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**Local Authors to Sign Books at State Street Farmers Market** 

Local authors including Jim Counts, Joe Tennis, Linda Hoagland, and Bud Phillips are

signing copies of their books at Bristol's State Street Farmers Market on Saturday,

August 28, 2010 from 8:30 a.m. to noon.

Counts, of Abingdon, Va., is the author of novels set in the local area, including "Rusty

Cars and Fallen Stars" and his latest, "Blackbird, Bluebird". The retired teacher has also

published "Not as Man Sees".

Tennis, of Bristol, Va., is signing copies of his new book, "Haunts of Virginia's Blue

Ridge Highlands", featuring local ghost stories. His other books include "Sullivan

County" and "Beach to Bluegrass".

Phillips, the official Bristol historian, will sign copies of his local bestsellers, including

"Pioneers In Paradise" and "Forgive Me, Father, For I Have Grinned". He will also share

stories from his forthcoming "Hidden History of Bristol".

Other authors participating in the Annual Authors Day at the State Street Farmers Market

include J. Russell Rose, of Bristol Tennessee, the author of six novels, including

"Missing" and "P.J. Barnes- Private Investigator".

Rounding out the book signing event is a signing by Rodney Smith, the author of "Journey Through My Mind", and an appearance by Tim Rouse, a Bristol, Tennessee, resident and author of a western called "Saddle Tramps".

The State Street Farmers Market is located in downtown Bristol at 810 State Street, at the Downtown Center. Books will be available for purchase. For more information call (423)764-4171.

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