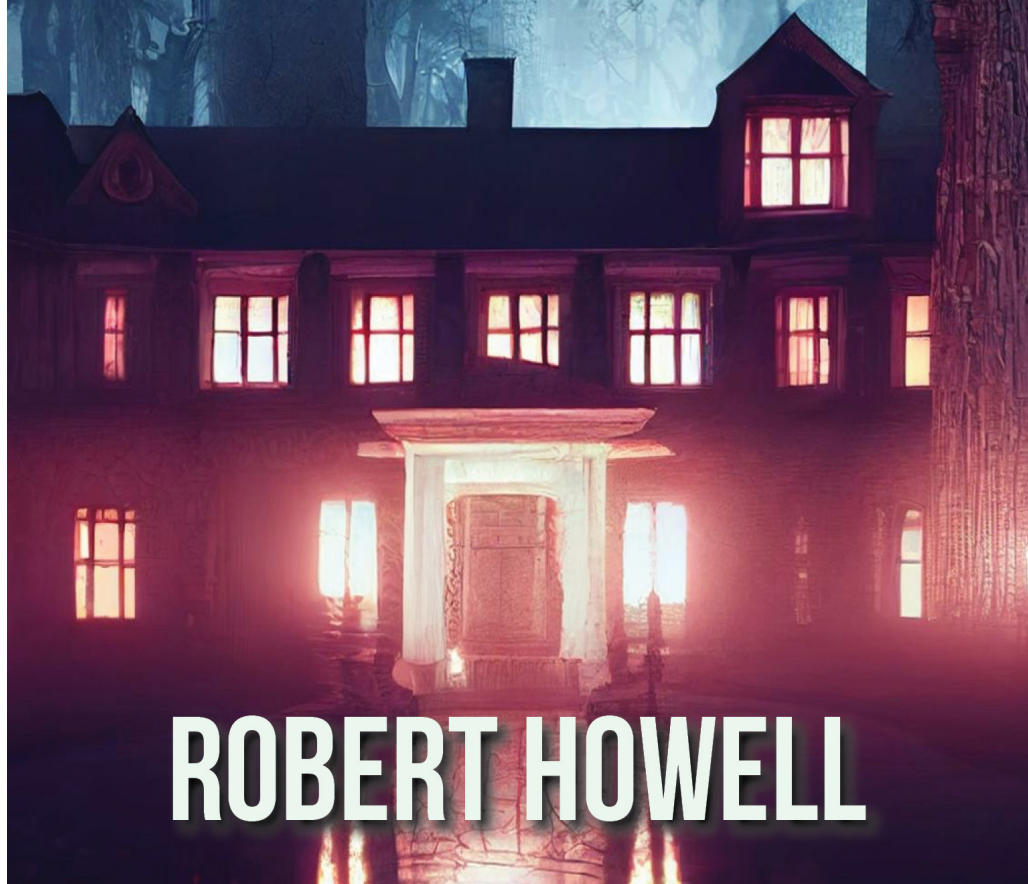


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Home for Love - Susan Bagby



The life of Emmy-award-winning producer, Maggy Anderson, is abruptly interrupted when her father suffers a heart attack at his office in New York. Maggy insists on helping him out at home while her show is on a hiatus. But Maggy is thrown off her game when unexpected chemistry with her father's doctor, Dr. Mark Richards, jolts her into a tailspin. Day after day, circumstances bring them together unexpectedly, and their feelings for each other grow stronger and cannot be denied. Maggy finds herself at a crossroads, questioning her happiness and choices in life.

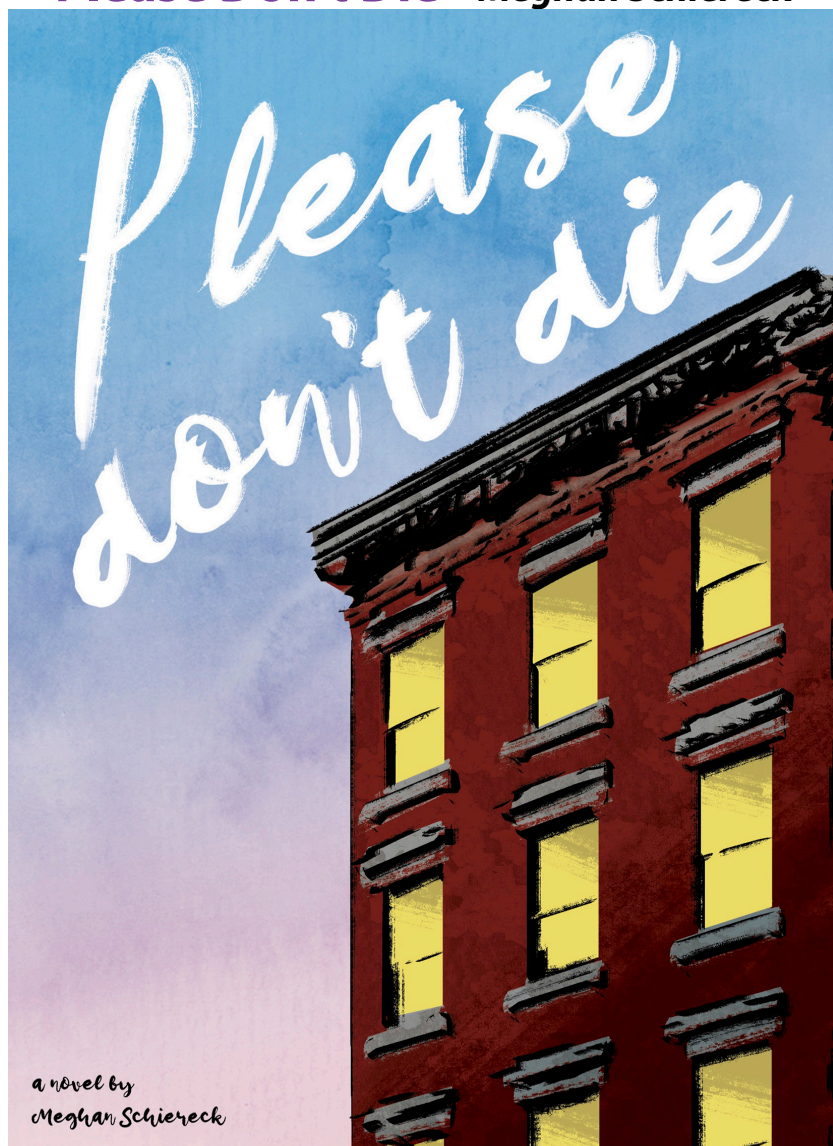
Does she dare dream a new dream for herself?

Susan Bagby For more than 25 years Susan worked with children and adults as a speech pathologist and administrator. As a published songwriter her credits include *The Magical Future*®, the official anthem for the inaugural National Children's Day as well as *One Voice One Light*, the official song for the Children's Torch of Hope UN50 tour. She is co-author of the *Magical Future*® Song book and *Magical Future*®, both self-published children's books. She is a member of RWA. Susan resides in her hometown of Akron, Ohio. In addition to writing, Susan enjoys playing the piano, walking in the woods, yoga and spending time with her friends. She is a firm believer in knowing dreams do come true!

Also by Author: *Christmas Wish Upon a Star*

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300	5.5 X 8.5	Fiction Romance/FR	None

Please Don't Die - Meghan Schiereck



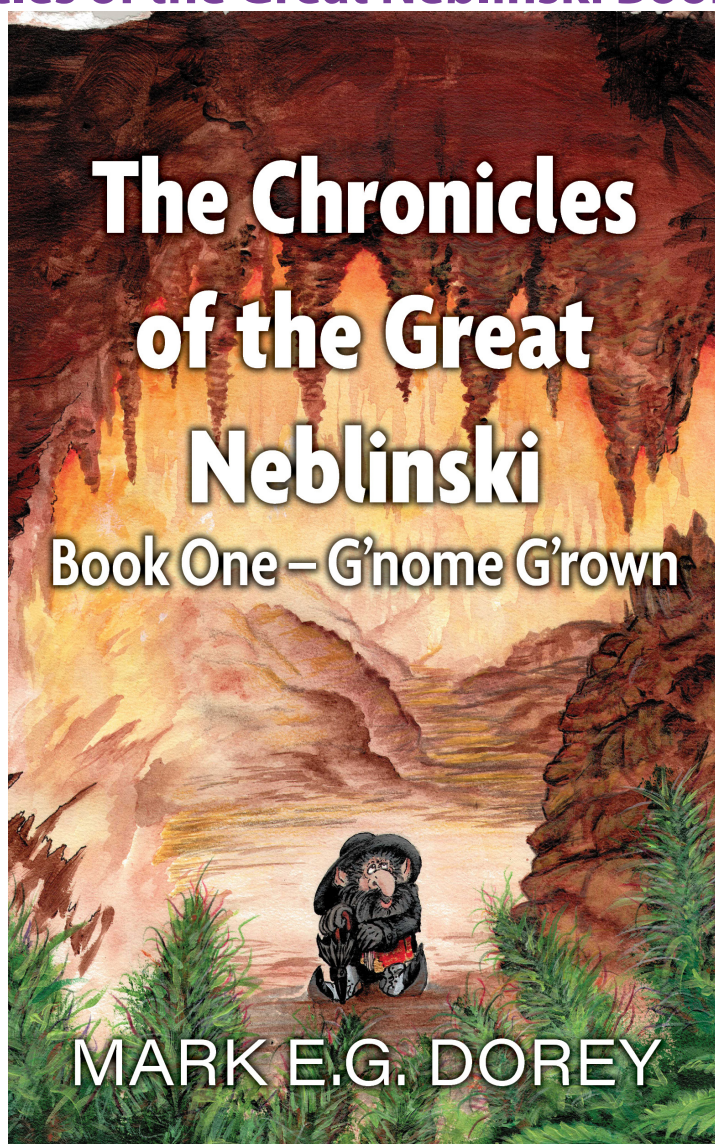
Rosemary O'Brien, a painter living in the West Village in New York City, still reeling from the loss of her fiancé three years later, must move out of their shared home and find meaning in her new life by beginning to date again and answering a request for proposal to paint a large scale mural in a new Korean tea house, owned by none other than Jordan Park, the man who moved into her old apartment. As Rosemary and Jordan butt heads at first, Rosemary questions what it means to "move on" from grief, from her late fiancé, and from the place she called home for so long and how she can still love someone else without compromising her love for her old life while uncovering what makes a house, a home.

Meghan Schiereck is an award-winning photojournalist, she was short-listed in the 2019 Unsplash Awards and has won several collegiate press awards. Previously, Meghan was published in the Huffington Post with a piece on grief. Meghan is a mass-transit advocate, retired prom queen and all-around delight. Some of her favorite pastimes are reading the news, britpop music, collecting scrunchies, scrolling through Twitter, and wandering through antique shops. She is also interested in making grief resources accessible for all. Meghan is currently working on her second novel and lives in New York City.

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The Chronicles of the Great Neblinski Book 1 - M.E. Dorey

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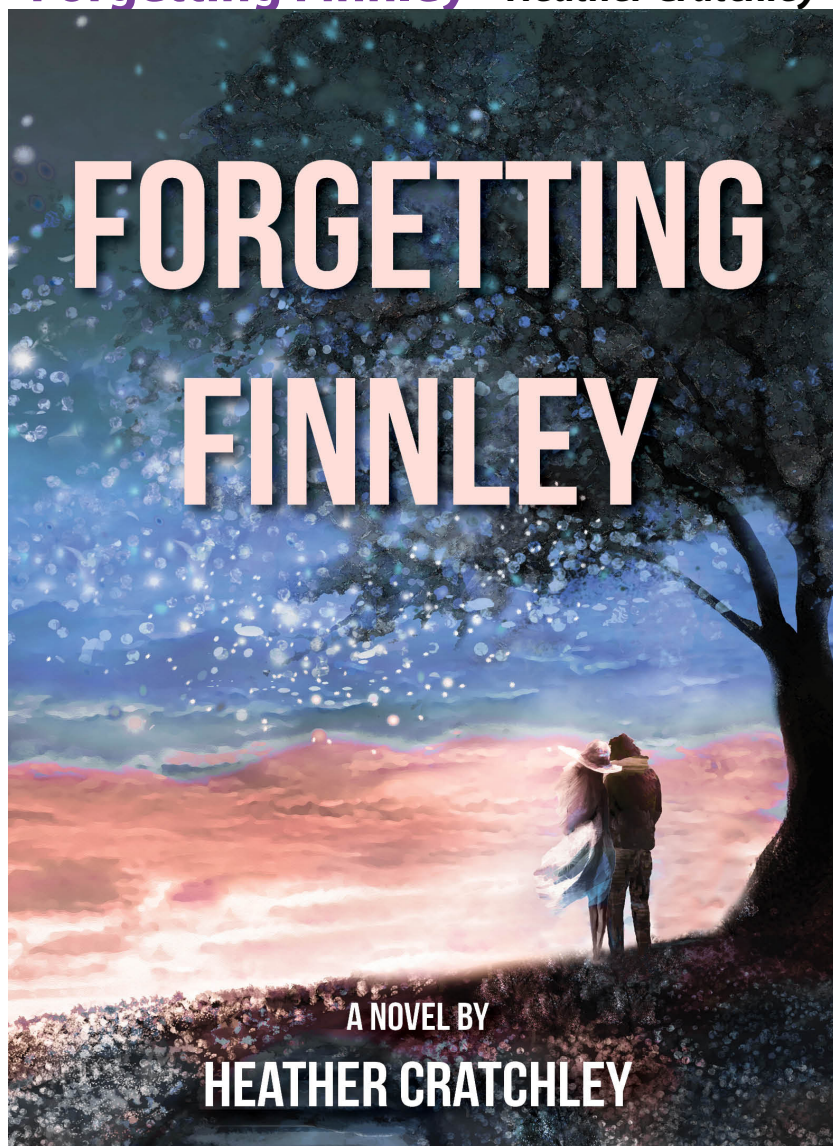
A tiny pot-smoking subterranean G'nome, is taken from his homeland deep inside the world by his people's long-lost creator and deity and placed upon the surface amounts giants and monsters. There, he undertakes a perilous and hilarious journey to rediscover the origins of his people and uncover the secrets of their unique and ancient culture.

G'Nome Grown is a hilarious investigation into the power of friendship and acceptance.

Mark E.G. Dorey was born in Halifax Nova Scotia, Canada, the youngest of 5 siblings. He began his adult life as an artist, carving stone and antler, painting, and any other medium of art he could get his hands on. Mark's author influences are Douglas Adams, J.R.R. Tolkien, Robert E. Howard, Michael Moorcock, and Frank Herbert, which inspired him to write *The Chronicles of the Great Neblinski*, a hilarious story of his adventures with his newfound friends, Grarr, Durik, Raz, Beornag, and Musky. It is a story of companionship, tolerance, loyalty, devotion to friendship, and healing. Today, Mark lives in Ontario, Canada, with his partner and a pack of giant wolfdogs, where he still makes art, composes music, and continues to write about the Great Neblinski and his friends.

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402	5.5 X 8.5	Fiction/FA	None

Forgetting Finnley - Heather Cratchley

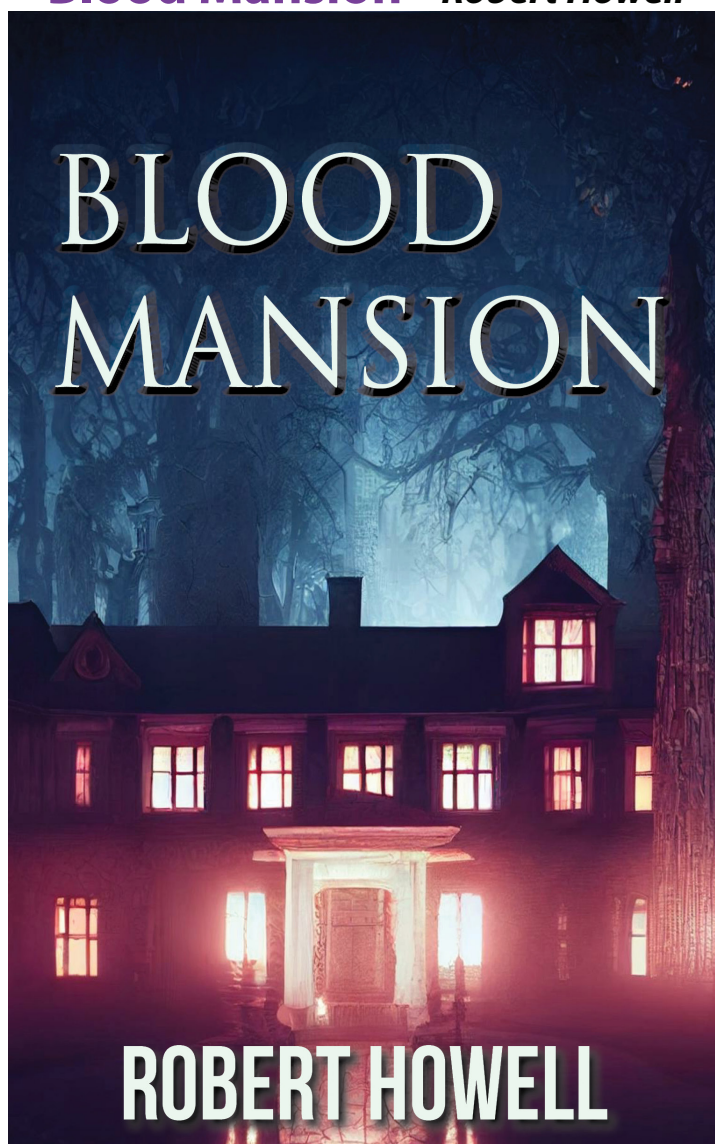


Seeing the man who broke her heart so many years ago, Sadie does what she can to avoid the inevitable; fall for Casey once again and confront their past about the baby she gave up for adoption. When avoidance doesn't work with Casey, she does the next best thing, lie. With Casey trying to gain her trust and forgiveness, he can only believe what she tells him, ultimately deciding she is more important than finding out about the baby. When the truth is unraveled both Sadie and Casey must decide if they are able to forgive each other and move forward.

In the end will it be the lies she told that keep them apart, or will it be the truth she's been hiding for the last five years?

Heather Cratchley is a mom of two teenage sons and runs a full house, including two dogs and a cat. With various careers under her belt, Heather chose to change course and pursue her passion for writing. Her relationship with reading started at a young age with books like 'Little Women' and 'Salem's Lot'. She gets her inspiration from music, people-watching, and authors such as Katie McGarry, J. Sterling and Colleen Hoover. When she's not engrossed in writing, you can find her walking her dogs, enjoying a good glass of wine, watching a movie, or spending quality time with her kids. Heather currently resides just outside of Toronto, Canada.

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192	5.5 X 8.5	Fiction Romance/FR	None

Blood Mansion - Robert Howell

Peter Vanderbilt had a very special house built to his exact specifications. Unknown to almost everyone, the materials he used were 'special.' He searched the world, looking for parts of other haunted houses and places where acts of evil had taken place to build his final retreat. Shortly after its completion, the owner offers the house to a young couple for their wedding, after which tragedy ensues. The property is transferred to a Foundation and rented out to various families over the next twenty years; however, every seven years, more people die or go missing. Two paranormal teams are called in to investigate when the property is inexplicably sold for unpaid taxes. By this time, the total of dead and missing has reached over one hundred. When the two teams arrive, one is a legitimate paranormal research team from a respected university, and the other is from a hit reality tv show. They quickly learn that they will have to work together to survive the investigation.

Robert Howell has a range of skills and experiences, having studied Business Administration in college while taking courses in literature, poetry, cartography, and supernatural studies. After completing college, he joined the military to satisfy his urge to travel across Canada and various parts of Europe. Following his military service, he spent 40 years in real estate. Despite having a successful career in real estate, his true passion was writing, and to develop a profound set of writing skills he took a writing course through the Long Ridge Writers Group, affiliated with the University of Connecticut. He has written the successful Charm series, an urban fantasy teen trilogy. With this novel, he has turned his imagination to adult gothic horror. Born in Montreal, Quebec, he has raised four children as a single dad and has two grandchildren.

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PAGES	TRIM SIZE	GENRE/BIC	ILLUSTRATIONS
TBD	5.5 X 8.5	Horror/FK	None

Colours, Cuts and Corpses - B. T. Pope



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BOOK ONE

B.T. POPE

Bishop's Mills is a sleepy town where people seldom lock their doors, and crime only happens on TV. Alana Leffley's boyfriend is found murdered in the hair salon where she works. To make matters worse, the murder weapon is her styling shears. She is now the primary suspect in a murder she is almost sure she didn't commit.

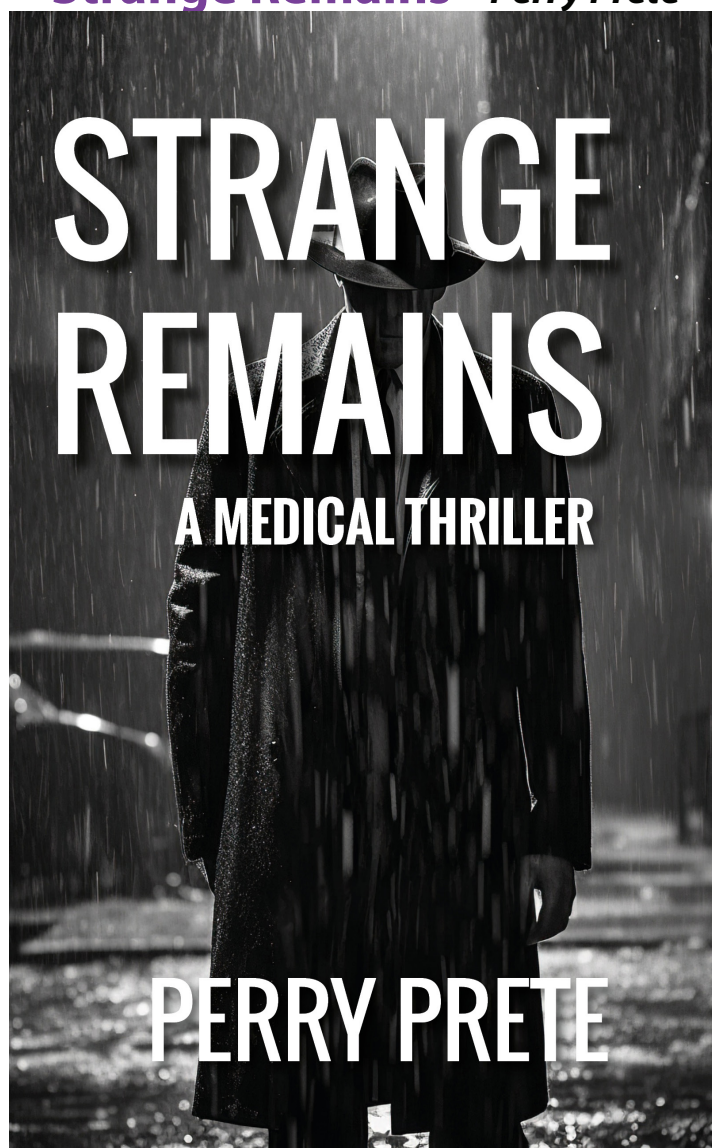
The problem is she can't recall where she was when the murder occurred.

To prove her innocence and clear her name, Alana must become her own advocate and investigate the murder she is accused of committing.

Bianca (B.T.) Pope has almost completed her studies at Ottawa University to become a teacher but has taken time off to find herself. During this time, she found a passion for writing and has since written two books in "The Salon Mysteries." Her second novel will be released next year.

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154	5.5 X 8.5	Mystery/Thriller/FF	None

Strange Remains - Perry Prete



Over several years, Ottawa Advanced Care Paramedic Ethan Tennant has been thrust from one mystery to another while trying to balance his work and personal life. Galen Hoeser from the Ottawa Police protects Ethan from himself and those who want the young paramedic out of the way. Ethan and his work partner Tom Lister, friends since college, have seen the worst that people can inflict upon themselves and each other in the streets of the nation's capital.

The team puts their feelings aside except when those who want to hurt Ethan get too close, only to discover what two young paramedics are capable of.

Perry Prete was born in Sudbury, Ontario, but grew up in London, Ontario. Later, he relocated to Brockville to work as a Paramedic. Perry continues to work as a Paramedic for Leeds Grenville Paramedic Services. With over 42 years of experience and counting, those calls provide a wealth of information for the Ethan Tennant series.

Also by Author: *All Good Things, The More Things Change. The Things That Matter Most, The Mind's Eye, Highway 7, The Infected*

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