

Stephen Aitken
author/illustrator

RESUMÉ

EDUCATION

Writing Children's Nonfiction Books for the Educational Market, online course taught by author Laura Purdie Salas, winter 2009.

Poetry for Children's Books, online course by Anastasia Suen 2007.

University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Ont. Canada. B.Sc. Major in Biology, minor in Fine Art, 1981.

Carleton University School of Architecture, Ottawa, Canada. 1976-78.

WRITING

Fiction and non-fiction books, articles and poems for magazines in Canada and the US (see published works). Illustrated 15+ books for publishers in the US, China, India, Africa and UK. From 2005-2010 represented by [Storybookarts](#) Inc. Dover Plains NY.

MEMBERSHIPS

Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators (SCBWI).

Chair of the Membership Committee of the [Picture Book Artists Association](#).

NonFiction for Kids list serve.

BIODIVERSITY JOURNAL

Senior Editor Biodiversity Journal April 2013 - present

Managing Editor Biodiversity Journal Jan. 2004 to April 2013

A quarterly, peer-reviewed, international, science publication. Tasks include; soliciting articles from researchers, arranging for peer reviews, correspondence with authors and reviewers, schedule production, layout, copyedit and print management.

News Editor Jan. 2000 to 2004 *Biodiversity journal*, researched and wrote news stories on current issues of wildlife and habitat conservation, global warming, etc.

PROJECT COORDINATOR - Pinhey Sand Dune Conservation Project *May 2011- March 2013* coordinated a restoration team of scientists and volunteers to restore a sand dune habitat in Ottawa, Canada. Responsible for media releases, public relations and blog and twitter content as well as collaboration with municipal, provincial and federal levels of government.

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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY - [Biodiversity Conservancy International](#) *June 1995 - present.*
Founding Board Member.

SCIENCE

Publication Production Team Member 1981 to 1995. Natural Resources Canada, Science Directorate, Publications Division; Agriculture and Agri-food Canada, Publications Division; Canadian Nature Museum, Exhibits and displays; Parks Canada, Publications Division.