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***New York Time Bestselling Author-Illustrator and Worcester Native
Jarrett J. Krosoczka Visits the Worcester Public Library
Children's Book Creator Inspires Readers of All Ages with His
Humor, Heart, and Passion for Storytelling***

Worcester, MA – Jarrett J. Krosoczka, Worcester native and *New York Times* bestselling author-illustrator, will be visiting the Worcester Public Library on Tuesday, September 26 at 3:30 p.m. Krosoczka will share a little bit about his experience growing up in the city, give us some insight into his creative process, and share some insider info on some of your favorite titles!

Perseverance, optimism and above all a talent for visual storytelling, are traits that have benefitted Krosoczka in his pursuit to become the award-winning author-illustrator he is today. From picture books that capture the raucous behavior of exploring your creative side and letting your imagination run wild, to a graphic novel series that follows the exploits of a super-hero Lunch Lady, all his books are infused with humor, heart, and a respect for his readers. These qualities are what attracts his young readers (and listeners) to his books, from *Punk Farm* to *Platypus Police Squad: Never Say Narwhal*, and make them all perennial favorites on the bookshelves of homes, libraries, and bookstores.

Krosoczka is the two-time winner of the Third to Fourth Grade Book of the Year in the Children's Choice Book Awards and has been nominated for the prestigious Will Eisner Comic Industry Award. His work has been featured on the front page of *The Boston Globe* and on NPR's All Things Considered. Krosoczka's books have also been recommended by national publications such as *The New York Times* and *USA Today*.

Jarrett has given two TED Talks, both of which have been curated to the main page of TED.com and have collectively accrued more than two million views online. He is also the host of The Book Report with JJK on SiriusXM's Kids Place Live, a weekly segment celebrating books, authors and reading. His *Punk Farm*, *Lunch Lady* and *Platypus Police Squad* series are all currently in development as feature films. Krosoczka lives in Western Massachusetts with his wife and children, and their pugs, Ralph and Frank.

The doors will open for the event promptly at 3:15 p.m. Tickets for entrance will be given out beginning at 3 p.m. on a first come, first served basis. This event is free and open to the public.

For more information on the author visit with Jarrett J. Krosoczka contact Linnea Sheldon, Community Relations and Communications Manager, at 508-799-1654 or lsheldon@mywpl.org. For a complete listing of all programs, please visit: <http://www.mywpl.org/?q=classes-events>.

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