

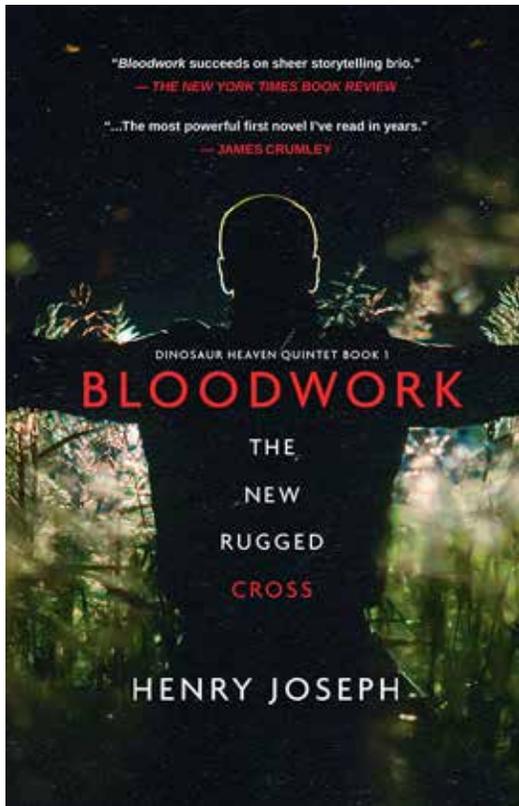
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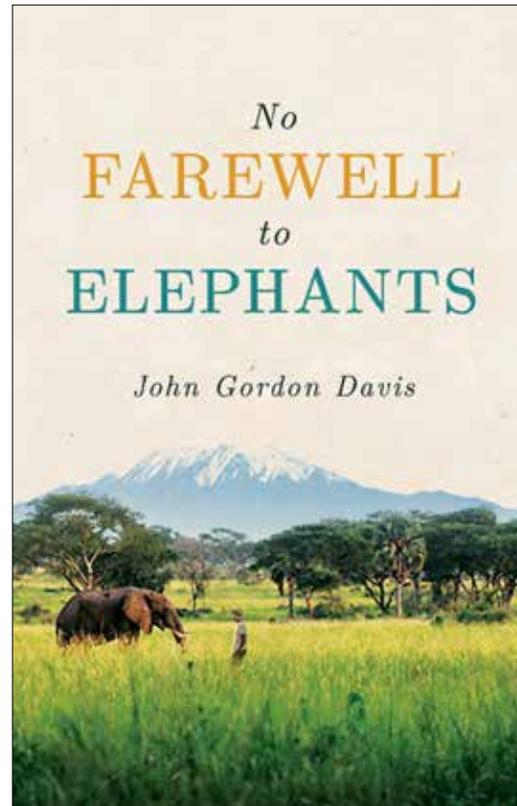
Following graduation, I moved from small-town Michigan to Manhattan, where I focused on honing my skills in an industry I love dearly: publishing. I spent a little over two years in the city and have worked with a variety of clients on a variety of projects—from designing book covers, to editing manuscripts, to typesetting a reference book on immigration law that is now used in the author's classroom at The City University of New York (CUNY).

The following projects are all from that time.

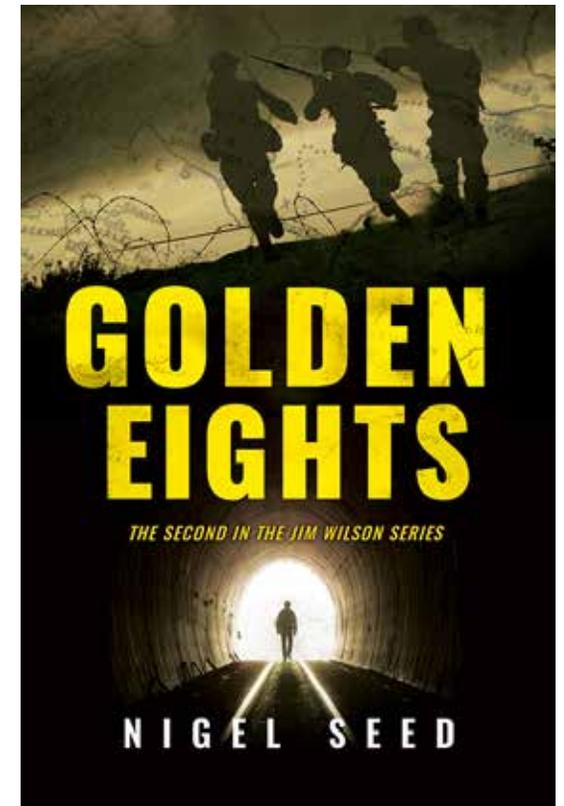
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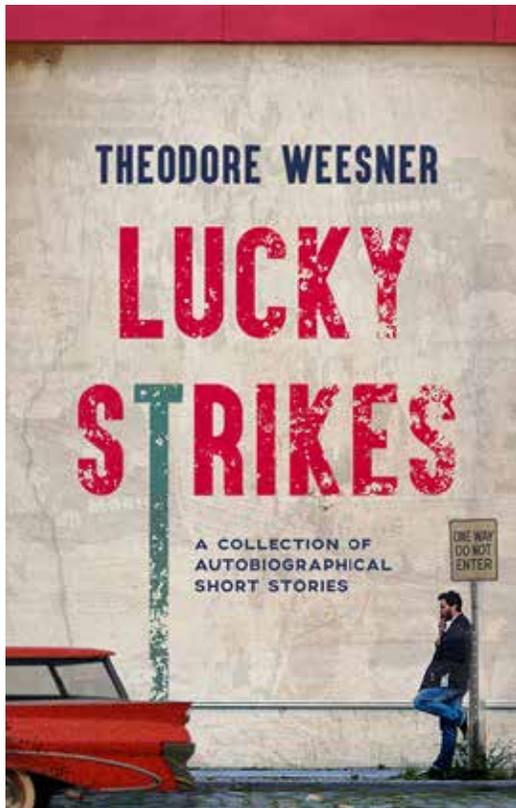


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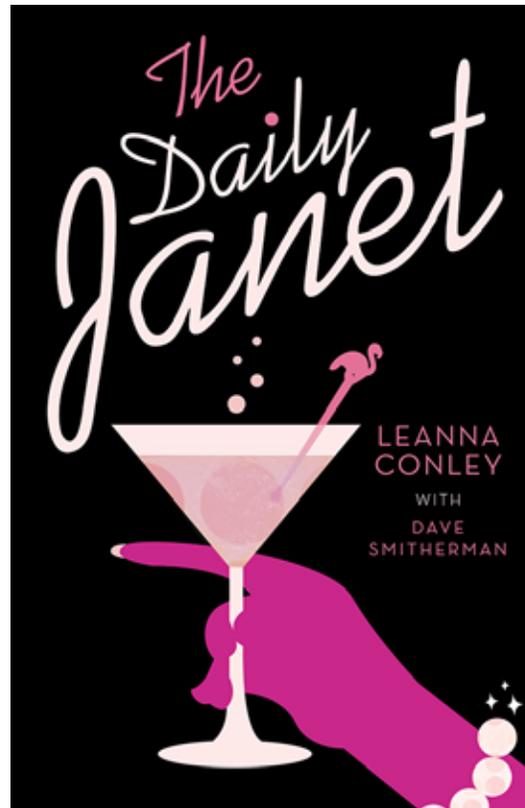


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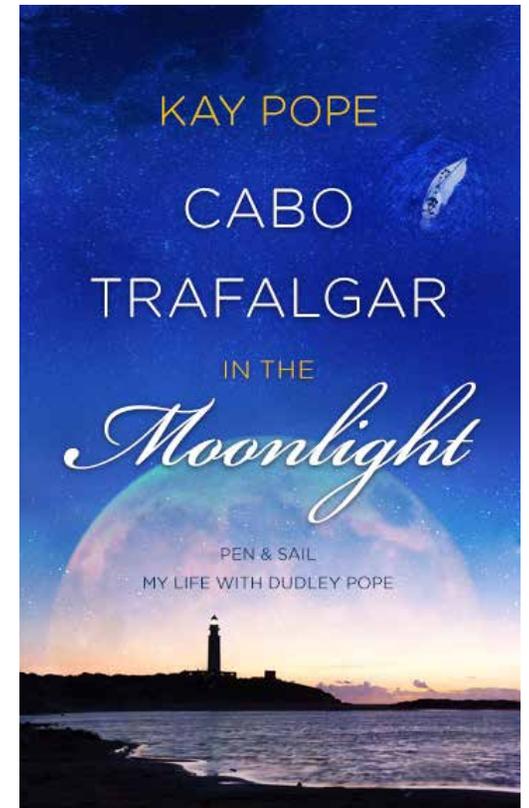
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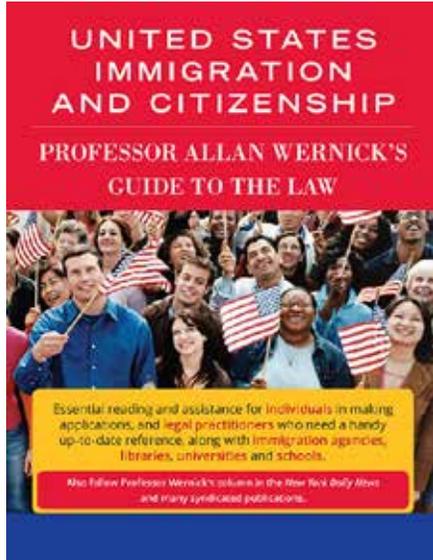


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As this book goes to press, the courts have enjoined, that is stopped, all but one of President Obama's deferred action programs for undocumented immigrants. I discuss the programs, known as DACA, expanded DACA and DAPA in Chapter 20. The President sought to provide temporary protection from deportation and employment authorization to millions. Only his program announced on June 16, 2012 for children who came here before age sixteen is active. If and when the courts allow the program to proceed, you will be able to find information about the programs on my website.

The increased scrutiny of immigration and citizenship applications motivated by N-11 and the economic downturn has led some to believe that our immigration laws have become more restrictive. That's not true. The most restrictive aspects of our current immigration laws come from the illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996. That law put into place the "unlawful presence" bar to permanent residence discussed in Chapter 5, making it difficult for millions of undocumented immigrants to get green cards. Still, no question that immigration enforcement by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement has increased and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services decision-making has become more restrictive. Immigrants, legal and undocumented need to be extra careful in preparing immigration and citizenship applications.

Hopefully, my book will help you with that task.

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Chapter 4 - Lottery Green Cards

One of the more unusual (some say bizarre) ways that the United States hands out immigrant visas is the Diversity Visa, or, as people commonly call it, "the green card lottery." Each year, the U.S. government gives up to fifty-five thousand visas to applicants who are natives of low-admission countries. Low-admission countries are countries where fewer than fifty thousand people have immigrated during the preceding five years. For the next few years, the government will give only fifty thousand visas. Of the usual fifty-five thousand, up to five thousand will go to NACARA applicants. For more on NACARA, see chapter 1.

No matter where you are currently residing, if you are a native of a qualifying country, as the law defines "native" under the lottery rules, you may win the lottery. You may be living in the United States, your native country, or any other country in the world. I after reading this chapter you are still not sure whether you qualify, go ahead and enter.

1 The entry procedure is very simple, but must be done online. No fee is required to enter. If you win, you'll pay the same fees as other immigrant visa applicants. If you adjust your application, you will have to pay an additional visa processing fee. You can worry about the fees once you've won.

2 The U.S. Department of State (DOS) runs the green card lottery. The DOS website is at travel.state.gov. Each year they publish a list of the countries whose natives are eligible. The list changes every year, so you must check every year to see if they include your country. The DOS usually issues the new rules in August.

3 If you Don't Win, Will Immigration Deport You?

Some people living in the United States are afraid to apply for the lottery. They think that if they don't win, Immigration Customs and Enforcement will arrest them and they'll end up deported. You need not be afraid to apply for the lottery. First, you don't have give your own address when applying, you just need to give the DOS a mailing address so that they can notify you if you are a winner. Second, even if you were to put your home address, it is unlikely that immigration will come looking for you.

4 The Families of Lottery Winners

If you win the lottery, your spouse and any of your children who are under age twenty-one and unmarried when you become a permanent resident can get lottery green cards when you do.

The USCS and U.S. consuls will sometimes deny lottery green card applications if you don't list your spouse and/or children on your lottery entry. That rule does not apply if you do not list your children U.S. citizens or over twenty-one. If you did not list children over age eighteen but under twenty-one, the government will excuse your omission only if you can successfully argue that you thought children over eighteen were excluded from getting a lottery green card as your dependents.

Some unmarried minor children of Diversity Visa lottery winners will benefit from the Child Status Protection Act (CSPA) enacted on August 2, 2008. For diversity lottery CSPA purposes, you must determine the period for which the case is pending. This is the first day of the DV mail-in period and the date on the applicant's "congratulatory" letter. The congratulatory letter is the letter applicants receive notifying them that they are lottery winners. The day the petition is pending is subtracted from the DV lottery derivative beneficiary's age on the date the visa became available. Once you make this calculation you know the DV Lottery derivative beneficiary's CSPA age.

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Rosemary's story illustrates how the CSPA might benefit a child of a DV lottery winner.

1 **Rosemary's story**

Rosemary's mother entered the DV lottery for 2005 on November 1, 2003. On that date, Rosemary was twenty years old and five months old. Her mother was a lucky winner. The congratulatory notice was dated August 1, 2004. Though her real age was over twenty-one, Rosemary's age was counted by the law as being nine months older, April 1, 2004 (the period between the lottery entry date November 1, 2003 and the notice date August 1, 2004).

Rosemary's mother's application was approved January 1, 2005. Though Rosemary had already turned twenty-one, she qualified for a derivative DV lottery visa because using the date the law allows under the CSPA, she was not yet twenty-one on her mother's eligibility date.

2 **Who is Eligible to Win the Green Card Lottery?**

To qualify to win the green card lottery, you must be a native of a country with low immigrant admission over the past five years. You must also have at least a high school education or its equivalent or have worked in an occupation requiring at least two years of training or experience.

3 **Who is a Native?**

- You are a native if you meet one of the following requirements:
 - You were born in the qualifying country.
 - Your husband or wife was born in the qualifying country.
 - You are under twenty-one and unmarried, and one of your parents was born in a qualifying country.
 - One of your parents is a native of a qualifying country, and your parents didn't reside in your country of birth.

If you are not sure whether or not you are a "native" of a qualifying country, go ahead and enter the lottery anyway.

The stories of Claudette, Jason, and William illustrate how the law defines the term "native" for the purposes of the lottery.

4 **Claudette's Story**

Claudette was born in Canada. The year she entered the lottery, Canada was not considered to be a low-admission country. So she was not a qualifying country native. However, Claudette was married to George, who was born in Sweden, which was a qualifying country. Claudette and George had together in Canada, where George was a landed immigrant, the Canadian equivalent of a permanent resident. Because George is a native of a qualifying country, Claudette and George can each make separate entries in the visa lottery. If either George or Claudette wins the lottery, the other can get an immigrant visa at the same time as the winner.

5 **Jason's Story**

Jason is seventeen years old and single. He was born in the People's Republic of China into a qualifying country the year which was not a qualifying country. However, Jason's mother was born in the U.S., which was a qualifying country that year. Thus Jason qualifies as a "native" because his mother is a native of a qualifying country. Of course, his mother can also apply separately, and if she wins, Jason can then get an immigrant visa when she does. However, if Jason wins, he cannot get an immigrant visa for his mother at that time.

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J. Part 10 - Information About Your Children

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1 Indicate your total number of children, all children should be indicated, including: A. Children who are currently residing in the United States; B. Children born in the United States; C. Child or under 18 years of age and under 21; D. Children who are currently naturalized or naturalized; E. Children living with you or elsewhere; F. Current stepchildren; G. Legally adopted children; and H. Children born before you were naturalized.

Count all sons and daughters alive, missing, deceased, adopted or stepchildren, even if they are U.S. citizens, adults, born out of wedlock, born outside the United States, or live outside the United States. This is not an application for them; USCIS is simply requesting information about them. This information may assist USCIS in determining matters of good moral character and your obligation to pay child support. Be prepared to show evidence that you support your children who are minors especially if they reside apart from you. If you file a petition for your child in the future, USCIS will want to see that you claimed the child as your own at the time you applied for citizenship. Failure to answer this question accurately may lead to problems later.

2 **NOTE:** Children of an applicant for naturalization may automatically derive (obtain) citizenship through that parent when the parent naturalizes. The child must be a permanent resident, unmarried, under eighteen years of age at the time that the parent naturalizes, and living in the United States in that parent's legal and physical custody. Speak with an authorized immigration law expert if you think that your child may receive this benefits when you naturalize. The expert can assist you with identifying the documents you will need to prove that your child has derived citizenship.

Part 11. Additional Information

1 Provide the following information about all your children (even those who are listed in New Questions L, regardless of age, live in additional country of origin or list any additional address).

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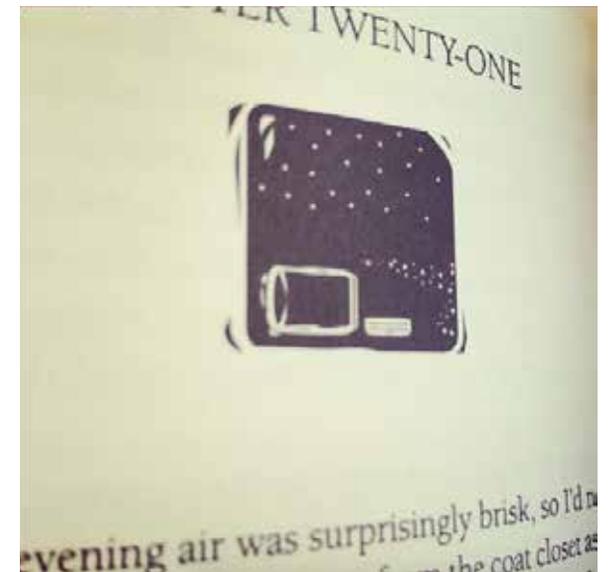
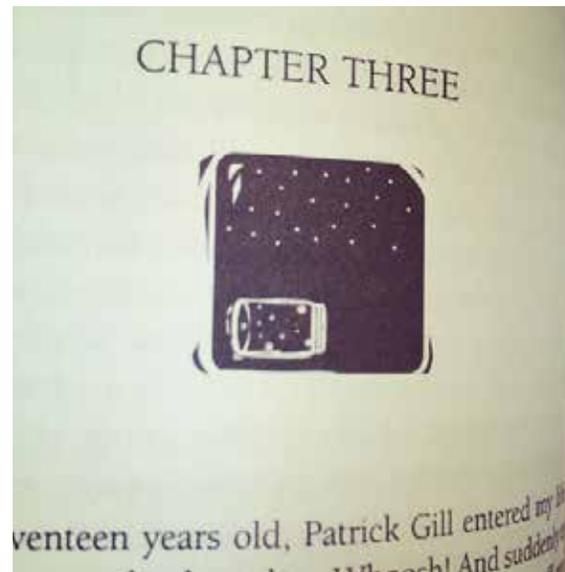
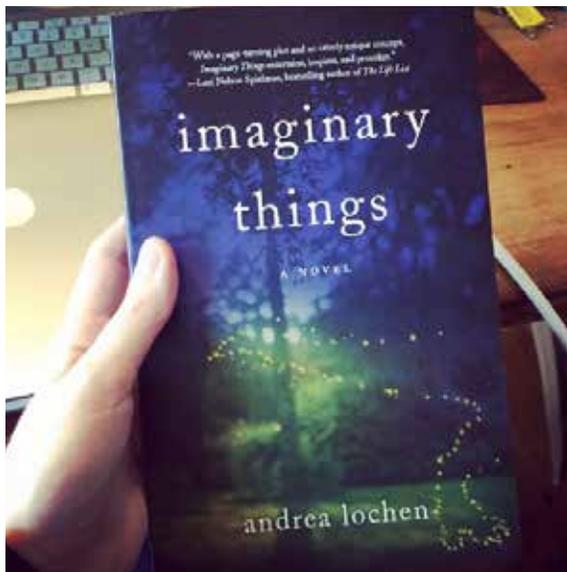
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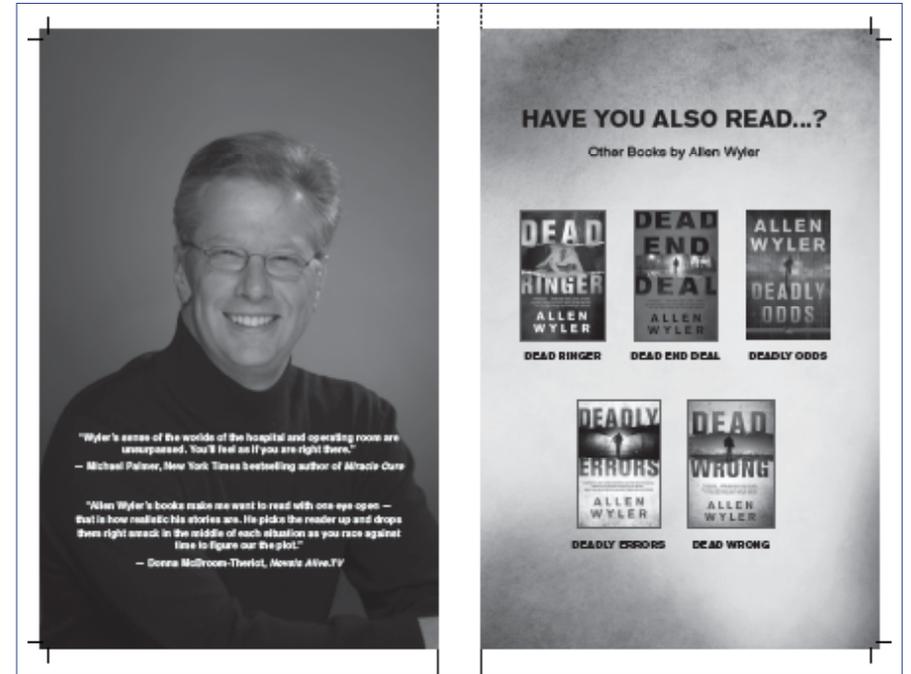
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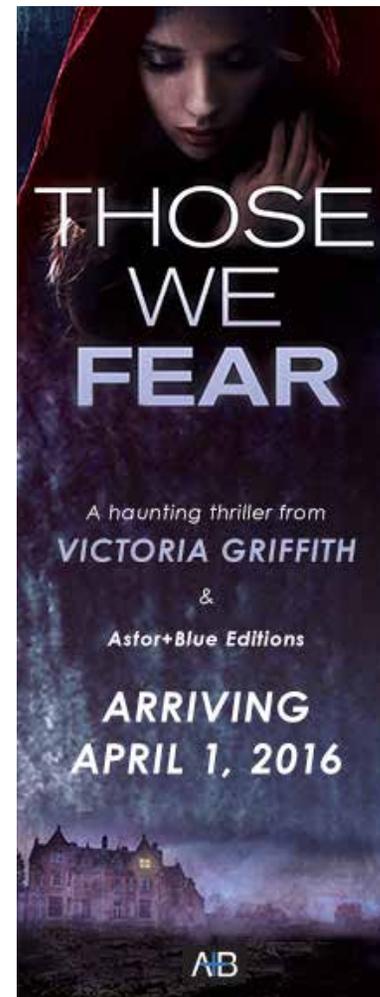
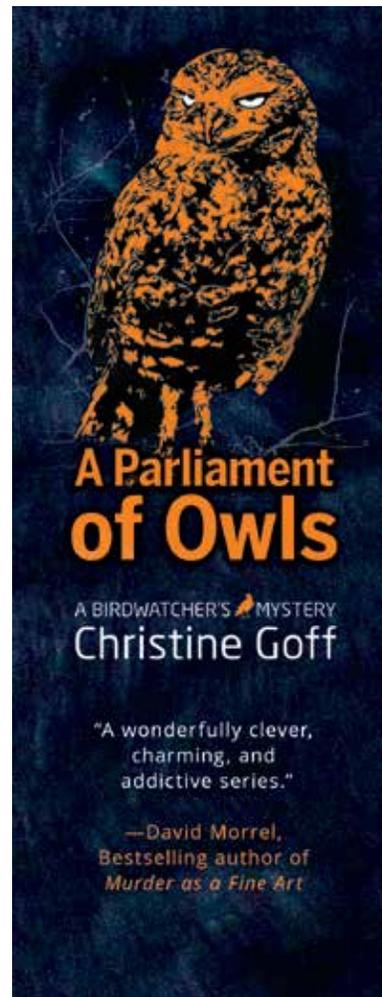
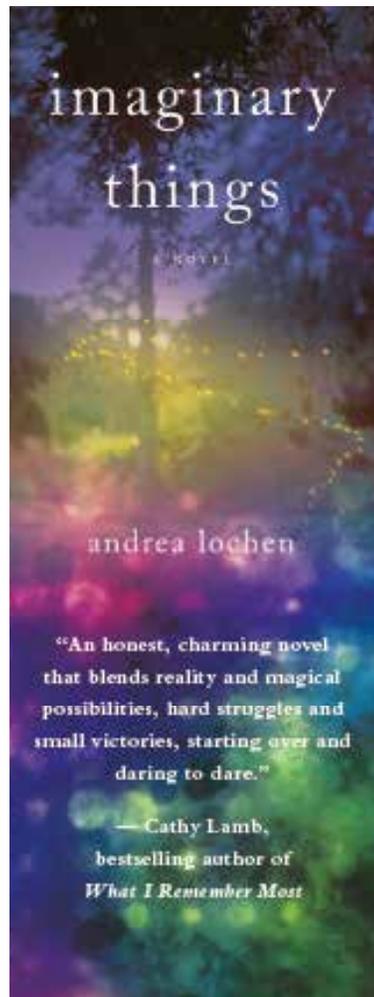


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Sample Interior - Author Bio & List of Available Titles

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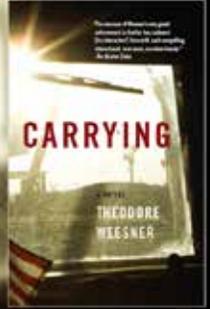


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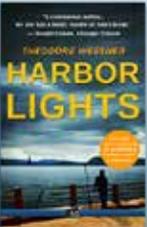
One soldier's heartbreaking coming-of-age journey in the midst of terror and endless war.

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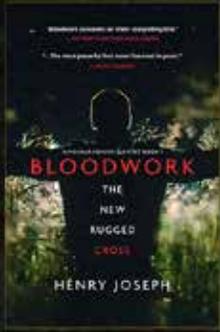
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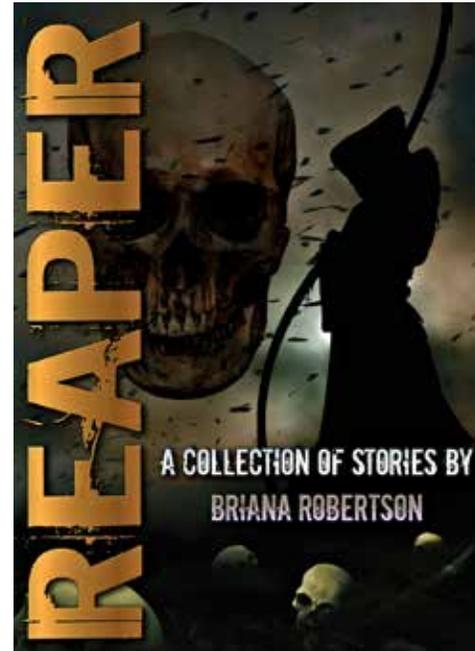
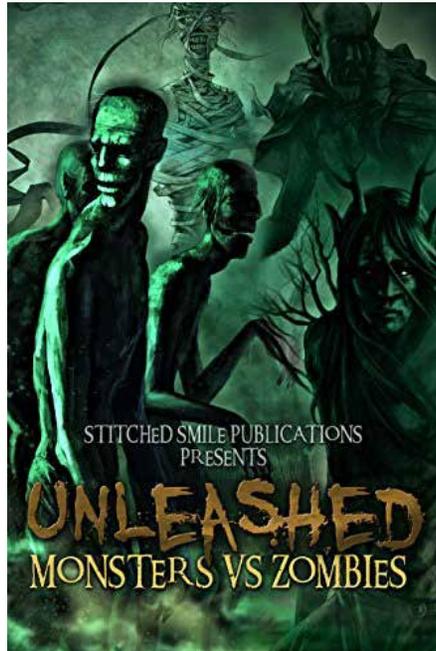
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EDITING

My background in graphic design also informs how I approach my editorial work. What is the concept, or the intent, behind the work? What elevates it (or detracts from it)? How can we make that intent shine as brightly as possible while ensuring the author's voice (or the brand's) rings loud and clear?

BOOKS EDITED



“From the beginning of our working relationship, Kate has been open, friendly, and available. She is always ready and willing to engage in discussion regarding my work, and she never insists that changes be made based strictly on her own thoughts and opinions; rather, she makes inquiries about the intention behind the work, and how that intention might be maintained while still elevating the work itself.”

—Briana Robertson, author of *Reaper*