadathur writes multicultural fiction for teens and young adults. A self-proclaimed misfit from Connecticut, Susan is now a full-time author and certified Bullying Prevention Specialist who shares her journey from being bullied to becoming a champion of the outcast through her writing. Any young person who feels pushed to the edge will identify with Susan's multimedia presentations full of visual props, music, and dynamic images that spark audience participation and discussion.

Her favorite topic? **Celebrating Differences** "In diversity there is beauty and there is strength."
Maya Angelou

Bring the fresh perspectives of a working writer to your students by inviting Susan Nadathur to your school. **Take home message for participating students:** it's okay to be different, in fact it is encouraged. Susan's presentations focus on how to thrive on the other side of outcast.

Susan usually begins by sharing the story of how she survived her painful teenage years to become a successful writer focused on young people who do not fit into the mainstream. She then engages in multimedia activities related to her books. *City of Sorrows* tells of a Spanish Gypsy who is forced to face his greatest fears when a Spaniard is not able to let go of his prejudice and allows ethnicity to come before compassion. *Dante's Demons* is a coming of age story about a seventeen-year-old Puerto Rican teen who learns how to embrace what makes him different and how to thrive on what makes him unique.

Using visual props, Susan shows-and-tells her way through the personal stories that inspired the characters in her books and gives students a chance to respond and ask questions. At the end of her presentation she signs and personalizes books for students who have preordered copies.

If you'd like to invite Susan to your school, please contact her for schedule and pricing.

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