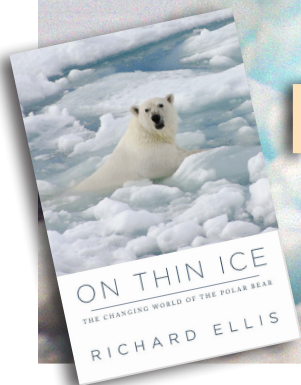


On Thin Ice: The Changing World of the Polar Bear

Richard Ellis
Author & Marine Artist

Thursday, September 23, 2010 7:00 pm / Reception at 6:00 pm
MERI Center for Marine Studies, Blue Hill, Maine



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Once hailed as an example of successful conservation, the great white bear now faces the consequences of global climate change, which threatens to wreak havoc on the sea ice where it lives and hunts. Join MERI as acclaimed author Richard Ellis discusses the fascinating natural history of the world's largest land predator, its complex relationship with humans, and its current plight in a rapidly changing world. *The New York Times* calls Ellis "a prolific and graceful writer who's written some of the best natural history books of the past decade." He tackles a very timely question: as the ice melts away, will the ice bears vanish as well?

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