



## Bookmarks

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Ann Urban  
336.722.9660  
[ann@capturevalue.com](mailto:ann@capturevalue.com)

### **Bookmarks to Host Holiday Celebration with Award-winning Children’s Author Tony DiTerlizzi**

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. (November 26, 2018)— Tony DiTerlizzi, *New York Times* bestselling author, artist, and winner of the Caldecott Honor for illustration, will be at Bookmarks (634 W. Fourth Street #110) for a free holiday celebration beginning at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, December 4. DiTerlizzi will read from and speak about his children’s book, *The Broken Ornament*, with a booksigning to follow the author talk. The afternoon will also include holiday activities for all ages, including seasonal stories, holiday crafts, and snacks.

Tony DiTerlizzi is co-creator of the popular middle grade series *The Spiderwick Chronicles*, which sold over 20 million copies and was adapted into a feature film. DiTerlizzi is described as a “creator of worlds,” and his fantastical picture book *The Spider and the Fly* won the Caldecott Honor for illustration. The Norman Rockwell Museum’s *Never Abandon Imagination* exhibit about DiTerlizzi’s life and works was displayed from 2017 until 2018 and broke attendance records. *The Broken Ornament* is DiTerlizzi’s latest work and his return to children’s stories.

In *The Broken Ornament*, an elf named Jack helps teach young readers about the true meaning of Christmas when he learns that the newest, shiniest things are not always the most valuable when he breaks a dusty, old heirloom with magical powers. With fun characters and beautiful illustrations, *The Broken Ornament* is sure to delight young readers. Don’t miss this opportunity to hear this beautiful story directly from the author.

Bookmarks volunteers and staff will be on site to serve cider and cookies to guests. Bookmarks and Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers will offer *Broken Ornament* Christmas crafts and Bookmarks will be decorated for the holidays. It’s sure to be a magical evening at Bookmarks!

Earlier in the day on December 4, DiTerlizzi will visit two schools through Bookmarks Authors in Schools program.

Bookmarks is a literary arts nonprofit organization that fosters a love of reading and writing in the community. Bookmarks’ programming connects readers with authors and books and is achieved through the largest annual book festival in the Carolinas to be held September 5-8, 2019; an Authors in Schools program, which will reach 15,000 students in 2018; and year-round events in their gathering space and nonprofit independent bookstore that opened July 8, 2017. Visit [bookmarksnc.org](http://bookmarksnc.org) for more information.

# # #