Kelly Vincent, YA Author

Telling the hard stories



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Author Biography

Kelly Vincent wrangles data weekdays and spends the rest of their time playing with words. They grew up in Oklahoma but have moved around quite a bit, with Glasgow, Scotland being their favorite stop. They now live near Seattle with several cats who help them write their stories by strategically walking across the keyboard, with their first novel, *Finding Frances*, a fine example of this technique. Their three subsequent books, *Ugly*, *Always the New Girl*, and *Binding Off*, were released in 2022, with *Ugly* selected as the Honor book for SCBWI's Spark Award in the Books for Older Readers category for 2022. Kelly has a Master of Fine Arts in

creative writing from Oklahoma City University's Red Earth program. Find them at kellyvincent.net, @kvbooks on Instagram and Twitter, and @kv_books on TikTok.

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Books

Title: *Finding Frances* **Author**: Kelly Vincent

Genre: YA Contemporary with Suspense

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Price: 4.99 (ebook), 17.99 (paperback)

of pages: 324

ISBN: 978-1-5092-2904-8 (ebook) 978-1-5092-2903-1 (paperback) Publication Date: 2/3/2020 Publisher: The Wild Rose Press

Available On: Amazon (Kindle, paperback), Barnes and Noble (Nook, paperback), Apple

Books, Google Play, Kobo **Territories Sold**: Global

Synopsis:

Retta Brooks thinks her life is on track after convincing her overprotective mom to stop home-schooling her so she can go to Buckley High. She comes home from a night out with friends to find that her whole world has changed, and now she has to figure out who she is, who she can trust, and why her mom lied.

Reviews:

"A page-turning coming-of-age tale that offers an offbeat spin on the YA suspense genre."

—Kirkus Reviews (starred review)

Awards:

- 2021 Next Generation Indie Book Award, 1st Place, First Novel (70k-90k)
- 2021 IPPY Book Award, Bronze (tie), Juvenile/Young Adult Fiction E-book
- 2021 National Excellence in Story Telling (NEST) Award, 1st Place, Young Adult Novel

Buy Link: https://books2read.com/findingfrances-kellyvincent







Title: Always the New Girl
Author: Kelly Vincent
Genre: YA Contemporary

Price: 2.99 (ebook), 14.99 (paperback)

of pages: 287

ISBN: 979-8-9851511-4-5 (Kindle) 979-8-9851511-5-2 (other ebook) 979-8-9851511-7-6 (paperback) Publication Date: 5/10/2022

Publisher: KV BOOKS LLC

Available On: Amazon (Kindle, paperback), Barnes and Noble (Nook, paperback), Apple

Books, Google Play, Kobo Territories Sold: Global

Synopsis:

After Sarah Redmond gets humiliated at a party, she finds a creative way to use her obsession with knitting to exact sweet revenge. When this leads to a lucrative business, everything seems on track. But when her deadbeat dad comes to town, Sarah starts to wonder if her rather indifferent approach to planning out her life is the right one.

Reviews:

"a carefully considered and executed coming-of-age story about a resourceful young woman" —BookLife Prize

Awards:

Quarterfinalist in 2021 BookLife Prize for Fiction, Young Adult and Middle Grade category

Buy Link: https://books2read.com/alwaysthenewgirl

Title: *Binding Off* **Author**: Kelly Vincent **Genre**: YA Contemporary

Price: 0.99 (ebook), 10.99 (paperback)

of pages: 75

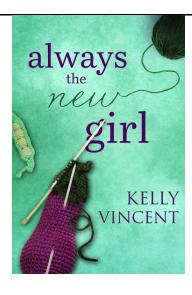
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Synopsis:

In this prequel to *Always the New Girl*, 8th-grader Sarah Redmond's mom has just gotten them kicked out of yet another boyfriend's house, which means they're going back to Grammy's house. Sarah's used to it, however, and everything seems worth it when she meets Mateo at her new school. But is she ready for where this relationship will take her?





Reviews: N/A

Buy Link: https://books2read.com/bindingoff

Title: Ugly

Author: Kelly Vincent

Genre: YA Contemporary, LGBTQ **Price**: 2.99 (ebook), 17.99 (paperback)

of pages: 380

ISBN: 979-8-9851511-8-3 (Kindle) 979-8-9851511-9-0 (other ebook) 978-1-958342-00-8 (paperback) Publication Date: 5/7/2022

Publisher: KV BOOKS LLC

Available On: Amazon (Kindle, paperback), Barnes and Noble (Nook, paperback), Apple

Books, Google Play, Kobo **Territories Sold**: Global

Synopsis:

Nic Summers is taunted for being an "ugly lesbian," which is confusing because she isn't sure they're totally wrong. But then her best and only friend, Sam, announces she's moving. Nic and Sam undertake Operation Social Interaction for Nic to find her some new friends. But it's difficult for the introverted artist, and she starts questioning everything about herself. Once she finds the term "gender nonconforming," things start to fall into place, even if that knowledge doesn't tell her what to do next. Then Sam is gone, and Nic has to find her own path and live her own truth.

Reviews:

"Readers will rally behind fifteen-year-old Nic Summers as she navigates the pitfalls of adolescence in this moving and timely YA novel." —BookLife Prize

"the compelling story will resonate with young adults going on their own difficult journeys and should help them feel less alone." –Kirkus Reviews

Awards:

- Semifinalist in 2019 BookLife Prize for Fiction, Children's and Young Adult category
- Honor book in SCBWI's 2022 Spark Award in the Books for Older Readers category

Buy Link: https://books2read.com/uglythebook

