Born in 1951, Stewart Buck grew up in Ames. He graduated from Iowa State in 1973 with a Bachelor's Degree in Graphic Design. He continued at ISU and completed his Master's Degree in Graphic Design and Bachelor's Degree in Art Education. He taught high school art classes in the Bondurant-Farrar Community School District for 36 years before retiring in June of 2011. He lives in Ankeny with his wife Mary and now devotes fulltime to his freelance artwork.

Buck's art and photography have won countless awards in exhibitions throughout the Midwest. His work has been selected three times for the prestigious "Iowa Artists Exhibition" at the Des Moines Art Center. He is a recipient of Iowa State University's Design Achievement Award recognizing "outstanding achievements of alumni in the field of art and design." He has had dozens of solo shows during the last three decades and has been juror for a number of competitions around the state. His artwork hangs in private and corporate collections around the United States. His commissions include works for the Chicago and North Western Transportation Company, Union Pacific, Wisconsin Central Ltd., Iowa Interstate, Wilson Railway Corporation, Cedar Rapids and Iowa City Railway, Boone and Scenic Valley Railroad, and the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad. His artwork has been selected for book covers, calendars, brochures, greeting cards, and magazines. He is a charter member of the American Society of Railway Artists and is a recent initiate of the Lexington Group in Transportation History.

Buck's work will be represented in a comprehensive railroad art exhibition at the Station Art Gallery in New York, featuring artists from around the nation from September 19 to October 12 of this year.

