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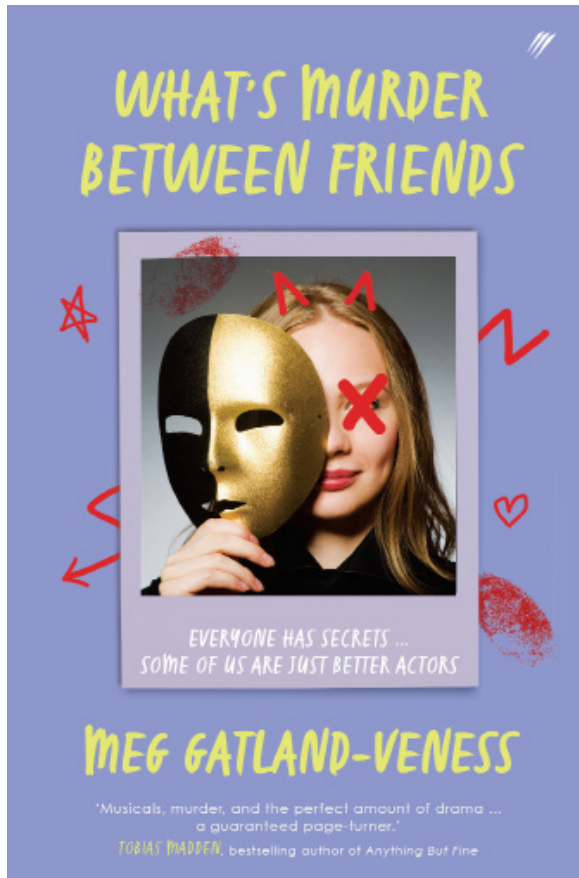
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WHAT'S MURDER BETWEEN FRIENDS

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'I think it was one of us,' Walter says ... 'We had the perfect opportunity. Everyone's thinking it, I'm just saying it.'

The last thing Hallie and her drama classmates expect to find on a high school scavenger hunt is a dead body. In a town with a population of about thirty-six, no one has experience with murder investigations, but now everyone's asking who killed Ms Lovelace.

The drama kids thought they were the only people nerdy enough to be at school on a Sunday. When they learn that Adam Tolentino, football star, drama-club nemesis and the hottest boy in school, was there too, Hallie is given the task of finding out what he knows – but she soon learns there's more to Adam than meets the eye.

Although still grieving her favourite teacher, Hallie knows the show must go on. Managing a musical and a murder investigation is a lot, but Hallie and her friends won't give up on Ms Lovelace – or each other.

About the Author

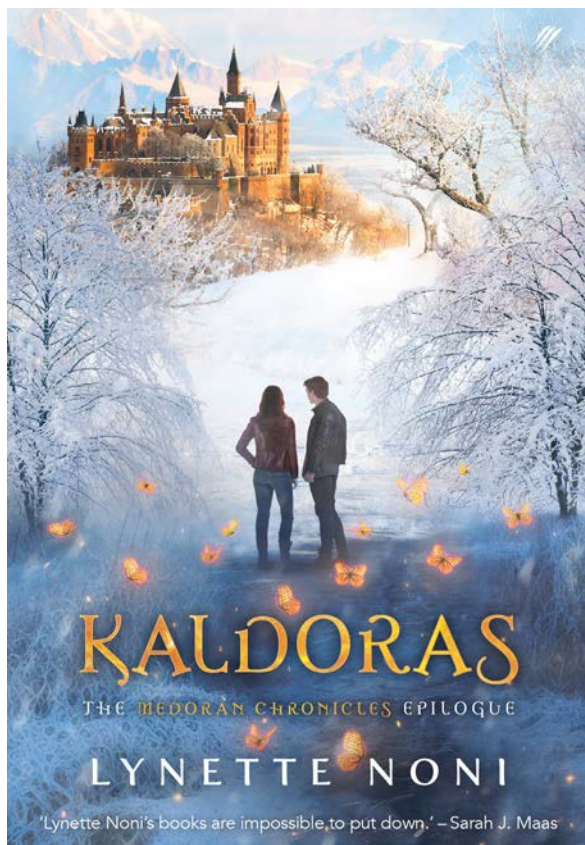


Meg Gatland-Veness is a high school drama teacher. She attended the University of Newcastle where she studied a Bachelor of Arts and a Bachelor of Secondary Teaching.

Meg has been reading and writing stories for as long as she can remember. Equal to her love of words is her passion for championing local youths and fostering important conversation about issues facing young Australians today.

Meg was born in Milton, a small Australian town and now lives on the Central Coast of New South Wales. When she's not writing novels, you'll most likely find her at rehearsals for the latest show she's directing or tending to her garden.

Meg is the author of *I Had Such Friends* (2018), which was shortlisted for the ABIA Small Publishers' Children's Book of the Year in 2019, *When Only One* (2022) and *What's Murder Between Friends* (2024).



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Journey back to the world of Medora to follow Alexandra Jennings and her friends – and enemies – for one last adventure.

Spanning four years after the final book in Lynette Noni's #1 bestselling series *The Medoran Chronicles*, this is an epilogue like no other, full of laughter, tears, and above all, the unending power of friendship.

'Lynette Noni is a marvelous and inventive storyteller, whose books are absolutely impossible to put down. I can't wait to see what she comes up with next!'

*Sarah J Maas, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *The Throne of Glass* and *A Court of Thorns and Roses* series*

'Lynette Noni is a master at her craft. *The Medoran Chronicles* have richly developed characters, superb world-building that makes you feel like you're actually there, and stories that pack a punch, full of emotion and thrills. Highly recommended!'

*James Dashner, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *The Maze Runner* series*

AUTHOR OF THE BEST-SELLING *WHISPER* AND *WEAPON DUOLOGY*, AND *THE PRISON HEALER* SERIES

About the Author



Lynette Noni loves getting lost in stories – both the ones she creates, and those created by others. Lynette grew up on an outback farm and now lives behind the sun-swept beaches of the Sunshine Coast. Devastated when her Hogwarts letter didn't arrive, she consoled herself by looking inside every wardrobe she could find, and is still determined to find her way to Narnia. Bursting with novel ideas, Lynette is a reader who writes and a writer who reads. She has a worldwide blog-following where she enthusiastically shares her devotion to books and her unashamed Disney animation addiction.

SALES HIGHLIGHTS

THE MEDORAN CHRONICLE books have sold over 140,000 copies in Australia.

Lynette is routinely the number 1 bestselling YA author in the territory.

Her books regularly occupy the top spots in the Australian bestseller charts.

Upcoming YA Fantasy Fiction

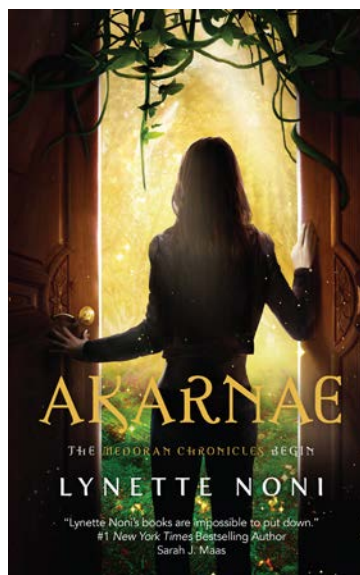
THE MEDORAN CHRONICLES | Lynette Noni

The Medoran Chronicles is an addictive fantasy series set in a unique parallel world. A wondrous exploration of friendship and belief in oneself, it is set against the backdrop of an ancient betrayal and eternal war.

Sixteen-year-old Alexandra Jennings finds herself stranded in Medora, a fantasy world full of impossibilities. As she explores Akarnae Academy, a school for teenagers with extraordinary gifts, she is embraced by colourful new friends who accept her as one of their own.

But Alex soon discovers that she is an unwilling pawn in a deadly game, and the weight of an entire race's survival rests on her shoulders. She must find a way to protect the Medorans from Aven Dalmarta, the banished Prince from the Lost City of Meya, who is on a quest to reclaim his birthright.

This refreshingly innocent YA journey emphasises the values of friendship and loyalty while offering a new slant on high school fantasy. There are authority figures who aren't quite what they seem, unconventional magic influenced by futuristic technology, and an omniscient library that can influence and guide Alex through the insecurities and uncertainties of her new world – and hopefully towards an understanding of the strength of her own willpower and an assured future for Medora.



THE STRANGE SIGHTING | Ash Harrier



The third book in the *Alice England Mysteries*, featuring Alice – who is curious, truthful and smart, but who works in her father's funeral home and receives messages from the dead. An engaging heroine!

Alice England and her friends are back with a mystery that throws them straight in the deep end.

Marine biologist Stingray Bolland dies suddenly, but no one suspects anything sinister. That's until Alice's special talent and her powers of observation reveal that he was studying a new species in the waters around Damocles Cove – and that he saw something mysterious right before he died.

More and more people are spotting a strange creature in the cove, and there are claims it's a storm kelpie of Scottish legend. It seems impossible that an ocean-dwelling blue man who threatens to sink your boat could be real – but on a sightseeing boat tour with Cal's cousin, Alice, Cal and Violet encounter something unusual. Could the legend be true?

As fate, fortune and scientific discovery collide, Alice and her friends must uncover what's really going on in Damocles Cove – and whether the truth is even stranger than the legend.

About the Author



Ash Harrier lives in Perth, Western Australia. She is an Ambassador for the *Books in Homes Australia* charity, which helps children in disadvantaged circumstances build their home libraries. Ash has a great fondness for puzzles, scientific facts, birds and the smell of dried tea. Some of her favourite pastimes are reading, daydreaming and spending time in the garden with her small flock of hens.

PRAISE FOR *THE DEADLY DAYLIGHT*

'As well as being a charming mystery, *The Deadly Daylight* also functions as a sweet and gentle lesson in empathy and difference. (It) is an engaging novel with a full cast of larger-than-life characters, and even I didn't pick the bad guy! Harrier sets us up nicely for the next book in the series, and readers will be left wanting more.'

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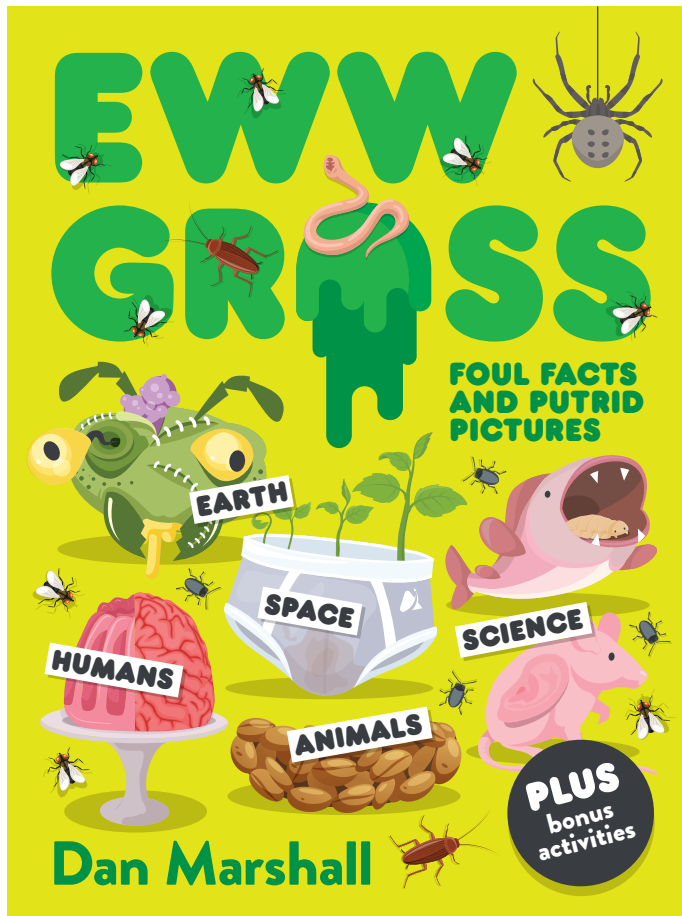
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Foul Facts and Putrid Pictures

Get ready to discover just how gross our universe really is. Learn the foulest facts about space, Earth, humans, animals and science that have been tested by REAL SCIENTISTS, and even do your own gross experiments. Meet your guide, Slimon, who loves all things rotten, revolting, despicable and downright disgusting.

Did you know ...

There's poo on the moon?

You will drool enough in your lifetime to fill two swimming pools?

There's a wall covered in chewing gum that's over 30 years old?

There's a robot designed to projectile vomit?

Full to the brim with the world's filthiest facts and most putrid pictures, this book is sure to make you and your friends say 'Eww Gross!'

Dan is a designer, illustrator and writer who runs a design agency, Studio Marshall. For over 20 years he has worked with a diverse group of clients including the Sydney Opera House, The Australian Museum, One Laptop Per Child, The Hunger Project, Facebook and Coca Cola.

Dan's books stem from his passion for graphic design, communicating information visually and his deep curiosity and include *Mind Blown* as well as *No Way!* and the picture books *Super Duper* and *Look Book*.

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