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Science and Art Celebrated in Santa Cruz

California Artist Erin Hunter is Featured in Science Illustration Exhibit

Mt. Pleasant, SC (April 10, 2013)-How many spots on a ladybug, eyes of a soldier ant and stripes on a honey bee, scientific illustrator Erin Hunter can answer all these questions after her work on children's picture book *Multiply on the Fly*, which is featured in an exhibit at the Santa Cruz Museum of Natural History this spring.

The original art from *Multiply on the Fly* is displayed with a copy of the book and examples of the techniques that Hunter used in depicting the fireflies. As a member of the California Guild of Natural Science Illustrators Erin is featured along with many other talented artists that bring science and illustration together. This annual exhibit is in its 24th year at the museum and runs through spring with tours available May 1st through June 7th.

Capturing each hair on a leg or fold in a wing she is diligent at making sure the details of her illustrations are perfectly accurate. Hunter was inspired by nature at a young age and a gift of the *Reader's Digest Guide to North American Wildlife* sparked her career. She has illustrated *A Day on the Mountain*, *Multiply on the Fly* and *The Great Divide* for Sylvan Dell with *A Day in the Deep* due out this fall. Along with picture books, Hunter has illustrated for many scientific books as well as commercial design work. To learn more about her work and background visit www.eehunter.com.

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