

Sometimes Naughty-Always Loved: Mary and Her Big Cat Brain by Arleen Alleman

A lovely tabby cat named Mary uses her intelligence and instinct—her big cat brain—to sort out what her human parents want her to do, and how to avoid being “naughty.” The story sets up an emotional transition moving from Mary’s anxiety about her own naughty behavior, to the realization that she is greatly loved despite her occasional transgressions.

This book was inspired by the author’s cat, Xena, who greatly enriched the lives of her “parents” for fourteen of her eighteen years. She was much loved even though she too was occasionally naughty. From infancy, children will love hearing about Mary and her message of unconditional love, and later, will want to read the story themselves for enjoyment and as a learning tool. There is no better predictor of success in life than literacy and the desire to learn through reading.

From The Author: Dear readers, this is my first children's book after completing the Darcy Farthing series. It was such a pleasure to write Sometimes Naughty-Always Loved that I'm sure it won't be the last. I hope you find enjoyment and value in this sweet story to be read to children from infancy and then by children as they learn to read.

I am very grateful to Cedric Taylor, a very talented artist, for his wonderfully expressive illustrations. I look forward to hearing how the book is received by your little ones. I hope you'll consider writing a quick review. Customer reviews are vital for the success of all authors. Happy reading!

5 Star Review: As a grandmother I recommend this book as a thoughtful gift that children will enjoy.

My blue gray rescue cat named Wolf is very similar to Mary, so even as an adult I found this book delightful.

Beautiful illustrations depict the life of this adorable tabby cat, from her playful antics to her mischievous ways.

The narrator skillfully gives the reader and/or child following along a realistic glimpse into Mary thoughts and behaviors. Through a perfect life lesson, she comes to the realization that she is loved, even when she doesn't always get things right.

Like most cats, Mary has a mind all her own and she will decide who, what, when and where her “Mom and Dad” will interact “sometimes”.

This book is a purr-fect gift for a child or for a parent/grandparent to read.

Great bedtime story. Children from age two will enjoy hearing this story and children up to age nine will enjoy this story as they learn to read. Review by Theodocia McLean.

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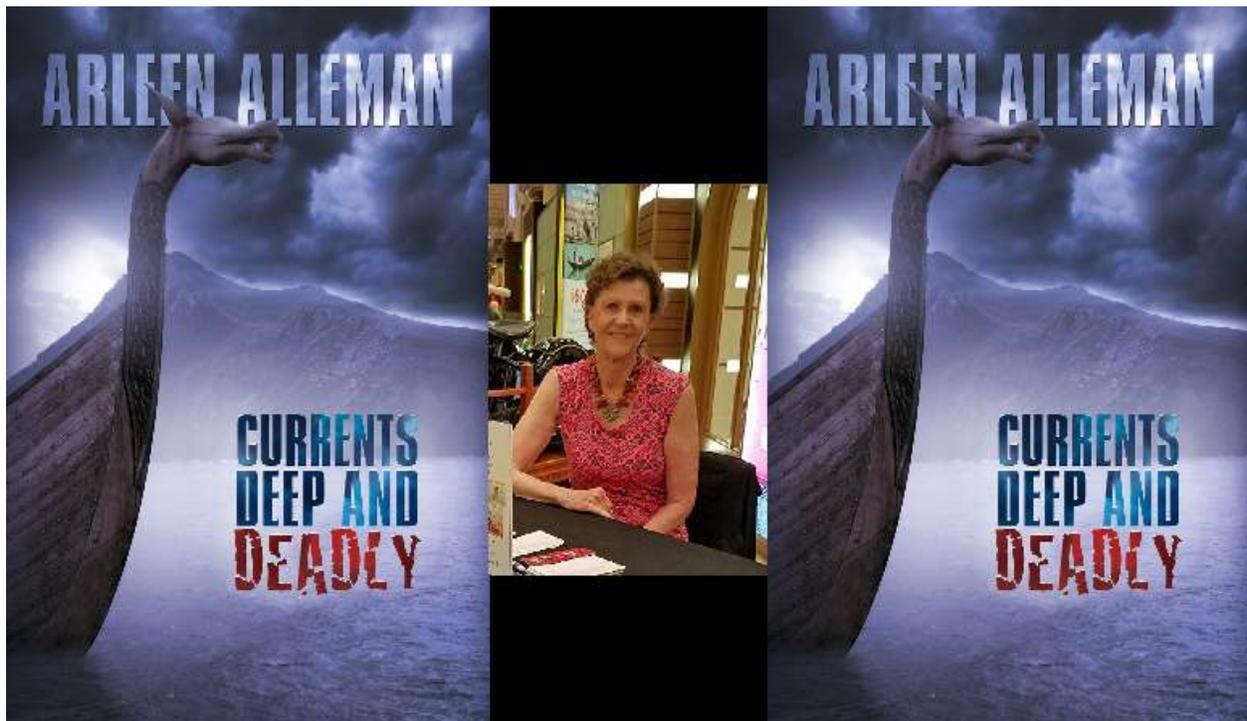
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Currents Deep and Deadly: Darcy Farthing Adventure Book One by Arleen Alleman

In her travel log of murder, romance, and a personal journey of discovery aboard a cruise ship, Darcy Farthing manages to entertain the reader with her descriptions of Caribbean and South American ports, while also detailing the horrific and wondrous events that take place during her four-week adventure. A pragmatic

scientist by nature, she says she has given up all belief in a spiritual component to life and knows that coincidences are either man-made or chance occurrences that seem related but have no significance. That is, until a series of unbelievable coincidences challenges her belief.

In telling her story, she lays bare her "non-existent" soul and the deeply hidden emotions she has kept in a fragile prison of cold logic and denial for 20 years. She is a savvy, professional woman who has been fighting her internal demons ever since she made a colossal mistake in her personal life from which she knows she can never recover. But on a hastily planned cruise with Dr. Peter Johnson, her latest romantic interest, Darcy's non-belief system is shaken when she is confronted with a set of bewildering and frankly unbelievable coincidences that bring together a tangle of strangers, and people and events from her own past. Darcy is already feeling trapped on the gigantic floating village when she accidentally overhears discussions about a murder for hire plot. Then when members of the crew begin to die under suspicious circumstances, she learns the hard way that she cannot trust anyone onboard the ship. She is forced to run for her own life as she tries to identify both the intended victim of the plot and the murderer before even more disaster strikes.

Finally, as the cruise sails through its final week the mystery appears to be solved and Darcy believes that further tragedy has been averted. Onshore in a beautiful Argentine city she experiences the pain of breaking out of her emotional prison when she meets the one person who will either fulfill her life or destroy her completely. While Darcy finds much needed closure to one chapter of her life, the cruise sails on to what promises to be a restful and romantic end. However, just short of their destination Darcy and Mick meet with unimaginable violence and loss when they are finally forced to confront and battle a vicious killer.

5 Star Review: Darcy Farthing boards the \$550-million cruise ship named Sea Nymph with every reason to believe that Captain Espen is in full command of his crew, his passengers and this four-week voyage taken by thousands before her to the scheduled exotic Caribbean and South American ports.

She follows close behind her traveling companion Dr. Peter Johnson through the maze of narrow hallways where every hall and every door look alike. Darcy feels uneasy as she becomes intensely aware that her sense of direction is being challenged within this floating mega city. Her senses are on overload. Every movement, every sound and even the conversation of two men in a room off to her right catch her attention. The men don't see Darcy as they are deeply entrenched in a serious, secretive conversation that catches Darcy's attention and leads her to believe that they are up to no good. To make matters worse, later that day she overhears people discussing a "scheme".

Questions bombard her mind; Is it coincidence? Is it two unrelated things that she wants to see meaning in? Should she go to security and tell them what she heard? But what can she say? The fact remains, she knows she has no proof of what she believes she overheard or the identity of who these people are.

Amidst the beauty, history and customs of the off-ship port excursions and the luxurious accommodations with the relaxing people friendly environment, suspicions intensify as members of the crew begin dying under suspicious circumstances.

Join Darcy Farthing by way of her detailed travel journal as she is on a voyage of self-discovery along with a ship full of complex characters, inter-relational story-lines, historical ports, secrets, mystery, suspense, romance and foreign investigations as the Sea Nymph is far from America's shore.

Author Arleen Alleman's Darcy Farthing Series books stand alone. She reports that at book signing events, readers tend to read her books in order of publication. Currents Deep and Deadly: Book One, Currents Of Vengeance: Book Two, Current Assets: Book Three, Alternate Currents: Book Four and A Current Deception: Book Five are all sold in print and eBook format at Amazon.

I endorse Currents Deep and Deadly: Darcy Farthing Adventure Book One by Arleen Alleman. This well researched fictional Cruise Ship adventure will bring you a brief pause as you book your next travel cruise.
Review by Theodocia McLean

Genre: Exciting Suspense-filled Fictional Crime Mystery, Thriller, Action Adventure

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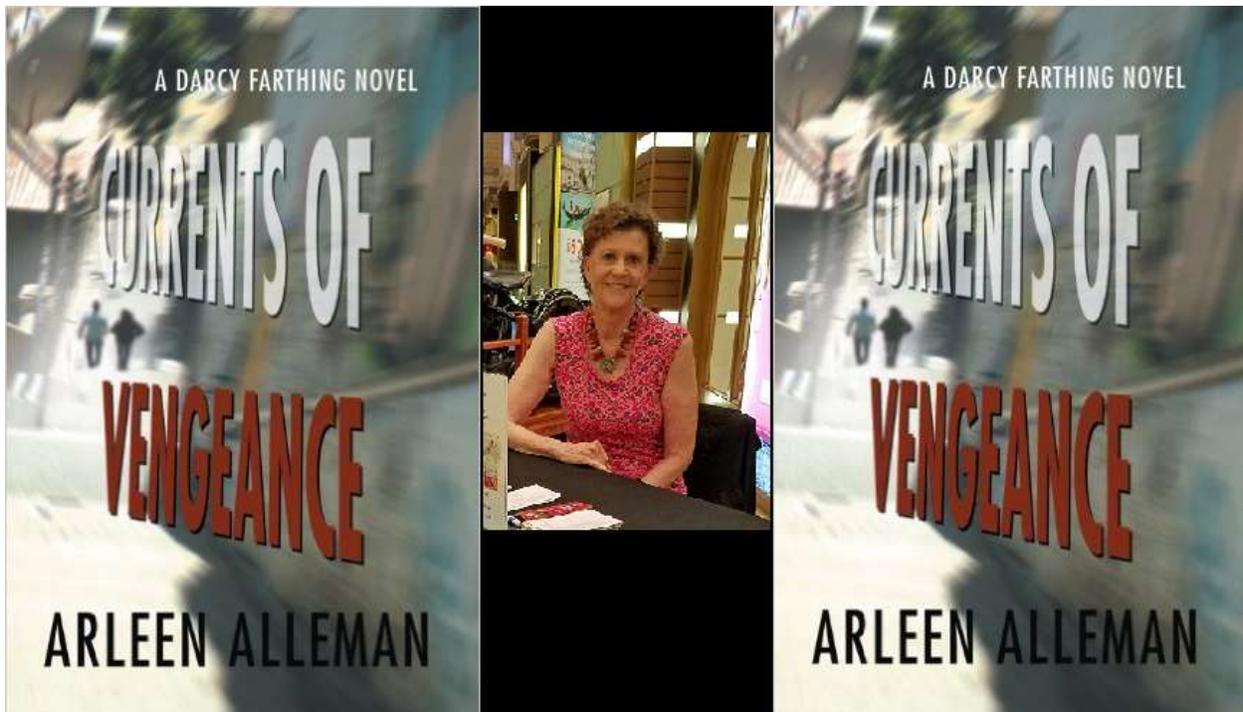
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Currents Of Vengeance: Darcy Farthing Adventure Book Two by Arleen Alleman

"New author Darcy Farthing and GAO manager Mick Clayton struggle with the aftermath of their traumatic South American cruise.

As Darcy gets to know her new daughter Rachael, Mick battles depression from his near-death in Valparaiso. Reluctantly, he decides to return to the Sea Nymph with Tom Smythe the ship's fired security chief to conduct a joint GAO/FBI investigation of crime on cruise ships and to bring a murder suspect to justice.

Darcy and Rachael reluctantly go along, but the nightmare begins anew when they encounter a shipboard saboteur, a rapist, and much more. Mick finally succumbs to his emotional stress and Rachael falls victim to a violent predator, as they all meet with violence and madness wrought by vengeance.

Genre: Exciting Suspense-filled Fictional Crime Mystery, Thriller, Action Adventure

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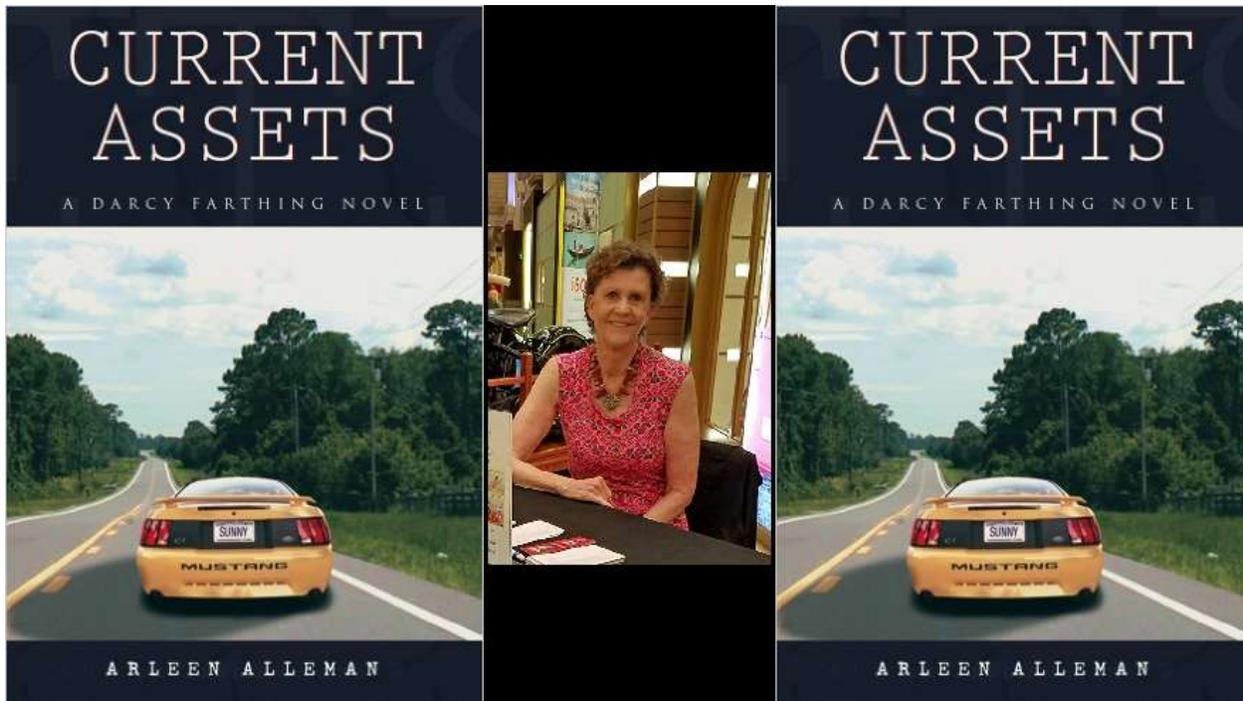
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Current Assets: Darcy Farthing Adventure Book Three by Arleen Alleman

Author Darcy Farthing is writing at her new home in Marco Island, Florida while her boyfriend Mick Clayton conducts a GAO investigation of government property—asset forfeitures—stolen from under the noses of U.S. Marshals and a sheriff's office.

When close friend, Tom Smythe, is arrested for attempted murder of a deputy sheriff, the couple tries to identify who is behind the property thefts and corruption. When more deputies are attacked, Darcy and Mick are drawn into a bewildering government investigation and an alarming web of murder and conspiracy with a surprising link to Middle East terrorists; as well as a smuggling operation on a luxury yacht.

As they inch closer to identifying a vicious murderer, the violence hits close to home when desperate criminals target Darcy and her deeply troubled daughter, Rachael.

Genre: Exciting Suspense-filled Fictional Crime Mystery, Thriller, Action Adventure

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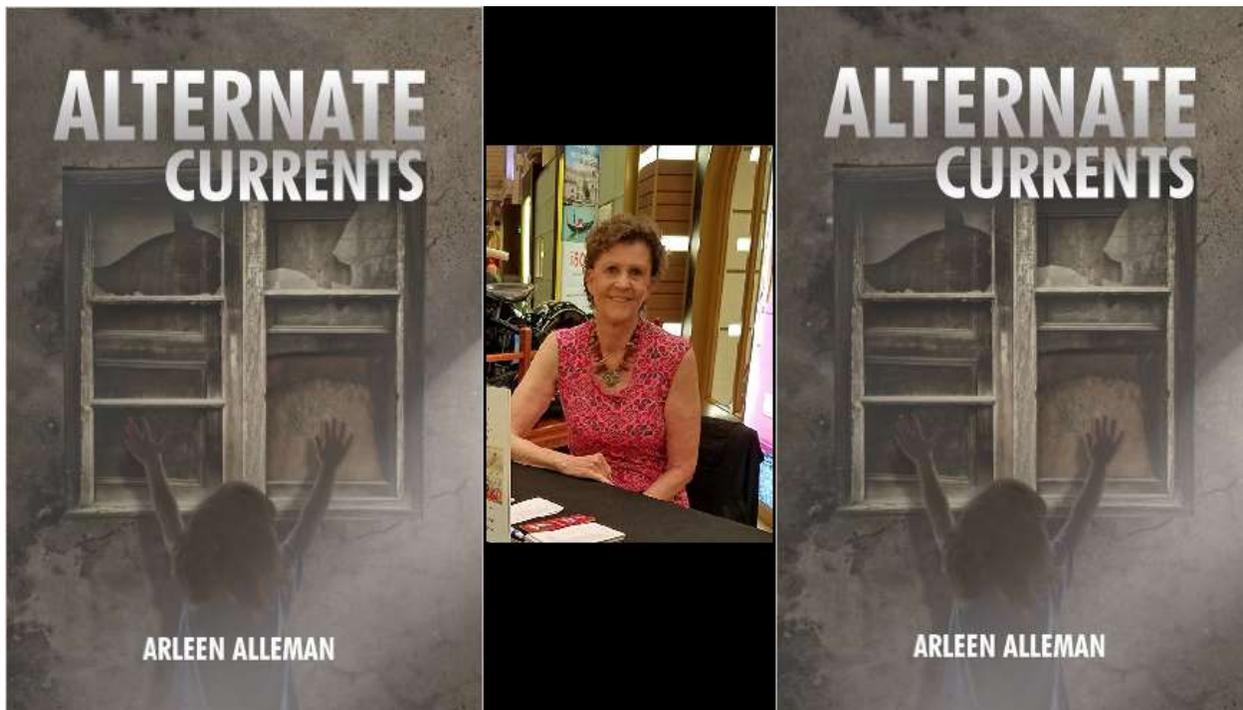
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Alternate Currents: Darcy Farthing Adventure Book Four by Arleen Alleman

"Author Darcy Farthing is living in Washington, DC, with her fiancé, Mick Clayton. They are enjoying a much-needed respite from trauma and crime fighting while preparing for a wedding and a romantic cruise. Everything changes when an alarming phone call halts their plans. A good friend, Charlie Scott, has mysteriously disappeared—the apparent victim of an abduction.

Against Mick's wishes, on an impulse and without much thought of consequences, Darcy flies to Seattle to help Charlie's partner, Don, and their daughter, Penelope, cope with the loss. She is worried about Mick's negative attitude about the couple and worries that he is prejudiced toward her friends. As a result, she finds herself reevaluating the direction of her personal and professional life.

Soon after her arrival in Seattle, she becomes immersed in the unfamiliar world of domestic partnerships, birth surrogates, and assisted reproductive technology. Don and Charlie, who became unlikely heroes in the first novel in this series, *Currents Deep and Deadly*, have their lives turned upside down by elusive kidnappers with no apparent motive. At the same time, their well-intentioned decision to pay a surrogate to bear their daughter for them turns into a nightmare, when the biological mother returns after eight years, claiming that Don and Charlie are not Penelope's fathers as they believed, and she wants her child back. This revelation sets in motion a series of tragic events that threatens to destroy a parent-child bond, and worse.

Before the police and FBI are able to solve Charlie's kidnapping, an even more devastating case materializes when Penelope also vanishes. The FBI and Seattle police detectives frantically look for clues. In the process, they implicate a local antigay organization and its leader, two local business owners who are being harassed by antigay demonstrators, a flamboyant stalker who is obsessed with Don, and the birth mother herself. There is no hard evidence against any of the suspects, and the leads are curtailed when two of them are murdered. The authorities are no closer to finding Penelope and now worry that she has been abducted by a vicious killer.

In the midst of turmoil surrounding Penelope's birth status and abduction, true to her nature, Darcy tries to help her friends. When she ventures into the midst of the case by conducting a freelance interview with a local clergyman, she is nearly killed in a vicious attack by an unknown assailant. Mick rushes to her side and soon overcomes his reluctance to get involved with Don and Charlie's plight. Together they try to gather information to help solve the case. Before the hostility ends, Don also becomes a victim and then a hero, and Mick must fight an unbalanced killer intent on revenge.

Genre: Exciting Suspense-filled Fictional Crime Mystery, Thriller, Action Adventure

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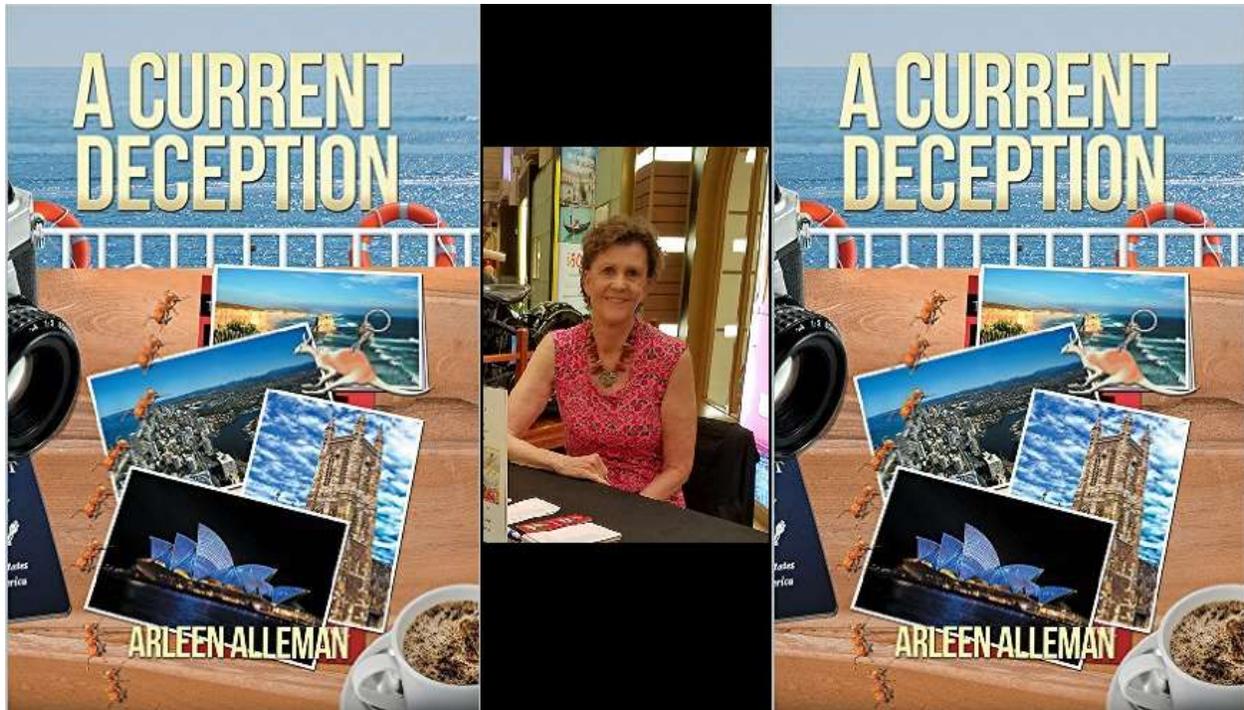
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A Current Deception: Darcy Farthing Adventure Book Five by Arleen Alleman

"Freelance reporter Darcy Farthing boards a luxury cruise ship for a trip to beautiful Australian seaports with family and friends, where a baffling murder mystery challenges her investigative skills. The crimes begin when a small-town Kansas woman traveling with a class reunion tour group is plagued by an attack of yellow crazy ants—a dangerous, invasive species—as well as an illness caused by mysterious foodborne bacteria and the odd cancellation of an onshore tour. The bizarre but relatively minor incidents escalate when the ants injure more passengers and crew members. Soon, a peculiar death on the streets of Adelaide and attempted murders on board the ship threaten to cause panic. It is obvious that a crew member or passenger is targeting individuals, but who is it and why?

Meanwhile, Darcy is distracted by daughter Rachael's uncharacteristic behavior and intense friendship with a handsome passenger. Reluctant to make waves, Darcy tries to suppress her concerns. She turns her full attention to the crimes when evidence is found in Brooks's stateroom and the security chief names him as the sole suspect. Brooks is clearly innocent, but the chief is inexplicably reluctant to conduct a more thorough investigation to clear him; then Darcy's best friend, Sid, who is also Brooks's fiancé, becomes the latest victim. Clue by clue, with husband Mick's help, Darcy uses her skills to reveal a homicidal master of disguise and world-class computer hacker intent on exacting revenge related to a twenty-year-old crime."

Genre: Exciting Suspense-filled Fictional Crime Mystery, Thriller, Action Adventure

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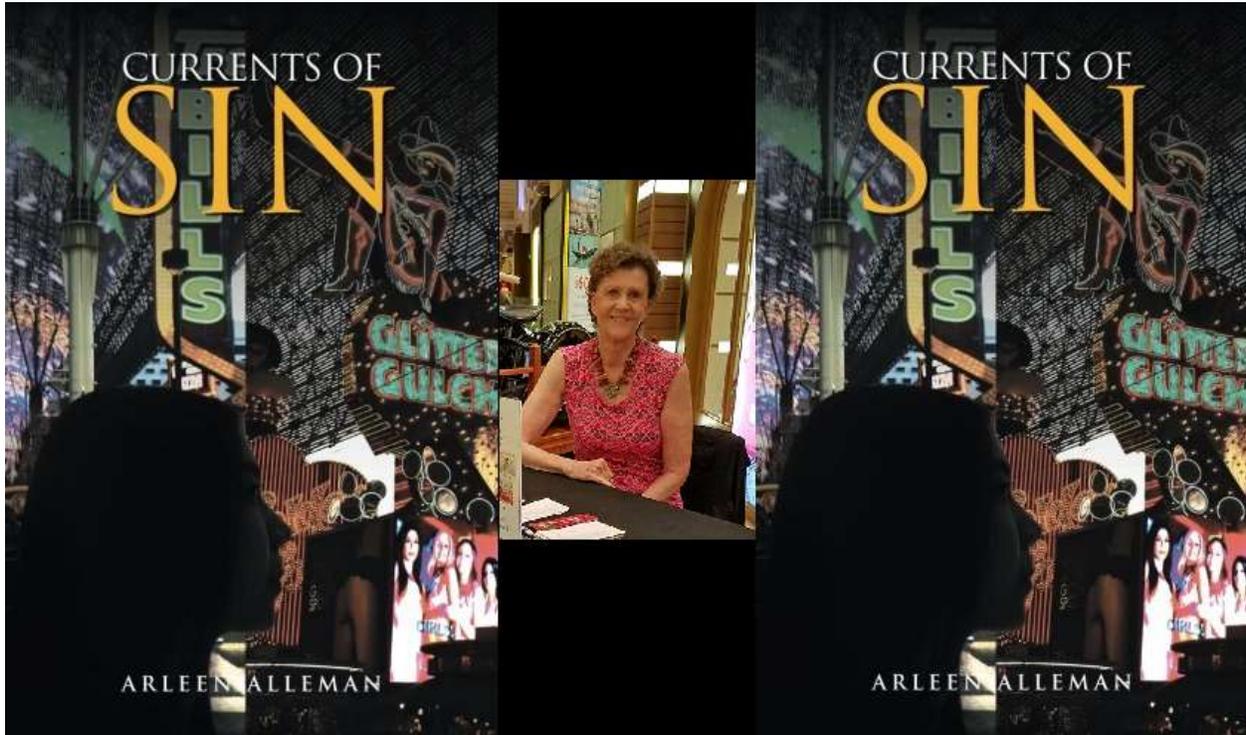
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Currents Of Sin: Darcy Farthing Adventure Book Six by Arleen Alleman

In downtown Las Vegas homeless teens are disappearing from the streets, and Darcy fears that runaway teen, Pammie Fleetfoot, has succumbed to human traffickers. After Darcy befriends two young prostitutes, their pimp is brutally murdered, but they refuse her offer of help to leave the streets. She finds that they have fallen under the influence of a dubious, self-styled preacher. When she confronts him, her activities draw the attention of brutal Asian gang members, and an old nemesis with a deadly agenda.

When an attack on Darcy and her friend, Sid, brings life-changing consequences, Darcy doubles her effort to end the violence, stop the human trafficking, and finally determine Pammie's fate. When clues lead to a strip hotel with links to their past, Darcy and husband, Mick, join forces with local law enforcement to free girls who've been forced into prostitution, only to find themselves caught between two vicious criminal factions.

5 Star Review: If you care about the intense suffering that goes hand in hand with global human trafficking, challenge your understanding of the problem with Author Arleen Alleman's newest suspense-filled psychological fictional drama, meticulously researched and skillfully written will underscore the danger that awaits teenage runaways in America.

With the tension of time ticking away, lives on the line and bold, unrelenting evil will cause your heart to race and blood boil as innocent young lives are terrorized and devalued on the altar of greed. I share a couple of quotes in order to draw you into the story.

Part One titled 'Persecutors and Prey' with 19 chapters reinforces every parent, grandparent, sibling, friend, and law enforcement's nightmare when a teen goes missing. Following in the footsteps of each of these stand-alone Darcy Farthing series books 'Currents Of Sin' outlines a criminal drama when Darcy Farthing is contacted and rushes to Las Vegas when a teen named Pamela goes missing.

Quote: "In yet another world apart from downtown Vegas, a beautiful young woman with dark hair and eyes blinked into blackness then rolled onto one side as far as her tether would allow. She didn't know what awakened her, only that she'd suddenly jerked to awareness. As her eyes adjusted to the gloom she tried to shake off the remnants of sleep . . . and something else."

Part Two titled 'Murder and Misery' has 27 chapters that begins on day six through day nine will thrust you into the world of drugs, gangs, human traffickers that enslave, sell and ship unsuspecting teens to buyers across the continents. No one is safe when billions of dollars the motivating factor.

Quote: "Tom called early in the morning to tell me about Shimmer's murder. I plopped down on a barstool after my knees almost gave way. I thought I detected a surge in my blood pressure as he was explaining how he was driving down Fremont and came upon the huge police presence. He parked and walked to the motel where he stood as close as possible to watch the action. Part of me wished I'd been with him. Another part, not so much."

Part Three titled 'Rescue and Raids' includes 33 chapters that start on Day 10 and goes through Day 16 keeps the reader turning the page. Who is the good guy and who is the bad guy?

Quote: "In a dark, decrepit room at the Green Door, five members of the Asian gang were planning their next move. The tattered drapes were drawn tight and despite the efforts of an ancient swamp cooler, the temperature hovered around ninety. The room was small and the men were big. Several sat on chairs they'd brought from other rooms they controlled, and an oversized cooler full of beer sat against the wall.

Curtis leaned back in his rickety wooden chair, wiped perspiration from his forehead, and gulped down a Bud while he listened intently to the boss.

"These assholes are going to be history. They think they can send spies down here to run our bitches? Then grab em off the street just when we're seasoning them? No fucking way, man! Not gonna happen anymore."

He looked around the room and his eyes fell on Curtis. "You, the new guy, let's hear what you think we should do about it."

Wrapping things up 6 Months later, I quote: "All the current ills of the world can be traced back to our failure to embrace and entrench these basic necessary characteristics, simple and broad as they are. We have gotten in our own way. Thankfully, individuals rise above their base natures to embrace one or more of them, often without realizing the impact of their actions on future generations."

I invite you to read Currents Of Sin: book six in the Darcy Farthing series by Arleen Alleman and answer these questions for yourself:

Can Darcy's marriage and Mick's PTSD withstand this test of time?

Is there a psychic connection between Tom, Darcy, Mick, Rachael, Brooks, Sid, Don and Charlie?

Is it possible that a man in Darcy's past is responsible for these crimes?

What will be Pamela's fate be and can others be saved?

The Darcy Farthing series books stand alone and you can read them in any order. I encourage you to also purchase Currents Deep and Deadly: Book One, Currents Of Vengeance: Book Two, Current Assets: Book Three, Alternate Currents: Book Four and A Current Deception: Book Five which are all sold in print and eBook format at Amazon. Review by Theodocia McLean

Genre: Exciting Suspense-filled Fictional Crime Mystery, Thriller, Action Adventure

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Arleen recently published her first children's book, a delightful lesson in unconditional love told by Mary and Her Big Cat Brain.

The Darcy Farthing Adventures: Six contemporary, suspense-filled mysteries--Download to your Kindle now or buy a book to discover this unique thought-provoking series for yourself.

The series is unique in that it addresses contemporary social issues along with the murder-mystery elements of the stories. Themes addressed in the series include humanism, crime, family issues and adoption, PTSD, alternative lifestyles, government corruption, and cruise ship safety.

"Currents of Sin" is the sixth and final book in the series. It explores the very real problem of human trafficking for prostitution among homeless teens in Las Vegas, while wrapping up elements of the characters' lives.

The fifth Darcy Farthing adventure, "A Current Deception", explores themes of computer hacking, identity theft, and long-held grudges and revenge played out on a cruise ship sailing around Australia. It is murder-mystery with the added plots of a yellow crazy ant infestation as well as food-borne pathogens.

The fourth Darcy Farthing adventure "Alternate Currents" was a finalist in Foreword Reviews Magazine's 2013 Indie Book of the Year Awards. This is a timely topical story of mystery, child abduction, and murder set in Seattle, WA. Darcy rushes to the aid of a good friend, Don Freeburg, when his partner, Charlie Scott, disappears. She is soon immersed in a murder investigation and the shocking abduction of Penelope, Don and Charlie's daughter by surrogacy.

The first two novels in the series are based on crime and mystery aboard cruise ships. The third in series "Current Assets" is set in South Florida and involves local corruption, terrorism, and the U.S. Marshals asset forfeiture program. These three novels won "Best Trilogy of 2012" by Books-and-Authors.net

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