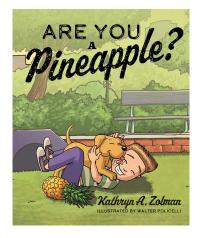


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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

New Children's Book Are You A Pineapple? Encourages Children to be Grateful for the Animals in their Lives

**WARSAW**, Ind. — Mascot Books announces the release of *Are You A Pineapple?* written by Kathryn A. Zolman, with illustrations by Walter Policelli.



Kevin has a beautiful new puppy! But what should he name her? He wants to find a name that is unique, just like her. Kevin knows the puppy is special, but he's about to find out just how smart she is when she helps Kevin choose her own name!

Zolman, a dog lover, was inspired to write the true story of how an 8-year-old Bullmastiff-Chow-Shepherd mix named Pineapple was named hearing the silly story from her owner. Much like the fruit she represents, Pineapple knows how to stand tall and is very sweet on the inside.

"It was such a fun, heartwarming story to tell," said Zolman. "Her owner loves the idea of immortalizing the story and letting kids learn about her."

In addition to entertaining children, Zolman, hopes *Are You A Pineapple?* will help children learn to respect animals and appreciate the joy they bring.

"I hope it encourages positivity and helps children express more gratitude —to be thankful for the pets they may have in their life," Zolman said.

Zolman never expected to write a children's book, but when she first encountered Pineapple and heard the story of how this sweet, smart dog got her name, she thought it would make a fun book for parents to read to their children.

Zolman is an avid dog lover. Along with her husband and daughter, they are currently raising their fourth Doberman Pinscher, each have had their own unique personality and character.

Connect with Zolman on <u>Instagam</u>. To set up an interview, reading, signing, or for information regarding *Are You A Pineapple?*, please contact <u>zolman@embarqmail.com</u>.

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