#### **ABOUT THE AUTHOR**



Kate Porter is an American writer based in Rincon Georgia. She graduated from Owen Valley Community High School in Spencer Indiana where she grew up on a small farm with two sisters and one brother. Kate began her writing career at the age of thirteen by writing poetry and song lyrics. Her first short story, *The Lake*, was published in the school newspaper when she was fifteen, which ignited her desire for deeper, more passionate stories. When asked

what she attributed her love of writing to, she replied that "Creating fictional worlds gave me a way of controlling my surroundings and helped me cope with the emotional turbulence of coming from a broken home . . ."

As a youth, Kate's favorite reads were penned by the likes of Stephen King, Dean Koonts and Robert Ludlum. As she grew older, Kate delved deeper into authors like A.M .Shine, James Rollins and Dan Brown, to name a few. Her current favorites include Craig Allanson, Jason Anspach and Craig Robertson.

After graduating high school, Kate went on to study fiction writing at Greenville Technical College, appeared at numerous Comic Cons, book readings, author events, participated in author panels and has been featured as a guest author in several online blogs and newsletters. Kate has been profiled in <a href="Woman's Day magazine">Woman's Day magazine</a> and was the recipient of the <a href="NEW APPLE BOOK AWARD">NEW APPLE BOOK AWARD</a> for the Mystery category for her novel, <a href="BLACK HARVEST">BLACK HARVEST</a>. Kate's writing credits range from poetry to short stories to full-length books in a myriad of genres, and screenwriting. When she isn't writing, or percolating her newest story ideas, she and her best friends are cracking each other up with their silly puns, holding entire conversations using GIFs, or checking out the nooks and shadows of Savannah's ghostly history.

When asked what she was working on now, Kate stated that she has just completed the sixth installment of her Team Nightly Series, a Paranormal Suspense Series, titled SIMON SAYS, which should be out in time for the holiday shopping season. Kate has also been marketing several of her original screenplays based on her books, The Weapons They Use,

a science fiction thriller, *The Shaman*, a psychological thriller and *Unnatural Descendants; Secrets Revealed*, a speculative fiction and sequel to her debut novel, *Secrets in Bethlehem*.

#### Kate's Mission and Values statement:

To provide professional, outstanding, enjoyable entertainment that not only meets but exceeds reader's expectations and to respect and appreciate you as intelligent, valued friends.

To see her last guest post blog tour, with interview questions, click: <u>Where do you get your</u> story ideas?







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To read a sample of each book, click on the TITLE of the book. To read the full Reader's Favorite reviews, click on the hyperlinks.

#### **NOVELS BY KATE PORTER**- (All novels are copyright protected)

<u>SECRETS IN BETHLEHEM-</u> Publication Date: July 19, 2012\*\*\*Winner: Indy Book of the Day Award Romantic/Suspense (paperback, digital, and audible)
 That they have created a human clone is not the secret they are killing to keep...where the DNA came from to clone him is.

""...a very well thought through novel.... full of action and drama....it is one of the books you just have to finish reading in one sitting." <u>~Reader's Favorite~4 STARS</u>

\*\*\*Please note that the book cover for Secrets in Bethlehem has been updated since the Reader's Favorite Review was published\*\*\*

<u>CHASE NIGHTLY, L'UCCISORE</u>-(TEAM NIGHTLY, BOOK ONE) Publication Date: May 19, 2013
 Paranormal Romance-Book one in the Team Nightly series. (Paperback, digital & audible)
 When Rhett Butler meets Buffy the Vampire slayer, the South will never be the same!

<sup>&</sup>quot;...a story more about the hunter team, its connections to each other and own sense of family, than about the vampires....a nice change of pace from most vampire novels..." <u>~Reader's Favorite 4 Stars~</u>

<u>BLACK HARVEST</u>- Publication Date: February 7, 2014 \*\*\*Winner: 2014 New Apple Book Award Mystery/thriller. (Paperback, digital, hardcover & audible)
 Hell hath no fury like a desperate mother searching for her missing child.

"... an exciting and well-plotted story that is both a police procedural and a romance... reads like a first-rate mystery... fast-paced and entertaining, and it's highly recommended." ~Reader's Favorite~5 STARS

<u>HUNTER'S SWORD</u> (TEAM NIGHTLY, BOOK TWO)- Publication Date: January 16, 2015
Paranormal Romance/Series
There's a battle being fought in Savannah and humanity may not survive!

"...a great job of pulling you into the story that you feel you are a part of Team Nightly, you root for them in the battles, you want to be there with them, you cry when someone gets hurt. It is just a great book!" <u>Reader's Favorite~4 Stars~</u>

KEYS TO THE MERMAID'S HEART (TEAM NIGHTLY, BOOK THREE)- Publication Date: April 30, 2016
 Paranormal Romance/Series
 Family legends, hidden pirate's treasures and a sapphire said to have been created by Zeus himself...Team Nightly must protect it from a vampire king who will stop at nothing to possess it.

"...The characters were fantastic and relatable, especially Carly, and I loved how rich in diversity they were... filled with enough action and suspense to keep me interested and eager to know more..." ~Reader's Favorite 4 Stars~

- <u>REDEMPTION STONE</u> (TEAM NIGHTLY, BOOK FOUR)- Publication Date: August 28, 2017
  Paranormal Romance/Series
  The only thing keeping the beast at bay is THE REDEMPTION STONE, and the vampire king wants to destroy it!
- GUARDING MY SIX -Publication Date: March 27, 2019 (Written under the pseudonym K. J. Porter)
   Paranormal Romance. (Paperback, digital & audible)
   A man can never outrun his destiny no matter how far he runs. Especially when someone else has paved the way with lies and half-truths that have destroyed his past and wants to rule his future.
- <u>THE WEAPONS THEY USE</u>-Publication Date: April 30, 2020 (Paperback, Digital & hardcover and written under the pseudonym K. J. Porter) A career Marine and a dynamic Ufologist team up to find answers as to why his twin brother commits mass murder. The conspiracies they uncover will be Earth's only warning.
- "... had my heart racing and got my interest from the moment I started reading it... The action was intense, and it was jam-packed right from the beginning... This book is absolutely fantastic!" ... ~Readers Favorite Review~ 5 Stars
  - The Shaman -Publication date: May 15, 2021 (Paperback, digital, audible & hardcover) Lucas Blackfox doesn't just see dead people. He watches, through the killer's eyes, as they are being tortured and murder. He feels every emotion the madman feels, from anticipation to euphoria, as if they are his very own. Not a good thing for a recovering alcoholic.
  - "... an intense story, one that had me biting my nails ... The mystery was intense, it was dark enough to have my attention and intriguing enough to keep reading on. The pace is fast, the narrative is smooth, and the character development is on point. This is an incredible story, one that will have you stay up longer than your normal bedtime ..." \*\*Readers Favorite Review 5\*\* Stars\*\*
  - <u>UNNATURAL DESCENDANT: SECRETS REVEALED-Publication Date:</u> April 30, 2022 (Paperback, Digital & hardcover) Sequel to <u>Secrets In Bethlehem</u>. They were afraid of him as a small child . . . as a grown man bent on vengeance, they're terrified and want him dead.
    - Quarter-finalist in the Books to Film contest

... is a suspenseful and electrifying thriller ... Skillfully written, it is an exciting, unputdownable book ... a thrilling novel worthy of the best-selling authors Michael Crichton, Dan Brown, and James Rollins. .. I recommend it to those who love to read action-packed thrillers ." ~Readers Favorite 5 Stars~

• The Last Echo-Publication Date: Oct. 28, 2022 (Paperback, Digital & Hardcover)-Paranormal romantic thriller. What happens when a Savannah cop and a Confederate soldier's ghost join forces to protect the woman they both love from her psychotic ex?

... a sublime dramatization of what happens when love is derailed ... characters were individual, believable and evoked the right empathy ... full of emotion, drama, suspense, and love ... "~Reader's Favorite 5 Stars~

• Chunk McBee and the Case of the Ghostnapped Teacher-Publication Date: September 2, 2023 (Paperback & Hardcover) Middle grade fiction. Animal-paranormal.

Meet Chunk McBee, Cat Detective on his very first case where he must find his human mother, a teacher, and sister who have been kidnapped by ghosts, before midnight on Halloween. If he doesn't, not only will he never see his family again, but his small home town will be overrun by ghostly invaders!

#### **SCREENPLAYS BY K. J. PORTER-** (All scripts are registered with the WGA)

In the next section, you will find the treatment/bible and a sample pages for each screenplay as well as my contact information.

THE WEAPONS THEY USE-(science fiction pilot, one hour cable/network series)

Sci-Fi/Thriller

Novelization above, THE WEAPONS THEY USE

A career Marine and a dynamic Ufologist learn the truth behind his twin brother's shooting rampage and must convince the authorities that he was a weapon in a battle for Earth's survival.

• **THE SHAMAN-(**psychological thriller pilot, one hour cable/network series)

Novelization above, THE SHAMAN

Lucas Blackfox, a recovering alcoholic, must come to terms with his inner demons as he teams up with the county sheriff's office to find criminals who prey on innocent people.

ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY . . . (Pilot)

Sit-com-35 pages

Detective Nick Mazlo investigates a series of assaults with humorously innocuous weapons. The first episode is ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY . . . LOBSTER? Nick investigates a woman who has assaulted her boss, who is deathly allergic to shellfish, during an awards dinner with a cooked lobster!









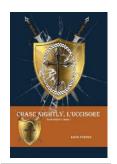








### TEAM NIGHTLY, AN URBAN FANTASY SERIES



Chase Nightly, L'Uccisore



Hunter's Sword



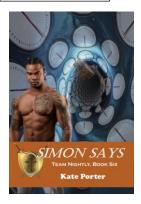
Keys to the Mermaid's Heart



Redemption Stone



Lost in Time



#### **COMING SOON:**

Simon Says
Team Nightly, Book Six

# BORN IN THE FIRST CRUSADES TO PROTECT INNOCENTS FROM THE VAMPIRE

### THE SHIELD OF THE UCCISORE

#### THE CROSS OF OUR LORD:



Only the blessed will receive these gifts: the strength of a lion, the speed of a jaguar, the cunning of a fox, the sight of the hawk and the wisdom of the owl. This holy gift bestowed upon the infinite lineage of all uccisori.

#### THE SHIELD OF GOLD:



All uccisore's worldly needs will be met. Your fate is to protect the innocents from the evil menace called vampiri. You will never know hunger or be in need of shelter or hearth for warmth and sustenance.

#### THE UNBREAKABLE CHAIN OF SILVER"



An unbroken circle of silver that will be used to protect uccisori from evil and to bind that evil until its end. Placed upon your shield of gold so no wickedness shall corrupt the blessings bestowed upon you.

#### THE BLESSED SWORD:



With a pommel of carved onyx and Seven stones, stained with the blood of Christ, set in the silver hilt and crown. With a blade forged in fires hotter than Lucifer's home. Endowed with the blessings for all who wield it, and are pure of heart, that they rise up victorious against those who had once lived and now walk the night in death

## Below are samples of a few of Kate's poems, inspired by events that touched her deeply.

## The Angel Wept for Me

An angel whispered into my ear and with gilded wings wiped away a tear.

Then she said in a melodious voice, to stay or leave is alone your choice

In quiet desperation I struggled and fought, an end to this turmoil I vainly sought

What to do? Where do I go? Who can I tell the secrets I know?

The angel whispered once again to me. Open your heart for the answers you seek,

You were given a gift of love at birth, to live and to love upon the earth.

God knows the secrets you hide in your heart. Talking to him would be a good start.

I have lost it all, I have no reason to live. I have nothing left in this world to give.

Once again, the angel spoke softly to me. Tomorrow will be brighter in time you'll see.

I looked in her eyes and I saw her weep. I told her my secrets I no longer could keep.

I knew at once the gift God had given, this angel who whispered, sent from heaven.

I know not why I could not see, how I was loved . . .

... until the angel wept for me.

Kate Porter

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## \*Beneath a Shining Star

A long, long time ago in the time of the winter winds.

A woman was great with child and there was no room at

the inn.

A census Herod called for and they travelled from afar.

A child destined to be born beneath a shining star.

The angels told the shepherds of the coming of a king.

He would save them all from their sins, the angels they did sing.

It's a lowly place for a king, among the ox and lamb,

A destiny has been fulfilled, in a place called Bethlehem

The wise men came to him bearing gifts of gold

They lowered to their knees presenting gifts untold

The babe they did find asleep in a stable

His virgin mother beside him, a manger for his cradle.

All were led to him from cities near and far

To see the new born babe, beneath a shining star

Lying in a manger the angels singing of his birth.

Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is born upon the earth

Kate Porter

## Imperfection

You cry to the wind and weep to the clouds. You hide your sin beneath a shroud A demand for perfection and a waif-like form, Obesity's flaws enraging the storm A blemish mars your perfect skin, Another reason to hide deep within. How do you escape this invisible cage, Reinforced by the magazine page? Bombarded from birth, a need for perfection, Never to achieve it is social rejection. You live your life in misery and shame, Hiding in rebellion, disguising your pain. Rage into the wind to rid this infection. call it by name ...

IMPERFECTION

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