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**Mark Batty Publisher Presents:
REVELATIONS AND THE STUPID CREATURES**

New York, NY –July 27, 2010 – In *Revelations & the Stupid Creatures*, John Murphy pairs his distinctive Stupid Creatures with the Book of Revelation, one of the Bible's most descriptive and interpreted sections. A multi-headed dragon; beasts that resemble a lion, calf, man and an eagle; seven angels and more get commissioned treatments from Murphy. Illustrator Liana Finck complements the creatures with her expressive take on this epic tale. Together, the two artists have created an illustrated Book of Revelation as vivid as William Blake's.

Revelations & the Stupid Creatures is the first in what will be an ongoing series of artists, working in all mediums, responding to the Book of Revelation, the next of which will be *Revelations and Dog* by Michael Caines.

About John Murphy and Liana Finck

John Murphy is a plush toy artist from Asheville, North Carolina. For seven years he made plush toys for customers all over the world. To date he's written and co written five books about plush toys, including the bestselling *Stupid Sock Creatures* and stuffed toy how-to book *Closest Monsters*, which be released in October of 2010. He was recently interviewed in the plush art trade magazine *Stuffed* and is a featured designer in *Green Design* (Mark Batty Publisher) and *Dot Dot Dash* (Gestalten Books, 2006), and *Art Doll Adventures* (Li Hertz, 2007). He currently works for a wilderness therapy camp for at risk teens, and will be taking a residency at the John Michael Kohler Arts Center in Wisconsin this September. Find out more about John and his work at www.stupidcreatures.com

Liana Finck is a graphic novelist and designer based in New York. She graduated from Cooper Union College and is a recipient of a Fulbright Fellowship. Her first graphic novel, *Phèdre: A Comic Tragedy*, can be downloaded for free from Lulu.com.

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