

Stillwater author urges readers to live ‘beyond the mask’ in upcoming children’s book

Author Rylee Pittman inks children's book inspiring children to go 'beyond the mask.'

STILLWATER,, OKLA. --, UNITED STATES, September 22, 2015 /EINPresswire.com/ -- STILLWATER, Okla. – Author Rylee Pittman attended a convention in high school with a theme entitled ‘Beyond the Mask’, little did Pittman know that that convention would cause a big ripple in her life and prompt her to write a book circling on the theme.

“I wrote [‘A Turtle Named Sheldon’](#) after I attended a convention in high school where the theme was ‘Beyond the Mask’, and we were encouraged to take active steps in making a difference in the world even though we were young. I also had a wonderful leadership teacher named Mrs. Grant who encouraged her students to lead a fundraising week for local charities in my hometown, which I got to be a part of,” shares Rylee.



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Mrs. Grant’s huge faith among her students inspired them to run their fundraising organization, ‘Stillwater Makes A Change Week,’ these experiences are what stirred Rylee to create a character in her story who would eventually learns to find love and contentment in himself.

In “A Turtle Named Sheldon,” Sheldon is a turtle that has big dreams of becoming a hero but does not feel adequate enough. In order to accomplish his dream, he tries to become someone else by wearing a mask. When his mask rips, Sheldon loses what he thought made him a hero. In the end,

Sheldon realizes that the only thing standing in the way of him making a difference was his own self and that he did not have to change at all in order to make an impact.

“Empowering, encouraging and heart-warming... Rylee conveys to readers young and old that being a real hero takes courage to love and accept one’s self and I think that that is a very important message to relay to everyone, especially to kids nowadays who feel great peer pressure in society,” states Aubrey Ventic, Acquisitions Editor for [Tate Publishing](#).

Rylee, who is set to release her book soon, hopes that “A Turtle Named Sheldon,” would bring inspiration to readers to take their own talents and skills and do something great.

Published by Tate Publishing and Enterprises, the book is available through bookstores nationwide, from the publisher at www.tatepublishing.com/bookstore, or by visiting barnesandnoble.com or amazon.com.

Rylee is a member of the Pi Beta Phi. She works with Read-Lead-Achieve, an organization driven to aid and minimize illiteracy in society. She studies in Oklahoma State University and is currently taking up secondary education.

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