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BCPL Hosts Author Carine McCandless at Arbutus Branch

The Arbutus Branch of the Baltimore County Public Library is pleased to host Carine McCandless, author of *The Wild Truth*, on Saturday, December 6 at 2 p.m. The powerful story of Chris McCandless — who gave away his savings, hitchhiked across North America, walked into the wilderness of Alaska and starved to death in 1992 — fascinated not only author Jon Krakauer, but readers around the world in *Into the Wild*. In 2007, Sean Penn's compelling film by the same name furthered the global reach of Chris' story and deepened the mystery behind his legend. In *The Wild Truth*, Chris' sister, Carine McCandless, tells her own story while filling in the blanks of his.

Said Ms. McCandless, "As a consultant to both Jon and Sean, I knew it was important that they understood the deep-rooted reasons why Chris disappeared. But I wasn't ready to share with the rest of the world what had driven my brother to such extremes, and both Jon and Sean honored my request to limit what they revealed. Throughout the 20 plus years since Chris' death, I have wrestled with that decision."

Join BCPL and Ms. McCandless for an exciting conversation with the author as she shares what she's learned in her journey without her brother — that the greatest inspiration comes only from what her brother valued most: TRUTH. Book sales and signings are available (cash and check only). This appearance is open to the public.

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