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LAST WILD WOLVES IS THE LEADER OF THE PACK

McAllister's book wins the BC Booksellers Choice Award in Honour of Bill Duthie

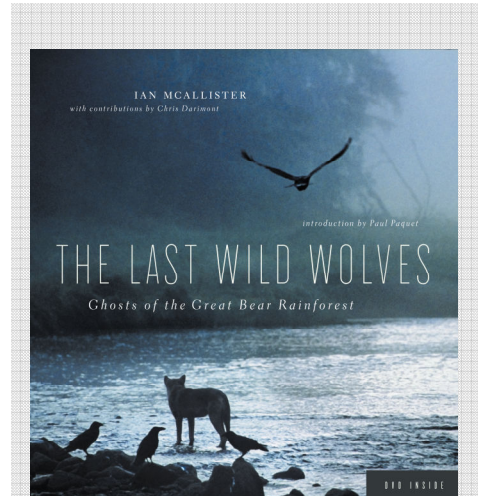
VANCOUVER, BC. 28 APRIL 2008. For seventeen years, Ian McAllister has lived with his family on the rugged north coast of British Columbia, one of the last places on the planet where wolves live relatively undisturbed by humans. He's spent countless hours documenting their behaviour and studying them non-invasively. He also founded the environmental group Pacific Wild to help preserve their natural habitat. On Saturday night, the booksellers of BC honoured his tireless efforts by awarding his book, *The Last Wild Wolves*, the BC Booksellers' Choice Award in Honour of Bill Duthie.

McAllister inherited his environmental ethic from his father, a conservationist who led battles to protect the forests on Vancouver Island. In 1988, while accompanying his father at a protest in the Clayoquot Sound, the elder Mr. McAllister volunteered his then 19-year-old son to sit in a hanging wicker basket on a hillside to prevent the logging companies from penetrating a disputed wilderness area. "I sat in the basket reading Margaret Atwood novels and slapping mosquitoes," McAllister remembers. "It introduced me to front line activism."

The BC Booksellers' Choice Award is chosen by the members of the BC Booksellers Association and carries a cash prize of \$2000. It recognizes the author and originating publisher of the best book in terms of public appeal, initiative, design, production and content, and is awarded in the memory of the highly-respected bookseller Bill Duthie. *The Last Wild Wolves* has also been nominated for the Canadian Booksellers Association's Non-Fiction Book of the Year Award, which will be announced on June 15, 2008.

Visit our website to look inside the book or watch a short video on the behaviour of McAllister's wolves.

IAN MCALLISTER has spent the last twenty years working to conserve BC's temperate rain forest. He is the author of *The Great Bear Rainforest* and is also an award-winning photographer and filmmaker. He lives on Denny Island, BC.



THE LAST WILD WOLVES *Ghosts of the Great Bear Rainforest*

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