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What hides beneath the ocean depths? Certified scuba diver releases *Ocean Hide and Seek*

MT. PLEASANT, SC (January 2009) – Georgia children’s book author Jennifer Kramer is a certified member of the National Association of Underwater Instructors. She has snorkeled and dived off Maui, the Caymans, and the coast of Cozumel. She loves to talk about coming face-to-face with a white tipped reef shark, so who better to write a book about the creatures that hide in the deep, blue sea?

With the help of Sylvan Dell Publishing, Kramer’s *Ocean Hide and Seek* will hit bookshelves in February of 2009. The sea is a place of mystery, where animals big and small play hide-and-seek! Can you imagine a shark hiding in the light? What about a clownfish in plain sight? Don’t believe it? Then, sink into the deep blue sea. Surround yourself with the vibrant ocean illustrations of Gary R. Phillips. The ocean is an old, old place, and the exotic animals in the depths have learned to adapt to their surroundings to survive. Can you find the creatures hidden on every page? Or will you, too, be fooled by an ancient, underwater disguise?

Jennifer Kramer loves spending time outdoors and believes children make the very best nature guides. Jennifer graduated with a BA from Emory University and a JD/MBA from Georgia State University. It was at Emory that Jennifer obtained her NAUI scuba certification. In addition to *Ocean Hide and Seek* (Spring 2009), Jennifer has also written *Good Luck Charlie* and *The Ninth Dragon*. She has fiction and non-fiction stories and articles published with *Highlights for Children*, *Ladybug*, *Educational Testing*, *McGraw Hill*, and more.

Sometimes people ask her why she writes for children. “Maybe it is because children are some of my favorite people in the world,” says Kramer. “Maybe it is because childhood is a time of magic and mischief and the occasional mud puddle. And only children seem to understand that sometimes the magic is in the mud puddle. Mostly it is because books were some of my very best friends growing up. And my dream is that one day, one of my books will find a spot in a child’s heart, too.”

Kramer plans to donate part of the proceeds from her new children’s book to the National Marine Sanctuary Foundation. “Each footprint may be small,” says Kramer, “but together they create a trail for others to follow. Education is the first step to preserving and protecting the ocean ecosystem and providing future generations with a priceless legacy.”

In celebration of her new release, Kramer has a number of events scheduled for the coming months in the Atlanta area. For details, visit <http://www.sylvandellpublishing.com/events.htm#Hide>. For more information about her book, visit <http://www.sylvandellpublishing.com/Hide.php>. For more about Kramer, go to her website, <http://www.jenniferkramerbooks.com/home.html>.

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