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So Many Animals! A Child's Book of Poetry Featured in Kirkus Magazine

The review of *So Many Animals! A Child's Book of Poetry* – a collaboration between 15 amazing authors and one fabulous illustrator – was included in Kirkus Magazine's February 1 issue. Here is the link: <u>Kirkus Magazine - February 1, 2023</u>. The book will be featured at Midtown Reader's Kidtown Story Hour at



10AM on Saturday, April 15. M.R. Street will read several of the animal poems in the book, then lead a fun bookmark-making activity. Midtown Reader is located at 1123 Thomasville Road, Tallahassee.

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Tallahassee Writers Association Installs 2023 Board of Directors

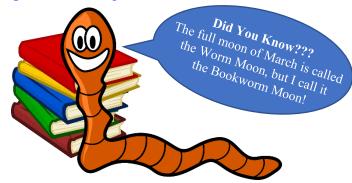
The Tallahassee Writers Association (TWA) welcomed its new Board of Directors at the January membership meeting. Voting members include Doug Alderson, President; M.R. Street, President-Elect; Bob Gibbs, Immediate Past President; Lori Goshert, Secretary; and Katie Clark and Douglas Soule, Members-At-Large. We are still seeking a Treasurer, Contest Committee Chair, and other committee members. For more information, send us an email via https://twaonline.org/webform/contact-us.

NEXT MEETING

February 9 at 6:30 p.m. at the Marzuq Shrine Center, 1805 N. Monroe St., Tallahassee. Melanie Barton Bragg and Bruce Ballister will share how to avoid scams (including vanity presses) that target authors. Members and nonmembers are welcome!

It's Worm Gruntin' Time!

The world-famous Worm Gruntin' Festival returns to Sopchoppy on Saturday, April 8. Turtle Cove Press will be there, with authors M.R. Street and Zelle Andrews in the tent! Come on down to the quaint village of Sopchoppy for some worm gruntin', unique arts and crafts, activities for the kids, food, and of course, BOOKS! More information at http://www.wormgruntinfestival.com/.



Wondering How to Publish a Book? EBook Available Now on Amazon

M.R. Street shares tips gained from her experience as an author via traditional publishing, self-publishing,

and independent publishing, as well as owner of an independent publishing company, Turtle Cove Press. Each publishing path has its pros and cons. If you know someone who is thinking about publishing a book, give them the link! Wondering How to Publish a Book.





Queen of the Clouds Launches April 26

7PM at Midtown Reader, 1123 Thomasville Rd.

In 1964, two women independently decided to set the record for flying solo around the world. Jerrie Mock, a housewife who flew for a hobby, and Joan Merriam Smith, a professional pilot



Taylor C. Phillips

who had long dreamt of completing Amelia Earhart's equatorial flight, found themselves in a "race" that neither woman asked for. Their flight paths were different, but each woman encountered barriers and problems that they had to overcome, largely on their own.

Queen of the Clouds: Joan Merriam Smith and Jerrie Mock's Epic Quest to Become the First Woman to Fly Solo

Around the World, is author Taylor C. Phillips' extensively researched and fascinating account of these two pioneering women pilots.



Books at the Bay!

"March Forth" to the Panacea Community Market on March 4! Turtle Cove Press will have favorites Surf Dude, Uncle Buster, Blue Rock Rescue, From Suffering to Salve, Snowden's Story, So Many Animals! and other terrific books for kids and families. Located in the grassy area between the Volunteer Fire Dept. & the Panacea Community Garden (across from Dollar General on Coastal Hwy. 98).

CALENDAR

MARCH 4 | Panacea Community Market. WHERE: Coastal Hwy. 98, Panacea (between the Volunteer Fire Department and the Panacea Community Garden, across from Dollar General); WHEN: 9AM – 12PM.

MARCH 12 | TWA Membership Meeting. Is that publishing offer legit? Or is it a scam with the only purpose to separate you from your money? Learn more about new scams, old scams, and the mother of all scams: the vanity press. WHERE: Marzuq Shriners Center, 1805 N Monroe St., Tallahassee, or via Zoom; WHEN: 6:30-7:30PM.

APRIL 1 (**No Foolin'!**) | **Panacea Community Market.** WHERE: Coastal Hwy. 98, Panacea (between the Volunteer Fire Department and the Panacea Community Garden, across from Dollar General); WHEN: 9AM – 12PM.

APRIL 8 | **Sopchoppy Worm Gruntin' Festival.** WHERE: Sopchoppy Depot Park, 34 Rose Street, Sopchoppy; WHEN: 9AM – the worms go home.

APRIL 15 | **Kidtown Reader Story & Craft Time.** M.R. Street will read from *So Many Animals!* And lead a fun bookmark craft activity. WHERE: Midtown Reader, 1123 Thomasville Road, Tallahassee; WHEN: 9AM – 12PM.

APRIL 26 | *Queen of the Clouds* **Book Launch.** Taylor C. Phillips will read from *Queen of the Clouds* and talk about these two amazing pilots, Joan Merriam Smith and Jerrie Mock. WHERE: Midtown Reader, 1123 Thomasville Road, Tallahassee; WHEN: 7PM.

MAY 6 | *Charlie's Song Book Launch.* Susan Koehler will read from *Charlie's Song*, the sequel to *Dahlia in Bloom*. Heath Fowler will perform the title song, an original song written by Heath and Susan. WHERE: Midtown Reader, 1123 Thomasville Road, Tallahassee; WHEN: 3PM.

Enjoy this beautiful, busy time of year! Say a prayer for the people of Ukraine.



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