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Spotlight on Shirley Rousseau Murphy

Shirley Rousseau Murphy has been an author, painter, sculptor, interior designer, and librarian. Her education is from the San Francisco Art Institute. She has received numerous awards for her writing, as well as her sculpture and paintings. Her most recent writing has been her Joe Grey Mystery Series with feline sleuths. "The crimes and capers that Joe Grey solves are realistically depicted and demonstrate the author's 'quick, analytical approach to forensic details,' wrote Ann Sharkey in a review of *Cat to the Dogs* for the *Library Cat Newsletter*." We are pleased to present Shirley Rousseau Murphy's personal message for you below.

(Above partially based on *Literature Resource Center* database.)

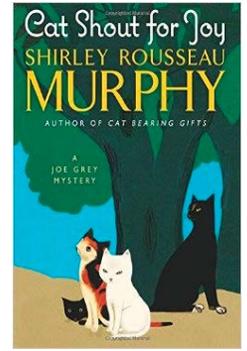
"Feline sleuth Joe Grey is based on a starving neighborhood kitten who bullied his way into our household. Neglected by his family, he searched the neighborhood until he found our cat door, smelled kibble, and moved in. Our calico didn't like that, but Joe prevailed. Until one day he came "home" with a broken, infected, tail. We had him treated, and the tail docked to two inches. Fed and loved, he grew into a feisty jokester; but our calico never loved him. When a friend in D.C. wanted him, my husband, headed there for a conference, took Joe on the plane with him -- the perfect pal for the parole officer's golden retriever.

When he married and they moved to Texas, Joe ended up bossing twenty cats and dogs -- but he found his true fame, and his true voice, as the cop-minded, crime-solving star of his own series." ---Shirley Rousseau Murphy



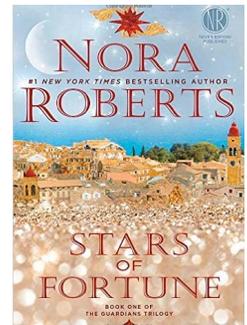
New Audio Books

A Brush of Wings by Karen Kingsbury
Cat Shout for Joy by Shirley Rousseau Murphy
Fresh Start by Joel Osteen
One-Page Financial Plan by Carl Richards
Smarter Faster Better by Charles Duhigg



New Large Print Books

Big Magic by Elizabeth Gilbert
Eight Hundred Grapes by Laura Dave
Eve by William Paul Young
The Guest Cottage by Nancy Thayer
Stars of Fortune by Nora Roberts



Movie You May Have Missed

Age of Adaline—with Michiel Huisman, Blake Lively, Kathy Baker, Harrison Ford, Ellen Burstyn-- After miraculously remaining 29 years old for almost eight decades, Adaline Bowman has lived a solitary existence, never allowing herself to get close to anyone who might reveal her secret. But a chance encounter with charismatic philanthropist Ellis Jones reignites her passion for life and romance. When a weekend with his parents threatens to uncover the truth, Adaline makes a decision that will change her life forever.



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