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Christopher Dewees of Davis painted this blue-spined unicornfish in 2013.

Davis fisheries scientist, artist shares his passion

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UC Davis marine fisheries specialist emeritus Christopher M. Dewees will read from, discuss and sign his new book, "A Life Among Fishes: The Art of Gyotaku," at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 1, at The Avid Reader.

The bookstore is at 617 Second St. downtown.

"A Life Among Fishes"

explores the lifelong passion of Dewees, a fisheries scientist and artist. It features more than 100 of his Japanese fish prints made since 1969. Personal stories and information about the art form are interspersed throughout.

The book presents Dewees' half-century of printing fish and shellfish in full color. Readers follow his evolution

from being exposed to and fascinated by gyotaku as a graduate student to his status now as an internationally recognized master in the field, having been featured in many individual and group exhibitions around the world.

In recent years, Dewees has done more writing, and these stories and poems are linked to his art.