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Local Author/Illustrator a Finalist in 2011 International Book Awards

First-time author wins in Children's Fiction category

May 2011~ Sherry Brubaker of Mason was recently named an Award Winning Finalist in the 2011 International Book Awards for her children's book, <u>Cup of Glitter</u>. Chosen among the best submissions from 11 different countries, <u>Cup of Glitter</u> was one of five books recognized in the Soft Cover Children's Fiction category by JPX Media Group, parent company of the International Book Awards.

With the focus on honoring outstanding books on a global scale, the International Book Awards provides a forum for authors and publishers to compete with other authors and illustrators throughout the world. Their mission is to honor knowledge, creativity, wisdom and global cooperation through the written word.

Cup of Glitter was penned with the intent to reach children in an entertaining way and encourage them to be self-reliant. The book tells the story of two fairies who get trapped in the world of humans. Through ingenuity and making new friends, the brother and sister fairies eventually manage to free themselves and return home.

Robert A. Brubaker, Sherry's husband, created the bright, digitally painted illustrations to bring the story to life. A fairy song, including words and music, and a seek-and-find throughout the pages of the book ensure this story appeals to children from preschool through early readers.

The husband and wife team started their own independent publishing company, Gilded Magic Publishing, through a print-on-demand company connected with Amazon.com. Future projects include a CD of the story and the music for <u>Cup of Glitter</u> and additional stories for other seasons with the same characters. Also coming for Christmas 2011, The Bell Ringer, written and Illustrated by Robert A. Brubaker. Previews of the books are available on the Gilded Magic Publishing website: <a href="https://www.gildedmagic.com">www.gildedmagic.com</a>.

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