

Author JoAnn Wagner Biography:

Short Bio

JoAnn Wagner is the imaginative creator of the *Sir Pigglesworth® Adventure Series*, where a mischievous globe-trotting piglet explores the world with laughter, a flair for fun and heart. Her books have earned the Royal Dragonfly Award, Pinnacle Book Achievement Award, and NABE recognition. Her stories, available in both English and Spanish, captivate children, parents, and educators alike with their blend of humor, travel, and life lessons. She lives with her husband in Mesquite, Texas, and delights in continuing to craft stories that bring joy, spark laughter, and encourage curiosity in children around the world.

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Medium Bio

JoAnn Wagner, award-winning author of the beloved *Sir Pigglesworth Adventure Series*, has created a world of laughter, learning, and globe-trotting fun that delights children everywhere. Since *Sir Pigglesworth's* debut in 2014, her nine published books have earned prestigious honors including the Royal Dragonfly Awards, the Texas Authors Association Award, and a feature in *Story Monsters Ink* magazine.

Available in both English and Spanish, her books have made JoAnn a popular guest for school visits, radio and podcast interviews, and writing workshops for young authors. A proud member of multiple

literary organizations, she brings her creativity and enthusiasm wherever she goes.

Outside of writing, JoAnn is an avid reader, passionate cook, enthusiastic traveler, and deeply family-centered—qualities that shine through in every page she writes. With Sir Pigglesworth's upcoming adventures set in London and on a lively dude ranch, the little pig's mischievous journeys are far from over.

All books in the series are available worldwide through Amazon print-on-demand.

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Long Bio

JoAnn Wagner is the award-winning creative force behind the enchanting *Sir Pigglesworth® Adventure Series*. Since the lovable piglet's debut in September 2014, Sir Pigglesworth has been captivating young readers worldwide with his charm and mischief.

With nine published adventures, the series has earned numerous accolades, including the Royal Dragonfly Award for Children's Chapter Series (2016), the Texas Authors Association Award for Children's Series (2017), and the Pinnacle Book Achievement Award for Book 8—just two weeks after its release. JoAnn's success and creativity were also highlighted in a four-page feature in *Story Monsters Ink* magazine (December 2016).

Her storytelling transcends borders: the series is available in both English and Spanish, winning the Texas Authors Association Award for Spanish Children's Series in 2018, with additional translations underway. JoAnn is a frequent guest on radio, as well as at schools,

churches, daycare centers, and libraries, where she delights children with her lively readings. She also inspires young writers through her middle school workshops and often shares her journey with service groups like Altrusa International.

An active member of the Texas Authors Association, AuthorYOU, NABE, and the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators, JoAnn is also exploring the possibility of bringing Sir Pigglesworth's adventures to the small screen.

Before launching her author career, JoAnn spent 30 years in the Dallas medical community at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center. She retired in 2014 to pursue writing full time—a path sparked when her pastor handed out pink flying-pig stress balls. Instead of sharing vacation photos, JoAnn began posting whimsical “Sir Pigglesworth” adventures online, and soon children and families eagerly awaited the next story.

Outside of writing, JoAnn treasures time with her five children, six grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. She is an avid reader across all genres, a passionate cook known for treating her guests to new recipes, and a world traveler who gathers inspiration for future Pigglesworth escapades. Even her treadmill time is spent immersed in books.

Looking ahead, JoAnn is working on Book 10, where Sir Pigglesworth returns to London to help Scotland Yard solve a mystery, and Book 11, where the playful piglet stirs up mischief on a dude ranch. All of her books are available on Amazon in English and Spanish, with more languages to come—inviting children everywhere to join Sir Pigglesworth on his delightful adventures.

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Fun Facts You Didn't Know About Me

1. As a pre-teen in Puerto Rico, I did my homework on the beach every day—sand in my schoolbooks was a given, but so was a great tan!
2. In 5th grade, I earned an award for reciting the entire Catechism forward *and backward* in perfect order. (If only my memory were still that good!)
3. In 1964, I made the front page of the San Juan newspaper after slipping past police barriers at the airport to get an autograph from the Blue Angels. The autograph? Long gone. The memory? Priceless.
4. Adventure has become my favorite hobby—I've zip-lined across the Caribbean Sea, kissed a stingray in Grand Cayman, floated high in a hot air balloon, parasailed in Jamaica, and even braved indoor skydiving. (One day I'll jump out of a plane for real!)
5. I'm a devoted Dallas Cowboys fan and once went to the stadium simply to "breathe the same air as Emmitt Smith."
6. One of my most unusual claims to fame? Singing backup with Dionne Warwick in a Kennedy Airport restroom. She didn't hire me—but I had a great story to tell!