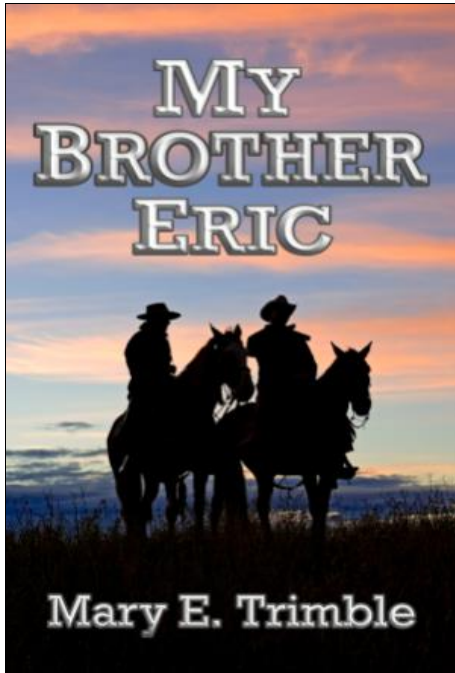




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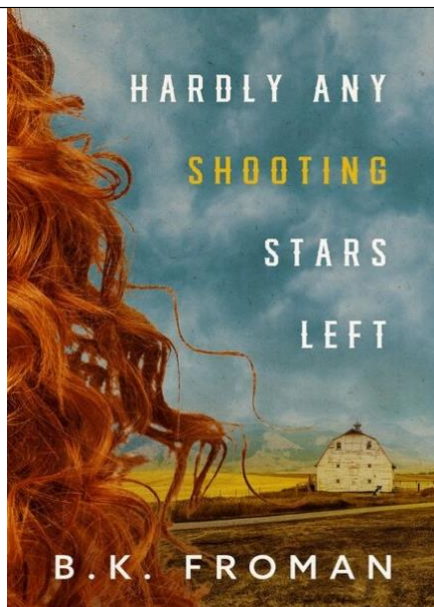
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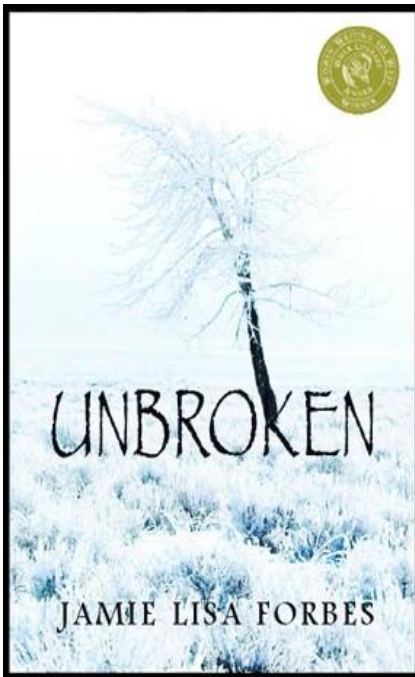
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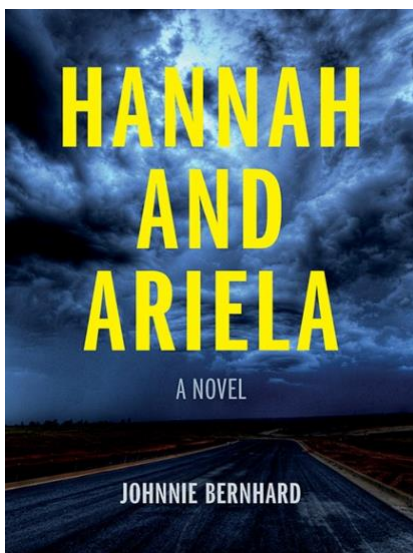
Ranch wife Gwen, disenchanted by drudgery, befriends Meg, a single mom. The two find solace in each other's company. But relationships among family members fracture, resentments surface and their friendship is tested as they find themselves struggling against the elements and each other.

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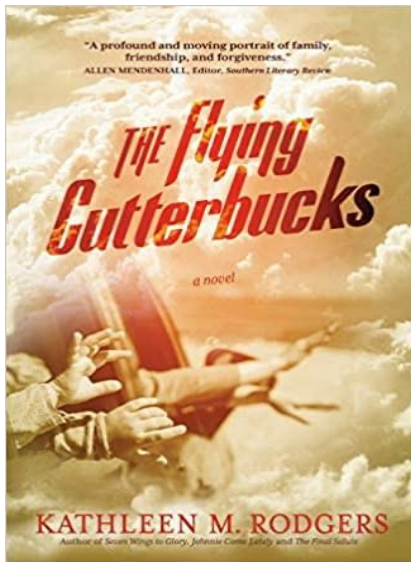
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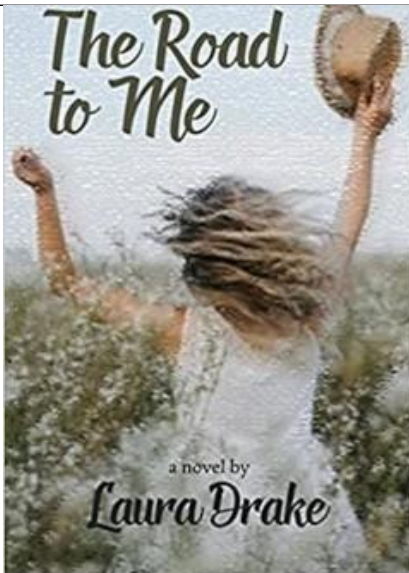
Decades ago in Pardon, NM, the Cutterbuck women formed a code of silence to protect each other from an abusive man after AF Major Shep Cutterbuck goes MIA. When national politics triggers a buried family secret in 2016, the women stick together.

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Jacqueline is an uptight indie perfumer who bitterly resents the hippie grandmother who abandoned her. But when the Universe conspires to set them on a Route 66 road trip, what Jacqueline discovers might not only heal her past, but open her to a brighter future

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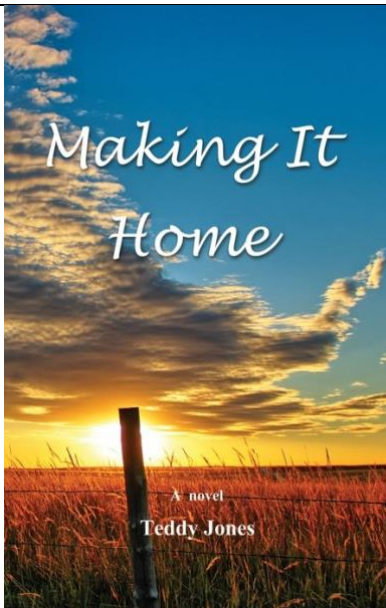
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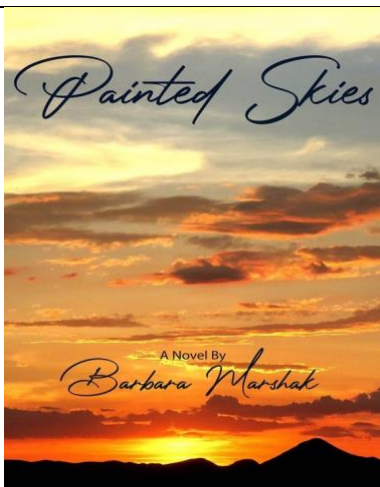
In this third novel in the Jackson's Pond, Texas series, Melanie Jackson Banks encounters racism and violence in her family's distant past and in current day Jackson's Pond. She leads efforts to create reconciliation for past wrongs and also to demonstrate strength and defiance in the face of current threats.

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Set amidst the tapestry of Wyoming's rugged landscape, "Painted Skies" tells the story of one woman's journey to find healing through her most cherished relationships--an only daughter, a newfound friend, and the charismatic cowboy asking her to trust him.

Author: Barbara Marshak

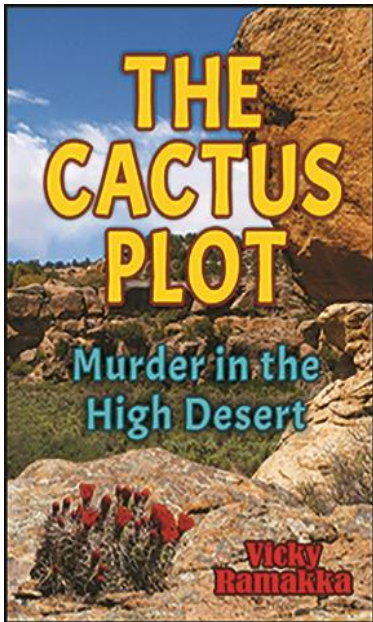
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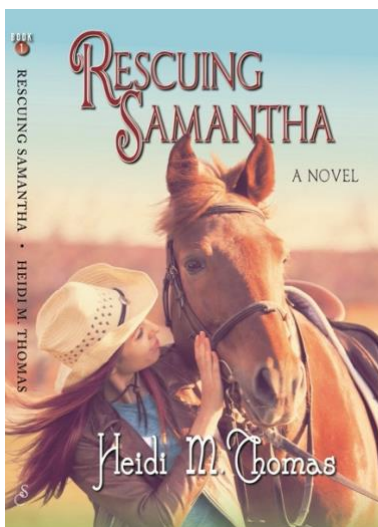


Murders overshadow botanist Millie Whitehall's peaceful summer surveying endangered plants in New Mexico. The deaths involve plants, challenging Millie's botanical skills as she is drawn into the investigation, becoming a target herself. This environmental mystery juxtaposes the natural beauty of northwest New Mexico with the complexities of managing public lands.

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Samantha Moser returns to family's dilapidated ranch. Despite back-breaking work, shattered dreams, Sam rediscovers healing power of horses and life's purpose or her. Can she help a young girl overcome her insecurities, and trust the man who has a stake in the takeover while he professes his help?

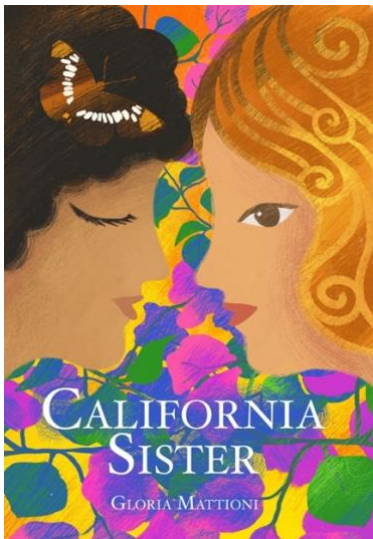
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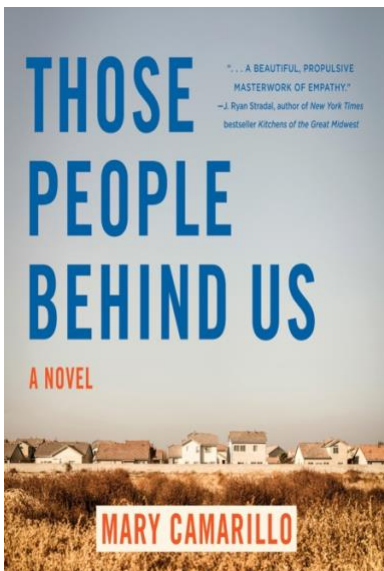


The heart-wrenching story of two sisters, different and separate by worlds apart, but remained very connected by heart and soul. Claire rushes to Italy halting her life and career in Los Angeles after her older sister, Ondina's, brain stroke, determined to restore her health or help her die with dignity.

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It's the summer of 2017 in Wellington Beach, California, a suburban coastal town increasingly divided by politics, protests, and escalating housing prices—divisions that change the lives of five neighbors as they search for home and community in a neighborhood where no one can agree who belongs.

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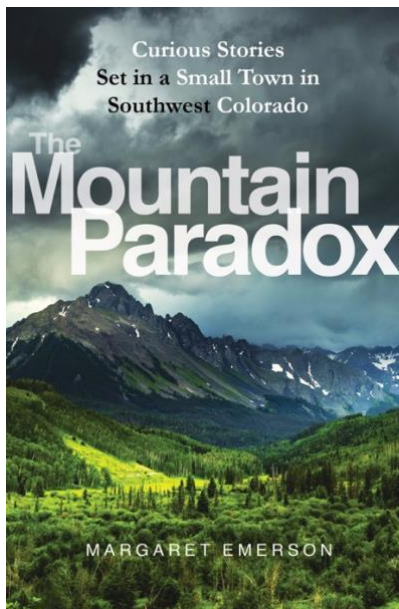
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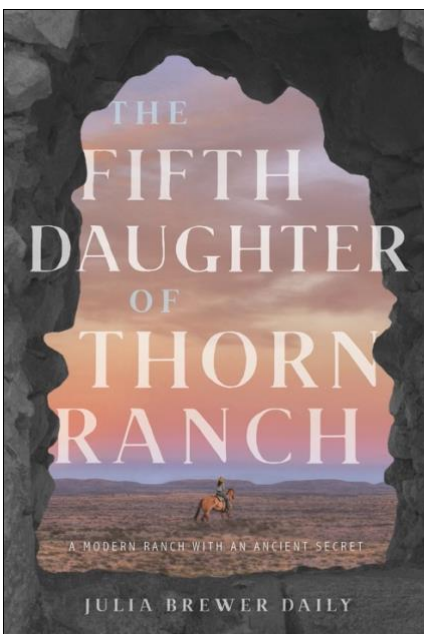


Fictional stories about people whose dream for a life of contentment, autonomy and tranquility clashes against unexpected challenges and conflicts. All set in the same small town in southwest Colorado, these stories have a psychological twist that will leave you captivated and mystified.

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A fifth-generation heiress to the largest ranch in Texas stumbles upon an ancient people living on her property. Will she survive her attempts to return home, or will she accept her fate and remain hidden away from her family forever?

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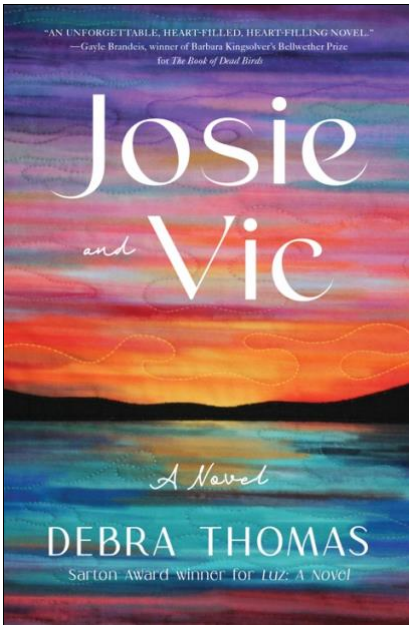
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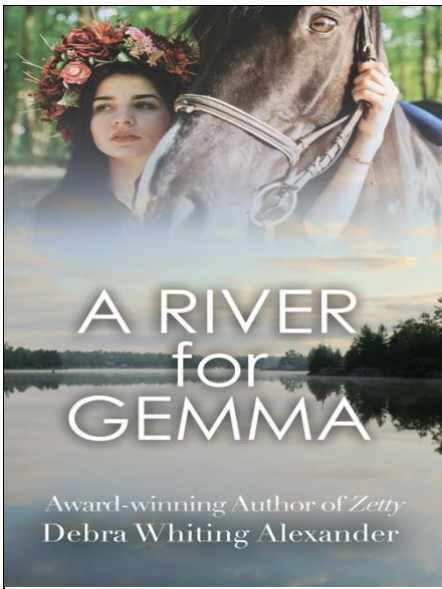
When Josie's brother Vic experiences a family tragedy, Josie leaves her home and beloved horses in Upstate New York to join him in Los Angeles. While helping Vic pick up the pieces of his shattered life, Josie confronts broken relationships with her estranged father and rebellious, singer-songwriter daughter.

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Underestimated by a world that pigeonholes her as "intellectually disabled," a spirited young woman's longing to be a mother collides with her grandmother's perilous past, forcing her to summon the grit to save their lives. When fear turns to courage, a mother's love knows no bounds.

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