

Kazu Kibuishi to Speak at the Annual Curious George Lecture Series

CAMBRIDGE, MA – February 26, 2019 – The Cambridge Public Library is pleased to announce that Kazu Kibuishi, the writer and artist of the *New York Times* bestselling *Amulet* graphic novel series, will be the speaker at the third annual Margret and H. A. Rey Curious George Lecture Series Thursday, March 28, at 6:30 p.m., in the Main Library Lecture Hall, 449 Broadway, Cambridge. This event connects children and their families to the magic of reading through a memorable experience with an author or illustrator.

The lecture series is an initiative developed in partnership with the Cambridge Public Library, the Curious George Fund, and the Cambridge Public Library Foundation. The series aims to bring the community together to celebrate outstanding and engaging books for young readers. Speakers are chosen in honor of Margret and H.A. Rey, Cambridge residents who authored many beloved children's books, including *Curious George*.

"Children's literacy is paramount, and we are excited to welcome Kazu Kibuishi, whose books have fostered a love of reading in many children," said Dr. Maria McCauley, Director of Libraries.

"I'm thrilled this year's lecture offers the many young *Amulet* series fans an opportunity to meet Kazu Kibuishi," said Julie Roach, Manager of Youth Services. "What an honor it is to connect the children in our community with the creators of books that are meaningful to them."

Amulet 8: Supernova, the 8th novel of the Amulet series, was released in Fall 2018. Kazu's debut graphic novel, Daisy Kutter: The Last Train, received wide acclaim and won a YALSA Best Books for Young Adults Award in 2005. His webcomic, Copper, was nominated for an Eisner Award in 2005 and was later published by Scholastic Graphix as a graphic novel. The book was a Junior Library Guild selection for Fall 2009.

For more information on the lecture series visit: http://www.cambridgepubliclibrary.org/CuriousGeorgeLecture/

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About Scholastic:

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