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At Avalon University, students hone their magic under the watchful eye of their icy headmaster.

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## BLOOD & BETRAYALS

Summer Tuatha De Daanan has no interest in learning more about her past or why someone applied to Avalon on her behalf. Her emotional walls keep everyone at bay, and her sharp tongue makes people give her a wide berth. Yet, despite her best attempts, her emotional armor begins to melt from her feral vampire roommate to the angelic senior who is never dissuaded by her feigning disinterest. Maybe this could be good for her. Dark secrets lurk in the halls of Avalon, and soon those same halls are drenched in blood. Summer finds herself as the obsession of the sadistic stalker with the warning: Seven lessons to learn. With the help of her new friends, she races against the clock to solve the mystery.

- RIGHTS SOLD: RUSSIAN, GERMAN, ENGLISH (WORLDWIDE)
- BOOK 1 OF 5 FROM *THE AVALON UNIVERSITY* SERIES

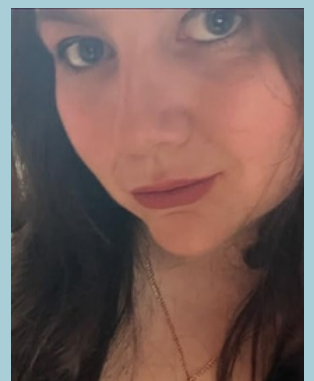
Excellent world and character building that will pull you in from the start and keep a grip on you all the way to the end.

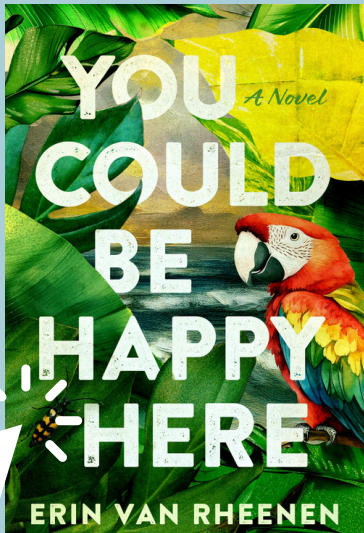
## ABOUT THE AUTHORS

Alexis Rune & Jeanette Rose



**Alexis Rune** has been a lover of fantastical tales and morally grey characters since she picked up her first book in the genre years ago. Through writing, Alexis has found her voice. **Jeanette Rose** became interested in writing when she majored in Classical Civilization with a minor in Latin from Tulane University.





**How far would you go to find  
your true home?**

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FICTION / General

## YOU COULD BE HAPPY HERE

Shortly after the untimely death of her mother, Lucy makes a series of discoveries that shatter her idea of who she is and where she belongs. First, Lucy finds letters to her—letters her mother hid—from a Costa Rican named Gabriel, claiming he is her father and that he has land for her in Palmita, the coastal village where they used to spend summers. Lucy then learns that her sister, who always stayed closer to home, will inherit their mother's Northern California house, an inheritance Lucy had counted on sharing. Rudderless, disinherited, and recently demoted at work, Lucy resolves to use her upcoming spring break to revisit Palmita and track down her potential father.

- WORLDWIDE RIGHTS AVAILABLE
- TEN YEARS AFTER HER MOTHER'S DEATH, ELIZA LEVINGER NEVER IMAGINED SHE'D HEAR FROM HER AGAIN. BUT THEN THE LETTER ARRIVED.

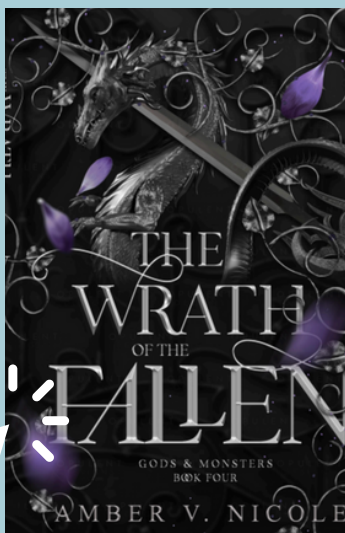
*You Could Be Happy Here* is inspired by Erin's connection to Latin America. Born in Oregon, schooled in Santa Cruz and New York City, her passion for place really took hold in the Southern reaches of the Americas.



## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Erin Van Rheenen

Erin Van Rheenen is a science, travel, and fiction writer with work in publications like *BBC Travel*, *The Sun*, and *Best Women's Travel Writing*. After earning a BA from UC Santa Cruz and a Masters from City University of New York, she left the US to see the world. She ended up in Costa Rica, where she lived for several years. For ten years she was Senior Writer at The Exploratorium, a science museum. Erin now lives in San Francisco.



**BookTok's new dark  
romantasy obsession.**

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FICTION / Fantasy / Romantic

## THE WRATH OF THE FALLEN

BOOK #4 OF 7 IN THE GODS & MONSTERS SERIES

As the rebellion intensifies, Dianna discovers more of her past and soon finds herself immersed in a tumultuous family history that she and Samkiel never saw coming. Forced to venture through the Otherworld, Dianna and Samkiel start to comprehend the real power of the medallion, as figures and threats from the past surface once again to threaten their future together, and Samkiel finds himself faced with a choice: will he truly become the World Ender once again? And what does that mean for Dianna?

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- INSTANT BESTSELLER: AMAZON, BARNES & NOBLE, USA TODAY BEST-SELLING BOOK LIST

**"A wicked ride from beginning to heart shattering end. Leaving me literally screaming for more. I couldn't turn the pages fast enough to get more our morally corrupt heroine who you can't help but root for, along with the giggle inducing banter between her and the heroic god Samkiel." —Hannah Nicole Maerher, #1 *New York Times* bestselling Author of *Assistant to the Villain***



## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Amber V. Nicole

Amber V. Nicole is a dark fantasy writer with a touch of horror added into the mix. When she is not writing new and fantastic ways to devastate her readers she is probably playing video games or obsessing over anime. Amber loves morally gray characters with their flaws and all and is always dreaming of far off places with dragons, magic, and swords. She loves a good villain and plans to tell many stories showcasing them in the spotlight.



Compelling personal drama from the author of the globally bestselling *Dalai Lama's Cat* series.

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ISBN: 978-0645853124  
Categories:  
FICTION / General

## THE GOOD KARMA REFUGE FOR ELEPHANTS

When Rob Forbes returns to his childhood home of Zimbabwe after decades away, he doesn't plan to stay long. A big job back in London awaits. But he finds himself questioning his priorities amid the open-hearted exuberance of people who have so little compared to his wealthy colleagues; a powerful reconnection to the animals and wild places he loved as a child, and his growing friendship with Tibetan guru and neighbour, Rinpoche. What if it is possible to live with the same ineffable lightness as the intriguing lama?

- WORLD RIGHTS AVAILABLE
- *GOOD KARMA* BOOK SERIES
- NATURE, WELLBEING AND TRANSCENDENT WISDOM

*The Good Karma Refuge for Elephants* is the first in a planned series of novels set in Ruwa, Zimbabwe. Like *The Dalai Lama's Cat*, and many of our favourite TV shows, we follow a core cast of characters as they evolve, with secondary characters adding richness to storylines.



## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

David Michie

David Michie is the internationally best-selling author of *The Dalai Lama's Cat* series, *The Magician of Lhasa* series, *Instant Karma: The day it happened*, as well as the non-fiction titles *Buddhism for Busy People*, *Buddhism for Pet Lovers*, *Mindfulness is Better than Chocolate* and *Hurry Up and Meditate*.

In 2015 he established Mindful Safaris to Africa, combining wildlife viewing and meditation sessions in journeys to unexplored places, outer and inner.



**It's never too late to chase the life you want—and deserve.**

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FICTION / Romance

## WHEN I'M 64

64-year-old Eisel Jane McCord's world is just fine until her husband of 43 years announces that he's joining an archaeological dig in Peru—solo. She decides that if he can live so easily without her, she can do the same! She dusts off her teenage bucket list and realizes that she still hadn't checked off "Buying a house" and "Experiencing a great romance," since she'd done the one in tandem and, well, marriage hadn't produced the other. Enter an adorable country cottage, and two desirable bachelors, Cal and Dan, both who sweep Eisel off her feet—creating a sticky love quadrangulation that gets more complicated with every flirty comment these two men make. And of course, there's still Jimmy.

- WORLD RIGHTS AVAILABLE
- BOOK 2 OF *THE LOVESONG ENCORE SERIES*

**Another second chance love story with mid-life small town romance from Leslie Wyatt. Eisel's journey is heartwarming, romantic, funny, and ultimately satisfying and empowering.**



## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Leslie J. Wyatt

Leslie J. Wyatt has been head-over-heels in a great romance with words for nearly thirty years. In addition to the three romance titles and more pending with Sibylline Press, she's published a number of middle-grade novels and more than 800 articles and stories in magazines, anthologies, websites, and textbooks. She also is a prolific speaker at literature festivals, libraries, and book signings.



The arrival of a shocking letter threatens the carefully constructed life of a woman desperate to outrun her past.

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FICTION / Thrillers / General

## BEST BOY

Viveca Stevenson has it all: a handsome and successful husband, an adorable ten-year-old son, and a coastal dream house in Connecticut. She has a solid group of girlfriends and is content with the afterglow of the film career she's left behind. But when a threatening letter arrives—from a man she does not remember—it cracks open a part of her past. A terrifying chain of events is set in motion, forcing Viveca to confront what happened on a shattering Halloween night in high school when she had a different name, a different face, a different voice. Who is the man contacting her now and was he really the best boy on her most famous film, *Misty*? Why can't she remember him—or that night?

- WORLD RIGHTS AVAILABLE
- AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR
- A TAUT PSYCHOLOGICAL THRILLER, *BEST BOY* EXPLORES IDENTITY, MEMORY, AND THE DANGEROUS POWER OF FORGETTING

**"Weaving classic mystery elements with the best of modern psychological suspense, the talented Deborah Goodrich Royce deftly draws her reader in, and turns up the tension page by gripping page." —Lisa Unger, *New York Times* Bestselling Author of *Close Your Eyes and Count to 10***



## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Deborah Goodrich Royce

Deborah Goodrich Royce was named one of the best books of 2023 by Kirkus Reviews and an Indie Next pick by the American Booksellers' Association. *Ruby Falls* won the Zibby Award for Best Plot Twist, and *Finding Mrs. Ford* was hailed by Forbes, Book Riot, and Good Morning America's "best of" lists. Deborah writes a quarterly column for Hey Rhody Magazine. She holds a bachelor's degree in modern foreign languages and an honorary doctorate of humane letters from Lake Erie College.



**This rich novel plumbs the friendships and secrets of four talented women during their 40-year reunion at Princeton University.**

Greenleaf Book Group  
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 ISBN: 979-8886453690  
 Categories:  
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## REUNIONS

Gini, Annette, Bianca, and Apolonia come together for a joyous weekend of shared memories. The reunion takes a bizarre turn when the four friends meet young Jacob, the son of their brilliant former classmate, Jake Burrage, now the reclusive CEO of Burrage Pharmaceuticals.

Jacob seems to know more about the four women than any son should know.

When Jacob disconcertingly calls into question pivotal moments that have shaped each woman's life, they must consider the specter of a mind-boggling possibility borne on the cutting-edge of biotech's wild frontier.

- WORLD RIGHTS AVAILABLE
- AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR

**"Truly compelling... an engaging, fictionalized account of an absorbing espionage case."**

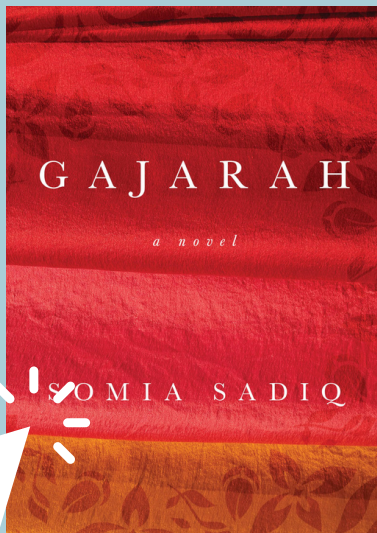
**—Kirkus Reviews**



## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

David Adams Cleveland

David Adams Cleveland is a novelist and art historian. His novel *Gods of Deception* was a 2022 Indies Book of the Year finalist for historical fiction, and *Time's Betrayal*, was awarded Best Historical Novel of 2017 by *Reading the Past*. David was a regular reviewer for *Artnews*, and has written for *The Magazine Antiques*, the *American Art Review*, and *Dance Magazine*. For almost a decade, he was the Arts Editor at *Voice of America*. He and his wife split their time between the Catskills and Siesta Key.



**The story of a fearless woman torn between two worlds—Pakistan and Canada—whose life is upended by sexual violence.**

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FICTION / General

## GAJARAH

Emahn is big haired, mischievous, and larger than life. Born in the Arabian Gulf, she spends extended summers with her grandparents, aunties, and cousins on the rooftops of Lahore. But tucked away beneath her spirited exterior, Emahn carries the weight of childhood trauma. When she marries and moves to Canada, she quickly learns the art of navigating multiple realities and compartmentalizing memories of the world she left behind, even as she clings to the stories of her home. She is resilient; she is driven; she is unbreakable. Almost. When tragedy strikes, Emahn must draw upon the deepest wells of her ancestral strength to survive, even if it means revisiting her gutting past.

- WORLD RIGHTS AVAILABLE
- FROM AN AWARD-WINNING ENTREPRENEUR

**"Fascinating and worthy of book club discussion . . . Thoroughly engrossing and hard to put down, *Gajarah* depicts a journey well worth the time taken to walk in this woman's shoes and navigate her life."**

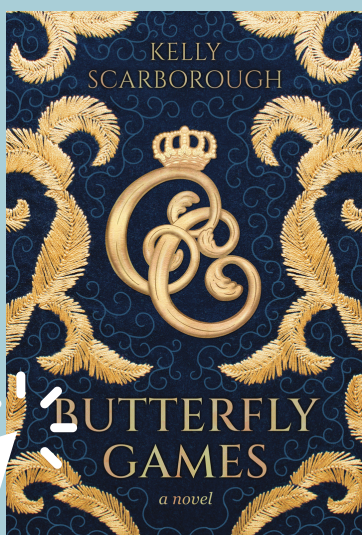
**—Midwest Book Review**



## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Somia Sadiq

Somia is an award-winning entrepreneur, global peace negotiator, and visionary leader in conflict transformation strategies. As the founder of Narratives, Kahanee, and Ravayat, she pioneers storytelling-driven solutions for transformation and systemic change. A sought-after keynote speaker and conflict readiness strategist, she blends business acumen with cultural wisdom. *Gajarah*, her debut novel, is a powerful testament to resilience, identity, and ancestral strength.



**In some games, winning means losing everything that matters.**

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FICTION / Romance

## BUTTERFLY GAMES

Neglected by her parents and ostracized by the people around her, young countess Jacquette Gyldenstolpe falls in love with Prince Oscar, heir to the Swedish throne—but their passionate affair has far-reaching consequences for the new Bernadotte dynasty. By the time Jacquette learns that the Butterfly Game is not for the faint-hearted, it is too late. For she has a secret, and she will stop at nothing to protect it. Based on a true story and set in stormy early-1800s Europe, *Butterfly Games* is a sweeping historical tale of forbidden love, fierce duty, and the cost of ambition. Jacquette's story will transport readers to a world where every whisper could lead to triumph or ruin.

- WORLD RIGHTS AVAILABLE
- GREAT FOR FANS OF PHILIPPA GREGORY AND ALLISON PATAKI

**“An excellent work of historical fiction that delivers an engaging romance and memorable characters.” —*Kirkus Reviews***



## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Kelly Scarborough

After more than two decades as an attorney, I wrote *Butterfly Games*, my debut novel, a tragic love story about two star-crossed lovers, a countess and a prince. It's based on real-life characters who lived in Sweden, and is perfect for fans of Philippa Gregory, *Outlander*, and *Bridgerton*. I live on the Connecticut Shoreline and in South Carolina's Lowcountry, where I bang away on my MacBook Pro whenever my Shih Tzu cooperates.



**A village girl seeks love and excitement during the dangerous reign of the Sun King.**

Black Rose Writing

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FICTION / Romance / General

FICTION / Historical / General

## COURTING THE SUN

France, 1670. On her sixteenth birthday, Sylvienne d'Aubert thinks her dream has come true. She holds in her hands an invitation from King Louis XIV to attend his royal court. However, her mother harbors a longtime secret she's kept from both her daughter and the monarch, a secret that could upend Sylvienne's life.

In Paris, Sylvienne is quickly swept up in the romance, opulence, and excitement of royal life. Assigned to serve King Louis's favorite mistress, she is absorbed into the monarch's most intimate circle. But the naïve country girl soon finds herself ill-prepared for the world of intrigue, illicit affairs, and power-mongering that takes place behind the shiny façade of Versailles.

- WORLD RIGHTS AVAILABLE
- A VIBRANT HISTORICAL FICTION DEBUT

**"A rich journey through 17th century France in all its aspects—its bucolic countryside, the still-unmatched splendor of the court of Louis XIV, and the struggling French colony in Canada."**

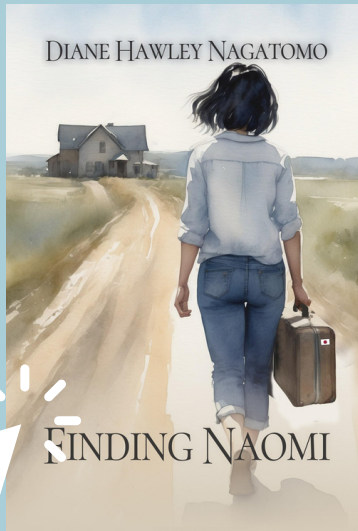
**—Margaret George, *New York Times* bestselling author**



## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Peggy Joque Williams

Peggy Joque Williams is the author of *Courting the Sun*, as well as co-author of two mystery novels, *On the Road to Death's Door* and *On the Road to Where the Bells Toll*, written under the penname M. J. Williams. A retired elementary school teacher, Peggy received degrees from Michigan State University and the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Her fascination with genealogy inspires her historical fiction. She lives with her family in Madison, Wisconsin.



***Finding Naomi* is the tale of one woman's search for family, acceptance, and love.**

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## FINDING NAOMI

Stuck in a dead-end bar job in central Tokyo and barely making ends meet, Naomi Kihara's life turns upside down when her American father, whom she hasn't seen since she was a toddler, dies. Having been brought up to believe he abandoned her, it's a shock to learn she is his heir. But there's a catch: Naomi must go live in his hometown for one year. Felix, Nebraska couldn't be any more different from Tokyo, Japan. And besides, not everyone in town is happy the Johnson property now belongs to the Japanese daughter everyone forgot Mike ever had in the first place. But with the help of her new friends and neighbors, Naomi discovers a strength in herself she never knew existed.

- WORLD RIGHTS AVAILABLE
- A COMPELLING BLEND OF INTRIGUE, ROMANCE, AND CULTURAL EXPLORATION

**"A delightful novel by a skilled storyteller, Japan and the American Midwest blend seamlessly in this fast-paced modern-day fairy tale."**

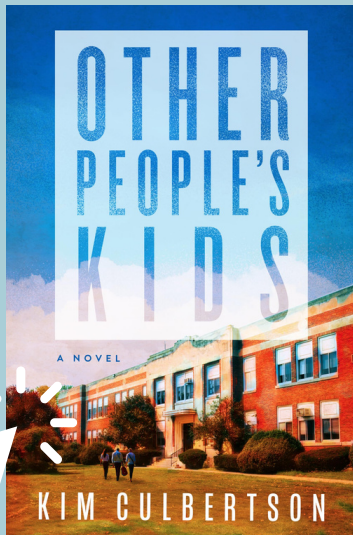
**—Karen Hill Anton, author of *A Thousand Graces***



## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Diane Hawley Nagatomo

Diane Hawley Nagatomo was born in the UK and lived in Nebraska, Spain, Massachusetts, New Mexico, and California before coming to Japan in 1979. She is a semi-retired professor from Ochanomizu University and has written extensively on issues concerning gender, culture, and education. She is also the author of two other novels: *The Butterfly Cafe* and *Finding Naomi*. While not teaching or writing, she and her Japanese husband of more than 40 years spend time with their six grandchildren.



***Other People's Kids* follows three educators: one at the beginning of his career, one in the middle of hers, and one on her way out**

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## OTHER PEOPLE'S KIDS

After being attacked by a disgruntled parent at the school where she has taught English for the past twelve years, traumatized 45-year-old Chelsea Garden flees for her hometown of Imperial Flats in the Northern California foothills. At a chance meeting, beleaguered principal Nora Delgado offers Chelsea a longterm substitute position at Imperial Flats High School. Her former classmate and messy first love, Evan Dawkins, has also recently joined the faculty to teach music. He is caring for his father who has dementia and battling with his exgirlfriend over the welfare of their nineyearold daughter, Violet. He's tired. And wasn't expecting Chelsea Garden to walk back into his life.

- WORLD RIGHTS AVAILABLE
- A RARE GLIMPSE INTO THE COMPLEX LIVES OF TEACHERS AND THE STRUGGLES THEY FACE

**"Culbertson's prose is enthralling without being melodramatic and witty without being overly lighthearted. Every character is lovingly constructed with empathy and imbued with complexity, making them relatable and likable."**

**—Kirkus Reviews**



## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Kim Culbertson

Kim Culbertson is the awardwinning author of five YA novels with Sourcebooks and Scholastic as well as the author of the Heinemann book *100 Word Stories: A Short Form for Expansive Writing*. She has been teaching high school since 1997 and somehow still adores teenagers but that's probably because she spends as much time traveling and hiking in Tahoe as possible. *Other People's Kids* is her first novel for adults.



A brilliantly woven novel that brings the deceptions of the past and the reckoning of the present together.

Black Rose Writing

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## CIAO, AMORE, CIAO

Alex Lago is a journalist whose career is fading fast. When he discovers a WWII photo in his father's home, and innocently posts it to a Facebook group, he gets an urgent message: Take it down. NOW. Alex finds himself digging into secrets that can topple a dynasty buried under seventy years of rubble. Suddenly entangled in a deadly legacy, he encounters the one person who can offer him redemption, for an unimaginable price. Told from three alternating points of view, Martini pulls the curtain back to reveal a country nursing its wounds, an army frozen at the gates of Stalingrad, spies scheming to reshape Italy's future, and the stinging unsolved murder of a partisan hero.

- WORLD RIGHTS AVAILABLE
- AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR
- BASED ON THE HEARTBREAKING TRUE STORY OF THE MASSACRE IN A SMALL TOWN IN ITALY IN JULY OF 1945

**"A gripping saga that roots excruciating betrayals in a nation's tragic history."**

**—Kirkus Reviews**



## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Sandro Martini

Sandro Martini is the author of *Tracks: Racing the Sun*, an award-winning historical novel now in its third edition with movie rights optioned. He grew up in Africa to immigrant parents fleeing post-war Italy, studied law in Italy, chased literary dreams in London, American dollars in New York City, and is now hiding out in Switzerland, where he writes, moonlights as head of comms for a gaming company, and tries hard not to speak German.



**This secret could swamp her.**

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## THE HEAD'S TALE

Miranda Crandell, the Head of Strutthorn Academy, has a brilliant idea to one-up the other elite New England prep schools with their piddling plots of organic veggies for experiential learning: She'll buy a swamp. Yes, a bog, a quagmire, where she intends to build a special science center. What she doesn't account for is Paul Dickersen—her newly hired freshwater biologist, who is strikingly handsome (even in cargo pants) and turns out to be an irresistible lover. Miranda soon she becomes her own problem. The Head of School is supposed to be a steadfast and principled role model for impetuous teenage students. Instead, Miranda becomes crazed with lust, spiraling into a wild and messy journey of self-discovery.

- WORLD RIGHTS AVAILABLE
- A REMINDER THAT THE PROCESS OF GROWING UP NEVER TRULY ENDS

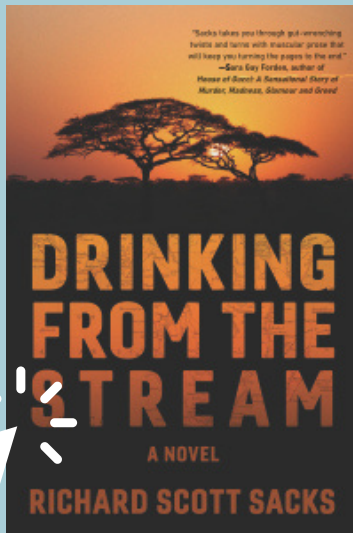
**Whether you're a seasoned veteran of an elitist prep school or someone who's always wondered what really goes on behind the ivy-covered walls, this is the novel for you. [...] a sophisticated, fun and very well-written read.**



## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Susan Kinsolving

Kinsolving has taught in The Bennington Writing Seminars, University of Connecticut, Southampton College, Chautauqua Institute, Willard-Cybulski Men's Prison, California Institute of the Arts, and The Hotchkiss School. As a guest poet and lecturer, she has appeared in many venues internationally. Most recently, Susan taught classes at Keystone Academy in Beijing, China. Susan Kinsolving has received residential poetry fellowships from France, Ireland, Italy, Scotland, Switzerland, New York, Illinois, and Wyoming.



A delightful romp through the muck of prep school drama—and a reminder that the process of growing up never truly ends.

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## DRINKING FROM THE STREAM

Set during 1971 and 1972, *Drinking from the Stream* leapfrogs from Louisiana to London, Paris, and Tanzania in a coming-of-age tale of international youth colliding with post-independence Africa. Jake Ries, a twenty-two-year-old Nebraska farm boy turned oil roughneck, turns fugitive when he unintentionally kills a homicidal White supremacist on an oil platform in the Gulf of Mexico. On the run, he meets Karl Appel, a restless Oxford dropout and former antiwar activist struggling with his own personal demons. Together they throw caution to the wind and plunge into the Ethiopian and East African hinterland, where they discover that dictatorship and mass murder are facts of life.

- WORLD RIGHTS AVAILABLE
- AN ADVENTURE-THRILLER NOVEL ROOTED IN HISTORIC FACT
- SET IN A TIME WHEN THE VIETNAM WAR AND THE CHINESE CULTURAL REVOLUTION MARKED A GENERATION

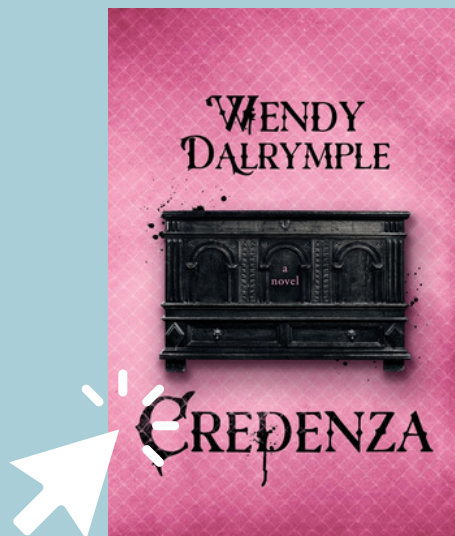
**“...Sacks takes you through gut-wrenching twists and turns with muscular prose that will keep you turning the pages to the end.” —Sara Gay Forden, author of *House of Gucci: A Sensational Story of Murder, Madness, Glamour and Greed***



## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Richard Scott Sacks

Richard Scott Sacks holds master's degrees from the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) and National War College. He is an accomplished US diplomat with decades of experience, and has reported for the Miami Herald, the Associated Press, and Middlesex News. His nonfiction study coauthored with Riordan Roett, *Paraguay: The Personalist Legacy*, was named Outstanding Academic Book by Choice magazine. *Drinking from the Stream* is his first novel.



**A deliciously horrific tale  
about a haunted heirloom  
with a life all its own.**

Quilt & Crow Publishing House

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FICTION / Women

FICTION / Horror / General

## CREDENZA

Whether it's renovating her home, running her online boutique, or taking care of her daughter, Veronica Marquette is no stranger to handling things on her own. So when her beloved Grandma Maddie passes away, she thinks nothing of hauling her cherished credenza home herself. But with the arrival of the peculiar piece of furniture, old family secrets also emerge. Veronica is confronted by an ancient enemy who has come to claim a lost relic that represents much more than she could have ever imagined.

- WORLD RIGHTS AVAILABLE
- AN EXCITING FEMINIST HORROR BRIMMING WITH SINISTER FAMILY SECRETS AND TWISTS

**"*Credenza* will have vintage lovers eyeing their collections with a newfound wariness. Dalrymple's wry, darkly humorous voice firmly establishes her as the queen of contemporary pink horror. You'll devour this book in one bite!"**

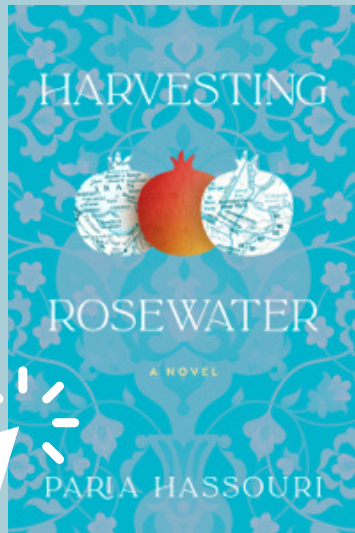
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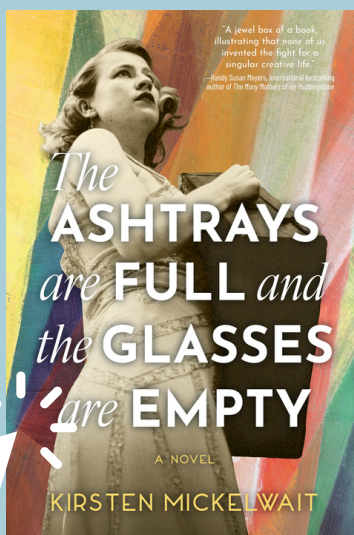
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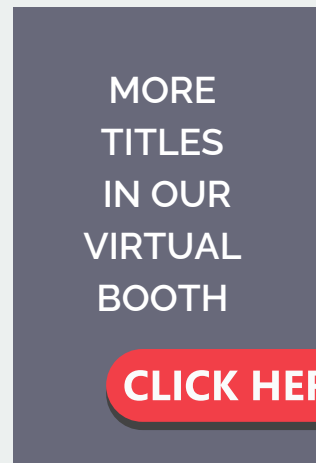
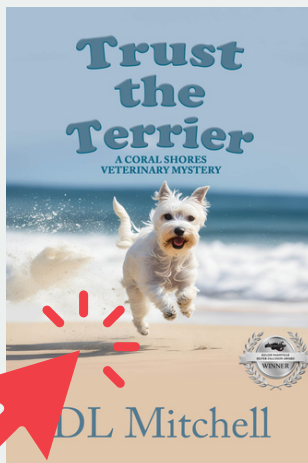
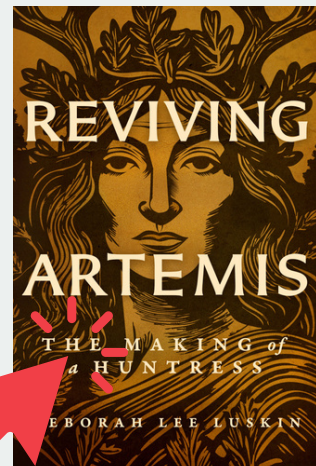
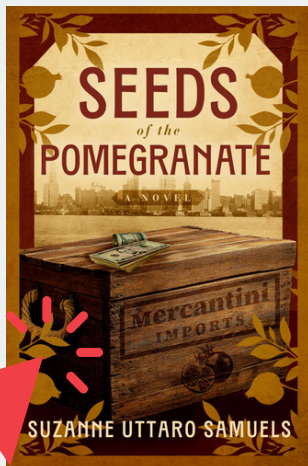
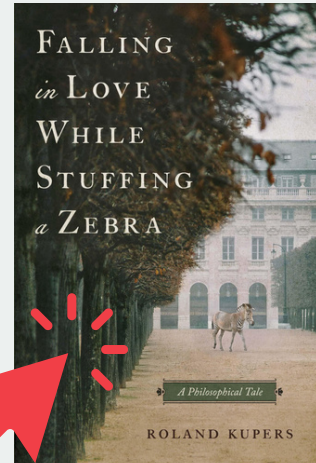
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