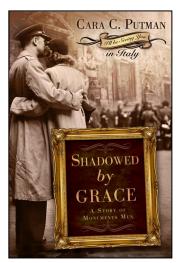


Award-Winning Author Releases Novel about WWII's Monuments Men

Cara Putman Offers Gripping Tale Full of History, Suspense & Romance

"Readers looking for a glimpse into an unusual facet of World War II will especially enjoy Putman's newest tale of love and history—about the Monuments Men, who crossed Europe seeking to preserve its artistic heritage in the wake of war's devastation."





NASHVILLE—When writer Cara Putman discovered a book about the Allied Forces' Monuments, Fine Arts, and Archives program during World War II—whose service members were known as Monuments Men—she found a story she couldn't forget. She knew she had to pen a tale about these men who risked their lives to save Europe's culture and works of art from damage, destruction, and theft at the hands of the Nazis. Putman's new novel, *Shadowed by Grace*: A Story of Monuments Men, is the result.

In the novel, Rachel Justice is desperate to save her dying mother. She doesn't want to leave her, but she accepts her newspaper's assignment to travel to Italy and photograph war images. No one knows her photography is a cover and that Rachel is really seeking to find the father she never knew, hopeful to get some help with her failing

mother. Dedicated to her mission, Rachel is focused on completing it. Soon, though, she finds her priorities and plans changing when she is assigned to Lt. Scott Lindstrom, on mission as a Monument Man. Scott is determined to do all he can to save the priceless art and architecture filling Italy and doesn't know what to do with his new assignment to babysit this photographer. Their meeting will have far-reaching consequences. Will this derail her plans? Will she ever find her father? Is her faith enough to carry her through?

Putman's stellar research makes the sights and sounds of World War II Italy and the important work of the Monuments Men come alive for readers, and they'll be lost among the adventure of this historical romance. Her work on previous World War II-era books and her passion for telling a story centered on the Monuments Men helped Putman produce a stellar read in *Shadowed by Grace*.

Readers will love Putman's blend of history, suspense, and romance in the unforgettable story that is *Shadowed by Grace*, whose release coincides with the February debut of George Clooney's major motion picture, *The Monuments Men*. Discussion questions at the end of the book will help readers' groups and book clubs read *Shadowed by Grace* for all its worth.

Cara C. Putman graduated high school at 16, college at 20, and completed her law degree at 27. An award-winning author of seventeen books with more on the way, she is active in women's ministry at her church and is a lecturer on business and employment law to graduate students at Purdue University's Krannert School of Management. Putman also practices law and is a second-generation homeschooling mom. Putman is currently pursuing her Master's in Business Administration at Krannert. She serves on the executive board of American Christian Fiction Writers (ACFW), an organization she has served in various roles since 2007. She lives with her husband and four children in Indiana. You can connect with her online at:

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