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NEWS

New Book from Award-Winning Author Darcy Pattison and Illustrator Rich Davis

Summary Sentence: *Friday Comes on Tuesday*, forthcoming from the University of Arkansas Press, is the delightful story of Friday, a dog who discovers that the world of art is filled with many wonderful friends. The real Friday is a Jack Russell Terrier that belongs to Alice Walton, the founder of Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art.

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. – The University of Arkansas Press announces the forthcoming publication of *Friday Comes on Tuesday: An Adventure at Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art*, written by Darcy Pattison and illustrated by Rich Davis.

“*Friday Comes on Tuesday* achieves what I think of as the gold standard in picture books: it somehow manages to be fun, informative, and meaningful, all at once,” writes Monica Clark-Robinson, author of the Coretta Scott King Honor book *Let the Children March*. “Teachers, parents, and librarians will love this book for the myriad ways it can be used educationally, while children will love it for the imaginative journey little Friday takes them on through the museum.”

In Friday’s story, written by award-winning children’s author Darcy Pattison and illustrated by Rich Davis, readers join the fun as Friday takes a last visit to Crystal Bridges before leaving for the winter. Friday trots through the galleries, taking selfies and saying goodbye to all of his friends—Maman the spider, Rosie the Riveter, George Washington, and many others.

Looking back at his photos, Friday discovers that the works of art in a museum are more than just bronze and steel, paint and canvas, ink and paper, and he realizes the art connects him—and us—to stories, lessons, inspiration, and dreams. And through the art collection at Crystal Bridges, all of us—even a dog—become part of the American experience.

“My goal,” Pattison said, “has been a story that connects kids to art, the artistic community, and the rich heritage of American traditions in art. I’m thrilled that Friday’s story will introduce the next generation to the iconic works at Crystal Bridges.”

***Friday Comes on Tuesday* will be published in December. It will be hardcover, 40 pages, 10” x 10”, and \$14.95.**