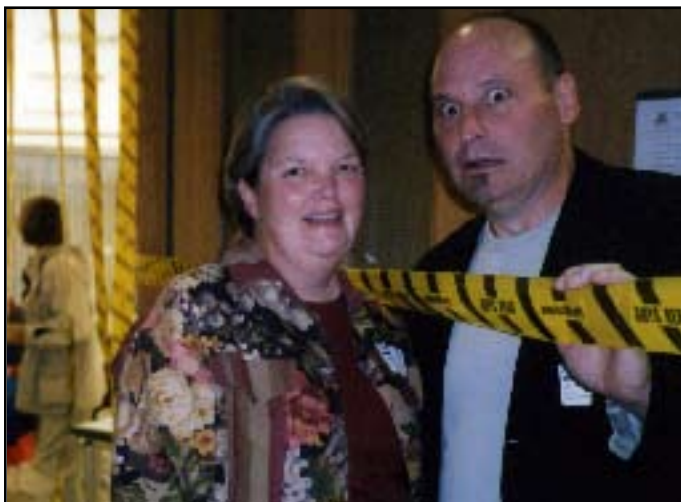


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Photo Year in Review



Images clockwise from upper left: 1. Kerlan Friends President Marcia Reardon with author John Scieszka at the *Guys Read* symposium; 2. Kerlan Friends board members Nancy Hof and Jim Colwell in front of Kerlan art at Eastcliff, the University of Minnesota President's residence; 3. Professor Rachelle Loven brings her busload of students on an annual pilgrimage from South Dakota; 4. Kerlan Friends and volunteers Larry Peterson and Lois Steer at an Andersen Library First Friday event devoted to volunteerism

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Graduate Assistant Beth Brendler

The CLRC Kerlan Collection is an internationally recognized center of research in the field of children’s literature. The Collection contains original materials, including manuscripts, artwork, galleys, and color proofs for more than 13,000 children’s books. These materials represent eight decades of American children’s books and selected titles published in other countries. The Collection also includes more than 100,000 children’s books.

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# FROM THE CURATOR

## Deferred Gifts—Faith in the Kerlan Collection’s Future

Promises for the Kerlan Collection’s future come in several ways. Artists Ann Grifalconi (*The Village of Round and Square Houses*), Ilse Plume (*Bremen Town Musicians*), and Joan Sandin (*Long Way to a New Land* trilogy) designated their own manuscripts and art to the Kerlan Collection in their wills.

Monetary gifts are usually set up as endowments, with only the interest available to spend currently, and the principle designed for the Kerlan Collection remaining in a fund invested by the University of Minnesota Foundation. These assets will continue to support the collection in many ways, from staffing, to collection building, to programs. Examples include the Dorothy Lind Woolery Children’s Book Fund and the Muriel Orcutt Trust. A prime example is Marilyn Hollinshead, former owner of the Pinocchio Bookshop in Pittsburgh. She attended the University of Minnesota 1953-55. This fall she donated \$20,000 to add to a \$10,000 previous gift for a Visiting Scholars Endowment Fund.



Author Jane Werner Watson

A select few of our benefactors transferred or plan to bequeath an entire literary estate, including future royalties. Royalties from book sales of their books then come to the Kerlan Collection. Gustaf Tenggren (via his widow), Marguerite Henry and Eleanor Cameron are among those who made similar arrangements some time ago. Conservation of the artist’s works that may have languished before arriving at the Kerlan Collection came from the Tenggren Fund so that they could then be exhibited broadly in both the U. S. A. and in his homeland of Sweden. Beth Brendler, a doctoral student and research assistant in the College of Education and Human Development’s Department of Curriculum & Instruction, currently creates portfolios on Henry royalty proceeds from such books as *King of the Wind* and *Misty of Chincoteague*. Eleanor Cameron royalties will pay for identifying individuals in her photographs and processing her manuscripts further.



Author Joan Sandin

Jane Werner Watson (1915-2004) left a bequest of her literary estate to the Kerlan Collection when she died in her 88th year. Born in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, she majored in English and graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1936. Initially she wrote for the Little Golden Books division of Western Publishing Company, and then extended her scope to write more than 300 titles under various pen names. In 1958 she was named “Woman of the Year for Literature” by the *Los Angeles Times*. Her books currently in print include *Fuzzy Duckling*, *Lion’s Paw*, *Christmas Story* and *Tall Book of Make Believe*.

Fortunately, most potential Kerlan donors are now living. Today the Kerlan Collection is listed as the beneficiary on several insurance policies, including Stephen Kuehler, a Massachusetts librarian. Shirley Christiansen, a retired media specialist, used a charitable trust that benefits Minnesota entities. Elementary school teacher Mary Topp, Librarian Susan Longstaff and children’s literature specialist Dr. Ruth Stein chose “deferred giving” or naming the Kerlan Collection in their respective wills. Mary Topp retired as Coordinator of Special Reading programs in the St. Peter Schools. A recipient of an International Youth Library (Munich) stipend in 1979, Dr. Stein reviewed books (many later came to the Kerlan) and lectured in local colleges and the University of Minnesota, and in both Israel and China.

Individuals interested in “deferred giving” may view the University of Minnesota Foundation (UMF) web site <http://www.giving.umn.edu/> (Click on “Giving Opportunities” on the left hand side) or contact Jane Goodnight, J.D., Associate Director, Planned Giving, UMF, 200 Oak St. SE, Suite 500, Minneapolis MN 55455-2010 Tel. 612-624-9132 or 800-775-2187

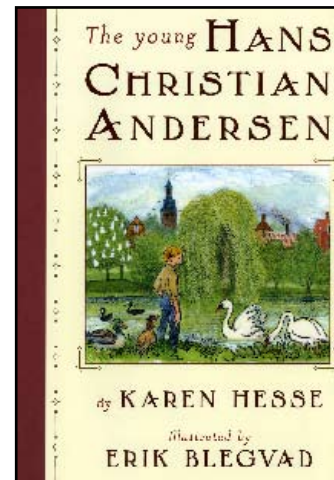
--Karen Nelson Hoyle, Curator

## FROM THE KERLAN FRIENDS PRESIDENT

Greetings!

The 2005-2006 Friends of the Kerlan Board had a busy fall brainstorming and planning. This resulted in the Board setting the following goals:

- Develop an electronic mailing list of Kerlan Friends members to better serve them with updates about late breaking news in between the quarterly newsletters.
- Encourage members to sign up for the digital version of the quarterly newsletter in order to save money to use for additional preservation work and sponsoring more events. See the information on the back of this newsletter.
- Increase Kerlan Friends membership by offering incentives and special events for members-only, as well as incentives for members who help recruit new members. The first special event for members-only is lunch with Barry Moser, the 2006 Chase Lecturer, before the Friends Annual Meeting and his lecture in June, 2006. More details about the members-only lunch and incentives for recruiting new members also will be coming via an email announcement in January, being posted on the Children's Literature Research Collection (CLRC) website <http://special.lib.umn.edu/clrc/>, and published in the Spring Kerlan Newsletter.



The Kerlan Award Committee met this fall and spent time browsing through boxes of materials donated by authors and illustrators nominated for the 2006 Kerlan Award. Author Karen Hesse was chosen to receive the 2006 Kerlan Award. Please mark April 8, 2006 on your calendar for the Kerlan Award Breakfast. More details will be coming in the next few months.

*The Young Hans Christian Andersen* by Karen Hesse, illustrated by Erik Blegvad (Scholastic, 2005)

Thank you for your continued support of the Kerlan Collection and the Friends of the Kerlan! We look forward to seeing you at several of the Friends of the Kerlan's events this year.

--Marcia Reardon

## KERLAN FRIENDS BOARD 2006

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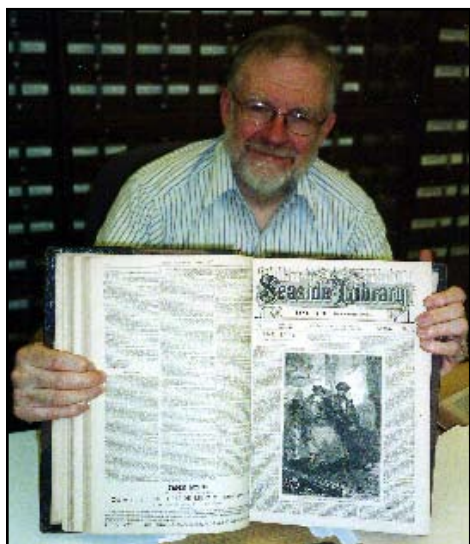


Author/Illustrator and Kerlan Friend Board member Rick Chrustowski

## RECENT ACQUISITIONS

**Lorna Balian: IL** *Mother's Mother's Day*

**T.A. Barron: MS** *The Great Tree of Avalon*



Long-time Kerlan and Hess Collection supporter and donor Randy Cox

*Snouts; The Sick Book; Summer of the Houseboat; Voices: poetry and art from around the world; The Windmill Summer*

**Randy Cox: 473 issues of Seaside Library**



Jan Spivey Gilchrist

**Jan Spivey Gilchrist: IL** *For the Love of the Game: Michael Jordan and Me; I Can Draw a Weeposaur and Other Dinosaurs: Poems; Kia Tanisha; Lemonade Sun and Other Poems;*

**Edward Bloor: MS** *London Calling; Story Time*

**Barbara and Fred Brenner: MS & IL** *A Bird in the Family; A Child's Book of Birds; A Dog I Know; If You were an Ant; Little One Inch; One Day in the Desert; Rutgers and the Water*

**Linda Crew: MS** *A Heart for Any Fate: Westward to Oregon, 1845*

**Lulu Delacre: MS & IL** *Arrorró mi niño: Latino Lullabies and Gentle Games*

**Gioia Fiammenghi: IL** *Studies for McGraw-Hill Publishing Co*

**Jan Spivey Gil-**

*Mimi's Tutu; Singing Down the Rain; Water Water*

**Bonnie Graves: MS** *Taking Care of Trouble*

**Karen Hesse: MS** *The Young Hans Christian Andersen*

**Barbara Joosse: MS** *Nikolai, the Only Bear; Papa Do You Love Me?*

**Nancy Luenn: MS** *Celebrations of Light: A Year of Holidays Around the World; A Gift for Abuelita: Celebrating the Day of the Dead; The Miser on the Mountain: A Nisqually Legend of Mount Rainier; Mother Earth; Otter Play; Squish: A Wetland Walk*

**Chris Lynch: MS** *Inexcusable*

**Susan Pearson: MS** *Grimericks; Who Swallowed Harold?*

**Barbara Ann Porte: MS** *Beauty and the Serpent: Thirteen Tales of Unnatural Animals; Harry's Birthday*

**Rainone, Joe:** 1,253 pulp magazines for the Hess Collection.

**Marsha Qualey: MS** *Just Like That*

**Julie Schumacher: MS** *The Book of One Hundred Truths; The Chain Letter; Grass Angel*

**Marcia Sewall: IL** *The Birthday Tree; Caleb's Story; Finzel the Farsighted; The Lifting Stone; The Parrot and the Thief; Sarah Plain and Tall; Skylark; Stone Fox; Thistle*



Bonnie Graves

## COMING EVENT - JANE YOLEN



Jane Yolen. Photo Copyright Jason Stemple

Jane Yolen, 1988 recipient of the Kerlan Award, will speak at The Chisago Lakes Area Library branch of East Central Regional Library grand opening on Saturday, January 14, 2006 at 11:00 am.

Ms. Yolen is an award-winning author and has written in many genres from picture books to fantasy to historic and science fiction. Some of her books include *Owl Moon*, *Devil's Arithmetic*, *How Dinosaurs Get Well Soon* and the *Merlin Trilogy*. Her latest book, *Pay the Piper*, is based on the Pied Piper of Hamelin, except this time he is a "rock-and-reel musician." It has been nominated for the ALA's Best Books for Young Adults list and the "Teens Top Ten Books of the Year" list given out by YALSA. An autograph session follows her talk.

The Chisago Lakes Public Library is located in Center City, MN at 11754 302nd St. just off MN Highway 8. Take Stinson Blvd. off of Hwy 8 to reach the Chisago Lakes Area Library. Join us for what's sure to be a morning filled with good literature and fun!

Call Vickie at 763-689-7390, ext. 13 for more information.

## GIFTS

**Kerlan Friends Renewals, New Members and Gifts from July 28, 2005 - December 4, 2005. Thank you to everyone who renewed their membership or gave a donation:**

Linda Anderson; Jane Bergstrom; Carolyn Briese; Gloria Charney; Elizabeth Cowie; Judith Dahill in honor of Mary Topp; Christine Dyrud; Margaret Eubanks; Lee Galda; Patricia Grose; Phyllis Haensel in memory of Dr. Norine Odland; Janet Halbur; Kathleen Hall; Barbara Hanson; Lois Haynes; Kathleen Howe; Karen Hoyle in honor of Marcia Reardon; Sally Kaiser in honor of Karen Nelson Hoyle; Christa Kamenetsky; Cynthia Kozloff; Karen Larsen; Mary Leeder; Renee Macomber; La Vonne Mayer; Margaret Meyer; Darlys Nelson; Joan O'Brien in honor of Margaret Yaeger; Doris Pagel; June Peterson; Larry Peterson; Julie Reimer in honor of Sue Wolslegel; Lois Ringquist; JoAnn Ryan; Susan and John Stanford in honor of Ned and Maverette Stanford; Cynthia Steinke; John Stewig; Norton Stillman in memory of Elmer L. Andersen; Evelyn Swenson; Maria Theologides; Mary Lou Voigt in honor of Kennedy School Library; Dianne Weaver; Maryann Weidt in memory of Walter Peik; Gerhard Weiss; Charlotte Wilmot; Linda Wilson

**CLRC Gifts and Endowments. Thank you to the following people/organizations who made donations:**

- Marilyn Hollinshead for the Visiting Scholar Endowment Fund, \$20,000.
- Prof. Fred Erisman of Fort Worth, TX to benefit the Hess Collection, part of the CLRC, \$5,000.
- George Medina gifted funds for processing the art of Lisl Weil.
- Ezra Jack Keats Foundation for annual Fellowship, \$1,500.
- The Red Balloon Bookshop donated a portion of their sales from several CLRC events.
- Margaret Wolf and Robert Craig gave a gift in memory of Ken Schullo.

# AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

## Previous Winners

Ezra Jack Keats Memorial Fellowship - Daniel Powers, illustrator from New Mexico

Kerlan Essay Award - Jessica Dockter for "Dear Reader: Kate DiCamillo's Evolving Self-Talk in The Tale of Despereaux" and Sarah Hansen for "From Sparks to Fireworks: Barbara Juster Esbensen's Revision of Cold Stars and Fireflies." Both winners were graduate students at the University of Minnesota.

## The Ezra Jack Keats/Kerlan Memorial Fellowship

The Ezra Jack Keats/Kerlan Memorial Fellowship from the Ezra Jack Keats Foundation will provide \$1,500 to a "talented writer and/or illustrator of children's books who wishes to use the Kerlan Collection for the furtherance of his or her artistic development." Special consideration will be given to someone who would find it difficult to finance a visit to the Kerlan Collection.



2005 Grant-in-Aid recipient Connie Ann Kirk at work in the CLRC reading room.

The Ezra Jack Keats Fellowship recipient will receive transportation cost and a per diem allotment. Applications for 2006 must be postmarked by April 28, 2006. For application materials, please send a 6" x 9" (or larger) self-addressed, stamped envelope to:

Ezra Jack Keats/Kerlan Collection / Memorial Fellowship Committee  
113 Andersen Library, 222 21st Avenue South, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN 55455

## The Kerlan Essay Award

The Friends of the Kerlan Collection are pleased to announce the tenth annual essay award to be presented in 2006 for an outstanding

paper written during the preceding school year by a college or university student using the unique original resources of the Kerlan Collection. This award will consist of a citation and the sum of three hundred dollars. Application forms can be picked up at the CLRC registration desk. The deadline for entries is May 31, 2006.

## Travel Grants

Marilyn Hollinshead Visiting Scholars Fund for Travel to the Kerlan Collection will be available again for research study in 2006. Applicants may request up to \$1,500.

Send a letter with the proposed purpose, plan to use specific research materials (manuscripts and art), dates, and budget (including airfare and per diem) to Kerlan Grant-in-Aid, 113 Andersen Library, 222 21st Ave. S. Mpls, MN 55455.

The application deadline is April 28, 2006. Travel and a written report on the project must be completed and submitted 2006. This offering is made possible by an endowment to the Kerlan Collection from Marilyn Hollinshead.

# STAFF TIDINGS



Current CLRC student staff members Emma O'Brien, Anna Johnson, and Lee Richards.



Library Assistant Karen Bauer with students Chris Stegeman and Marit McCluske.

## RECENT RESEARCH, VISITORS, AND EVENTS



Akiko Matsumoto of Suemori Books in Tokyo, Japan.

### Some Recent Visitors

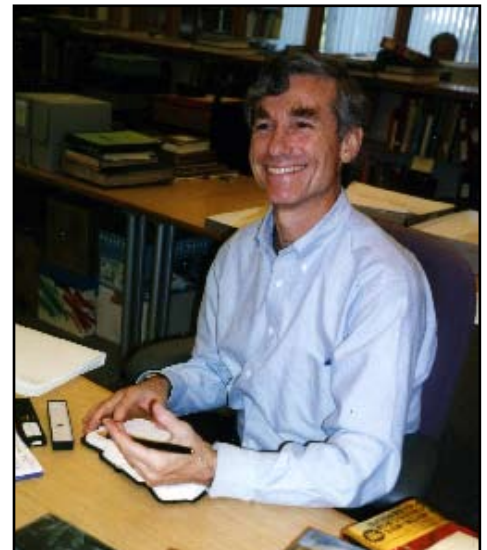
Catherine Wood Brooks from the Shelburne Museum in Vermont viewed Tasha Tudor artwork.

Jay Clark studied Hmong and Thai children's literature in English translation.

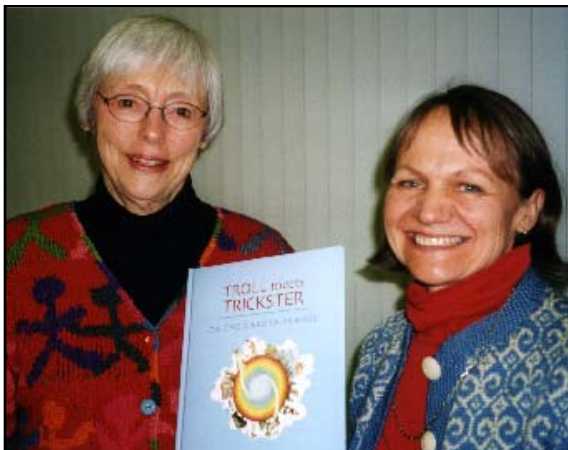
Akiko Matsumoto of Suemori Books, Ltd. looked over Barbara Cooney's artwork.

Jacque Roethler from Special Collections at the University of Iowa visited the collection.

Author Karin Guendisch visited the collection on November 7.



Fantasy author and Kerlan donor T.A. Barron inscribed many of his books.



Author and international literary agent Virginia Allen Jensen (left). She met illustrator and Kerlan Friend Chris Dyrud at a talk on November 7.

Edith Wallis from Bath, England and her husband Pete enjoyed Virginia Lee Burton's artwork.

Lee Galda, Kathy Byrne, and Becky Rapport brought Curriculum and Instruction classes in this fall.

Carrie Hartman from the Minneapolis College of Art and Design used the collection with her illustration students, as did Beth Bogle and Judith Johnson in the University of Minnesota Department of Design.

Maythee Kantar brought her Metro State children's literature students in to use the collection.

Heidi Hammond introduced her College of St. Catherine's library school students to Mary Casanova, Karen Cushman, Christopher Paul Curtis, and Kate DiCamillo.

### Research and Presentations based on CLRC Resources

Cummins, June. "Sydney Taylor: A Centenary Celebration." *Horn Book Magazine* Mar/Apr 2005, Vol. 81 Issue 2, p231-234.

Swindal, Donna. "Kerlan Brings the Process of Authors and Artists to You." IRA Plains Regional Conference 11/10/05. Minneapolis, Minnesota.



Kerlan Friend Norma Gaffron continues to design and install Kerlan Collection exhibits at the Children's Theatre Company. Recently, she has showcased *The Hobbit* and *Frog and Toad*.

## KERLAN FRIENDS MEMBER NEWSFLASH!

In order to improve the delivery of important news and to reduce costs, the Friends of the Kerlan are asking members to help the collection by receiving the *Kerlan Collection Newsletter* in digital format. You'll be able to read it online or print it out--and in the process you'll help us recover the thousands of dollars that are normally spent on printing and postage.

Just send your full name and e-mail address to [clrc@umn.edu](mailto:clrc@umn.edu) and we'll add you to the list of members who receive an e-mail message as soon as the newsletter is available.

Not only will you help the Friends of the Kerlan save money but you also get the following benefits:

- \* More full color content--photos, artwork, and more.
- \* Quick interactive links to follow with more information
- \* More in-depth content
- \* Timely access to breaking news



The Kerlan Friends Board at Eastcliff on November 14

The money we save on the newsletter's publication and distribution will be used for conserving more of the Kerlan's treasured materials and creating more author/poet/illustrator kits for educators to use in their classrooms and libraries.

### Not a member yet?

Oh, what you're missing! Join us today and you too can receive the online newsletter along with other benefits just for members. Please visit <http://special.lib.umn.edu/clrc/kerlan/index.php> and click "Kerlan Friends" and you will find an online membership form.

--The Kerlan Friends

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