



The Great Lilac Forest

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New Author Releases First Fantasy-Adventure Book For Middle-Age Children and Even Adults

First-time Paws and Claws Publishing author C.L. Stilwill came up with this adventure-filled tale while she played “make-believe with her godchildren in the backyard by a large lilac hedge. Lilacs will always have a very fond place in her memory.” The book is packed with thrills, fun, excitement, and unexpected twists and turns throughout.

GREENSBORO, NC—FEBRUARY 11, 2024—The Greens seemed like a normal, busy family living in a cottage with lilac bushes in the backyard. But not everything was as it appeared. One day baby Nate followed a bunny into the lilac bushes, the unplanned and unpredictable start of Nate, Kat, Donnie, and Aunt Ninny’s first adventure in the Great Lilac Forest.

Though Aunt Ninny had told them stories, the children hadn’t been trained on the ways of the inner worlds. Mysterious, imaginative happenings made them want to return. That happened far too soon when they found out the Princess was in trouble. With shifting portals and a near-fall from a cliff, this trip led them through nerve-wracking events to try to save the Princess, using all their powers, Aunt Ninny’s gadgets, Aunt Effie’s star charts, Donnie’s imagination, and bravery.

People who could change into their animal forms in the inner worlds. Magic everywhere around them there. The power of the imagination. Animals that had special powers and acted like humans. Constellations that differed from those in the outer world. People who wouldn’t have been happy if they knew whom they were.

Readers will be on the edges of their seats in the terrifying swamp with its hidden creatures and during Donnie’s near-fall from the cliff. They’ll gaze into Kipa the sea serpent’s eyes and trust him. They’ll watch in wonder as Tiny the big black cat sheds his skin to become Tiger the sheepdog. They’ll drool at the shakes from Milkshake Creek.

C.L. Stilwill’s book is filled with masterfully detailed characters, most of whom have special powers and animal forms. The author’s descriptions place readers in their fast rescue ship, the bouncing longboat, the life-threatening swamp, the hazardous encounters with prison bars laced with malévonite that can drain their powers, and fun scenes in their lilac-enhanced backyard at home.

Will the rescuers save the Princess? How did two mischievous kittens thwart the rescue attempts? Will their ship be able to outpace the Malévolens’ fleet and their dreaded lightning if they’re successful? Will the rescuers and the Princess make it safely back to her home? Will Kat and her family be heralded as rescuers?

The Great Lilac Forest is a thrilling, engaging, entertaining fantasy-adventure book that will be sure to enthrall readers. After all, “imagination is a powerful magic,” and it will spark their imaginations in many ways.

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