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Allee Mead

Originally from Hazen, ND, Allee has published short stories and poems in Floodwall, The Northern Mirror, Constellations, and Jasper's Folly Poetry Journal. Her debut novella, Isaac, follows a woman who inherits her father's caregiver robot. She's also active in community theater and once appeared on Jeopardy!

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Bridget Meranda

Bridget Meranda, MSW, LCSW, RPT, is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and Registered Play Therapist in Grand Forks. She provides therapy for children, adolescents, and adults, writes children's books, and educates families and professionals on trauma.

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Ceril N Domace

Ceril N Domace is an accountant, animal lover, and dungeon master who's been hooked on fiction since clutching The Silmarillion at age five. She prefers dragons to balance sheets, enjoys walks, and insists all her hobbies are just work in disguise.

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RoxAnne Moore

RoxAnne wrote *Out of the Blue: A Mother's Story of Our Family's Transgender Experience* as her UND master's thesis. Since its 2017 publication, renewed interest has prompted her to do public readings promoting understanding of LGBTQ+ loved ones. She and her husband of 55 years live in Grand Forks.

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Tara Ratzlaff

Tara Ratzlaff lives in northwest Minnesota with her husband, cats, ducks, and a quirky dog. An NDSU civil engineering graduate, she became Minnesota's first female County Highway Engineer before running a native seed farm for over 20 years. Now retired, she pursues her dream of writing a cozy mystery series and enjoys reading, walking, and watching her pets.

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Terry Allen Clark

Terry has loved fantasy, sci-fi, and tabletop gaming since childhood. When not working in IT or writing, he enjoys wood and leatherworking, miniature painting, gaming, and RPGs. He and his wife Karlene share their home in the Upper Midwest with their African Grey parrot, Nisse.

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Tina Holland

Tina studied journalism at university and then went to work for a Fortune 500 company in logistics for over 20 years. She now writes full-time and helps her husband run his crop-dusting business in the summer months. When she's not writing, she enjoys traveling, reading, and spending time with her farm animals.

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Patrick Thomas Henry

Patrick Thomas Henry is the author of *Practice for Becoming a Ghost* (long-listed for The Story Prize, finalist for the High Plains International Book Award) and *The Work of the Living*. His writing appears in numerous literary journals. He is an associate professor and directs the creative writing program and UND Writers Conference at the University of North Dakota.

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Chris Stenson

Chris has loved writing since childhood, winning young author contests along the way. He founded the Moorhead Friends Writing Group, hosting nationally known authors, and has published nine short stories. His debut novel, *Sins of the Mother*, released in 2024, and the second book in the Maiden, Mother, and Crone Chronicles, *Sins of the Land*, is coming fall 2025.

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Phyllis Johnson

Phyllis Johnson has a PhD in chemistry and worked for USDA as a nutrition researcher and research manager. Of Norwegian and Swedish descent, she has been baking for 70 years.

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D.E. Dietz

D.E. Dietz, a nurse and author, began writing during COVID-19 to cope with the pandemic's challenges. Caring for patients inspired her second book on medical burnout. With a vivid imagination, she explores modern Viking lore (*Fragments of Asgard*) and World War I fiction (*Hearts Held by Barbed Wire*, *The Afton Adders* series), continually pushing literary boundaries.

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Robert Vigil

Robert was born and raised in Colorado. He has lived and worked all over the country, including serving in the United States Air Force and working for Walt Disney World. He currently lives in Grand Forks with his husband and cats. *The Value of Zero* is his first book.

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Destiny Eve

Destiny Eve, a lifelong Northwest Minnesota resident, balances family life with hobbies like writing, reading, LEGO, DIY projects, and movies. She self-published her debut novel *Her Heart in Chains* in 2020, followed by the poetry collection *Evoke*, and contributed to the sci-fi fairytale anthology *Among Thorns and Stardust*.

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Ron Vossler

Ron Vossler is a freelance writer, independent scholar, and Fulbright Fellow who has written about the Holocaust, ethnic humor, Ukraine, and North Dakota's Germans from Russia. He has won national and international awards.

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Emmarayn Redding

Emmarayn Redding, a Christian author of fantasy, fairy tale retellings, and poetry, grew up on a farm near Northwood, ND, and fell in love with storytelling early. When not writing or illustrating, she enjoys hiking, cinema, reading, and family time—preferably with a cup of coffee in hand.

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Hannah Dewey

Hannah Dewey is a poet, gardener, and homeschool mother in Northern Minnesota. She explores love, loss, and healing through nature in her collection Poetree. She also tends chickens, grows food, and teaches her children, inviting readers to notice and find wonder in everyday life.

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Kimberly Diede

Kimberly Diede writes uplifting women's fiction about family, friendship, and second chances, set in the Midwest and inspired by tradition, vintage finds, and summers at the lake. After 30 years in banking, she became an indie author of 14 novels, with a new series launching soon.

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Jordan Thiery

Jordan Thiery lives in Grand Forks with his wife and four children. A part-time author and full-time Amazon employee, he draws on his experiences as a son and father in *Our Greatest Enemy*. Growing up in the '90s reading *Goosebumps* and *Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark*, he developed a love for dark fiction. He holds a BA in English from the University of North Dakota.

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Lillian Joubert lives in rural North Dakota and dreams of the next road trip with her husband. She loves cuddling her kitties, hiking, and traveling with her husband and rescue pup. She loves writing RomCom books for those who love romance stories anchored in hope & humor.

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K.A. Meng

K. A. Meng, a lifelong North Dakota resident, discovered her love for the paranormal after seeing her first ghost. She writes paranormal romance, fantasy, and more. When not writing, she spends time with her son and friends, enjoys movies, TV, board games, and reading, and participates in two writing groups.

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Madeleine Lowe

Madeleine Lowe, a local author of three children's books, blends creativity and heart to spark young imaginations. She holds a BA in English and shares writing tips on TikTok. When not writing, she enjoys traveling, thrifting, and getting lost in a good book.

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Karlene Tura Clark

A librarian and a crafter, Karlene spends non-writing time working on hand crafts like crocheting and cross-stitch. Married to an amazing husband, they have the care of a sassy African Grey that has no problem speaking her mind about things! The bird may have been some inspiration behind the gryphon in "Assassin's Gift."

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Noelle Myers

Noelle Myers writes clean, faith-based romances about hope, healing, and second chances. Founder of Project Dignity, she supports survivors of sexual assault and trafficking. An avid painter and crafter, she also loves experimenting in the kitchen—using every word, brushstroke, and act of service to remind others their story matters.

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