

# Book Fair Author Spotlight On...



## Frieda Wishinsky

The Queen's Secret



**Q** What inspires you to write?

**A** My personal experiences. I twist them and turn them and after many rewritings out pops a story. I also love history and writing about people who lived amazing lives.

**Q** What advice do you have for young writers?

**A** Read lots, get good feedback on your work and know that rewriting is key to crafting a great story.

**Q** What was your favourite book when you were growing up?

**A** I didn't have one favourite but many favourites. I loved fantasy and time travel. Also biographies.

**Q** What do you like to do when you're not writing?

**A** Travel, garden, walk and chat with my friends over coffee or something with chocolate.

**Q** What has been the biggest achievement of your career so far?

**A** I've won many awards and been nominated for many but what I love the most is getting a new idea. That's so exciting. And when a publisher says yes they'd like to publish, that's wonderful too.

**Q** What's the wackiest thing you've ever carried in your purse?

**A** Nothing that wacky is in my purse. Maybe floss is the wackiest. I hate getting stuff between my teeth!

