



# SUMMER ENTERTAINMENT CATALOGUE

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# Hey there, entertainment lover!

Are you looking for a good story to curl up with this summer?

Maybe you're looking to escape the craziness of the real world for a few hours as you:

- soak up the sun at the beach
- seek the shade proffered by an old tree
- relax by the pool [far from the splash zone!]
- lounge on your living-room sofa on a rainy day

However you'd like to unwind, you'll find something to entertain you within the pages of this catalogue...

...which features writers who are in, or friends of, the Scribe Meets World writing community.

As you'll see in the table of contents that follows, a variety of genres are represented. While the majority of the stories are novels, the catalogue also includes one short story, two short-story anthologies, and one movie [bring on the popcorn!].

Sure, by enjoying one of these stories, you'll be able to forget about the craziness of the real world for a little while. But you'll also be doing something else. You'll be providing motivational fuel to these writers.

That's because every time someone like you engages with one of their stories, it's a sign for these writers that they should continue on their path and hold fast to their writing dreams.

In a nutshell, you're not only receiving entertainment, you're also giving inspiration :)

Who knows? You might even be inspired to write a story of your own—perhaps one you've been nursing in your head for *years*.

In that case, you'll love the sole non-fiction entry in this catalogue: it's my bestselling writing guide *Sizzling Story Outlines*. It will teach you, step by step, how to shape your idea into a well-plotted story.

Please turn the page to see all the great stories that await...and enjoy!

H. R. D'Costa

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PS: If you'd like to give as much inspiration to these writers as possible, please share the catalogue with your family, friends, and followers.

<http://scribemeetsworld.com/entertainmentcatalogue> ← to share, copy and paste this link, thanks!

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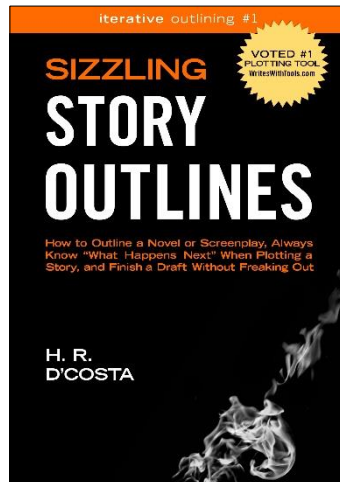
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*NON-  
FICTION*



# SIZZLING STORY OUTLINES

{ Iterative Outlining, Book #1 }

VOTED #1 PLOTTING TOOL BY WRITESWITHTOOLS.COM

Does this scenario ring a bell?

When you started to write your novel or screenplay, the words flowed freely. But now...now, they've slowed to a trickle. What happens next? How to take your characters from A to B?

You have no idea. You've run out of steam. You're stuck.

Relax. It doesn't have to be this way.

You don't have to freak out. You can avoid getting stranded in the middle of writing your story. How?

By doing some simple prep work in advance. Whether you're used to that (or more accustomed to writing "by the seat of your pants"), this step-by-step writing guide will show you how to make outlining work for you.

It's a must-read craft book if you'd like to:

- shape your idea for a novel or screenplay into a well-plotted story
- improve your ability to put together a story
- see further ahead in your plot or fill in missing gaps
- make outlining easier—and writing your draft more fun

*"If you want a proven nuts-and-bolts method to get your stories told, trust this guide."* ~ RONALD DRESCHER, screenwriter of *The Inventors*, a ScreenCraft Quarterfinalist

*"Best book on story structure and outlining that I've read...my ability to put stories together has really improved. In fact, plotting out a story is fun whereas before it was mostly just frustrating. Highly recommended!"* ~ AMAZON REVIEW

*"Knowing what should go into a well-plotted novel is one thing, but using this knowledge to 'shape your own story' into publishable material is a totally different skill. And this is exactly what H. R. D'Costa teaches you to do."* ~ AMAZON REVIEW

## ABOUT H. R. D’COSTA

A graduate of Brown University, H. R. D’Costa almost became a lawyer—*twice*—because it seemed easier and less scary than doing what she really wanted: to be a writer.

That’s why she’s on a mission to create mindset and plotting resources that will enable novelists and screenwriters to hold fast to their writing dreams...even when life tells them to let go.

For inspiration; practical writing tips; and her popular resource, the Ultimate Story Structure Worksheet (which has been downloaded over 37,000 times by writers from around the world), she invites you to visit her website [scribemeetsworld.com](https://scribemeetsworld.com).

*“H. R. D’Costa’s writing tips are concrete and practical. Yet, they go deep—like the 90% of the iceberg that is below the surface.”* ~ LOUIS SCHLESINGER, Winner of the Thomas Wolfe Fiction Prize (2021)

**Buy the book here:**

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*FILM*





# INSTANT KARMA

*Co-Written with Matt Midgette; Directed by Mitesh Patel*

A young man hits rock bottom as a ride-share driver when his car breaks down; he gets a loaner car and stumbles into a string of magical good fortune.

His turnaround starts with one good deed to a homeless man which results in him being rewarded multiple times more.

His luck, good fortune, magic, whatever you call it, is like an incredible wave that he wants to ride for all it's worth, but he's afraid it will end. It does, several times, but then it starts back up again. If he can only figure out what's causing it...

## ABOUT SCOTT GORE

Scott Gore served in the US Navy after high school where he got a taste of the world. Since then, he's traveled to over 25 countries mostly loving, learning from and serving people living in hard places.

Six years ago, Scott lost his best friend to suicide and a few years later his own life was falling apart. That's when he woke up one morning with an idea for a screenplay and for the past 4 years Scott has been writing screenplays. Writing screenplays makes Scott feel more alive than just about anything.

Scott is known for his screenplays *Instant Karma* and *Woman in the Maze* where he also wrote the story and was an Executive Producer. Scott's current project is called *Albert* - about the most famous scientist who ever lived. Scott has written first drafts of several feature-length screenplays in a week or less.

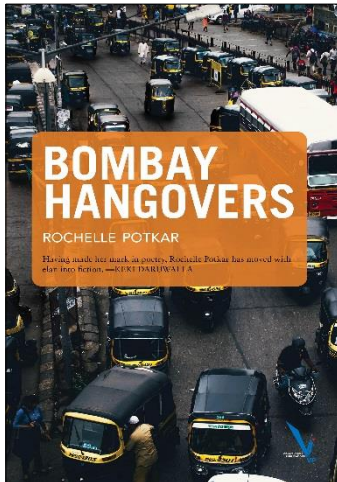
To learn more about Scott, please visit his website: <https://www.scottgorecreates.com>.



**Stream the movie here:**

<https://www.amazon.com/Instant-Karma-Stew-Jetson/dp/B0B5P7ZF1Q/>

# *SHORT STORIES*



# BOMBAY HANGOVERS

16 immersive short stories from Mumbai.

*“These stories are laced with the grit, sleaze and dynamism of Bombay. They explore the nerve centre of a great metropolis with caustic wit and uncompromising realism. From the red-light corner of Kamathipura and the race course of Mahalaxmi, from South Bombay where a perfume maker works on exotic fragrances to the throbbing epicentre of Thana and the township of Kalyan, from Bandra to Andheri, the city is brought alive through memorable characters, piquant situations and no holds barred language. With the occasional foray into Goa, the poet Rochelle Potkar makes an impressive debut in short fiction, a genre unfairly neglected by most publishers in India.” ~ MANOHAR SHETTY*

*“Superbly penned stories of struggle and survival, love and frustration, cultural conflicts and pitiable adjustments, family equations, and social complications. The range of topics Rochelle Potkar touches upon is remarkable. The absurdities, pathos, and miseries that are part of our lives are captured in a poignant light. Rochelle has created some memorable characters as she subtly and creatively critiques the power structures in our society, revealing tensions between the hegemonic forces and subjugated classes. Her compassionate and gentle insights lead us to an unexpected, and at times bewildering social realism with very elegant content and structure. This is a must-read volume.” ~ DAMODAR MAUZO*

*“Potkar’s courageous and suave collection takes contemporary Indian writing in English to the inner landscapes of Bombay’s one-room-kitchens, racecourse fortunes, and Kamathipura. Her stories are dexterous explorations in tenderness, ambition, and sexual abandon. Deceptively straightforward and peppered with wry humor, the stories and their piquant characters come alive against the fascinating canvas of maximum city.” ~ PERVIN SAKET*

## ABOUT ROCHELLE POTKAR

Rochelle Potkar is the author of *Four Degrees of Separation* and *Paper Asylum* – shortlisted for the Rabindranath Tagore Literary Prize 2020.

Her poetry film *Skirt* was showcased on Shonda Rhimes’ *Shondaland*. She is an alumna of Iowa’s International Writing Program (2015) and a Charles Wallace Writer’s fellow, University of Stirling (2017).

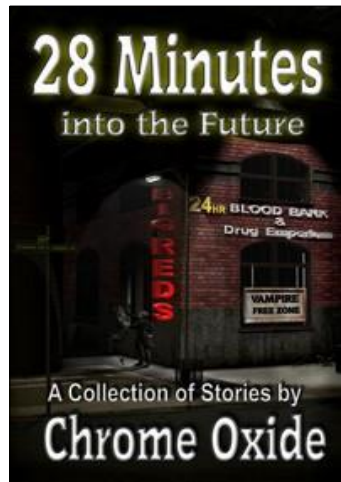


Her screenplay *A Brown coat* was a quarter-finalist at the Atlanta Film Festival Screenwriting competition 2020.

Many of her poems and stories have won awards.

**Buy the collection here:**

<https://www.amazon.com/Bombay-Hangovers-Rochelle-Potkar-ebook/dp/B08X4DDBJ9/>



# 28 MINUTES INTO THE FUTURE

Was there ever a time when the world needed to laugh more than it does right now? Thankfully, the cavalry has arrived.

*28 Minutes into the Future* is Chrome's first book, a collection of nine hilarious, subversive tales of an earth we know, but not quite as we know it.

*"I found myself laughing with his tale[s] over and over."* ~ DAVID FARLAND, *New York Times* Bestselling Author; and Coordinating Judge of the Writers of the Future contest

*"...entertainment pure and simple...a welcome breath of fresh air in an increasingly stuffy room..."* ~ DAVE TRUESDALE, Editor, Tangent Online

*"It's terribly hard to write political commentary with such a strong sense of irony."* ~ The late, great JERRY POURNELLE, John W. Campbell Award, Prometheus Award, Seiun Award, Heinlein Society Award, National Space Society's Heinlein

Includes rib-tickling, irreverent short stories such as:

**COP FOR A DAY:** A humorous dystopian story about an ex-con who accidentally becomes a cop and is partnered with a judgmental artificial intelligence.

**VAMPIRE FREE ZONE:** A humorous urban fantasy story about a vampire, a bloodbank receptionist, and a sign in the window.

**GATEWAY:** A humorous story about a redneck who accidentally calls tech support and gets a lot more than he expected.

## ABOUT CHROME OXIDE

Under the pen name of Chrome Oxide I write humorous science fiction and fantasy. However, I've been accused of writing murder mysteries since I murder the English language and it's a mystery how I get published.

When people ask why I write what I do, I explain that my reality check bounced.



My first professional sale appeared in the Writers of the Future volume 29. Superversive Press published a collection of my previously unpublished short stories.

I can be found at <http://www.chromeoxide.com/writer/> and lost everywhere else.

**Buy the collection here:**

<https://amzn.to/38RbvSm>



# SUNBLOOD

Irene runs a motel and James comes in to change her town with all of his materialism.

## ABOUT CHERI

I'm Asian in my first year of studying at university from Australia and I have two novels in the works that're both nearly completed!

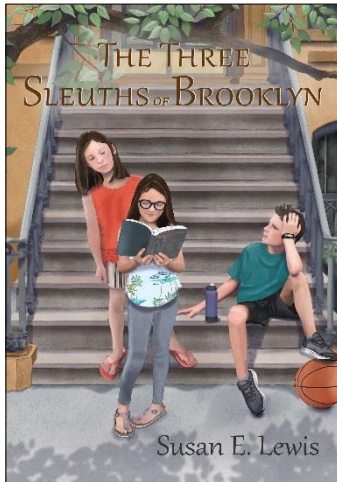
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<https://www.wattpad.com/story/294050100-sunblood>



*MIDDLE GRADE (MG) &  
YOUNG ADULT (YA)*





# THE THREE SLEUTHS OF BROOKLYN

{ *The Brooklyn Sleuths, Book #1* }

Abrielle Martin is certain her summer is going to be boring. But she soon finds out that not everything is as it seems. Before that summer, Abrielle would have never guessed she'd see the inside of scary Mrs. Metzger's house. And live to tell about it. Or dance in the kitchen of an Italian restaurant or spend a Saturday watching a baseball game with Leon who never talked to her at school. What really stands out are all the mysteries in the neighborhood. A favorite bakery suddenly closes. Mama won't explain why she changed jobs. Neighboring residents receive eviction notices, and Mrs. Metzger's son has something to do with the evictions. Somehow all the mysteries are connected. Abrielle, her best friend Gina, and Leon will have to think outside the box to figure out what's going on so they can help their neighbors keep their homes. Their effort to solve the mysteries lands the trio in major trouble. Someone they least expect comes to their rescue, but is it too late to help their neighbors? Find out when you read this middle grade adventure story set in Brooklyn, New York.

## ABOUT SUSAN E. LEWIS

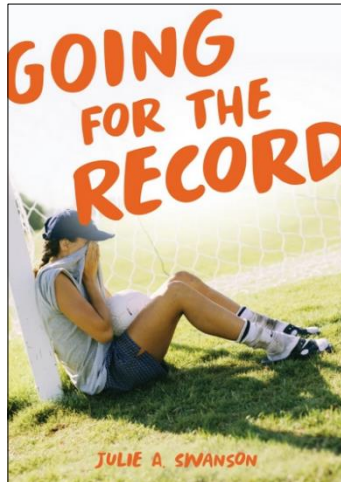
Susan E. Lewis spent over thirty years in education, with the last fifteen teaching English to both junior high and high school students. Now she is writing stories for young adults and middle graders—stories that are fun (with mystery, adventure, and romance) but also stories that are thought-provoking with life messages woven through. A link to her books can be found on the website [susanelewis.com](http://susanelewis.com).

Also available on the website [susanelewis.com](http://susanelewis.com) are curriculum packets of fun and engaging learning activities that go with each book written for young readers. The packets are free and available to teachers and homeschool parents.



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<https://www.amazon.com/Three-Sleuths-Brooklyn-Book-ebook/dp/B0857LRGJ9/>



# GOING FOR THE RECORD

Seventeen-year-old Leah Weicynkowski is on the brink of realizing her dream—playing soccer for the under-eighteen national team, her gateway to the World Cup and the Olympics. Everything she’s worked for has been about this moment. She can’t wait to tell her dad, her biggest fan and her faithful chauffeur to games and practices.

Unfortunately, her dad has news of his own. News that will make Leah reconsider everything that matters most to her. He has pancreatic cancer, and maybe only a few months to live.

Loosely based on the author’s own experiences, this coming-of-age story portrays Leah’s passion for her sport, her love for her father, and her struggle to define herself in the shadow of an uncertain future.

## ABOUT JULIE A. SWANSON

Julie A. Swanson writes MG and YA fiction. She grew up in northern Michigan, the setting of this book. *Going for the Record* was named one of *Booklist’s* Top Ten Sports Books for Youth and was a finalist for *Foreword Magazine’s* Juvenile Fiction Book of the Year Award.

Julie currently lives in Charlottesville, Virginia with her husband Steve. They have three grown children and one grandchild (with three more on the way by year’s end!).



**Buy the book here:**

<https://www.amazon.com/Going-Record-Julie-Swanson/dp/0802855733/>



# FLIGHT OF THE SPARK

{ *The Outlawed Myth, Book #1* }

*Winner of the 2021 Readers' Favorite Silver Medal for YA Epic Fantasy*

Iskra is committed to following the rules, the rules that keep everyone safe. But when a supposedly savage outlaw rescues her from a gang of vicious bandits, she realizes the price of her safety is her freedom. And that most of what she believes is a lie.

What she didn't realize was that those who promised her safety were her deadliest enemies, determined to keep her from her forbidden love—or destroy her in the process.

*Flight of the Spark* is the thrilling first book in The Outlawed Myth YA fantasy series. If you like dystopian worlds, tenacious heroines, compelling characters, and a splash of romance, then you'll love Evelyn Puerto's gripping tale.

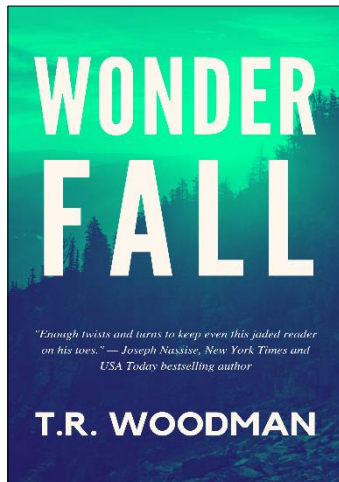
## ABOUT EVELYN PUERTO

Evelyn Puerto reads just about anything and writes in multiple genres and is the author of the award-winning *Flight of the Spark*. When she married, she inherited three stepdaughters, a pair of step-grandsons and a neurotic cat. Currently she writes from South Carolina. When she's not arguing with her characters, she's helping her grandsons catch bugs.

**Buy the book here:**

<https://books2read.com/flight-of-the-spark/>





# WONDERFALL (A.K.A. THE GIRL WITH THE RABBIT TATTOO)

*When Connor Simms meets a girl who should be dead, not even his flirty best friend can convince him to stop his self-destructive search for truth.*

*“A damn good story...enough twists and turns to keep even this jaded reader on his toes.” ~ JOSEPH NASSISE, New York Times and USA Today bestselling author*

Seventeen-year-old Connor Simms knows two things. If he competes well for his place in humanity’s new civilization, he’ll get to choose the city of his imprisonment. If he fails, he’ll spend the rest of his short life in Oblivion. With both outcomes bad but at least one giving him a choice, Connor resigns himself to compete for a life he doesn’t want.

Then Connor meets a girl who should be dead from atmospheric exposure and nothing—not the early success that rockets him to the top of the standings; not the invitation from his flirty friend to ace his tests so they can be together—can stop his self-destructive search for truth.

Connor picks at the mysteries of the world he thought he understood, starts to tumble in the rankings and with the chill of Oblivion on his shoulders, Connor must decide if surviving his summer in Wonder is worth the prize of a life in a city built on lies.

## ABOUT T. R. WOODMAN

T. R. Woodman (Travis) has made a career of doing very serious work for very serious people. Despite that detour, he has always enjoyed writing. A native of Colorado, he lives in Atlanta with his family where they all enjoy warmer weather and less snow.

**Buy the book here:**

<https://www.amazon.com/dp/B09M12H82R>



*ROMANCE &  
WOMEN'S FICTION*



# ONE SWEET SUMMER

One shot of Vermont Grump.

One shot of Miami Sunshine.

Mix with one sweet summer and brew in a barn over six weeks as they build a tiny house together.

So much could go wrong...but so much could go spectacularly right. Which is it going to be?

## ABOUT SOPHIA KARLSON

Sophia is an award-winning author who writes sensual, emotional, and evocative contemporary romance.

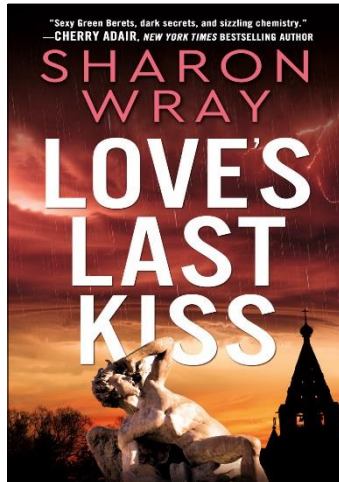
When she's not writing, she can be found binge-watching the latest TV series, walking her beagle dogs, or planning the family's next trip into the wilds.

[Sign up here](#) to receive a collection of Sophia's sweet and steamy romances as well as updates from Sophia.



**Buy the book here:**

<https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B09Y9H2PQY/>



# LOVE'S LAST KISS

{ *Deadly Force*, standalone }

*Is love worth risking everything for?*

Rose Guthrie, a reluctant erotic dancer, hasn't trusted anyone since her parents' death. Yet, to make money for her brother's heart transplant, she agrees to deliver a sealed box to a mysterious buyer. Until the box—and the seller—disappear. Not surprised by the betrayal, her situation becomes more dangerous when she learns that two deadly enemies also want the box and are willing to kill everyone she loves for it. With one clue left, she breaks into Doom—Savannah's violent, illegal fight club. Unfortunately, Doom's referee—the sexy, ex-Army Ranger, Kade Dolan—stands in her way. Although she harbors a secret attraction to Kade, she can't let him stop her. If she doesn't deliver the box on time, she'll lose everything. Including her own life.

Rose doesn't trust ex-Army Ranger, ex-con Kade Dolan, but that's okay—he doesn't trust himself either. Why? Because he lies to everyone about everything, including his time in Leavenworth and his job as an illegal fight club referee. Then there are his two side gigs. The first as an informant for the Prince, the leader of a secret, two-thousand-year-old private army. The second, loving from afar the beautiful, secretive Rose Guthrie. After the Prince discovers Rose is the courier of a lost 18th century artifact, he orders Kade to help her find the box before their greatest enemy does. If they succeed, Kade must return it to the Prince. If they fail, Kade must kill her.

Betrayal or death. When faced with an impossible choice, Kade can't lie anymore, at least not when it comes to what he's about to do to the woman he loves. But when Rose uncovers Kade's lies, they learn a terrible truth—the 18th century box holds a secret far deadlier than they imagined. A secret that could destroy them all.

## ABOUT SHARON WRAY

Sharon is a chemical & patent librarian who once studied dress design in the couture houses of Paris and then worked as a Red Cross caseworker in South Korea. Because it took her forever to decide what she wanted to do when she grew up, she now writes romance and women's fiction novels filled with suspense, adventure, and love. Her bestselling *Deadly Force* romantic suspense series is set in a world with scary assassins who bow before killing, sexy Green Berets seeking redemption, and smart, sassy heroines who save

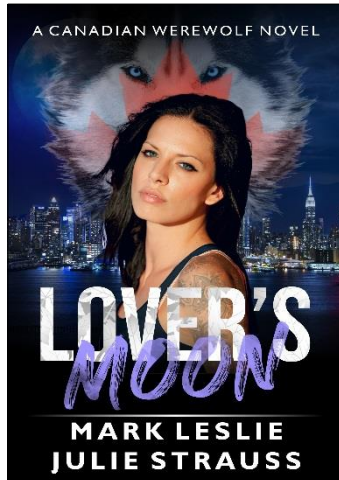


them all. It's also a world where, since Sharon is slow and clumsy, her chances of making it out alive would be slim. She also writes contemporary romances, gothic romantic mysteries set in the sultry south, and Christmas stories. Because nothing brings out the romantic feels more than stories set during the holidays. She's repped by Deidre Knight and Kristy Hunter of The Knight Agency.

**Buy the book here:**

<https://www.amazon.com/Loves-Last-Kiss-Deadly-Standalone-ebook/dp/B09XZ4CP5S/>





# LOVER'S MOON

{ *Canadian Werewolf, Book #5* }

He's an alpha wolf and a beta boyfriend.

She's dated every monster in New York City.

It's time for their meat-cute.

When full-time author and part-time wolf (due to his lycanthropic affliction) Michael Andrews needs help writing a mystery involving an ancient mystic text, he connects with Gail Sommers, local occult shop owner and paranormal scholar. Neither one of them is looking for, nor need a relationship; but they can't help being drawn to one another.

Against the advice of their closest friends, they try to make things work. But can they each get over their own hangups? Will Michael finally have someone he can confide his secret wolf alter ego to? And has Gail finally found a man she can trust with her heart? What is the best that they can do when they get caught between the moon and New York City?

## ABOUT MARK LESLIE & JULIE STRAUSS

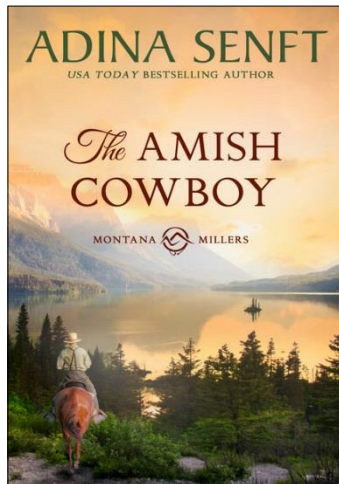
Like Michael Andrews, Mark Leslie considers himself a beta human. But, like his character's wolf persona, he continues to find fur growing everywhere on his aging body except the top of his head. When he's not writing, he can be found visiting libraries, breweries or howling at the moon.



Julie Strauss is a writer, editor, and podcaster, known in some circles as “that weird bookish lady who talks to her plants” and in others as “that foul-mouthed wine drinker who laughs at inappropriate moments.” She loves you as a person but doesn't care about your cats unless you taught them how to talk.

**Buy the book here:**

<https://loversmoon.ca/>



# THE AMISH COWBOY

{ *Amish Cowboys, Book #1* }

*An Amish cowboy's unexpected reunion with the one who got away could heal his heart...or break it forever.*

Daniel is the eldest of the six Miller siblings helping their Old Order Amish parents run the Circle M Ranch in northwestern Montana. Daniel can handle a blizzard, manage a roundup, even birth a calf. But what he can't do is forget Lovina Lapp, who broke his heart back in Lancaster County and married someone else. When their neighbors gather to help them bring the cattle down from the summer pastures, Daniel is staggered to see Lovina among them. His job is to keep the group safe in the high country. But will he be able to protect his heart?

After a chaotic childhood and a romance with Daniel Miller that ended when he chose Montana over her, Lovina learned the danger of loving a cowboy. She married another man instead—someone who was safe. But after God took her husband in a freak accident, an invitation to go with old friends to visit the national parks seems like a gift. Until she finds herself unexpectedly at the Circle M Ranch, where one look at Daniel tells her there is nothing safe about her feelings for him...

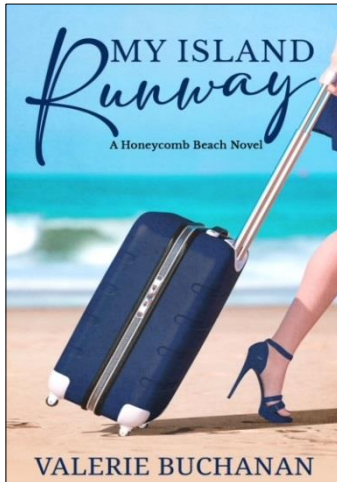
## ABOUT ADINA SENFT

*USA Today* bestselling author Adina Senft is the author of more than 50 novels published by Harlequin, Warner, Hachette, and Moonshell Books, Inc., her own independent press. She writes Amish women's fiction; as Shelley Adina, she writes steampunk adventure and mystery; and as Charlotte Henry, she writes classic Regency romance. She holds a PhD in Creative Writing from Lancaster University in the UK. She appeared in the 2016 documentary film *Love Between the Covers*, is a popular speaker and convention panelist, and has been a guest on many podcasts, including *Worldshapers* and *Realm of Books*. When she's not writing, Adina is usually quilting, sewing historical costumes, or enjoying the garden with her flock of rescued chickens.



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# MY ISLAND RUNWAY

{ Honeycomb Beach, Book #2 }

*In the Fashion World, the Muse Appears in the Most Unexpected Places*

Joannie Harper has always dreamed of moving to New York City and starting her very own fashion boutique. Then she can quit her job as an assistant seamstress at a trendy boutique in Atlanta owned by a heartless woman who takes advantage of her talents.

After a major hiccup in her plan, she's forced to sell her deceased parents' home in Honeycomb Beach to fund her dream. When a charming surfer who's squatting there refuses to leave, Joannie tries to gain the support of the locals, who do nothing but take his side. Can Joannie win the hearts of the locals and convince the surfer to leave and finally move to New York? Or will she learn why her parents loved the town and the people in it and come to understand that having a community to lean on will change her life?

A story about family, friendship, and finding oneself.

**\* Praise \***

*"Right from the first page you know it will keep you engaged. I love the characters and how they relate to each other. It was refreshing to read a book about friendship and kindness."*

*"From the start to finish, the book kept me captivated."*

*"Great book!"*

## ABOUT VALERIE BUCHANAN

Valerie Buchanan is the author of *My Blue Agave* and *My Island Runway* and is currently writing her third full-length novel in the Honeycomb Beach series with more to come. As a teenager, she won a talent show with a song she wrote called *Reflections*, she's been a videographer, television show producer, personal trainer, fitness manager, nutrition counselor as well as a faux finisher, giving her ample ideas for her fiction.

She graduated from Endicott College in Beverly, Massachusetts then later from the University of Hawaii, Manoa. Each November Valerie participates in



National Novel Writing Month, the quest to write 50,000 words in 30 days, and has reached that lofty goal seven times. She lives in Florida with her husband, Greg, and her two rescue cats, Hamish and Cloudy. There will always be a cat or dog in her novels. You can subscribe to her newsletter at [valeriebuchanan.com](http://valeriebuchanan.com).

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# THE LAST PLACE SHE'D LOOK

With her 50th birthday looming, Sara, a lovelorn advice columnist, is fearful that growing older has shrunk both her readership and her romantic prospects, so she decides to explore her sexual curiosity and write about her adventures, in a three-tiered bisexual whirlwind.

But when this odyssey lands her in danger, she questions everything about her life and who she's become.

## ABOUT ARLENE SCHINDLER

Arlene Schindler, born in Brooklyn, N.Y. is an author and speaker sharing humorous tales of women's secrets and desires. She originated the comedy column for *The New York Post*, writing reviews and profiles of comedians appearing in New York City.

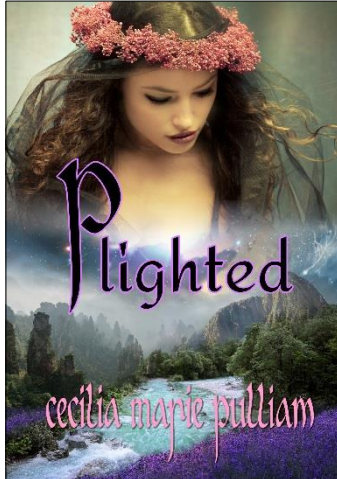
It was the first of its kind in the country, helping spur comedy's greatest growth period. Her writing has appeared in *The Los Angeles Times*, *Daily Variety*, *Purple Clover*, *Huffington Post* and many other publications.



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# *FANTASY*



# PLIGHTED

*Plighted: to solemnly pledge one's faith or loyalty; an unfortunate, difficult, or precarious situation.*

Ilona agreed to plight with the captain of the Garridin, but she did not agree to leave her beloved Immara in search of some fabled paradise. Beset with challenges and dangers the farther they travel from Immara's border, the more she suspects The Assembly deceived her.

When she finally learns the truth, it shatters everything she understands about her Weoreld and her husband. Yet, she must forgive the lies and continue with the journey, or she condemns their Weoreld and everyone in it to cataclysmic and violent destruction.

One heart-rending sacrifice will save them. Is she strong enough to make that choice?

## ABOUT CECILIA MARIE PULLIAM

Dreams, premonitions, visions and divine encounters - sometimes the veil between the earthly and the supernatural is thin — at least in Cecilia Marie Pulliam's paranormal thrillers. After surviving years of domestic violence, breast cancer, losing two husbands to premature deaths, and a few paranormal encounters of her own, Cecilia writes about strong female characters battling earthly and supernatural criminals with the aid of mystical gifts.

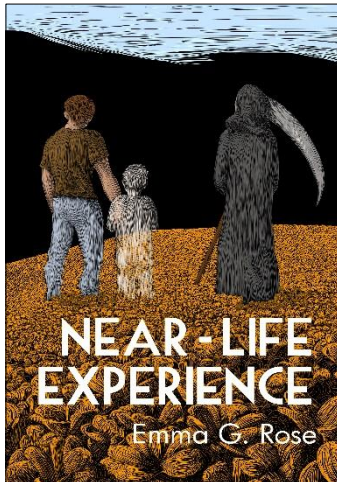


Since her current husband swept her away to a fairy tale wedding in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe, Africa, she adds a touch of romance. If she had a happy ending to her life experiences, shouldn't her characters?

Now that her gypsy-minded husband finally agreed to settle on a beautiful piece of hillside property in south central Idaho, she spends her time writing, painting, reading, camping, traveling, and training their feisty little Brittany, Cooper.

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# NEAR-LIFE EXPERIENCE

Eric just wants to do his job as an EMT. He's mostly recovered from the freak accident that put him in the hospital. There's just one thing still bothering him—the ghosts. At least, he thinks they're ghosts. They only seem to show up when one of his patients is close to death.

In Eric's case, "close to death" is more than a figure of speech. The Reaper is not thrilled about Eric's newfound abilities. Humans aren't even supposed to see the souls of the nearly departed. They're certainly not supposed to talk to them. Where did Eric get this inhuman power? Most importantly, can Death put a stop to it before bureaucracy gets involved? If they don't solve the mystery quickly Eric might not be the only one who has to pay a price.

## ABOUT EMMA G. ROSE

Emma G. Rose is a Maine author, podcast host, and publisher. She intended to be an intrepid girl reporter like Nellie Bly, until the Christmas Eve she spent on a riverbank waiting for rescue divers to pull a body from the water. That's when she realized she had other stories to tell.

Emma founded Imperative Press in 2018 to publish her first novel, written in response to a family tragedy. Four books later, she hosts the Indie Book Talk podcast, exploring the expanding world of indie books for readers and writers. She's also a founding professor of the I'm An Author Academy where she teaches aspiring authors about publishing.

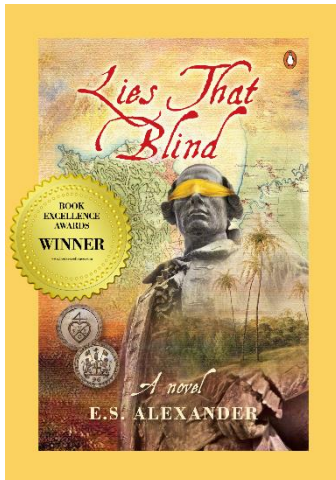


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*HISTORICAL*



# LIES THAT BLIND: A NOVEL OF LATE 18TH CENTURY PENANG

*What if the only way to secure your legacy is through deceit?*

**Malaya, 1788:** Aspiring journalist Jim Lloyd jeopardizes his future in ways he never imagined. Risking his wealthy father's wrath, Jim decides to ride the coat-tails of Captain Francis Light, an adventurer governing the East India Company's new trading settlement on Penang.

As Light's assistant, Jim hopes that by chronicling his employer's achievements they will both enjoy enduring fame. But years of deception and double-dealing by Light have strained relations between Jim's new employer and Penang's Malay owner.

As tensions mount, pirate activity escalates, traders complain about Light's monopolies, and inhabitants threaten to flee, fearing a battle the tiny settlement cannot hope to win against tens of thousands of marauding Malay mercenaries.

To his horror, Jim realises that a shared obsession with renown has brought him and Light perilously close to infamy, threatening not only both their names and reputations but the lives of thousands of innocent island inhabitants. Yet Jim cannot leave Penang because of his dedication to Light's young son, and his perplexing attraction to a mercurial Dutchman. He must stay and confront his own misguided ambitions as well as help save the legacy of a man he has come to despise.

## ABOUT E. S. ALEXANDER

E. S. [Liz] Alexander was born in St. Andrews, Scotland, although her family moved to England shortly afterwards. She swears that she was born with a pencil in her hand and thinks of books variously as her travel agent, time machine, and therapist.

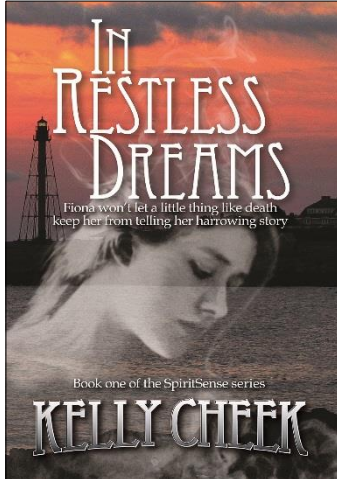
At age 16, Liz wrote, directed, and starred in her first play, *Osiris*, based on the Ancient Egyptian myth. Early on in her writing career she wrote short stories featuring a private detective for a newspaper in Scotland.



Liz has written and co-authored over a dozen award-winning non-fiction books—most of them mainstream published—while maintaining a successful freelance journalism career. *Lies That Blind*, her debut historical novel, was published by Penguin Random House SEA in October 2021. She divides her time between Malaysia and Portugal.

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# IN RESTLESS DREAMS

*{ SpiritSense Trilogy, Book #1 }*

It's been a year since Suzy Quinn lost her husband and young daughter in a boating accident. Now, she spends most of her time alone in her family's estate on Massachusetts' North Shore.

After Suzy, an amateur genealogist, makes a horrifying discovery under the floorboards of the carriage house, she finds that she has an unsettling new ability. She mystically followed her ancestor to nineteenth-century

Edinburgh, through romance and tragedy, and into the dark and dangerous underground vaults.

As Suzy physically pursues the clues to Old Town Edinburgh, she comes face-to-face with her past, discovering in the process that some family histories are hidden for a reason.

## ABOUT KELLY CHEEK

Kelly Cheek has been an avid reader since he first learned the magic of words with Dr. Seuss. He spent most of his adult life (so far) as a graphic artist, but when he discovered all the stories floating around in his head, he realized that he had to write.

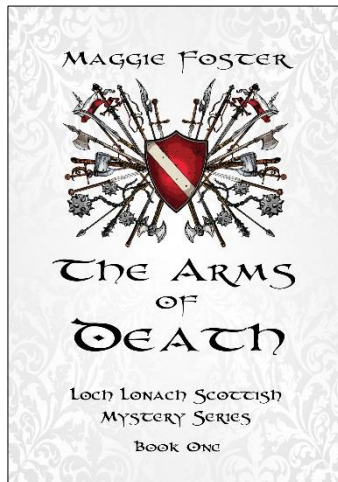
*In Restless Dreams* is his ninth novel, and the first in the SpiritSense series. He currently lives in Denver with his wife and two silly dogs.



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*MYSTERY &  
THRILLER*



# THE ARMS OF DEATH

{ *Loch Lonach Scottish Mystery Series, Book #1* }

When one of her patients dies unexpectedly, ICU nurse Ginny Forbes is caught up in the investigation. The Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta come to Dallas armed for an epidemic. To everyone's relief, no one else seems to have contracted the illness and the crisis is declared over. The victim, however, is someone known to Ginny.

Her curiosity leads her to start an informal investigation, which leads to a working hypothesis and a suspicion that the death is not a random illness but rather a deliberate act of murder. Ginny follows the clues, enjoying the intellectual pursuit and the companionship of another member of the medical community. To her dismay, her co-investigator's medical expertise and suspicious behavior make him the most likely suspect. She must cut off communication with him and proceed without his help.

The people around her grow concerned and warn her to turn her findings over to the police. She does so, but her conscience will not let her turn her back and walk away. When Ginny herself becomes the target of a potentially deadly attack, the details narrow the suspect pool to two men, her fiancé and her medical collaborator. In a climactic struggle between these two, the deadly virus is unleashed. The three people exposed are now in a fight for their lives against a weapon that has proved one hundred percent fatal. *Sic transit gloria mundi!*

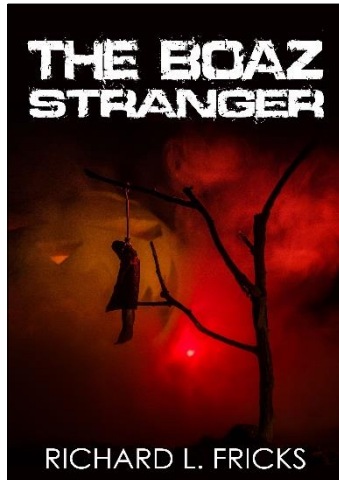
## ABOUT MAGGIE FOSTER

MAGGIE FOSTER – award-winning author of the *Loch Lonach Scottish Mystery Series* – is a seventh-generation Texan of Scottish descent. In addition to being steeped in Scottish traditions and culture, she is a registered nurse, a medical malpractice litigation attorney (retired), and a nurse educator. Her numerous interests include genealogy, history, travel, music, dancing, computers, writing, red hair, dark chocolate, good scotch, and men in kilts, not necessarily in that order. She writes the *Loch Lonach Scottish Mystery Series: Mysteries with a Scottish Slàinte*, and the *Loch Lonach Men in Kilts Clean Romance Series*.



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# THE BOAZ STRANGER

**A widowed law school professor and an unhappy housewife.**

**A chance reunion to discover who killed their high school friend half-a-century ago.**

**Will their investigation lead to love?**

Lee Harding is a sixty-six-year-old Yale Law School professor still grieving the suicide of his wife almost a year ago. The surprise discovery of her well-hidden diaries rekindles thoughts of the mysterious disappearance and presumed death of his best high school friend in December 1969.

Prompted by a request from his in-laws for legal help, Lee returns to his hometown in North Alabama. He cannot resist investigating his wife's secret recordings.

Lee encounters Lillian for the first time in half-a-century. She's the high school girlfriend who dumped him for Ray Archer, the man Lillian now despises. Plus, she believes he was not only a criminal in high school, but is still involved in illegal activities.

Lee and Lillian team up to discover the truth. Will they bring Ray to justice? Will they rekindle the love that's lain dormant for fifty years?

If you like interesting characters, the unveiling of long-buried secrets, and kick ass amateur sleuths, you'll love this whodunit/romance novel by Richard L. Fricks.

Buy *The Boaz Stranger* to read Richard's tenth mystery set in his hometown of Boaz, Alabama.

## ABOUT RICHARD L. FRICKS

Richard L. Fricks is the author of eleven novels set in his hometown of Boaz, Alabama.

After graduating from Auburn University in 1976 with a degree in accounting, Richard worked for the international firm of Ernst & Ernst. In 1980, he started his own CPA firm, and managed the practice until 1993, when he and his family moved to Virginia for Richard to attend graduate school.

After earning a Master's in Public Policy and a J.D. in law, Richard started his law practice in 1997. He preferred criminal defense work, and by 2002, spent



ninety percent of his time defending those charged with serious felonies, including capital murder.

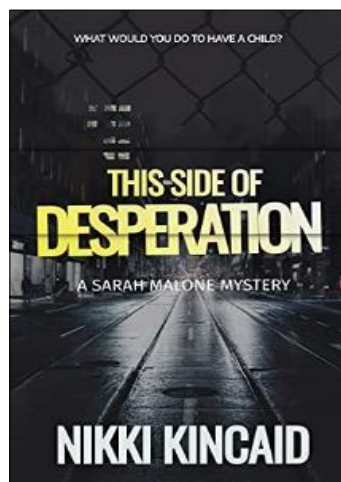
After retiring from the law in 2013, Richard rekindled an interest in fiction writing. In 2015, he self-published his first novel, *God and Girl*.

Besides writing novels, Richard manages The Pencil Driven Life website, including the Write to Life blog.

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# THIS SIDE OF DESPERATION

{ Sarah Malone Mystery Series, Book #1 }

*A missing child. A one-armed detective failing at life. A government-sponsored application to conceive a child. What could go wrong?*

Disgraced ex-cop Sarah Malone has hit rock bottom. She lost an arm to the same brutal attack that killed her partner, the private detective business they shared is bankrupt, and her divorce is final. So when wealthy Mrs. Perrine comes to her for help finding her missing granddaughter, Sarah takes the case. What has she got to lose?

Determined to prove herself, Sarah will do whatever it takes to find the missing child. But in this world where fertility rates have plummeted and human trafficking has soared, finding a missing child is both dangerous and, some would say, foolhardy.

As Sarah digs in, she realizes that sometimes the truth is far more complicated than you could ever imagine. Will finding the missing child be the key to making up for her past or will it add one more item to her ever-growing list of mistakes?

## ABOUT NIKKI KINCAID

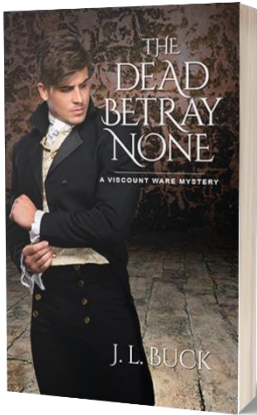
Nikki Kincaid grew up with a love of all things crime, noir, and the darker side of life. She loves to write stories with a touch of humor and characters whose lives have gone off the rails.

Nikki lives an ordinary, crime-free life in Montana. If you enjoy a good mystery with compelling characters, check out her website at <https://nikkikincaid.com/>.



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# THE DEAD BETRAY NONE

{ *Viscount Ware Mystery, Book #1* }

**England, 1811.** Lucien, Viscount Ware, has recently returned from four years of spying for England on the Continent. Finding the world of the haut ton rather tedious, he agrees to take on secret assignments for the Crown at home and is given the task of locating a stolen code, the key to unlocking Napoleon's war documents.

Lady Anne Ashburn comes to London to retrieve her cousin's love letters from a blackmailer. Lucien and Lady Anne meet over a dead body at the Christmastide Ball. What follows—the risks they take, the intrusion of a notorious crime lord, society gossip, and good intentions gone awry—sends them spiraling into danger and potential disaster for England's war effort.

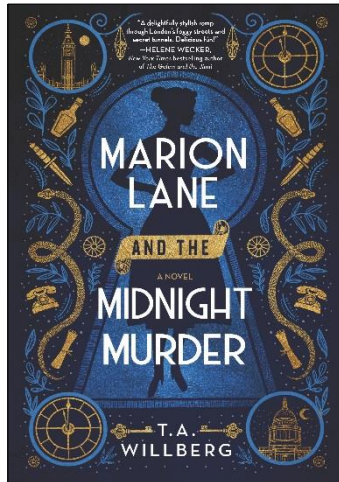
## ABOUT J. L. BUCK

J. L. Buck began writing full-time after she retired from a legal career with the Juvenile Court System. Over the next few years, she published sixteen urban fantasy/paranormal novels under the pen name of Ally Shields. In 2019, she decided to fulfill a childhood wish to write mysteries, chose a period in history that fascinated her—and began work on the Viscount Ware Mystery series set in Regency England.

Ms. Buck lives in the Midwest with Latte, a mischievous Siamese cat, who attempts to co-author her writing by taking over the keyboard. When not writing or running two blogs, J. L. Buck enjoys her eight grandchildren (and a great-grandson), reading (preferably on a sunny deck), travel (USA and abroad), and binge-watching any sub-genre of mystery shows. She may be contacted through her websites or social media.

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# MARION LANE & THE MIDNIGHT MURDER

{ *Marion Lane Mystery, Book #1* }

“This is what would happen if a trainee James Bond was asked to solve an Agatha Christie mystery, and it’s brilliant.” ~ STUART TURTON, bestselling author of *The 7 ½ Deaths of Evelyn Hardcastle*

*Marion Lane and the Midnight Murder* plunges readers into the heart of London, to the secret tunnels that exist far beneath the city streets. There, a mysterious group of detectives use their cunning and gadgets to solve crimes that have stumped Scotland Yard.

Late one night in 1958, a filing assistant for the agency receives a letter warning her that a heinous act is about to occur. She goes to investigate, but at the stroke of midnight, she is murdered by a killer she can’t see—her death the only sign she wasn’t alone. Marion Lane, a first-year Inquirer-in-training, finds herself being drawn ever deeper into the investigation. When her colleague is framed for the crime, she must sort through the hidden alliances at the agency and secrets dating back to WWII to uncover the real killer.

## ABOUT T. A. WILLBERG

T. A. Willberg grew up on a small-holding in South Africa. At 27, she moved to Malta with her boyfriend and wrote her debut novel, *Marion Lane and the Midnight Murder*, which was named as one of Amazon’s “100 Best Books of 2021” as well as a Strand “Book of the Month,” a LibraryReads pick and many more. It has also been translated into multiple languages.

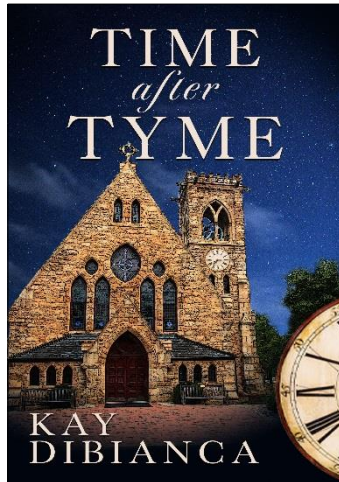
The sequel, *Marion Lane and the Deadly Rose*, was published around the world in February, 2022 and was featured in *The New York Times Book Review*.

T. A. now lives between Europe and South Africa, chasing summers and adventures.



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# TIME AFTER TYME

{ *The Watch series* }

*A fun and thought-provoking mystery about secret codes, university intrigue, and two young girls who fancy themselves 21st-century Nancy Drews.*

When strange, coded messages turn up in the chapel prayer box at Bellevue University, the minister suspects a recent campus death may have been murder, so he enlists the help of amateur sleuths Kathryn Frasier and Cece Goldman to decipher the codes and solve the mystery.

But when a couple of young girls get wind of it, they decide to find the killer on their own. Almost everyone on campus has something to hide, and the story fluctuates between the rational search for the truth by the adults, and the occasionally misguided, but surprisingly perceptive, insight of the children.

Set on the campus of a modern university, *Time After Tyme* is both a joyful romp through a cozy mystery and a serious look at the search for truth. The book reminds us of the seasons of our lives, from the irrepressible curiosity of youth to the treasured experience of maturity.

## ABOUT KAY DIBIANCA

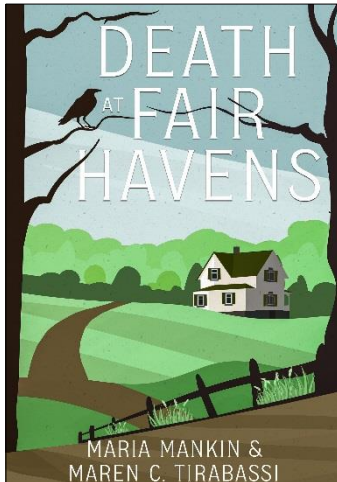
Kay DiBianca is a former software developer and IT manager who retired to become an award-winning author of cozy mysteries. She loves to create literary puzzles for her readers to solve, and her characters come to life as they struggle to solve murders and create relationships amidst the ongoing themes of faith and family.

Kay is a member of the American Christian Fiction Writers, Sisters in Crime, and the Collierville Christian Writers Group. She is also a regular contributor to the [Kill Zone Blog](#). An avid runner, she can often be found at a nearby track, on the treadmill, or at a large park near her home. Kay and her husband, Frank, live, run, and write in Memphis, Tennessee. You can connect with Kay through her website at <https://kaydibianca.com>.



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# DEATH AT FAIR HAVENS

Wanda Duff is an unconventional New England clergywoman, addicted to chicken wings, high-octane ice cream, and saying yes to anyone in need of a prayer, even the folks her town might think don't deserve one.

When parishioner Niels Pond dies unexpectedly at the Fair Havens assisted living facility, Wanda's duty to minister to his family is beset by her suspicions about the circumstances of his abrupt passing. Wanda finds an unexpected co-detective in high school vice principal Prudence Rye, who fled town on graduation night a decade ago and returned only recently.

Rye puts her job on the line to investigate the mourning Ponds with the surprisingly edgy Wanda. As they expose difficult family truths and uncover a dangerous operation operating out of Fair Havens, Rye and Wanda discover curiosity has an unanticipated cost.

Comfortably gossipy, with a fresh take on the characters and ethos cozy mystery fans will love, *Death at Fair Havens* launches a series that celebrates intergenerational women's friendship and the power of inclusion, curiosity, and love.

## ABOUT MARIA MANKIN AND MAREN C. TIRABASSI

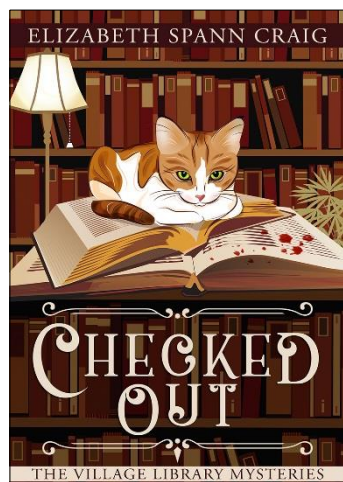


With a background in teaching and educational administration, Maria Mankin has published six books with Pilgrim Press and has contributed to several anthologies. She is co-author of *Circ*, a mystery set in Skegness England, published by Pigeon Park Press, and *Pitching Our Tents: Poetry of Hospitality*. She is currently working on a book of poetry and the sequel to this inclusive cozy mystery series, *Death in the Woods*. Maren C. Tirabassi, the "mother" in this mother/daughter writing team has had a longer writing career while being bi-vocational as a local church pastor in the United Church of Christ. She has published twenty-two books, teaches poetry

and memoir in a wide range of settings from survivor groups to correctional institutions, and mentors new writers. She has a LAMBDA nomination and was the Poet Laureate of Portsmouth, NH.

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# CHECKED OUT

{ *The Village Library Mysteries, Book #1* }

*There are no renewals when you're permanently checked out.*

When librarian Ann Beckett finally reluctantly agrees to being set-up on a blind date by one of her over-eager patrons, she figures the worst that could happen would be the two of them wouldn't hit it off.

Little did she know that she'd be stood up...because her date was murdered.

With help from her patrons, Ann tries to find out who might be responsible in the small town of Whitby before more residents are permanently checked out.

**\* Praise \***

*"Sparkles with Craig's cleverness and plenty of Carolina charm."* ~ RICHMOND TIMES-DISPATCH

*"As warm and cozy as a favorite quilt."* ~ KRISTA DAVIS, *New York Times* bestselling author of the Paws & Claws Mysteries and the Domestic Diva Mysteries

*"A great read...full of twists and turns that keep it fresh."* ~ FRESH FICTION

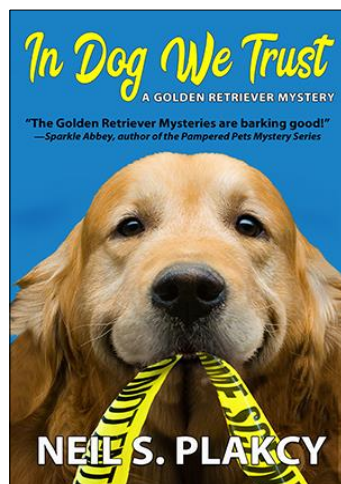
## ABOUT ELIZABETH SPANN CRAIG

Elizabeth is the best-selling cozy mystery author of the Southern Quilting Mysteries, the Myrtle Clover Cozy Mysteries, the Village Library Mysteries, and Memphis Barbeque mysteries for Penguin Random House, Midnight Ink, and independently.



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# IN DOG WE TRUST

{ *Golden Retriever Mysteries, Book #1* }

THE START OF A BEAUTIFUL PARTNERSHIP— A DETECTIVE DUO WITH HEART AND FUR

Steve's ripe for a new relationship—divorced, over forty, and still dusting himself off from a lamentable sojourn in prison, an unusual experience for a professor, to say the least. (He really must do something about his hacking habit!)

Rochester's a handsome, homeless, loveable golden retriever whom Steve had always found too big, too enthusiastic, and too shaggy. But tragedy struck their neighborhood when someone murdered Caroline, Steve's nice next-door neighbor, while she walked her best friend, Rochester. Steve's the unlucky guy who finds her body and he just knows, despite their differences, that he has to take in the broken-hearted pooch.

Once they're both properly rehomed, these two form a detective partnership that'll make you sit up and beg for more. Eat your hearts out, Spade & Archer—pretty soon they've got a warm and fuzzy thing going. Big furry forthrightness—not to mention heart—meets tech-savvy craftiness as they work their case.

Both want justice for Caroline, and Rochester's way of expressing it is simply to sniff out one clue after another in the hope his two-legged colleague can piece them together. Steve's way—when all's said and done—is still to bend the law a little, with the help of Caroline's contraband laptop. And also to follow Rochester's trail of treats.

Fans of animal cozies—and all cozies!—will find pure gold here especially aficionados of mutt heroes from the aforementioned Rex through the immortal pooches created by Spencer Quinn, David Rosenfelt, Garth Stein, and Laurien Berenson.

## ABOUT NEIL S. PLAKCY

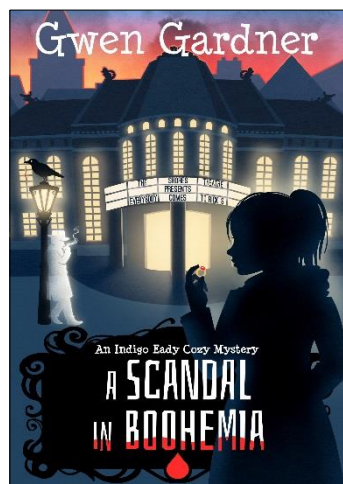
Neil S. Plakcy is the author of the award-winning Mahu mystery series, and coeditor of *Paws and Reflect: A Special Bond Between Man and Dog*.

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# A SCANDAL IN BOHEMIA

{ *Indigo Eady Cozy Mystery* }

*“...perfect for those who enjoy cozy mysteries, a spunky sleuth, and plenty of ghosts.” ~ READERS FAVORITE review*

**What better sleuther team than a ghost whisperer and her lovable ghostly sidekick of questionable morals? Sometimes it pays to have friends in paranormal places!**

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Forced to dust off her rusty sleuthing skills to clear herself, Indigo enlists the help of her ghost friend Franny and her hunky ex-boyfriend Badger to help solve the crime. Now, how to keep her investigation from the handsome inspector?

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Indigo Eady is a reluctant ghost whisperer, but she's grown quite attached to Franny Bishop, a former Victorian ghost madam of some repute. Franny's afterlife makes Indigo's life look like she has one foot in the grave. Much to Indigo's chagrin, Franny is determined to find her a man. After all, there are plenty of handsome men around ripe for the picking, and Franny's an expert. In the meantime, Indigo and Franny have murders to solve.

## ABOUT GWEN GARDNER

Gwen Gardner writes clean, cozy, lighthearted mysteries with a strong ghostly element. Since ghosts feature prominently in her books, she has a secret desire to meet one face to face — but will run screaming for the hills if she ever does.

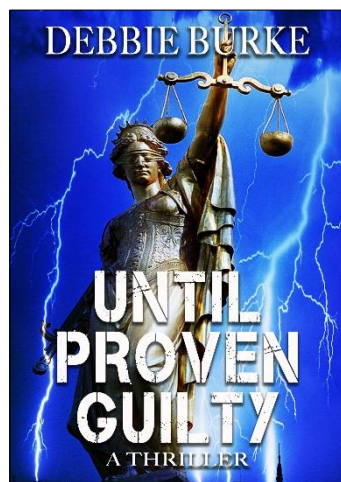
Her lifelong love of books and reading transitioned naturally into a love of writing, where adventure can be found around every corner—or down a dark, twisting alley. She thinks there is nothing better than a good mystery (being an excellent armchair detective herself), unless it's throwing a ghost or two



into the mix to “liven” things up. Don’t worry, though. Ghosts may be tricky to keep in line, but it turns out they’re darn good sleuths.

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# UNTIL PROVEN GUILTY

*{ Tawny Lindholm Thrillers, Book #7 }*

*When the law prevents justice...*

*When DNA isn't proof...*

*When a lie is the truth.*

Investigator Tawny Lindholm and her attorney-husband Tillman Rosenbaum juggle three baffling cases where DNA is supposed to prove guilt or innocence.

Instead, it reveals deception and betrayal, triggering a crisis in their marriage and an unimaginable threat to their family.

## ABOUT DEBBIE BURKE

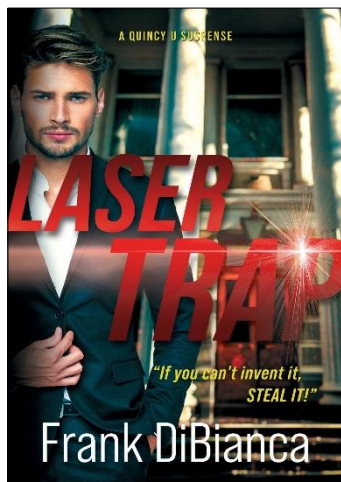
Debbie Burke is a suspense novelist, award-winning journalist, and blogger at [The Kill Zone](#) website.

Her Tawny Lindholm Thrillers with Passion series plunges crime-solver Tawny Lindholm into fast-paced twisty plots with quirky characters and snappy dialogue, set against the rugged scenery of Montana.



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# LASER TRAP

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Engineering grad student Dan Butler has two problems, his inability to talk with appealing women, and some strange results that pop up in his laboratory PhD research, in which his laser beam seems to “magically” increase in power opening up possibilities of new, more dangerous weapons.

To solve his first problem, he hires fellow engineering grad student Lana Madison as a platonic “love coach.” His second problem gets him kidnapped by malevolent agents from StarWay Labs where he is coerced to reproduce his university results.

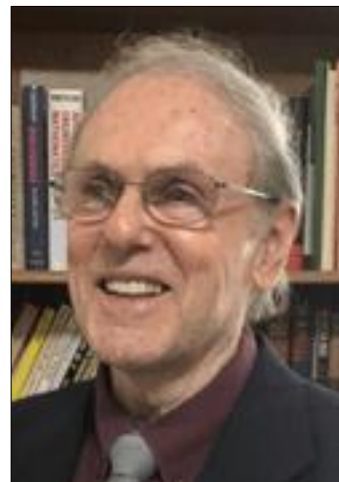
Meanwhile, Lana forms a rescue team with four friends to help the authorities find Dan and they produce astonishing successes. The big question is can they find Dan in time, before the jaws of the “laser trap” close?

## ABOUT FRANK DIBIANCA

Frank DiBianca is a former university professor and dean. Among his professional achievements are: principal designer of the GE 9800 CT Scanner; invented the first commercially-successful digital x-ray adjunct to a CT scanner, received the 2007 Marconi Science Award from UNICO NATIONAL for lifetime achievements in science and engineering; and winner of a silver medal in the hammer throw at the 2019 National Senior Games.

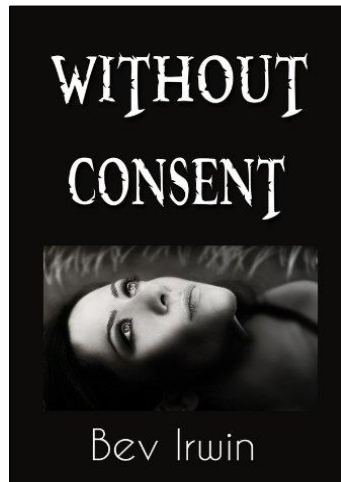
Frank is a member of the American Christian Fiction Writers and co-leads, with his wife, Kay, the Collierville Christian Writers Group.

His author’s website is: <https://frankdibianca.com>.



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# WITHOUT CONSENT

“A fine medical thriller.” ~ LEE CHILD, bestselling author of the Jack Reacher series

“Without Consent is a slam-bang thriller—medical suspense at its very best. Bev Irwin knows how to generate unrelenting tension. Her writing is as sharp as a number 11 scalpel blade. Tightly plotted with characters who will stay with you long after the last page has been turned. Bev Irwin and her alter egos know their way around an autopsy table. This is a terrific read, and I

highly recommend it to my fans.” ~ MICHAEL PALMER, *New York Times* bestselling author

*A recently jilted ER doctor finds the first victim of serial killer excising women’s kidneys and risks her life to aid the police before she becomes his next victim.*

**She found the first victim...now she might be the next.**

In South-Western Ontario a crafty, vicious psychopath is at work excising the kidneys of the women he abducts. Doctor Claire Valincourt, recently jilted, finds his first victim and assists with the autopsy. But little does she know the killer has his sights on her, too.

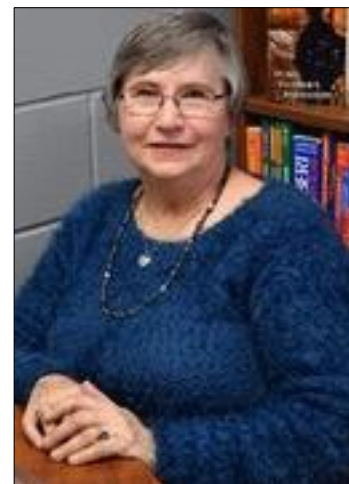
Relationship-jaded Detective Gerry Rosko desperately searches for a serial killer who is on a quest of his own—the hunt for a perfect kidney for the terminally ill mother he tends. Will Rosko track him down before Claire becomes his next victim?

## ABOUT BEV IRWIN

Bev Irwin is an award winning author of thriller, suspense and adventure novels for adults, young adults and middle-grade.

Her medical thriller, *Without Consent*, was blurbed by Lee Child and Michael Palmer. She has adapted her women’s suspense, *Missing Clayton*, and her MG coming of age survival quest to screenplays. She is working on a Christmas romance screenplay.

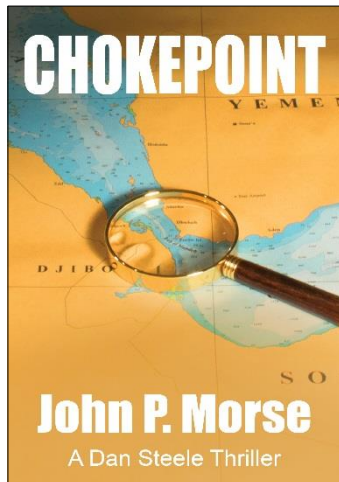
She is adapting her paranormal YA, *Ghostly Justice*, intended for television series. The young Nancy Drew we all loved but with recently discovered psychic abilities. She has also written *The Worn Bear*, a MG/YA historical novel about a Jewish boy in Amsterdam during World War II. Bev lives in a small village outside of London, Ontario with a Golden



Retriever look-a-like and a persnickety Maine Coon cat. As a retired nurse she likes to add a touch of medical to her writing and enjoys crafting evil villains.

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# CHOKEPOINT

{ Dan Steele Novels, Book #2 }

A brutal, seemingly invincible Russian general flees the Motherland. Determined to control an international maritime chokepoint as the Ottoman Empire did 400 years earlier, he boldly trumpets his plan to the shipping industry.

Skeptical, the free world is soon set back on its heels and seems powerless to deal with the self-styled despot. Negotiations are impossible. The Russians try a special-operations takedown. The General may hold a trump card that no one wants him to play. Conventional military operations against his Red Sea fortress and band of loyal fighters just won't work. An incident involving a modern British container ship provides the catalyst for action. Major capitals around the world examine all options to stop the rogue who has shown that he has the will and means to enforce his extortion of seagoing commerce.

Dan Steele is a fearless ex-US Navy SEAL working in a top-secret cell as a warrior conducting America's sensitive clandestine operations. Still mourning the loss of his wife and twin boys at the hands of a terrorist, he is determined to stay in the intelligence loop and to bring his family's killers to justice. He plans a high-risk mission and finds himself executing it. Steele again puts himself at the point of the spear.

This heart-pounding thriller that will elevate your pulse rate as you follow a plausible, near-future scenario which blurs the distinction between fiction and reality. From the White House situation room to the depths of the Red Sea, the non-stop action will keep you turning pages. Find out what Dan Steele faces in this high-stakes mission.

## ABOUT JOHN P. MORSE

John P. Morse's novels are set in the near future, drawing heavily on his Navy career as a surface warfare officer serving on six combatant ships, two afloat staffs, and ashore in the Middle East. He deployed in all oceans of the world and commanded two combatant ships.

After retiring, he worked for a large defense contractor for 16 years. His widely acclaimed first novel, *Half Staff 2018*, introduced Dan Steele, an ex-US Navy SEAL. In *Chokepoint*, Steele is called to fight in another secret war the US is waging to stop a potential Armageddon in the Middle East and the closure of a critical waterway. He has written multiple articles and book reviews for professional journals,



newspapers, and literary magazines. An accomplished diver, his world-wide diving experiences are reflected Steele's underwater adventures. He and his wife, Carole, divide their time between southern New Jersey and southeastern Massachusetts.

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