

## Charleston Publisher receives Best Books nod from Annual Children's List

Mt. Pleasant, SC (June 10, 2014) – Two of the “Best Books of the Year” were published by local children’s publisher Arbordale per the Bank Street College of Education’s annual list that was released this week in New York City.

A committee of children’s book experts, reviews newly published books each year and chooses outstanding titles for their list. This booklist is a highly regarded guide to children’s books for parents and educators; each of the books on the list goes through a stringent review process before the final selections are made. The 2014 edition includes *A Butterfly Called Hope* and *Ferdinand Fox’s First Summer* released in 2013 under the name Sylvan Dell Publishing before the company’s name change in early 2014.



The awarded book *A Butterfly Called Hope* was born in the Lowcountry. *New York Times* bestselling author Mary Alice Monroe worked with butterfly expert Linda Love and photographer Barbara Berwerf to tell the story of a little girl that finds a caterpillar and cares for it until she sets the beautiful monarch free. The story was inspired by Monroe’s research while writing the adult novel *The Butterfly’s Daughter*.

Although *Ferdinand Fox’s First Summer* is also a photographic picture book, author and photographer Mary Holland caught this fox family in Vermont where she also writes a popular nature blog, *Naturally Curious*. Holland is a naturalist by trade and enjoys sharing her outdoor experiences with children and has written several award-winning books. In *Ferdinand Fox’s First Summer* readers follow this fox as he explores his habitat, gets into some trouble with mother, and plays with his siblings.

Being named to this list is a great honor and Arbordale Publishing is happy to continue to produce excellent titles that bring their mission to spark and interest in science and math to children. The company has had several other titles named to the Bank Street list over the past ten years and is looking forward to releasing great new titles in 2014.

Both books on the list are available in hardcover, paperback, eBook and App on the iTunes store. To find more information about the books visit [www.arbordalepublishing.com](http://www.arbordalepublishing.com), or contact public relations coordinator Heather Williams at [heather@arbordalepublishing.com](mailto:heather@arbordalepublishing.com).