

Greater San Diego Council of Teachers of English

November 21, 2013

Dear Irene Hunt,

It is with great pleasure that the Greater San Diego Council of Teachers of English announce its nomination of Irene Hunt for the 2013 CATE (California Association of Teachers of English) Award of Merit, which recognizes outstanding and meritorious contributions by people and organizations outside the teaching profession toward the improvement of teaching English Language Arts in California.

While you enjoy multiple careers, your venture into nature photography developed into well-loved bug books for children. Continuing to reach out to young people, you began speaking at schools and writing camps. This past summer you brought your love of photography and writing to the Teen Writers Camp in 4S Ranch, Young Writers Camp in 4S Ranch, and the Riverview Young Writers Camp in Lakeside reaching over 200 young writers across San Diego in just one month.

One student said that she admires you “because I like the way you try to learn things when you write your books for kids.” Clearly you inspire young minds toward creativity and writing.

The GSDCTE would like to thank you for giving of your time and your talents to the students in our San Diego community. We wholeheartedly support your nomination for the 2013 CATE Award of Merit.

Sincerely,

Jeannine Ugalde, President, GSDCTE

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the National Council of Teachers of English
and the California Association of Teachers of English*