

Akiko Sueyoshi **My Journey as a Writer**

Title of Book (category, readers age)	Published Year	Summary (Award etc)
<p>“The Girl who Returned to the Star” (long story for YA)</p>	<p>1977</p>	<p>A girl travels to the past time using a bus ticket in the pocket of her mother’s old overcoat. There, she met her mother who was just the same age of her. (2 authorized prizes for newcomer. Published in Korea)</p>
<p>“The girl who became a monster” (long story for 9-12)</p>	<p>1975</p>	<p>While playing pretending monsters, a girl becomes a monster, and her younger sister becomes a frog. A story of their one week life.</p>
<p>“Hide-and- Seek in the Forest” (picture book illustrated by Akiko Hayashi for 5-10)</p>	<p>1978</p>	<p>A girl steps into a strange forest on her home. There she encounters a boy pixy of forest. They play hide-and-see together with other animals. (Published in China, Taiwan, Korea)</p>
<p>“Ghosts in Zock Zock Village Series” 16 titles (short stories for from 6)</p>	<p>1989~ continuing</p>	<p>in Zock Zock village there are a lot of funny monsters, ghosts and others. Witch <i>Obese Ann</i>, is too heavy to fly on a bloom stick. A dentist <i>Tingling</i> transforms into a wolf in the night of full moon. But sometimes he does into a pig, etc. Published 1,800,000 copies total so far.</p>

<p>“Rockie and her Friends series” 8 titles & 2 New Series (short stories for 5-8)</p>	<p>1997~ continuing</p>	<p>A pink girl dinosaur moves from a ruined town over the desert to Breezy Forest with her parents. She starts her first year at primary school in the forest. Popular puppet TV drama turned to books. (Published in Taiwan)</p>
<p>“Mother’s Little Yellow Elephant” (long story for YA)</p>	<p>1985</p>	<p>Seen through the eye of 11 year old boy, humorous but serious story of the struggles and courage of a recently divorced woman looking after two children. (the Noma Award for Children’s Literature. Published in Netherland, Korea)</p>
<p>“Where the Rain-flowers Bloom” (long story for YA)</p>	<p>1998</p>	<p>A 12 year old girl encounters a boy house elf at an old inn in the country side. On a stormy night, they fly on the wind to the distant past. Through folk songs and traditional tales, she becomes aware of another world and another time. (the Shogakukan cultural prize. Published in Netherland, Korea)</p>
<p>“Miu with Red Hair” (long story for YA)</p>	<p>2010</p>	<p>A boy came to an institution in a little island of southern part of Japan. The institution is for children who refuse to attend school by some reasons, such as troubles, problems or being bullied. There he met a strange girl with red hair and experienced many strange incidents. (the Sankei Cultural Award)</p>