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Robert Beatty's *Willa of Dark Hollow* coming May 4 *'Captivating, stirring tale' from bestselling author of the Serafina Series*

ASHEVILLE, N.C. — WILLA OF DARK HOLLOW, the new book from bestselling Serafina Series author Robert Beatty and publisher Disney-Hyperion, is coming May 4.

Set in the mystical Great Smoky Mountains, **WILLA OF DARK HOLLOW** is the story of an orphaned member of the dwindling Faeran clan, an ancient race of forest people who have lived deep in the woods for as long as the trees have grown there. As crews of newly arriving humans start cutting down great swaths of the forest she loves, Willa is helpless to stop them. How can she fight the destroyers and their powerful machines?

DARK HOLLOW is a compelling mix of history, mystery and magic, written for readers of all ages who care deeply about the natural world. **Kirkus Reviews** calls it **"a captivating, stirring tale of family, friendship, the environment, and our place in the world. ...A fantastic, heartbreaking crescendo that echoes beyond the final page."**

WILLA OF DARK HOLLOW and its companion **WILLA OF THE WOOD** are being adapted currently for a live-action television series by Entertainment One (eOne) and renowned actress and producer Amy Adams and her Bond Group Entertainment. Beatty is working with the team as an executive producer for the project.

"I'm so excited for the release of **WILLA OF DARK HOLLOW**, and to see Willa's story brought to life in a whole new way on screen," Beatty said. "It's an honor to have Willa's story in such talented and experienced hands."

WILLA OF DARK HOLLOW is available now from Amazon (<http://bit.ly/DarkHollowOrder>), Barnes & Noble (<https://bit.ly/33WHxvr>), and IndieBound (<http://bit.ly/3c0a7Qg>). Signed and personalized copies are available from Malaprop's Bookstore (<http://bit.ly/MalaDarkHollow>).

Join Beatty on the **Dark Hollow Virtual Book Tour** to celebrate the launch of the new book. Dates include: May 4, Malaprop's Bookstore, Asheville, NC; May 5, Anderson's Bookshop, Naperville, IL; May 6, Blue Willow Bookshop, Houston, TX; May 10, Fiction Addiction, Greenville, SC; and May 12 An Unlikely Story, Plainville MA.

Visit robertbeattybooks.com for more information on Willa of Dark Hollow, Willa of the Wood and the Serafina Book Series, and for updates on the Willa TV series.

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Photo caption: WILLA OF DARK HOLLOW, the new book by Robert Beatty, author of the #1 New York Times Bestselling Serafina Series, is set for nationwide release on May 4.

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