

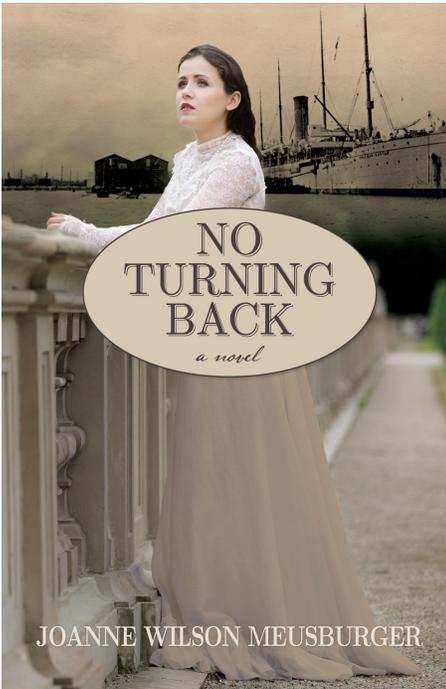


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## SECRETS AND FORBIDDEN LOVE SURFACE IN NEW HISTORICAL NOVEL ALEX AND KATY SAIL TO AMERICA FOR A NEW LIFE



**For immediate release:** The year is 1898. The first automobile is sold. The United States declares war on Spain. And Alex Meissen, son of a wealthy Austrian bureaucrat, falls in love with the beautiful maid Katy Thannen. *No Turning Back* (Ambassador International; September 2013; \$14.99, paperback) tells their story of forbidden love and their doomed plan to make a new life together in America, an ocean away from their infuriated families.

Raven-haired Katy is determined to venture beyond the alpine fields of her birthplace. Taking a job as a maid for a wealthy family, Katy quickly catches the attention of the family's only son, Alex. Alex's father climbed the civil service ranks, developing an intolerance toward the peasant classes. So when Alex falls in love with the maid, his father is appalled.

Forbidden to marry, Alex devises a plan for them to sail to America to begin their life together far from the scornful eyes of their families. But the plan fails and suddenly there is no turning back.

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### **Suggested Interview Questions for the author:**

1. What led you to write *No Turning Back*?
2. The story is not set in modern times but in 1898. Why did you choose this time period as the backdrop for the book?
3. Your protagonist, Katy, encounters many hardships throughout the book. Do you think that readers will be able to relate to some of what she encounters?
4. What do you hope your audience takes away from reading the book?
5. Both Katy and Alex have a background in the Catholic church. How did this impact their choices?
6. Why was this the right time in your life to write this forbidden love story?



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