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**TALYA TATE BOERNER** is a delta girl who grew up making mudpies on her family’s cotton farm in Northeast Arkansas. After thirty years as a commercial banker in Dallas, she has returned to the state she loves. Talya blogs at Grace, Grits and Gardening and has been published in Arkansas Review, Front Porch Magazine and several on-line publications including the Winthrop Rockefeller Institute blog. She loves to cook and believes most any dish can be improved with a side of collard greens.

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***The Accidental Salvation of Gracie Lee***

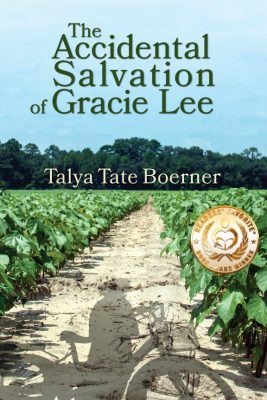
**KIRKUS REVIEWS**:https://www.kirkusreviews.com/book-reviews/talya-boerner/the-accidental-salvation-of-gracie-lee/

“Boerner’s prose is a wonderful medium for unspooling Gracie’s story, imbued with all the snark, wonder, and colorful details that characterize childhood...The author addresses real, high-stakes issues without slathering them in melodrama or saccharine sentimentality, and her book hearkens back to an older YA tradition of stories of plucky preteen girls, spooky houses, and inevitable tragedies that help mark the turning point from childhood to adolescence. A stirring novel with a distinctive young narrator.”

**READERS’ FAVORITE**:https://readersfavorite.com/book-review/the-accidental-salvation-of-gracie-lee

“*The Accidental Salvation of Gracie Lee* is one of the best books I have read in a long, long while. Integrating themes of substance abuse, lessons in morality, and timeless fears of coming of age, author Talya Tate Boerner has excelled in the brilliance of bringing characters to life in her debut novel. The storytelling rarity of multiple story lines is effortlessly successful in this vividly told tale. Boerner utilizes all of the senses to weave a story filled with human emotion so palpable that the reader is forced to step away from the pages in order to digest the full impact of her words. I enthusiastically applaud this story and the future of this author.” (Lisa McCombs, Readers’ Favorite 5 Star)

**Jeff Guinn, *New York Times Best Selling Author:*** “There’s magic here in a wonderfully-told story that will find a place in any reader’s heart.”



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**PUBLICATIONS**

Arkansas Review

Winthrop Rockefeller Institute

Front Porch Magazine (Farm Bureau)

2NJoy Magazine

Butterfield Review

Only in Arkansas (First Security Bank)

East Dallas Lakewood Advocate

Postcard Shorts

Outpost Magazine

Taste Arkansas

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Menopausal Mother

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