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# FICTION

# THE BOOK EATERS

By Sunyi Dean

Book Eaters live among us: a secret community of people for whom books are food. As they nourish themselves with pages and bindings and gilded edges, they also consume the information inside. And what is consumed cannot be forgotten.

At the old Fairweather Manor, tucked away in the English moors, young Devon was raised on a diet of fairytales and dark warnings about what happens to those who disobey the Family, one of the oldest lineages of book eaters. As she enters adulthood, she is prepared for the life she's been groomed for, one of wealth, arranged marriages, and forced childbearing.

But when her son is born a rare mind eater -- a child who must feed on human minds rather than books -- Devon cannot let the Family make a monster out of him, even if she must become the monster herself in order to protect him.

And she will burn down anyone who stands in her way.

Dark and moody, and set in an alternate Britain, THE BOOK EATERS is an adult contemporary fantasy thriller with a lesbian lead, that will appeal to vampire fans who want something new, frightening, and satisfying.

## Praise:

Coming soon!

## About the Author:

**Sunyi Dean** is an autistic, mixed-race author whose short fiction has appeared in a variety of places, including the Best of British SF 2018 Anthology, FFO, Prole, and BBC Radio Leeds. Sunyi is active on social media and attends writing groups and conferences both near her home in the UK (when we're not in a global pandemic) and online.

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# DEADLY SUMMER NIGHTS

By Vicki Delany

**A summer of fun at a Catskills resort comes to an abrupt end when a guest is found murdered, in this new 1950s set mystery series.**

It's the summer of 1953, and Elizabeth Grady is settling into Haggerman's Catskills Resort. As a vacation getaway, Haggerman's is ideal, and although Elizabeth's ostentatious but well-meaning mother is new to running the resort, Elizabeth is eager to help her organize the guests and the entertainment acts. But Elizabeth will have to resort to untested abilities if she wants to save her mother's business.

When a reclusive guest is found dead in a lake on the grounds, and a copy of *The Communist Manifesto* is found in his cabin, the local police chief is convinced that the man was a Russian spy. But Elizabeth isn't so sure, and with the fate of the resort hanging in the balance, she'll need to dodge red herrings, withstand the Red Scare, and catch a killer red-handed.

## Praise for previous titles:

"Delightful...[A] humorous tinsel-covered tale that made me laugh out loud even while keeping me guessing."—Jenn McKinlay, *New York Times* bestselling author

"Witty writing, an unexpected solution, and truly likable characters ensure that the appeal of this holiday-themed series will last long past the Yule season."—Kings River Life Magazine

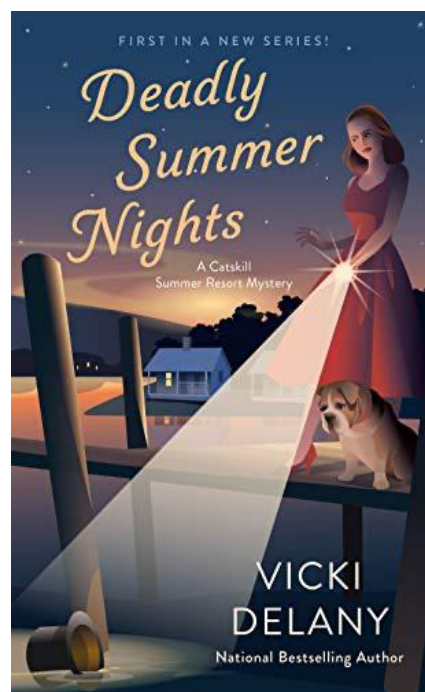
This is a cozy mystery filled with murder, mayhem, warmth, and Christmas cheer. What more could you want?"—Carstairs Considers

"Delany has given us a story full of holiday cheer, an exciting mystery, wondrous characters all in a place I would love to really visit. Its charm just lit up my day. This is one mystery you shouldn't miss this holiday season."—Escape with Dollycas into a Good Book

## About the Author:

**Vicki Delany** is the author of the Year-Round Christmas Mysteries, the Constable Molly Smith Mysteries, and, writing as Eva Gates, the Lighthouse Library Mysteries

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**First of two in the Catskill Summer Resort Series!**

**Penguin Random House/  
Berkley  
September 2021**

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# DEATH IN BLOOM

By Jess Dylan

The first in a sweet and colorful cozy mystery series from Jess Dylan, *Death in Bloom* introduces flower shop owner Sierra Ravenswood.

**At the Flower House, every rose has its thorn . . .**

Sierra Ravenswood is the new part-time employee of the Flower House, a flower shop in Aerieville, Tennessee. It's true she didn't expect to be back in her hometown at twenty-eight-years-old, but after her dream of making it as a singer in Nashville crashed and burned, she's just grateful to have found a soft place to land.

Because, after all, Sierra firmly believes in being optimistic and positive about life, so she's sure she won't have to work at the Flower House forever. But things take a decidedly negative turn when a customer drops dead in the middle of her new bouquet-arranging workshop at the store. When it's discovered he was poisoned by a snack at the event, everyone at the workshop, including Sierra, is on the suspect list. To make matters worse, her boss has gone AWOL and left the store to her for the cost of one dollar, leaving Sierra in charge of both his store and his high-energy Corgi puppy, Gus.

The town is on edge, and Sierra knows that murder is something that an upbeat attitude and a bouquet of sweet-smelling roses can't fix. She's determined to figure out whodunit, before anyone else in town meets an untimely reason for needing funeral flowers.

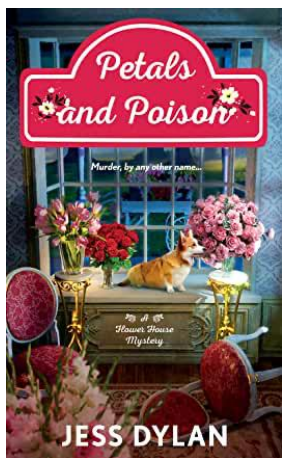


**First of three in the  
Flower House Mystery  
series.**

**Macmillan/St. Martin's  
May 2021**

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## Praise:

"Like her protagonist Sierra, Jess Dylan has manifested a charming cozy with humor, folksy dialogue, Southern charm and a page-turning mystery." -Peg Cochran, *USA Today* Bestselling Author

"Jess Dylan's talent will draw you into this well-plotted tale of deceit and secrets . . . A delightful read with a quick pace and a twisty plot." -Cheryl Hollon, author of Webb's Glass Shop Mysteries

## About the Author:

**Jess Dylan** is an environmental attorney by day and author by night. As Jennifer David Hesse, she has written the Wiccan Wheel Cozy Mysteries series with Kensington Publishing.

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# THE DAY SHE DIED

By S.M. Freedman

**After a traumatic head injury, Eve questions every memory and motive in this mind-bending psychological thriller.**

Eve Gold's birthdays are killers, and her twenty-seventh birthday proves to be no different. But for the up-and-coming Vancouver artist, facing death isn't the real shock — it's what comes after.

Recovering from a near-fatal accident, Eve is determined to return to the life she's always wanted: a successful artistic career, marriage to the man who once broke her heart, and another chance at motherhood. But brain damage leaves her forgetful, confused, and tortured by repressed memories of a deeply troubled childhood, where her innocence was stolen one lie — and one suspicious death — at a time.

As the dark, twisted pages unfold, Eve must choose between clinging to the lies that helped her survive her childhood and unearthing the secrets she buried long ago.

## Praise:

"Tangible, taut, and maddeningly suspenseful, *The Day She Died* pulls you in and won't let go." —R.M. Greenaway, author of the *B.C. Blues crime series*

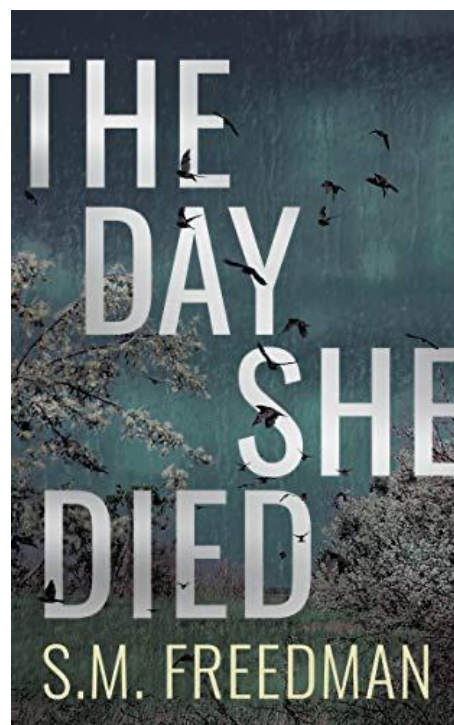
"The opening takes off like a bullet train, hurtling through heartbreak, memory, family, and loss, to an ending which stays with you long after the stunning final chapter. Breathlessly paced and expertly wrought, *The Day She Died* proves S.M. Freedman is a master of psychological suspense." —Sam Wiebe, award-winning author of the *Wakeland series*

"*The Day She Died* is a tightly crafted psychological thriller that explores the themes of memory, perspective, identity, and whether we can ever escape the past. A blend of *Elizabeth is Missing* and the film *Memento*, Freedman lures the reader into a dark labyrinth of suspicion that ultimately causes you to question everything." —Elle Wild, award-winning author of *Strange Things Done*

## About the Author:

**S.M. Freedman** is the author of *The Faithful* and *Impact Winter*. She studied at the American Academy of Dramatic Arts and worked as a private investigator on the not-so-mean streets of Vancouver, where she lives with her husband and two children.

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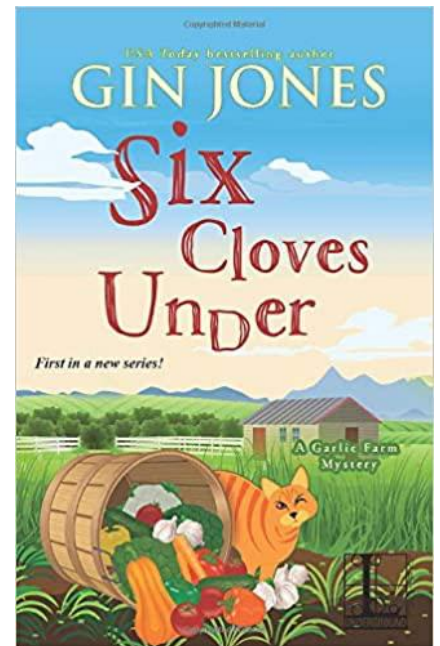
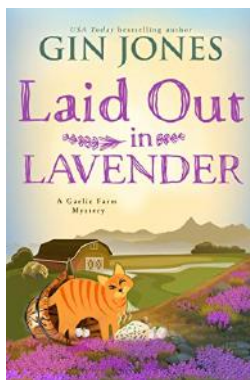
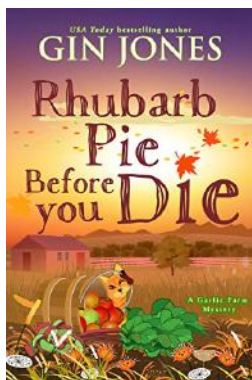
# SIX CLOVES UNDER

## By Gin Jones

**App developer Mabel Skinner is about to discover something rotten on her late aunt's garlic farm—and it's not the compost heap...**

Mabel doesn't know a stinkin' thing about garlic farming. She knows how to develop an app and how to code. But when her aunt, Peggy Skinner, dies suddenly, Mabel inherits her Stinkin' Stuff Farm in western Massachusetts. She arrives during peak harvest time—with three days to bring in the entire crop before rain can destroy it.

But Mabel has an even bigger problem: she suspects her aunt's “accidental death” was murder. As she digs for both garlic and clues, Mabel must contend with a mysterious crop thief, a rival garlic grower her aunt was suing, and a farmer who was after Aunt Peggy's green-thumb secret. It's up to Mabel to crack the code on a killer, before she joins the garlic bulbs six cloves under...



**First of three in the Garlic Farm Mystery series!**

**Kensington Lyrical Press  
April 2020**

**All translation rights  
available**

**Finished book available**

## Praise:

“Growing garlic might be my newest obsession thanks to *Six Cloves Under*!” —Lynn Cahoon, *New York Times* bestselling author of the Farm-to-Fork mystery series

## About the Author:

**Gin Jones** is a retired lawyer who specialized in ghost-writing for other lawyers. She prefers to write her own books, though, since she doesn't have to worry that her sense of humor might get her thrown into jail for contempt of court. In her spare time, Gin makes quilts, grows garlic, and advocates for patients with rare disorders.

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## WATCH ME by Stacey Kennedy

**In the Phoenix club, there is only one rule; watch, don't touch, until the powerful owner falls for his new star in this deliciously intriguing romance from USA Today bestselling author Stacey Kennedy.**

In one night, Olivia Watts's life goes from ordinary to out of this world after she's introduced to Rhys Harrington, the owner of Phoenix, an ultra-exclusive, upscale sex club. He's the one man she should stay away from... and the only man she wants.

Rhys needs a new performer for his high-end clients, who pay extravagant amounts to watch others indulge their fantasies, and one look at Olivia tells Rhys he's found his star. Only Rhys wants her all to himself, and the addictive passion between them sets the stage for the perfect show...

It'll be Olivia's choice to play Rhys's game. But if she says yes, there will be more on the line than just her pleasure. Because Rhys's sizzling touch doesn't only capture her body, it also commands her heart.

**Also available: Two more in the series. Three Chicks Brewery series, Pact of Seduction series, and the Dirty Hacker duet.**



### Praise:

"Stacey Kennedy turns up the heat and keeps us wanting more." —#1 New York Times bestselling author Meredith Wild

"One of the best contemporary romances I've read this year!" —Fresh Fiction on Dirty-Talking Cowboy

"Stacey Kennedy always deliver a sexy, well thought-out novel..." —Harlequin Junkie on

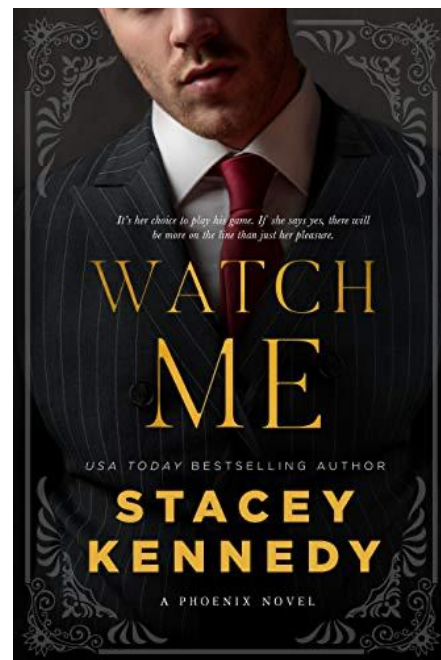
Hard-Riding Cowboy (TOP PICK)

### About the Author:

**Stacey Kennedy** is a *USA Today* bestselling author who writes contemporary romance full of heat, heart, and happily ever afters. With over 50 titles published, her books have hit Amazon, B&N, and Apple Books bestseller lists. Stacey lives with her husband and two children in southwestern Ontario.

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**First of three in the  
Phoenix series!**

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# HALL OF SMOKE

## by H.M. Long

**One of GoodReads 45 most anticipated SFF books of 2021!**

**Epic fantasy featuring warrior priestesses and fickle gods at war, for readers of Brian Staveley's *Chronicles of the Unhewn Throne*.**

Hessa is an Eangi: a warrior priestess of the Goddess of War, with the power to turn an enemy's bones to dust with a scream. Banished for disobeying her goddess's command to murder a traveller, she prays for forgiveness alone on a mountainside.

While she is gone, raiders raze her village and obliterate the Eangi priesthood. Grieving and alone, Hessa - the last Eangi - must find the traveller and atone for her weakness and secure her place with her loved ones in the High Halls. As clans from the north and legionaries from the south tear through her homeland, slaughtering everyone in their path Hessa strives to win back her goddess's favour.

Beset by zealot soldiers, deceitful gods, and newly-awakened demons at every turn, Hessa burns her path towards redemption and revenge. But her journey reveals a harrowing truth: the gods are dying and the High Halls of the afterlife are fading. Soon Hessa's trust in her goddess weakens with every unheeded prayer.

Thrust into a battle between the gods of the Old World and the New, Hessa realizes there is far more on the line than securing a life beyond her own death. Bigger, older powers slumber beneath the surface of her world. And they're about to wake up.

**Also available: TEMPLE OF NO GOD, the next in the series**

## Praise:

"The story world was rich and real, and I have rarely read a fantasy novel that transported me like HALL OF SMOKE did. If you are a fan of myths and legends where gods and goddesses roam the earth and meddle with the poor mortals that serve them, you are in for an absolute treat with this book."

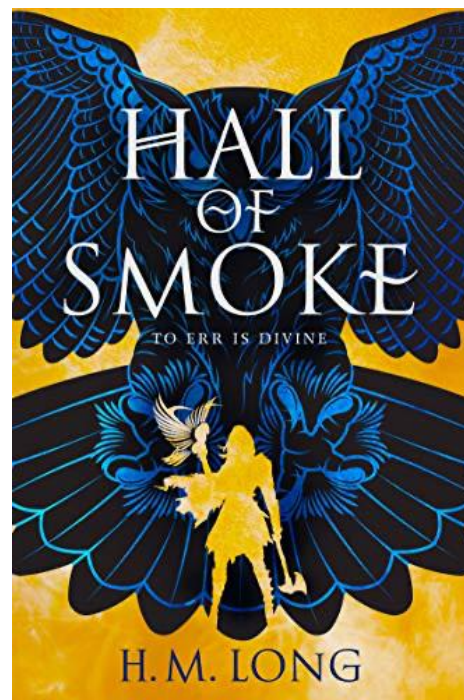
—M. J. Kuhn, author of *Among Thieves*

"By turns gripping and poignant, *Hall of Smoke* is a compelling debut." —*The Guardian*

"A wonderful and refreshing treat for fans of mythological fantasy and gorgeously crafted worlds" -The Biblosanctum

## About the Author:

**H.M. Long** is a Canadian writer who loves history, hiking, and exploring the world. She lives in Ontario but can often be spotted snooping about European museums or wandering the Alps with her German husband.



**First of three in a series!**

**Titan Books  
January 2021**

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**Audio to Recorded Books**

**Finished book available**

# QUEEN MOVE

## By Kennedy Ryan

Named one of the Best Romances of 2020 by OprahMag, Insider, BookBub, and All About Romance! From *Wall Street Journal*, *USA Today* Bestselling and RITA® Award-winning Author Kennedy Ryan, comes a captivating second chance romance like only she can deliver...

The boy who always felt like mine is now the man I can't have...

Dig a little and you'll find photos of me in the bathtub with Ezra Stern. Get your mind out of the gutter. We were six months old. Pry and one of us might confess we saved our first kiss for each other. The most clumsy, wet, sloppy . . . spectacular thirty seconds of my adolescence. Get into our business and you'll see two families, closer than blood, torn apart in an instant.

Twenty years later, my "awkward duckling" best friend from childhood, the boy no one noticed, is a man no one can ignore.

Tell me it's wrong. Tell me the boy who always felt like mine is now the man I can't have.

When we find each other again, everything stands in our way--secrets, lies, promises. But we didn't come this far to give up now. And I know just the move to make if I want to make him mine.

**Also available: Skyland series, All the King's Men duet, Hoops series, Soul series, and Grip series.**

### Praise:

"GRADE A! Kennedy Ryan is one of the most profoundly, thoughtful, powerful writers out there today, and *Queen Move* is no exception." --*Entertainment Weekly*

"Queen Move is the joyous, heartfelt romance we need right now." —Lexi Blake, *New York Times* bestselling author

### About the Author:

As the first African-American author to win a RITA award, a *USA Today* bestseller, and a *Top 25 Amazon* bestseller, **Kennedy Ryan** writes for women from all walks of life. A contributor for *Modern Mom Magazine*, Kennedy's writings have appeared in *Chicken Soup for the Soul*, *USA Today* and many others. The founder and executive director of a foundation serving Atlanta families living with Autism, she has appeared on *Headline News*, *Montel Williams*, NPR and other media outlets as an advocate for families living with autism.

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## THIN ICE

by Paige Shelton

Beth Rivers is on the run – she’s doing the only thing she could think of to keep herself safe. Known to the world as thriller author Elizabeth Fairchild, she had become the subject of a fanatic’s obsession. After being held in a van for three days by her kidnapper, Levi Brooks, Beth managed to escape, and until he is captured, she’s got to get away. Cold and remote, Alaska seems tailor made for her to hideout.

Beth’s new home in Alaska is sparsely populated with people who all seem to be running or hiding from something, and though she accidentally booked a room at a halfway house, she feels safer than she’s felt since Levi took her. That is, until she’s told about a local death that’s a suspected murder. Could the death of Linda Rafferty have anything to do with her horror at the hands of Levi Brooks?

As Beth navigates her way through the wilds of her new home, her memories of her time in the van are coming back, replaying the terror and the fear—and threatening to keep her from healing, from reclaiming her old life again. Can she get back to normal, will she ever truly feel safe, and can she help solve the local mystery, if only so she doesn’t have to think about her own?



### Praise:

“[A] riveting story with an unusual setting and cast of characters. Fans of strong amateur sleuths will admire Beth’s struggle to build a new future in a remote location.” — *Library Journal* (Starred, Pick of the Month)

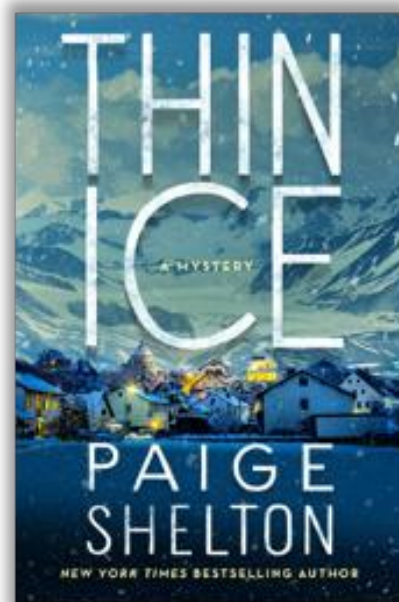
“A page-turner with an unusual location and a coda that provides more questions than answers.” —*Kirkus*

“Readers are left wondering up to the last exciting page what the answers are, and will eagerly await the second in this new Alaska mysteries series.” —*Booklist*

### About the Author:

**Paige Shelton** is the *New York Times* Bestselling author of the Farmers' Market, Country Cooking School, Dangerous Type, and Scottish Bookshop mysteries.

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**First of three in the Wild Alaska series!**

**Macmillan/St. Martin's Press /Minotaur  
December 2019**

**Czech: Dobrovsky**

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# THE ROAD TO RUIN

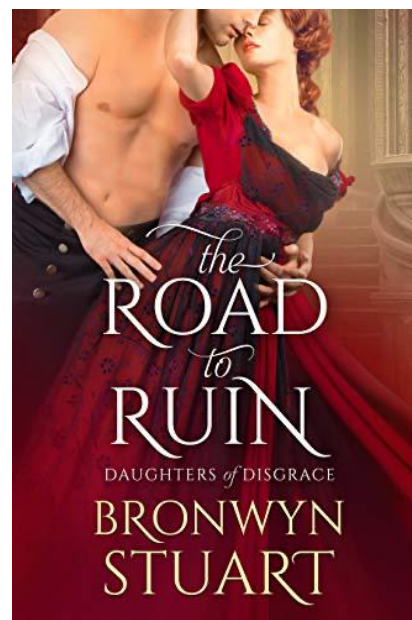
## By Bronwyn Stuart

**When scandal surpasses discretion...**

James Trellissick, Marquis of Lasterton, will do anything to free his mother and sister from a notorious pirate. Their disappearance threatens his sister's reputation and future. Desperate after months of fruitless searching, he disguises himself as a servant for the pirate's daughter and kidnaps her, intending to exchange the hoyden for his beloved family.

Daniella Germaine's only wish is to be back on the deck of her father's pirate ship, the wind in her hair and adventure on the horizon. But her father foisted her off on her brother to join London's marriage market and find a husband. To prove herself unmarriageable, Daniella hurls herself into scandal after scandal only to be 'rescued' by her handsome but disapproving coachman who takes his protection duties far too seriously for her agenda.

When the rescue turns into a hostage swap, Daniella finds herself knee-deep in intrigue and adventure that could prove as deadly to her heart as it is to her life.



**Two others in the  
Daughters of Disgrace  
series are available**

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## **Praise:**

Coming soon!

## **About the Author:**

**Bronwyn** writes dark and gritty Regency that borders on the edge of noir with the occasional dabble in contemporary and women's fiction. Her treehouse in the Adelaide Hills is filled with the laughter of her young kids, the meows of two white, fluffy cats and a man who thinks chivalry is what happens after you eat bad chicken.

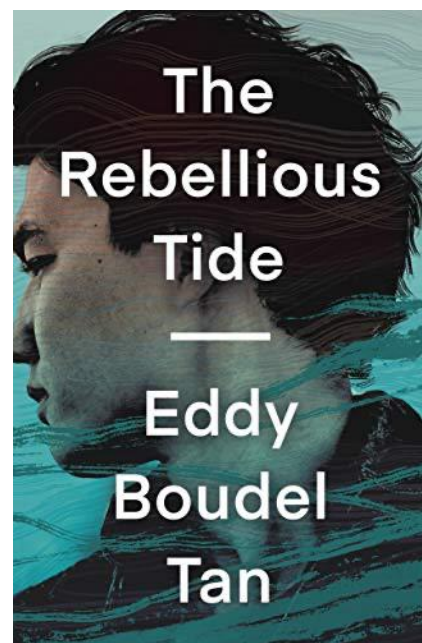
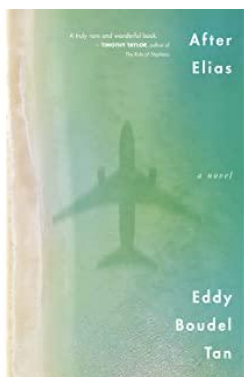
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# THE REBELLIOUS TIDE

## By Eddy Boudel Tan

When his mother dies after a lifetime of struggle, Sebastien is obsessed with finding the father he's never met — the commanding officer of a luxury liner. Posing as a member of the ship's crew, Sebastien becomes entangled in a revolt, leading him to uncover a disturbing secret about his identity. A modern queer tragedy about a pilot's last words, an interrupted celebration, and the fear of losing everything.

**Also available: *After Elias***



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## Praise for Eddy Boudel Tan:

“A propulsive, unpredictable adventure by a master storyteller. Tightly plotted with complex characters, Boudel Tan offers a cinematic second novel about identity, family, terrible secrets, romantic love, and immeasurable loss. Boudel Tan is a rare talent who can deftly weave tenderness and heartbreak with high-seas action and nail-biting drama into a perfectly paced narrative.”—Lindsay Wong, award-winning author of *The Woo-Woo*

“Arresting... [a] deftly crafted novel.” —*Foreword Reviews*

“A truly rare and wonderful book, utterly engrossing throughout.” —Timothy Taylor, author of *The Rule of Stephens*

“One of the most anticipated LGBTQ books of October 2020” —*Lambda Literary*

“It's rare to find a book that works well as a deeply emotional exploration of grief and as a suspenseful thriller, but *After Elias* manages this feat.” —*Booklist*

## About the Author:

**Eddy Boudel Tan** writes stories from his book-filled apartment in Vancouver. A second-generation Asian-Canadian, Eddy celebrates diverse voices and is proud to identify as queer, and champion stronger LGBTQ+ representation in the arts.

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# THE LIGHTS OF SUGARBERRY COVE

## By Heather Webber

**A charming story of family, healing, love, and small town Southern charm by a *USA Today* bestselling author**

Sadie Way Scott has been avoiding her family and hometown of Sugarberry Cove, Alabama, since she nearly drowned in the lake just outside her mother's B&B. Eight years later, Sadie is the host of a much-loved show about southern cooking and family, but despite her success, she wonders why she was saved. What is she supposed to do?

Sadie's sister, Leala Clare, is still haunted by the guilt she feels over the night her sister almost died. Now, at a crossroads in her marriage, Leala has everything she ever thought she wanted—so why is she so unhappy?

When their mother suffers a minor heart attack just before Sugarberry Cove's famous water lantern festival, the two sisters come home to run the inn while she recovers. It's the last place either of them wants to be, but with a little help from the inn's quirky guests, the sisters may come to terms with their strained relationships, accept the past, and rediscover a little lake magic.

**Also available: *Midnight at the Blackbird Cafe*, *South of the Buttonwood Tree* and one more magical realism novel.**



## Praise for Previous Titles:

“Webber infuses her charming Southern small-town tale with lighthearted magic and gentle humor, and the cast of supporting characters adds to the quirky fun. Readers of Sarah Addison Allen and Joshilyn Jackson will enjoy spending time at the Blackbird Café.” —*Booklist*

“Perfect for fans of *Like Water for Chocolate* and *Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Café*.” —*Bustle.com*

“*Midnight at the Blackbird Cafe* is an enchanting gem of a novel, brimming with charming characters, heartwarming connections, old secrets, and a setting that makes you want to move there... this is truly magical realism at its best!” —Karen White, *New York Times* bestselling author

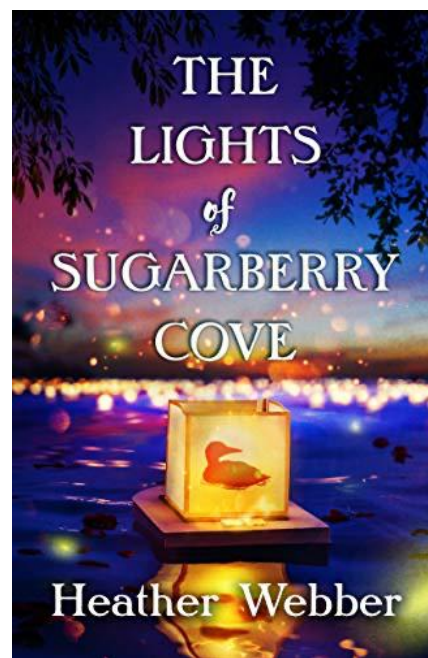
## About the Author:

**Heather Webber** is an Agatha Award-nominated author of the Lucy Valentine novels and the Nina Quinn mysteries, among others.

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**NON-FICTION**

# IN PURSUIT OF JEFFERSON

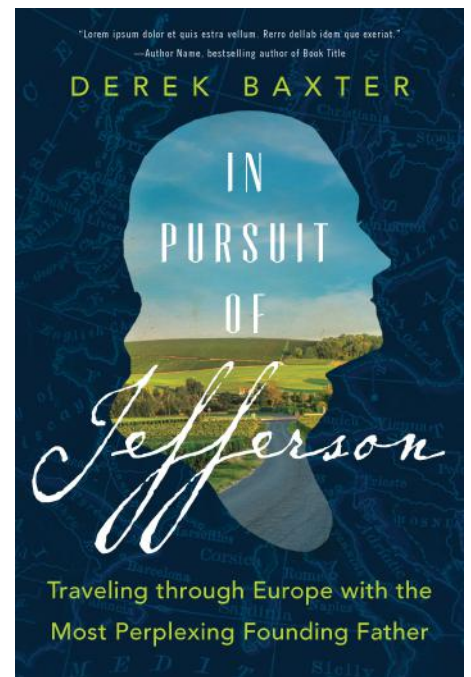
## By Derek Baxter

IN PURSUIT OF JEFFERSON: TRAVELING THROUGH EUROPE WITH THE MOST PERPLEXING FOUNDING FATHER explores one man's search for meaning, insight, revolution, and wine. Travel wrenched Thomas Jefferson out of the darkest period of his life. He sailed to France in 1784 a broken man, stricken by migraines and full of grief for his late wife and humiliation from a political scandal. But on the road, he rediscovered a world filled with hidden beauty and compiled what he learned into a guide he called *Hints for Americans Traveling in Europe*.

Going through his own midlife crisis, Baxter set out on a series of journeys, following Jefferson's instructions across six countries. But as Baxter comes to understand Jefferson better, he doesn't always like what he finds. How Jefferson funded his travels becomes painfully obvious, and Baxter questions why he placed his faith in the words of a slaveholder. In the end, the lessons Baxter learns from his journeys are not always the ones Jefferson had in mind.

### Praise:

Coming soon!



**Sourcebooks  
March 2022**

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Available**

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### About the Author:

**Derek Baxter** graduated from the University of Virginia with a degree in history. After years of research, Derek made nine separate trips abroad on Jefferson's trail.

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# WEED MOM

## By Danielle Simone Brand

Navigate the worlds of cannabis and parenting with this essential guide for women interested in learning more about THC, dispensaries, micro-dosing, edibles, and how to incorporate it all into a healthy family life.

With national marijuana legalization on the horizon, more and more mothers are looking for information about how to safely and responsibly use cannabis. Known as “weed moms,” these trailblazers are breaking down the social stigma surrounding cannabis and parenting, creating a modern culture all their own.

*Weed Mom* is the first and only book for these mothers, celebrating how weed can be a safe and healthy way to relax, destress, and improve their social lives and relationships. As mothers find themselves on the frontline of a societal shift, this book is more timely than ever. Packed with information for both the seasoned and first-time user, this book offers friendly and practical advice including:

- the basics of THC and CBD
- what to look for at the dispensary
- tips and tricks for various intake methods
- micro-dosing
- cannabis-friendly talking points for family and friends
- how to use cannabis to improve your romantic relationships
- and much more!

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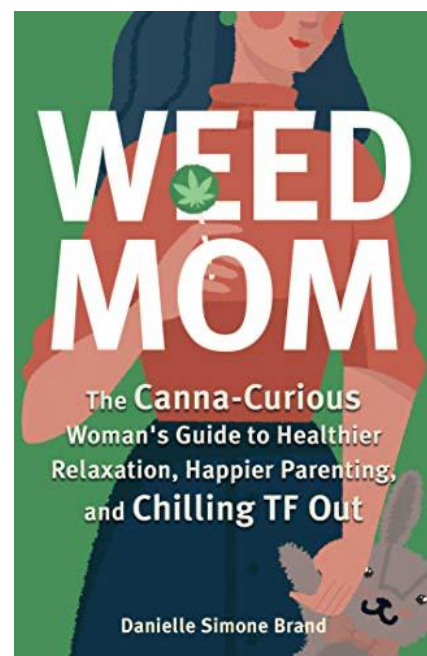
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### About the Author:

**Danielle Simone Brand** writes articles and essays about parenting, cannabis, yoga, and relationships. She holds a BA from Dartmouth College and an MA from American University. Danielle enjoys the endless blue skies and urban canyons in her home city of San Diego with her husband, two children, and a puppy named Pesach.

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## THE TIN CAN CRUCIBLE

### By Christopher Davenport

Sorcery and spirits are things of fiction—but not in Papua New Guinea. There, even today, innocent men and women—sometimes even children—are killed when accused of witchcraft by their neighbors. This is a horror Christopher Davenport knows all too well. Twenty years ago, while in the Peace Corps, he lived with a group of subsistence farmers in Papua New Guinea's Eastern Highlands. During his time there, the villagers kidnapped and killed a woman accused of sorcery.

Chris has documented this experience in *THE TIN CAN CRUCIBLE*. After arriving on the island, he settled into a village with a host family, began learning the language, and came to love the people there. But when an elder passed away, the distraught villagers accused a woman of killing him by black magic. They kidnapped, tortured, and ultimately murdered her. In the aftermath, Chris was left to face that the people he had grown so close to had the capacity for remarkable kindness and unspeakable brutality. He had to recognize the complexity of humanity. And he had to ask the question: how can we love someone even after they've done the unthinkable?

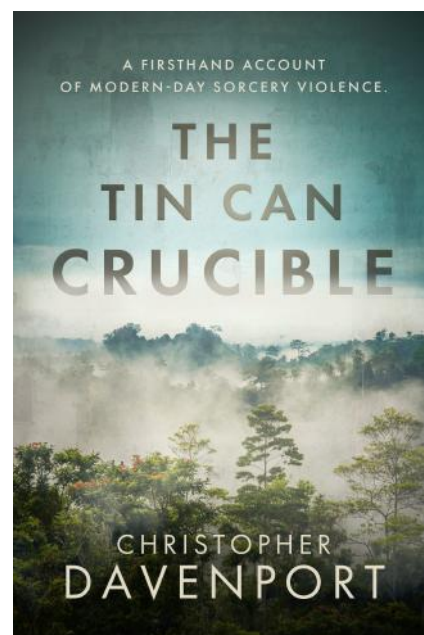
### Praise:

"Davenport is among the few writers to weave the complexities of Papua New Guinea into a compelling narrative, one that is frightening and fulfilling." —Rick Antonson, author of *Walking with Ghosts in Papua New Guinea*

"Davenport's masterful and lyrical memoir delves into the complexities of his remote village where he strips life and death down to their purest and truest form. His conclusion leaves us with our own values and culture to examine for a long, long time." —Susan E. Greisen, author of *In Search of Pink Flamingos*

### About the Author:

**Christopher Davenport** is a Foreign Service Officer with the U.S. Department of State. He has served tours in Vietnam, Guatemala and Tajikistan, as well as the Department's prestigious Operations Center in Washington, D.C. Chris is on tour as Press Attaché at the United States Embassy Tbilisi, Georgia. There, he's serving as Embassy Spokesperson and primary liaison with the Georgian press, as well as the Ambassador's principal speech writer. Along with his work in the Foreign Service, Chris earned a Master of Fine Arts degree in narrative nonfiction from George Mason University in 2007. He's published essays in *The American Scholar* and *Rough Guides*.



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# IN TRUTH

## By Matthew Fraser

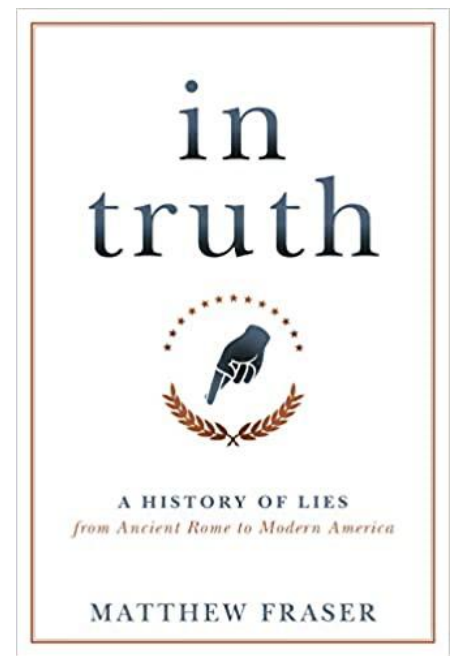
From ancient Rome to the current Internet age, this sweeping history of ideas explores how different epochs wrestled with the issue of truth and lies. From the ancient Greeks and Romans to the modern era, how have people determined what is true? How have those with power and influence sought to control the narrative? Are we living in a post-truth era, or is that notion simply the latest attempt to control the narrative? The relationship between truth and power is the key theme. Moving through major historical periods, the author focuses on notable people and events, from well-known leaders like Julius Caesar and Adolf Hitler to lesser-known individuals like Procopius and Savonarola. He notes distinct parallels in history to current events. Julius Caesar's publication of his Gallic Wars and Civil Wars was an early exercise in political spin not unlike what we see today. During the English Civil War and the Enlightenment, pamphleteering coupled with the new power of the printing press challenged the status quo, as online and social media does in our time. And "fake news" was already being used by German chancellor Otto von Bismarck in nineteenth-century Europe and by the "yellow journalism" of American newspaper magnates William Randolph Hearst and Joseph Pulitzer near the turn of the twentieth century. The author concludes optimistically, noting that we are debating and discussing truth more fiercely today than in any previous era. The determination to arrive at the truth, despite the manipulations of the powerful, bodes well for the future of democracy.

### Praise:

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### About the Author:

**Matthew Fraser** is a professor of communications and international politics at the American University of Paris. Formerly, he was a senior research fellow for INSEAD, editor in chief and a columnist for Canada's *National Post*, host of CBC's primetime TV show *Inside Media*, professor of communications at Ryerson University in Toronto, and a reporter for the Montreal Gazette and the Globe and Mail. He is the author of *Throwing Sheep in the Boardroom: How Online Social Networking Will Transform Your Life, Work and World* (with Soumitra Dutta); *Weapons of Mass Distraction: Soft Power and American Empire*; and *Free-for-All: The Struggle for Dominance on the Digital Frontier*. He was educated at Oxford University, the London School of Economics, and La Sorbonne-Panthéon, and holds a PhD in political science from the Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris.



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# GENTELLIGENCE

## By Dr. Megan Gerhardt

**Leading a generationally diverse workforce is challenging; this book provides a reader's guide of best-in-class strategies for harnessing and unleashing its potential.**

*GENTELLIGENCE: THE REVOLUTIONARY APPROACH TO LEADING AN INTERGENERATIONAL WORKFORCE* presents a transformative way to end the generational wars once and for all. This book first introduces Gentelligence as a powerful business strategy and shows why it is critical for the future of work. It then presents a practical guide and a call to action for leaders of all ages to unlock the potential strengths of each generation. Readers will learn how an intergenerational workforce can be reframed as a profound business opportunity and discover how Gentelligence can help them win the talent war, create strong, diverse teams, and build adaptable cultures that will flourish in an era of rapid change. GENTELLIGENCE shares groundbreaking evidence that will have readers thinking about their generationally diverse workforce in an entirely different way.

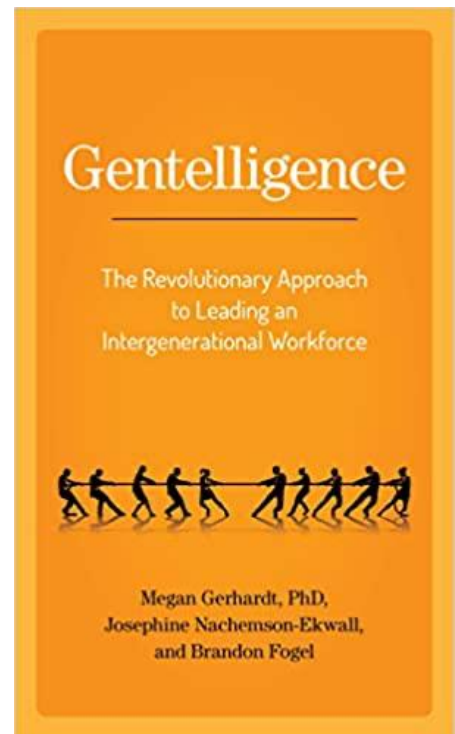
### Praise:

“With organizations everywhere promoting diversity and inclusion, *Gentelligence* is an essential but overlooked piece to the D&I puzzle. As managers and leaders, we stand to create far more effective working and personal relationships around us if we had a greater awareness and understanding of generational blind spots. *Gentelligence* is indeed the future of work.” --Andrew Goldstein, managing director, Willis Towers Watson

“I found *Gentelligence* to be one of the most practical and personally-convicting books on leadership I have ever read. The intersection of stories, case studies, and research not only opened my eyes to how I unconsciously perceive other generations, but it also gave me actionable steps to better understand, relate to, and inspire people from every generation to find meaning and purpose in their work.” —KaLeena Thomas, consultant, The Resource Group, and founder of J. Margaret Weaver

### About the Author:

As a leadership consultant and professor at the Farmer School of Business at Miami University, **Megan Gerhardt** is often asked to speak on intergenerational leadership. Her Tedx Talk has over 10,000 views and her work on Gentelligence has been featured in *The Washington Post, Inc. Magazine, Business Insider, The Chicago Tribune*, and *MarketWatch* among others.



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# THE TRANS SELF-CARE BOOK

## By Theo Nicole Lorenz

### A Coloring Book and Journal for Trans and Non-Binary People

If you're transgender, non-binary, or any other gender under the wide and wonderful trans umbrella, this book is for you. A creative journal and workbook with a difference, this book combines coloring pages celebrating trans identity, beauty, and relationships, with practical advice, journaling prompts, and space for reflection to promote self-affirmation and wellbeing.

Drawing on CBT and mindfulness techniques, this book covers topics including body positivity and neutrality, coming out, euphoria and dysphoria, building new friendships and navigating relationships with your friends and family, and is the go-to resource for anybody who has ever felt the pressure to conform to a singular definition or narrative.

### Praise:

"From the first comforting page to the last joyous exercise, this will help you to discover more about the trans movement and your own heart. Page after page invites you to build a kind accepting relationship with yourself. What a glorious journey!" —Jeffrey Marsh, author of *How to Be You*

"Theo Lorenz's *Trans Self-Care Workbook* is just the gentle friend and fierce ally that you need to guide you through your gender journey. I have so much love for this book." —Meg-John Barker, co-author of *How to Understand Your Gender*, *Life Isn't Binary*, and *Hell Yeah Self-Care!*

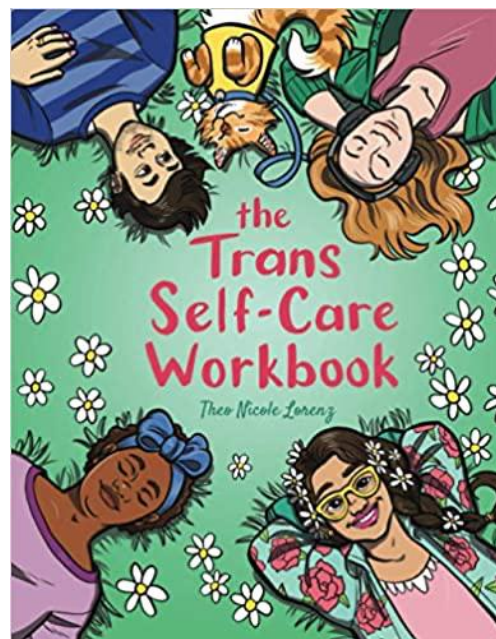
### About the Author:

**Theo Nicole Lorenz** is the author/illustrator of over 10 books, including THE TRANS SELF-CARE WORKBOOK and the illustrator of the forthcoming graphic novel about the Stonewall Riots.

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## PEOPLE YOU FOLLOW

### By Hayley Gene Penner

**Singer-songwriter Hayley Gene Penner tells all in this heartfelt and harrowingly honest memoir of her relationships and life in the music industry.**

Hayley Gene Penner's memoir takes a brutally honest yet humorous look at the dark, intimate truths we spend our lives running from and the hidden side of the music industry. Like a map of beautiful fuck ups, Hayley's stories of questionable sexual encounters, artistic aspirations, and emotional abuse trace her coming of age in the music industry.

Hayley explores all her relationships — from her childhood as the daughter of a celebrity, to the destructive and coercive relationship with her boss, to the actor we all know but who mustn't be named — all brought together in a series of sharp, touching vignettes. *People You Follow* straddles the delicate boundary between ethical and unethical behaviour, self-protection and self-destruction, power and weakness, giddiness and despair.

### Praise:

*"People You Follow is a fucked-up Alice in Wonderland journey down the rabbit hole of LA's most subtly toxic industry, and it's also funny, brilliant, coy, playful, and wise. I feel so lucky that Hayley is here to express how hard dating in Hollywood is for the bunch of us, and I'm also glad that young women can read about her emotional pratfalls and save themselves the same pain as they work to become artists as skilled as she is."* —Lena Dunham

*"Hayley's journey to find self love is both heartbreaking and humorous. I recognized my own younger self and how we, as women, struggle to find our value through the eyes of others. While Hayley's story may be more dramatic than others, we are rooting for her as she finds herself and the power of 'no'."* —Cindy Crawford

*"This is Hayley in book form. So perfectly written, with her humor giving a light to situations that don't always have one. Beautifully written words for a good laugh and the occasional necessary cry."* —Kaia Gerber

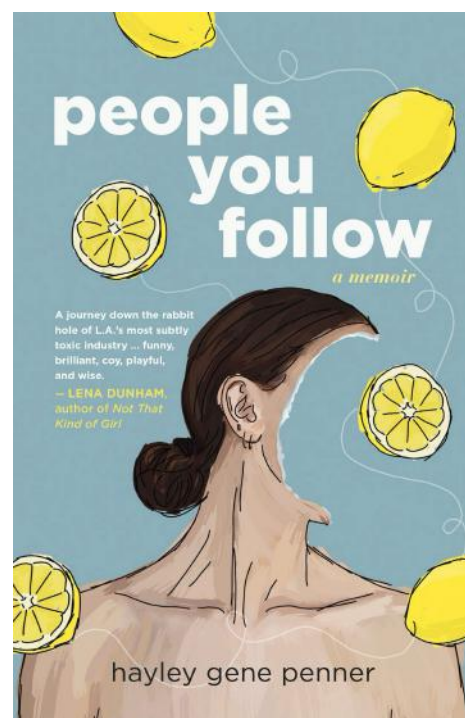
*"Hayley's memoir masquerades as a comedic take on a young woman discovering and defining her sexuality. You are so distracted by the breezy comedy of the insane true-life stories that you don't see the gut punches coming."* —Bill Lawrence, writer/creator of *Scrubs*, *Cougar Town*, *Spin City*

### About the Author:

As a teenager and daughter to the legendary Fred Penner (aka Canada's Mr. Rogers), **Hayley Gene Penner** starred in her own show on Canadian television. She's now a singer-songwriter in Los Angeles. She's worked on songs for Justin Bieber and the Dixie Chicks, among others.

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# THE MINDFUL MILLIONAIRE

By Leisa Peterson

In the world of personal finance the biggest challenge is the sense that there's never going to be enough. It is this mindset of scarcity, and not the amount spent on lattes, that holds people back the most from achieving their financial dreams.

Using techniques she's developed as a financial planner and spiritual coach, Leisa Peterson guides you to dig deeper and discover the root of your financial thinking to change not just the way you save and spend, but the way you live your life.

Through powerful practices, compelling stories and extensive research, *The Mindful Millionaire* meets you wherever you are in your money journey by exploring:

- \*Where your current money habits come from and why you feel the way you do about money and success.

- \*How to break the cycle of fear, grief, and shame that often surrounds your money habits.

- \*How to write a new money story that inspires joy, satisfaction and prosperity.

- \*How to stop financial self-sabotage and procrastination.

- \*Where practical financial advice misses the mark.

- \*The most effective tools for changing how you think and feel about money.

- \*What true financial independence looks like and how to discover the millionaire within.

## Praise:

"[A] thoughtful debut... the program is comfortingly therapeutic, and refreshingly, not a quick fix. Not just applicable to millionaires, or even to the modestly prosperous, this practical guide will be a boon to anyone who fears looking at a bank statement because they're 'bad with money'." —*Publishers Weekly*

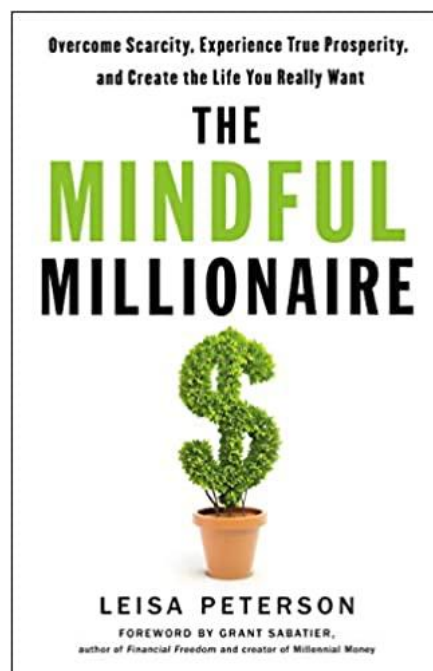
"If you've read other finance books and still felt empty, this is the book you've been waiting for." —Joe Saul-Sehy, Creator and Co-Host, Stacking Benjamins Podcast

"Leisa Peterson offers a graceful and highly useful weave of spiritual and financial tools." —Vicki Robin, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Your Money or Your Life*

## About the Author:

**Leisa Peterson**, CFP® is on a mission to help 1,000,000 people elevate their financial consciousness. As a money coach, business consultant and spiritual teacher, Leisa hosts the *Mindful Millionaire* podcast as well as virtual workshops and deep-dive retreats. Her masterful blend of sound financial strategy and mindfulness training helps people break free of patterns of lack, scarcity and money fears, allowing them to finally lead the rewarding, fulfilling, and abundant lives they most desire. Leisa has appeared in *The Wall Street Journal*, *FastCompany*, *Forbes*, *The Week*, *Huffington Post* and has been featured on many podcasts and radio shows. Prior to starting WealthClinic®, LLC, Leisa worked with some of the largest financial and business services companies in the world including Wells Fargo, State Farm Insurance, UNUM Life Insurance, New York Life, Federal Express, Pitney Bowes, Ford Motor Company, and General Motors.

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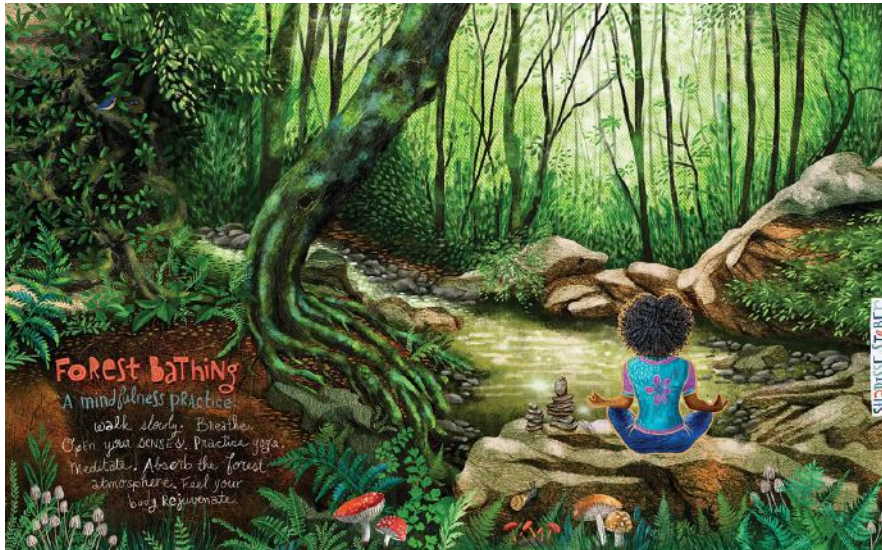
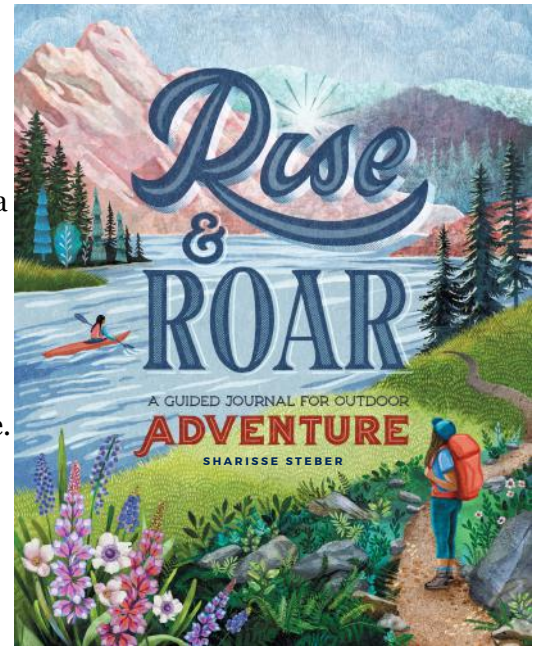
# RISE & ROAR

## By Sharisse Steber

Women who are inspired by Cheryl Strayed and Elizabeth Gilbert will love this gorgeously illustrated guided journal. Similar to Meera Lee Patel's work, this vibrant and colorful guide will help women learn how to incorporate the outdoors into their everyday life. A mixture of fun, informative, and thought-provoking prompts will motivate the reader to try a broad range of activities, from backpacking and spelunking to forest meditation and campfire cooking. RISE & ROAR is perfect for both the practiced outdoors woman and those readying themselves for their very first adventure.

### Praise:

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### About the Author:

**Sharisse Steber** is an award-winning designer and illustrator. Her client list has included The Nature Conservancy, the Girl Scouts, Discovery Channel, and more. RISE & ROAR is her first book.

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# SEALAND

By Dylan Taylor-Lehman

**A swashbuckling tale of international intrigue, armed battles, and Swingin' Sixties radio pirates over a fifty-year history of the world's smallest rebel nation.**

In 1967, a retired army major and self-made millionaire named Paddy Roy Bates cemented his family's place in history when he inaugurated himself ruler of the Principality of Sealand, a tiny dominion of the high seas. And so began the peculiar story of the world's most stubborn micronation on a World War II anti-aircraft gun platform off the British coast.

SEALAND is the raucous tale of how a rogue adventurer seized the disused Maunsell Sea Fort from pirate radio broadcasters, settled his eccentric family on it, and defended their tiny kingdom from UK government officials and armed mercenaries for half a century. Incorporating original interviews with surviving Sealand royals, Dylan Taylor-Lehman recounts the battles and schemes as Roy and his crew engaged with diplomats, entertained purveyors of pirate radio and TV, and even thwarted an attempted coup that saw the Prince Regent taken hostage. Incredibly, more than fifty years later, the self-proclaimed independent nation still stands—replete with its own constitution, national flag and anthem, currency, and passports.

Featuring rare, vintage photographs of the Bates clan and their unusual enterprises, this stranger-than-fiction account of a dissident family and their outrageous attempt to build a sovereign kingdom on an isolated platform in shark-infested waters is the stuff of legend.

## Praise:

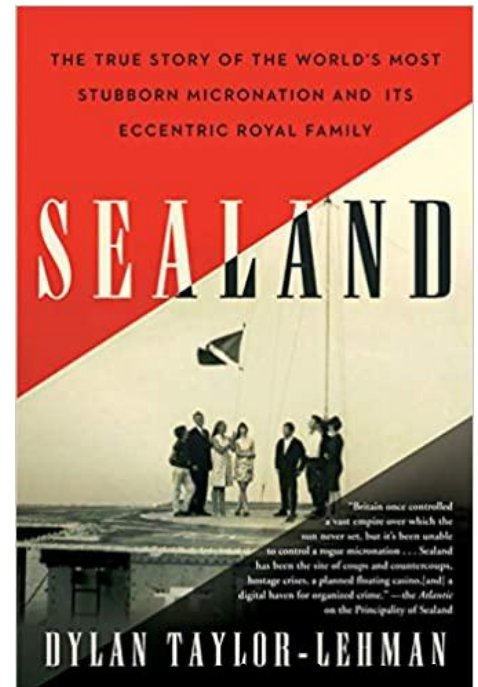
"Taylor-Lehman delivers a memorable portrait of one family's attempt to escape, as Prince Roy Bates puts it, the world's 'damn bureaucracy.' This idiosyncratic history entertains." —*Publishers Weekly*

"Dylan Taylor-Lehman deserves an award—or maybe a Sealand title of nobility—for this brilliant tale chronicling a little-known story. *Sealand* is endlessly captivating, like a thriller, and filled with crisp, evocative writing." —Bob Batchelor, author of *The Bourbon King*

## About the Author:

Previously a reporter for the award-winning *Yellow Spring News*, **Dylan Taylor-Lehman's** work has also been published in *Gastro Obscura*, *The Millions*, and *614 Magazine*. Dylan's first book was *Dance of the Trustees*.

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# RAISING LGBTQ ALLIES

By Chris Tompkins

No matter who we are or where we come from, we all play on the same playground. There are certain collective societal messages we hear growing up that we either consciously or subconsciously believe. As a result, we develop certain belief systems from which we operate our lives.

*Raising LGBTQ Allies* sheds light on the deeper, multi-faceted layers of homophobia. It opens up a conversation with parents around the possibility they may have an LGBTQ child, and shows how heteronormativity can be harmful if not addressed clearly and early. Although not every parent will have an LGBTQ child, their child will jump rope or play tag with a child who is LGBTQ.

By showing readers the importance of having open and authentic conversations with children at a young age, Chris Tompkins walks parents through the many ways they can prevent new generations from adopting homophobic and transphobic beliefs, while helping them explore their own subconscious biases...

## Praise:

"A thoughtful guide to creating LGBTQ allies...Complete with discussion questions, meditations, and practical actions, this guide is a powerful treatise on creating a more accepting world." —*Publishers Weekly* starred review

"This book is filled with Chris's hope for our children—that all children receive the message of inclusion and worthiness. It is also filled with his vulnerability as he shares his personal story and journey." --Cristina Vigil, LCSW (parent of two fabulous teenagers) and board member of PFLAG

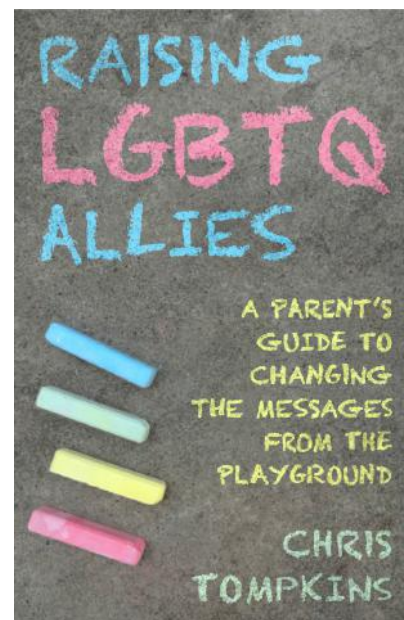
"Chris Tompkins thoughtfully guides readers to a deeper understanding of themselves and the life experience of their LGBTQ loved ones. This must-read book serves as a blueprint to making the world a more loving place for queer and trans children—a shift that could save lives. *Raising LGBTQ Allies* is a needed resource for all youth-serving professionals. It should be part of syllabi and professional development trainings nation-wide and beyond." --Armando Sanchez, licensed clinical social worker and writer of "Gay Men and Blog"

## About the Author:

**Chris Tompkins** is a TEDx speaker, teacher, life coach, and an LGBTQ inner-advocate. He teaches throughout Southern California. His writings have been published in *HuffPost*, *Scary Mommy*, *Guide for Spiritual Living*, *Elephant Journal*, among others.

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# CHILDREN'S -YOUNG ADULT

# THE SKY BLUES

## By Robbie Couch

**A NEW YORK TIMES ANTICIPATED SPRING 2021 YA RELEASE!**

**A JUNIOR LIBRARY GUILD SELECTION**

Sky's small town turns absolutely claustrophobic when his secret promposal plans get leaked to the entire school in this witty, heartfelt, and ultimately hopeful debut novel for fans of *What if it's Us?* and *I Wish You All the Best*.

Sky Baker may be openly gay, but in his small, insular town, making sure he was invisible has always been easier than being himself. Determined not to let anything ruin his senior year, Sky decides to make a splash at his high school's annual beach bum party by asking his crush, Ali, to prom—and he has thirty days to do it.

What better way to start living loud and proud than by pulling off the gayest promposal Rock Ledge, Michigan, has ever seen?

Then, Sky's plans are leaked by an anonymous hacker in a deeply homophobic e-blast that quickly goes viral. He's fully prepared to drop out and skip town altogether—until his classmates give him a reason to fight back by turning his thirty-day promposal countdown into a school-wide hunt to expose the e-blast perpetrator.

But what happens at the end of the thirty days? Will Sky get to keep his hard-won visibility? Or will his small-town blues stop him from being his true self?

### Praise:

"The author creates memorable, believable characters who inhabit vivid settings. Couch excels at crafting believable plot twists... Recommended for fans of David Levithan." --School Library Journal

"Earnest, heartfelt, and sincerely moving. Robbie Couch writes with real honesty and compassion about love, family, and friendship in all their beautiful complexity." —Becky Albertalli, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Simon vs the Homo Sapiens Agenda*

"*The Sky Blues* is the first book I've read that so fully encapsulates the dynamics of growing up queer during adolescence, without falling into the usual dramatic tropes - it's a perfect snapshot. This story is so pure and filled with hope that I never wanted it to end. It almost made me want to relive high school. Robbie Couch was able to successfully provide a beautiful, positive and healthy guide for growing up queer and how to work through what that means. This book will help them navigate life's challenges, while teaching them how to celebrate their wonderful differences." --Kevin McHale, actor ("Glee")

### About the Author:

**Robbie Couch** has been published in *HuffPost*, *Upworthy*, and *O, The Oprah Magazine*, among other outlets. *THE SKY BLUES* is his debut novel.

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**THE SKY BLUES have been  
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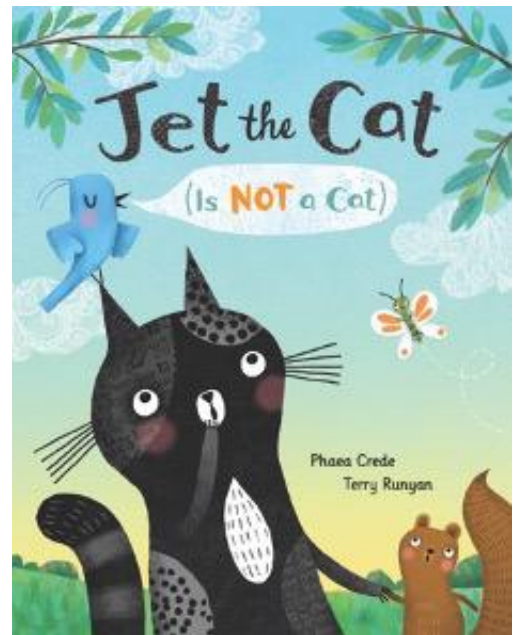
# **JET THE CAT (IS NOT A CAT)**

## **By Author Phaea Crede**

Jet is not like any other cat . . . but when other animals try to convince her that she's really a bird or a frog or a goat, she learns to embrace her unique identity. This hilarious story teaches us to celebrate our differences.

### **Praise:**

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### **About the Author:**

**Phaea Crede** writes silly picture books for silly kids. Serious kids, too! Her debut picture book JET THE CAT (IS NOT A CAT) will be published by Barefoot Books in spring 2021. She's had lots of writing jobs in her life, like scriptwriting for the TV shows *Nature Cat* and *Word Girl*.

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# WARRIOR PRINCESS

By Author/Illustrator Sally Deng

Khutulun, great-great granddaughter of Genghis Khan, was living proof that princesses could rule on the battlefield as well as – or better than – any soldier. Treated like the brothers that came before her, she learned how to ride horseback, shoot arrows at full gallop and, most important, to wrestle. Eventually, Khutulun was wrestling boys twice her size and was ready to join her father and brothers in battle.

Despite her brilliant military victories, she was still plagued by rumors. *Why hadn't the princess married yet? What was wrong with the Khan's daughter?* She vowed to marry any man that could defeat her at wrestling – but if they lost, they had to give her 10 horses.

Undefeated, her herd grew to 10,000 horses.

When a well-respected prince wagered 1,000 horses to wrestle her, she agreed to throw the match to end the rumors and restore honor to her family. But in the heat of battle, would she – *could* she – lose the match and become a wife instead of a warrior?

An inspiring tale of a princess who realizes that sometimes the best way to serve one's community is to stay true to oneself.

## Praise:

Coming soon!

## About the Author:

**Sally Deng** is the author-illustrator of *Skyward: Women Pilots in WWII* (Flying Eye Books, 2018) and illustrator of the forthcoming *Yusra Swims* (Creative Editions, 2020) and a book with Chronicle. She was chosen as a [2020 Forbes 30 under 30](#) and her illustrations have appeared in various publications including the *New York Times*, *The Atlantic*, NPR, *Vice*, *The New Yorker*, and *Condé Nast Traveler*.

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# THE FRIEND SCHEME

## By Cale Dietrich

A BuzzFeed “Brand New LGBTQ YA Books to Devour This Summer” Selection

Part thriller, part romance, *The Friend Scheme* is another twisty #ownvoices YA novel from Cale Dietrich, author of *The Love Interest*.

Matt’s father is a criminal with high hopes that his son will follow in his footsteps. His family is at war with another, and Matt’s dad is caught in the crossfire. Matt and his older brother are expected to fight for their family. But deep down Matt has other ambitions—and attractions.

When he meets Jason, Matt believes he might be falling deeper than friendship for the first time. The boys keep their connection a secret, and soon Matt suspects that Jason is part of the family that tried to kill his father. The truth, however, is even more shattering, and Matt must decide if he can ever break free and own who he really is and who he is meant to love.

### Praise:

“When the closeted son of a mob boss meets the boy of his dreams in Florida, he’s forced to juggle familial loyalty with the growing suspicion that his crush is part of a rival crime organization. ... a sympathetic love story that captures his protagonists’ insecurities and interests.” —*Publishers Weekly*

“Suspenseful and sexy, *The Friend Scheme* is a brilliant novel about not knowing if you should trust someone else, or even yourself, when you’re in the closet.” —L.C. Rosen, author of *Camp*

### About the Author:

A YA devotee, lifelong gamer, and tragic pop punk enthusiast, **Cale Dietrich** was born in Perth, grew up on the Gold Coast, and now lives in Brisbane, Australia. His debut novel, *The Love Interest*, was named a 2018 Rainbow List Selection. His upcoming co-authored project with Sophie Gonzales, *If This Gets Out*, is coming December 2021 from Wednesday Books.



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# I AM ODD, I AM NEW

## By Benjamin Giroux, illustrated by Roz Maclean

Through the eyes of 10-year-old Benjamin Giroux, being odd is different, and different is a good thing. This is what the then fifth-grader hoped to convey in his poem, beginning every few sentences with "I am," about what it is like to live with autism. Inspired by a school assignment, Benjamin's raw and emotional words poured out onto the page, but when he feared they were not any good, his parents shared the poem with friends and family. Little did they know that it would go viral and end up inspiring thousands of strangers who identified with him to share their support. Now for the first time, Benjamin's iconic poem "I Am Odd, I Am New," comes to life in this lovingly illustrated picture book with a foreword written by the National Autism Association. So whether you know the poem, or it is new to you, discover how Benjamin's honesty will reassure children of all ages that it's okay to be different.



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### **Praise:**

Coming soon!

### **About the Author and Illustrator:**

**Benjamin Giroux's** viral poem *I AM ODD* caught the attention of the whole world when he wrote it for a school project. Calling attention to the social challenges neurodiverse children face, Benjamin's poem has been praised by millions. Benjamin has been interviewed for television news programs, as well as featured by *Huffington Post*, the Today Show and Good Morning America. He has also been the face of the National Autism Association's antibullying campaign. Illustrator **Roz Maclean** is the author of *The Body Book* (2016, Promontory Press, winner of IBPA children's picture book award) and *Violet's Cloudy Day* (2014, Promontory Press, Eric Hoffer Award honorable mention). Roz has many short publications and frequently makes author visits to schools. She has experience working with the deaf/mute community as well.

# YOUNG CAPTAIN NEMO

By Jason Henderson

Armed with his wits, his friends, and his Nemotech submarine, a twelve-year-old descendant of Jules Verne's famous antihero is determined to help make the ocean a safer place one adventure at a time in Jason Henderson's **YOUNG CAPTAIN NEMO**, first in a new middle-grade series.

Gabriel Nemo is not your typical 12-year-old. A descendant of the famous Captain Nemo, he spent the first years of his life living in obscurity, isolated in his parents' peaceful underwater research lab. But with his older sister off following in their ancestor's footsteps, sinking whalers and running away from vengeful navies, Gabriel decides it's time to forge his own path, and use his Nemotech legacy for good.

Armed only with his wits, his friends, and his Nemotech submarine, Gabriel embarks on a series of daring rescues and exciting undersea battles. But when Gabriel's sister suddenly appears with proof of previously undiscovered sea creatures—giant beasts inhabiting wrecked war planes and ships—Gabriel and his new friends must face their biggest and most dangerous mission ever!



## Praise:

"Stakes are high, the pace is fast, and there are excellent (and surprisingly subtle) messages of coping with childhood loneliness and the importance of taking care of our planet's oceans." —*Booklist*

"Gabriel and his crew will please seafaring science nerds or anyone seeking a new group of characters to love." —*School Library Journal* on *Quest for the Nautilus*

## About the Author:

**Jason Henderson** is the author of the Alex Van Helsing series from HarperCollins/HarperTeen. An active writer of comics and games, his most recent comic series is IDW and Cartoon Network's Ben 10. His most recent game screenplay was for Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles for 3DS, and he was nominated for a WGA Screenwriting Award for his script for Activision's Singularity.

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**Also available: two more in the series!**

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# THE MISSING PAIRS

## By Author/Illustrator Yvonne Ivinson

Fox is missing a sock. Hare is missing a mitten. Badger is missing a boot. But what's the use of wearing socks, mittens, and boots if you don't wear a pair?

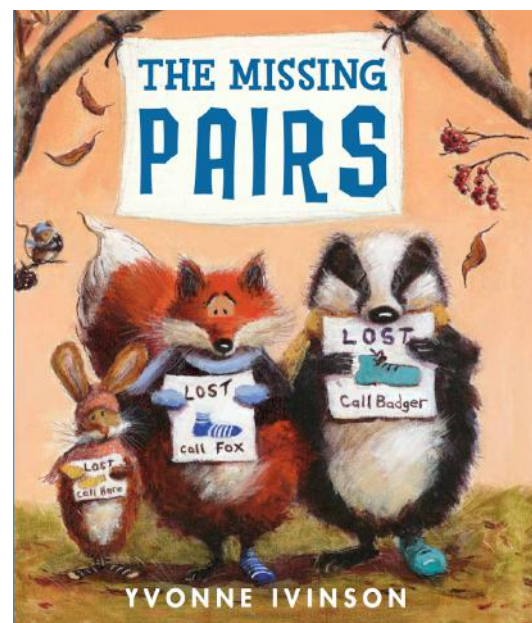
Luckily, Fox, Hare, and Badger have a friend named Bear.

And Bear knows just what to do.

Bear will solve the mystery of the missing pairs.

Or will he?

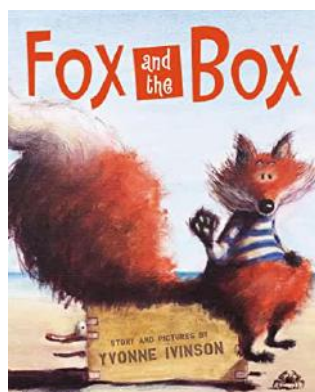
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### Praise:

"Exciting and easy to read. Ivinson tells her story in 46 simple words. . . the paintings of storm, waves, and the small boat and occupants alone on a vast expanse of sea are pretty thrilling. . .Dramatic and accessible for new readers." —*Kirkus Reviews*

"All the creatures depicted throughout the story burst with energy and personality, which allows those sharing the book together to extend the minimal text into an exciting adventure. The punchy words play with phonics and rhyme to create an enjoyable read-aloud as well as opportunities for new readers, and those sounding out their first words, to find success." —*Horn Book Magazine*

"Full-bleed acrylic paintings wonderfully convey Fox's changing fortunes. Shifting visual perspectives follow him through contemplation, action, success, danger, and rescue. The text, employing rhythm, rhyme, and sound-work, is comprised only of singular words and short phrases, making this appealing picture book accessible to emergent readers." —*ALA Booklist*

### About the Author:

**Yvonne Ivinson** is also the author of *Fox and the Box*, a picture book starring the fox in this book. She lives in the countryside near London, England, and tries very hard not to misplace her socks, mittens, or boots.

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# SOLOMON THE LION

## By Author/Illustrator Kristina Jones

Solomon is a young lion who can't fall asleep. He tries sleeping in a tree like the bats, but that's not quite right. He tries a snooze in the pond with the hippos, but that doesn't quite fit either. Will Solomon realize that it's not where you sleep, but who tucks you in at night?

A charming story about feeling safe and peaceful with those you love, SOLOMON THE LION is sure to be a new bedtime favorite.

Illustrated using shweshwe fabric, this book has more of the charming animals found in Kristina's debut!



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## Praise:

“There’s an exciting world of words waiting to be discovered through this educational alphabet book, which will help to expand your child’s vocabulary and encourage him to read. Each illustration is accompanied by a sentence, introducing the different animals. The sentence structure is the same for each animal, because the best way for kids to learn is through repetition.” —Living and Loving on THE AMAZING AFRICAN ANIMAL ALPHABET

## About the Author:

**Kristina Jones** is a Canadian illustrator currently living and working in Swaziland.

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# DOWN WITH THIS SHIP

By Katie Kingman

Kole Miller is the best writer at the prestigious Crystal Lake High. But no one knows it—not her creative writing classmates, or even her academic arch nemesis Colin (aka Mr. Valedictorian). That's because Kole's best work is a secret fanfic based on *The Space Game*, her favorite show.

When Kole's fanfic wins a major contest, her readership skyrockets. Suddenly, Kole finds herself stuck in the heated ship wars, as her new readers pair characters from the show together as romantic couples. Worse yet, Kole's classmates discover that she's the fanfic's author. Now it isn't just *The Space Game* everyone is arguing about: they start shipping Kole with her classmates.

With her romantic life in shambles and her anxiety through the roof, Kole must face both her inner demons and the ones at her school. She has one chance to reclaim her fanfic—and the guy that Kole now realizes she's shipped herself with since episode one of the school year.

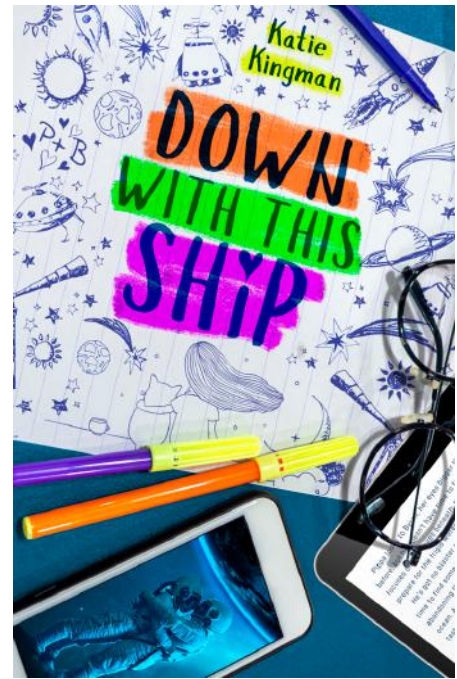
## Praise:

"*Down With This Ship* is an addicting and fast-paced ode to fandoms, shipping and glorious geekery. The romance was soft and sweet, the nerd-validation was top-notch and the writing made me swoon. I'm an absolute fangirl of anything Kingman writes!" —Erin Hahn, author of *You'd Be Mine* and *More Than Maybe*

## About the Author:

**Katie Kingman** has wanted to be a writer since freshman year when her English teacher read her story out loud. The experience was mortifying, but it led to a lifelong love of writing fiction and classic literature. She now lives, teaches, and geeks in Phoenix, Arizona, with her husband, two kids, and five cats.

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# THE TRAGEDY OF DANE RILEY

By Kat Spears

**A teen confronts his feelings about his father's death, his new family, and the girl next door in this emotional young adult novel from critically-acclaimed author Kat Spears**

Dane Riley's grasp on reality is slipping, and he's not sure that he cares. While his mother has moved on after his father's death, Dane desperately misses the man who made Dane feel okay to be himself. He can't stand his mother's boyfriend, or the boyfriend's son, whose favorite pastime is tormenting Dane. Then there's the girl next door: Dane can't quite define their relationship, and he doesn't know if he's got the courage to leave the friend zone.

An emotional novel about mental health, and dealing with grief and growing up, *THE TRAGEDY OF DANE RILEY* is the story of a teenager looking to make sense of his feelings in the wake of tragedy, and finding the strength he needs to make life worth living.

## Praise for previous works:

"A rare study of growing pains that gives equal weight to humor and hardship." —*Kirkus Reviews* (Starred Review) on *Breakaway*

"A painfully honest and powerful depiction of the changing nature of friendships in the face of hardship and an exploration of what it means 'to be human and alive.'" —*Booklist* (Starred Review) on *Breakaway*

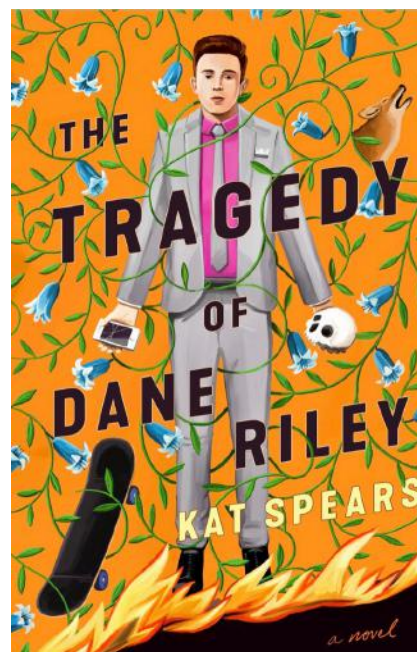
"This sad yet hopeful romance will appeal to readers of Steven Chbosky's *The Perks of Being a Wallflower* and Jay Asher's *Thirteen Reasons Why*." —*School Library Journal* on *Breakaway*

"Sharp dialogue, edgy humor, and an unlikely hero make this page-turner a winner." —*Publishers Weekly* (Starred Review) on *Sway*

## About the Author:

**Kat Spears** grew up moving every few years and is still looking for her hometown. Kat writes realistic, edgy, honest, sometimes heartbreaking, often funny books about and for young people. Being a teenager sucked for Kat, and she's still trying to write her way out of it. She spends her free time rearing caterpillars, vacuuming up dog hair, and writing letters the old-fashioned way. Her favorite job, ever, is being the mother of three perfect and hilarious humans. She is the author of *Sway*, *Breakaway*, and *The Boy Who Killed Grant Parker*.

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Vicki Delany	We Wish You a Murderous Christmas	Year Round Christmas Mysteries #2	Japan	Mystery
Vicki Delany	Hark the Herald Angels Slay	Year Round Christmas Mysteries #3		Mystery
Vicki Delany	Silent Night, Deadly Night	Year Round Christmas Mysteries #4		Mystery
Vicki Delany	Dying in a Winter Wonderland	Year Round Christmas Mysteries #5		Mystery
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Stacey Kennedy	Feisty Red	Three Chicks Brewery #2		Romance
Stacey Kennedy	Dirty Ginger	Three Chicks Brewery #3		Romance
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Tara Leigh	Corrupt Savior	Wages of Sin #2	Israel	Romance
Tara Leigh	Throne of Lies	The Lies Duet #1		Romance
Tara Leigh	Legacy of Lies	The Lies Duet #2		Romance
Tara Leigh	We Are Us			Romance
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Kennedy Ryan	The Rebel King	All the King's Men #2	Poland	Romance

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Kennedy Ryan	Hook Shot	Hoops #3	Brazil, France, Hungary, Israel, Italy, Poland	Romance
Kennedy Ryan	Hoops Holiday	Hoops #4	Italy, Poland	Romance
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Kennedy Ryan	Grip	Grip #2	Israel, Italy	Romance
Kennedy Ryan	Still	Grip #3	Israel, Italy	Romance
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Kennedy Ryan	Down to My Soul	Soul Series #2	Italy	Romance
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