

Explora Books Showcases Jennifer Davis Deckert's 'The Book of Laural' at BIBF 2026

Explora Books presented 'The Book of Laural' by Jennifer Davis Deckert at the 32nd Beijing International Book Fair (BIBF), held June 17–21, 2026, at the China National Convention Center (CNCC) in Beijing.



Vancouver, British Columbia Sep 14, 2026 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - Concluding its five-day run on June 21, the fair brought together 1,700 exhibitors from 82 countries and regions. Through its exhibition at BIBF, *The Book of Laural* introduced international readers to a work of metaphysical fantasy centered

on memory, transformation, and the relationships that continue to shape identity across time.

Held under the theme “Using Books as a Medium to Facilitate Communication and Dialogue, Leading to Cooperative Success for All Parties Involved,” the 2026 edition of BIBF continued its role as one of Asia’s leading platforms for international publishing exchange, cultural dialogue, and evolving forms of storytelling. Within that setting, *The Book of Laural* contributed a narrative that combines speculative imagination with reflections on companionship, renewal, and emotional endurance.

The book begins with a premise inspired by the scientific principle that energy changes form rather than disappears. From that foundation, Deckert builds a story that follows a soul named Laural through a sequence of incarnations spanning prehistoric life, human history, and imagined worlds—a gentle brontosaurus, a musical rodent, a dolphin, a medieval villager, and a woman. Across each life, Laural remains linked to her fairy companion, Jaja, whose presence becomes a steady thread connecting one existence to the next.

Music plays a central role throughout the novel and functions as an expression of memory, growth, and shared experience. Drawing from Deckert’s own experience performing music with her sister for over two decades, the story imagines sound evolving alongside each stage of Laural’s journey. From choral voices within distant stars to rhythms emerging across changing forms of life, music becomes one of the novel’s ways of expressing continuity through change.

The book was shaped by personal loss. Following the death of Deckert’s sister, Laural, on Christmas Day in 2021, the author began writing a work that approached grief through imagination and renewal. Rather than presenting death as a final endpoint, *The Book of Laural* explores the idea that memory, love, and human connection continue to leave traces beyond absence. That perspective gives the novel its emotional center and informs its broader reflection on endurance and meaning.

Alongside its speculative elements, the novel also explores questions of compassion and personal growth. Through recurring characters whose choices echo across lifetimes, Deckert suggests that understanding and kindness can develop gradually and that even minor acts may carry consequences far beyond the moment in which they occur. The result is a work that combines imaginative world-building with an interest in how people grow, remain connected, and carry meaning forward.

Throughout the fair, Explora Books showcased *The Book of Laural* alongside other titles in its international catalog, connecting readers with stories that combine imaginative storytelling with personal reflection.

[*The Book of Laural*](#) is available through Amazon and other major digital bookstores.

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