

Survival, Memories, and Miracles Intertwine in Poignant Debut Novel by Tilly Grey

"The Power of Rain" offers a moving tale of resilience, friendship, and the unexpected bonds that shape us

SAN FRANCISCO, CA, UNITED STATES, July 21, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Debut novelist [Tilly Grey](#) invites readers into a deeply human story that spans continents and generations in [The Power of Rain](#): A Young Girl's Illness, an Older Man's Love... A Captivating Story of Survival, Memories, and Miracles. Set in the late 1950s and rich with historical detail, the novel tells the story of Jenny, a teenage girl battling systemic lupus, and Ethan, a Holocaust survivor searching for his long-lost sister.

Their paths cross in a New York hospital and again aboard an ocean liner bound for Rome and Switzerland—each on their own uncertain journey toward healing. As the narrative unfolds, Jenny's dreamlike imagination and Ethan's haunting memories of war begin to intersect, leading to a powerful, unlikely friendship that changes both of their lives.

The story is more than fiction—it is a reflection of Tilly Grey's own remarkable life. A lupus survivor herself, Grey spent her teenage years in Italy, later working in journalism, education, and humanitarian efforts in Africa. Now 86



years old, she shares this novel as a testimony to the inner strength people often don't realize they possess.

"I wanted to show that we all have powerful resources within us—and around us—that can help us survive," says Grey. "Whether you're facing illness, loss, or trauma, there's always a way forward. You just need to look for the help, learn to ask for it, and believe that it's out there."

Grey's personal experiences—battling illness, listening to broken survivors in postwar Europe, and clinging to hope during her darkest hours—inspired this beautifully layered tale.

At its core, *The Power of Rain* is a story of survival, compassion, and the subtle miracles that happen when two seemingly different lives cross paths. It reminds readers that no matter the weight of the past or present, hope is never out of reach.

About the Author:

Born in New York, Tilly Grey spent a few formative years in Italy during her teens. She has lived a life marked by resilience and purpose. A former journalist, teacher, and Africa Correspondent for Habitat for Humanity International, she now turns her talents to fiction writing in retirement. *The Power of Rain* is her debut novel and the result of five years of creative exploration.

Message to Readers:

This is a book about discovering your own strength—and recognizing that you are never truly alone. Whether through faith, science, imagination, or human connection, there is always something—or someone—that can help you heal.

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