

About The Author

Mary Harelkin Bishop has lived in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan since she was 12 years old and considers herself a Prairie person. Writing has always been a very important aspect of her life. Mary knew she was a writer when she was nine years old. She cannot imagine life without writing.

A Saskatoon teacher, Mary is author of the best-selling *Tunnels of Moose Jaw Adventures* and the award-winning book about a little boy's farming dreams, *Seeds of Hope: A Prairie Story*.

Although Mary and Colette have never worked together in the same school, they have gotten to know each other over the years. Mary is honoured to share Colette's story of triumph over such devastating odds, and is happy to ski with Colette – anywhere that is flat!!



Colette Bourgonje with author Mary Harelkin Bishop.