

**Wendy Sura Thomson**  
***The Man from Burnt Island***  
**Adult Fiction**

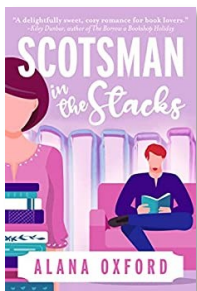


It was a tough life for the Scottish Sharp family at the turn of the twentieth century.

When most of the family sailed across the Atlantic in search of a better life, Frank stayed behind for a while...for a little too long, it so happened. A victim of the 1924 Immigration Act, he was barred from immigrating to the US until October, 1929. Three weeks

after his quota number came up, the stock market crash occurred.

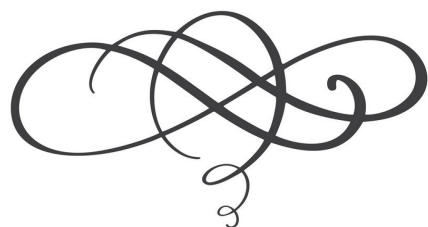
**Alana Oxford**  
***Scotsman in the Stacks***  
**Adult Fiction**



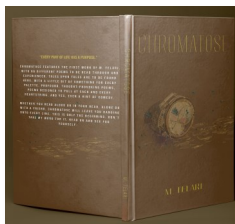
Paige wants two things: to land a full time librarian job and find the man of her dreams. On the cusp of thirty, she finds herself suddenly single and working part-time in a Michigan library.

James is in town from Glasgow, Scotland, on a summer artist residency. Luckily, the trip got him away from the pressure he feels to take over his uncle's river tour business.

With only eight weeks before James goes home to Scotland, Paige knows she should protect her heart. After all, she already wasted years with her commitmentphobe ex. But the more she gets to know James, the less she can stick to her plan to just be friends.



**M. Telari**  
***Chromatose***  
**Poetry**

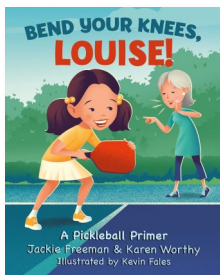


When you feel the world is too much to handle, where else would you turn to beyond poetry?

*Chromatose* is a collection of poetry meant to help you see life from a new perspective.

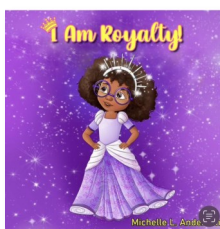
No matter what you're feeling, even if you're feeling nothing at all, there's something here for you.

**Jackie Freeman**  
***Bend your Knees Loise!***  
**Children's Non-Fiction**



Bend Your Knees, Louise! A Pickleball Primer is a children's picture book about the trendy sport of pickleball. With clever rhymes and outstanding illustrations by award-winning artist Kevin Fales, this book guarantees to make believers - and devoted pickleball players - out of its readers.

**Michelle Anderson**  
***I am Royalty!***  
**Children's Fiction**



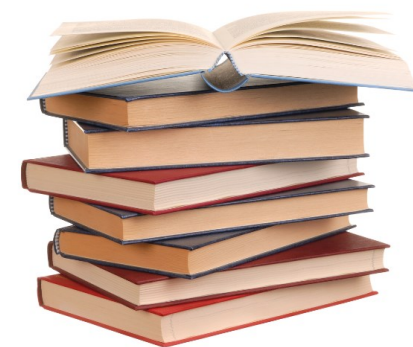
Are you looking for a book that will help with your daughters self esteem? Do you want to teach her affirmations about herself such as amazing, radiant, ambitious, assertive or royalty? This book provides that. It teaches the reader that that they are royalty. We often hear that we are enough, pretty or

beautiful, but what about royalty?



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**2022**  
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**Featured Authors:**

**Natasha Hughes Smith,**  
**Michelle Anderson, Jackie Freeman,**  
**Carol Nickles, Kim Bartosch,**  
**Ross Beach, Wendy Sura Thomson,**  
**Alana Oxford, Bradley Lilly,**  
**Wendy Day, M. Telari**

**Sunday, October 16, 2 - 4pm**  
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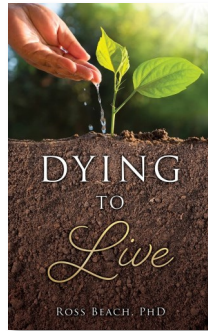
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**Natasha Hughes Smith**  
*Bianchi*  
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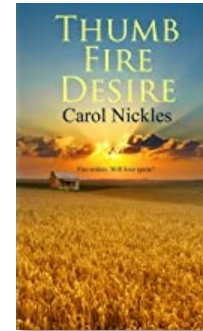
It's 1970s Detroit, Ricky Bianchi (Wealth of Lies) is the confirmed bachelor that every woman wants and every man wants to be. However, he has grown weary of the parties, wild times and the endless stream of women. His best friend, Bernard Barrington (Wealth of Lies) wants him to settle down like the rest of his friends. However, no acceptable woman captures his heart until Vittoria enters his world.

**Ross Beach**  
*Dying to Live*  
Adult Non-Fiction



Dying to Live contains deep, meaningful lessons in Christian faith and commitment learned as the author endured tests and trials faced as a servant of God. It is written from the heart of the author who, with his wife, faced life threatening challenges and changes while standing strong in the face of confronting rebel soldiers, moving 220 tons of seed rice to 10,000 families in need, crossing the Sahara Desert by pickup, and dealing with cerebral malaria.

**Carol Nickles**  
*Thumb Fire Desire*  
Adult Non-Fiction



In the Spring of 1881, indigent seamstress Ginny Dahlke arrives in one of the earliest Polish American settlements—Parisville, Michigan. Deemed charmless and awkward by her mean-spirited sister-in-law, Ginny disparages her chance of securing love. But sought-after widowed farmer Peter Nickles is enamored by Ginny's perseverance, her pioneer spirit and, her inclusive acceptance of the indigenous peoples of Michigan. The seductiveness of a buxom heiress, a twisted story of an old-country betrothal, and the largest natural disaster in Michigan's history—The Great Thumb Fire of September 5, 1881, challenge their fledgling attraction and ultimate commitment.

**Wendy Day**  
*Mexico, Margaritas, And Murder: A Sally and Pearl Mystery Adventure*  
Adult Fiction

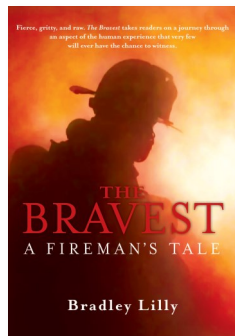


After her grumpy husband dies, Sally throws out his thread-worn plaid recliner, cashes the life insurance check, and lets her spunky best friend, Pearl, drag her to Mexico for an all-inclusive vacation using their Senior Citizen's discount.

They kayak, sing karaoke, and spy on the next-door nudist resort. Sally's not sure if it's the sun or tequila, but she is truly having fun for the first time in her life.

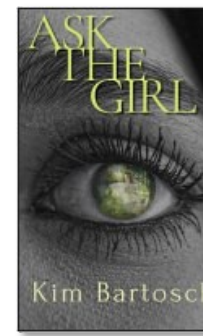
That is until a fellow guest turns up dead.

**Bradley Lilly**  
*The Bravest: A Fireman's Tale*  
Adult Non-Fiction



The Bravest is a behind-the-scenes expose' and collection of short stories, chronicling the author's 20-plus-year career as a big-city firefighter. The narrative arc spans the new recruit with high hopes and dreams, his conflicts with trauma and corruption, the redemption discovered after dealing with significant tragedy, and a line-of-duty disability that earns him a brief stint in the psych ward. Everyone always seems to ask a firefighter, "What's the worst thing you've ever seen?" Grab a copy of The Bravest - A Fireman's Tale today and find out.

**Kim Bartosch**  
*Ask the Girl*  
Teen Fiction



Nobody believes sixteen-year-old Lila Sadler, who was diagnosed with bipolar disorder. Nobody believes that Lila's sister Rose is possessed by the ghost of Katy Watkins. As Rose's health worsens each day, the only way to save her is to uncover the awful truth of Katy's death so many years ago. And nobody knows what happened to Katy on October 31, 1925. Not even Katy. Unaware that she was murdered, Katy has wandered for a hundred years in complete ignorance, until the day she meets Rose and Lila. Together Lila, Rose, and Katy must confront their demons to escape this hell. But will they be able to escape? Can they forgive the unforgivable?

