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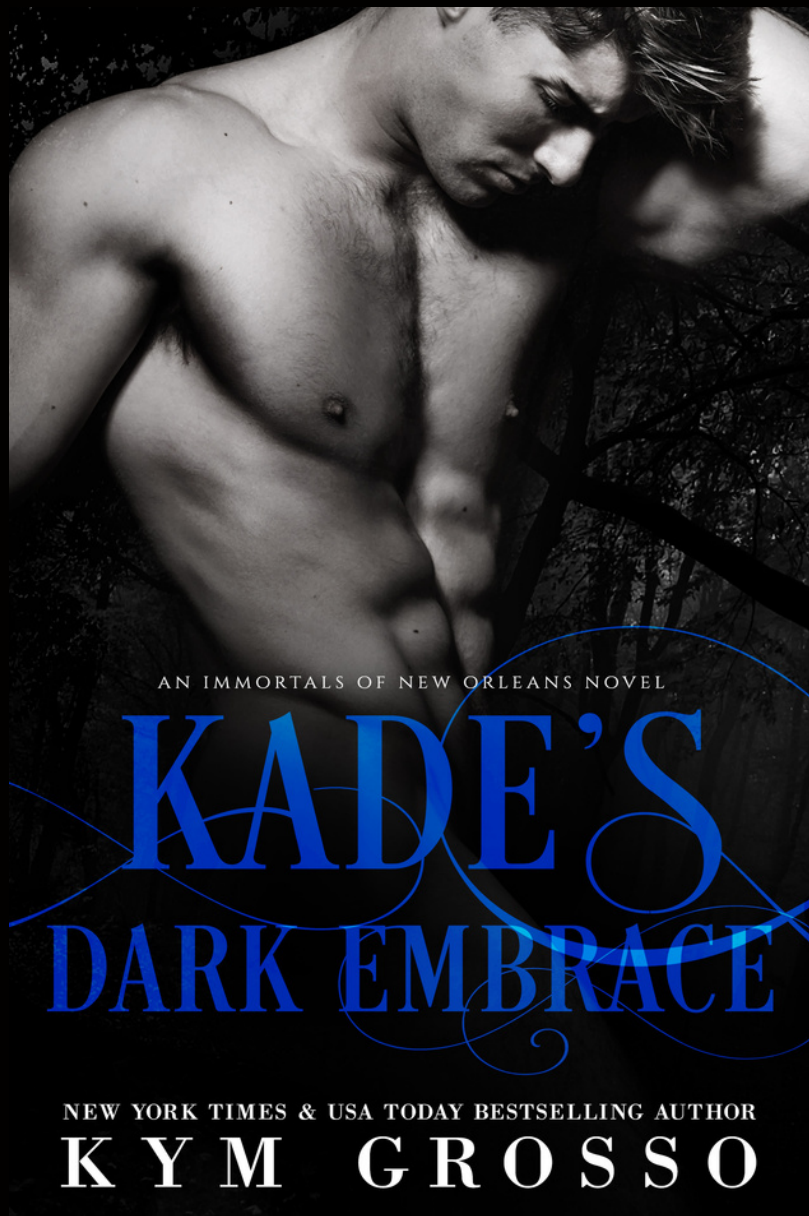
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KADE'S DARK EMBRACE **(Immortals of New Orleans Book 1)**

After a series of girls are ritualistically murdered on the cold streets of Philadelphia, seasoned detective Sydney Willows is forced to work with sexy, alpha vampire, Kade Issacson. As the case develops, so does Sydney's attraction to her new partner - no matter how hard she tries to fight it.

Kade, determined to solve the case and mete out justice, is captivated by the independent, fiery detective. While he attempts to protect her from a very real murderer, his concern for the beautiful, but very human detective, grows. She could easily end up dead should she tangle with supernatural forces that are beyond her control.

The investigation leads them into the dark and dangerous underbelly of New Orleans, where together, they search for the perpetrators of the Voodoo killings. When Sydney becomes the target of the killer, she ends up fighting for her life and love in the Big Easy. If she makes it out alive, will she give in to the intoxicating desire she feels for Kade?

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LUCA'S MAGIC EMBRACE (Immortals of New Orleans Book 2)

Sexy vampire, Luca Macquarie doesn't do love, especially not with humans. Yet, ever since he rescued Samantha Irving, he can't deny the enigmatic attraction he's developed for the alluring mortal woman. Concerned for her safety, he's determined to bring Samantha back to her coven. His mission is to find the novice witch and bring her home. Nothing more, nothing less. Falling for her is not part of the plan.

Samantha doesn't want to be a witch, yet that's exactly what she is. She escapes to the mountains in an attempt to resume a semblance of her previous human life. When an arsonist torches her cabin, Samantha's worst fears are realized. Aware that her life is on the line, she reluctantly agrees to return to New Orleans with Luca.

In the Big Easy, Samantha and Luca embark on a spellbinding journey, searching for a mystical amulet that promises to release her obligation from an ancient, lethal vampire who's been threatening her life. With cryptic clues and clandestine allies, will Luca and Samantha destroy the dangerous amulet before others acquire it, setting forth a chain of catastrophic consequences? And will Luca give into his erotic desire for the witch who magically captures heart?

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LUCA'S MAGIC EMBRACE

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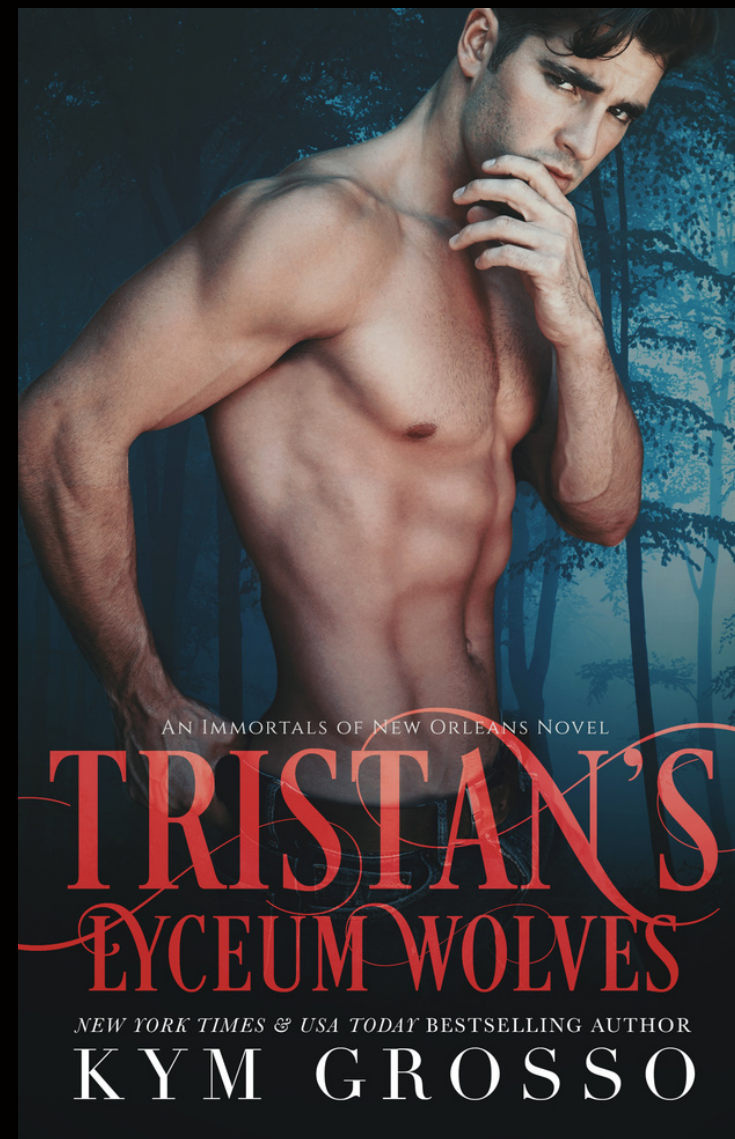
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TRISTAN'S LYCEUM WOLVES (Immortals of New Orleans Book 3)

Charismatic and powerful Lyceum Wolves' Alpha, Tristan Livingston, is out for revenge after a devastating attack on his pack. Not only did he survive a building collapse, he orchestrated the rebuild of his chic, state-of-the-art nightclub within a week. Determined to mete out justice, he rescues a beautiful witness who may be the key to helping him find the perpetrators.

Dr. Kalli Williams, dedicated veterinarian, is hiding a secret that endangers not only her own life but the lives of wolves across the country. After being tortured by a savage vampire, she reluctantly agrees to help the sexy Alpha in his quest to identify suspects - ones who'd kill her on the spot if they knew she existed. As Kalli places herself in the hands of the dominant wolf, she soon finds she wants nothing more than to submit.

Tristan, committed to ruling his pack as a lone wolf, is inexplicably drawn to the mysterious and enticing woman, who seems more than human, but not quite supernatural. As he discovers her secret, he teaches her the meaning of trust, helping her learn how to be true to her nature. After living a lifetime alone, will he succumb to the visceral need to claim her, acknowledging the soul binding connection between an Alpha and his mate? And will he prevail against the menacing enemy who threatens to destroy Lyceum Wolves?



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LOGAN'S ACADIAN WOLVES (Immortals of New Orleans Book 4)

Deep in the heart of New Orleans, Acadian Wolves' Alpha, Logan Reynaud, rescues a beautiful woman in the dead of night. Intrigued by the mysterious human, the commanding Alpha is determined to uncover all of her secrets, including her deepest fantasies. But when tragedy strikes, Logan discovers dangerous adversaries are planning an attack in his city. Driven by responsibility and honor, Logan must protect both his pack and the woman who's captivated his attention.

Dr. Wynter Ryan, a leading virologist, is fascinated with her charismatic protector. As their chemistry ignites, she relinquishes her ties to the past, embracing ecstasy and submission within Logan's arms. Succumbing to desire and her own adventurous instincts, she learns to trust her Alpha as passion and mystery unfold on the bayou.

Logan's inner wolf demands he claim his mate. Yet his priority is to lead his new pack, and Wynter is a distraction he can't afford. Will Logan surrender to the uncontrollable need to claim Wynter as his mate? And will he be able to keep her alive, finding the killer who threatens the Acadian Wolves?

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LEOPOLD'S WICKED EMBRACE (Immortals of New Orleans Book 5)

Seductive and lethal vampire, Léopold Devereoux, returns to the Big Easy to find a killer. His search leads him to a beautiful and mysterious woman, who awakens desires and emotions that he's long fought to keep buried. After centuries of self-imposed solitude, the billionaire philanthropist struggles to restrain his growing thirst for the intriguing female who's captured his attention.

Laryssa Theriot, an antiques proprietor in the Vieux Carré, agrees to help the commanding yet debonair stranger who seeks her assistance. She withholds her secret abilities, afraid to trust the man who threatens to unleash her darkest fantasies. All the while, Léopold consumes her thoughts, testing her limits and bringing her to new levels of ecstasy. As the menacing force that has stalked Laryssa for years finally catches up to her, she submits, putting her life into the hands of the dominant vampire who offers his protection.

Deep in the heart of New Orleans, they embark on a perilous adventure, forced to search for an ancient sacrificial relic that they hope will save their lives. As they face formidable challenges, Léopold and Laryssa surrender to the passionate intimacy that possesses them. After hundreds of years of denying himself love, will Léopold bond to the woman who has begun to crack the impenetrable shell around his heart? As evil draws near, will Laryssa survive the demon that has come to take her soul?



LEOPOLD'S WICKED EMBRACE

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DIMITRI
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DIMITRI

(Immortals of New Orleans Book 6)

Dimitri LeBlanc, sexy and charismatic beta of the Acadian Wolves, survives a brutal attack after his wolf succumbs to a dark force threatening his very existence. Waking up, tied to a bed, his amusement transforms into lust as a beautiful stranger heals his beast. Intrigued by his mysterious savior, the tables quickly turn when he rescues her from a barbaric Alpha in the heat of a dark desert night. Dimitri is inexplicably drawn to the alluring woman, and the discovery that she's his mate rouses his hunger to claim her as his own.

Gillian Michel, a New York City photographer, conceals her secret hybrid past and mystical abilities. She's deliberately avoided wolves her entire life, but a seductive encounter with Dimitri leaves her craving his touch. Passion ignites her desire, leaving her yearning to submit to the powerful wolf who tests her limits.

Deep in the heart of New Orleans, Dimitri and Gillian seek a cure to the parasite maligning his mighty beast. Still on the run from a malevolent force, they lure their enemy into the bayou. Will Gillian sacrifice her gifts to save the man she loves? And will Dimitri eradicate the evil that has invaded his soul while protecting his mate from an adversary who threatens to kill them both?

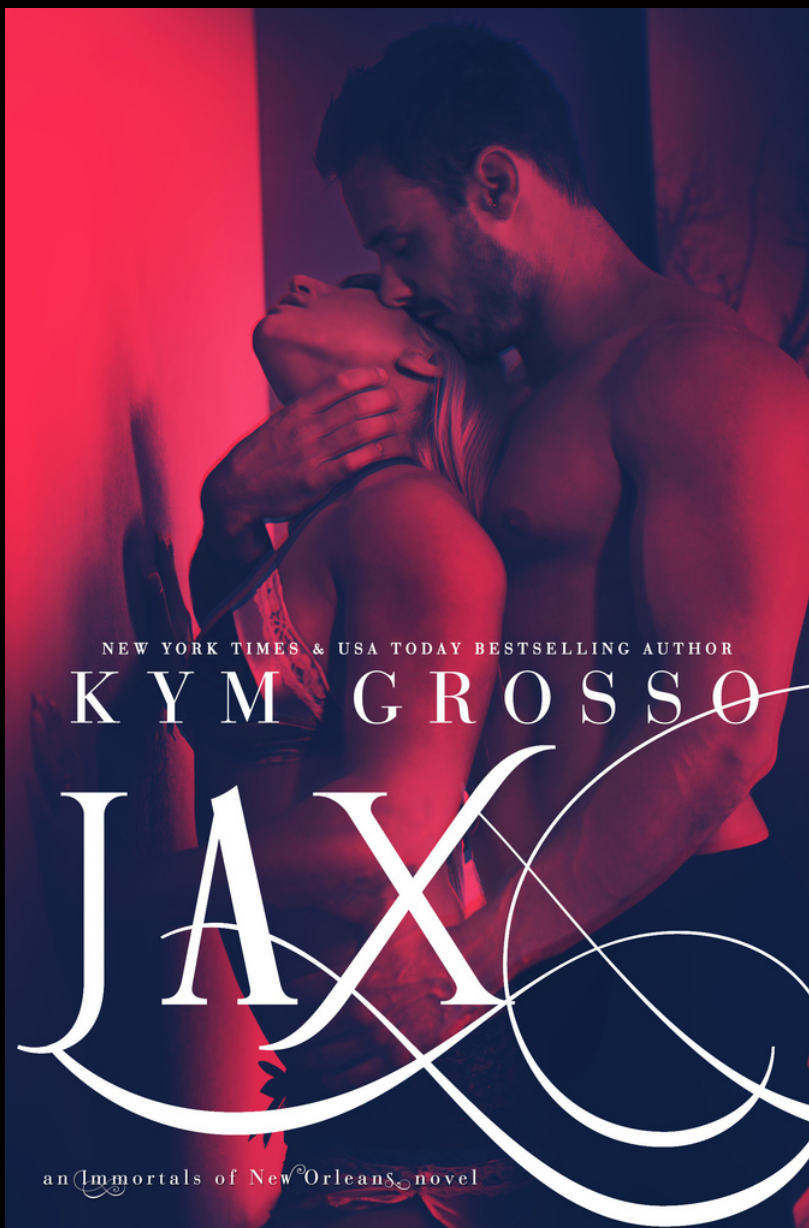


Lost Embrace **(Immortals of New Orleans Book 6.5)**

Dominant vampire leader, Kade Issacson, is devastated when his fiancée, Sydney Willows, is nearly killed by a demon. As her transition into the supernatural tests the limits of their bond, he considers how far he'd go to cure her affliction.

On the brink of dying, desperate to feed, Sydney breaks free of her lover. When a cold-blooded murderer emerges from her past seeking revenge, she's forced to accept the reality of her situation.

Deep in the heart of New Orleans, Kade struggles to keep Sydney alive while searching for an escaped killer who promises to end her life once and for all. Can Sydney's ex-partner, a human, teach her to feed so she can survive? Will Kade share the woman he loves for one passionate night in order to save her?

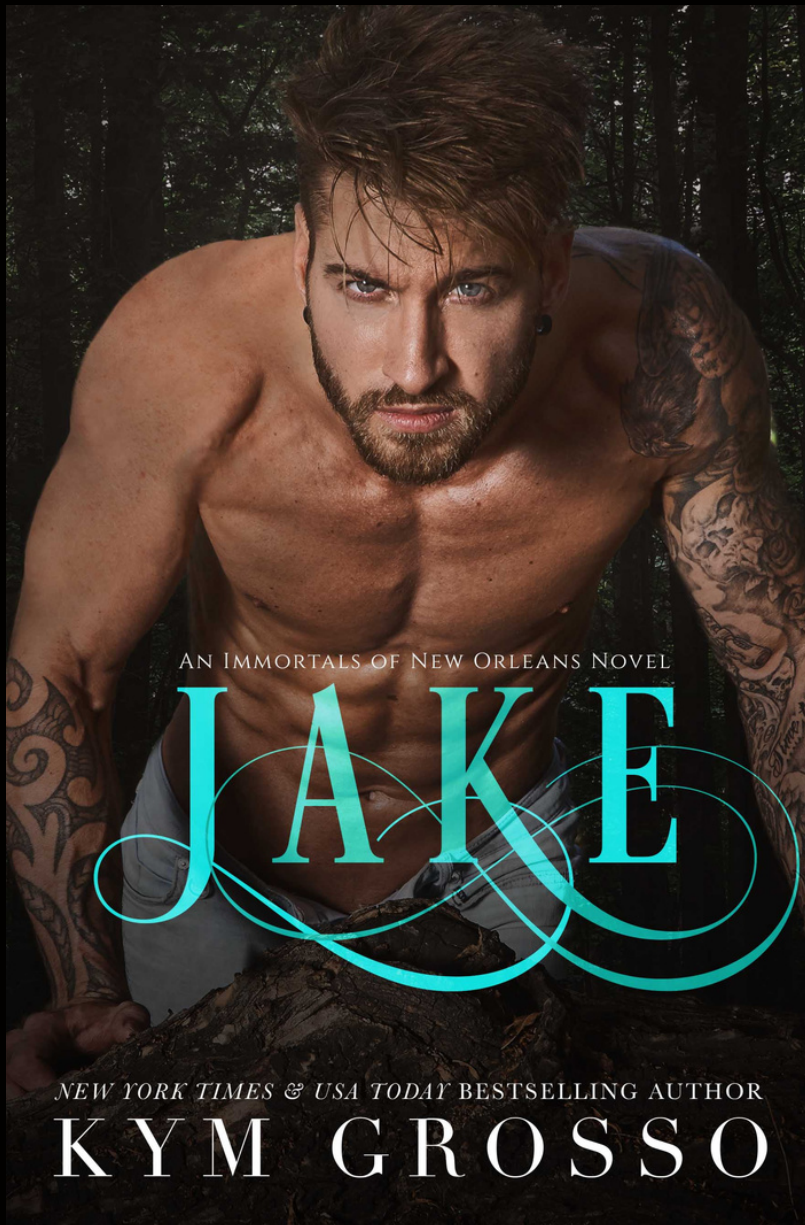


Jax (Immortals of New Orleans Book 7)

Agrestis Wolves' Alpha, Jax Chandler, is on a mission to exact retribution after being captured and tortured by an enigmatic adversary. When the sophisticated publishing mogul rescues a beautiful wolf, he recognizes the woman he'd once believed to be his mate. Captivated, he sets out to discover her secrets and teaches her to embrace submission.

With Alpha blood running through her veins, Katrina Livingston's shifter magic has been systematically stolen over time. On the run from demonic forces, she turns to the striking New York Alpha. But as she indulges in his erotic world, Katrina struggles to resist the instinct to mate with Jax, a bond she believes will kill him.

From New York to New Orleans, Jax and Katrina embark on a dark and sensual adventure, discovering sorcery that could eradicate his entire pack. With their lives in danger, they search for clues to release her from the ominous prophecy. Will they survive the predator that comes ever closer to destroying their lives? And will Jax acknowledge the bond to a woman he never imagined he could trust to be his mate?



Jake

(Immortals of New Orleans Book 8)

With Alpha blood coursing through his veins, charismatic wolf Jake Louvière, can no longer deny his true nature. As his beast demands his rightful place within the Acadian Wolves, he's forced to choose between killing his Alpha or leaving New Orleans forever. When a mysterious woman trespasses into the bayou, Jake is instinctively wary of the creature that is not wolf. Inexplicably drawn to her, he attempts to resist her magic as it weaves a seductive spell. As quickly as she appears, the dangerous beauty is kidnapped by a powerful New York vampire, and Jake swears retribution against his old adversary.

For centuries, Kai Beckett has concealed her true identity from those who would steal her ancient powers. Risking everything to save her sister, she searches for the Alpha who left San Diego to return to his Cajun roots. Jake, a mate worthy of her spirit, seeks to tame her wild nature, but she is not one to easily submit.

From New Orleans to Southern California, Jake and Kai are surrounded by intrigue and danger. Learning to trust each other, they fight lethal enemies and the irresistible connection binding them together. As they spiral into an erotic adventure, will Jake acknowledge Kai as his mate? With a nefarious enemy seeking to capture her, will Jake rise to Alpha, saving both Kai and his pack?



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QUINTUS

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Quintus

(Immortals of New Orleans Book 9)

Powerful vampire, Quintus Tullius, returns to New Orleans after a demonic attack. Elusive and lethal, he conceals his true powers from all others, wielding his strength over the centuries as he sees fit. When he's healed by an attractive stranger, he quickly realizes her altruistic actions are driven by more than kindness, and she is not who she appears to be. Unsure if he can trust the dangerous beauty, he swears to protect her, captivated by the one creature he never expected to ignite his desire.

Gabriella Savoie has been on the run since she was thirteen years old. Determined to survive, she practices a unique blend of magick to hide from the coven who seeks her death. Desperate, she leads a treacherous existence in underground clubs, selling her mystical blood to vampires to survive. Drawn to the one person who can save her, she spirals into an erotic journey, exploring her hidden fantasies within the arms of the seductive vampire.

From Louisiana to New York, their sensual and perilous adventure leads the pair to discover ancient secrets, searching for the artifact that will set Gabriella's beast free. As she accepts her fate, will she sacrifice her magick to be with the vampire who is her true mate? Will Quintus trust her and reveal his powers, acknowledging the bond to a woman who isn't human? And will he be able to save her, thwarting the impending evil that descends on the Big Easy?

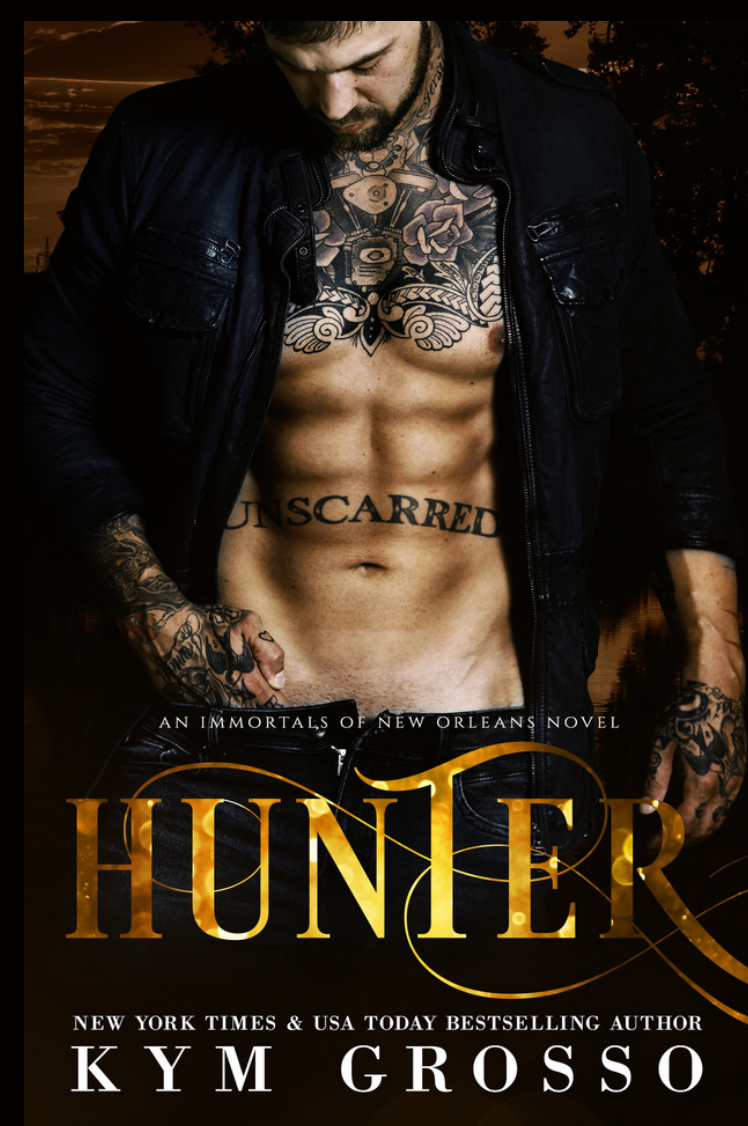
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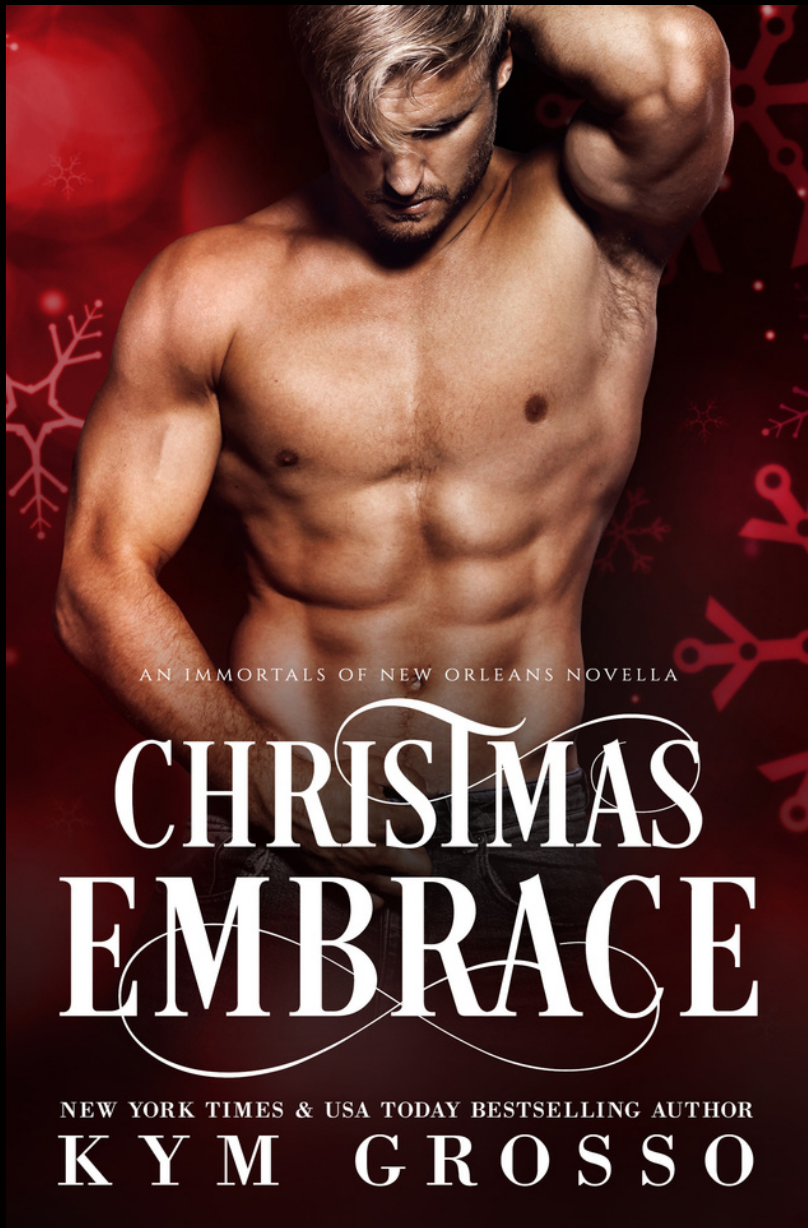
(Immortals of New Orleans Book 10)

Hunter Livingston's trip to Hell had been a calculated risk. Best case scenario, the Alpha would save a friend and come out unscathed. At worst, he'd burn in flames for eternity. But finding the high priestess had never been part of his plan, nor was rescuing the near-dead stranger he'd found lying by her side. Drawn to the mysterious woman, he'd sworn to protect her from the rogue pack who sold her into Hell and the demon who sought her soul.

With royal blood flowing through her veins, Dr. Willa Jacobs had long hidden her Lycan heritage. Deep within the rainforest, she'd unearthed a discovery that drew the attention of both humans and the forces of evil. Rescued by the charismatic Alpha, she'd known her kidnappers would never give up looking for her or her research. As the dominant Alpha stirred her beast to rise, her emotions warred, and she was more determined than ever to see her adversaries burn in Hell.

From Wyoming to Louisiana, Hunter and Willa spiral into an erotic and dangerous journey where they question who is foe or friend and must fight to destroy their enemies. As Willa grows closer to the sexy Alpha, will she divulge her true nature, embracing the strength of her abilities? If they survive, will Hunter claim his mate, accepting the hellfire that runs through her veins?





Christmas Embrace (Immortals of New Orleans Book 10.5)

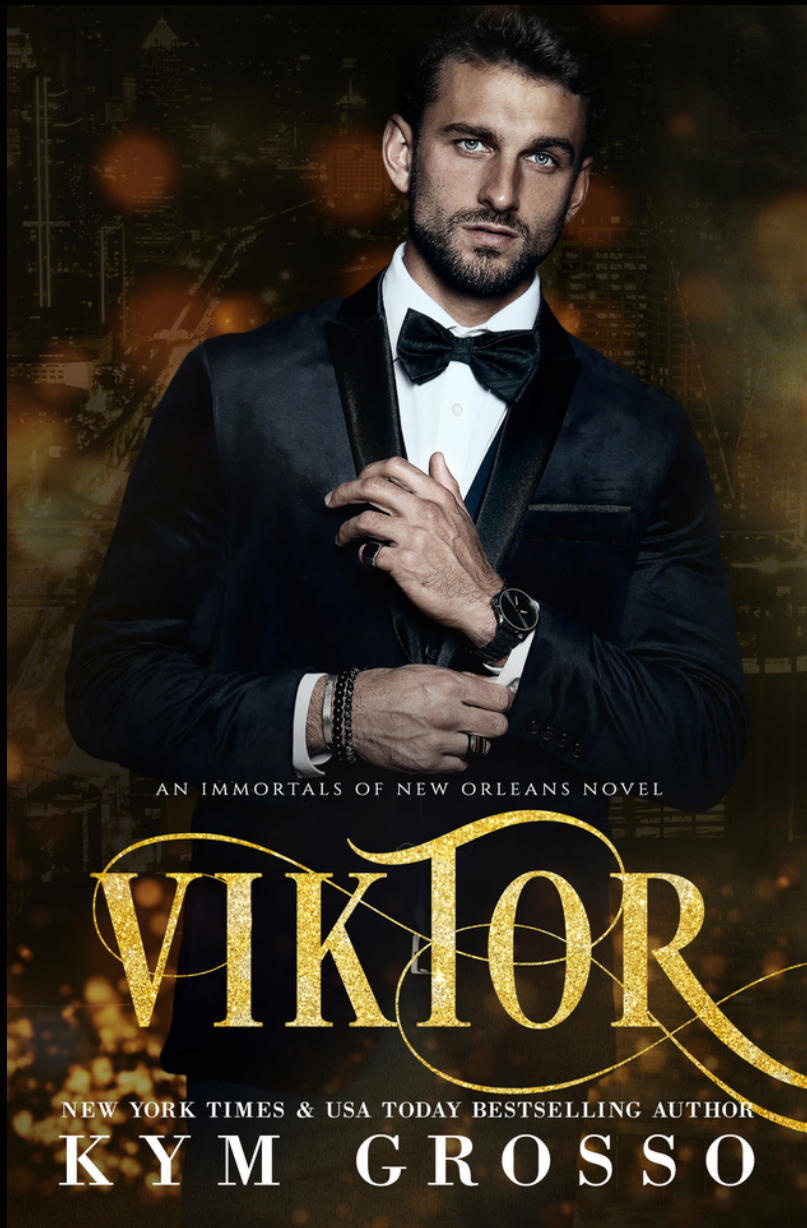
A supernatural wedding brings everyone together during the holidays. But it doesn't feel like Christmas for Detective Sydney Willows. She finds solace in the arms of a sexy vampire, but with her fragile heart not quite mended, she's afraid to commit to an eternity. After she rescues an abandoned child and is then forced to give him away, she's determined to fight for the family she never knew she wanted.

Vampire Kade Issacson never expected to be a father but soon realizes what's been missing in his life. After he's forced to return the abandoned wolf pup to the pack, the child's mother is found murdered in an alley. Vowing to protect the boy, Kade fights to keep him, swearing to never give him back.

Determined to win Sydney's heart and her hand, Kade plans a surprise for his reluctant detective. Convinced their souls are destined for an eternal future, will he convince her to say yes once and for all?

Falling in love. Second chances. A new nemesis arises.

Find out who's naughty and nice as the Immortals of New Orleans conjure up some Christmas magic.



Viktor

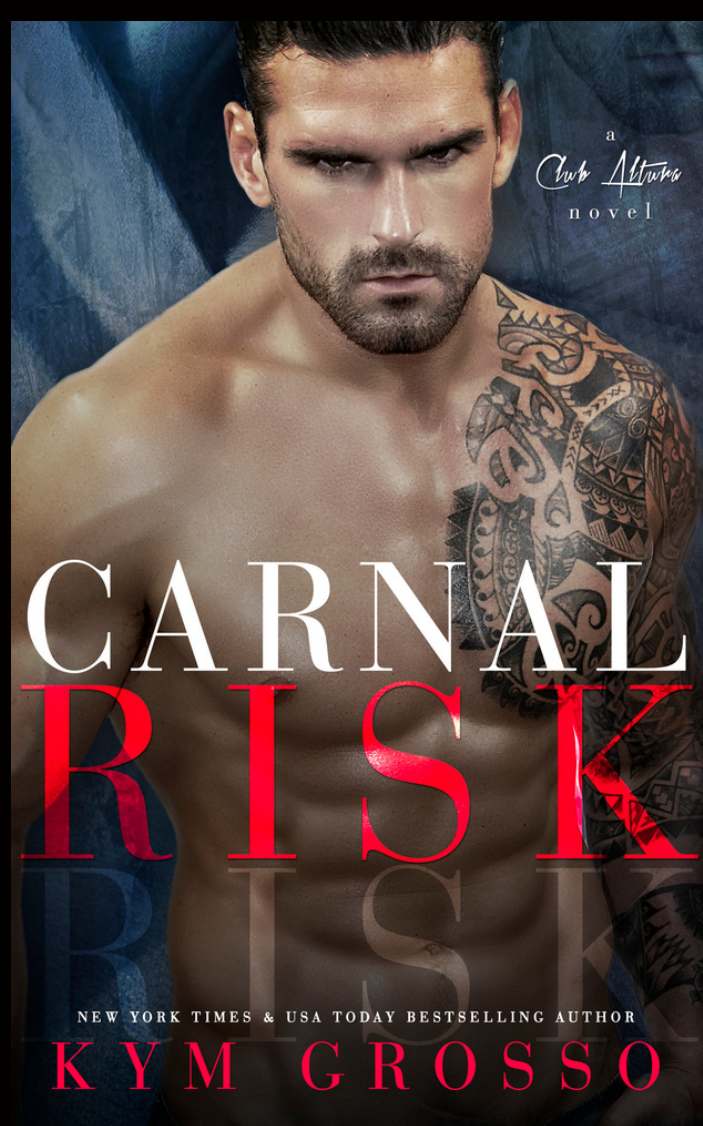
(Immortals of New Orleans Book 11)

Ancient vampire, Viktor Christianson, thrived without love for thousands of years. Enjoying the finer things in life, the international playboy embraced the essence of his immortal existence. But after he rescues a beautiful human from a bloodthirsty predator, he discovers the humanity he thought he'd long forgotten. Captivated by her unique energy, Viktor vows to protect her and soon realizes she's the key to his future.

When art curator Waverly LaFleur first encounters the lethal stranger, her instinct is to run far, far away. She's hidden her psychic visions for years, but when premonitions morph into reality, she begins to attract dark entities she could never imagine existed. When the debonair vampire saves her life, she cannot deny the temptation to spiral into Viktor's ancient world.

From the spicy-hot streets of Miami to New Orleans, Viktor and Waverly embark on a dangerous adventure, unearthing the dark truth of his lineage. Suspecting his nemesis is still alive, Viktor must choose wisely or become everything he's always hated.

If the pair survive, will Viktor come to terms with his humanity and bond with a human or leave Waverly, abandoning love forever?



Carnal Risk (Club Altura Book 1)

Garrett Emerson's life and corporation are built on a foundation of risk taking and top secret priorities. As a powerful CEO, he works hard but plays even harder. When tragedy strikes, the charismatic and sexy billionaire takes the gamble of his life by bringing a beautiful consultant into his inner sanctum, exposing her to his exclusive society of extreme athletes who are adventurous both in business and pleasure. Inexplicably drawn to the intriguing woman, Garrett teaches her to face her fears, bringing them both to new levels of ecstasy.

Selby Reynolds, a high-profile technology specialist, reluctantly accepts an engagement at Emerson Industries. Discovering secrets and uncovering clues to a murder, she's swept into Garrett's dangerous but seductive life of luxury. Captivated by the world renowned capitalist and adventurer, she's convinced he could crush her heart. As he pushes her sexual limits and their erotic play intensifies, Selby finds it impossible to resist the one man who turns her darkest fantasies into a reality.

When Selby's life is threatened by a killer, carnal lessons of trust are put to the test, forcing them to choose who is friend and who is foe. Can Selby give her heart to a man who revels in the excitement of flirting with death? Will they prevail against an enemy who threatens to tear Garrett's world apart, including the fragile connection with the woman he seeks to claim as his own?



Wicked Rush (Club Altura Book 2)

Lust. Temptation. Deception.

Technology capitalist, Lars Elliott, lives on the edge, savoring the adventure of flirting with death. After rescuing a stranger from a hail of bullets, he resists attraction to the dangerous beauty. Determined to learn her secrets, he draws her into his seductive world of risk taking, pushing her sexual limits. As he unravels the mystery surrounding the lovely doctor, he questions the integrity of those close to him.

Caught in a web of lies, marine biologist, Dr. Braelynn Rollins never expected to face off with the tempting CEO who's haunted her dreams. Deep undercover, she's committed to revealing clandestine adversaries and recovering stolen research. When she's exposed, Braelynn is forced to trust the man who has the power to both destroy and save her. In Lar's arms, she surrenders control, submitting to desire and exploring her forbidden cravings.

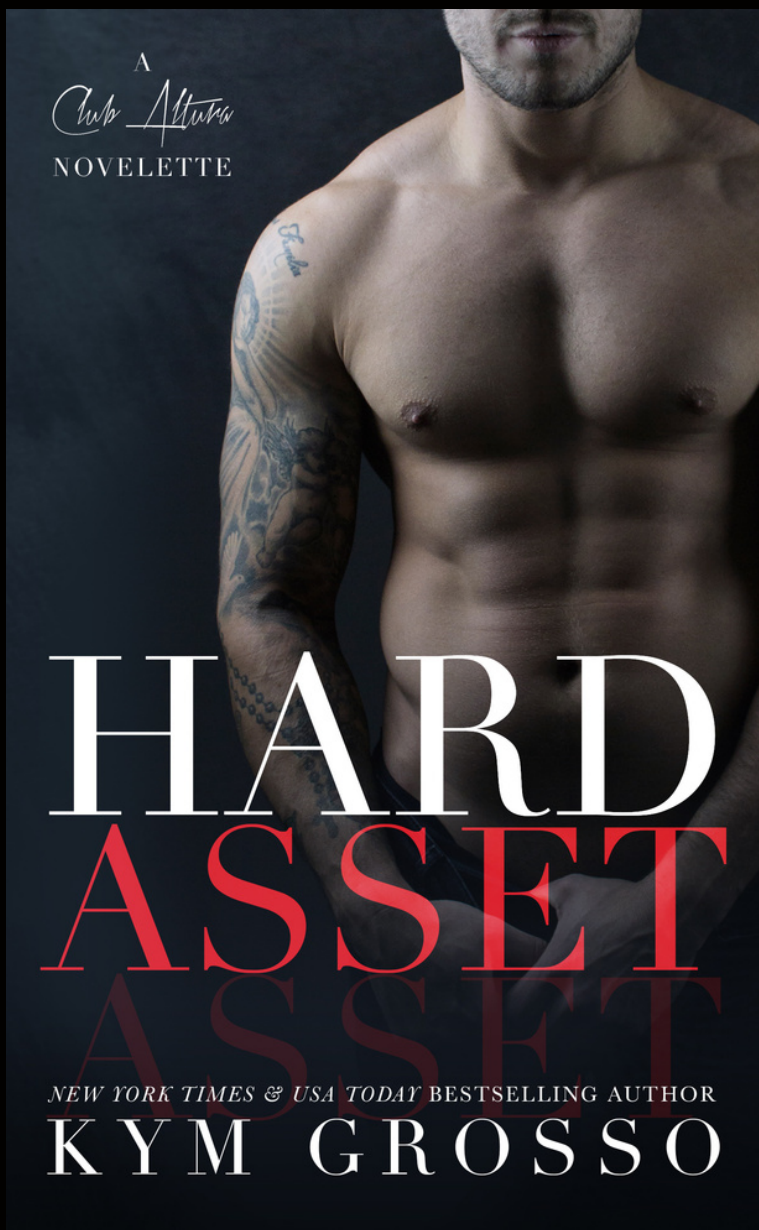
Lars and Braelynn heat up southern California as they discover who is friend and who is foe. Spiraling down a journey of lust and revenge, their carnal hunger escalates. As danger and corporate espionage surround them at every turn, Lars must decide if Braelynn is as innocent as she claims, or worth the rush.

Solstice Burn **(A Club Altura Novella)**

Temptations flare in the hedonistic tropics when wealthy philanthropist and professional deep sea diver, Chase Abbott, rescues a beautiful woman at sea.

Penny Travis, a big city lawyer, may have been looking for relaxation at an exclusive adults' resort, but she soon embraces adventure, submitting to secret fantasies within the arms of her charismatic hero.





Hard Asset (A Club Altura Novelette)

Charismatic entrepreneur Evan Tredioux is on a secret mission to infiltrate the sanctuary of a dangerous enemy of the state. During the covert operation, he exposes a coworker and gives in to the desire he's resisted for months. Caught up in a game of cat and mouse, he questions her claim of innocence even as he vows to protect her with his life.

After Emerson Industry's chief security officer Raine Presley's cover is blown, she submits to a night of passion in the arms of the man she's always wanted. Within Evan's embrace, she surrenders to her darkest fantasies, spiraling into an erotic world she has long yearned to explore.

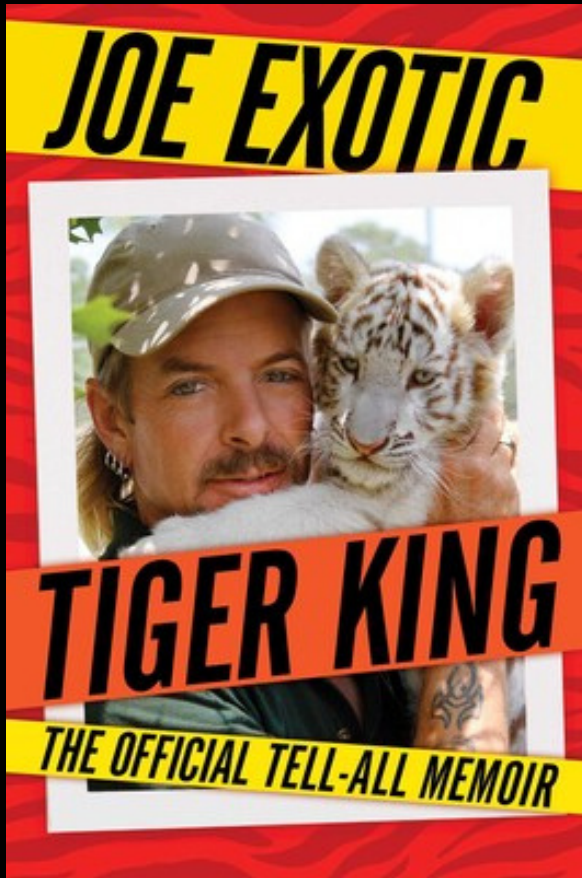
When time runs out and their lives are on the line, passion ignites and bullets fly. Evan is forced to trust the dangerous beauty who has captivated his attention, but will his protection be enough?



Joe Exotic

Joe Exotic, born Joseph Allen Schreibvogel, is an Oklahoma-based zookeeper known for his tigers, lions, and other big cats. He's currently serving time in prison for murder-for-hire and for violating the Lacey Act and the Endangered Species Act, all of which Joe vehemently denies. The Netflix original documentary *Tiger King: Murder, Mayhem, and Madness* propelled him to stardom, and he quickly became a worldwide phenomenon.

TIGER KING - THE OFFICIAL TELL-ALL MEMOIR



Joe Exotic, star of the Netflix original documentary that “consumed the pop-cultural imagination” (The Atlantic) and transfixed a nation in the midst of a global crisis, opens up about his outlandish journey from Midwestern farmer to infamous Tiger King, and finally, to federal inmate.

Seemingly overnight, the 2020 global pandemic forever changed the world as we knew it and forced millions to adjust to a new normal of isolation and working from home. But one thing—one man—managed to captivate us all: Joe Exotic, the Tiger King.

More than just a true crime documentary, Netflix’s Tiger King provided an exclusive glimpse into the bizarre, cult-like world of big cat enthusiasts. By focusing on Joseph Maldonado-Passage, a proud polygamist and self-proclaimed “gun-toting, gay redneck with a mullet,” it gave us an unexpected anti-hero whose insatiable appetite for fame and his paranoid obsession with rival Carole Baskin ultimately led to his shocking downfall.

Now, in this no-holds-barred memoir, Joe pulls back the curtain on the man behind the headlines. From his tragic childhood riddled with abuse to his dangerous feuds with big cat rivals and beyond, nothing is off the table. This is the exclusive and definitive read for anyone who binged the “riveting” (Vanity Fair) documentary and finished it hungry for more. A memoir unlike any other, it proves that they can cage the Tiger King, but they can’t silence his roar.

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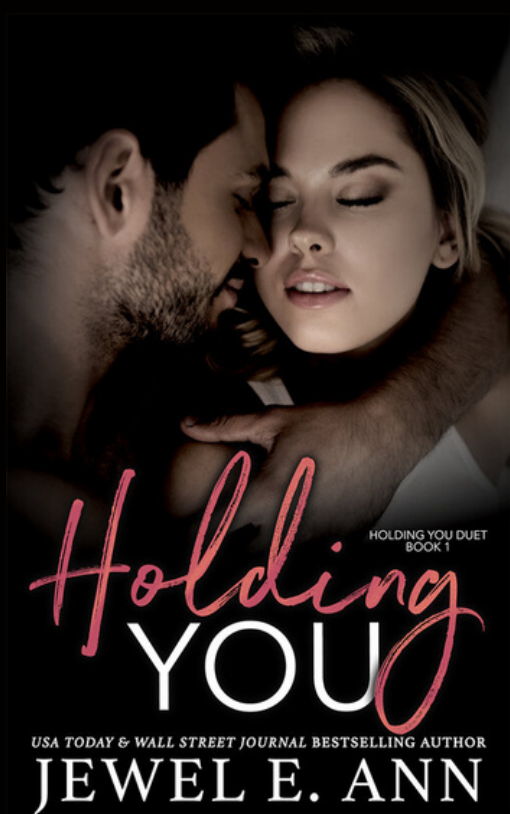


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HOLDING YOU (Holding You Series Book 1)

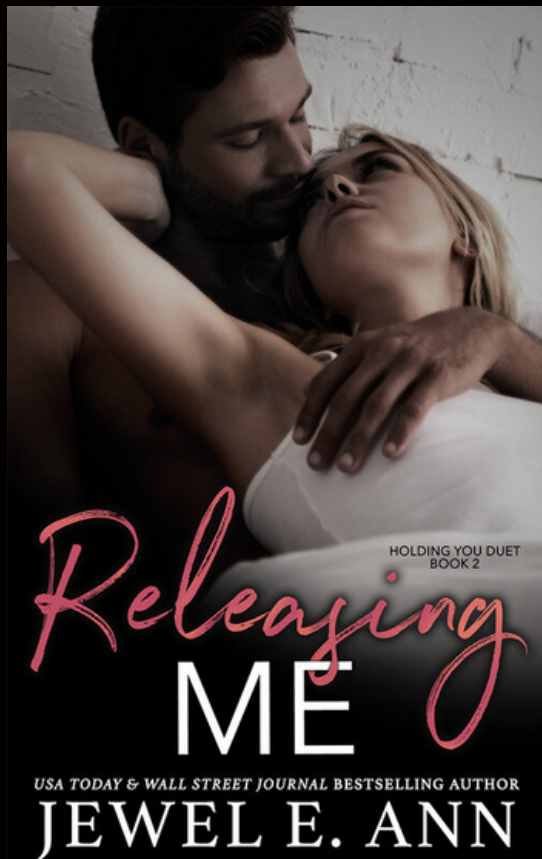
Free-spirited Addy Brecken is Milwaukee's most talented vegan chef and co-owner of Sage Leaf Café. She has a genius IQ, a padded savings account, an amazing view of Lake Michigan, and a heart that won't stop beating.

An early April morning finds her drowning in the seductive fragrance of lilacs and the warmth of the morning sun when she's nearly hit by a car in front of her café. The peaceful existence she's desperately tried to maintain after the horrific loss of her family is suddenly shaken by the Range Rover driving, arrogant, sex-on-legs Quinn Cohen.

A successful, Latino businessman from New York, Quinn has a taste for the finer things in life. A typical playboy, he has the money, the houses, the cars, and the women. Quinn is everything Addy avoids. Where she lives simply and prefers to help the less fortunate, he has no problem spending an obscene amount of money on a briefcase.

Their opposite personalities lend to several heated encounters, and Addy finds herself propositioning Quinn for the one thing she never imagined needing ... sex.

Offering only her body, Addy tries to keep Quinn at a safe distance from her heart and a world away from her past. Their passion-filled connection makes Addy feel something unfamiliar, alive. But with passion comes more feelings: anger, jealousy, love. When Addy surrenders to the unimaginable and lets go of her past, she's faced with the impossible ... holding on to her future.



RELEASING ME (Holding You Series Book 2)

A tragic accident. A hidden past. An unbreakable love. Never goodbye ...

I thought Addy stole my soul.

Her beauty blinded me.
Her heart called to me.
Her touch healed me.

She gave everything and asked for nothing. Then I broke her. The depths of her pain were veiled by the reflection of my own. I didn't deserve her, but I wanted her--I needed her.

In my darkest hell, I heard her voice. That's when I knew ... Addy was my soul.

Deep breath ... I am peaceful, I am strong.

Quinn was worth the risk. He took away the numbness and gave me unfathomable pleasure. Every emotion felt magnified, every moment felt like the last.

My heart found purpose.
My body came to life.
My soul returned.

His weakness gave me strength, and his past held my future. He saved me by ... releasing me.

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UNDENIABLY YOU

Sydney Montgomery doesn't plan to make a career out of house-sitting. It's just the means to an end. In a month, she's off to visit the galleries of Europe and finish up the degree she needs to make her career as a museum curator. The life she's been working for is finally within reach.

In the meantime, she's getting paid to sip margaritas and wrangle a naughty dog poolside in California. When the pool guy shows up with his hot body, cool persona, and eyes like iridescent blue oceans, she's mesmerized.

Except Dr. Lautner Sullivan isn't the pool guy at all. He's a college wide receiver turned pediatric resident that fate delivered to the wrong house.

Lautner is every girl's dream, but Sydney is not every girl. She's immune to rainbows, fairytales, surf-side picnics, and the "L" word. Thirty days is all she plans to give him, but fate wants to give them forever.

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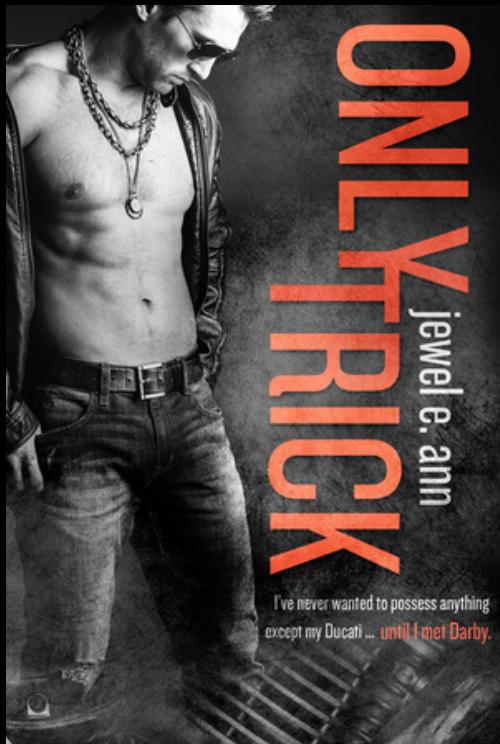
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IDLE BLOOM

Vivian Graham has an acceptance letter into Harvard and a deferral of admission. Every day she takes the Red Line to her job in Boston while time marches on for everyone around her. A painful accident may have put her life on hold, but nothing can dampen her enthusiasm for it. After all, nothing's that bad when you have donuts—even the fact that she still has her V-card.

Oliver Konrad has just moved home to his native Boston to start his life over again. Three years after earning his degree from Harvard, he's trading in his three-piece suit for leather work boots, and the law for landscaping. Oliver's days are predictable and his nights are lonely until he meets Vivian on the subway. Her long raven hair, green eyes, and mile-long legs are aching sexy, but the way she "innocently" fingers and licks her Boston Kreme can only be described in two words—complete torture.

Even though Oliver never expected to laugh again, being with Vivian is easy, fun, and freeing. But unless he can find a way to let her see his closely guarded secret, their future is as improbable as a leftover donut.



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ONLY TRICK

“Don’t Look Back in Anger”

In one night, I lost five years of my life. Here’s what I know ...
I was homeless.

I’m a recovering drug addict.

My inked skin crawls from lustful eyes.

I have a serious aversion to women.

My gay partner is a home wrecker.

I own a gun and I’m a damn good shot.

I’m a makeup artist, but it’s an insult to my talent.

I’ve never wanted to possess anything except my Ducati ... until I met
Darby.

Now here’s what I know since that day in the ER when she pieced me back
together ... nothing—but a few random thoughts.

My new “friend” is distracting, clingy, and obsessed with acronyms, emojis,
and phrases like “breakfast soul mates.” I didn’t want to like her, but she
crawled under my skin and swallowed me whole. Now we’re best friends
and she’s my new addiction. I’d drink her from a shot glass, snort her up
my nose, or inject her into my veins if I could. What I won’t do ... is ever tell
her that. She doesn’t know me ... I don’t know me. When those missing
years come back, I think she will hate me ... I think I will hate me.

My parents named me Patrick Roth, and this is my story.

end of day

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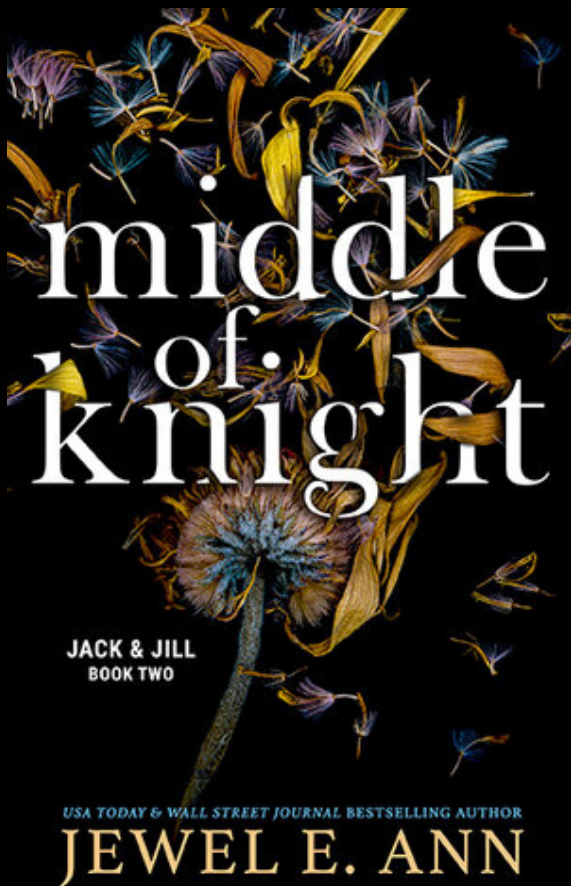
It's never too soon to take your next breath.

Behind tinted windows a few yards from mourning family and friends, Jessica and Jude Day witness their parents' funeral—and their own. Stripped of the only life they've ever known, the Days say goodbye to San Francisco forever.

Six months and two new identities later, the thirty-year-old misfits with elite self-defense skills and penchants for alcohol, sex, and trouble arrive like an earthquake to Peaceful Woods, a retirement community in Omaha, Nebraska, that thrives on rules and gossip. Welcome home, Jackson and Jillian Knight.

Jackson celebrates his new beginning by embracing his job and wiping his cavalier past clean with a temporary oath of celibacy. But Jillian's past is branded into her soul—the deaths, the insanity, Dr. Luke Jones, and the need to make her lovers bleed. Her chance for redemption comes in the form of a next-door neighbor, one Senior Master Sergeant Monaghan. He's sexy, dangerously alluring, and riddled with emotional issues from years of service. He's also ... So. Damn. Grumpy.

Their mission is simple: Let go, start over, don't kill anyone, and pray that nobody resurrects their past.



MIDDLE OF KNIGHT (Jack & Jill Series Book 2)

The living seek forgiveness. The dead seek revenge.

A first love. A last breath. A haunting past.

Armed with a sinful past and an equally sinful body, Jackson Knight absolves his vow of celibacy to pursue Sergeant Monaghan's unsuspecting older housekeeper.

Ryn Middleton, on the cusp of turning forty with a snarky daughter, a killer dog, and an abusive ex-husband, finds Jackson's advances humorous and unbelievable. After intense negotiations including Vera Wang, Ed Sheeran, and sex four times a day, Ryn accepts Jackson's marriage proposal on their first date.

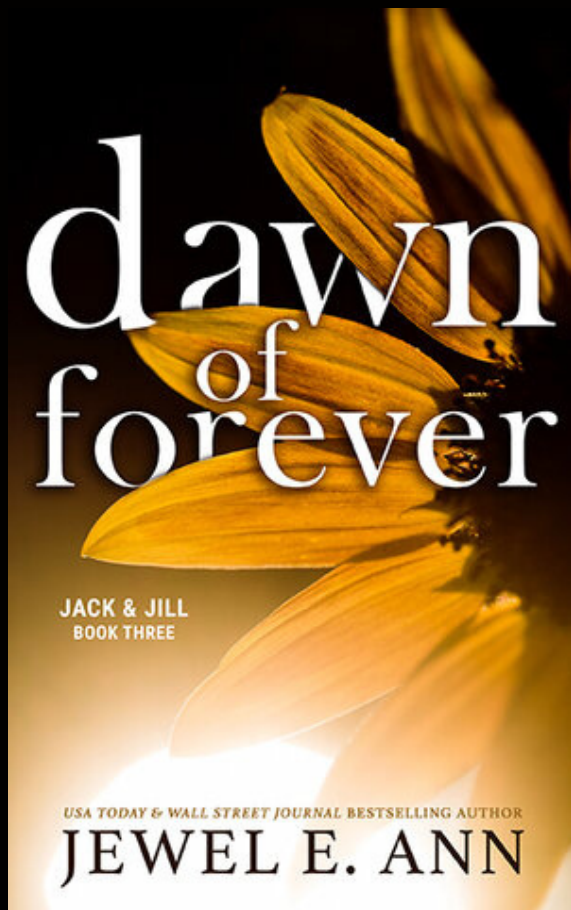
What could possibly go wrong?

While struggling to lay claim to the woman of the dreams he never had, Jackson is forced to deal with a grief-stricken Jillian trying to hold on to her past without letting go of her future—the doctor who took her heart and the Sergeant who gave her a new one.

Beyond the hope for light, lies the middle of darkness, the illusion of truth, and a haunting past.

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DAWN OF FOREVER (Jack & Jill Series Book 3)

'til death do us part.

Aric James Monaghan promised Jillian Knight Portland. With a heavy heart and a light bag, she travels to the West Coast for the man she loved. In a blink her worlds collide, holding her hostage to a past filled with lies, deceit, and revenge.

Four Caskets

Two Bodies

It all started with a boy and a girl—their tragic love story is shared through the eyes of the enemy.

Every word fades dreams and shatters memories as life slips away. Jillian needs a Knight, Jessica needs a miracle, and together they need a savior.

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ONE

Lake Jones has the perfect job, an addiction to binge-watching Netflix, and the world's ugliest cat. She's also a bit sexually-frustrated.

Until ...

Fate bestows a breath of mercy upon her in the form of Minnesota's NFL starting quarterback. But this gift is no stranger. Lake met Cage Monaghan three years earlier.

It was one day.

One moment.

One kiss that resurrected her dreams of finding love.

His dimpled smile distracts from his imperfections, which include: a love for country music, fishing, a fan club of fawning women, and public scrutiny.

It's starting to seem like, yet again, it's the wrong time for their story.

But when life finally gives them their chance, the chapter they write will be one wild ride.

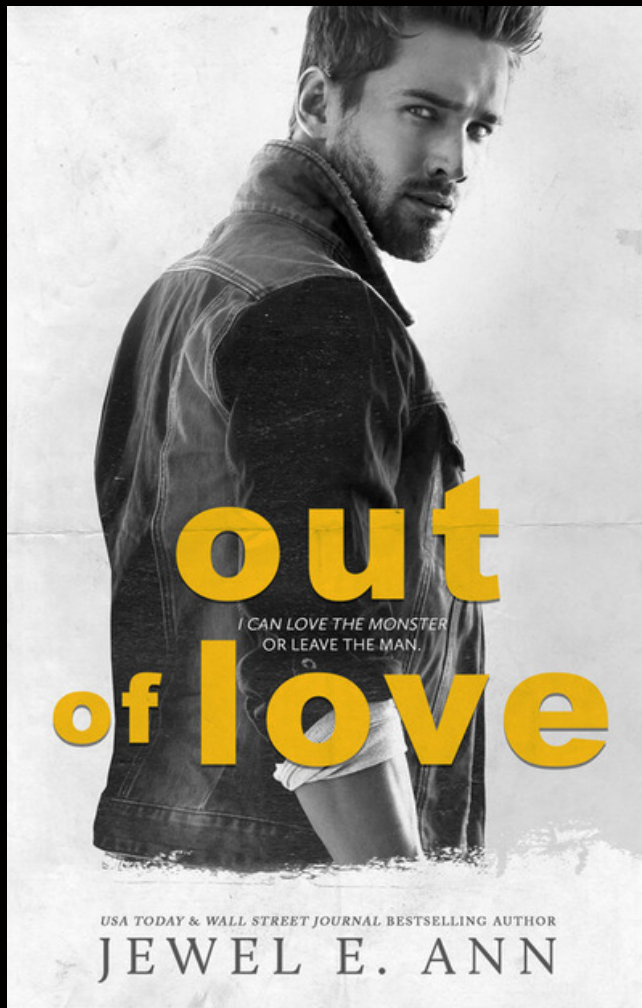
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OUT OF LOVE

Conspiracies. Corruption. Serial killers.

You name it—I'm fascinated by it. My mom always blamed my overly curious and highly suspicious mind on my dad. My incredibly overbearing dad. Mr. No One Is Good Enough For My Daughter has been terrifying my dates since I turned fifteen. College is my chance to be free from his control and date any guy I want.

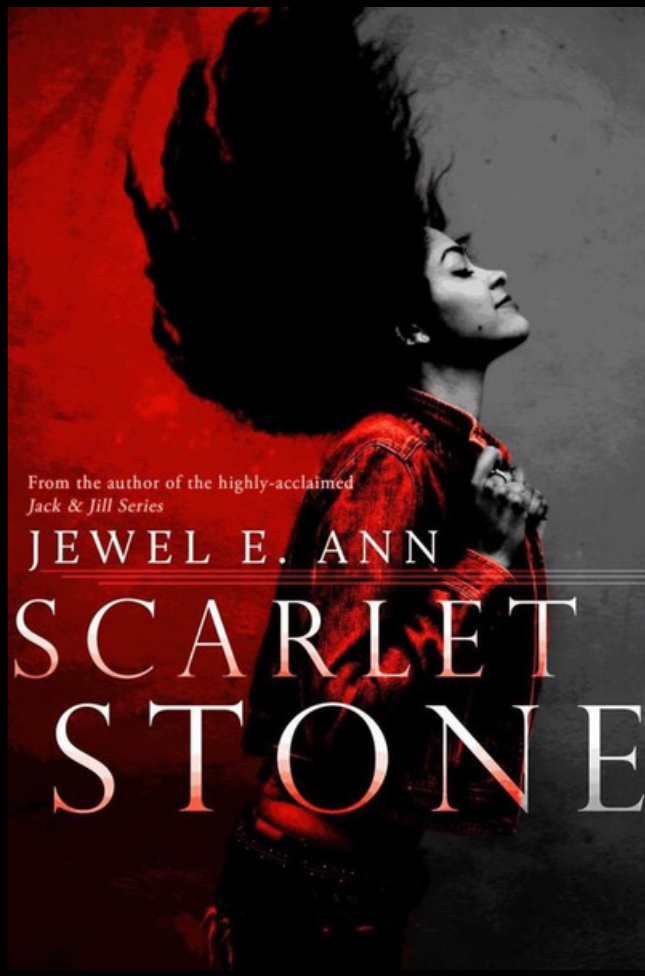
I'm absolutely certain he would hate Slade Wylder—almost as certain as I am that I do too. Since when have I shied away from trouble?

Slade fascinates me. He lives in a house I'm certain is haunted. His dog is trained as well as any guard I've ever seen. Rumor on campus is that he deals drugs. It would explain a lot.

But it doesn't explain why he saves me from my darkest moment. It doesn't explain why I can't stop thinking about him.

And the explanation I finally discover is far more dangerous than any rumor.

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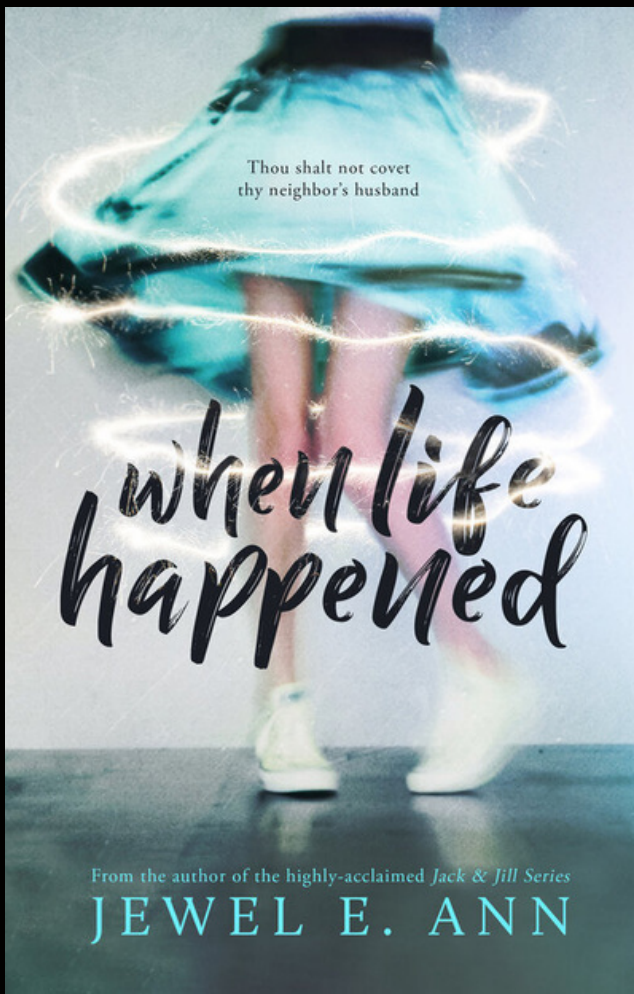
She is a third-generation thief.
He is the law.
Now they are roommates.
Who will survive?

Scarlet Stone has everything: a doting fiancé, a spacious London flat, and a legitimate job offer. In a single breath, everything becomes nothing, and she finds herself on a plane to Savannah, Georgia in search of the meaning of life. After securing a six-month lease for a beachfront house on Tybee Island, Scarlet changes the way she looks, thinks, eats—basically her entire outlook on life. She needs peace, but what she gets is a housemate who looks like Thor, acts like a warden, and smells her proximity like a Bloodhound.

Theodore Reed is a carpenter and perfectionist with a body built of steel, a black, hollow heart, and a hunger for revenge. He doesn't like company, girly-smelling crap, and British accents.

He resents every breath she takes.
She's fascinated by his every move.

In time, they discover their coexistence is toxic, their physical attraction is electric, the secrets they keep mean the difference between life and death, and the only truth they share is that everything is a lie.



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WHEN LIFE HAPPENED

Parker Cruse despises cheaters. It might have something to do with her boyfriend sleeping with her twin sister.

After a wedding day prank involving a strong laxative, that ends the already severed relationship between the twins, Parker decides to grow up and act twenty-six.

Step One: Move out of her parents' house.

Step Two: Find a job.

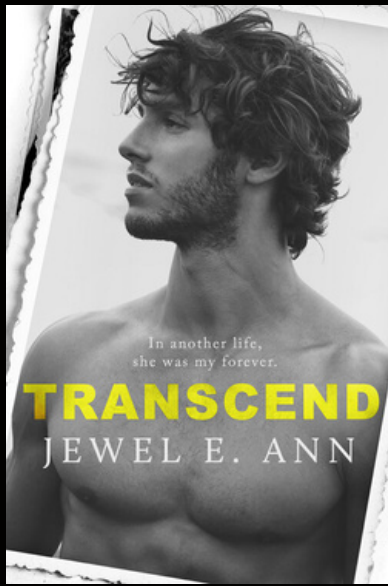
Opportunity strikes when she meets her new neighbor, Gus Westman. He's an electrician with Iowa farm-boy values and a gift for saying her name like it's a dirty word.

He also has a wife.

Sabrina Westman, head of a successful engineering firm, hires Parker as her personal assistant. Driven to be the best assistant ever, Parker vows to stay focused, walk the dog, go to the dry cleaners, and not kiss Gus—again.

Step Three: Don't judge.

Step Four: Remember—when life happens, it does it in a heartbeat.



TRANSCEND (Transcend Series Book 1)

“In another life, she was my forever.”

An unexpected tragedy leaves Professor Nathaniel Hunt a widower alone with a newborn baby. He hires a nanny. She’s young, but well-qualified, with a simple life, a crazy name obsession, and a boyfriend she met at the grocery store.

Over time, he discovers she knows things about him things that happened before she was born—like a hidden scar on his head, his favorite pizza, and how he cheated on a high school Spanish test.

She speaks familiar words and shares haunting memories that take him back to over two decades earlier when he lost his best friend in a tragic accident.

“I’m afraid of what’s going to happen when you realize I’m not her.”

Transcend is a sexy, mind-bending journey that uncovers possibilities, challenges beliefs, and begets the age-old question: is there life after death?

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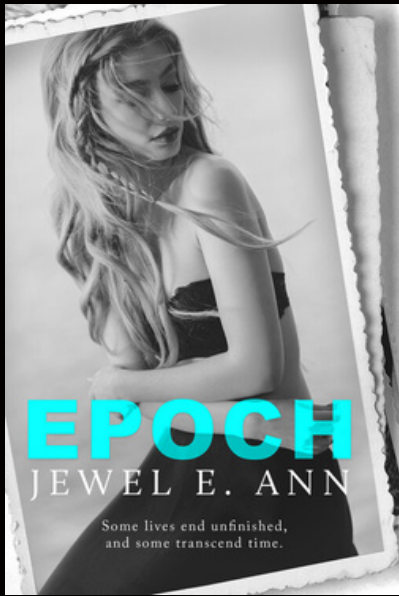
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EPOCH **(Transcend Series Book 2)**

Some lives end unfinished, and some transcend time.

After a horrific incident, Swayze finds herself trapped between two lives. Patchy memories and fear for her own safety thrust her into a gut-wrenching journey to uncover the truth.

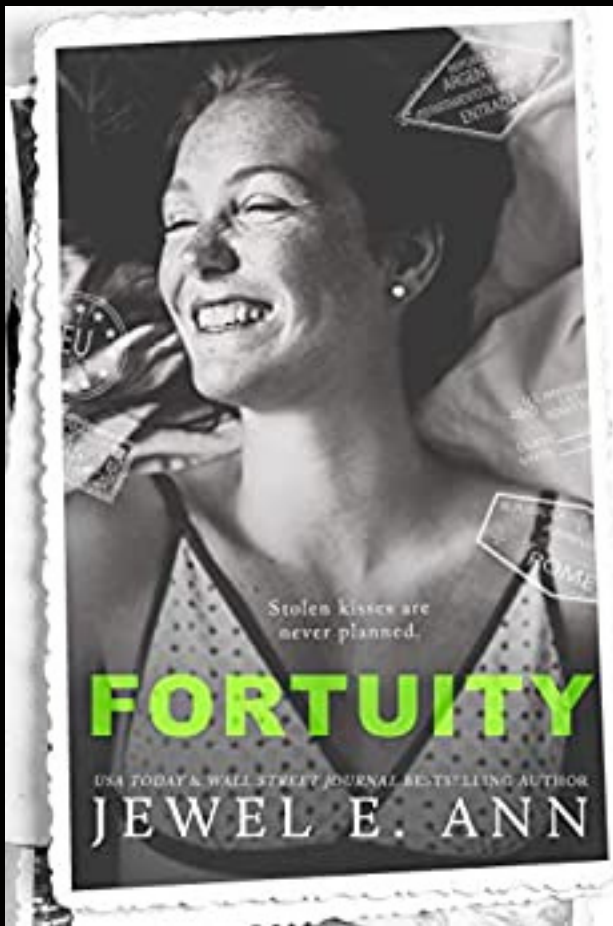
Will she let her dreams slip away to seek retribution and find the missing pieces to a puzzle that existed a lifetime ago?

"I'm not going to watch you self-destruct. I'm not going to watch you fall in love with another man."

Or will she discover the only truth that matters?

Epoch pushes the boundaries of what we believe and what we know. It redefines fate and proves that the only thing separating the heart and the soul is an infinite timeline.

"I think a part of you will be mine to love in every life."



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FORTUITY
(Transcend Series Book 3)

Forty-something Gracelyn Glock is living the dream.

No husband.

No retirement plan.

And since her self-imposed man-ban—no need to shave above her knees.

After a tragic accident, Gracelyn inherits her ten-year-old nephew. She signs a lease on a San Diego beach house and learns their neighbors for the summer are a sexy anatomy professor and his young daughter.

Professor Nathaniel Hunt has spent the last decade being a single dad ... and not having sex.

So when he discovers Gracelyn has a peculiar outdoor stripping ritual, a million inappropriate thoughts fill his responsible mind.

When kisses are stolen, man-bans are broken, and summer comes to an end, will hearts stay in one piece and hope stay alive? Or will saying goodbye destroy everything?



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LOOK THE PART

Flint Hopkins finds the perfect tenant to rent the space above his Minneapolis-based law office. All the t's are crossed and i's dotted on Ellen's application. Her references are good. And she's easy on the eyes.

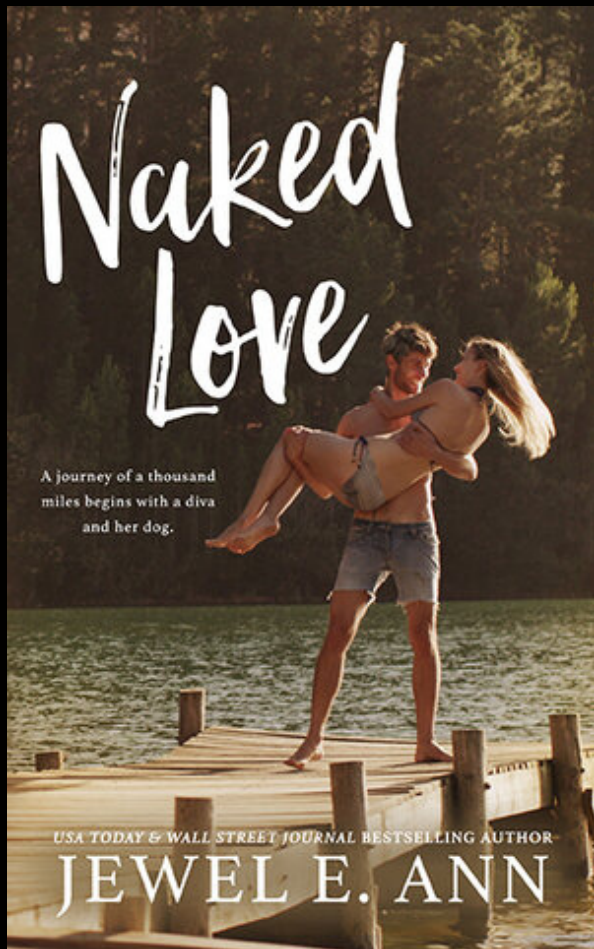
Until ...

Flint discovers Ellen Rodgers, Board-Certified Music Therapist, plays music. Bongos, guitars, singing—not Beethoven administered through noise-canceling headphones.

The cut-throat attorney serves up an eviction notice to the bubbly, constantly-humming redhead who's too sexy for her own good. But luck is on Ellen's side when Flint's autistic son, Harrison, takes an instant liking to her. A single dad can't compete with guitars—and rats. Yes, she has pet rats. This woman ...

She's annoyingly happy with a constant need to touch him—adjust his tie, button his shirt, invade his space, and mess with his mind. Still ... She must go.

Their lust-hate relationship escalates into something beautiful and tragic. This sexy, romantic-comedy explores the things we want, the things we need, and the impossible decisions parents and children make to survive.



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NAKED LOVE

Avery Montgomery is desperate and out of options.

Leaving her cheating boyfriend might be the right thing to do, but it leaves her without an apartment, a job, or a car that runs. How is a high-heeled diva supposed to live the life she wants when she can't even get her sister's dog back to California?

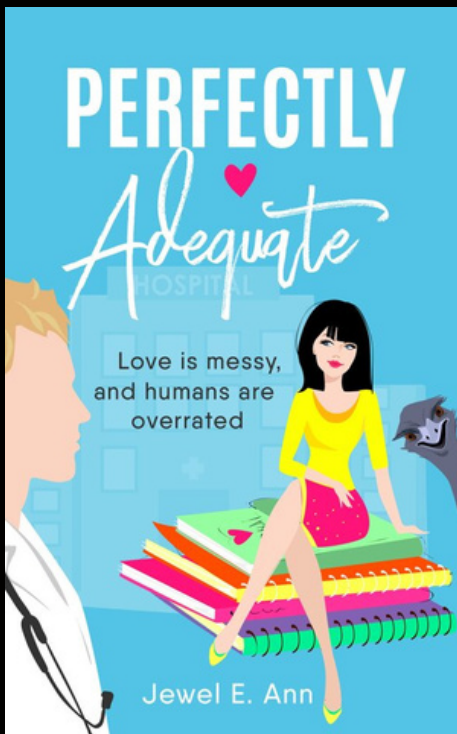
No amount of green juice will cleanse all her regrets.

Jake Matthews is not exactly ruthless, nor is he a saint. He's ready for his annual trek from Milwaukee to Los Angeles, a treasured long haul where he can get away from the pressures of owning restaurants. Camping under the stars is his idea of paradise.

Tent sleeping and bathing in a creek is not in Avery's wheelhouse, but desperate times and all that. Besides, how can she turn down the opportunity to needle the guy who can't stop mocking her?

Can a cross-country road trip strip Avery down to the only version of herself that matters?

PERFECTLY ADEQUATE



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Dorothy Mayhem is a nursing student, patient transporter, reckless driver, and emu owner. She knows she isn't like other girls. Neurotypical people are nothing if not predictable, though, and that's why she has made a hobby of studying their behavior through books and TV.

It helps her fit in with her peers when she can emulate them.

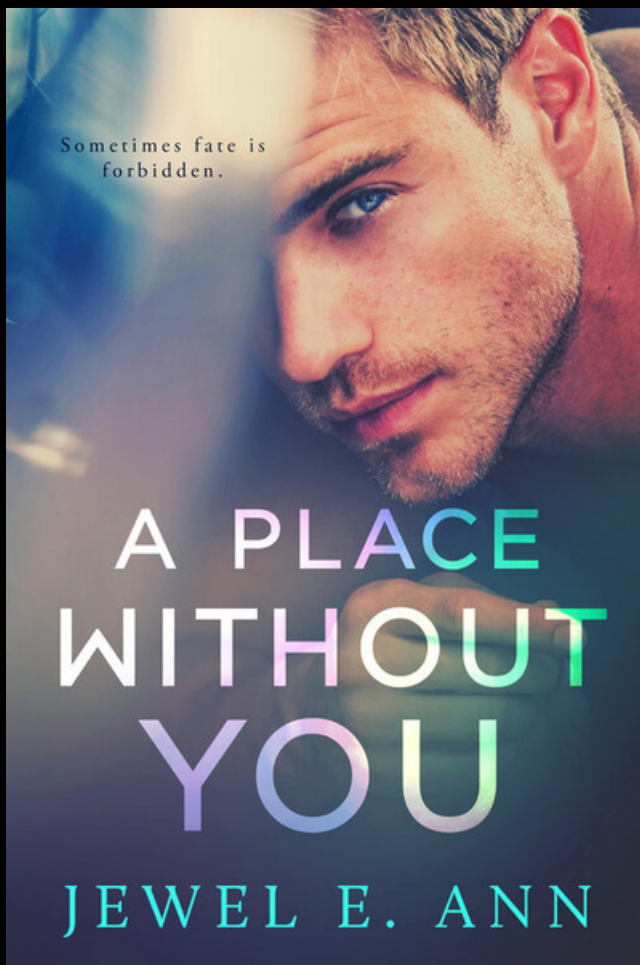
But nothing can prepare her for Dr. Elijah Hawkins.

He's a single dad. A brilliant pediatric oncologist. Widely agreed to be the sexiest doctor at the hospital. And entirely unpredictable.

Though getting to know the man behind the chiseled features and top-notch reputation would be her pleasure, Dorothy misunderstands one attempt after another to ask her out. Instead of dates with Elijah, she finds herself on a series of playdates with his son.

Roman is cute, sweet, and brings her unexpectedly closer to his father every day.

Dorothy Mayhem is about to find out that the only thing more unpredictable than a child—is love.



A PLACE WITHOUT YOU

She is his student.

Sometimes ... fate is forbidden.

Everything feels temporary when you've experienced tragedy—until Henna Lane meets Bodhi at a music festival. Young and spontaneous, they have a lust for seizing the moment, falling hard and fast. When Bodhi is forced to leave without a goodbye, Henna thinks she'll never get over him.

But then she meets Mr. Malone, her sexy, new guidance counselor.

They are reckless.

They are forbidden.

When their secret is discovered, Henna has to choose between finishing school—banned from seeing Mr. Malone—or dropping out to follow her nomad dreams.

Henna chooses her dreams.

Life is not a destination or a journey. Some things are more than temporary. Forbidden can never be ignored. But if she returns for him, will he still be hers?

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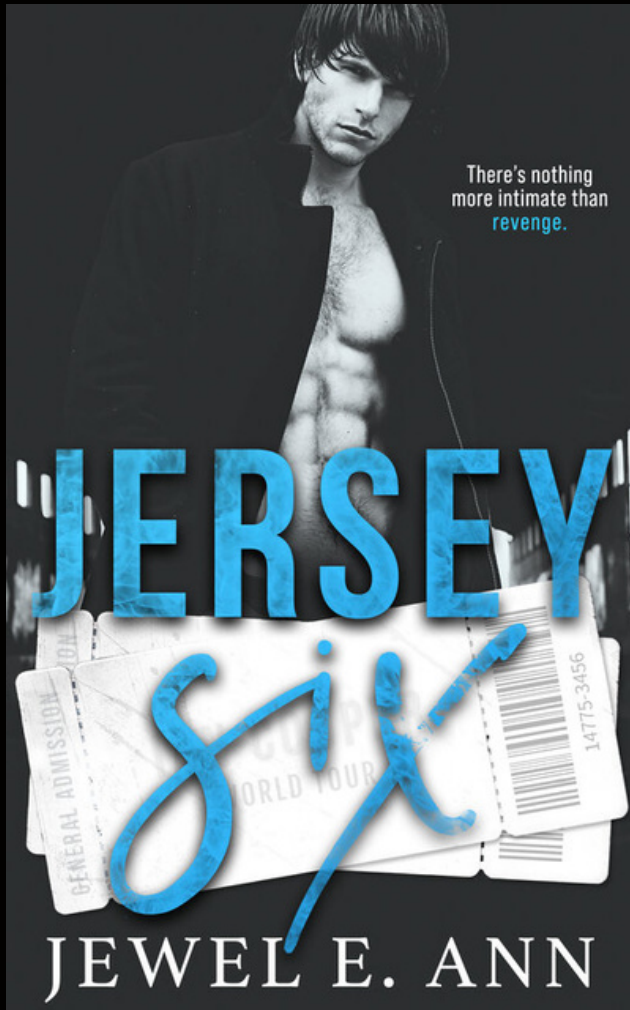
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JERSEY SIX



Jersey

I have nothing.
He took everything.
Now he's a rock star.

A chance encounter brings me face-to-face with Ian Cooper. Blind to the past, he only sees a poor girl who needs a job. Food. A pillow. I see opportunity. A doorway to revenge.

How far will I go? Can a homeless girl from Jersey infiltrate a rock star's world? Ruin his reputation? Will I crawl into his bed and risk everything to even the score? Will my heart survive what my soul needs to do? Or will the truth elude me, and let the one man I hate swallow my world all over again?

Ian

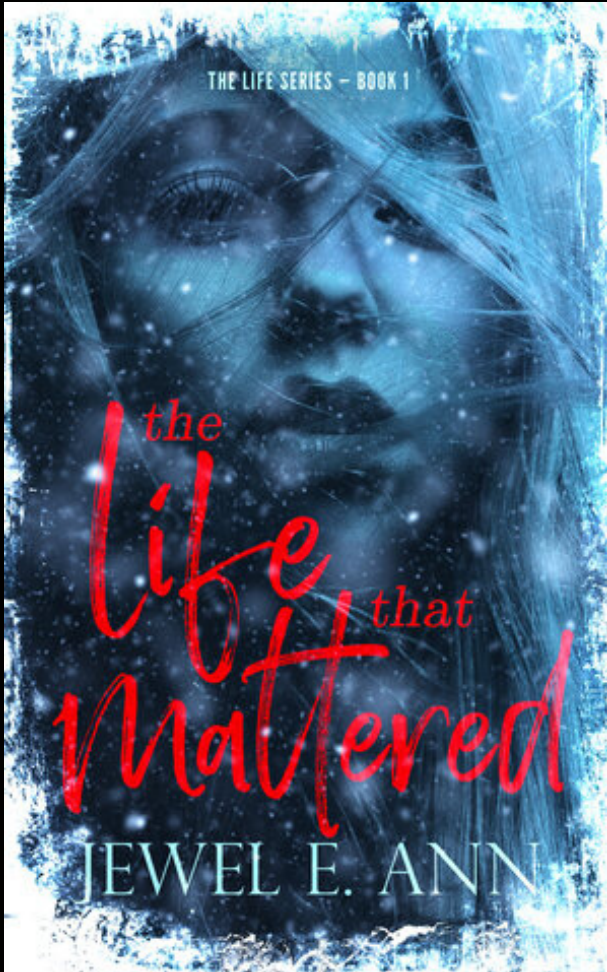
I want to show her the world.
Erase her horrible past.
But I have too many secrets.
She has too many demons.

Jersey can't see the truth ... and it's right in front of her.

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THE LIFE THAT MATTERED (Life Series Book 1)



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Are all lives worth saving?

Ronin Alexander's heart stops beating, but paramedics bring him back to life.

A life as a ski patroller.

An opportunity to pay it forward.

A chance to meet Evelyn Taylor at a cafe in Vancouver.

He falls hard and fast for the bath shop owner. Evelyn brings him into her world—a world where her two best friends are getting married.

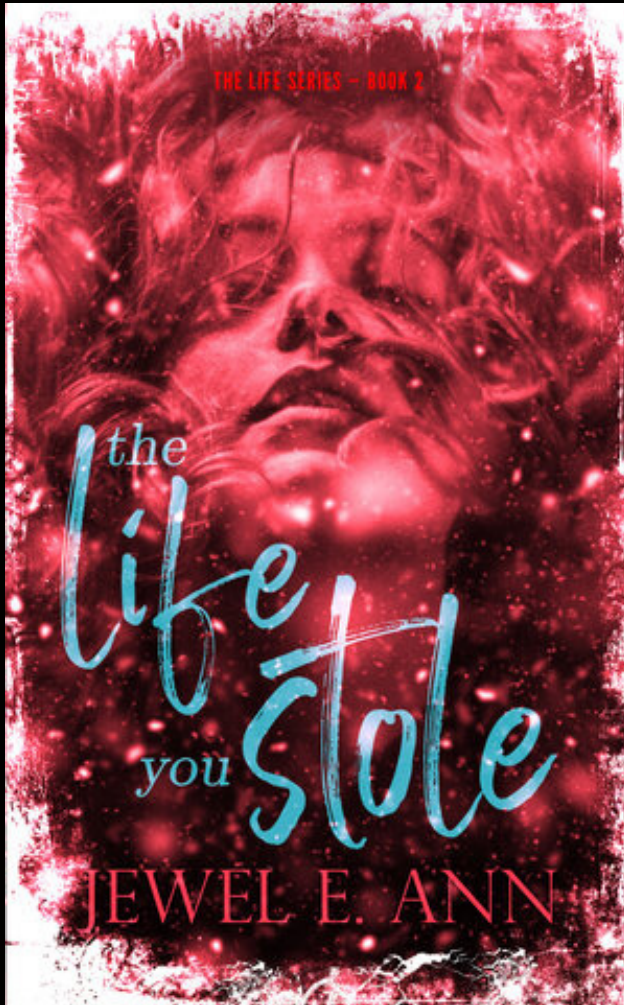
A world of wealth and politics.

A world of sex and lies where the lines between friendship blur.

A world where Ronin realizes he should have stayed dead.

Are you ready to step into another dimension with this mind-bending romance, a provocative story that pushes boundaries and tests the true meaning of love?

THE LIFE YOU STOLE (Life Series Book 2)



Sex. Lies. Revenge.

On the heels of a devastating loss, Evelyn fights to put her life back together.

Only ... part of her husband belongs to another woman, and the devil owns her soul.

"If you tell her the lie, I will tell her the truth."

When her best friend goes to great lengths to protect Evelyn from destruction and devastation, mistakes are made, lines are crossed, and all trust is shattered.

"We weren't unbreakable. I just needed to believe we weren't unrepairable."

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NOT WHAT I EXPECTED



Are humans meant to mate for life?

After four kids and an unfortunate but fateful end to her twenty-two-year marriage, Elsie Smith meets the new guy in town.

Kael Hendricks is ... a little younger, a lot sexy, and too confident for his own good. He also doesn't believe in marriage and all that goes with it.

And ...

He's just opened a new business that threatens the livelihood of Elsie's family's store—just in time for the holidays.

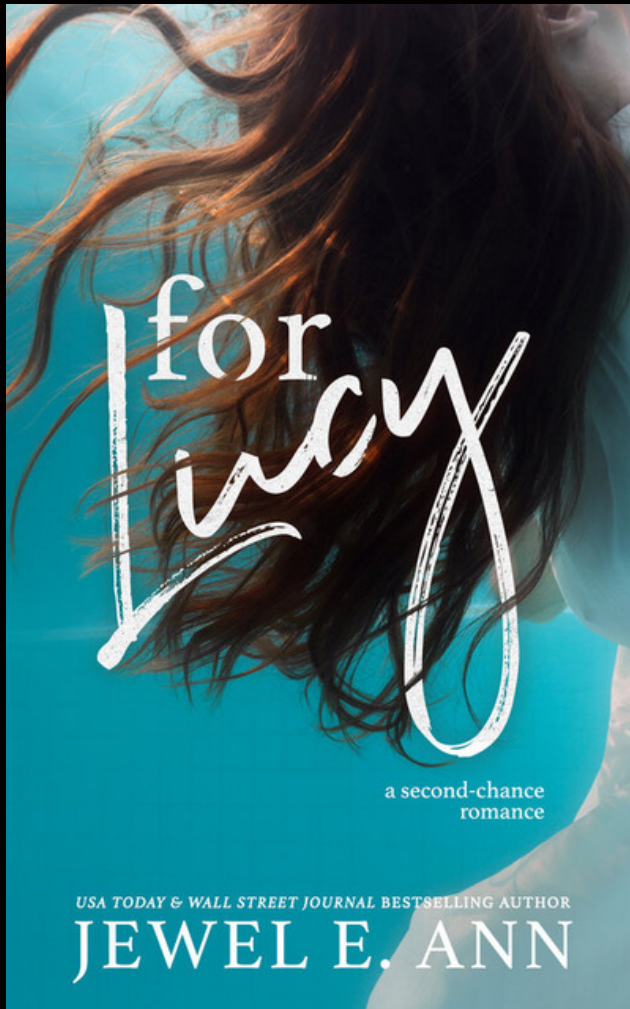
The problem?

There's an undeniable attraction that leads to out of control situations, a loss of inhibitions, and a lot of small town gossip.

As Elsie tries to redefine herself and convince her family she isn't having a midlife crisis, she's forced to answer the biggest question of all ...

Can she love an enemy who will never surrender?

FOR LUCY



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I'm the wrong guy in the right place the night I steal Tatum Bradshaw from another man. When she mistakes me for her blind date, I decide she deserves a man who shows up on time ... like me. Emmett Riley, Mr. Punctual.

Once I confess my true identity and convince her I'm not a creep—just a thief—it's only a matter of time before my sexy smile and quick wit claim her heart, her hand in marriage, and the perfect life.

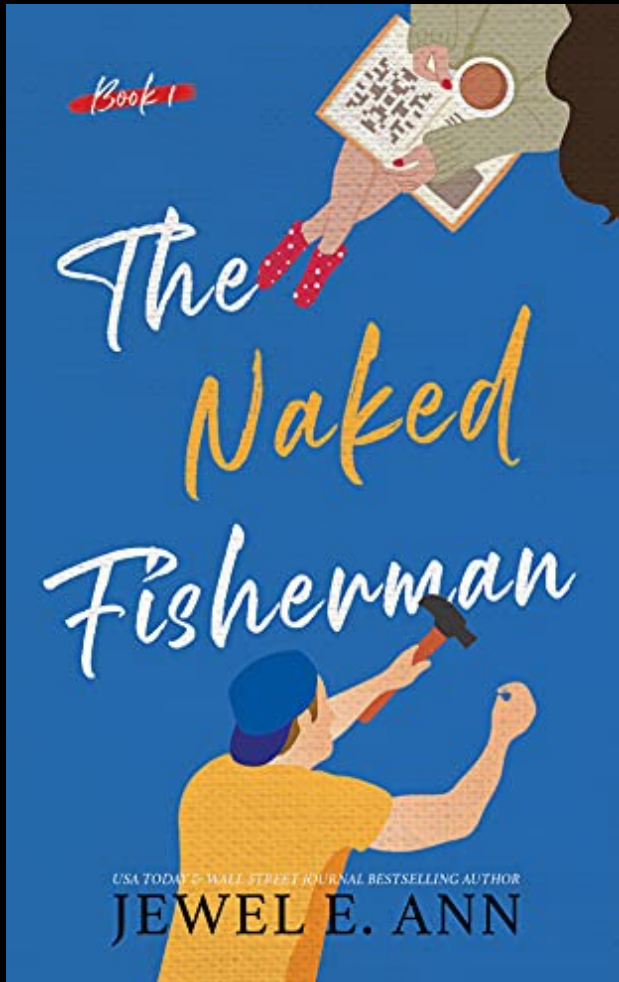
Unfortunately, perfection is an illusion, like the promises of our wedding vows. No one can prepare for the unimaginable—the heartbreaking exception to all the rules in life.

When thirty seconds destroys everything, I have to find a new existence and keep my promise to always love our daughter, Lucy, the most.

For Lucy, I will keep a secret, and I will watch my wife drift into the arms of another man.

Given the chance ... can I reclaim my wife and the pieces of our life?

THE NAKED FISHERMAN



It's official.

I'm eighteen and a young woman with endless possibilities on my way to reunite with my mom in Colorado after five years apart—she had a little weed incident in Nebraska.

At the airport, she springs the news on me ... she's leaving for a month of job training. And me? I'm left on my own in the basement she's renting from the fisherman, aka her landlord who lives upstairs.

He's ten years older than me. Never wears a shirt. And makes it hard to re-member all the things I learned at Christian Academy.

Did I mention he's also my new boss?

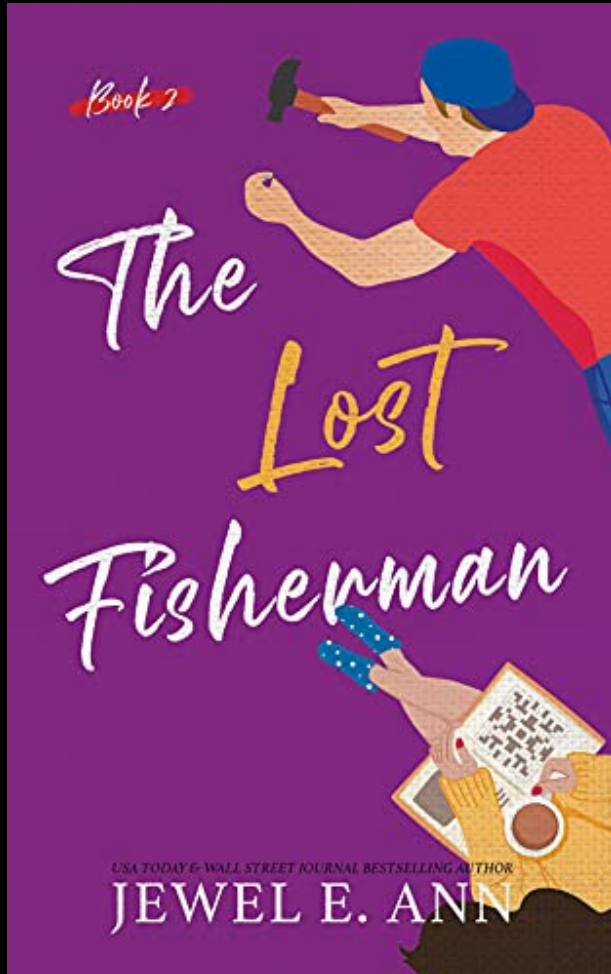
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THE LOST FISHERMAN



It's been five years since I've seen him. An unexpected event takes me back to the place where it all began.

But I'm no longer the naive young woman he once knew. And he's no longer the man who took nearly everything from me.

Can this be our time? Or is it too late?

Did I find myself only to lose him?

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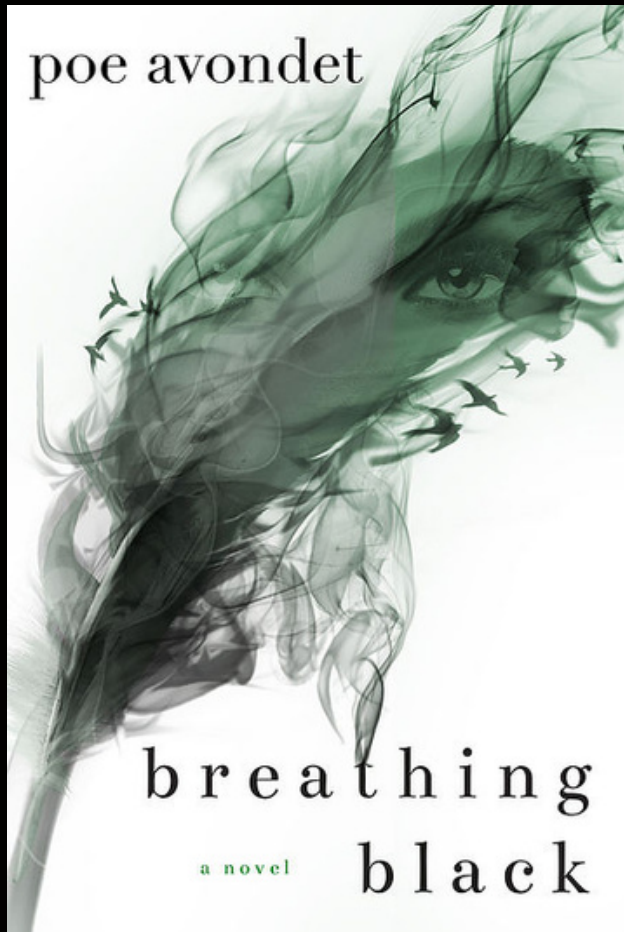
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BREATHING BLACK

(Black & White Duet – Book 1)



GRITTY. INTENSE. EMOTIONALLY HONEST. A stunning debut novel that will leave you breathless.

A desolate childhood; a scarred, jaded, damaged girl. Larkin Grant knew she couldn't end up like her mother ... so she ran. All her belongings packed in the back of a rusted, brown Cadillac, her best friend June in the passenger seat as the co-pilot, she fled Aspen and never looked back.

A new life in a new city, Larkin was finally starting to breathe again, an unfamiliar sense of happiness seeping into her lungs. Landon Black, the boy she loved from afar, came back into her life despite leaving him and her awful memories buried hundreds of miles away. A weakened pulse brought back to life.

He said she was beautiful. She was starting to believe him. He pursued her and changed the course of everyone's plans. Life had dealt Larkin a cruel hand, but maybe this was it. Maybe the boy that never knew she existed finally saw her and came to free her from the darkness of her past.

But we are never truly free. There are secrets that bind us and lies that unravel from the most beautiful of lips. Blackness that suffocates and makes us question everything we thought we knew. Larkin and Landon are intertwined in ways they never imagined, their future unclear as ghosts come back to haunt them.

Friendship. Revenge. Love. Drugs. Murder. Deceit.

The first in a two-book series, Breathing Black is a mix of suspense and breathless romance. It's a provocative tale that challenges what one is willing to do to protect the ones they love. An emotional journey where trust isn't an option and falling in love never hurt so bad.

WHITE LIES

(Black & White Duet – Book 2)

ADDICTIVE. HEART POUNDING. RAW.

The thrilling finale to The Black and White Duet, WHITE LIES takes you on an intense ride full of twisted love and all-consuming revenge. A provoking saga where everyone has an agenda and secrets to burn.

What started out as a too-good-to-be-true romance turned into Larkin Grant's biggest nightmare, leaving her with more scars than before. Determined to balance the scales, she sacrifices everything and flees to Aspen, ready to face her past and bury it once and for all.

WHITE LIES is a journey of survival, unraveling deceit, and a love fighting to hold on. You think you know ... but things aren't always black and white.





Jamie Nash

Jamie Nash is a professional screenwriter of fan-favorite horror and family films such as **Nickelodeon's SantaHunters** and **Tiny Christmas**. He has written graphic novels for Dynamite Comics and enjoys teaching screenwriting at John Hopkins, the Maryland Institute College of the Arts, and Towson University. Jamie is also the author of **Save the Cat! Writes for TV**, which is currently a best-seller in screenwriting on Amazon and is projected to sell around twenty thousand copies this year.

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MONSTER STOMPERS

by Jamie Nash

MONSTER STOMPERS tells the story of Parker, a spunky kid who thinks big, all in the name of making friends. As a seasoned screenwriter for Nickelodeon, Nash has a natural talent for capturing the voice of middle schoolers with a combination of humor and heart. MONSTER STOMPERS will appeal to fans of *James Patterson's Middle School* series and **The Last Kids on Earth** series by *Max Brallier*.

Seventh grade is tough, but making friends is tougher.

Twelve-year-old PARKER WENDELL has always moved from town to town, which makes it impossible to fit in and even harder to make friends. Landing in the tiny town of Corkville has proved no different. After six months, Parker still eats lunch at the uncool table, gets picked last for kickball, and spends his free time alone with his only real BFF—his video game console.

When an army of Godzilla monsters is spotted in the Pacific, the world goes into immediate lockdown and kids everywhere are stuck at home with lame parents who insist on limiting screen time, having awkward heart-to-hearts about feelings, and making them eat kale salads. But as global chaos ensues, Parker has an epic idea. If he can save the world from monster paranoia and his entire seventh grade class from cabin fever—he'll go from zero to hero.

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MONSTER STOMPERS CONT.

With the help of his classmate, MARLEY, Parker sets out to build a giant robo-guardian from rusty old parts found in the local junkyard. Marley is a robotics whiz who eats, sleeps, and breathes battlebots, and she loves a good challenge. But when MORLOCK, the masked mastermind behind the evil creatures, catches wind of Parker's Monster Stomper, he issues an ultimatum to the world: Pay up or be stomped!

With the clock ticking and Corkville targeted as squash zone zero, Parker inspires the rest of his videogame-junkie classmates to put down their controllers and help with the massive robot construction. Working together, they use abandoned school buses for legs, wrecking balls for fists, and an old motor home for a head where Parker and Marley man the controls in the Star Trek-esque cockpit.

An IMAX-sized battle ensues when Morlock sends a crocodile-faced beast to battle the Monster Stomper inside the world's largest roller coaster park. Despite the Stomper's malfunctioning systems, Parker uses his videogame skills to defeat the monster, but Morlock unleashes his rogues' gallery of Kaiju on the town and captures the Stomper before the kids have a chance to fight back.

As Parker and Marley search for the Stomper and prepare to face Morlock's strongest, most high-tech creature in a robo-y-robo deathmatch, Parker is faced with a tough call. In order to save the world, he must sacrifice the Monster Stomper and risk losing his hero status, along with the new friendships he's made. When his friends ultimately stick by his side, Parker learns being a leader is about more than just being popular. It's about doing what's right.

MONSTER STOMPERS is a 50,000 word MG adventure novel with series potential that is perfect for television and film.



Audrey Guzman

Audrey grew up inspired by magic and fairytales. Turning tropes on their head and subverting expectations, she excels at creating a world of magic, mystery, and adventure for readers of all ages.

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LOST MAGIC

by Audrey Guzman

LOST MAGIC is a 51,000 word middle-grade debut fantasy/adventure novel centering around an unlikely friendship between a tenacious, mistreated orphan and a powerful sorcerer. The story blends action, humor, and heart as the unlikely pair embark on a journey to find a cure for the curse that has stolen the sorcerer's memories—and his ability to do magic! LOST MAGIC will appeal to fans of *Sarah Prineas' Magic Thief* series and *Natalie Llyod's Over the Moon*.

The children in Blandings Orphanage rarely grow up. Neglected and abused, most die before they reach adulthood. When they perish, they are tossed aside and promptly forgotten. Dreading a similar fate, Winnie is a girl looking for a way out. So, when a charismatic sorcerer known as The Magician visits the macabre town of Blandings, Winnie humbly requests that he take her on as his apprentice. Touched by her sincerity and lack of selfish desires, The Magician gifts Winnie his spell book, telling her she can only be his protégé if she learns how to read it.

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LOST MAGIC CONT.

Seven years later, Winnie remains illiterate and has been kicked out of her orphanage. Forced to live at her employer's tailor shop, Winnie is worked to the bone day and night. But when shadow creatures attack the shop and The Magician saves her life, it's revealed that he has been placed under a curse that ages his body and impedes his memory. For the curse to be broken, Winnie must overcome her self-doubt and help The Magician locate long-lost friends with the power to help.

Winnie and The Magician travel across the land searching for ways to restore his lost magic. But the pair ultimately discover the source of the curse is more sinister than they first thought, threatening not only his magic but their very lives.

Audrey Guzman is a member of the SCBWI, a first-generation Latina American, daughter of Cuban immigrants, and a proud member of the LGBTQ+ community. Audrey works with disadvantaged high schoolers and helps them apply and prepare for college while also attending Adler University to earn her M.A. in Clinical Mental Health.

Kate Boudreaux

Kate specializes in authentic Southern storytelling that draws from her family's generational experiences of thriving in the river bottoms of East Texas for the past 153 years. Her work has placed in the William Faulkner Literary Competition, and she is proud to serve as Rights Manager for Maximus Literary.

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BACKWATER

by Kate Boudreaux

Set in the swampy river bottom separating Texas and Louisiana, BACKWATER is upmarket women's fiction exploring the idea of trading worldly success for the unexpected joy of the path less traveled. With its strong regional emphasis and connection to nature, this novel puts a modern spin on *Thomas Hardy's Far From the Madding Crowd* and is sure to appeal to fans of *Delia Owens*, *Catherine Marshall*, and *Larry McMurtry*.

Naturopathic Doctor Sunday Frederick can't seem to shake her backwater roots. After years of rubbing elbows with Austin's elite, she jumps at the chance to practice natural medicine in her beloved hometown and escape the concrete jungle in favor of a simpler life with fiancé Jeffrey Frost. But returning to the sleepy East Texas community of Old Salem with a fast-talking fiancé in tow proves more of a challenge than Sunday ever expected.

After one look at the Frederick family's twenty-thousand-acre estate, Jeffrey has big dreams of converting the historic property into a prosperous game ranch. But when his ambitions threaten to drive a wedge between Sunday and her close-knit kin, she struggles to balance his desires for their future with the best interests of her family and the surrounding community—a fight that is further complicated when she is called away on a special wildcrafting assignment in the swampy, mosquito-infested river bottom of her youth.

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BACKWATER CONT.

To her dismay, hometown rebel, Eli LeBlanc, is tasked to serve as Sunday's guide while hosting her at his dilapidated houseboat. With his crude manners and outlaw ways, Eli hasn't changed a bit since high school, and Sunday has better things to do than answer his prying questions about her personal affairs. But as the days pass and the balmy night air is filled with the sound of crickets and softly rushing water, there's a freedom and hospitality to river life that can alter a girl's priorities and open her heart. With her wedding to Jeffrey only weeks away, and the future of her family's estate resting on her shoulders, Sunday finds herself torn between everything she thought she wanted and everything she can't live without.

Told in an authentic Southern voice, *BACKWATER* draws on the author's generational experiences of thriving in the East Texas river bottom for the past 153 years. Kate grew up sitting around the campfire absorbing tales of hunting, fishing, working, and struggling to carve out a life in a place where nothing comes easily. With eccentricities ranging from humorous to gritty, the region hosts a unique blend of cowboy and Cajun culture, which makes for great storytelling. Raised by a naturopathic doctor herself, Kate offers an accurate depiction of alternative medicine, as well as a unique perspective into the rarely seen and often misunderstood culture of river people and their deep connection to the backwater they call home. In a world where gentrification has become the status quo, this novel shines a much-needed light on the struggle of rural communities everywhere to retain not only their cultural identity, but the environment on which it depends.

DRIFTWOOD DIARY

by Kate Boudreaux

After escaping the grasp of a charismatic cult leader, Max Fontaine learns to navigate the murky waters of morality and make the ultimate choice between the revenge she wants and the redemption she needs.

Eden Island—a reclusive community in the Gulf of Mexico—is the perfect escape from the constraints of society. Secluded, tropical, and lush, some would call it a modern-day Utopia. But all beautiful things come with a price: Islanders must abide by the merciless doctrines of charismatic leader Jude Delacroix while he lines his pockets at their expense.

Skeptical by nature, Max Fontaine has spent the last decade struggling to accept the blind faith of Eden's followers, especially the idea that their bodies are not their own. When Max falls victim to an unexpected pregnancy, she finally rejects the island's dark practices and hatches a plan to escape Eden—or die trying. But leaving results in a violent confrontation with Jude, and Max is left floating in a sea of her own blood.

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DRIFTWOOD DIARY CONT.

Relying on her wits and fueled by revenge, Max defies the odds and makes it to safety only to be snubbed by the local authorities when they are told of Jude's sinister ways. Angry and betrayed, Max is desperate for help. But with no money, no family, and no home, Max resorts to living among the dead. Situated at the far end of Galveston island, the tiny concrete mausoleum inside the Claiborne family cemetery is the perfect place to hide—at least until the owner finds out.

Cash Claiborne may be the long arm of the law, but the decorated Texas Ranger has a soft spot for Max. When he discovers her dire situation, his protective nature and lust for justice evolves into taking down the cult that tried to kill her. As the pair work closely together, Cash becomes the one person Max can finally rely on, and she falls hard for the man behind the badge. But when their plan takes an unexpected turn, Max is left feeling like a failure and even worse—a traitor. With the line between right and wrong blurred beyond recognition, she must discern what's truly important before it's too late.

DRIFTWOOD DIARY is upmarket women's fiction that will appeal to fans of *Alex Garland's **The Beach*** and *Leah Remini's **Scientology and the Aftermath***.



Maren Soderbeck

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BROKEN

by Maren Soderbeck

BROKEN is a contemporary YA novel about a teenage boy resorting to substance abuse when he's unable to overcome his traumatic past, perfect for fans of Amber Smith's **The Last to Let Go**, S.E. Hinton's **The Outsiders**, or the television show **Shameless**. Soderbeck delves into complicated family dynamics that are heartbreakingly real and explores substance abuse and PTSD through lyrical, captivating prose.

Sixteen-year-old Tyler Lawrence never wanted to be an alcoholic. But growing up on the wrong side of town with a neglectful addict for a mother, Tyler is simply a product of his environment. He and his three siblings have banded together to make sure they kept a roof over their heads and food on the table. However, when Mom's latest fling becomes a permanent fixture in the house, things go south fast.

After a particularly violent encounter with the man, Tyler and his younger sisters are placed in separate foster homes. Tyler is devastated and initially reluctant to open up to his new foster parents, Wendy and Scott, their teenage daughter Claire, and 4-year-old foster child Lizzie.

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When it becomes clear that returning home and reuniting with his siblings isn't going to happen any time soon, Tyler slowly begins to accept their kindness. But in doing so, Tyler's new life shines a painful spotlight on his former dysfunctional one, forcing him to realize the extent of the mental and physical abuse he endured throughout his childhood.

Unsure how to ask for help with his PTSD, Tyler turns to alcohol. What was once a fun, rebellious act, becomes an unhealthy coping mechanism. Unable to process his feelings and unsure about the direction of his future, Tyler's drinking quickly spirals out of control, sending him on a dangerous, self-destructive path.

After Tyler's brother wins custody and the children are able to finally return home, memories of the past are everywhere and Tyler can feel himself sinking. His time with the foster family gave him a glimpse of what his life could be like, and Tyler wants nothing more than to put the broken pieces of his life back together. Left with a choice between numbing the pain or facing it head-on, Tyler realizes that accepting the help he needs is the hardest part of all.