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Melbourne, Australia – April 19, 2013 – ’99 University of Charleston, SC, Master of Environmental Studies graduate Renée (Seaman) Treml’s first picture book, One Very Tired Wombat (Random House Australia), is due for release in the American market on June 1, 2013.

Treml was recently shortlisted by the Children’s Book Council of Australia for the Crichton Award for New Illustrators 2013 (winner to be announced in August) and won first place in the Illustrated Picture Book category of the CYA (Children’s and Young Adults) Writers and Illustrators Conference in 2011.

Treml’s love of wildlife was nurtured through her study of environmental science at CofC, where she was encouraged by her professors to explore scientific illustration. She worked for several years as a remote sensing scientist before pursuing a professional certificate in botanical illustration (Chapel Hill, NC). She is married to alumni Eric Treml (MS Marine Biology), and after the birth of their son and a challenging battle with hereditary breast cancer in 2011, Treml began combining her love of wildlife, words and illustration into creating picture books.

One Very Tired Wombat is a rhyming counting book featuring some very cheeky Australian animals. Treml’s follow-up picture book, Colour for Curlews, will be available in the US in December 2013 (Australia in September 2013).

Working closely with her American agent, Treml is developing several new projects for release in 2014-2015.

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