MIKE MAIHACK – AUTHOR VISIT INFORMATION













STORYTELLING IN SPACE! (Ages 7 and up)

An approximately 45-60 minute visual presentation focusing on the origin and creation of the Cleopatra in Space series, the advantages of using historical figures in fiction, and how to create your own strong characters whose traits can be used effectively (and humorously!) in a story. Mike will delve into the basic structure of sequential storytelling, background on the real Cleopatra, do some live drawing, and possibly provide a sneak peek at his upcoming graphic novels. There will be time for Q&A afterward.

Mike is also available to speak to adult groups about creativity, art, and storytelling at conferences and libraries. In addition to panels and Q&As, Mike offers a presentation similar to the one he does for classrooms, but with more emphasis placed on story and character development, and geared toward an older audience with an interest in learning more about creating or reaching out to kids with graphic novels.

Virtual Visit (Ages 7 and up)

Mike is happy to drop in for a 20- to 30-minute virtual visit with classrooms, book groups, and library groups that have read at least one of his books. The visit will include a short visual presentation, a live drawing demonstration, and time for a Q&A afterward.

Pricing (includes up to three sessions and can be split between multiple locations)

Tampa, FL area: \$700/day

Outside Tampa area (2 hours away or more): \$1200/day + travel expenses

Virtual Visit (condensed presentation and Q&A): \$100

Hosts are eligible for a 40% discount on Mike's books when ordering through Scholastic.

Cleopatra in Space #1: Target Practice. ISBN: 978-0-545-52843-6

Cleopatra in Space #2: The Thief and the Sword. ISBN: 978-0-545-52845-0 Cleopatra in Space #3: Secret of the Time Tablets. ISBN: 978-0-545-83867-2

Cleopatra in Space #4: The Golden Lion. ISBN: 978-0-545-83872-6 Cleopatra in Space #5: Fallen Empires. ISBN: 978-1-338-20412-4 Cleopatra in Space #6: Queen of the Nile. ISBN: 978-1-338-20415-5

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Mike Maihack is a graduate of the Columbus College of Art & Design and is the creator of the Cleopatra in Space graphic novels published by Scholastic/Graphix. The series has earned him a Florida Book Award, a YALSA Quick Pick for Reluctant Young Adult Readers selection, a starred review from School Library Journal, and a wealth of sharable knowledge about sequential storytelling. Mike lives in Land O Lakes, FL with his wife, two sons and one fluffy, magisterial cat. Visit mikemaihack.com to find more of his work or follow him online @mikemaihack.

