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THEODORE WADDELL
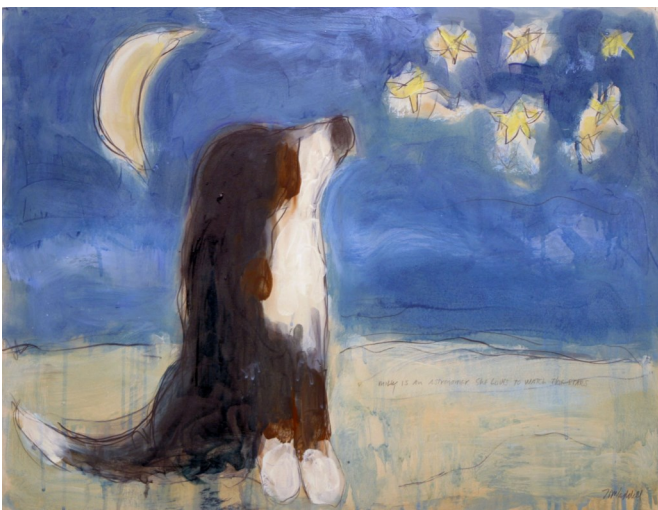# 15TH ILLUSTRATOR SHOW
at THE BRINTON MUSEUM

What's this? Dogs can fly? (No, not really)

In the storybook "**Tucker Tees Off**", about a Bernese Mountain Dog, TUCKER, Ted Waddell illustrates his playful canine friend and his animal companions enjoying a day of sun and fun on the golf course. In this scene, Tucker is reading the line for his putt. It's determined "Three milk bones to the left should be fine!"

In addition to frolicking about the golf course, there is so much more to know about Bernese Mountain Dogs.

Did you know that the Bernese Mountain Dog derives from an ancient lineage of mountain dogs? It's one of four varieties of Swiss Mountain Dogs that were used as working dogs on Swiss farms. It is the only one of the four to have a long silky coat with a bright natural sheen. The Bernese Mountain Dog, or Berner, is tri-colored. It's coat is black with distinctive rust and white markings. Berners are 25 inches to more than 27 inches tall; that's a big dog. They are self-confident, good-natured and very friendly. These large, strong dogs were used for numerous tasks. They pulled carts for farmers hauling milk. They were herding dogs used to herd cattle. And they were also guard dogs alerting their owner to danger. It was a few years before World War I when this breed was almost forgotten. In 1982, Franz Schertenleib of Switzerland with the help of other dog knowledgeable persons revived the breed. In 1990, the American Kennel Club recognized the Bernese Mountain Dog as a member of the Working Breed group. Berners are hardy dogs that thrive in cold weather and need human companionship. It's no wonder that lovable Tucker is beloved by his owner, Ted.

What are the 3 book titles about Tucker illustrated by Ted Waddell?

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What did you learn about Berners that you previously did not know?

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What tasks would a Swiss Mountain Dog have been expected to do on a farm?

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Tell us about your pet and why you love him, or her: ❤️

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