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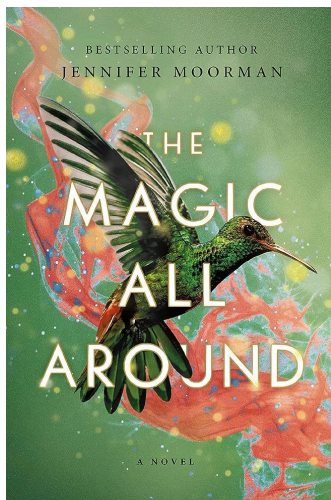
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Two stunning Southern women's fiction novels featuring family, tradition, love, friendship, and a journey of self discovery

THE MAGIC ALL AROUND

by Jennifer Moorman



Praise for THE MAGIC ALL AROUND

*“The Magic All Around is brimming with lyrical southern beauty, a page-turning treasure hunt, and delightful magic. With a house built of enchanted wood, a mother-daughter bond that changes a life, a family saga that brings you home, and a captivating love story, *The Magic All Around* is a work of storytelling-art. For readers of Sara Addison Allen and Lauren Denton, this is your next captivating read. If we have eyes to see and ears to hear, Jennifer Moorman is here to remind us that there really is magic all around.”*

*—Patti Callahan Henry, NYT Bestselling author of *The Secret Book of Flora Lea**

*“Full of southern charm, second chances, and an opinionated old house that’s as (lovingly) meddlesome as a well-meaning aunt, *The Magic All Around* is sure to delight. Jennifer Moorman’s latest is equal parts magical and hopeful, revealing the healing power of love.”*

*—Susan Bishop Crispell, author of *The Secret Ingredient of Wishes**

KARMA UNDER FIRE

by Love Hudson-Maggio

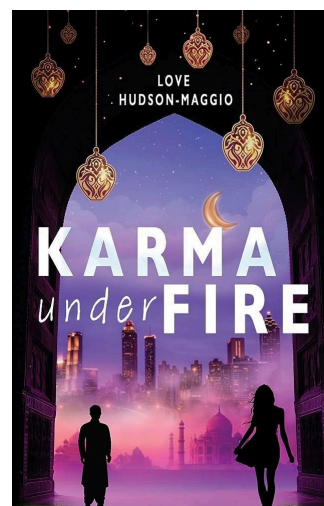
Praise for KARMA UNDER FIRE

“Hudson-Maggio’s crisp, engaging prose and quick-paced storytelling will please readers of lively, travel-minded international fiction. Extreme poverty, enormous wealth, Ayurvedic spas, extravagant weddings, unyielding tradition, fantastic Indian cuisine, snake charmer—all the boxes for depicting India as an exotic backdrop for romantic adventure get checked.”

—Publishers Weekly

“Readers will find this to be a gratifying and heartwarming story, featuring two characters that they will be likely to find endearing, despite their flaws. Each chapter alternates between the two main players’ perspectives as they grapple with their futures; this format results in a delightful and easygoing read that some will find to be reminiscent of Indian romance films.”

—Kirkus Reviews



About THE MAGIC ALL AROUND

The Russell women have always lived in a house that is as special as they are—a century-old Victorian with a radio that tunes itself to the listener’s mood and a pantry that rearranges to provide just the right ingredients for any baking need. Lilith Russell was the exception. She left the family home in Ivy Ridge, Georgia, and has been flitting like a hummingbird from place to place with her daughter, Mattie, in the decades since, only returning each summer to drop Mattie off with Lilith’s sister, Penelope.

When Lilith dies suddenly, Mattie is left without her sole companion and the captain who steered her ship. That is, until she visits Ivy Ridge and learns Lilith charted one last course for Mattie: a series of tasks that she must complete to earn her inheritance, with Penelope overseeing the process.

Both Mattie and Penelope are outraged by Lilith’s seemingly random stipulations: throw a Halloween party, take a local pizza cooking class, share secrets with someone . . . But Mattie soon realizes that if she completes the tasks, she may unearth her mother’s secrets, including the identity of Mattie’s father. She may also discover more about the Russell family “gifts” and why Lilith chose Penelope’s former love to be the executor of the will. She may even learn how and why Jonathan Carlisle, the boy who stole her heart ten summers ago, also happens to be back in town.

Mattie can only hope that Lilith’s final map will finally point her home.

About KARMA UNDER FIRE

Two societies collide: the trendy, upscale, ultra-hip universe of Atlanta and the alluring, bound-by-tradition world of old India!

Pressured by her challenging mother, Harlow Kennedy, an aspiring jewelry maker, agrees to marry politically ambitious pretty-boy Addison Whitmore. The match will elevate Harlow’s non-existent social standing and guarantee financial security for life. The wedding is scheduled to take place as soon as Harlow returns from her BFF’s wedding in India.

On the other side of the world, the parents of Tej Mayur, the “it” chef of Atlanta’s hottest new Indian restaurant, are fretting about their son’s unmarried status. They summon him home.

When Harlow meets Tej on a flight from Atlanta to Delhi, sparks fly. Unfortunately, Tej’s nuptials are already being arranged by his privileged East Indian family, and Harlow is not Indian. After touching down at Indira Gandhi International, they flee one another’s company—or so they think.

Karma Under Fire transports readers across the globe, and like *Mississippi Masala* and *Crazy Rich Asians*, at its core it’s a vibrant heartwarming story about two people’s search for love while they navigate the uncertain path between passion and tradition.

This book is the first installment of a three-part series. A feature film adaptation is also in the works.

Jennifer Moorman is available for interviews to discuss:

- **Family:** Strong family ties, especially mother/daughter relationships and aunt/niece bonds are central themes in the novel as well as Mattie’s search for her birth father.
- **The South:** Jennifer’s novel is set in the American south, a place rich with history and rooted in tradition. Jennifer herself was born and raised in southern Georgia, where honeysuckle grows wild and the whippoorwills sing. She understands the deep rooted small town ties that are characteristic of the American south and of her novel.
- **Returning Home:** When Mattie Russell returns home, she has no intentions of staying longer than needed. But after reading her mother’s final will and testament she discovers that Lilith is requiring her to stay in Ivy Ridge and complete a set of tasks to earn her inheritance. Sometimes coming home can help us heal our trauma and form closer bonds to those we love.
- **Acceptance:** Lilith wants her daughter not only to discover who she is and who her father is, but to finally be happy with who she and her family are. While finding love is important for a lot of people, loving yourself is the first step anyone needs to embark on that journey. Mattie learns to keep her heart open for all types of love and acceptance.
- **Magic:** The Russell family members all seem to have—gifts. Eldest sister Penelope naturally infuses strength, joy or love into the fabric of the dresses she designs as a seamstress. Her younger sister, Lilith, is never without whatever she needs—there’s always a person nearby who just happens to have an apartment available to rent, or a part-time job open, or a car to borrow just when they need it. And Lilith’s adult daughter, Mattie, always seems to trigger the perfect song to mysteriously start playing.



About Jennifer

Born and raised in southern Georgia, where honeysuckle grows wild and the whippoorwills sing, Jennifer Moorman is the bestselling author of the magical realism Mystic Water series. Jennifer started writing in elementary school, crafting epic tales of adventure and love and magic.

She wrote stories in Mead notebooks, on printer paper, on napkins, on the soles of her shoes. Her blog is full of dishes inspired by fiction, and she hosts baking classes showcasing these recipes. Jennifer considers herself a traveler, a baker, and a dreamer. She can always be won over with chocolate, unicorns, or rainbows. She believes in love—everlasting and forever.

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Love Hudson-Maggio is available for interviews to discuss:

- **Arranged Marriage/Traditions:** Arranged marriages, a custom very common in Indian culture is this very tradition creating the source of the novel's tension. As Tej and Harlow seem to be drawn to each other, his arranged marriage is already under way and Harlow is not Indian. Tradition and culture clash become obstacles that only love can conquer.
- **Love:** The novel is a vibrant, heartwarming story about two people's search for love while they navigate the uncertain path between passion and tradition. When Harlow and Tej are both set to be married to people they don't really know or love, they develop a bond deeper than anything they could have ever imagined. Love is at the center of all conflict and resolution in this beautiful romance and discovery novel.
- **The South:** Love writes southern women's fiction with a travel flair about smart people with a lot to learn about life and love. Living in Atlanta, GA, the setting of her novel, allows her to show the traditions of both Indian and American southern culture and tradition and compare the pressures they can force onto her characters.
- **Food:** Thanks to Tej Mayur, the "it" chef of Atlanta's hottest new Indian restaurant, the book is filled with descriptions of delicious food and exotic aromas.
- **Travel:** Love's passion for travel shows up in her books as her characters find themselves transported between the southern sweetness of Atlanta, GA to picturesque India. Traveling can help people discover what they're truly meant to do with their life, even if it wasn't the plan they originally had in mind.

About Love Hudson-Maggio:

Love Hudson-Maggio is CEO and Founder of a marketing technology firm with offices in Atlanta, GA and Manhattan, NY. She writes southern women's fiction with a travel flair about smart people with a lot to learn about life and love. Love's passion for travel shows up in her books as her characters find themselves transported between the southern sweetness of Atlanta, GA to other international picturesque locations like India. Love lives in Atlanta, GA with her husband, two sons and their dog. Love was admitted as a screenwriting fellow at Columbia University for her short play *As the Vow Breaks*. Upon completion of her screenwriting fellowship her play, *Eating for Two* was performed at a small theater in New York's Lower East Side as a part of a female ensemble. Love believes that the love you give away will find its way back to you. Her books reflect this truth. *KARMA UNDER FIRE* is the first installment of a three-part series and a feature film adaptation is also in the works.



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More praise for Jennifer Moorman's Books

“Charming, enchanted and delightfully Southern, Jennifer Moorman’s *The Magic All Around* is a cozy story of family, love and finding yourself. Perfect for fans of Heather Webber and Sarah Addison Allen!”

—Liz Parker, author of *The Shadow Garden*

“Brimming with love, and crackling with magic, this story will feel like home on a page—whether it’s the home you miss or the home you’re hoping to find.”

—Natalie Lloyd, author of *A Snicker of Magic*

“In the world of magical realism, Jennifer Moorman is an important new voice. She is a sensitive, engaging, quirky, and soulful storyteller. Her characters speak their truths only to inspire us, the reader, to embrace and respect our own true gifts. As a lifelong fan of Alice Hoffman, I am adding Jennifer to a short list of writers who can carry the torch forward to a new generation.”

—*Bedside Reading*

“Like a charming Hallmark movie with a dash of magic and a little mayhem, readers will instantly fall in love. Enchanting and magical, Jennifer Moorman charms her readers with a strong storyline that intertwines magic, romance, and more sugar than a cup of sweet tea on a warm summer night. With all the sweetness of romance, with a helping of extra, dark chocolate to keep things intense, readers will devour this enticing read like a slice of Anna’s Dark Chocolate Oreo Tart.”

—*Dixon’s Independent Voice*

More Praise for KARMA UNDER FIRE

“Love Hudson-Maggio has written a fun, hip and poignant debut novel. KARMA UNDER FIRE is a gem - you’ll fall in love with Harlow and Tej in a hot Atlanta minute!”

—Addison Fox, author of *Always Her Cowboy*

“The characters were so easy to love and their growing realization of their love for one another kept me on my toes, hoping for a confession to happen sooner than later. I appreciated the attention given to India, their culture, and the traditions surrounding marriage. It was an eye-opener and a reminder of how different the culture of Indians in the diaspora are compared to those in India.”

—Shivalli Ragbir

“Such a fun book... Such witty, sharp banter, detailed descriptions of the most delicious sounding food, pop culture references with movie quotes galore and just an entertaining look at Tej’s extravagant world in India and Harlow’s adventures with an Indian matchmaker, all leading up to a sweet romcom. This is the perfect escapist fluffy romp that we all need right now.”

—*Texacalibooks*

“I loved this great story about two people falling in love from different cultures and traditions. I thought the backdrop of India took this story to epic proportions, and I just enjoy reading the story through alternating points of view. I found it endearing and a heartwarming read. It was truly an escape for me, and I enjoyed it.”

—*Nurse_bookie*

“An entertaining contemporary romance novel... The author vividly describes the setting, the characters, and the plot. The dramatic characters are described as complex and complicated... The author writes with humor and wit, and this is an enjoyable story. I would recommend this romantic and intriguing story to other readers.”

—*Linda’s Book Obsession*

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MAGIC & KARMA on Tour

Jennifer Moorman and Love Hudson-Maggio in conversation

Each event will include a giveaway of tour-exclusive swag

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20 @ 1:00 PM EST

FoxTale Book Shoppe (Woodstock, GA)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25 @ 6:00 PM EST

Copperfish Books (Punta Gorda, FL)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26 @ 4:00 PM EST

MacIntosh Books (Sanibel Island, FL)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27 @ 6:00 PM EST

Blinking Owl Books (Fort Myers, FL)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30 @ 6:30 PM CST

Parnassus Books (Nashville, TN)

Jennifer Moorman in conversation with Rea Frey

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1 @ 6:00 PM CST

Page & Palette (Fairhope, AL)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2 @ 5:30 PM CST

Auburn Oil Co. Booksellers (Auburn, AL)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10 @ 12:15 PM EST

Georgia Writers Museum Keynote (Eatonton, GA)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19 @ 6:00 PM EST

Malaprop's Bookstore (Asheville, SC)

In conversation with Maia Toll

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20 @ 7:30 PM EST

M. Judson Booksellers (Greenville, SC)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27 @ 6:30 PM EST

Sandy Springs Library (Sandy Springs, SC)

THURSDAY, MARCH 14 @ 6:00 PM EST

People's Bookshop (Takoma Park, MD)

In conversation with Jeffrey Lofton

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

Main Point Books (Wayne, PA)

In conversation with Jenni Walsh and Lee Kelly

SATURDAY, MAY 4

Atlanta Writers Conference (Atlanta, GA)

SUNDAY, JUNE 16 @ 3:00 PM CST

Warren County Library Event (Bowling Green, KY)