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Title: *Dead Downwind* Author, Bill Riddle to Speak At Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor

Bill Riddle, author of the acclaimed novel *Dead Downwind* will speak at Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor Saturday February 28 at 7pm and Sunday, March 1, at 2pm. A book signing will occur before and after both presentations.

Riddle's talk will share the incredible story of John Rogers' daring and almost disastrous flight across the Pacific in 1925—the epic first flight to Hawaii. A spellbinding storyteller, Riddle will tell of the rivalry between a brash young general named Billy Mitchell and Hawaii-based Commander John Rogers who accepts a seemingly impossible and death-defying mission to lead three wood and canvas biplanes on the first trans-Pacific flight from California to Hawaii.

Reservations for the lecture and to drive on to historic Ford Island are required by February 25 by calling 441-1008 or emailing TourCoordinator@PacificAviationMuseum.org. General admission is \$14, adults; \$7, children. Kama`aina and military admission is \$10 adults; \$5, children. Admission is free to Museum members and military in uniform. More information is available at www.PacificAviationMuseum.org.

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According to Pacific Aviation Museum Chairman of the Board ADM Ronald Hays, USN (Ret), “*Dead Downwind* stays the course in its historical presentation of the roots of naval aviation – a history too little known and under appreciated. A well-told tale, it spans a decade, which bore witness to lofty aerial ventures, untamed ambitions, and extreme personal daring powered by a dogged belief in a future for naval aviation.”

Pacific Aviation Museum is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization which depends on its membership and support from donations. The Museum is located at 319 Lexington Boulevard in Hangar 37 on historic Ford Island at Pearl Harbor.

For more on Bill Riddle, please see www.DeadDownwindBook.com or he can be reached at 808/386-2455 (cell), briddle@hawaii.rr.com.

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