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Laura DeNooyer's novel *A Hundred Magical Reasons* wins 2 Awards for Fiction



Waukesha, WI, March 11, 2025—Laura DeNooyer's new novel receives a warm literary welcome with two awards and three five-star Readers' Favorite reviews. DeNooyer was honored with the prestigious Literary Titan Gold Book Awards for Fiction and the Illumination Bronze Award for General Fiction.

The Literary Titan Gold Book Award is a mark of distinction, celebrating books that demonstrate excellence in writing, originality, and storytelling. The Illumination Christian Book Awards celebrates the best new titles written from a Christian perspective, recognizing the most impactful works that thoughtfully explore spiritual themes in today's world. Readers' Favorite is one of the largest and most respected book review and award contest sites on the Internet.

A Hundred Magical Reasons is biographical historical fiction based on the life of *The Wizard of Oz* author, L. Frank Baum. This split-time fiction set in 1980 and the early 1900s encompasses a child's unlikely friendship with Mr. Baum and his influence across four generations, a young woman following a risky dream, and an old woman haunted by regret as she reveals her past. The story explores themes of imagination, intergenerational friendships, facing fears, risk-taking, following your passion, finding a true home, and redeeming lost time.

Endorsements:

"*A Hundred Magical Reasons* is a journey through time and heart—a captivating blend of history, whimsy, and the enduring power of storytelling. Laura DeNooyer has crafted an enchanting, spellbinding tale that reminds us of the magic within our own lives."

~ **Patti Callahan Henry**, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Secret Book of Flora Lea*

"Theologian and writer Frederick Buchner wrote that a great story should do three things: Seek, treasure, and tell secrets. Laura DeNooyer has accomplished all three with singularity. This mesmerizing saga is beautifully written, a treasure for all ages, an epic story you won't want to ever leave. I didn't." ~ **Jane Kirkpatrick**, award-winning author of *Across the Crying Sands*

“DeNooyer brings L. Frank Baum to life with such whimsical detail, I found myself wishing I too could have become friends with him. This delightful story is a must-read.” ~ **Michelle Shocklee**, award-winning author of *All We Thought We Knew*

“Embark on an enchanting journey as a young woman and an older companion form an unexpected bond, weaving a heartwarming narrative of friendship and shared aspirations.” ~ **Suzanne Woods Fisher**, bestselling author of *The Moonlight School*

“As imagination leaps from the page, DeNooyer draws wisdom and whimsy from fairytales and allegories to help her characters find their happily-ever-after. Creativity and charm will steal your heart.” ~ **Barbara M. Britton**, Amazon bestselling author of the Tribes of Israel series

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About the Author

Laura DeNooyer thrives on creativity and encouraging it in others. A Calvin College graduate, she is a teacher, wife, parent of four adult children, and an award-winning author of heartwarming historical and contemporary fiction. When she’s not writing, you’ll find her reading, walking, drinking tea with friends, or taking a road trip.

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