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Follow this emotionally charged story that is deeply moving and eloquently written. Author Kathryn Mattingly guides you through the protagonist’s self-discovery while at the same time, leading you on a journey of your own.

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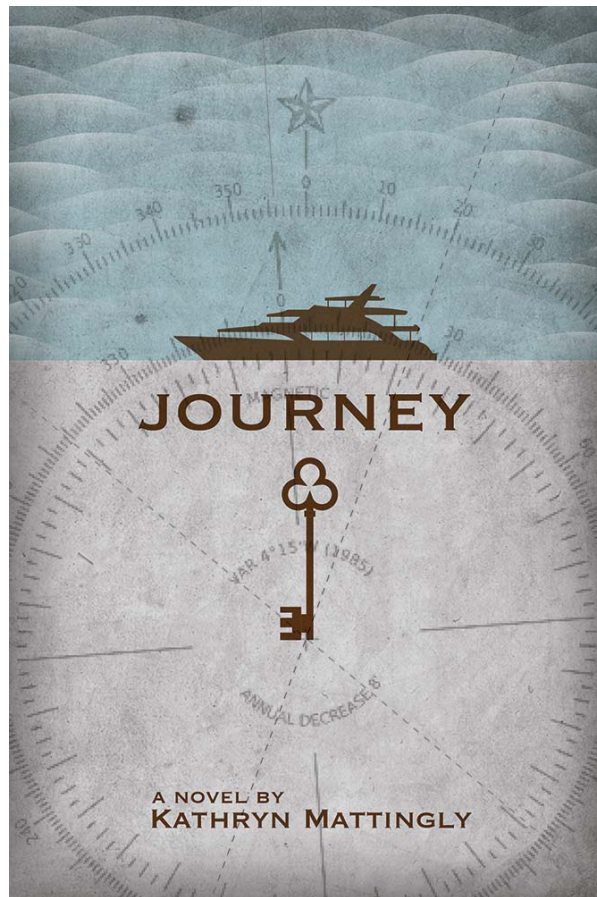
About the Author



Award winning author Kathryn Mattingly teaches creative writing at a local college and has always had a passion for the written word. Her short fiction has appeared in various themed anthologies, and in *Dark Discoveries* magazine. Kathryn's debut novel, *Benjamin*, was a New Century Quarterly Finalist, and her short story collection, *Fractured Hearts*, includes several of her award winning stories. Kathryn enjoys mentoring other writers and is a judge for a couple different annual literary contests. Her writing is inspired by places she has lived or traveled and by real-life events.

Suggested Media Questions

1. Was writing a personality trait where you've written creatively for as long as you can remember or an epiphany much later in life?
2. When did you decide you wanted to be a published author - was it a sudden craving or a slow burn that finally ignited?
3. How have you prepared to be the best writer possible?
4. When were you first published and where all can your work be found?
5. Have you received any awards or recognition for your writing?
6. Where did you get the idea for this book?
7. Do you have your next book in mind?
8. Who is your publisher and how did you connect with them?
9. What do you do for a living and how do you stay focused on your writing while maintaining a day job?
10. Where did you grow up and how or what in your childhood has influenced your writing?
11. What do you read and what writers have influenced you?
12. What other interests do you have and what activities are you involved with besides writing?



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