

Sneed B. Collard III

"... there are so many incredible things to write about. There are more great ideas than I can ever get to."

Sneed B. Collard III has been a biologist, computer scientist, and author. He began writing after graduating with honors in marine biology from the University of California, Berkeley. After earning his master's in scientific instrumentation at the University of California, Santa Barbara, he continued to hone his craft while serving as a computer consultant for biologists.

The main focus of Sneed's work has always been nature, science, and the environment. His writing has drawn from his formal education as well as his extensive travels to the Middle East. Asia, Australia, Central America, and other parts of the world. His articles have appeared in The Humanist, Environmental Action, Florida Wildlife, Islands, Cricket, Highlights for Children, and many other publications.



Sneed is also the author of several children's books for Charlesbridge including, Creepy Creatures, Our Wet World, Forest in the Clouds, and One Night in the Coral Sea. Other books include and Sea Snakes (Boyds Mills Press), Smart Survivors (NorthWord Press), Animal Dads (Houghton Mifflin), and Monteverde (Franklin Watts). These books have won a number of awards and honors from organizations

> such as the American Library Association, New York Public Library, National Council of Teachers of English, and Reading Rainbow.



In his work Sneed seeks not only to educate, entertain, and inspire children, but also to empower them to effect positive change. In addition to his writing activities, he is an active speaker. He has won many speaking awards, and addresses thousands of students and educators each year about writing and the environment.

Sneed lives in Montana, where he writes books, articles, and stories for young people.

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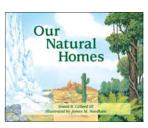
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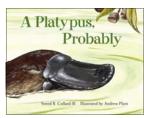
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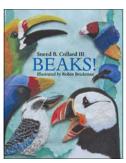


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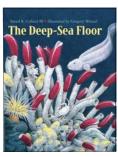
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