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ventured into the more expansive realm of the short story.

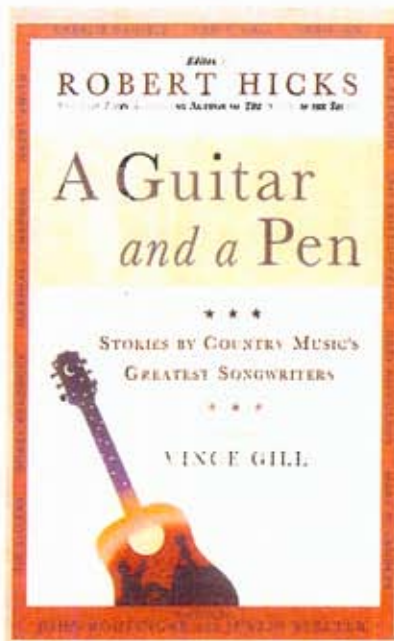
Their efforts have been compiled into *A Guitar and a Pen: Stories by Country Music's Greatest Songwriters*. The collection has been edited by a favorite local author, Robert Hicks (*New York Times* bestseller *The Widow of the South*) and includes a forward by Vince Gill.

Hicks believes that the project goes beyond being merely a book.

"I think what's going to come out of it is a catalyst for a movement of new writers, people like Tim Putnam and Tia Sellers," he says.

Hicks also singles out a story by Tom T. Hall. "It's really a wonderful, wonderful tale. It's not a completely easy story to read, but it's a wonderful tale."

In addition to Sellers, Putnam and Hall, stories from such songwriters as Kris Kristofferson, Mark D. Sanders and Charlie Daniels are featured, to name but a few. Even the editors get in on the action, contributing their own stories to round out a collection that would be perfect for any fan of country music – or just good storytelling for that matter.



with local writer Angela Folds Fox, Thouin has written *Chocolate Covered Friendship*, a chocolate-covered memoir of sorts. Thouin discovered her passion for all things chocolate during what would prove to be a pivotal time in her life.

"I think the process of working with chocolate, which requires a lot of patience, came at a perfect time in my life," she says. "I didn't know it, but I needed time to contemplate where I had come from and where I was going – chocolate gave me the opportunity to do that."

Having appeared on the Food Network and in *Bon Appétit* and *Newsweek* magazines for her confections, it goes without saying that Thouin knows from chocolate. She and Fox have taken this extensive knowledge and combined it with touching tales of Thouin's friendships and the various truffles they

inspired, chocolate recipes, tips on purchasing and baking with chocolate and even some poetry. The mix makes for a charming treasury of all things chocolate that is sure to please any chocolate lover on your shopping list this season.

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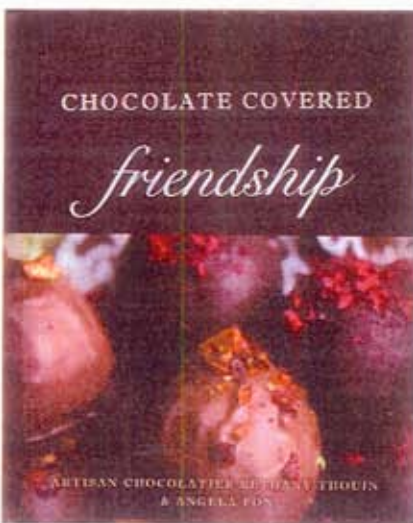
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## Chocolate Covered Friendship

by Bethany Thouin & Angela Folds Fox

There's a popular quote by Linda Grayson that goes, "There's nothing better than a good friend, except a good friend with chocolate."

And no one knows that better than Nashville artisan chocolatier Bethany Thouin. Along



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