

## Jonathan Miller

Jonathan Miller grew up in Clover, SC, before moving to Charleston in 1998 to study business at the College of Charleston. Shortly after college, the longtime artist began to make cards and small pieces of art out of construction paper that he cut and layered into colorful—and often comical—designs.

After a spark flew between he and a friend's dachshund, the Adventures of Sammy the Wonder Dachshund children's book series was born. To create the illustrations, Miller used the same construction paper process, but on a much larger scale. Hundreds and thousands of pieces of paper go into a single illustration that can take some 30 hours to make.

Miller has now written and illustrated four books: *Sammy's Last Week in Charleston*, *Sammy on Safari*, *Sammy in Space*, and *A History of Wonder Dachshunds*. His work has been featured on ETV and covered in Vineyard Vines' summer 2010 clothing catalogue. One of his books was even read on Lifetime Network's hit TV show, *Army Wives*. Miller has spoken at the Savannah Book Festival, SC Book Festival, and Capital Bookfest.

Miller still lives in Charleston and spends most of his time traveling to approximately 130 schools per school year, reading his books and speaking to students about reading, writing, art, and book making, all with a sense of humor that appeals to kids and adults alike. Ask him to tell you about some of his experiences in the classroom, he has some hilarious tales.