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## Exploring the Arts Presents Paul Schullery and Marsh Karle: "You mean you actually work together?" A Happy Marriage of Writing and Painting

Join prolific author Paul Schullery and his talented wife, artist Marsha Karle, for an entertaining presentation about their partnership in making books. This is the first talk of its kind for the popular *Exploring the Arts* series at the Bozeman Public Library on Monday, October 19 at 7pm. Jointly they have published four books as author and artist and are nearing completion of a fifth.

The Schullery/Karle talk will celebrate the great fun of working together on their books, as well as describe how a shared summer in Alaska led serendipitously to the first collaborative book, *Real Alaska* (2001). There will be examples of their book-making partnership from later projects, describing how each book has been a different experience, and how each has broadened their understanding of how best to work together.

"In some cases, Paul's text was based solely on his own experiences and research," said Karle, who would then join the project to create illustrations based on his photographs and other information. "In other cases, the stories told in a book were shared experiences, and I would bring my own first-hand acquaintance with the subject at hand to the project," she continued. "In every case, however, a great deal of conversation, planning, and research took place."

The talk will illustrate how pictures and words are put together to make a book that is more than the apparent sum of its parts. In addition to using examples from their published books, they will preview some of the work for the forthcoming book on Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park—the most ambitious project they've undertaken with more than 75 full-color illustrations throughout of Karle's beautiful watercolors, watercolor sketches, and drawings. In this book, for the first time, her art shares equal billing and page space with Schullery's wonderful words.

Schullery, a noted Yellowstone National Park historian and author of over 30 books, is the first Scholar-in-Residence at MSU's Renne Library, advising on the libraries' collections, particularly its Yellowstone and Trout and Salmonid collections. Karle, former YNP spokeswoman for over a decade and accomplished artist, has shown her work locally for many years. See their beautiful books and artwork on display that evening.

The talk will be followed by a Q&A for the author and painter. This program is sponsored by the Library Foundation. For more information, please contact Paula Beswick at 582-2426.

Books by Paul Schullery and Marsha Karle:

2001 *Real Alaska: Finding Our Way in the Wild Country.* Stackpole Books, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. 227pp.

2006 *The Rise: Streamside Observations on Trout, Flies, and Fly Fishing.* Stackpole Books, Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania.

2007 Royal Coachman: Adventures in the Fly Fisher's World, University of New Mexico Press, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

2008 If Fish Could Scream: An Angler's Search for the Future of Fly Fishing. Stackpole Books, Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania.

2010 in preparation: Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park

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