

Courage and Secrets Collide in 'While We Were Silent,' a Riveting New Novel by Alex Myers

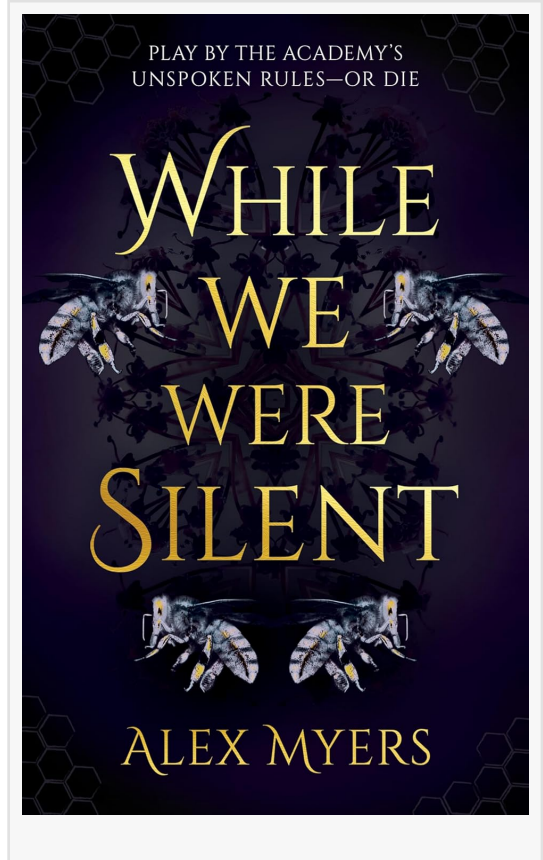
VT, UNITED STATES, August 7, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Award-winning author Alex Myers returns with his latest novel, "While We Were Silent," a dark and suspenseful murder mystery set in the insular world of a prestigious prep school. Packed with tension, intrigue, and a razor-sharp critique of privilege and power, the novel explores societal structures and human resilience against a backdrop of dangerous secrecy.

At Green Dell Academy, a traditional New England prep school, now under the leadership of its first female head, tradition and progress are at odds. When a faculty member is found murdered amidst an ongoing investigation into instances of sexual assault on campus, questions of justice, power, and the cost of silence come to the forefront. As secrets buried within this privileged community emerge, each becomes a key to uncovering a deeper, more troubling truth.

Leading the charge is a tenacious lawyer and former state police officer, whose presence at Green Dell reveals sharp conflicts between power dynamics, gender, and class. The author's twenty years of experience teaching at elite prep schools bolster "While We Were Silent" with detail and authenticity, bringing the novel to life with a rich realism that supports the unfolding mystery.

This 224-page novel is more than just a thriller - it's a compelling exploration of courage in the face of patriarchal traditions and the ripple effects of long-hidden truths. Myers, known for his groundbreaking work as an advocate for transgender rights and his literary contributions like "Revolutionary" and "The Story of Silence," has once again woven a narrative that is as thought-provoking as it is exhilarating.

"While We Were Silent" (ISBN: 9781448320035) can be purchased through retailers worldwide, including Amazon and Barnes & Noble. The hardcover retails for \$29.99, and the ebook retails



for \$3.99. Review copies and interviews with the author are available upon request.

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From the Back Cover:

Devastating secrets shroud the campus of Green Dell Academy, secrets that some think are worth killing for... From Lambda Literary Award finalist Alex Myers comes a provocative dark academia novel.

There are rules and then there's reality...

Autumn, 2015. Green Dell Academy is a prestigious co-ed prep school tucked away in a quiet corner of Connecticut. And although it has its first female head of school, it's still very much a boys' club - a club with longstanding "traditions" that involve gross misconduct - and now murder.

A woman has been killed, right on campus, a woman who has been deeply involved in fighting sexual violence, a woman who had no shortage of enemies.

The murder case, coupled with an investigation into allegations of sexual assault, threatens to bring dark, deep-rooted secrets to the surface, the kind of secrets that go back decades—and some people seem to value the old ways more than human life . . .

For fans of Rebecca Makkai's "I Have Some Questions For You" and Ashley Winstead's "In My Dreams I Hold a Knife." Written by the current teacher at an American school academy, Alex Myers brings to life a thought-provoking and deeply relevant story.

About the Author:

Alex Myers is an award-winning author, teacher, and speaker. The first openly transgender student at Phillips Exeter Academy and Harvard University, Alex began working as an advocate for transgender rights in 1995. Since then, Alex has published several novels. His debut, "Revolutionary," tells the story of his ancestor Deborah Sampson, who disguised herself as a man and fought in the American Revolution. He followed this with "Continental Divide," which explores masculinity and the American West through the journey of a transgender guy in the 90s from the liberal East Coast to the ranches of Wyoming. His debut fantasy novel, "The Story of Silence," takes a 13th century French poem as its basis. Alex consults with schools across the country and around the world on the topic of transgender identity and gender inclusion and has written a nonfiction book, Supporting Transgender Students, that helps guide schools and parents through the process of building a gender inclusive environment. He lives in Vermont with his wife and two cats.

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