

Stewart T. Monti Sr.'s Medieval Adventure Series Featured at BIBF 2026

Explora Books presented Stewart T. Monti Sr.'s medieval adventure novels, *Mary and Sir Edward*, and *Hillary and Sir Edward*, at the 32nd Beijing International Book Fair (BIBF), held June 17–21, 2026, at the China National Convention Center in Beijing.



Vancouver, British Columbia Jul 28, 2026 (Issuewire.com) - The two-book series appeared within the context of a fair centered on the theme “Using Books as a Medium to Facilitate Communication and Dialogue, Leading to Cooperative Success for All Parties Involved”—an idea reflected in Monti Sr.'s

stories, where acts of courage, trust, and perseverance passed across generations shape both individual lives and the future of a kingdom.

Set in 12th-century England, the series follows two young women across two generations. In *Mary and Sir Edward*, a twelve-year-old farm girl in the village of Darwick shelters a wounded knight fleeing capture, setting into motion events that influence the kingdom's future. The sequel, *Hillary and Sir Edward*, shifts to the next generation and follows Mary's daughter, who grows up between village life and sword training before disguising herself as a page and earning a place in the King's service through determination, strategy, and conviction.

Marking both the fair's 40th anniversary and its 32nd edition, BIBF brought together over 1,700 exhibitors from 82 countries and regions and welcomed 300,000 visitors, reinforcing its position as one of Asia's leading platforms for international publishing exchange and cultural dialogue. Within that setting, Monti Sr.'s novels introduced readers to a medieval world shaped less by conquest than by loyalty, responsibility, and the quiet influence individuals can have across generations.

Displayed throughout the event at Explora Books's Booth 5A.B14, both titles formed part of the publisher's international exhibition. Illustrated with full-color artwork, the books present the world of Darwick in a style designed to make historical adventure accessible to readers across age groups—an approach that aligns with the fair's continued attention to children's and youth publishing as a vehicle for cultural exchange.

Monti Sr.'s interest in historical fiction was shaped in part by his years as a C-130E pilot stationed at RAF Mildenhall in England, where time spent exploring the countryside deepened his appreciation for history and place. Elements of Sir Edward's character were also inspired by the author's uncle, whose lessons in discipline, practical skill, and self-reliance informed the values carried throughout both novels.

[*Mary and Sir Edward*](#), and [*Hillary and Sir Edward*](#) are available through Amazon and other major digital bookstores.

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