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**Spine-tingling YA.
Science-loving picture
books.**

Award-winning author of The Body Finder series, The Pledge trilogy, The Taking trilogy, and the Loves Science picture books. Translated into more than 15 languages.

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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

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Kimberly Derting is the award-winning author of ten young adult novels and seventeen picture books. Her young adult work includes *The Body Finder* series, *The Pledge* trilogy, and *The Taking* trilogy.

With co-author Shelli R. Johannes, she writes the *Loves Science* picture books, the *Farm Friends* early readers, and *Penny: The Engineering Tail of the Fourth Little Pig*. Her first solo picture book is *Baby Steps: A Picture Book for New Siblings*.

Her books have been translated into more than 15 languages. A biology major turned storyteller, she lives in the Pacific Northwest, where the gloomy weather is ideal for staying indoors to write.

SHORT BIO

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27

books for teens and young readers

15+

languages in translation

4

publishers: HarperCollins, Simon & Schuster, Capstone, and Abrams

14

audiobooks on Audible



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Booklist



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**GOOD
HOUSEKEEPING**



RT BOOK REVIEWS

ALA American Library Association

NSTA National Science Teachers Association



SCHOLASTIC

BARNES & NOBLE

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The Body Finder

- ★ YALSA Best Fiction for Young Adults
- ★ Chicago Public Library Best of the Best for Teens
- ★ Kids' IndieNext Pick
- ★ Cybils Award nominee · Goodreads Movers & Shakers

The Pledge & The Taking

- ★ *The Pledge*: YALSA Best Fiction for Young Adults
- ★ *The Pledge*: Children's Book Council Teen Choice Book of the Year nominee
- ★ *The Taking*: Top pick for page-to-screen, Studio System News

More Loves Science

- ★ *Libby Loves Science: School Library Journal* starred review
- ★ *Cece Loves Science and Adventure* and *Vivi Loves Science*: Amazon Best Books of the Month
- ★ *Vivi Loves Science*: Book Riot "15 Must-Read July Children's Book Releases"

Penny: The Engineering Tail of the Fourth Little Pig

- ★ NSTA STEM Picture Book of the Year
- ★ Georgia Author of the Year Award winner, picture book

Cece Loves Science

- ★ Barnes & Noble National Storytime selection
- ★ Amazon Best Book of the Month
- ★ PBS "Books to Inspire Your Young Scientist"
- ★ Good Housekeeping "Best Books for Bedtime"
- ★ Georgia Center for the Book "Book All Young Georgians Should Read"
- ★ Scholastic Book Fairs and Book Clubs selection

Farm Friends

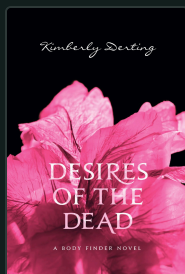
- ★ Recommended by the National Center for Agricultural Literacy as a companion to its early elementary lessons

YOUNG ADULT · HARPERCOLLINS & SIMON & SCHUSTER

Thrillers with a pulse



READING FROM *DEAD SILENCE*

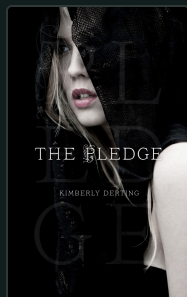


THE BODY FINDER SERIES · 4 BOOKS + A SHORT STORY

The Body Finder

Violet Ambrose can sense the echoes of the murdered—and the imprints that cling to their killers. When a serial killer begins terrorizing her small town, she may be the only one who can stop him.

“A strong debut from a promising author.” PUBLISHERS WEEKLY

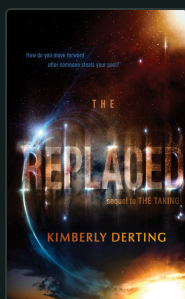


THE PLEDGE TRILOGY

The Pledge

In Ludania, the language you speak decides your class, and one wrong glance can mean execution. Charlie can understand every language—a secret that makes her the key to her country's freedom.

“More great suspense from a prolific new writer with a vibrant imagination.” KIRKUS REVIEWS

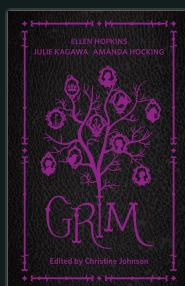
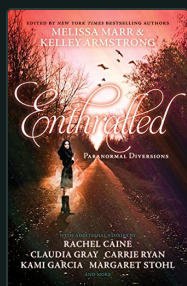


THE TAKING TRILOGY

The Taking

Kyra wakes up behind a gas station five years after she vanished—and she hasn't aged a day. Her search for the truth leads to others who have been taken... and returned.

“Heart-stopping action and suspense combined with a budding romance.” BOOKLIST



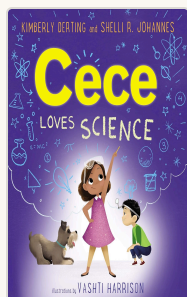
ANTHOLOGIES

Enthralled & Grim

Short fiction alongside today's top YA voices: “Skin Contact,” a Body Finder story, in *Enthralled*, and “Light It Up,” a modern Hansel & Gretel, in *Grim*.

“If you're in the mood for psychological thrillers, evil masterminds, strong heroines and hot heroes... pick up the Body Finder series.” USA TODAY

Curious kids, big ideas



LOVES SCIENCE · 9 BOOKS · HARPERCOLLINS/GREENWILLOW

Cece, Libby & Vivi Love Science

Girls who love zoology, chemistry, and marine biology use science, technology, engineering, and math to answer life's big questions. Four picture books and five I Can Read! Level 3 readers, each with a glossary and hands-on experiments.

"This book expresses a love for the topic that will encourage kids to follow their curiosity." SCHOOL LIBRARY JOURNAL, STARRED REVIEW

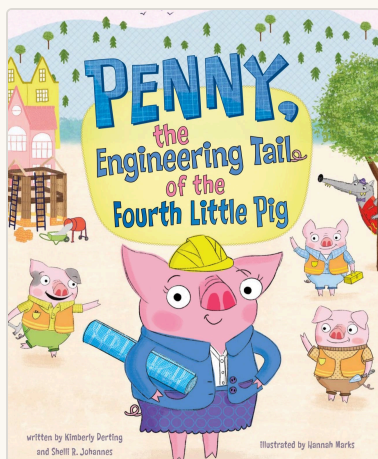


FARM FRIENDS · 6 BOOKS · CAPSTONE

Farm Friends

Early-reader STEAM adventures with Poppy, her family, and her mischievous goat, Vincent Van Goat, exploring the joys and hard work of farm life.

"A delightful connection to agriculture for elementary students." NATIONAL CENTER FOR AGRICULTURAL LITERACY

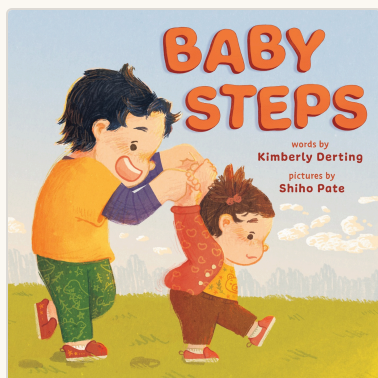


PICTURE BOOK · CAPSTONE

Penny: The Engineering Tail of the Fourth Little Pig

Penny isn't just the fourth little pig—she's an engineer. When the big bad wolf returns, she draws up plans to save her brothers once and for all. NSTA STEM Picture Book of the Year.

"An excellent choice for elementary collections, and especially recommended for STEAM shelves." SCHOOL LIBRARY JOURNAL



PICTURE BOOK · ABRAMS · KIMBERLY'S FIRST SOLO PICTURE BOOK

Baby Steps: A Picture Book for New Siblings

A rhyming read-aloud, illustrated by Shiho Pate, that follows a young boy as he becomes a big brother—all the way to baby's first steps.

Notable appearances

- San Diego Comic-Con
- Abu Dhabi International Book Fair
- Barnes & Noble National Storytime
- YALLFest & YALLWest
- **ICONS: Take Me to Your Reader Tour**, with Margaret Stohl, Melissa de la Cruz, Kami Garcia, Richelle Mead, Leigh Bardugo, and Marissa Meyer
- HarperTeen's **Dark Days Tour** (multiple years)
- **Simon & Schuster's Summer Lovin' Tour**, with Suzanne Young, Shannon Messenger, Morgan Matson, and Jessi Kirby
- **The Smart Chicks Kick-It Tour**
- **Romantic Times Convention** (multiple years)
- **Apollycon** and **Storycon**
- **Foyles**, Charing Cross, London
- **Books of Wonder**, New York City
- **Washington Library Media Association**



Covers, photos, and more

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