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To Whom It May Concern

When you hire Judith Graves, you get her for more than just the event. Judith is dedicated before, during and after, promoting the event through articles and on her blog and even, in our case through a small film. She believes strongly in Alberta literacy, youth and celebrating young writers that when she commits, she commits fully.

We had Judith Graves as an instructor for Winter WordsWorth 2011, a youth creative writing program. Judith taught two sessions of her course, *Writing Fiction to Die For*. Armed with commercial clips, a personal writing play list, dramatic activities as well as, of course, writing activities, Judith illustrated her message using media, action and words. She was independent in her set up, had everything she needed (including a swack of books and give-aways) and was ready to teach when the class began. Many of the students talked to me personally after telling me they loved what they learned in Judith's class and later that night at the Spotlight Cafe we heard from several of her students who read what they wrote in her class.

Outside of class time, Judith, while not an avid outdoors person herself, joined in with the group on a short hike to the river where snow sculptures were created. She also entertained us at the open mic night by joining in with the band on her guitar.

Judith is a talented writer, an entertainer, and a passionate and reliable instructor. I support her future employment in the literary arts wholeheartedly.

Sincerely yours,

Lisa Murphy-Lamb B.Ed., M.Ed, Coordinator, WordsWorth Youth Writing Program