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# Pursue the dreams of your heart.

Author Sherry Kyle delights readers with a story of love and forgiveness.



**Santa Cruz:** Stepping out in faith to pursue one's passion takes tremendous courage, especially when life doesn't go our way. In her first historical romance titled *Watercolor Dreams* (HopeSprings Books/ October 7, 2014/ ISBN 978-1938708435/ \$14.99), Sherry Kyle introduces readers to two characters in the artist community of 1910 who are forced to confront their inability to accept God's perfect plan for their lives.

Independent and determined, Anna Lewis wants nothing more than to become a premier watercolor artist of the lush sandy beaches of Carmel-by-thesea. Kyle reveals there is more to Anna's fortitude than creating beautiful watercolor paintings. "Anna's desire to thrive within the artist community of Carmel

gives her a purpose beyond her father's overprotective plans for her life."

Anna takes care of two rambunctious boys to earn a living while striving to carve out time to paint. Trusting her Heavenly Father with her future is difficult for Anna, especially because she is getting pressure from her earthly father to return home to San Francisco. Kyle explains, "Our timing is different than God's timing, but He will bless us when we seek Him. The answer may be different than what we hoped or imagined—and always better."

Heartbroken and abandoned, handsome novelist Charles Jordan has had his share of pain. His bride-to-be has left him at the altar, and now he has to pick up the pieces of his wounded heart. When the beautiful watercolor artist asks to sketch him into her painting, he has no idea the journey to hope and healing would begin. If only he hadn't criticized the woman's painting!

The pull of their hearts draws them together despite his fear of love and her sole desire to paint. Will a secret from his past prevent Charles from ever loving again? And will Anna have the hope she needs when tragedy strikes and she must rely on the one man who crushed her spirit?

*Watercolor Dreams* was inspired by Psalm 37:4, "Delight yourself in the Lord; and He will give you the desires of your heart."

To keep up with Sherry Kyle, visit <u>www.sherrykyle.com</u>, become a fan on <u>Facebook</u> (AuthorSherryKyle) or follow her on <u>Twitter</u> (@sherrykyle) and <u>Pinterest (sherrykylebooks)</u>.

#### Advance Praise

*"Watercolor Dreams* is a delightful story of a hero who has lost faith in love and a heroine who has no time for it—and the aunt makes for a sweet matchmaker." ~ Susan Mobley, Romantic Times

"An interesting setting, as well as romance between a writer and a painter that must overcome many a trial if it is to blossom." --Publishers Weekly 11 Aug. 2014

"Absolutely wonderful! Loved the main characters. The children, well that was an adventure in itself. Heartwarming, suspense, mystery, exciting, as well as sweet, and even though faith was in it, it was just the right amount done tactfully, not pushy or preachy." ~ Hannah, Goodreads review

#### About the Author



**Sherry Kyle** is the author of two contemporary novels, *Delivered with Love* and *The Heart Stone*, the latter earning her 5 stars and a Lime Award Nomination from The Christian Manifesto. Kyle also writes books for 8-12 year old girls, including the award-winning title *The Christian Girl's Guide to Style*, as well as *The Girl's Guide to Style*, as well as *The Girl's Guide to Your Dream Room*. She belongs to American Christian Fiction Writers, Christian Authors Network, and My Book Therapy.

Kyle has a degree in Communications and a minor in Bible from Biola University, and lives in Central California with her husband

and four children. When she isn't writing, shuttling her teenagers around, decorating her beach home, or walking along the beach with a friend, you can find her at women's Bible study or the local coffeehouse.

# Suggested Interview Questions

- *Watercolor Dreams* is your first piece of historical fiction after writing books for girls and contemporary fiction. What caused you to take on history, the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> century in particular?
- Does Carmel-by-the-Sea, the setting of *Watercolor Dreams*, hold special meaning for you?
- Anna's father wants her to marry his business partner but has allowed Anna six months to make it as an artist. How does someone break away from tradition and expectations to follow the dreams of their heart?
- When Anna and Charles first meet, he shoots down her work. How can we learn from Anna and develop a thick skin regarding negative reactions to our passion?
- Charles has had many losses in his life, including being jilted at the altar. How does someone move on from a hurt like that?
- Charles's aunt Clara plays a major role in *Watercolor Dreams* as the voice of reason and wisdom. What are some ways older women can befriend and mentor younger women as they walk a similar path?
- God fulfilled Anna's dream in unexpected ways. How can we learn to trust God to give us the desires of our hearts?
- You have said, "I have a soft spot for books where two people not only search for each other after years of being apart, but also discover something new about themselves along the way." What is the latest discovery you've made about yourself?
- Tell us about your publishing journey. How long does it take to write a book?

Sherry Kyle is available for interviews to promote the release of *Watercolor Dreams*. To request a review copy, schedule an interview, or for more information, please contact Sherry Kyle, <u>sherry@sherrykyle.com</u>.