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The Carle Presents Partners in Wonder: Selections from the Collection of Jane Yolen

Massachusetts author Jane Yolen will be celebrated at an exhibition of the art that has graced her books when The Carle presents **Partners in Wonder: Selections from the Collection of Jane Yolen** from December 14, 2010 – May 1, 2011. This exhibition of works from her collection includes illustrations from Kathryn Brown, Tomie dePaola, Jane Dyer, Lauren Mills, Barry Moser, Dennis Nolan, and Ruth Sanderson.

Jane Yolen has enjoyed a long and distinguished career writing books for children of all ages. “Her ability to connect so seamlessly to audiences so varied developmentally is remarkable,” said The Carle’s Chief Curator H. Nichols Clark. “In the process, she has forged deep ties to many of the artists who have illustrated her books, and through the years they have given her works from many of these collaborations. As a result she has formed a truly rich and wide-ranging collection that would be the envy of any serious collector.”

Yolen, an author of children’s fantasy, science fiction and other books including *Owl Moon* and *How Do Dinosaurs Say Goodnight?*, recently published her 300th book. She is also a poet, a writing and literature teacher, and a reviewer of children’s literature. Her books, stories, and poems have won many awards, including a Caldecott Medal, two Nebula Awards, two Christopher Medals, and the World Fantasy Association’s Lifetime Achievement Award. She has been called the Hans Christian Andersen of America.

Special Exhibition Programming:

Partners in Wonder with Jane Yolen

January 15, 2011

1:00 pm

Free with Museum Admission

(1 PDP) Join Jane Yolen and a distinguished group of illustrators of her work as they discuss the interplay of words and pictures in the process of creating a picture book. Hear firsthand how the whole emerges greater than the sum of its parts.

ABOUT THE MUSEUM

Together with his wife Barbara, Eric Carle, the renowned author and illustrator of more than 70 books, including the 1969 classic *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*, founded The Eric Carle Museum of Picture Book Art as the first full-scale museum in this country devoted to national and international picture book art, conceived and built with the aim

of celebrating the art that we are first exposed to as children. Through the exploration of images that are familiar and beloved, it is The Museum's goal to provide an enriching, dynamic, and supportive context for the development of literacy and to foster in visitors of all ages and backgrounds the confidence to appreciate and enjoy art of every kind.

The Museum—which houses three galleries dedicated to rotating exhibitions of picture book art, a hands-on Art Studio, a Reading Library, an Auditorium, a Café, and a Museum Shop—is located at 125 West Bay Road, Amherst, MA. Museum hours are Tuesday through Friday 10 am to 4 pm, Saturday 10 am to 5 pm, and Sunday 12 noon to 5 pm. Admission is \$9 for adults, \$6 for children under 18, and \$22.50 for a family of four. For further information and directions, call 413-658-1100 or visit The Museum's website at www.carlemuseum.org.

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