Sixteenth Annual Children’s Book Festival

MARCH 10-11, 1983
University of Southern Mississippi
School of Library Service
### 16th ANNUAL CHILDREN'S BOOK FESTIVAL

#### PROGRAM

**Thursday, March 10, 1983**

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| 9:00-10:00| Medallion Sales
Performing Arts Center |
| 9:30-10:00| First General Session
Performing Arts Center
Presiding: Dr. Jeannine L. Laughlin
Welcome: Dr. Aubrey K. Lucas
Announcements: Dr. Orva K. Bowhers, Jr.
Introduction: John Kelly
Keynote Speaker: Bette Greene |
| 10:00-10:30| Break—Coffee and soft drinks
Available for purchase from the Library Science Student Association in the lobby |
| 10:30-11:00| Second General Session
Performing Arts Center
Introduction: Mary Ann Baird
Speaker: Bill Alderson |
| 11:45-1:15| Luncheon A
Commons—Banquet Rooms ABC
Presiding: Lois Upham
Introduction: Bocky Peake
Speaker: Tonie de Paula |
| 11:45-1:15| Luncheon B
Union—Banquet Rooms ABC
Presiding: Dr. Lora Long
Introduction: Barbara LeCroy
Speaker: Berthe Amoss |
| 1:30-3:30| Exhibits
McCain Library—4th Floor
Autograph Session
Performing Arts Center
and Wesley Foundation Building |
| 1:30-5:00| Outstanding Children's Films
Stout Hall A
Presiding: Kathy Austin |
| 6:00-7:00| Social Hour (Cash Bar)
Autograph Party: Katherine Paterson
Coca-Cola Convention Center
Highway 38 West (Hardy Street) |
| 7:00-| Awards Banquet
Coca-Cola Convention Center
Presiding: Dr. Orva K. Bowhers, Jr.
Invocation: Rev. John T. Laughlin
Presentation of the University of Mississippi Medallion to Katherine Paterson by Dr. James H. Sims |

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| 8:30-10:00| Registration
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| 8:30-10:00| Book Sales—Medallion Sales
Performing Arts Center |
| 10:00-11:00| Exhibits
McCain Library—4th Floor |
| 11:00-11:45| Third General Session
Performing Arts Center
Presiding: Dr. Joseph J. Milka
Speaker: Tonie de Paula |
| 12:00-1:15| Fourth General Session
Performing Arts Center
Presiding: Melissa Perkins
Conversation with Medallion Winner Katherine Paterson
Interviewer: Berthe Amoss |
| 1:30-3:00| Luncheon A
Commons—Banquet Rooms ABC
Presiding: Dr. Lee Jones
Speaker: Berthe Amoss |
| 1:30-3:00| Luncheon B
Union—Banquet Rooms ABC
Presiding: Dr. William Boyd
Speaker: Brian Altemose |
| 1:30-3:00| Newbery Awards Discussion
Cook Library—Room 201
Convenor: Dr. Robert Thomas
Discussion Leader: Gaye Salvatore |
| 1:30-3:00| Caldecott Awards Discussion
Cook Library—Room 202
Convenor: Dr. Edward Garcia
Discussion Leader: Nancy Bluebel |
| 1:30-2:15| Feature Film
Stout Hall A
"Summer of My German Soldier" |

*The 1983 medallions may be purchased following the Thursday night banquet and on Friday.*

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The 16th Annual Children's Book Festival

FILM SCREENINGS

Thursday, March 10—1:30 p.m.

1:30 The Great Gilly Hopkins (60 minutes)
Based on the book by Virginia Hamilton. The story of a young girl who runs away to New York to find her biological parents.

The Great Gilly Hopkins was released in 1977 and was nominated for an Academy Award.

Friday, March 11—1:30 p.m.

1:30 Summer of My German Soldier (88 minutes)
A report of a German soldier's experiences in the Second World War. The soldier, played by actor, was inspired by his own family's experiences.

All films are in color, and the festival has been approved by the Motion Picture Association of America.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI MEDALLION

The awarding of the University of Southern Mississippi Medallion to Katherine Patterson is the highlight of the Sixteenth Annual Children's Book Festival, March 10 and 11, 1983.

The University of Southern Mississippi Medallion is awarded annually for outstanding contributions in the field of children's literature. Recipients of the Medallion include: Loise Lovick, 1960; Ernest H. Shepard, 1970; Roger Duvoisin, 1971; Maurice Sendak, 1972; Lynd Ward, 1973; Taro Yashima, 1974; Barbara Cooney, 1975; Scott O'Dell, 1976; Adrienne Adams, 1977; Madeleine L'Engle, 1978; Leonard Everett Fisher, 1979; Ezra Jack Keats, 1980; Maurice Sendak, 1981; Beverly Cleary, 1982. Katherine Paterson is proud to be among the recipients of this prestigious award.

Silver medallions are struck for the recipient; for the President of the University of Southern Mississippi; for Dr. Lena Y. de Grummond, originator of the collection; and for the collection for permanent display. In addition, a number of medallions are struck in bronze. Bronze medallions are available for purchase during the festival.

THE DE GRUMMOND COLLECTION

The Lena Y. de Grummond Collection of Children's Literature is a major center for study and research. The Collection, which holds original materials as well as published works, is housed on the fourth floor of the William D. McCain Library on the USM campus.

The de Grummond Collection has over 17,500 volumes, including over 7,000 volumes published before 1915. Researchers will find interesting examples of chapbooks, broadsides, magazines, toy books, primers, and children's books. The Collection is especially strong in its holdings of Aesop and other fables, George Henry, and Kate Greenaway.

Original materials for contemporary children's books constitute a very important segment of the Collection. These include manuscripts and typescripts, illustrations and color separations, galleys and proofs, dummies, notes, and correspondence. There are over 1,000 authors and illustrators represented. Outstanding individuals represented include Marcia Brown, Barbara Cooney, Roger Duvoisin, Berta & Elmer Hader, Nancy Hogrogian, Madeleine L'Engle, Lois Lowry, Maud & Miska Petersham, Kate Seredy, and Lynd Ward.

The de Grummond Collection is particularly noted for its holdings of original illustrations by Kate Greenaway (approximately 300 illustrations, including over 40 pencil sketches for A Apple PIE). For more information on the de Grummond Collection, please contact:

The de Grummond Library
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KATHERINE (WOMELDORF) PATERNSON

The fifteenth recipient of the University of Southern Mississippi Medallion was born in Qinling, China, on October 51, 1932, to George and Mary Womeldorff. Katherine W. Paterson's early years were spent with her missionary parents in China, where she experienced the war with Japan and the subsequent occupation of China. At the age of seven, she published her first work, a poem, in the Shanghai American School newspaper.

The onset of World War II and her father's career forced her family to move frequently. They returned to the United States and lived in Virginia, North Carolina, West Virginia, and Tennessee. Mrs. Paterson received her A.B. degree from King College in Bristol, Tennessee, in 1954. She then taught for two years in the public schools of Lovettville, Virginia. Mrs. Paterson earned her M.A. degree from the Presbyterian School of Christian Education in Richmond, Virginia, in 1957. She then lived four years in Japan, where she attended the Nagasaki School of the Japanese Language and assisted rural pastors on Shikoku Island in their churches' education programs.

The award of a fellowship for further study in Christian Education brought her back to the United States. She received the M.E.E. degree from Union Theological Seminary in 1962. Her marriage on July 14, 1962, to John Paterson, led to a new career as a wife, mother, and writer.


She returned from feudal Japan to contemporary America for her next book, Bridge To Terabithia (1977). Mrs. Paterson received the John Newbery Medal for this novel in 1978. A call to the Patersons to act as temporary foster parents led to the writing of The Great Gilly Hopkins (1978). This critically acclaimed title was named a Newbery Honor Book for 1979 and was the winner of the National Book Award in 1979. Angels and Other Strangers, published in 1973, is a collection of the Christmas stories Mrs. Paterson wrote to be read aloud by the Reverend John Paterson to his congregation on successive Christmas Eves.

Jacob Have I Loved (1988), a novel set on a Chesapeake Bay island in the 1940's, won the Newbery Medal for 1981. Mrs. Paterson is only the third person in history to win the coveted John Newbery Medal twice.


Mrs. Paterson's books have received American Library Association Notable Children's Book status five times. She is considered by many critics to be one of the pre-eminent writers for young people in the United States. Katherine and her husband, the Reverend John Paterson, live with their four children in Norfolk, Virginia.
BRIAN ALDERSON

Brian Alderson, Senior Lecturer at the School of Librarianship at the Polytechnic of North London, is an international authority in the field of children's literature. Mr. Alderson is the editor of a number of classic children's literary works such as Dutton's Children's Books in England, "The Juvenile Library," and the Andrew Lang "Colour Fairy Books". Mr. Alderson has also translated several works—the most famous being Hürlimann's Three Centuries of Children's Books in Europe and The Brothers Grimm: Popular Folk Tales. In 1988, he received the Eleanor Farjeon Award for his noted works in the field of children's literature.

Mr. Alderson's research interests lie in the history of children's literature and the history of book illustration. As Children's Book Editor of the London Times, he is actively involved with the criticism of children's literature. Through The Polytechnic of North London he serves as lecturer to the Studies in Children's Literature courses offered by the British Studies Program of the University of Southern Mississippi. He and his wife are the proprietors of the Five Owl Bookshop in Yorkshire, England.

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