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# Fly Me to Moongate Manor

An absolutely heart-warming novel of friendship, romance and second chances, perfect for Spring 2023!

## Kate Forster

### Keynote

A cosy romance novel set in an English manor by the bestselling author of *Starting Over at Acorn Cottage*.

### Description

**\*Pre-order now!\***

A brand new cosy romance by the bestselling author of *Starting Over at Acorn Cottage*, coming to you **April 2023!**

Amanda Cox is living in New York with a non-committal boyfriend and a student loan that threatens to crush her. That is, until she enters a raffle for a manor house in the British countryside of Northumberland – and wins...

### Readers love Kate Forster:

'This beautifully descriptive and touching story about love and hope is fabulous sunshine reading' *Closer*

'A lovely get-away-from-it-all read' *Red*

'LOVED this book. From the cover you might assume it's a light read but this was so much more. Such meaningful characters surrounding a story of life, love, and starting over. Definitely a keeper!' NetGalley 5\* Review

'This is a keeper and I wish I could give it 10 stars' Goodreads 5\* Review

'An uplifting, delightful story, this one is emotional, it'll have you laughing and crying, but the overall theme for me was hope, self forgiveness and love, you will be smiling at the end' NetGalley 5\* Review

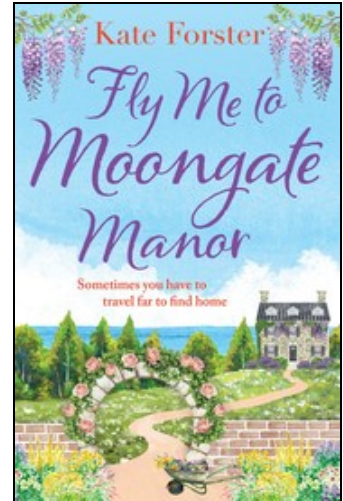
'I didn't want the story to come to an end, because it was just so lovely. This is the perfect antidote to the world outside right now' Goodreads 5\* Review

### Sales and Marketing Highlights

- US potential – the protagonist Amanda leaves her home in New York to start over in the UK.
- Features fictional English village and a renovation project, in same vein as bestselling title *Starting Over at Acorn Cottage*.
- A spring romance from internationally bestselling author Kate Forster, has sold over 150,000 ebooks.
- MARKET: Holly Martin; Tilly Tennant; Christie Barlow; Cathy Bramley.

### Author Biography

**Kate Forster** is a best-selling author of *Starting Over at Acorn Cottage*, *The Perfect Retreat*, *Finding Love at Mermaid Terrace* and many more books that she would want to read herself, so she wrote them. When not writing, Kate loves hanging out with family, friends, and her dogs. A dedicated houseplant lover, Kate also enjoys outdoor gardening and is the founder and moderator of one of largest online women's writing support groups on Facebook.



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# The House On Rockaway Beach

## Emma Burstall

### Keynote

A new novel from top 10 bestselling author Emma Burstall about family secrets, sibling rivalry and summer romance, set in Rockaway Beach, New York.

### Description

'I loved it!' - Phillipa Ashley

**A gripping tale of family secrets, sibling rivalry and summer romance, set against the backdrop of New York's sizzling urban beach.**

Sisters Sophie and Celia haven't been on speaking terms for years. So it's a huge shock when they discover their grandmother has left them her quirky old house on Rockaway Beach, New York.

Just a stone's throw from the bright lights of Manhattan, they spent many idyllic summers there as children, swimming in the Atlantic ocean, playing in the sand and watching day trippers come and go. Then suddenly, the visits stopped. Sophie knows her mother and grandmother fell out, but has never found out why.

Together, the sisters return to Rockaway, and can't agree on anything. Sophie wants to keep the house, Celia's determined to sell. It seems they'll never see eye to eye, until Sophie makes a shattering discovery that forces her to question everything...

**Why do she and Celia have such different memories of their grandmother? What caused the rift with their mother? Can Sophie trust the handsome stranger who seems to take such an interest in her? And who is the mysterious old woman watching them from afar?**

### Praise for *The House on Rockaway Beach*:

'Brilliant' **Phillipa Ashley**

'A novel to lose yourself in' **Faith Hogan**

'Step into a world of pure escapism in this gripping tale of family secrets, sibling rivalry and summer romance' **Chat Magazine**

### Praise for Emma Burstall:

'A charming, warm-hearted read... Pure escapism' **Alice Peterson**

'Burstall is a great writer, and this is not your usual run-of-the-mill chick lit... I was gripped from the start' **Daily Mail**

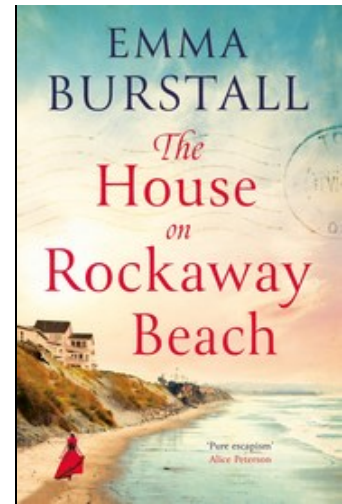
'Burstall has a true knack for transporting you to her world' **Jane Corry**

### Sales and Marketing Highlights

- Sweeping fiction about family ties, buried secrets and romance, perfect for fans of Santa Montefiore.
- From a top-10 bestselling author, whose TREMARNOCK series has been praised for its storytelling and characterisation.
- Set on America's biggest urban beach, where the author used to holiday as a child.
- MARKET: Santa Montefiore; Lucinda Riley; Victoria Hislop; Liane Moriarty.

### Author Biography

**Emma Burstall** was a national newspaper and magazine journalist before becoming a full-time author. *Tremarnock*, the first novel in her series set in a delightful Cornish village, was published in 2015 and became a top-ten bestseller. Emma is based in London, and visits her family in Rockaway Beach every summer. Find her online at [emmaburstall.com](http://emmaburstall.com), or on Twitter @EmmaBurstall.



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# After Paris

## Nicole Kennedy

### Keynote

Three best friends take the same Eurostar to Paris for a girls' weekend, but take separate trains back. What happened that weekend? A novel set in Paris about motherhood, friendship, secrets, and the face we present to the world.

### Description

**'A perfect holiday read, compulsively readable but also intriguing, thought-provoking and so good on female friendship' Laura Marshall, author of *Friend Request*.**

***Three best friends. A weekend away. And a whole lot of baggage.***

Alice, Nina and Jules have been best friends for twenty years. They met in Paris and return there once a year, to relive their youth, leave the troubles of home behind, and indulge in each other's friendship and warmth. But this year, aged thirty-nine, the cracks in their relationships are starting to show...

After their weekend together in Paris, the three women never speak again. Each claims the other two ghosted them. But is there more to the story?

### Praise for *After Paris*:

'A gripping yet tender story about friendship and motherhood... I think every reader will find a version of themselves somewhere in this book.' **Holly Miller, author of *What Might Have Been***

'A refreshing and authentic take on female friendship. Complex, flawed and so real, I loved spending time with these three women.' **Louise Hare, author of *This Lovely City***

'Nicole Kennedy writes beautifully about female friendship, family dramas, relationships, parenting, and the city of Paris. Moving, funny, and hugely relatable.' **Andrea Mara, author of *All Her Fault***

'Touching, evocative and impossible to put down.' **Lorraine Brown**

'*Gossip Girl* meets *Emily in Paris* meets *One Day*. Complex, clever and – as with all of Kennedy's writing – relatable.' **Laura Price, author of *Single Bald Female***

'A gorgeous, big hearted book.' **Suzanne Ewart**

'Brilliant, engaging and completely compelling, *After Paris* is a triumph.' **Hannah Doyle**

'I was enthralled by the story – from the setting to the heartache; the trials of motherhood and such a razor sharp look at the bonds of friendship.' **Caroline Khoury**

### Readers love *After Paris*:

'I loved the writing, the three main characters and the scene setting, all just perfect.'

#### Reader 5\* Review

'It is rare to find a book that is purely about female friendships. I absolutely adored this book.'

#### Reader 5\* Review

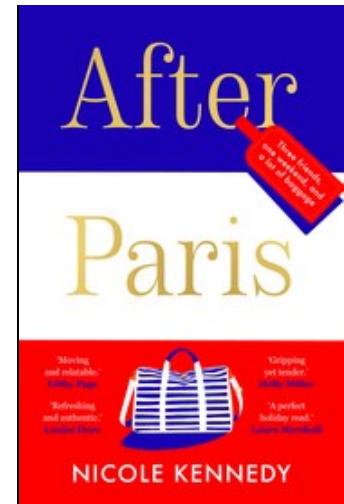
'An ideal summer read that will make you appreciate your friends and what you have.'

#### Reader 5\* Review

'I raced through the book, desperate to see what happened... I loved this immersive read.'

#### Reader 5\* Review

'A beautiful story of adult friendships that really resonated... I absolutely loved the setting



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Nicole Kennedy grew up in Essex. She was the first person in her family to go to university, and won a place to study Law at Bristol. During Nicole's second maternity leave she began writing poems and rhymes on motherhood and family life, which she posted to her blog 'The Brightness Of These Days'. She completed her first novel during her third maternity leave (because by then it was easier than leaving the house).

Nicole lives in Kent with her husband and three sons. You can find her on Instagram @nicole\_k\_kennedy and Twitter @nicolekennedy.

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# Holiday Read

## Taylor Cole

### Keynote

A sexy and escapist romance for book lovers, especially fans of Emily Henry and Josie Silver.

### Description

**The ultimate escapist rom com for book and beach lovers! Perfect for fans of Emily Henry and Josie Silver.**

When romance-fanatic Candice meets writer Alexis, she thinks her happy ending is finally on its way. He walks into her struggling Cornish surf school, and they hit it off straight away. Until she discovers that Alexis has been using their courtship as inspiration for the romantic novel he's struggling to write.

When Alexis offers to bring her in on the deal if Candice helps him deliver a winning book to his publisher, she accepts, and along with Alexis' agent Daniel, they embark on a very unusual summer of love, as Candice tries to teach the men the recipe for a successful romance.

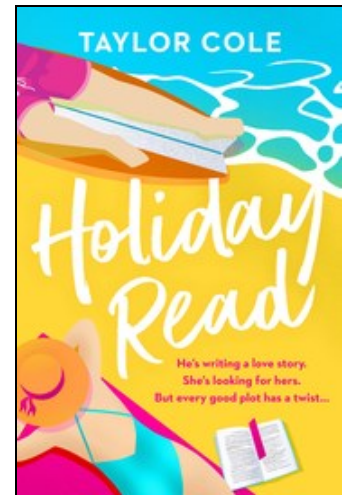
But you can't have a great love story without a great romantic hero. Will Candice find hers before the summer is over?

### Sales and Marketing Highlights

- A sexy and funny rom com with a bookish twist. Perfect for the Beach Read audience.
- Lisa is a hugely promotable YA author turned rom com writer. She's based in Cornwall.
- This is Aria IP, so we own all rights, including World, Language and dramatisation.
- MARKET: Emily Henry; Josie Silver.

### Author Biography

**Taylor Cole** grew up on a council estate in Devon and is of Armenian heritage, via her maternal grandmother who survived the Armenian genocide as a child refugee. When she was twenty-one, Taylor left university to run away to Cyprus and live in a men's barrack block with her military boyfriend, but returned the next year to finish her BA in English, which she followed with a master's degree in Creative Writing. She lives in Newquay with the military boyfriend-turned-husband, two daughters and an eighty-year-old tortoise called Shelley who was found wandering the streets of Plymouth in 1958.



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# Country Secrets

## Fiona Walker

### Keynote

The new novel from Fiona Walker, featuring the beloved cast of characters from *The Country Set* and *Country Lovers* and set in the Cotswold village of Compton Magna.

### Description

**Can you ever have a second chance at first love?**

When Ronnie Percy's gorgeous on-off lover Blair is forced to deep-freeze their affair for the sake of his sick wife, she's delighted to be distracted by charismatic neighbour, Kit Donne, and – more surprisingly – finds herself drawn into a fight for the future of the village. But then the return of someone from her distant past threatens to expose long-buried secrets.

Meanwhile daughter Pax – already besieged by her controlling estranged husband – has started to suspect that new beau 'the horsemaker' Luca still loves somebody else. The last shoulder on earth she should cry on is Bay Austen's, but his marriage is crumbling and he's lost none of his dangerous charm. Moreover, Bay knows the way to her heart is through her horses...

*Old friendships, new loves, jealousies, gossip and beautiful horses – these are the classic ingredients for Fiona Walker's latest gripping, sexy novel, set in the Cotswold village of Compton Magna and laced with her trademark humour.*

### Sales and Marketing Highlights

- A new series from 2-million-copy-selling author set in a beautiful Cotswold village.
- Fiona is known for her warm, witty style and addictive plots.
- MARKET: Jilly Cooper; Jill Mansell; Veronica Henry.

### Reviews

**"PRAISE FOR COUNTRY LOVERS:**

'With feisty characters, sexy menfolk, long-buried secrets and a healthy dollop of sauce, this book is a total riot from start to end' *Heat*.

'Filled with intrigue, romance and drama... This is a must-read for cold winter nights by the Aga' *Cotswold Life*.

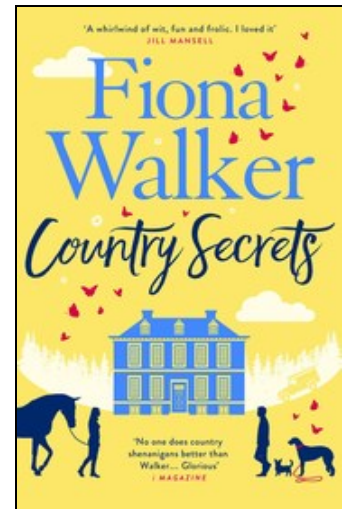
'A feel-good romp complete with dashing heroes and engaging heroines. Perfect for some serious but light-hearted escapism' *Horse and Countryside*.

'Fans of the sex-and-horses rural romp will feel right at home with this pleasing doorstep of a novel' - *Daily Mail*

### Author Biography

**Fiona Walker** is the author of eighteen novels, from tales of flat-shares and clubbing in nineties London to today's romping, rural romances set amid shires, spires and stiles. In a career spanning over two decades, she's grown up alongside her readers, never losing her wickedly well-observed take on life, lust and the British in love. She lives in Warwickshire, sharing a slice of Shakespeare Country with her partner, their two daughters and a menagerie of animals.

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# The Enemy of Love

## Annabelle Thorpe

### Keynote

An atmospheric new novel from Annabelle Thorpe, set in wartime Italy and following the fortunes of an Italian family under Mussolini's rule.

### Description

**1943. Wartime Italy.**

Casa Maria sits at the heart of the small Umbrian town of Amatino, famous for its food, wine and the di Luca and Capaldi families who run it. But now Italy is consumed by war and everything must change.

For talented cook Sophia di Luca, the discovery her father has left the trattoria not to her, but to the volatile and charismatic Giorgio Capaldi, is a bitter disappointment. Still grieving the sudden death of his wife, and in no mood to compromise, Giorgio's return to Amatino threatens everything Sophia has struggled to achieve.

As Mussolini falls and the Germans march in, the two families find themselves in conflict not only with a terrifying new enemy, but also with each other.

**Annabelle Thorpe's gripping novel does for wartime Italy what Victoria Hislop does for Greece.**

'A joyous read, which really spoke to me about the indomitability of the human spirit. A wonderful book.' **Elizabeth Enfield, author of *Ivy and Abe***

### Praise for Annabelle Thorpe:

'Unputdownable!' **Claire Dyer, author of *The Last Day***

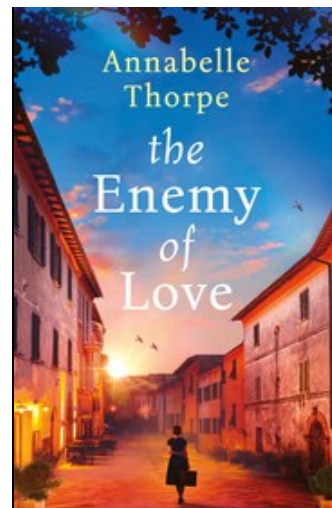
'A pacy, engaging tale of human weakness and of passion so overwhelming it can make fools of us all' **Daily Express**

### Sales and Marketing Highlights

- Annabelle has been working in journalism for over twenty years, so has press contacts across radio, TV, literary festivals and newspapers. Her previous books were reviewed in the *Daily Mail*, *Express*, *Irish Independent* and various regional publications.
- Atmospheric escapist fiction in a sumptuous setting, perfect for fans of Santa Montefiore.
- MARKET: Santa Montefiore; Rachel Hore; Victoria Hislop.

### Author Biography

**Annabelle Thorpe** has been a travel and features journalist for over twenty years, spending six years on *The Times* Travel desk, before becoming deputy travel editor for Express Newspapers, and then taking the same role at the *Observer*. She was named one of the top 50 travel writers in the UK and has visited almost sixty countries, including crossing China by train, driving solo across the Omani desert, and nearly getting run over in Tripoli. Her first novel, *The People We Were Before*, was set in the Croatian civil war of the 1990s, her second, *What Lies Within*, is set in Marrakech. She has also written two travel books. Home is rural Sussex, with her husband and cat, although she remains a Londoner at heart.



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# Escape to the Swiss Chalet

## Carrie Walker

### Keynote

A funny and modern rom-com set in a fancy Swiss chalet.

### Description

A sweet and funny romantic comedy for readers of Sandy Barker and Mandy Baggot.

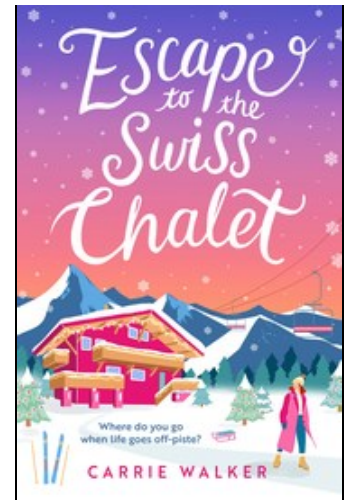
**August Moon** is well-known among family and friends for despising the cold, so no one is more surprised than her when she agrees to pack her bags and move to the French Alps. But after getting her heart broken, spending the winter season working as a private sommelier for wealthy twins Genevieve and gorgeous Jean-Baptiste, is exactly what the doctor ordered.

Courchevel is home to millionaires and August has never felt more out of place in the snow-capped wooden chalet. Thankfully new friends, chalet girl Hana and private chef Xavier are there to be her guide in this new world of après-ski and fondue, and to teach her how to get off chair lifts! And then there is Jean-Baptiste... rich, handsome and kind but what is the catch?

**She just wanted to escape her problems but could she get her HE after all?**

### Sales and Marketing Highlights

- The author brings a lot of authenticity to the story as she had direct experience in working a season in a chalet in Austria.
- The author is CEO of The Valuable 50, a global movement putting disability on the boardroom agenda.
- Author completed a six-month writing course at Faber and was shortlisted for the Comedy Women in print prize 2021.
- MARKET: Sandy Barker; Mandy Baggot; Marian Keyes; Jo Thomas.



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# Kathy Lette

## THE REVENGE CLUB

April, 2024

A new contemporary novel from the bestselling author and comedian.

Meet Jo, Matilda, Tilly and Sofia: four old friends, excited to reunite; four Women of a Certain Age, who like so many before them, find themselves thrown over for younger models.

THE REVENGE CLUB is the story of these hugely talented women who, in their 20s, forged an intense and life-defining friendship only to see it crash and burn with disastrous effect. Thirty years later, fate forces them to reunite to carve out their place in a world that's decided they're past their use-by dates. Together, they are determined to wreak revenge on the men and society that give up on women once they 'pass their peak', and in the process they discover hidden strengths and surprising new desires for their second acts, while sharing thrills, spills and much mischievous hilarity enroute.

But has there been enough chardonnay under the bridge to allow them all to move on from the events that broke up their friendship all those years ago? And can they forgive each other now, 30 years on, to carry out their final act of revenge?

### About Kathy

Kathy Lette first achieved success as a teenager with the novel *Puberty Blues*, which was made into a major film and a TV mini-series. Since then, her novels have been published in seventeen languages around the world. Kathy appears regularly as a guest on the BBC and Sky News. She is also an ambassador for Women and Children First, Plan International and the White Ribbon Alliance. In 2004 she was the London Savoy Hotel's Writer in Residence where a cocktail named after her can still be ordered. Kathy is an autodidact (a word she obviously taught herself) but in 2010, received an honorary doctorate from Southampton Solent University. Kathy lives in London with her husband and two children. She cites her career highlights as once teaching Stephen Fry a word, Salman Rushdie, the limbo and scripting Julian Assange's cameo in the Simpsons 500th episode.

### More new books coming 2025

#### Backlist titles with rights available

Till Death Do Us Part  
HRT: Husband Replacement Therapy  
After the Blues  
Best Laid Plans  
Courting Trouble  
Love Is Blind (But Marriage is a Real Eye-Opener)  
The Boy Who Fell to Earth  
Men: A User's Guide  
To Love, Honour and Betray  
How to Kill Your Husband (And Other Handy Household Hints)  
Nip 'n' Tuck  
Dead Sexy  
Altar Ego  
Mad Cows  
Hit and M  
Foetal Attraction  
Girls' Night Out





# The Paris Dancer

## Nicola Rayner

### Keynote

A gripping and unforgettable story of courage, friendship and resistance, based on the incredible true story of ballroom dancer Florence Warren.

### Description

**1939.** Florence Warren travels to Europe from South Africa to dance in the Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo, but before she can take up her place, war breaks out. Despite the conflict, Florence becomes one of the most celebrated dancers in both Germany and France. And all the while, she is secretly Jewish. Hiding in the spotlight, Florence does more than bid for her own survival, she has friends in the Resistance and begins to help them. Until in 1944, when her luck runs out...

**2013.** Alison travels to New York to sort out the affairs of her grandmother, who since 2000 had become estranged from their family. An author and public speaker, Adele had made her name writing fiction set during the French occupation. Alison has her own secrets to escape, and decides to stay in New York, to go through Adele's writing - as she does, she begins to piece together one of the great unsung stories of the war, about a dancer who put her life at risk to protect three women, hiding them in her apartment and then smuggling them out of Paris when the Nazi's are almost at their door.

What happened to Adele in the war? What happened in New York? And were the women reunited before it was too late?

A gripping and unforgettable novel, perfect for fans of *The Paris Library*.

### Sales and Marketing Highlights

- Nicola is based in Ealing, London.
- A moving and gripping WW2 timeslip, based on the true story of Florence Warren
- Nicola Rayner is a suspense writer and a dance journalist, and has used her extensive contacts and experience to bring Florence's world to life.
- Contracted as IP and we own all rights.

### Author Biography

Nicola Rayner was born in Abergavenny, south Wales, and works as a freelance journalist. *The Girl Before You*, her first psychological thriller, was picked by the Observer as a debut to look out for in 2019. It has been translated into multiple languages and has also been optioned for television. She lives in London with her husband and Jack Russell.



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# The Weather Woman

## Sally Gardner

### Keynote

The exciting new novel from prize-winning author Sally Gardner, set between the two great Frost Fairs on the frozen Thames.

### Description

The rich and atmospheric new novel from prize-winning author Sally Gardner, set in the 18th century between the two great Frost Fairs.

Neva Friezland is born into a world of trickery and illusion, where fortunes can be won and lost on the turn of a card.

She is also born with an extraordinary gift. She can predict the weather. In Regency England, where the proper goal for a gentlewoman is marriage and only God knows the weather, this is dangerous. It is also potentially very lucrative.

In order to debate with the men of science and move about freely, Neva adopts a sophisticated male disguise. She foretells the weather from inside an automaton created by her brilliant clockmaker father.

But what will happen when the disguised Neva falls in love with a charismatic young man?

It can be very dangerous to be ahead of your time. Especially as a woman.

### Praise for *The Weather Woman*:

'A historical story with a refreshingly modern twist, *The Weather Woman* paints an intriguing portrait of life in the early 1800's, and what it was like to be a woman way ahead of your time' **Heat**

'Magical storytelling... A fresh take on the Regency novel' **Good Housekeeping**

'Superbly written and wonderfully atmospheric... A triumph!' **Caroline Lea, author of *The Glass Woman***

'Lashings of adventure, suspense, warmth and wonders... I was completely captivated'

**Amanda Craig, author of *The Golden Rule***

### Praise for Sally Gardner:

'[A] dab hand at literary world-creation' **Observer**

'Rich and haunting historical fiction' **The Bookseller**

'A glorious love story, a spellbinding fable' **Adele Parks**

'A truly original voice' **Spectator**

'Sally Gardner has a rare ability to build worlds that are rich, strange and totally unique to her... A story that will enthrall you from beginning to end' **Absolutely South East**

### Sales and Marketing Highlights

- Multi-award-winning author who has been consistently praised for her world-building and storytelling.
- Alongside huge success on the children's side, Sally has written multiple novels for an adult audience, including *The Snow Song*, which received rave reviews from Simon Mayo and Adele Parks.
- Atmospheric and gripping fiction, perfect for fans of fantasy and historical fiction alike.
- MARKET: Bridget Collins; Jessie Burton; Cari Thomas; Caroline Lea; Imogen Edwards-Jones.

### Reviews

"This is a fresh take on the Regency novel" - *Good Housekeeping*

"A historical story with a refreshingly modern twist, *The Weather Woman* paints an intriguing portrait of life in the early 1800s" - *Heat*



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BIC Code	FV, FRH, FM
BIC Subject	Historical fiction, Historical romance, Fantasy

Territorial Rights	World All Languages
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Sally Gardner gained a first class degree at a leading London art college and became a successful theatre costume designer before illustrating and writing books. Her debut novel, *I, Coriander* won the Nestle Gold Award and she is also a Costa and Carnegie prize-winner. Her books have been translated all over the world and have sold over two million copies. Find Sally online at [sallygardner.co.uk](http://sallygardner.co.uk), or on Twitter @TheSallyGardner.

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# Shield Maiden

## Sharon Emmerichs

### Keynote

Refocusing the narrative on a fierce young woman reclaiming her power, *Shield Maiden* is a fantasy novel that will upend everything you think you know about *Beowulf*.

### Description

**'A heroine with a generous spirit, an unshakable will and a dragon's fury.'** H. M. Long

Having grown up hearing tales of her uncle, the great King Beowulf, Fryda's one desire is to become a shield maiden in her own right. Yet a terrible childhood accident has left Fryda disabled – thus, she believes, thwarting her dream of becoming a warrior-woman for good. But still, somehow, she feels an uncontrollable power begin to rise within herself.

Meanwhile, a great celebration of Beowulf's reign is underway, and Fryda's house is soon overrun with foreign kings and chieftains. Amidst the drunken revelry, a discovery is made that threatens the safety of Fryda's entire clan – and her own life. Enraged, Fryda resolves to fight for her people, no matter the cost... and all the while, her powers seem only to grow stronger.

But she is not the only one to feel its effects. For, buried deep in her gilded lair, a dragon is drawn to Fryda's untamed power, and is slowly awakening from a long, cursed sleep...

**'Casts a superb spell... Shimmering with detail, with a propulsive plot to match.'** D.K. Fields

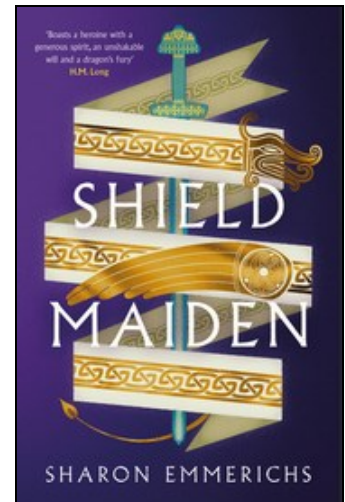
**'Fantastic fun... An entrancing story of power and peril, presenting a side to the sagas we have never seen before.'** Ian Green

### Sales and Marketing Highlights

- Sharon is an expert in the field: she has an MA and PhD in medieval and early modern literature and currently teaches *Beowulf* and other medieval literature to university students in Alaska, whose magnificent frozen landscapes provided plenty of inspiration for her retelling.
- Shield Maiden* is a feminist *Beowulf* retelling that stars a disabled shield maiden: *Circe* meets *Vikings*.
- With its strong female lead and strong fantasy themes that are both epic and intimate, this book will appeal to the subscription box fantasy market such as Illuminate.
- MARKET: *Uprooted* by Naomi Novik; *The Mere Wife* by Maria Dahvana Headley; *Hall of Smoke* by H.M. Long.

### Author Biography

**Sharon Emmerichs** was born in Sweden to American parents and grew up in Wisconsin near Lake Michigan. She has been a writer all her life, from the time she scribbled 'words' and pictures on pieces of paper, stapled them together, and called it a book. Her love of stories later translated into an English degree, and then she went on to get her MA and PhD in medieval and early modern literature... and because she collects degrees the way some people collect stamps or baseball cards, she graduated her creative writing MFA in fiction in 2021. She is an Associate Professor of Shakespeare and medieval literature in beautiful Alaska, where she lives with Juneau, the derpiest Siberian husky ever.



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BIC Code	FM, FV
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# The Illuminated

## Anindita Ghose

### Keynote

A remarkable debut novel about women's relationships – with each other and with the men in their lives. Against the rise of fundamentalism in India, mother and daughter Shashi and Tara are forced to reexamine their relationship after the death of Shashi's husband.

### Description

**'One of the best books for January 2023' *Cosmopolitan***

**Against a rising tide of fundamentalism in India, a mother and daughter lose the most important man in their lives.**

Shashi, fifty-something and suddenly widowed, tries to contact her only daughter, Tara, to break the news, but cannot reach her. As Shashi confronts her loss, she finds, amidst grief, unexpected new freedoms.

Meanwhile, Tara, a spoiled but brilliant university student, has retreated to Dharamsala to deal with the fall out from an ill-advised relationship. Her self-imposed solitude makes contact near impossible, so by the time she learns of her loss, the funeral is already over.

Without the man that bound them, Shashi and Tara struggle to reconcile. But his absence also makes them a target for an emerging religious group determined to put women in their place, and Shashi and Tara individually prepare to defend their independence.

If mother and daughter are to come together, they must find a way to understand both their new world, and each other. But can you ever emerge from an eclipse unscathed?

'An extremely elegant work... on the universality of feminism from a uniquely Indian perspective.' ***Irish Independent***

'Lyrical throughout yet so deceptively easygoing... an extraordinary novel' **André Aciman**

'Powerful, evocative and accomplished – it's hard to believe *The Illuminated* is a debut'

**Alice Ryan**

'Sad and funny and wise... will make you hug your loved ones tight' **Akhil Sharma**

'Sheds a glowing lunar light on hidden truths... remarkable... poignant' ***LoveReading***

### Sales and Marketing Highlights

- A novel with a strong focus on women and their relationships, with a complicated and fascinating mother/daughter relationship at its core, *The Illuminated* is perfect for fans of Min Jin Lee, Avni Doshi and Monica Ali.
- The author is a journalist (formerly *Vogue India*) with a strong following on social media – 20k on Twitter and 6k on Instagram – and happy to do events to help publicise her book in the UK (*The Illuminated* has already published in India and has been widely and positively reviewed). The novel will be a strong contender for debut novel prizes and women's literary prizes.
- 'I wanted to write a novel about women emerging from the glare of patriarchy to find their own light, framed in alternating chapters about a mother and daughter from India. The book has a lunar scheme and the right-wing socio-political milieu and the #MeToo movement both inform the narrative.'

### Reviews

"An extremely elegant work, an interesting take on the universality of feminism from a uniquely Indian perspective." - *Irish Independent*

"A Clever Nuanced Debut Novel" - *Platinum Magazine*

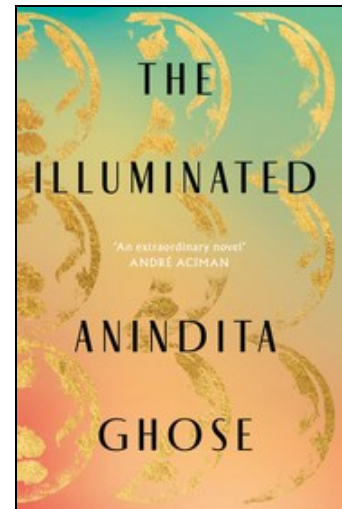
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<b>BIC Code</b>	FA
<b>BIC Subject</b>	Modern & contemporary fiction (post c 1945)

<b>Territorial Rights</b>	World All Languages (excluding Bangladesh/ Bhutan/ India/ Maldives/ Nepal/ Pakistan/ Sri Lanka)
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Anindita Ghose is a writer and journalist based in Mumbai. She was previously the Editor of the Saturday magazine *Mint Lounge* and the Features Director of *Vogue India*. She completed her MA in Linguistics and Semiotics from the University of Mumbai and has an MA in Arts & Culture Journalism from Columbia University's Graduate School of Journalism in New York. In 2019, she was a Hawthornden Writing Fellow. *The Illuminated* is her first novel.



# Game of Hearts

## Katy Moran

### Keynote

Thrilling Regency romance, set in a *Bridgerton*-style world.

### Description

'A swashbuckling, sparkling world of a novel' Suzannah Dunn

Thrilling Regency romance, set against an *Outlander*-like background of passion and war, this will delight lovers of *Poldark* and *Bridgerton*.

### 1817 Cornwall and London

In a family scorched by scandal and scarred by war, Crow, the Earl of Lamorna, is as self-destructive as he is charismatic, and it will only take one spark to set his world aflame. So when Crow's young brother catches him in flagrante with their widowed stepmother, a lethal chain of events is set in motion.

Heiress Hester Harewood is on the run from the men who shot her father. The last thing she needs is a complicated aristocrat offering her his protection. But who is more dangerous? Those she is running from? Or Crow himself? For Crow is glamorous and unpredictable, yet capable of such tenderness that Hester's heart is in as much danger as her life...

*Game of Hearts* was previously published as *False Lights* by K.J. Whittaker and on Kindle as *Hester and Crow* by Katy Moran.

### Sales and Marketing Highlights

- For anyone eagerly awaiting the next series of *Bridgerton*.
- Katy Moran has been described as the best Regency novelist since Georgette Heyer.
- MARKET: *Bridgerton*; *Harlots*; *Outlander*; Georgette Heyer; *Poldark*.

### Author Biography

**Katy Moran** is the author of *Game of Hearts*, *Wicked by Design* and *Scandalous Alchemy*. After a career in publishing, Katy now lives with her husband and three children in a ramshackle Georgian house in the Welsh borders. She is passionate about history, and is involved with multiple projects including *Waterloo Uncovered* and *The Women of Waterloo*. [katymoran.co.uk](http://katymoran.co.uk) @KatyjaMoran



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# Wicked By Design

## Katy Moran

### Keynote

Thrilling Regency romance, set in a *Bridgerton*-style world.

### Description

'Lush, dark, utterly real and above all achingly romantic' RUTH WARE

Thrilling Regency romance, set against an *Outlander*-like background of passion and war, this will delight lovers of *Poldark* and *Bridgerton*.

### 1819: Cornwall and St Petersburg

High society England is awash with gossip and scandal. For Lady Hester, it's just typical that the wickedest gossip focuses on her beautiful, impossible husband Crow. Hester loves him fiercely, but the Earl of Lamorna has a wild past. Rumours of a child with his black hair and grey eyes wound Hester more than she'll admit.

Crow's enemies also want him tried for treason, and soon Hester and their own daughter are in danger. There's nothing Hester won't do to protect their child. So when Countess Lieven drops her guard and says, 'Take your baby, Hester, and run,' Hester does exactly that.

Meanwhile, Crow will do anything to save his family, even accepting a final mission that might end in losing them both for good.

### Praise for Katy Moran:

'Passionate, smart and action-packed... Stuffed full of heart-pumping romance'  
SARAH HUGHES, *Guardian*

'A wonderfully thrilling, sweeping romantic historical adventure that keeps you gripped until the last page' ROWAN COLEMAN

'Badly behaved aristocrats, gloriously opinionated women and danger at every turn'  
*iNews* Best Books of 2019

### Sales and Marketing Highlights

- For anyone eagerly awaiting the next series of *Bridgerton*.
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- MARKET: *Bridgerton*; *Harlots*; *Outlander*; Georgette Heyer; *Poldark*.

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# Scandalous Alchemy

## Katy Moran

### Keynote

The third novel in the *Bridgerton*-style Regency world of Katy Moran's Lamorna family. Welcome to Kit's story...

### Description

Thrilling Regency romance, set against an *Outlander*-like background of passion and war, this will delight lovers of *Poldark* and *Bridgerton*.

### 1825 Cornwall and France

Clemency Arwenack never dreamed she would be appointed lady-in-waiting to the notorious, headstrong Princess Royal, heir apparent to the English throne. In fact it's the last thing she wants. But Clemency dares not refuse, while her scheming godmother is threatening to expose her deepest secret.

Worse still, Clemency's childhood friend, the Hon Lieutenant Colonel Kit Helford is now captain of the royal guard, charged with escorting the Princess Royal to France. If anyone can see through Clemency's web of deceit, it's Kit – just as wild and handsome as he's always been. And just as much trouble.

The third novel in the *Bridgerton*-style Regency world of Katy Moran's wild and dissolute Lamorna family. Welcome to Kit and Clemency's story...

'Passionate, smart and action-packed' **Sarah Hughes, *Guardian***

'Lush, dark, utterly real and aching romantic' **Ruth Ware**

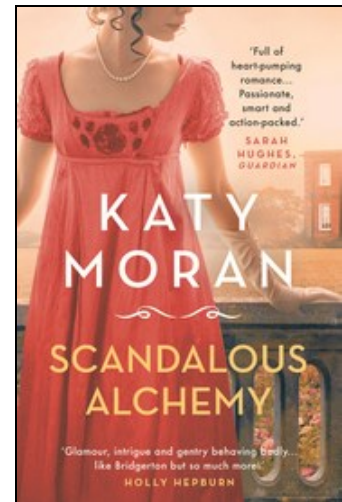
'An absolute joy of a book. From the wild beauty of Cornwall to the breathless danger of a teetering peace treaty at Fontainebleau, Katy Moran whisks us on a desperately exhilarating dance through scandal, intrigue and treachery. Like all the best balls, I didn't want it to end' **Holly Hepburn**

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# The Gone and the Forgotten

## Clare Whitfield

### Keynote

A psychological thriller from the author of *People of Abandoned Character*.

### Description

Part psychological thriller, part coming-of-age novel from the author of *People of Abandoned Character*.

*An absent father. A missing girl. Buried family secrets. Is the truth worth searching for?*

Sixteen-year-old Prue has grown up around secrets. Her gran's stern silence, her mother's teary breakdowns, her aunt's whispered assurances. But now, in the aftermath of her mum's latest 'episode', Prue's decided she's old enough for the truth. She wants to know what it is that makes the adults around her turn tight-lipped and distracted. She wants to know why her mum can't cope. Most of all, she wants to know who her dad is.

Forced to spend the summer in the Shetlands with her aunt, Ruth, and new uncle, Archie, Prue arrives determined to find some answers. But she soon finds herself caught up in a web of family secrets, betrayals and – perhaps – even murder...

Set during one long summer in Shetland, this is a beautifully drawn, psychologically astute novel about a young woman's search for truth, even as she realises the lies that surround her have been keeping her safe.

### Praise for *The Gone and the Forgotten*:

'What a beautiful, absorbing, emotional book... A stunning read' **Louise Beech**

### Sales and Marketing Highlights

- 'I wanted to explore how ordinary families can condition themselves to keep the darkest of secrets – until the truth forces its way out. It's the story of a family's unravelling through the eyes of a confused and isolated 16-year-old girl trying to make sense of the past.' **Clare Whitfield**.
- Dark, twisty, sophisticated crime with a complex central heroine, set in a remote Shetland island – perfect for book clubs.
- Second novel by author of *Sunday Times* Top 30 bestselling *People of Abandoned Character*. Winner of the Goldsboro Books Glass Bell Award 2021, and shortlisted for the Historical Writers Association Debut Crown Award 2021. Still a thriller, but this time botanical and psychological.
- MARKET: Celeste Ng; Kate Elizabeth Russell; Abigail Dean.

### Reviews

"What a beautiful, absorbing, emotional book. I was on that remote island with these characters, lost in their unfolding dramas and the barren landscape and long-past secrets. I was with young Prue on her quest to disperse the shadows of her past, and certainly identified with many of the things she had been through. A stunning read" - **Louise Beech**

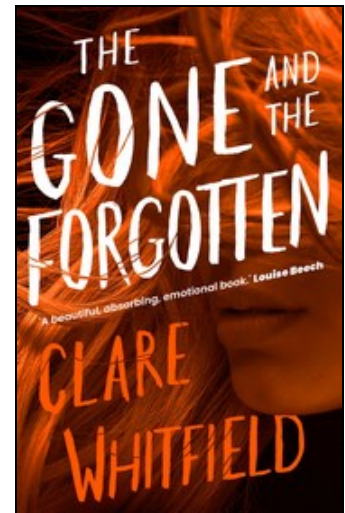
**"PRAISE FOR PEOPLE OF ABANDONED CHARACTER:**

'This impressive debut builds up pace, pathos and intrigue superbly, with plenty of twists and turns' *Woman's Weekly*.

'A gripping and original take on the world's most notorious serial killer. A perfectly thrilling read for those long winter nights. Highly recommended' Adam Hamdy.

'A mistreated wife suspects her husband might be the Whitechapel killer... Compelling' *Sunday Times*.

'An astonishing book set in a Victorian London plagued by Jack the Ripper. Whitfield's



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BIC Subject	Thriller / suspense

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**Clare Whitfield** was born in 1978 in Morden (at the bottom of the Northern line) in Greater London. After university she worked at a publishing company before going on to hold various positions in buying and marketing. She now lives in Hampshire with her family. Her debut novel, *People of Abandoned Character*, won the Goldsboro Glass Bell Award and is also published by Head of Zeus.

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# Catfish Rolling

## Clara Kumagai

### Keynote

A dazzling debut. Magic-realism blends with Japanese myth and legend in an original story for 14+ about grief, memory, time and an earthquake that shook a nation.

### Description

**A dazzling debut. Magic-realism blends with Japanese myth and legend in an original story about grief, memory, time and an earthquake that shook a nation.**

*There's a catfish under the islands of Japan and when it rolls the land rises and falls.*

Sora hates the catfish whose rolling caused an earthquake so powerful it cracked time itself. It destroyed her home and took her mother. Now Sora and her scientist father live close to the zones – the wild and abandoned places where time runs faster or slower than normal. Sora is sensitive to the shifts, and her father recruits her help in exploring these liminal spaces.

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### Author Biography

**Clara Kumagai** is from Canada, Japan and Ireland. Her fiction and non-fiction for children and adults has been published in *The Stinging Fly*, the *Irish Times*, *Banshee*, *Room*, the *Kyoto Journal* and *Cicada*, among others. She is a recipient of a We Need Diverse Books Mentorship, and was a finalist for the 2020 Jim Wong-Chu Emerging Writers Award. *Catfish Rolling* is her debut novel. [clarakumagai.com](http://clarakumagai.com) Twitter/Instagram: @clarakiyoko



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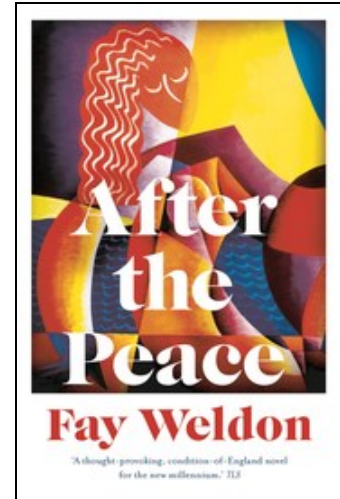
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### Author Biography

After hard times and odd jobs as a lone parent, Fay Weldon became one of the top advertising copywriters of her generation. She moved to TV drama (writing the pilot episode of the iconic series *Upstairs Downstairs*) then turned to novels – including the classic *The Life and Loves of a She Devil* and *The Cloning of Joanna May*. Fay's sequence of novels about the Dilberne family, which encompasses her *Love and Inheritance* trilogy and *Before the War*, draws to a close with this final instalment, *After the Peace*. Fay's been made a CBE for services to literature and she's currently a Professor of Creative Writing at Bath Spa University.



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