



Dear Dumb Diary Year Two #2: The Super-Nice Are Super-Annoying

Jim Benton

Summary

Do NOT read Jamie Kelly's top-secret diaries!

"Sometimes it amazes me how ingenious I am about everything." --Jamie Kelly

We've been with Jamie Kelly through her search for inner beauty, poofy bridesmaid dresses, and desperate attempts to make money during summer vacation. Along the way, she's left us with countless gems of snarky wisdom, such as: "If somebody ever asks you to kick her in the face, the first thing she will do is forget that she asked you to do it," and "As long as you keep laughing at how dumb something is, you can secretly enjoy it without risking your cool."

Now Jamie's upcoming diaries have a fresh look and a fun twist. It's Dear Dumb Diary: Year Two! The diary entries are still laugh-out-loud funny -- but this is a whole new beginning. Everything is another year dumber!

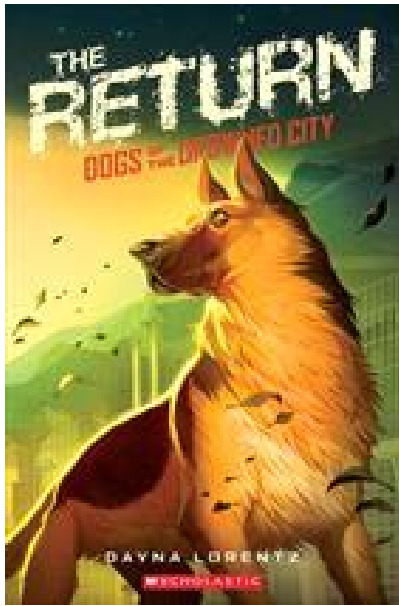
(But Jamie STILL has no idea that anybody is reading her diary. So please, please, please don't tell her.)

Author Bio

Jim Benton is a New York Times bestselling author and the creator of many licensed properties, including It's Happy Bunny. He's created a kids' TV series, designed clothing, and written books, such as the Franny K. Stein series and the bestselling Dear Dumb Diary series. Jim lives in Michigan with his spectacular wife and kids. Visit him online at www.jimbenton.com.

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Dogs of the Drowned City #3: The Return

Dayna Lorentz

Summary

The thrilling Dogs of the Drowned City adventure concludes!

Shep and his pack have survived a terrible storm and fought off a pack of vicious wild dogs. Now the dog pack must face their greatest challenge yet: finding their way back to their families.

Now that the humans have returned to the city, Shep knows he wants to find his boy. But there are so many other dogs to help, and so many dangers along the way. Worst of all is Shep's fear -- now that he's learned to live Outside, will he be able to find happiness again as a pet?

Author Bio

Dayna Lorentz has shared her life with many pets of various species, but self-identifies as a dog person (just don't tell her cat!). She lives in Vermont with her husband, daughter, two rescued pug mixes, and a rescued Maine coon cat. Dogs of the Drowned City is her first series. Visit her online at www.daynalorentz.com.

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City



Into the Volcano

Don Wood

Summary

The action-packed graphic novel from bestselling Caldecott artist Don Wood, now in paperback!

The volcano is erupting, and brothers Sumo and Duffy are trapped inside a deep lava tube--almost certain death. How did they get here? A vacation "hike" turned out to be a cut-throat search for their missing family fortune.

In a wildly dangerous twist of events, the boys try to escape--but rivers of lava are blocking their exit! The remote island of Kocalaha is threatening to explode at any minute. Will the boys survive?

Don Wood's rip-roaring adventure keeps readers hooked and turning the pages in this cinematic graphic novel that garnered outstanding critical acclaim. As one reviewer wrote about this book, "the American Library Association will either have to start handing Caldecott Medals over to comic books or create an entirely new award for them."

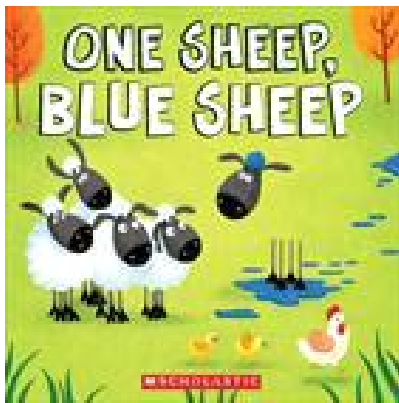
Into the Volcano is a rollercoaster read for all ages by an internationally acclaimed artist who has created scores of bestselling picture books published in more than twenty languages around the globe.

Author Bio

Don Wood is the internationally beloved illustrator of numerous classics such as THE NAPPING HOUSE; KING BIDGOOD'S IN THE BATHTUB; QUICK AS A CRICKET; and JUBAL'S WISH. He and his wife, Audrey, live in an off-grid, untamed area of Hawaii with their two dogs, two goats, and twenty chickens. Much of the scenery in this book was taken from their island.

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One Sheep, Blue Sheep

Thom Wiley, Ben Mantle

Summary

Learn counting and colors in this board book about five silly sheep!

Read and laugh as five sheep with fleece as white as snow become one red sheep, one blue sheep, one yellow sheep, one green sheep, and one purple sheep until the whole flock is an array of colors!

With this simple board book, children will be able to change the color of the sheep on each spread through inventively placed die-cuts! They will also learn to count from one to five in this silly story that ends, of course, with the farmer shearing the sheep to create his multicolored scarf!

With die-cuts on every page!

Author Bio

Thom Wiley has written several books for children, including *Dino Parade!* and *Farm Parade!* He lives in New York City with his family.

Ben Mantle has illustrated numerous books for children. He lives in London, England.

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Board book

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Beauty Queens

Libba Bray

Summary

From blockbuster YA author Libba Bray, a desert island classic

Survival. Of the fittest.

The fifty contestants in the Miss Teen Dream Pageant thought this was going to be a fun trip to the beach, where they could parade in their state-appropriate costumes and compete in front of the cameras. But sadly, their airplane had another idea, crashing on a desert island and leaving the survivors stranded with little food, little water, and practically no eyeliner.

What's a beauty queen to do? Continue to practice for the talent portion of the program - or wrestle snakes to the ground? Get a perfect tan - or learn to run wild? And what should happen when the sexy pirates show up?

Welcome to the heart of non-exfoliated darkness. Your tour guide? None other than Libba Bray, the hilarious, sensational, Printz Award-winning author of *A Great and Terrible Beauty* and *Going Bovine*. The result is a novel that will make you laugh, make you think, and make you never see beauty the same way again.

Author Bio

Libba Bray is the author of the 2010 Printz Award winning *Going Bovine*, and the acclaimed Gemma Doyle trilogy. She lives in Brooklyn, New York.

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The What We Remember, What We Forget: The Best Young Writers and Artists in America

David Levithan

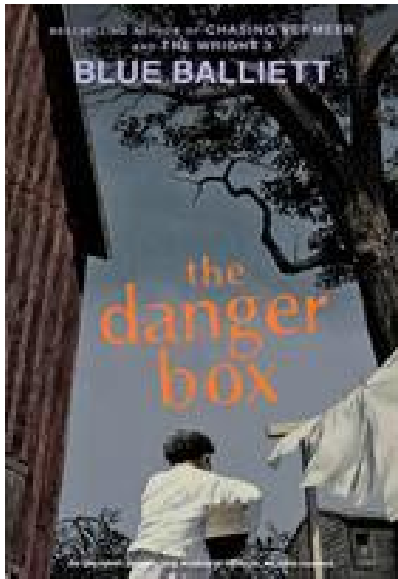
Summary

The best art and writing from the most talented students across the country.

Every year, the Scholastic Art and Writing Awards receive thousands of entries from all over the country. To celebrate the 10th anniversary of the PUSH anthologies, here are the best of the best, from 2008 through 2011. Every one has a story to tell, captured on film or translated into poetry. And every one has a vision to share, smoothed on a canvas or scribbled on paper. This must-read offers a glimpse into the future of art and literature, as only the creators of that future could share.

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The Danger Box

Blue Balliett

Summary

An all-new mystery from the bestselling author of *Chasing Vermeer* and *The Calder Game*!

A boy in a small town who has a different way of seeing.
 A curious girl who doesn't belong.
 A mysterious notebook.
 A missing father.
 A fire.
 A stranger.
 A death.

These are some of the things you'll find within *The Danger Box*, the new mystery from bestselling author Blue Balliett.

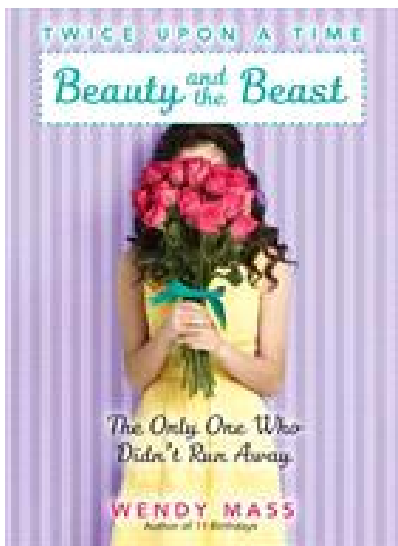
Open with care.

Author Bio

Blue Balliett's first novel, *Chasing Vermeer*, was a Book Sense Book of the Year and an Edgar Award winner. Kirkus Reviews called *The Wright 3* "another tour de force blending art, math, philosophy, history and literature." And when *The Calder Game* appeared, Publishers Weekly said (in a starred review) that "Balliett outdoes herself with this ambitious novel." Blue writes in the laundry room of her...

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Twice Upon a Time #3: Beauty and the Beast, the Only One Who Didn't Run Away

Wendy Mass

Summary

Wendy Mass tells the story of Beauty and the Beast, as never heard before!

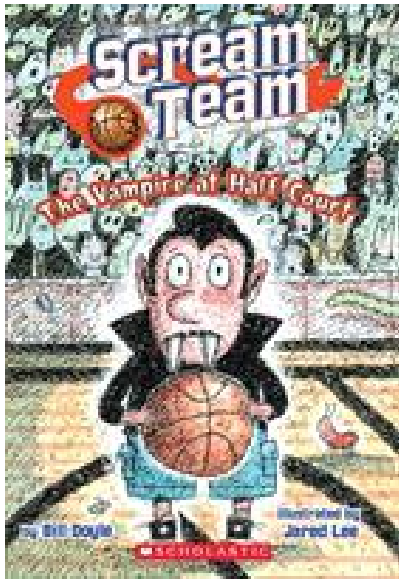
Beauty is sweet, but not a pretty face (her name is the joke of her life), and Prince Riley is nice but all arms and legs. Both are used to playing second fiddle to their older (more talented and good looking) siblings. After a fateful meeting in the woods with a witch who turns Riley into a beast (and his parents and brother invisible), his family has two months to find a girl who will willingly dance with him or the spell will remain. After Beauty's father picks a rose from the castle grounds, Riley's family makes Riley demand that the man deliver one of his daughters as punishment. Beauty volunteers, and after arriving at the castle which seems to be haunted, she and Riley eventually befriend each other and come together to thwart the evil witch so that she can't turn anyone else into a beast.

Author Bio

Wendy Mass is the author of the award-winning books for readers *A MANGO-SHAPED SPACE*, *LEAP DAY*, *JEREMY FINK AND THE MEANING OF LIFE*, *HEAVEN LOOKS A LOT LIKE THE MALL*, *EVERY SOUL A STAR*, *THE CANDYMAKERS*, *11 BIRTHDAYS*, *FINALLY*, and the *Twice Upon a Time* series. She tells people her hobbies are photography and hiking, but they're really collecting candy bar wrappers and searching for buried treasure ...

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 Series: Twice Upon a Time



Scream Team #2: Vampire at Half Court

Bill Doyle, Jared D. Lee

Summary

Watching this team of misfit monsters is a scream!

Basketball season has begun for the Scream Team but Dennis the Vampire can't seem to get any playing time. That may not be a problem for much longer because if the Scream Team can't find a sponsor, they're going to be kicked out of the league. But how can any monster trust Dennis when he's seen meeting with the Vampire Team? During the championship game, Dennis earns everyone's trust back with a stellar performance. The crowd all chips in to help sponsor the scrappy Scream Team.

Author Bio

Bill Doyle is the author of several books for young readers, including the Behind Enemy Lines series, the Crime Through Time series, and the Henry and Keats books. He's also written for Sesame Workshop, Time For Kids, Sports Illustrated Kids, and Rolling Stone. Bill lives in New York City with two misfit dachshunds. You can visit him online at www.billdoyle.net.

Jared Lee has illustrated more than ...

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Thea Stilton and the Blue Scarab Hunt

A Geronimo Stilton Adventure

Thea Stilton

Summary

Another action-packed adventure full of mystery and friendship!

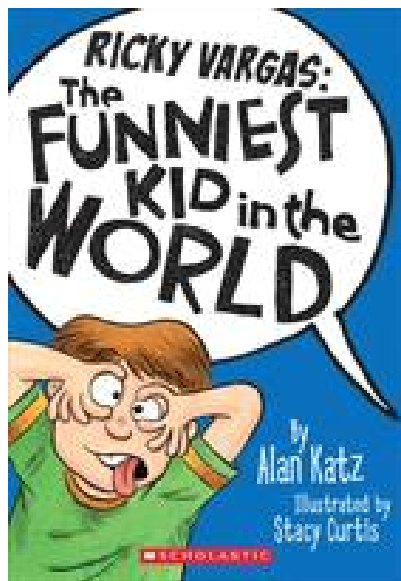
The Thea Sisters have been invited to Egypt to participate in a fabulous archeological excavation. They explore an ancient Egyptian temple and work enthusiastically to uncover the past. The mouselings are excited to find a huge monolith with a blue scarab on it. But they also discover that thieves are after the hidden treasure of the temple. It's up to the Thea Sisters to stop them!

Author Bio

Thea Stilton is a special correspondent for The Rodent's Gazette, Mouse Island's most famous newspaper. A graduate of Mouseford Academy, Ms. Stilton loves traveling and adventures. Find out more at www.scholastic.com/geronimostilton.

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Ricky Vargas #1: The Funniest Kid in the World

Alan Katz, Stacy Curtis

Summary

Now's your chance to meet the funniest kid in the world!

Ricky Vargas is funny. He is so funny he can make you snort milk out of your nose...even if you're not drinking any!

In three stories, Ricky manages to get carried away at the school spelling bee, ruin the class picture, and speak his own language. But don't worry, no matter what trouble Ricky finds himself in, he always knows just how to make it better--after all, who could be upset with the funniest kid in the world for long?

With his characteristic wit, Alan Katz brings second-grader Ricky Vargas's antics to life. Hilarious art supports the leveled text, making for an uproarious read

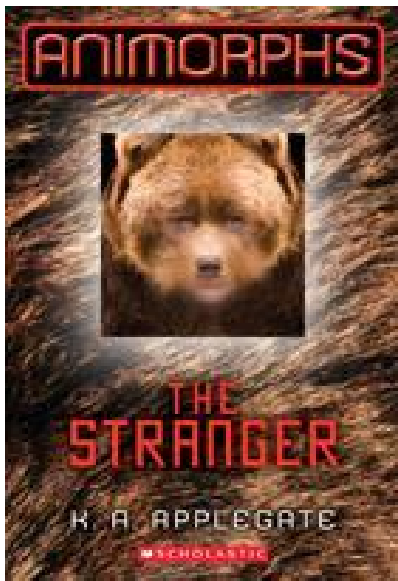
Author Bio

Alan Katz is the author of many seriously silly books for children, including the bestselling *Take Me Out of the Bathtub* and *Other Silly Dilly Songs*, illustrated by David Catrow. He lives in Fairfield County, Connecticut, with his journalist wife, Rose, and their four children. Alan can also be found at www.alankatzbooks.com.

Stacy Curtis is an award-winning cartoonist, illustrator and printmaker w...

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Series: Ricky Vargas



Animorphs #7: The Stranger

K.A. Applegate

Summary

The fight for the planet continues in this gripping installment-and the Animorphs must make an exacting choice.

The last time Rachel and her friends entered the giant Yeerk pool beneath their town things went very bad. This time they plan to be careful, and sneak in as roaches, just to spy.

Once they're inside, though, the team gets caught. But right as things are looking their most dire, everything stops. Everything.

Then Rachel and the Animorphs hear a voice. It belongs to a very old, very powerful being, and it says it can save them. But if it does, the Earth will be defenseless.

Author Bio

K. A. Applegate is the author of the bestselling Animorphs series, as well as the Remnants and Everworld series, Home of the Brave, and the Roscoe Riley Rules series. She lives in Tiburon, California.

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Sleuth or Dare #2: Sleepover Stakeout

Kim Harrington

Summary

Nancy Drew meets Ally Carter in this smart, sassy new detective series for tweens!

Norah and her best friend Darcy's detective agency is in business! And they already have a new case. A classmate, Marcy, emails them that someone needs help. While babysitting her brother, Marcy heard strange interference through the baby monitor that sounded like someone in trouble! Norah, Darcy, and their newest member, Fiona, set out to uncover the clues and secrets that will lead to a shocking discovery!

Author Bio

Kim Harrington is the author of CLARITY and PERCEPTION. She lives in Massachusetts with her husband and son. When not writing, she's most likely reading, watching one of her favorite TV shows, or fantasizing about her next vacation. Visit her online at www.kimharringtonbooks.com.

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Bluford High #13: Search for Safety

John Langan

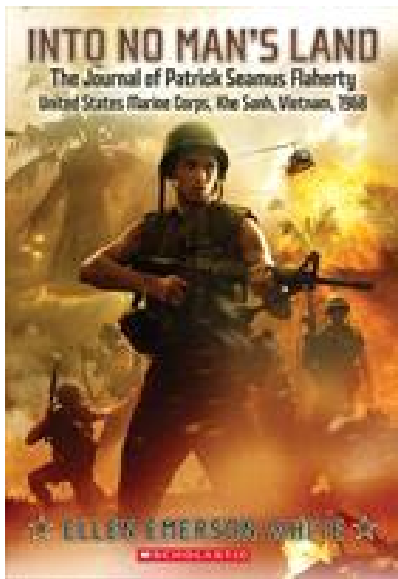
Summary

Bluford High: It's not just school-it's real life.

There's no escape for Ben McKee. For weeks, he's covered the bruises on his body. He's even lied to his teachers and new friends at Bluford High School. But the trouble in Ben's house isn't going away. And if he doesn't act soon, it could swallow him and his mother forever.

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Into No Man's Land, the Journal of Patrick Seamus Flaherty, United States Marine Corps, Khe Sanh, Vietnam

Ellen Emerson White

Summary

American history comes alive with this exciting paperback journal of the Vietnam War.

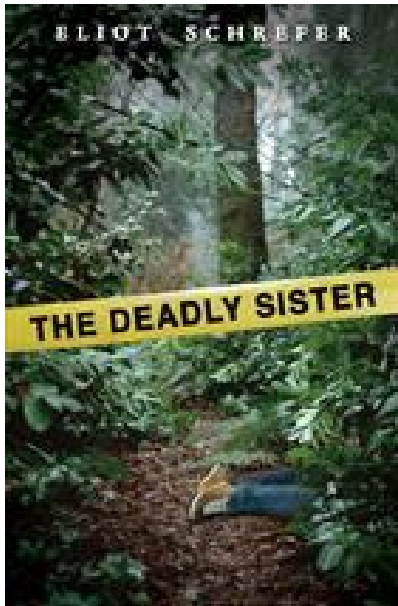
Determined to do his duty for his country, Patrick Seamus Flaherty joins the Marines right after graduation to fight in the Vietnam War. But Southeast Asia is a far cry from Patrick's hometown of Boston, and as soon as he arrives, he realizes that he's made a terrible mistake. Confronted with the oppressive heat, the dense jungles, and an enemy that is everywhere, Patrick is overwhelmed by life on the battlefield. With the help of his comrades, Patrick slowly starts to find a way to deal with the harsh realities he faces. But under constant assault by the North Vietnamese, Patrick isn't sure he'll ever make it home again, and as the months drag on, he and his unit question whether they're actually making a difference. Writing in the journal his father gave him before shipping out, Patrick brings Khe Sanh to vivid life through the smells, tastes, sounds, horrors, loneliness, and the friendships that are so much of the chaos called war.

Author Bio

Ellen Emerson White was born in Atlanta, GA. She graduated from Tufts University with a BA in English. She also studied fire science and police science at John Jay College in New York City, and is certified to teach high school English. White's interests include the Vietnam War, cooking, downhill skiing, the Boston Red Sox, the New England Patriots, jazz, reading, politics, and pets.

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The Deadly Sister

Eliot Schrefer

Summary

From the author of *The School for Dangerous Girls*, a suspenseful stunner about loyalty, sibling rivalry, and murder.

Abby Goodwin is sure her sister Maya isn't a murderer. But her parents don't agree. Her friends don't agree. And the cops definitely don't agree. Maya is a drop-out, a stoner, a girl who's obsessed with her tutor, Jefferson Andrews...until he ends up dead. Maya runs away, and leaves Abby following the trail of clues. Each piece of evidence points to Maya, but it also appears that Jefferson had secrets of his own. And enemies. Like his brother, who Abby becomes involved with...until he falls under suspicion. Is Abby getting closer to finding the true murderer? Or is someone leading her down a twisted false path?

Author Bio

Eliot Schrefer is the author of *The Deadly Sister*, *The School for Dangerous Girls*, *Glamorous Disasters*, and *The New Kid*. He lives in New York City, and has never discovered any bodies. Visit him online at www.eliotschrefer.com.

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Espionage, & Detective Stories
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Gold Medal Summer

Donna Freitas

Summary

Just in time for the Olympics:
A gymnastics novel to flip for!

Joey Jordan is a gymnast with lots of personality and lots of potential, but she's never quite made it to that gold-medal stand. Now she's at a crossroads in her competitive career: Her parents are tired of the toll the sport enacts on their family. Her best friend Alex is thinking of quitting, and a cute boy named Tanner -- whom Joey doesn't have time to see -- makes a "normal" life sound awfully attractive. But then her coach suggests some exciting new routines that play to Joey's strengths as a gymnast, and as she finds the bravery to navigate all the other changes in her life, her gold-medal summer might happen at last.

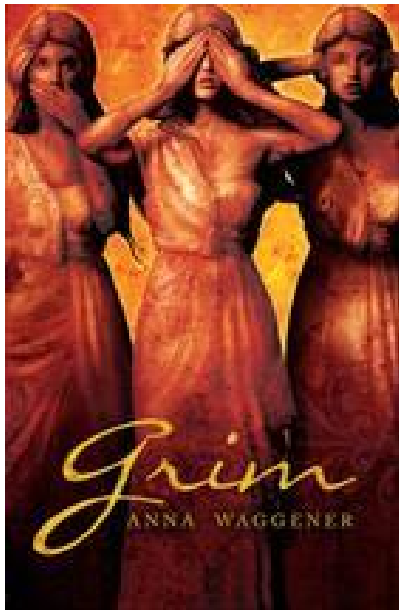
Drawing on her own experience as a competitive gymnast, acclaimed novelist Donna Freitas delivers both a terrific sports story and a classic middle-grade novel about stretching some limits, bending the rules, and finding your balance.

Author Bio

Donna Freitas participated in competitive gymnastics for seven years, retiring due to injury at the age of fifteen. She is now the author of seven books, including the young-adult novels *THIS GORGEOUS GAME* and *THE POSSIBILITIES OF SAINTHOOD*, which received five starred reviews. She lives in Brooklyn, New York. Please visit her website at <http://www.donnafreitas.com>.

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Grim

Anna Waggener

Summary

A fantastic debut from the winner of the Scholastic Art and Writing Awards novel contest.

When Erika wakes up after a horrific car crash, she finds herself somewhere between earth and heaven, between life and death. She doesn't want to accept help from Jeremiah, who she's not sure she can trust, even as she finds herself drawn to him, following him into a grim city of souls. She's not sure who wants to help her and who wants to hurt her. And she's desperate to get back to her children.

Shawn's never thought about having to shoulder the responsibility of caring for his young sister Megan and his reckless older sister. And he never imagined that the three of them would find themselves in a haunted wood, sometimes chased, sometimes assisted, never sure where they're headed.

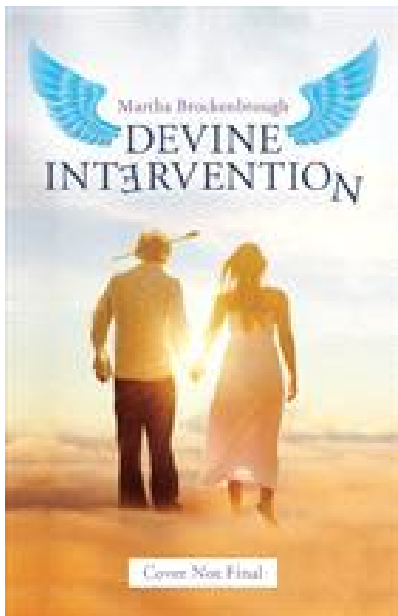
With *Grim*, the terrifically talented Anna Waggener delves into the place where myth becomes reality, where family can distort you as easily as it cares for you, where death and eternity meet.

Author Bio

Anna Waggener was born in Thailand and has spent many summers eating ripe-to-bursting mangoes. At college in Minnesota she spends her winters buried under the snow, studying English and human rights, and writing. She was the 2008 winner of the Scholastic Art and Writing Awards novel writing category, and *Grim* is her first novel.

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Devine Intervention

Martha Brockenbrough

Summary

Heavenly writing, earthy characters, and humor that is wicked as hell.

Heidi is seventeen. Insecure. Unkissed. Unremarkable, she thinks, in every way but one: She has a guardian angel, Jerome, who whispers in her ear all day long, amusing her, confusing her, but hardly ever saying anything that might help her discover who she's meant to be.

Jerome is also seventeen (for the seventeenth year in a row.) There is only one thing he needs to do to graduate from heaven's soul rehabilitation program for wayward teenagers: Follow the 10 Commandments for the Dead, and in doing so, keep Heidi safe. Instead, he accidentally lets her drown.

Plucked from her body before she ever truly lives, Heidi wants more than anything to say goodbye to her family and best friend. Jerome, afraid he's going to be sent to the lowest level of Hell, wants to sneak her into heaven before he gets caught.

Neither realizes that Heidi has only 24 hours before her soul dissolves forever. And that might not be enough time for them to figure out how they were meant to live.

Author Bio

Martha Brockenbrough has worked as a newspaper reporter, a high school teacher, and as editor of MSN.com. She is a devoted grammarian, and founded National Grammar Day and the Society for the Promotion of Good Grammar (SPOGG). Martha is also the social media diva for readergirlz, the nonprofit literacy organization that received the Innovations in Reading Award from the National Book Foundation. S...

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