

Introducing Kathy Barco



KATHY BARCO is a leader. Kathy has presented at local, statewide, regional, and national library and literature conferences. She served on the board of the New Mexico Library Foundation and was the recipient of the 2006 Leadership Award given by the New Mexico Library Association.

KATHY BARCO is an author. Her monograph ***READiscover New Mexico – A Tri-Lingual Adventure in Literacy***, won the 2008 New Mexico Book Award in the Children's Activity Book Category. She also co-authored ***True Stories of Censorship Battles in America's Libraries***, ***Breakfast New Mexico Style***, and ***Breakfast Santa Fe Style*** with Valerie Nye.

KATHY BARCO is a children's librarian who recently retired from the position of Literacy Coordinator at the Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Library in New Mexico. Prior to that position, Kathy was the Youth Services Coordinator at the New Mexico State Library from 2001-2006. In both of these positions, Kathy gained experience organizing and presenting summer reading workshops. But, perhaps more importantly to all of you, Kathy has experience running summer reading programs for children and teens in libraries. She understands what it takes to make a strong summer reading program from planning and marketing to doing crafts and marrying the summer reading theme to the books in a library's collection. Having presented workshops around both New Mexico and Colorado, Kathy realizes that library size and budget are key players in summer reading planning, so she's brought ideas that can be scaled big or small.

