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Carolyn Haines comes to the SCHC with Two Special Events Lecture and writing workshop in February

VICKSBURG, MS (November 5, 2009): The Southern Cultural Heritage Foundation is pleased to welcome best-selling author and instructor, Carolyn Haines. She will present a lecture and book signing on February 19 at 6pm and also a writing workshop on Saturday, February 20 at 10am. The lecture will include a never before seen one-act skit selected from her much acclaimed novel, THEM BONES. Carolyn will speak about your life, books and her love of animals. The lecture will be held in the SCH Auditorium on Friday, February 19 from 6:00pm-7:00pm and admission is free and open to the public. Lorelei Books will be selling the books on site. The writing workshop will be held in the SCH Academy Building on Saturday, February 20 10am-12pm. Admission is \$15 for SCHF members and \$20 nonmembers.

The Vicksburg Theater Guild is announcing a casting call for an actress to portray the part of "Sarah Booth Delaney" in a skit presentation the night of the lecture. Sarah is a private investigator and Haines' popular series lead. Anyone interested, should contact VTG at 601.636.0471 or email info@southernculture.org.

The creative writing workshop will focus on the elements of solid fiction writing and will also include the reality of publishing in today's erratic market. Some of the elements she will discuss include point of view, immediate scene and narrative summary, the use of voice and setting, plot and structure--the basic elements of storytelling. The workshop will also assist teachers on how to help students discover their creative writing skills.



Carolyn Haines is a former journalist who began her fiction career writing short stories. She quickly moved to the long form and has published over 60 novels in a number of genres including general fiction, mystery, romantic mystery, crime fiction and non-fiction. She was born and raised in Mississippi and now lives in Alabama on a farm with 21 animals (dogs, cats, and horses). She was recently awarded the prestigious 2009

Richard Wright Ward for Literary Excellence. She has been honored with an Alabama State Council on the Arts literary fellowship. She is currently a Fiction Coordinator at the University of South Alabama. Visit her online at www.carolynhaines.com.

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