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CHILDREN'S LITERATURE RESEARCH COLLECTIONS

Book Art

Tuesday, June 19, 2007 - Elmer L. Andersen Library, Room 120 at 6:00 p.m.

Please join us for this rare combination of literary events! Enjoy spending time socializing and viewing over 100 one-of-a-kind creations generously donated by well-known children's authors and illustrators, including original illustrations, sketches, prints, and signed first edition books. All proceeds will benefit efforts to preserve the children's literature materials housed in the Kerlan Collection. There is no registration or charge for the Chase Lecture or Book*Art 2007. For a preview of donated items please see page 6. To attend the Kerlan Friends Only reception with Emily Arnold McCully, please see the registration form on page 7.



Kate DiCamillo

- 3:00-3:45 p.m.** Special Reception with Emily Arnold McCully for Kerlan Friends only
3:45-4:15 p.m. Kerlan Friends Annual Meeting
4:30-5:30 p.m. Naomi C. Chase Lecture in Children's Literature presented by Emily Arnold McCully
5:30-7:00 p.m. Appetizer and dessert buffet with book signings by Book*Art 2007 honorary co-chairs, Emily Arnold McCully and Kate DiCamillo
6:00-8:00 p.m. Book*Art 2007 Silent Auction

---For more information go to www.kerlancollection.com---

2007 Naomi C. Chase Lecture - Emily Arnold

Tuesday, June 19, 2007 - Elmer L. Andersen Library, Room 120 at 4:30 p.m.



Emily Arnold McCully

Winner of the Caldecott Award for *Mirette on the High Wire*, Emily Arnold McCully has illustrated more than 150 picture books since beginning her career as a children's book illustrator in the 1960s. The publication of the wordless book, *Picnic*, in 1984 marked her debut as a visual storyteller, and she soon began to tell her own stories through both illustrations and text in the Grandma books and other stories for beginning readers.

McCully's lecture will be followed by book sales courtesy of The Red Balloon Bookshop, and book signing by the author from 5:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Appetizers will be served. The Naomi C. Chase Lecture in Children's Literature is supported by the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, College of Education and Human Development, University of Minnesota and the Children's Literature Research Collections, Andersen Library, University of Minnesota, with the gracious assistance of the Kerlan Friends.

Elmer L. Andersen Library is located at 222 21st Avenue South, Minneapolis on the West Bank Campus. Parking is available in University lots adjacent to the Law School and the 19th Street Ramp (\$2.50 per hour), and is also available in the ramp adjacent to the Holiday Inn Metrodome on Washington Avenue (\$1 per hour).

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Diep Truong, new CLRC student staff member

The Children's Literature Research Collection's Kerlan Collection is an internationally recognized center of research in the field of children's literature. The Collection contains original materials, including manuscripts, artwork, galley, and color proofs for more than 16,000 children's books. These materials represent eight decades of American children's books and selected titles published in other countries. The Kerlan Collection also includes more than 100,000 children's books.

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FROM THE KERLAN FRIENDS PRESIDENT

Greetings!

Our year began on a high note with the Kerlan Friends serving as docents for the first-ever Kerlan Collection exhibit at the 2006 Minnesota State Fair in the Fine Arts Building. Thousands of fair goers saw the exhibit and received handouts about the Kerlan Collection. Soon our fiscal year ends on June 19 with all of the festivities you just read about on the front page of this newsletter. I hope many of you join us!

And in between these two high notes were several others:

- The 2007 Kerlan Award was presented to Karen Cushman and Louis Slobodkin (posthumously). Those attending the event were treated to an insightful afternoon.
- The 2006 Kerlan Essay Award was presented to UMN student, Mary Ballsrud, for using the collection to write her award-winning paper, "Truth is as Strange as Fiction in Phyllis Reynolds Naylor's Novel The Keeper."



Julie Reimer, KF Professional Development Day Chairperson

- The Education Committee planned the second Kerlan Professional Development Day. Forty participants attended "Behind the Scenes at the Kerlan Collection." They were thoroughly engaged in the presentations. Many thanks to Marion Dane Bauer and Lise Lunge-Larsen. The committee is looking ahead to the 100th anniversary of Astrid Lindgren's birth and working with a UMN Libraries planning committee to present a day filled with special events honoring this author and her works on November 14, 2007.

• Outreach opportunities included the Kerlan Friends representing the collection at the following events: the Minnesota Authors and Illustrators Celebration in Red Wing, the Twin Cities Book Festival, the University of St. Thomas 2007 Hubbs' Lecture, and a meeting of the Alpha Delta Kappa chapter in Roseville. The Kerlan Friends Board joined the Literacy Coalition of Minnesota that includes literacy groups statewide in order to broaden and strengthen our connections with fellow literacy groups. Norma Gaffron completed her 15th year of decorating the display case at Children's Theatre. She is "retiring" this year with her assistant Jane Nicolo. Thank you, Norma and Jane!

- In addition to planning and preparing for Book*Art 2007, the Fundraising Committee launched the creation of the first Kerlan Calendar using art from the collection. This 2008 calendar will be available to purchase this fall, and it will be ideal for gift giving!

- The new Kerlan Friend card, dubbed "Red Mittens," was created from a drawing inscription by Louis Slobodkin for *Too Many Mittens* by Florence and Louis Slobodkin. If you haven't seen it yet, you are in for a treat! Several people used it to send holiday greetings.

And so this Kerlan Friend year ends with many high notes and one more end – my two years as President. I thank all of the board members with whom I have served for your generous service to and passion for the Kerlan Collection. A very special thank you to the following members who complete their board service in June: Rick Chrustowski, Mary Kay Feltes, Carole Koch, Lise Lunge-Larsen, Marcus Mayer, Darlys Nelson, and Steve Palmquist. Also, another very special thank you to Karen Nelson Hoyle, CLRC Curator, and her staff for all of their support and assistance.



Marcia Reardon

Marcia Reardon, President

UPCOMING CHILDREN'S LITERATURE EVENTS

May 26th, 2007 - Chris Raschka, children's book author and illustrator, will receive the St. Olaf College Distinguished Alumnus Award at the Alumni Banquet on May 26, 2007. Raschka won the 2006 Caldecott Award for *The*



Chris Raschka

Hello Goodbye Window.



Lauren Stringer

June 18th, 2007 - "Laren Stringer: From Manuscript to Picture Book; One Illustrator's Journey" will be presented Monday June 18, 1-2 p.m. in Andersen Room 120. Using slides and other visuals, Lauren Stringer will tell her story of becoming

a children's book illustrator/author and share her creative process with all of its pitfalls, as well as its epiphanies. Some of her original work in the Kerlan Collection will be on display. This event is co-sponsored by the University of Minnesota's Split Rock Arts Program and CLRC and is free and open to the public.

June 19th, 2007 - Book*Art Silent Auction, Kerlan Friends Only Discussion with Emily Arnold McCully, and 2007 Naomi C. Chase Lecture



June 21st, 2007 - The 3rd Biennial Givens Children's Literature Symposium titled, "Remind All The Children". This day-long symposium will engage teachers from schools throughout the Twin Cities Metro and education students from Twin Cities universities and colleges in developing instructional skills and resources for using African American historical narrative in the classroom. For more information visit www.givens.org or contact Arleta Little at Little1givensfdn@aol.com or 952-831-2555 ext. 30.

June 29th, 2007 - The 16th Annual Twin Cities Book Fair will be Friday, June 29, 5-9 p.m. and June 30, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.. The event will be at the Progress Center Building, Minnesota State Fairgrounds and will feature over 200 booksellers from coast to coast. For more information, email info@midwestbookhunters.org.

September 8th, 2007 - The 8th Annual Celebration of Minnesota Children's Authors and Illustrators will take place from 12:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Anderson Center in Red Wing, MN. Many of Minnesota's finest authors and illustrators will make appearances including, Betsy Bowen, Leslie Bowman, Cheng-Khee Chee, Loretta Ellsworth, David LaRochelle, Jane St. Anthony and Lauren Stringer. The Kerlan Collection will exhibit materials from local authors and illustrators participating in this event. With booksignings, storytelling, facepainting and ice cream, this event promises to be fun for the entire family. For more information call Anderson Center at 651-388-2009 or visit their website: <http://www.andersoncenter.org/events.htm>.



Jane St. Anthony



Peter Sis

October 4th, 2007 - Illustrator Peter Sis will speak in Elmer L. Andersen Library on October 4, co-sponsored by Farrar Straus Giroux, the Department of Curriculum & Instruction and the Children's Literature Research Collections.

October 16th, 2007 - Katherine Thimmesh will speak at the Department of Curriculum and Instruction's 2007 Book Week Event. More details will be included in the Fall newsletter.

November 14th, 2007 - "A Woman for All Seasons: Astrid Lindgren at 100" Conference. More information will be included in the Fall newsletter.

RECENT ACQUISITIONS

These materials have been donated by the authors and/or illustrators, their families or third parties. Titles of new acquisitions are not listed if already reported in previous newsletters. Key: MS - manuscripts, IL - illustrations, TMS - translator's manuscripts; published titles are indicated by italics.



Edward Bloor

Edward Bloor: MS *Taken*

J. Randolph Cox gave to the CLRC another gift of 480 issues of various fanzines. Included were titles such as *Alter Ego*, *Amazing Heroes*, *Captain George's Penny Dreadful*, *Comic Art Studies*, *The Comic Crusader*, *Comic Detective*, *The Comic Reader*, the *Comics Journal*, and the *Gridley Wave*.

Constance Greene: MS *A Girl Called Al*; *Your Old Pal, Al*

Libbie Hammel contributed three hand-made, letterpress books written and printed by Linda Keefe and illustrated by Gary Egger. The books are entitled *Greta Goes to Plum City*, *Greta Meets Scrooge*, and *Greta Grows Up*. These books were given in honor of Alrik and Cleyonne Gustafson.

Natalie Hoyle gave 93 young adult books to the CLRC, which will help to expand the Young Adult Literature collection. Titles include *Valiant: A Modern Tale of Faerie* by Holly Black, *Where I Want to Be* by Adele Griffin, and *Stranded in Boringsville* by Catherine Bateson.

Lionel Johnson donated 670 books and artifacts related to *Alice in Wonderland* and her world; and approximately 175 other books about *Dracula*, vampires, *Frankenstein*, pirates, *Treasure Island*, *Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde*, and biographical information about Robert Louis Stevenson.

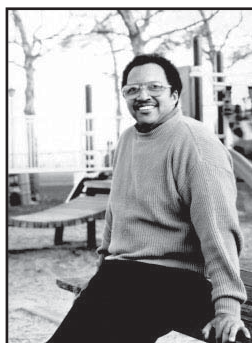


Lionel Johnson

Linda Keefe: MS & IL *Greta Grows Up*

Jane Langton: MS *The Majesty of Grace*; *The Mysterious Circus*; *The Time Bike*; *The Dragon Tree* (including working titles *The Enchanted House* and *Fisticuffs*).

George Laycock: MS *The Camels: Ships of the Desert*



Walter Dean Meyers

Walter Dean Myers: MS *Ambush in the Amazon*; *Antarctica: Journeys to the South Pole*; *Angel to Angel*; *At Her Majesty's Request: an African princess in Victorian England*; *Beast*; *The Blues Journey*; *Brown Angels: an Album of Pictures and Verse*; *The Changing Concept of Civil Rights in America*; *Crystal*; *Dragon Takes a Wife*; *Duel in the Desert*; *Fallen Angels*; *Fast Sam*,

Cool Clyde, and *Stuff*; *Glorious Angles: a celebration of children*; *Harlem Summer*; *Here in Harlem: Poems in Many Voices*; *Hoops: A Novel*; *How Mr. Monkey Saw the Whole World*; *It Ain't All for Nothin'*; *Jazz*; *Legend of Tarik*; *Malcolm X: A Fire Burning Brightly*; *Me, Mop, and the Moondance Kid*; *Mojo and the Russians*; *Mop, Moondance, and the Nagasaki Knights*; *Mouse Rap*; *The Nicholas Factor: a novel*; *Now is your time!: the African-American Struggle for Freedom*; *Outside Shot*; *The Righteous Revenge of Artemis Bonner*; *Scorpions*; *Shadow of the Red Moon*; *Slam!*; *Smiffy Blue*, *Ace Crime Detective: the Case of the Missing Ruby*; *Story of the Three Kingdoms*; *The Swan Lake Projects*; *Sweet Illusions*; *The Greatest: Muhammad Ali*; *Tales of a Dead King*; *Three Swords for Granada*; *Time to Love: Stories from the Old Testament*; *USS Constellation: Pride of the American Navy*; *What They Found: Love on 145th Street*; *Won't Know 'till I Get There*; *The Young Landlords*

Phyllis Reynolds Naylor: MS *Lovingly Alice*; *Roxie and the Hooligans*

Frank Remiewicz: IL Three unpublished images

Joseph Slate: MS Unpublished manuscripts.

Diane Stanley: MS *Bella at Midnight*

Emilie Quast gave to the Kerlan Collection eight children's books in the French language, including *Le Passage* by Louis Sachar, *C'est Mon Chien* by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor, and *Johny Tremain* by Esther Forbes.



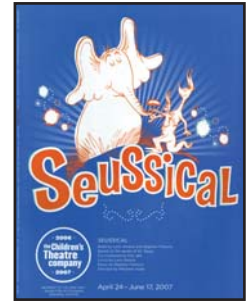
Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

CHILDREN'S THEATRE EXHIBITS - Kerlan Friends Project Completes Fifteen Years

Since at least 1992, Kerlan Friends selected items from the Kerlan Collection to be displayed in conjunction with each play at the Children's Theatre Company. They installed the work in the exhibit case located for a while in the lobby and now in the first floor hallway.

Kerlan Collection newsletters note that Irvy Gilbertson and her daughter-in-law Brenda created the displays from the winter of 1992 through 1994. They worked on Beverly Cleary's *Ramona Quimby*, *Cinderella*, *Tomie de Paola's Strega Nona*, *Baum's The Wizard of Oz* and *Mr. Popper's Penguins*, among many others. Norma Gaffron then continued the gift to the public, involving another Kerlan Friend-- Chris Dyrud. In her article published in the Kerlan Collection Summer 1997 newslet-

ter, Norma Gaffron wrote about how exhibitors worked. "From the Kerlan Collection, they select various editions of the book being dramatized... Then these volunteers search their attics and cellars" for artifacts and even local businesses donated or loaned them if needed.



"*Seussical*" will be performed at the Children's Theatre Company from April 24 - June 17, 2007

Jane Nicolo became responsible for displays when others were out-of-town. Facsimiles of *Huck Finn* book covers and jackets enhanced a spring exhibit. Norma Gaffron's *Seussical* completes the 2006-2007 season.

KERLAN FRIENDS RENEWALS, NEW MEMBERS AND GIFTS

Kerlan Friends Renewals, New Members and Gifts from February 6-April 12, 2007. Thanks to everyone who renewed memberships or gave a donation.

Alpha Delta Kappa; Patricia S. Belian; Peggy A. Brewer; Karen J. Carlson; Judith M. Dahill; Irvyn G. Gilbertson; Heidi Hammond; Karen Nelson Hoyle (*in memory of Peter Bauer*); S. Aino M. Husen; David S. LaRochelle; Mary E. Leeder; Marcia K. Marshall; Margaret M. Meyer; Jane J. St. Anthony; Grace K. Sulerud; Margaret L. Virum; Vienna K. Volante; Lori-Anne Williams; Sue Wolslegel

Donations to the "Millions of Cats...Millions of Pieces...Millions of Pennies" Project. 32,068 pennies were donated as of April 24, 2007 by:

Gary W. Harm (nephew of Wanda Gág); Elizabeth H. Askey; Karen Nelson Hoyle; Deidre A. Johnson; Cleone Pritchard; Lyn Lacy; Marcia Reardon; and anonymous donors from the Twin Cities Book Fair and the "Celebration of Children's Books" in Red Wing, MN.

IN MEMORIAM



Dr. Edward B. Stanford

Dr. Edward B. Stanford (1910-2007), retired University Librarian, died on April 13. His parents were 1898 distinguished graduates of the University of Minnesota. He was Assistant University Librarian and University Librarian from 1946 to 1971 and then taught in the Library School until 1977, totaling 31 years of service to UMN. He is most remembered for persuading the administration and legislature to build Wilson Library in 1968, carefully planning with the architects, and championing state of the art features, including air conditioning. He also brought

several special collections and archives to University Libraries and supported some financially on an annual basis thereafter. He earned his Doctorate from the University of Chicago; the Graduate School of Library & Information Science, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign presented him with the Distinguished Alumnus Award on June 28, 2003. When Irvin Kerlan, M.D. died, Stanford flew to Washington, D. C. immediately, arranged for a US Marshall to cordon the house, and personally packed and shipped books and material bequeathed to the University. Dr. Stanford proposed and funded the Kerlan Friends Essay Award for student submissions. First Fridays is made possible by a generous gift in honor of him by Governor and Mrs. Elmer L. Andersen. For more than a decade, "Ned" proof-read the Kerlan Collection quarterly newsletters.

RECENT VISITORS

With the approach of finals week at the University, we had a multitude of students stopping in to visit. Some of our non-University visitors included Patricia Smith Scanlan from Indiana University who researched Philadelphia Women Illustrators; Abby Beall investigated materials by Wesley Dennis and Marguerite Henry; and Shelia Bianchi from MIA viewed images of trolls.

PUBLICATIONS & EVENTS BASED ON RESEARCH

Wadsworth, Sarah. *In the Company of Books: Literature and Its "Classes" in the Nineteenth Century America*. Amherst and Boston, MA: University of Massachusetts Press, 2006.

Live to Draw by Michelle Storm is a play based on the diaries and letters of Wanda Gág. A reading of this play was performed in late March.

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2007 BOOK*ART

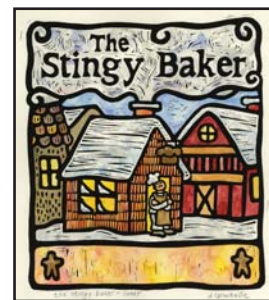
Book*Art



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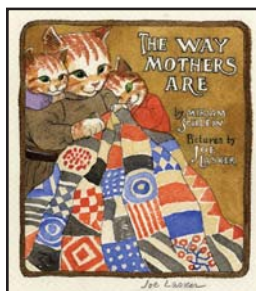
Donations for the Book*Art Silent Auction have arrived at the CLRC since last August, and more continue to arrive every day. A few include: Mary Azarian, Marion Dane Bauer, Martha Davis Beck, Betsy Bowen, Aliki Brandenberg, Ashley Bryan, Nancy Carlson, Mary

Casanova, Rick Chrustowski, John Coy, Bonnie Graves, Nikki Grimes, Juanita Havill, Karen Hesse, Ron Koertge, David LaRochelle, Joseph Lasker, Ted Lewin, Gregory Maguire, Leonard Marcus, Emily Arnold McCully, Wendell Minor, Isabell Monk, Lensey Namioka, Donna Jo Napoli, Katherine Paterson, Jack Prelutsky, Karen Ritz, Joyce Sidman, Aki



Original illustration donated to Book*Art by David LaRochelle

Sogabe, Lauren Stringer, Jane Resh Thomas, Richard Wilbur, Jeanette Winter, Ed Young, and many others. Signed books, artwork, posters, and type-scripts are being stored away in anticipation of the event, and new items arrive daily.



Original illustration donated to Book*Art by Joseph Lasker

Book*Art is a silent auction of author and illustrator creations to raise money for the conservation of Kerlan Collection materials. This event will be held on June 19th in Elmer L. Andersen Library at 6:00 p.m., following the Naomi C. Chase Lecture presented by Emily Arnold McCully. Please see page 1 for more information.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed for Book*Art 2007. Volunteers can help out for any amount of time they can contribute. Below is a list of volunteer activities:

• Monday, June 18	Set up	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
• Tuesday, June 19	Complete set up	8 a.m. – 2 p.m.
	Facilitate Auction (pick up bid sheets, door greeters, etc.)	5 p.m. – 9 p.m.
• Wednesday, June 20	Clean up	8 a.m. – until done

To volunteer, please email clrc@umn.edu or call the Children’s Literature Research Collections at 612-624-4576. Please provide your name, phone number and the date and activity you are volunteering for.



REGISTRATION FORM - KERLAN FRIENDS ONLY EVENT WITH EMILY ARNOLD McCULLY

One of the Kerlan Friends’ membership benefits is being invited to attend functions only for Kerlan Friends who are current with their dues. One such event will be a social from 3:00 – 3:45 p.m on Tuesday, June 19th with Emily Arnold McCully at the Elmer L. Andersen Library prior to the Chase Lecture. There is no fee for this event, but it is limited to Kerlan Friends only. If you are a current Kerlan Friend and would like to attend please fill out this form and return it to:

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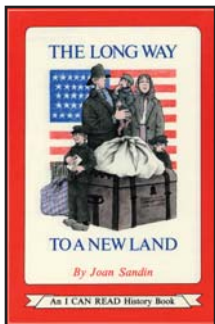
Kerlan Friends Only Event with Emily Arnold McCully

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STATE FAIR EXHIBIT



Original studies from this title will be on exhibit at the MN State Fair

The Fine Arts Building at the Minnesota State Fair invited exhibit will focus on artifacts from the University of Minnesota Libraries Department of Archives and Special Collections (ASC). Fitting the theme, "Prelude to the Past", the Children's Literature Research Collections (CLRC) will provide special offerings from the Kerlan, Hess and Paul Bunyan Collections. These may include Joan Sandin studies for her trilogy about Swedish immigrants settling near Anoka, the Jesse James gang in Northfield, and Paul Bunyan's ring and comic book cover. Sandin's third book *At Home in a New Land* will be published in September, joining *Long Way to a New Land* about leaving Sweden and arriving in NYC and *Long Way Westward*, the railroad journey to Minnesota. The dates of the Fair are August 23 through September 3, 2007.



An item from the Paul Bunyan Collection

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