Dr. K's Book Club Newsletter February 20th, 2024





Greetings My Friends,

I am a storyteller and will share with you stories from the past, present, and future to come.

I like to experiment with many forms of writing such as short stories, flash fiction, and of course, novels.

Although my books are currently sweet contemporary romance, I will share with you different genres from historical fiction to science fiction, to mysteries, and much more.

I also like to share the works of other authors, particularly, when they offer free books for you to click on.

Join me for this journey,

Katherine

The Author's Corner

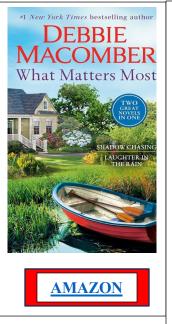
Books For the Month of February



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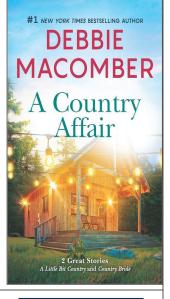


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Shadow Chasing: With only seven days to unwind in the sun-drenched splendor of Mexico, Carla Walker isn't expecting to find "Mr. Right." Then she meets Philip Garrison. But when Carla finds out that Philip is a cop—just like her father—she's devastated. She has always vowed to stay away from police officers and the tumultuous lifestyle that comes with them. Despite their chemistry, and Philip's persistence, Carla ends the fling. Only when she returns home to Seattle does Carla realize that it hadn't just been the tropical sun that set her blood afire; it had been Philip. Now she wants him back but is Carla willing to compromise on her biggest deal-breaker for true love?

Laughter in the Rain:Abby Carpenter longs for the type of romance she's read about in books. She loves her volunteer work teaching English and has had a steady causal relationship with warm and trustworthy Logan Fletcher for years, but something is missing. Then along comes Tate Harding, the unpredictable, impractical—and very exciting—handsome stranger she meets in the park. Abby is confronted with real passion—but is she willing to risk her relationship with Logan, who has always been steadfast in his commitment? When faced with an ultimatum, Abby must choose between security and a whirlwind, novel-worthy romance.



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A Little Bit Country

Stranded on the side of a country road with a broken-down car, Rorie Campbell is grateful when horse rancher Clay Franklin comes to her rescue. Stuck in the quirky small town, Rorie gets to know Clay, and she quickly starts to fall for the gruff, tough cowboy. Can a city girl make it work with a country man? Clay certainly thinks so. But their situation is...complicated. Clay and Rorie will have to sort out their feelings if they're going to be together.

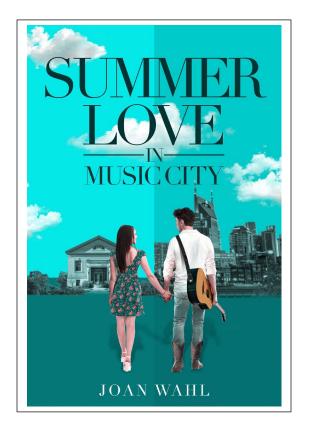
Country Bride

Kate Logan is understandably devastated when her former fiancé marries someone else instead. At the wedding, after one glass of champagne, she spontaneously—foolishly proposes to her longtime friend Luke Rivers. And Luke agrees. The rancher is a man of his word, and though Kate thinks they're making a mistake, he will not renege on his promise. Not only does he refuse to break the engagement, he insists that Kate actually loves him—and he'll prove it.

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Featured Book for the Month of February From the Desk of the Author, Joan Wahl , comes a New Romance



On the surface, Summer Reynolds and Brody Martin are worlds apart. She is a small-town librarian, and he is a famous country music superstar.

But when their eyes meet backstage after a concert, their worlds collide in a moment of perfect serendipity.

Summer had expected to feel star struck, but not love struck. And Brody was surprised to have found the missing piece of his heart in the last place he would have expected.

Until the moment they met, neither one of them had believed in love at first sight.

The obstacles they have to overcome on the way to their happily ever after threatened to tear them apart, until Brody was willing to make the ultimate sacrifice so his Summer love could become his lifetime love.

<u>Available on Amazon</u>

Trista Brown

5.0 out of 5 stars Great Read!

Reviewed in the United States on December 1, 2023

Verified Purchase

Very good book! Once I started reading it, I had to continue to see what happened next. Looking forward to more from this author!

Gail Neschen 5.0 out of 5 stars Sweet and captivating

Reviewed in the United States on January 10, 2024

This is a sweet story and very well written. You are drawn into the characters and really want everything to turn out alright. Another reviewer said it was risqué, and it is but not over the top, and very tastefully worded. I didn't put it down until I was done, I had to know how it would turn out! Definitely worth the read.

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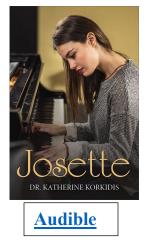
Exciting News for KEAK Books

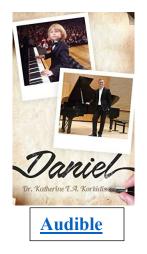


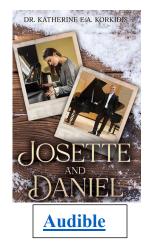
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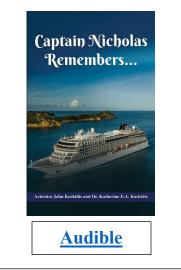


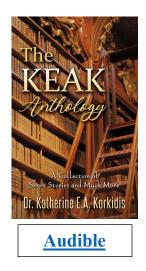
New For February 2024 – Audible Audiobooks











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AK/KK Featured Book for February 2024



5.0 out of 5 stars Seafaring Tales Captivate

Reviewed in the United States on January 9, 2024

This book is a wonderful journey through the ocean's heart, told in a translation from Greek by Katherine Korkidis' father. It shares Captain Nicholas' adventures and deep love for the sea, painting a vivid picture of life on the waves. The author's skill in storytelling shines, bringing the sea's mystery and allure to life. If you're drawn to tales of the ocean, this book is a must-read. The narrative is engaging and will leave you longing for more sea adventures. Highly recommended for a captivating read!

Sammy

5.0 out of 5 stars Lovely Read

Reviewed in the United States on January 14, 2024 This book is like chatting with a sea-loving grandpa, sharing his salty tales of sailing. The author clearly has lots of experience on the subject, writes with love, making it a cozy read for anyone who dreams of the open sea.

Jake Cohen

5.0 out of 5 stars Great book!

Reviewed in the United States on January 7, 2024

I have always loved stories about the sea and this book does not disappoint. It is a translation from the Greek written by Katherine Korkidis' father. It tells the story and adventures of Captain Nicholas whose life's passion becomes the sea. I highly recommend you give it a read!

dr4712

5.0 out of 5 stars A beautifully written nautical journey through memory and identity

Reviewed in the United States on December 29, 2023

This is a poignant and beautifully written novel that successfully merges the realms of fiction and biography. It offers readers a unique glimpse into the soul of a sailor, bound by the tides of memory, duty, and the unyielding call of the sea.

Captain Nicholas Remembers Remembers... Amazon and Dr. Katherine E.A.

Captain Nicholas

Artemios John Korkidis and Dr. Katherine E.A. Korkidis

Available Now on Amazon and Beyond!!

Valery

5.0 out of 5 stars Interesting Read

Reviewed in the United States on January 4, 2024

This novel is a masterful blend of fiction and biography, creating a poignant and beautifully written narrative that seamlessly navigates between imagination and real-life experiences. If you enjoy stories that skillfully weave together the realms of fiction and biography, Ι highly recommend diving into this captivating book.

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KK Featured Book for February



Reviewed by Jamie Michele, Readers' Favorite 5 stars *****

Author Dr. Katherine E.A. Korkidis has lovingly crafted a trilogy that offers readers a deeply emotive experience where they get to know the central pair deeply, personally, and highly realistically. Korkidis uses beautiful prose to navigate the complexities of love, loss, and the beauty found in life's ordinary moments, painting vivid word pictures that evoke gorgeous settings and backdrops that enhance the tone of every scene. The prose is tender, evoking a spectrum of emotions from joy to heartache, with a keen eye for dialogue that helps us read between the lines and see Josette's and Daniel's hearts on display. Korkidis has crafted a celebration of love in its more pure and enduring form, yet she never loses sight of the work and dedication that maintaining such a bond requires. Overall, The Story of Josette and Daniel: Trilogy is a gorgeous work for romance fans to lose themselves in, and I would highly recommend it.

Coming Soon: The Story of Josette and Daniel: A Contemporary Sweet Romance Trilogy in Paperback !!!!

Snowfall of Remembrance: Love's Timeless Echo –In the embrace of falling snow, Josette, now seated by the window in her cherished chair, is transported back to a moment etched in time—when she, at 25, returned from a triumphant global piano tour to the comforting blanket of snow outside her childhood home.

Josette and Daniel's serendipitous meeting at The Juilliard School unfolds into a transformative love story. Through shared laughter and profound connection, they became each other's anchors. Parting ways after Josette's graduation did not sever their bond; instead, it led to a rekindling of their love in later years.

As life's seasons unfolded, Josette and Daniel embraced retirement and the pursuit of their passions. Their shared journey witnessed the growth of family, the pursuit of dreams, and the gentle passage of time. Graciously aging together, they reveled in the joys of children and grandchildren.

Now, with snow falling outside her window once again, Josette sits alone, reminiscing. Her beloved Daniel is gone, leaving behind echoes of a lifetime filled with love and cherished memories. The gentle snowfall becomes a bittersweet reminder of a love that transcends time, forever etched in her heart.

SkyBlue

5.0 out of 5 stars Great read

Reviewed in the United States on January 8, 2024

This book beautifully captures the lifelong love story of Daniel and Josette, offering a reflection on the passage of time, shared passions, and the enduring bonds of family. A heartfelt journey.

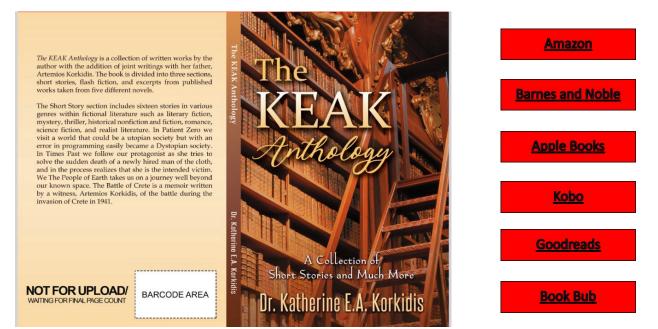
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Other Platforms

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Available Now On All Platforms- The KEAK Anthology



EXCERPTS FROM THE BOOK AVAILABLE FOR FREE

KEAK Anthology: A Literary Odyssey -

Dive into the vibrant colored tapestry of the KEAK Anthology, where author Katherine Korkidis collaborates with her father, Artemios Korkidis, to weave a collection that spans genres and generations.

1. **Short Stories**: A Kaleidoscope of Genres Explore sixteen captivating short stories, ranging from literary fiction to mystery, thriller, historical nonfiction and fiction, romance, science fiction, and realist literature. In "Patient Zero," witness the delicate balance between utopia and dystopia, while "Times Past" entangles you in a web of sudden deaths and hidden intentions. "We The People of Earth" transcends our known space, and "The Battle of Crete" recounts the gripping memoir of witness Artemios Korkidis during the 1941 invasion.

2. Flash Fiction: A Symphony of Brief Narratives Under the pseudonym Katherine Elizabeth Ann Bell, the author delves into the realm of flash fiction. These succinct narratives, averaging 360 words, peel back layers and progress stories with precision. From the dysfunction of "The Blind Man, the Blind Woman" to the power of closeness in "The Hug" and the importance of self-confidence in "The Performance," each piece is a snapshot of emotion and movement.

3. Excerpts from Published Works: Glimpses into Worlds Journey through excerpts from five novels, including "Josette," "Daniel," and "Josette and Daniel" from "The Story of Josette and Daniel" Trilogy. Carefully selected chapters invite readers into the minds and experiences of the protagonists, Josette and Daniel, offering a taste of the rich narratives that unfold across these published works.

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Check Out the Books Page on katherinekorkidisauthor.com

From The Author's Corner **Times Past**

By Dr. Katherine E.A. Korkidis

Flaming ambers in the night glowing with a ghostly light. It was a cold and dreary night, and she could feel the coldness of the night surrounding her body and enfold her soul. She walked slowly to the door compelled by some unknown force and flung it open, silently praying that only the night lies beyond her doorstep. There in the shadows stood a man or was he a man. The wind howled wildly through the trees, and as the branches gave way to their invader, the form began to move towards her. Her body and her will were paralyzed. She stood awaiting what was to come. From the darkness emerged two large, dark hypnotic eyes. As they stared deeply into hers, she could feel her soul burning with a fear beyond description. Yet within the bounds of her fear, a sense of compassion and understanding for this stranger began to take form. As the fear slowly subsided, she stared at the man who now stood steadfastly before her. His eyes were mirrors reflecting the brilliance of the moon, burning brightly as two flames in the night. The fire within his eyes seemed dangerously close, almost totally encompassing her, yet she stood there motionless intrigued by their beauty and longing for their warmth. He extended his hand at the moment she extended hers, almost as if their minds were one, and now the bridge to their souls was complete. And as if they were one, nature seemed to respond to their peaceful embrace. Yet with the dying of the howling wind, came a sound more frightening and disturbing than ever before. For it was now that the cries from the village could be heard. She felt her arms relax and as she looked up the man was gone. Could she had imagined this beautiful moment? Who was this man? Could he somehow be the source of these horrific cries? As the cries grew louder and closer, she could not ignore

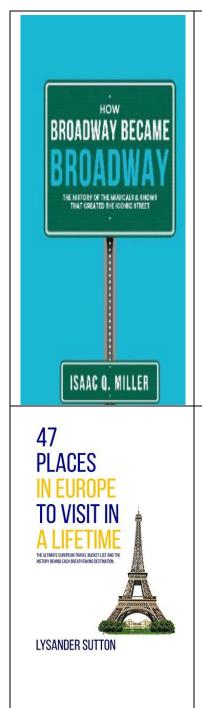
them any longer. Her thoughts were interrupted by a loud.

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From The Author's Corner – My Reviews of Recent Reads



5 * - An Enlightening and Well-Researched Journey

"The promise that everything is possible" is the description of that world famous street known as Broadway given by the author, Issac Q. Miller. This street in many ways defines New York City. Like the author, I too remember my first astonishing experience with my first Broadway play called 'CATS'. The author takes us on a totally immersive journey through the beginnings of this unique place called 'The Great White Way'. We are offered a well-researched look into its iconic history. In addition we are treated to an understanding of the types of performances found on Broadway such as musicals and jukebox musicals in particular. The section on multiple current and past plays is very informative and interestingly written. 'Mamma Mia', a well-known musical, with the songs from my favorite group, ABBA in 2001 defined this category of shows which combine popular songs with a story. The story does not need to be related to the songs. The author further offers us tidbits as to why certain shows are indeed musical successes such as 'Wicked' and 'The Lion King' as well as contemporary shows such as 'Hamilton' and 'Spiderman''. The author adds to the details given with an extensive list of reference for further research by the reader. This book is very engaging and a highly recommended wonderful read. -K. Korkidis

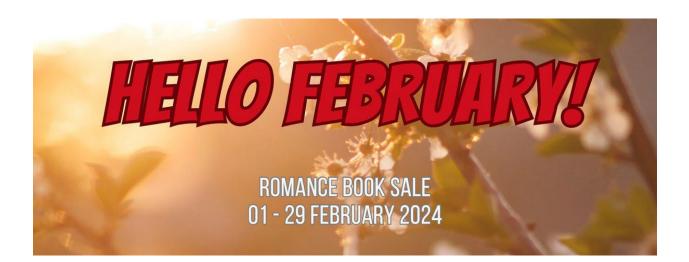
5* - A Guide Worth the Read

I had the privilege of traveling over most of Europe a few years back for work. I enjoyed my time there but wish I had this guide with me. The places I visited would have been even more enjoyable. From Baden-Baden in Austria to Freiburg in Germany the author offers sites that I somehow missed. I plan to go back with this guide in hand. This guide not only covers suggested locations to visit, but also gives the history and the best time to travel to each location. I also plan to visit Norway and Iceland. This guide offers me not only sites to see but the history of the land of fire and ice. – *Katherine Korkidis*

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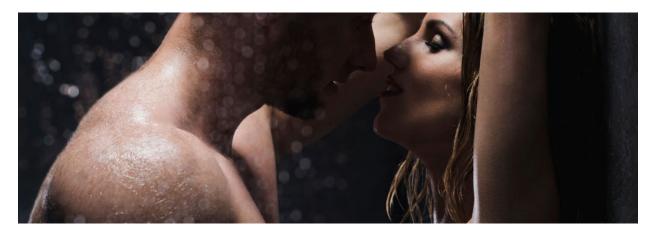
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Dark Romance Your Life in February



Romance, Romance, Romance Sales



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Sweet Reads



The Sweeter The Better



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Cupid's Clean Romance



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<u>Notes of Passion:</u> Romance in the Music World FEB



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Join Us for the 2024 Women in Publishing Summit



Check It Out

Have you heard about The Women in Publishing Summit? This is a virtual conference for authors and publishing professionals, and it is an incredible event! Here are reasons you should join us:

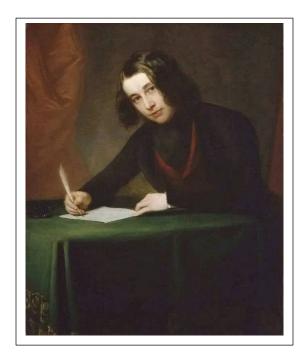
- **1. Bonus sessions!** We're networking each month and have a total of SEVEN bonus sessions outside the conference.
- 2. Sponsor deals come learn about what the sponsors are offering and grab any tools you need now! We have some great discounts on tools you WILL need, plus the opportunity to meet publishers, editors, coaches, and more!
- **3. Yearlong learning!** All sessions are recorded, and you have access until the end of December to revisit or watch sessions you missed!
- 4. Community! I think the best part about the Women in Publishing Summit is the community and opportunities for help, support, new ideas, beta and ARC readers, author collaborations, encouragement, and more. We have such a fun time during the event and BEYOND!

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My Favorite Poems to Share

By Charles Dickens

Love is not a feeling to pass away, Like the balmy breath of a summer day. It is not — it cannot be — laid aside. It is not a thing to forget or hide. It clings to the heart, ah, woe is me! As the ivy clings to the old oak tree. Love is not a passion of earthly mould, As a thirst for honour, or fame, or gold: For when all these wishes have died away, The deep strong love of a brighter day, Though nourished in secret, consumes the more, As the slow rust eats to the iron's core.



Taken from Lucy's Song in The Village Coquettes (1836). later published in The Poems and Verses of Charles Dickens (1903) <u>#ad #literaturelover #englishliterature #motivation #greatpoetry</u>