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COLOR ME IMPRESSED AND A LITTLE DE-STRESSED

Local Artist's Work Included in National Magazine Aimed at the Adult Coloring Craze

Savannah, GA, August 22, 2016— Award winning freelance illustrator Steph Calvert's exuberant and detailed drawing of a sassy 1920s flapper will be published in the autumn 2016 issue of Stampington & Company's national magazine *The Coloring Studio*.

About The Coloring Studio Magazine

(as written on the publisher's website at www.stampington.com/the-coloring-studio)

Now Available Quarterly! From the publishers of *Somerset Studio*, comes a brand-new specialty publication that puts an artistic spin on today's hottest trend. *The Coloring Studio* is not your kid's coloring book. With an imaginative collection of edgy illustrations in the Somerset-esque style you've come to love, *The Coloring Studio* won't restrict you to a single theme by offering a wide variety of designs just awaiting your own personal palette. This coloring book for adults also includes bonus content and ideas that you won't find in similar publications, like what to do with your pages when you're finished.

Featuring: 112 thick, high-quality pages • 60 unmatched illustrations from top artists

"It was such a great surprise to find out my artwork had been accepted for publication in a national magazine!" says freelance illustrator Steph Calvert. "The notification that I was included came to my business mailbox. I wasn't expecting anything that day, so when I opened it, I was ready to dump junk mail into the trash can before walking back to my car. But then I saw their note and the magazine inside. I flipped it open, and sure enough there was my sassy flapper girl on page 49. The squealing that followed easily made me the UPS Store's most obnoxious customer of the day."

No stranger to the adult coloring book style, Steph Calvert has had 60+ cute and quirky illustrations published in two travel themed coloring books for Seattle based indie book publisher Colorful Cities. The Colorful Tokyo title won the bronze in the Travel/Guidebook category of the 2016 Independent Publisher Awards.

Steph continues, "It's so great that coloring has become a mainstream stress reliever for adults - I don't think this is a passing fad! We all need a creative outlet, and this is a really simple,

non-threatening one that's totally portable. It's so easy to bring a coloring book and some colored pencils with you to pass time while you wait for a doctor's appointment or to pick your kids up from school. Adult coloring book artwork is super relaxing for the artist creating the black and white illustrations, too. Think coloring all of those tiny little details is stress relieving? Try zoning out while drawing them! "

Where to Buy The Coloring Studio

A variety of art and craft magazine titles from Stampington & Company are available in hobby stores across the U.S., covering everything from sewing and jewelry to art journaling and coloring. A store locator is available at www.stampington.com/store-locator. Single copies of their magazines as well as subscriptions are available through www.stampington.com. The Autumn 2016 issue of The Coloring Studio including Steph Calvert's sassy flapper illustration will be available September 1, 2016.

About Steph Calvert

Steph Calvert is an award winning published illustrator with super powers that include hand lettering, cute characters, donut eating, and surface pattern design. She earned her BFA in Computer Art from Savannah College of Art and Design, and her work has been seen worldwide on apparel, in print, and online. Her clients include George Lucas' Edutopia.org, Hartford Healthcare, and Kohl's Department Stores.

Steph lives just outside of Savannah in Guyton, Georgia with her hilarious partners in crime husband Josh, son Phil (5 years), daughter Joy (2 years), and mom-in-law Carole, along with a slew of animals that include 45 chickens, 5 beehives, and a bunch of wild critters running around like deer and foxes and a chupacabra. Steph likes coloring with her kids, karaoke, and a good glass of wine every now and then. (But preferably now, thanks.) She also likes drawing for you. Hint hint.

Steph Calvert is represented by Liz Sanders Agency, and is available for freelance illustration projects including kids art, editorial illustration, logo design, and surface pattern design.

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