



Kids Can Press Wins Fourth Governor General's Literary Award in Five Years with Cybèle Young's *Ten Birds*

(November 15, 2011 – Toronto, Canada) **Cybèle Young's *Ten Birds***, published by **Corus Entertainment's Kids Can Press**, has won the 2011 Governor General's Award for Children's Literature – Illustration. Written and illustrated by Young, *Ten Birds* is a counting book and witty fable about ingenuity, resourcefulness and common sense.

"We are delighted that Cybèle's work has been honoured with a Governor General's Award," said Karen Boersma, Vice President and Publisher, Kids Can Press. "Over 15 years in the making and inspired by her young daughter, *Ten Birds* has been a labour of love for Cybèle. Her intricate pen and ink drawings and clever storyline create a rich imaginative world for readers of all ages."

Young will receive the award from Governor General David Johnston at a presentation ceremony at Rideau Hall in Ottawa on Thursday, November 24. She was previously nominated for a Governor General's Award for Children's Literature - Illustration for *Pa's Harvest* by Jan Andrews.

"We congratulate Cybèle for this well-deserved recognition," said Lisa Lyons, President, Kids Can Press. "We are also proud that this marks the fourth Governor General's Award for Kids Can Press over the past five years, an achievement that reflects our commitment to publishing great books and working with exceptional creators."

The Governor General's Literary Awards are administered by the Canada Council for the Arts. The finalists include authors, illustrators and translators covering the categories of fiction, non-fiction, poetry, drama, children's literature and translation. A shortlist of 68 titles was drawn from a total of 1684 books submitted for this year's awards. For more information, visit, www.canadacouncil.ca.

Kids Can Press is the largest Canadian-owned children's publisher, with an award-winning list of over 600 picture books, non-fiction and fiction titles for toddlers to young adults, including Franklin the Turtle, the single most successful publishing franchise in the history of Canadian publishing, which has sold over 65 million books in more than 30 languages around the world.

Kids Can Press is owned by **Corus Entertainment Inc.**, a Canadian-based media and entertainment company. Corus is a market leader in specialty television and radio with additional assets in pay television, television broadcasting, children's book publishing and children's animation. The Company's multimedia entertainment brands include YTV, Treehouse, Nickelodeon (Canada), W Network, OWN: Oprah Winfrey Network (Canada), CosmoTV, Sundance Channel (Canada), Movie Central, HBO Canada, Nelvana, Kids Can Press and radio stations including CKNW AM 980, 99.3 The FOX, Country 105, 630 CHED, Q107 and 102.1 the Edge. Corus creates engaging branded entertainment experiences for its audiences across multiple platforms. A publicly traded company, Corus is listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange (CJR.B). Experience Corus on the web at www.corusent.com.

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