



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
To Winnipeg Media

**AUTHOR OF CANADIAN CLASSIC RELEASING NEW TITLE:
*Come Walk With Me, A Memoir by Beatrice Mosionier***

BOOK LAUNCH IN WINNIPEG – November 2 & 13, 2009

Winnipeg, Manitoba (October 20, 2009) -- In 1983, **Beatrice Mosionier** (then Culleton) blazed onto the stage of Canadian literature with the publication of her first novel ***In Search of April Raintree***. With searing clarity, Mosionier explored the struggle of two Métis sisters as they tried to make sense of the powerlessness, racism, and loss that loomed so large in their lives.

For years, readers have asked: How much of April Raintree's story is from the author's own life? ***Come Walk With Me, A Memoir*** is the answer to that question.

In ***Come Walk With Me, A Memoir***, Beatrice recounts a life that often parallels that of her most memorable fictional character. Like April, Mosionier confronts great loss – of family, of innocence, and of dignity. However, whereas April is just beginning her quest for self-realization, Mosionier shares with us how she has found fulfillment – artistically, politically, and personally. She also includes the recovery of her powerful bond with her mother, a bond nearly destroyed by the family's separation in 1952.

WINNIPEG BOOK LAUNCH EVENTS

Beatrice Mosionier is launching ***Come Walk With Me, A Memoir*** at two events in Winnipeg:

Monday, November 2, 7:00pm
McNally Robinson (Polo Park location)
Book reading by Beatrice Mosionier & reception
Free admission – all are welcome!

Friday, November 13, 7:00pm
Aqua Books (274 Garry Street)
Book readings by Beatrice Mosionier & David Robertson
Free admission – all are welcome!

More on page 2...

ABOUT *COME WALK WITH ME, A MEMOIR*

Come Walk With Me, A Memoir is published by HighWater Press, an imprint of Portage & Main Press. The book was hot-off-the-presses October 15, 2009. Early reviews are testament to the fact that, once again, Beatrice's unassuming style and authentic voice make for an unforgettable literary journey, captivating the hearts and minds of those who venture into her book's pages:

"Fascinating to read . . . This memoir functions as a mini-history about Aboriginal and non-Native writers, about publishing and politics, offered by an important figure in the development of Canadian Aboriginal literature," says Paul DePasquale, from the Department of English at University of Winnipeg.

ABOUT BEATRICE MOSIONIER

Born in St. Boniface, Manitoba in 1949, Beatrice Mosionier was the youngest in a family of four children and placed in foster care at age 3. Following the suicides of her sisters, Vivian in 1964 and Kathy in 1980, Beatrice was compelled to take up writing. The result was the novel, *In Search of April Raintree*, published in 1983. The book remains one of Canada's most popular works of Aboriginal literature and launched the Manitoba literacy initiative On the Same Page in 2008. Beatrice previously worked as publisher of Pemmican Publications and has written more books of fiction, a play and a short film. She lives in Manitoba with her husband.

-- 30 --

****review copies available****
****author interviews available****
****photos & artwork available****

www.beatrice-culleton-mosionier.com
www.portageandmain.press.com
www.highwaterpress.com

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
RoseAnna Schick, RAS Creative
*Publicist for *Come Walk With Me, A Memoir**
204-783-7600 / rascreative@yahoo.ca