

**Flick Ford** is a fine art natural history painter whose previous books include *FISH: 77 Great Fish of North America* and *BIG: The 50 Greatest World Record Catches*. He studied art for ten years and then worked in indie film, publishing, illustration and music. In the early 1990s he began painting fish out of his concern about pollution, over-development, and acid rain in the Northeast. His artwork has appeared in products from VF Sportswear/Nautica, Orvis, Hurley, Scott & Nix, Field & Stream and others. Ford maintains a 55 gallon DIY aquarium with native fish and plants in his Rensselaer County, NY home. This book on freshwater tropical fish has been a lifelong dream come true. His original paintings are represented by Quidley & Company in Boston, MA.

**Morrell “Mo” Devlin** an avid aquarist and aquatic photographer for over 30 years, is the past president of the American Cichlid Association and maintains close to 3,000 gallons of freshwater tropical fish tanks in his Pennsylvania home. His photographs and articles appear frequently in his blog, “Today in the Fishroom” as well as publications including *Tropical Fish Hobbyist*, *Amazonas*, *Redfish* as well as hobby magazines around the world. [www.aquamojo.com](http://www.aquamojo.com)