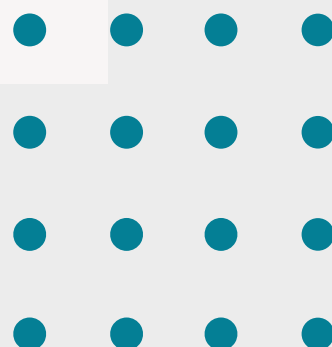


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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

BIOGRAPHY

K. M. West is a creator, publisher, and technology professional whose work centers on survival, myth, and the quiet resilience that emerges in the aftermath of collapse. A graduate of Texas A&M University with a degree in Management Information Systems, she moved to Oklahoma in 2012, where she has since built both her career and creative life.

West is the co-founder and publishing creative director of Burnt Leaf Press, an independent house dedicated to folk horror, dystopian gothic, and narratively driven speculative fiction. Her debut novel, *Wild Things Will Roam* (2020), launched The Collapse Series, a meditation on displacement, community breakdown, and endurance; the second installment, *The Things We Fled*, is forthcoming.

Alongside her publishing work, West has spent more than a decade in roles ranging from IT analysis to portfolio leadership, and in 2015 co-founded Pure Health Performance, a strength training facility and recovery center, reflecting a long-standing commitment to individual development and the community.

A registered yoga teacher, business owner, and mother of three, West's work is shaped by the belief that stories do more than reflect experience — they actively create it.

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Dystopian Debut **WILD THINGS WILL ROAM**



Hunt what hunts you...

In a post-Collapse American South ravaged by monstrous creatures, four unlikely survivors must brave a nightmarish landscape where hope is as wild as the dangers that hunt them.

Overview

Liv runs with a hatchet on her back and the ashes of America in her lungs. Behind her stalks a monstrosity of Appalachian myth, one of many ‘Creats’ exposed in the fifteen years since the Collapse. But her brother—the last of her family—is lost in the wasteland somewhere, and only the prophetic guidance of the Priestess can light Liv’s way.

Old gods manipulate her trail, positioning her firmly in the sights of a pair of Romani brothers, each reeking of unfulfilled promise and untamed magic. But not every destiny is a gift, and Liv’s may threaten to shatter the world once again.



Wild Things Will Roam PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

K.M. West's debut novel, 'Wild Things Will Roam', is a gripping post-apocalyptic tale that blends mythology, horror, and human resilience into a captivating narrative. Set in a fractured American South, the story follows Romani brothers Lash and Ander, alongside Liv and her adoptive father Carian, as they navigate a world ravaged by war and haunted by monstrous Creatures.

Critics have hailed the novel as a 'heartrending, gut-twisting, absolute ride', praising West's fluid prose, vivid character development, and intricate world-building. The book explores themes of fate, survival, and the thin veneer of civilization, challenging readers to question what truly lies beneath.

With comparisons to literary giants like Stephen King and Anne Rice, and endorsements from fans of dark fantasy and dystopian fiction, 'Wild Things Will Roam' is a must-read for those seeking a thrilling and thought-provoking journey.

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Synopsis



In a war-scarred world where horrible Creatures ("Creats") roam wild, the future of humanity rests upon the shoulders of Lash and Ander, a pair of Romani brothers who failed to fulfill their prophecy once before.

Liv cut her teeth on war, famine, death, and despair. When her brother vanishes, she and her adoptive father, Carian, abandon their homestead in search of a Priestess rumored to find lost things.

With their fates inexplicably tied, the four must claw their way through the horrors of a fractured American South... but none are prepared for the theater of terror that awaits them, nor how badly they will need each other to survive.

Their nightmares prove very real, but hope, however small, may yet prevail.

Where things are wild, wild things will roam...

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Wild Things Will Roam

REVIEWS



L.M. RIVIERE

AUTHOR OF 'THE INNISFAIL CYCLE'
SERIES AND 'A DARK MOST FAIR'

A heartrending, gut twisting, absolute ride! With the rhythm of a murder ballad and the soul of an epic-- West delivers a dystopian thriller rife with realistic perils and pitfalls, vivid characters, and intricate mythology.



M. STEWART

AUTHOR OF 'UNHOMED'

A pleasure to read. *Wild Things Will Roam*, the debut novel by K.M. West, is a post-apocalyptic gore fest with a soul. A genuine surprise is waiting in West's fluid and graceful prose even while walking the reader through the horrors of Hell.



K.A. HOUGH

AUTHOR OF 'GROUND CONTROL'
AND 'PAPER MOONS'

Where can I begin? Evocative descriptions, compelling characters with complicated and tense relationships, magic... this story kept me on the edge of my seat right until the end. Parts of it almost broke me, which is testament to K.M. West's skill in bringing this world to life.



BRANDI SCHONBERG

AUTHOR OF 'THE IMMORTAL
COIL SAGA'

Wild Things Will Roam has it all - characters you have no choice but to invest in, a wickedly intriguing setting, and a story that delivers page after page of delicious and intricate relationships with a little magic mixed in.

K.M. West has crafted a dark, intoxicating story that pulls you in and leaves you wanting more.



TRISKET BOOKS

REVIEWER

I could highly recommend *Wild Things Will Roam* as a dystopian dark fantasy. I could write that it is well edited and that the changes in point of view are deftly handled, and that the characters and their story arcs develop in fascinating ways over time. All of this is true. But it also falls short of the book's power to captivate. This is a book full of uncertainty and dark magic, designed to make the reader question everything.