



Best Selling Author Chris Gall



Is Coming to Mission Avenue! February 3rd

Author Chris Gall is an award-winning author and illustrator of many books including, *Awesome Dawson*, *Nanobots*, *Revenge of the Dinotrux*, *Substitute Creature* and *Dinotrux*, a 2009 Publishers Weekly Best Children's Book. His latest book, *Go for the Moon: A Rocket, a Boy, and the First Moon Landing*, was just released this year in honor of the fiftieth anniversary of the first moon landing. It captures the hours leading up to the moon launch, the landing and provides technical details that will delight any budding scientist!

Always an avid reader, he recalls being grounded from going to the library as a young boy! "My parents said I was spending too much time there!" He read books about different things as he was never sure what he wanted to be when he grew up - Astronomer, Geologist, Oceanographer, Spy, etc. Gall and his family moved often and he learned to adjust to his new home by reading, drawing, writing and seeking new adventures. In fact, he once tried to launch himself into space in an old, beat-up water heater!

In second grade, he was caught drawing pictures on his desk. His teacher made him clean all of the desks in the classroom and suggested that he might be an artist someday. In 7th grade, he won a Read Magazine Young Writer's Award that inspired him to write stories to go along with his art. His first book, "America The Beautiful" was a Publishers Weekly Best Children's Book of 2004 and illustrates the popular anthem written by his great-great-grandma Katharine Lee Bates.

Always fascinated by machinery, cars, trucks, planes and trains, Gall created the popular picture book, *Dinotrux*. "It's about an ancient race of trucks that existed in prehistoric times before the rise of man, but after the demise of dinosaurs," he said. Dreamworks made a cartoon adaptation of *Dinotrux* that appears on Netflix.

Mission Ave PTA is happy to offer some of Mr. Gall's books but **you must pre-order and pay by Friday, January 24, 2020**. See order form on reverse side. During Author Day your child will have a chance to meet Mr. Gall and have their book(s) personally autographed.

A limited amount will be on hand on Author Day for purchase.

It promises to be a very exciting day!

AUTHOR DAY 2020 WITH CHRIS GALL - BOOK ORDER FORM

Student Name: _____

Teacher Name: _____

AUTHOR DAY BOOKS FOR SALE: ALL PRICES INCLUDE SALES TAX

Students who purchase a book(s) will have the opportunity to meet best-selling author **Chris Gall** as he signs their book(s) on Author Day, **Monday, February 3rd.**

Please return this form with **full payment (cash or check) by Friday, January 24, 2020.**

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| A. <i>Awesome Dawson</i> | Quantity ____ @ \$15.00 = \$ ____ Hardback |
| B. <i>Dinotrux</i> | Quantity ____ @ \$16.00 = \$ ____ Hardback |
| C. <i>Revenge of the Dinotrux</i> | Quantity ____ @ \$15.00 = \$ ____ Hardback |
| D. <i>Meet the Dinotrux</i> | Quantity ____ @ \$4.00 = \$ ____ Paperback |
| E. <i>Dog Vs. Cat</i> | Quantity ____ @ \$16.00 = \$ ____ Hardback |
| F. <i>Go For The Moon</i> | Quantity ____ @ \$17.00 = \$ ____ Hardback |
| G. <i>Littlest Train</i> | Quantity ____ @ \$15.00 = \$ ____ Hardback |
| H. <i>Nanobots</i> | Quantity ____ @ \$14.00 = \$ ____ Hardback |
| I. <i>Substitute Creature</i> | Quantity ____ @ \$16.00 = \$ ____ Hardback |
| J. <i>Dinotrux Go To School</i> | Quantity ____ @ \$13.00 = \$ ____ Hardback |
| K. <i>Dinotrux Dig the Beach</i> | Quantity ____ @ \$14.00 = \$ ____ Hardback
Quantity ____ @ \$7.00 = \$ ____ Paperback |

Total Books _____ Total Amount \$ _____ **Checks should be made out to MAOS PTA**

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Example: Autograph H TO: Bobby

DUE WITH PAYMENT BY Friday, JANUARY 24, 2020

We encourage our families to shop Amazon Smile as well, where book prices may be more competitive
A limited amount of books will be on hand on Author Day for purchase.