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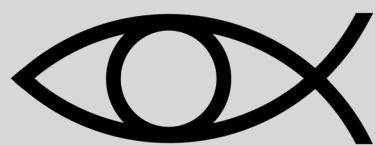
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Echoes of a Silent Song

MELODIES AND MEMORIES

Amanda Wen

A split-time romance from an award-winning author

When a choral composer and conductor falls victim to creative block, he resorts to his fallback plan of teaching high school choir. Callum Knight's goal at Peterson High is simple: rediscover his muse, extract himself from teaching, and get back to Boston as quickly as possible.

As the long-suffering accompanist at the high school, Peterson-native Blair Emerson has watched the revolving door of choir directors and their negative impact on her choirs over the last few years. She is less than impressed when a disheveled Callum stumbles in on his first day.

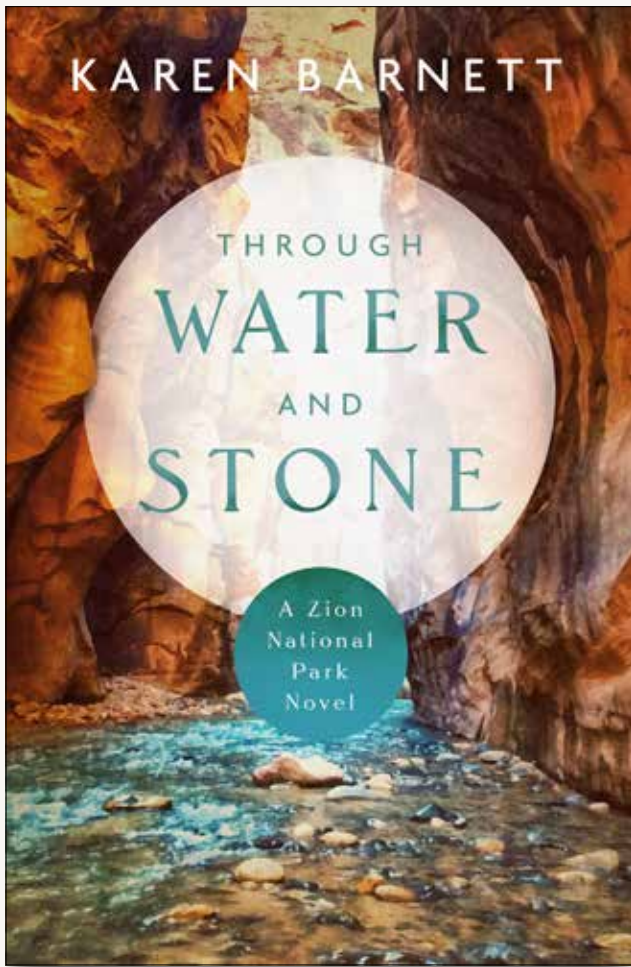
But then they discover an unsigned, unfinished, and handwritten choral composition by a clear musical genius. Blair recalls rumors of Iris, a Peterson student from the 1970s who composed music but was found dead during her senior year. Blair and Callum work to determine if the piece is hers, and the truth they uncover shakes both of them to the core.

With rhythm and flair, Amanda Wen takes readers on an unexpected journey into the depths of a small town's history in this riveting first book in the Melodies and Memories duology.

Amanda Wen is a Carol- and Selah Award-winning and Parable best-selling author of inspirational romance and split-time women's fiction, including *Roots of Wood and Stone*, *The Songs That Could Have Been*, and *The Rhythm of Fractured Grace*. She is also a professional musician. She lives in Wichita, Kansas, with her husband and three children. Find out more at amandawen.com.

Unique Selling Points

- Dual timelines in the 1970s and present day
- Author has won both Selah and Carol Awards for outstanding Christian fiction
- "Amanda Wen brings richness into her careful and conscientious storytelling of people who struggle to journey through faith, injustice, and the search for redemption."—Jaime Jo Wright, Christy Award-winning author on *The Rhythm of Fractured Grace*



Through Water and Stone

A Zion National Park Novel

Karen Barnett

A split-time historical romance novel

In 1948, park ranger Henry Eriksson and his wife, Alma, are two years removed from their infant son's sudden death in a flash flood in Zion National Park, but the weight of the loss lingers. When Henry discovers an abandoned infant in a hatbox on his morning rounds, he's unsure how to react, but Alma is delighted, and she reignites with purpose at what seems to be a miracle from God.

Seventy-five years later, Talia Eriksson disgracefully leaves her job at an athleisure company in Palo Alto, California, and returns to Zion National Park to reconnect with her grandfather and remake her life goals. But when an at-home DNA test exposes family secrets, Talia and law enforcement ranger Blake Mitchell search for answers. As the uncertain future looms, Talia must learn that family is deeper than genetics and that trusting God means being still and clinging to the Rock.

Award-winning author and former park ranger Karen Barnett will delight readers with rich descriptions of the natural world and difficult questions about faith and family in this novel perfect for anyone interested in the national parks.

Karen Barnett is the award-winning author of eight novels, including *When Stone Wings Fly*, *Where Trees Touch the Sky*, and the Vintage National Parks novels. A former national park ranger, she's also a hobby photographer and enjoys teaching writing workshops with both Cascade Christian Writers and West Coast Christian Writers. She and her family live in Albany, Oregon. Visit her online at karenbarnettbooks.com.

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Unique Selling Points

- Popular dual timeline format set in 1948 and present day
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- Includes Scripture references throughout



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A Thieving at Carlton House

Erica Vetsch

OF CLOAKS & DAGGERS #1

Unlikely alliances form when a killer is on the loose ... but who can be trusted?

The Home Office has asked Sir Bertrand Thorndike to head an investigation into stolen royal jewels. And as with everything concerning the Prince Regent, discretion is paramount.

It's the perfect chance for Bertie to step out of his brother's long shadow. Unfortunately, his superior, the Duke of Haverly, has a plan that makes him balk: in order to sell his cover, Bertie must play the part of a man looking for love, ready to reform his rakish ways. The duke is willing to let Bertie name his own investigative team, but his recommendation that the team include Philippa Cashel has Bertie on his guard. Does the duke—known for his behind-the-scenes machinations—have an ulterior motive?

Philippa escaped her life as one of society's best-known courtesans, devoting herself to helping other women in dire straits. So when Sir Bertrand Thorndike approaches her about joining his team as an agent of the Crown, she is skeptical. Why her? She's focused on getting her school for underprivileged women up and running, not cloak-and-dagger skulduggery.

When one of Philippa's rescued girls is arrested for stealing the royal jewels and another is murdered, Philippa will risk partnering with Bertie to find the loot and stop the killer.

Beloved Regency author Erica Vetsch begins this new series with all the elements that keep her readers coming back. From historical accuracy to rousing mystery to deep character faith journeys, *A Thieving at Carlton House* will please Regency lovers—and anyone else who loves a great story.

Erica Vetsch is a *New York Times* best-selling author and ACFW Carol Award winner, and has been a Romantic Times Top Pick for her previous books. She loves Jesus, history, romance, and watching sports. This transplanted Kansan now makes her home in Minnesota. Learn more about Erica at ericavetsch.com.

Unique Selling Points

- The first in a new series set in Vetsch's popular Haverly universe
- Entertaining combination of slow-burn romance and court intrigue
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A Scheming in Parliament

OF CLOAKS & DAGGERS #2

Erica Vetsch

A Regency romance mystery from a best-selling, award-winning author

Sir Bertrand Thorndike is on a dangerous mission in the murky world of politics. There's evil masquerading in the halls of Parliament, and Bertie is tasked with investigating from the inside. With his new position as a member of the House of Commons, he has access to the power brokers of English government, where he encounters a foe worthy of Bertie's steel.

Miss Philippa Cashel is dedicated to rescuing women from the streets of London and equipping them with skills to earn their living in honorable ways. But then her dear friend's past catches up with her, and Philippa must wrestle with the question, Is it ever right to do the wrong thing? When Philippa's and Bertie's missions collide, they join forces to rescue captives and repel the corruption threatening to topple England's government.

Best-selling Regency author Erica Vetsch takes readers back into the Haverly universe in book two of the *Of Cloaks & Daggers* series with historical accuracy, rousing mystery, and compelling faith journeys.

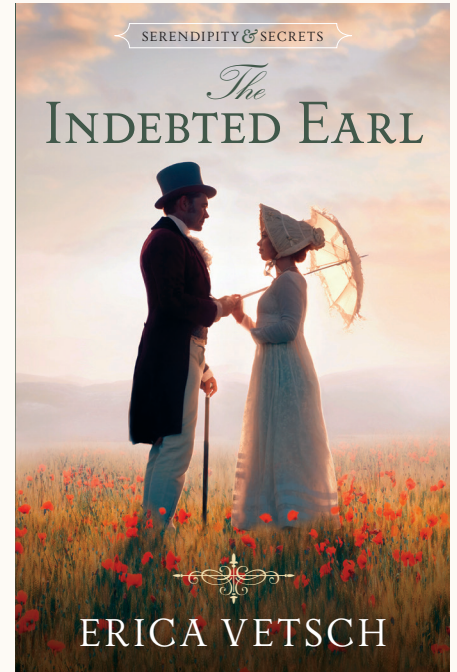
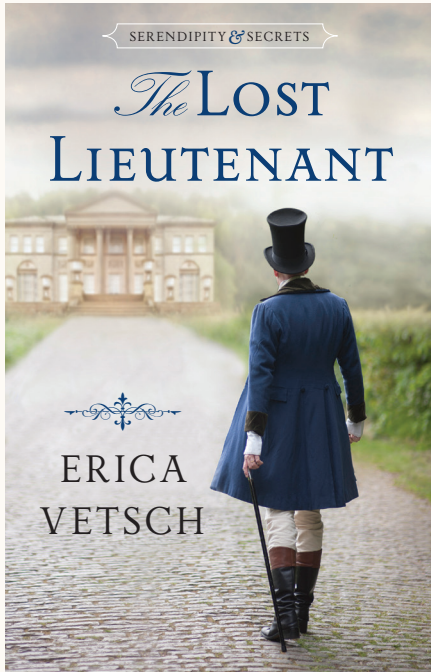
Erica Vetsch is a *New York Times* best-selling author and ACFW Carol Award winner, and has been a *Romantic Times* top pick for her previous books. She loves Jesus, history, romance, and watching sports. This transplanted Kansan now makes her home in Rochester, Minnesota. Find out more at ericavetsch.com.

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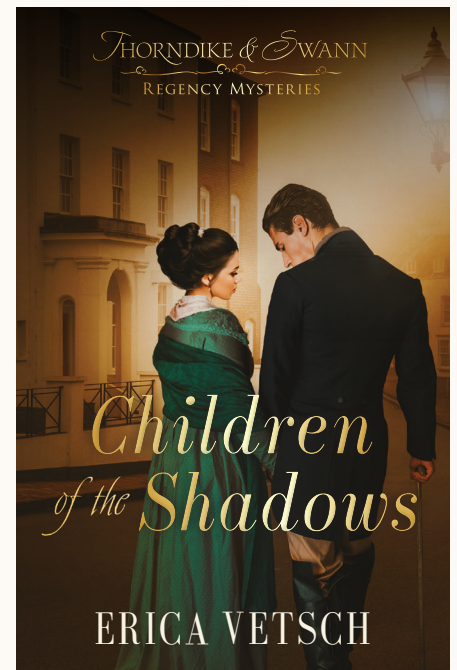
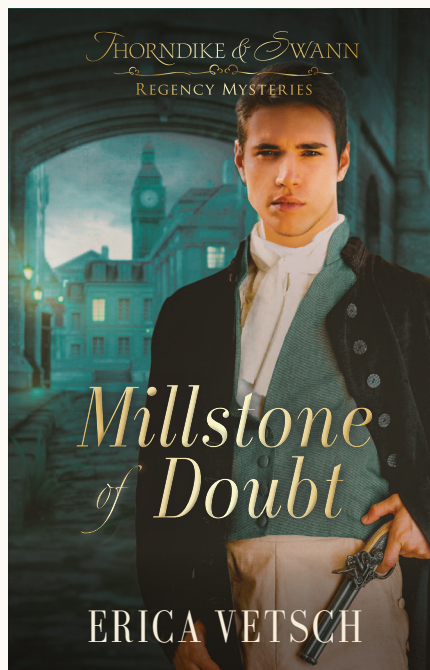
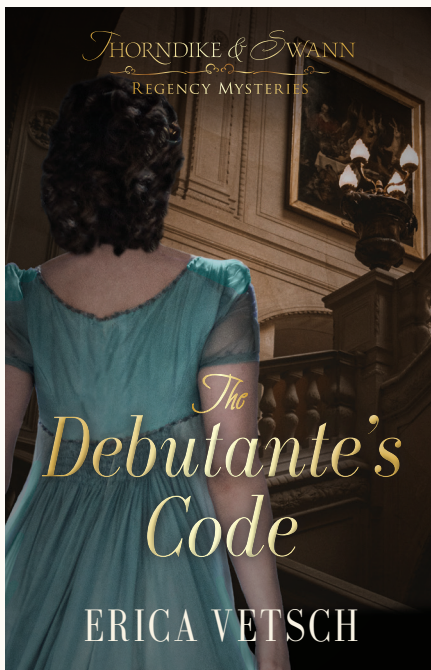
- "Vetsch expertly ratchets up the suspense and provides plenty of fodder for future entries. Readers will be on the edge of their seats from first page to last." —*Publishers Weekly* on *A Thieving in Carlton House*
- Historically accurate Regency with a mystery twist
- Contains crossover characters as well as political and moral dilemmas

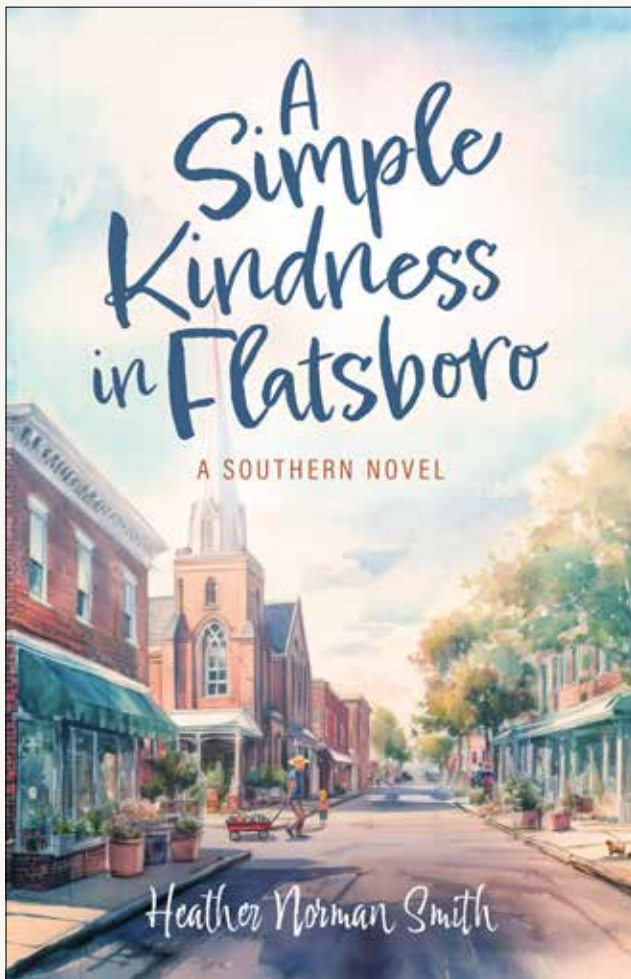
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A Simple Kindness in Flatsboro

A Southern Novel

Heather Norman Smith

A small-town Southern novel about the power of kindness from an award-winning author

Andy Clark has always been different. But it isn't just the tumorous mass covering half his face that sets him apart—it's the quiet kindness instilled in him by his mother. Gloria Clark was determined not to let her son's difference define him. As an anonymous do-gooder in Flatsboro, North Carolina, Andy lives out what his mama taught him, even though she's no longer there.

Della Rose Miller, a well-known former beauty queen, escapes the crumbling marriage to her arrogant and pretentious high school sweetheart and moves back to her hometown. Della Rose and her daughter find themselves in a little Flatsboro apartment, in the same complex as Della Rose's childhood classmate whose heart she broke in third grade.

As Della Rose navigates the end of her marriage and Andy continues his secret philanthropy, they navigate grief and trusting God in the endings . . . and the beginnings. This heartwarming story will remind readers of the power of kindness.

Heather Norman Smith is the award-winning author of *Songs for a Sunday*. She lives in Lewisville, North Carolina. Find out more at heathernormansmith.com.

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Written in Secret

Crystal Caudill

THE ART OF LOVE AND DANGER, BOOK 1

In the heart of nineteenth-century Cincinnati, where justice is scarce and danger lurks in every shadow, one woman holds the power to rewrite fate.

Lydia Pelton has a secret. By day, she's a respected author of dime novels, spinning tales of romance and adventure under her own name. By night, she becomes E. A. Dupin, crafting crime and mystery novels that seek to right the wrongs of society. But when her fiction inspires a serial killer to bring her stories to life, Lydia finds herself at the center of one of her own mysteries.

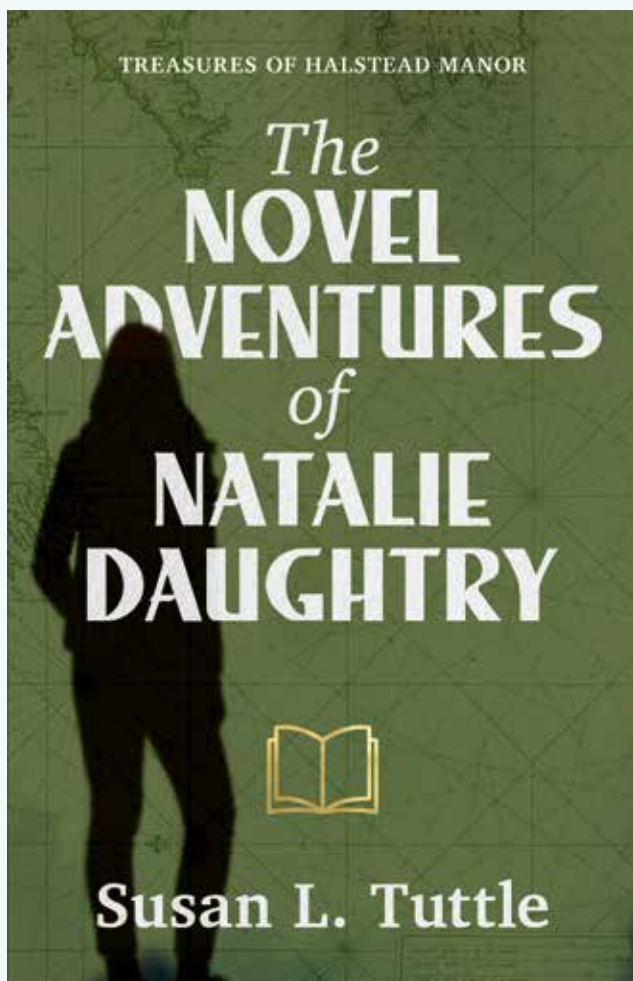
Officer Abraham Hall has sworn to uphold the law and is helplessly drawn to Lydia and her intriguing world. Working together as detective and author, they must try to uncover the sinister plot that reaches far beyond the pages of her books.

The first in Crystal Caudill's Art of Love and Danger series, *Written in Secret* will delight fans of Kate Breslin and Elizabeth Camden!

Crystal Caudill is the author of dangerously good historical romance, with her work garnering awards from Romance Writers of America and ACFW. She is a stay-at-home mom and caregiver, and when she isn't writing, Caudill can be found playing board games with her family, drinking hot tea, or reading other great books at her home outside Cincinnati, Ohio. Find out more at crystalcaudill.com.

Unique Selling Points

- Plays off the traditional dime novel but with fun, new twists
- Includes discussion questions and historical notes at the end
- Spins off *Counterfeit Love*, focusing on the romance of two secondary characters



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The Novel Adventures of Natalie Daughtry

Susan L. Tuttle

TREASURES OF HALSTEAD MANOR, BOOK 2

In pursuit of a rare book, will Natalie and Mason find each other again?

With a now empty nest and her twenty-plus-year marriage on the brink of collapse, Natalie Daughtry is wondering what comes next. When the mysterious Caspar tells her and her friends about their next mission, she's ready for this adventurous distraction. Natalie's expertise in historical literature and identifying forgeries pair well with Everleigh Wheaton's ability to solve puzzles and Brooke Sumner's knowledge of antiques. Their talents will be put to the test with their assignment to track down a rumored handwritten and illustrated copy of Lewis Carroll's *Alice's Adventure's Under Ground*.

What she never expected, however, was for her husband to join the search. Working alongside Mason feels a bit like she's tumbled down the rabbit hole herself.

With mounting questions over this mission, the team finds itself on shaky ground. Natalie and Mason soon realize they need far more personal answers—ones that will shape the future of their marriage—as they confront the misunderstandings that drove them apart over the years. This search goes beyond locating a classic fairytale. Will they rediscover the love that once held the pages of their life together?

This second book in Susan L. Tuttle's Treasures of Halstead Manor series will intrigue fans of adventure movies like *National Treasure* and authors like Christina Suzann Nelson and Becky Wade.

Susan L. Tuttle is a pastor's wife, mom, and the director of women's ministry at her church near Grand Rapids, Michigan. Tuttle's previous works include the *Along Came Love* series and the Carol Award finalist *Love You, Truly*. Learn more about her at susanltuttle.com.

Unique Selling Points

- Second in an exciting sleuth trilogy
- Features a couple whose marriage is tested by the adventure they go on together
- Treasure-hunting plot will attract readers who enjoy adventure novels

Andrea Carter and Other Tales from the Circle C Ranch

Susan K. Marlow

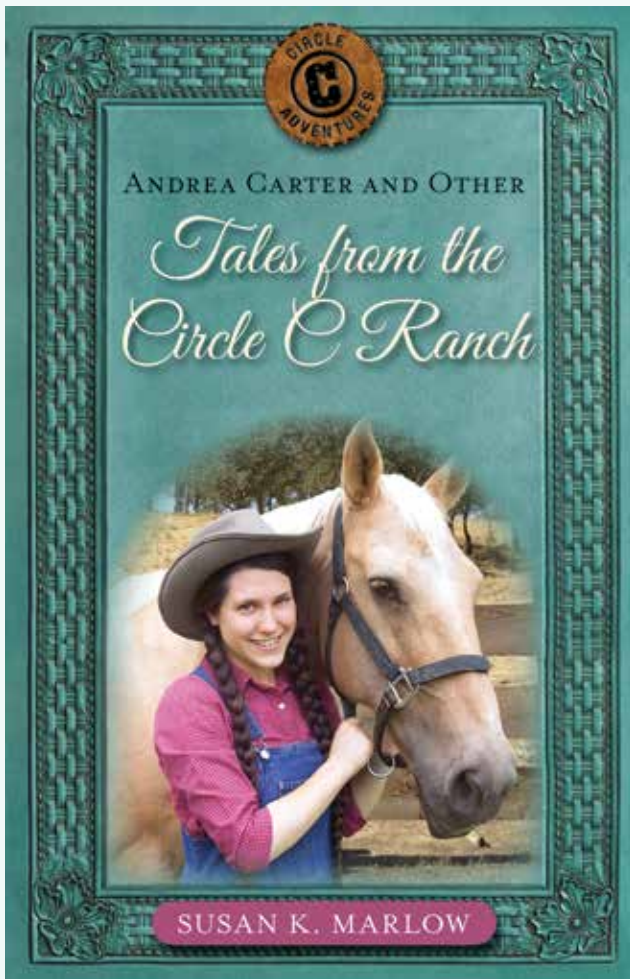
CIRCLE C ADVENTURES #7

Join Andrea Carter for more adventures in nineteenth-century California!

Set in America during the late 1800s, *Andrea Carter and Other Tales from the Circle C Ranch* is a revised and updated edition of stories inspired by fans of the Circle C Adventures series, including new stories! Girls ages 8–12 will love reading about the exciting life of young Andrea Carter growing up on the ranch—helping an orphan calf; breaking in a wild stallion; and going to the fair, parades, horse races, and rodeos.

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Susan K. Marlow is always on the lookout for a new story, whether she's writing books, teaching writing workshops, or sharing what she's learned as a homeschooling mom. Marlow is the author of the Circle C Adventures series, Circle C Stepping Stones series, and Circle C Beginnings series, plus the Goldtown Adventure series and Goldtown Beginnings series about Jem Coulter. She enjoys relaxing on her fourteen-acre homestead in the great state of Washington. Readers can find supplemental material for the Circle C and Goldtown series at circlecadventures.com.



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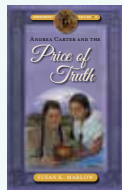
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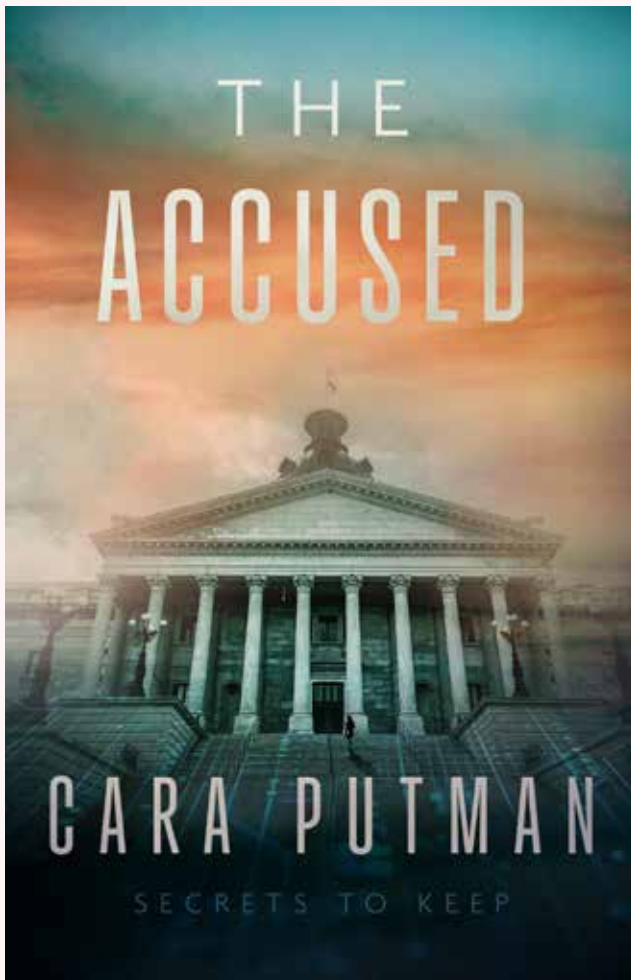
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Unique Selling Points

- These short stories expand Andrea's and her family's adventures on the Circle C Ranch
- Perfect for homeschoolers searching for fun and clean Christian adventures
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The Accused

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SECRETS TO KEEP #2

A romantic legal suspense from best-selling, award-winning author Cara Putman

When a popular college student is murdered, her international roommate, Anneliese, becomes a prime suspect. But law professor Margeaux Robbins is convinced the killer can't be the quiet, lonely German in her class.

Chase Crandall is a burned-out defense attorney ready to extricate himself from the grind of criminal law. After the loss of a client to tragedy, he's ready for an in-house corporate position.

When Chase is assigned to Anneliese's case, Margeaux is horrified. She doesn't want him to provide legal counsel, not after what happened to his past client. And not with the evidence implicating Anneliese. The lawyer and professor reluctantly pair up to find the killer and prove Anneliese's innocence. Will they be able to untangle the mystery and navigate their growing interest in one another before Margeaux's student and Chase's client is imprisoned?

Cara Putman is the award-winning, best-selling author of more than forty novels, including the Cornhusker Dreams series and the Hidden Justice series. Find more information at caraputman.com.w

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Unique Selling Points

- For readers of Robert Whitlow and John Grisham
- Author is a professor and attorney
- Author has 10,000 combined social media followers



To Kiss a Knight

Grace Hitchcock

BEST LAID PLANS #2

Desperation leads to questionable choices in this humorous Regency romance

Vivienne Poppy's plans are working out quite well—she's run away from her family and the prospect of a horrid marriage of convenience, and plans to spend her time writing under a pseudonym, Lady Larkby. That is, until she discovers Larkby is a real name.

Yeoman of the Guard, Sir Sebastian Larkby is stunned to discover a Lady Larkby that he does not remember marrying. Suddenly Vivienne is left with a choice: renounce her pen name, expose her true identity, and break Sebastian's dying grandmother's heart—or continue with a fake title and pretend marriage to preserve the ancient woman's will to live.

This witty novel from award-winning author Grace Hitchcock is filled with scandal, mishap, and just the right amount of romance.

Grace Hitchcock is the award-winning author of multiple historical novels and novellas. She holds a master's in creative writing and a bachelor of arts in English with a minor in history. She lives on the Northshore of New Orleans with her husband, Dakota, sons, and daughter. Connect with her online at gracehitchcock.com.

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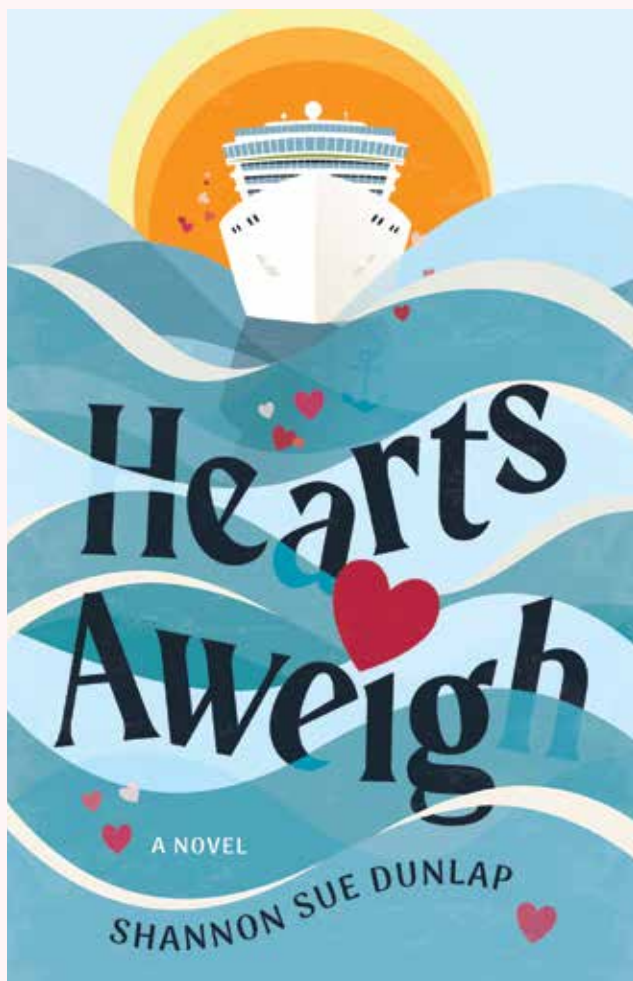
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Unique Selling Points

- Author's email newsletter has over 5,700 subscribers
- For readers of Carolyn Miller and Julie Klassen
- Regency era, but with humor added



Hearts Aweigh

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LOVE OVERBOARD #2

A laugh-out-loud cruise-ship romance

Sunny, optimistic Abby O'Brien is a childcare specialist for Monarch Cruises. She loves her job looking after the children of vacationing families, but she harbors one unfulfilled desire: to be a wife and a mother.

With his shy five-year-old daughter in tow, newly divorced aristocratic lawyer Spencer Randolph Masterson has one goal on the MS *Buckingham*: to get his mother, Daisy, to leave her ridiculous cruise-ship lifestyle and head back home to New Orleans. But Daisy and her septuagenarian posse—the Shippers—aren't interested in life on land. And she has a goal of her own—to secure a dreamy Mr. Right for Abby.

When a secret from Daisy's past surfaces and threats of blackmail start flying, the Shippers will have to band together in order to pave the way for Abby's future.

Shannon Sue Dunlap, author of *Love Overboard*, lives in Houston, Texas, and holds an MA in journalism from Regent University. She has sold and published articles with *Seek*, *The Secret Place*, *The Young Salvationist*, and *The Lorenz Corporation*. She has also spent three years as a contributing writer for a Virginia paper, *Port Folio Weekly*, independently published a clean and wholesome romance novella and sequel through KDP, and written two rom-coms in the Sweetheart Series. Find out more at shannonsuedunlap.com.

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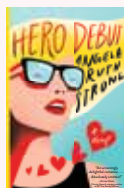
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- For readers of Bethany Turner and Melissa Ferguson
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