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ATHENEUM BOOKS FOR YOUNG READERS TO LAUNCH NEW IMPRINT: CAITLYN DLOUHY BOOKS

New York, April 28, 2015 – Esteemed children's book editor Caitlyn Dlouhy will launch an eponymous imprint, Caitlyn Dlouhy Books, Simon and Schuster Children's Publishing announced today. The newly formed imprint will reside within the larger Atheneum Books for Young Readers and will publish roughly twenty titles a year beginning in Spring 2016. The projects will range in age from picture books to young adult, and will have the literary quality and commercial appeal expected from one of publishing's most decorated editors. The news was announced by Justin Chanda, Vice President and Publisher of Atheneum Books for Young Readers, to whom Ms. Dlouhy will continue to report.

"The creation of this new imprint within Atheneum Books for Young Readers is a celebration of quality books for kids, and also a celebration of one of the publishing industry's finest editors," said Chanda.

Jon Anderson, President of Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing added, "Caitlyn Dlouhy epitomizes editorial excellence. An eponymous imprint is the natural next step in a career that has produced an unparalleled number of critical and commercial successes."

Ms. Dlouhy, whose new title is Vice President, Editorial Director, Caitlyn Dlouhy Books, first joined Atheneum in July of 1998. In her sixteen years at Simon & Schuster, she has proven herself to be an inspired and meticulous editor and a tireless advocate for her books. Her projects include works by bestselling and acclaimed authors and illustrators—Laurie Halse Anderson, Kathi Appelt, Ashley Bryan, Andrew Clements, Doreen Cronin, Frances O'Roark Dowell, Sharon Draper, Richard Jackson, William Joyce, Cynthia Kadohata, Uma Krishnaswami, Betsy Lewin, Alison McGhee, Phyllis Reynolds Naylor, Jason Reynolds, Peter Reynolds, Janne Teller, Tor Seidler, and David Small, to name but a few. In 2014 alone, her books garnered over twenty-five starred reviews. The list of accolades Dlouhy's books have received include: a Newbery Award, a Newbery Honor, a Printz Honor, three Coretta Scott King Award winners, two Coretta Scott King Honors, a Pura Belpré Award, three National Book Award nominees, one National Book Award, two Edgar Awards, five Christopher Awards, a Batchelder Honor, a Jane Addams Peace Award, two Josette Frank Awards, Simon & Schuster's first ever Pen USA Award in Children's books and first ever Bologna Ragazzi Award, an E. B. White Award, a Canadian Governor General's Award, a Stonewall Honor, and a Charlotte Zolotow Award.

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