

Chrysteen Braun

author

Some of you may know me as Chrysteen Braun from Aegean/Designing Whims in Los Alamitos, or from At The Cabin in Lake Arrowhead. Or some of you just know me as me. Well, I've uncovered my typewriter and this is what I've found!



When we retired from our remodeling business everyone was worried I wouldn't find anything to do, but I discovered that the seeds of wanting to write have been flourishing inside me for many years. And if you like to read, I'd love to take you along on my journey.

I'm working on five books so far, (sounds crazy doesn't it?) and have ideas for a sixth. Once I finish writing, I'll have to edit them all so I can get them out into the world to people who want to read them. I'll be considered an indie-published author, which technically means I won't be going through an agent or traditional publisher; Amazon will be my home base.

I write what I consider Women's Fiction; some with a little intrigue or mystery, and some with what I think of as a slice of life about characters I hope you'll love.



A Sneak Peak

My first three books are a series set in the mountains where we have a second home, and they're about a woman who buys and restores an old set of cabins that hold secrets. In the first one, we find out why a man murdered his business partner then committed suicide. The second is about a woman who becomes a Madam at the Tudor House in the early 30's and the third is about a woman who comes to California in the late 20's to become a movie star. They've all stayed in one of the cabins, and they all have stories to tell.

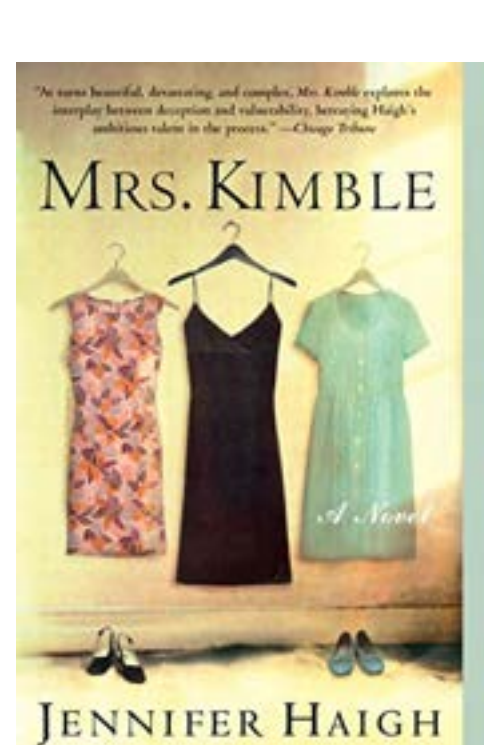
If you think you might be interested in following me on my journey, all you have to do is..... NOTHING. You'll automatically be on my Chrysteen Braun, Author, email list and I'll keep you updated on my progress. I promise I won't inundate you with emails! If, however this doesn't sound like something you're interested in, all you have to do is use the UNSUBSCRIBE link below. I won't take it personally!

Take care, and I hope to hear from you soon.

Chrysteen

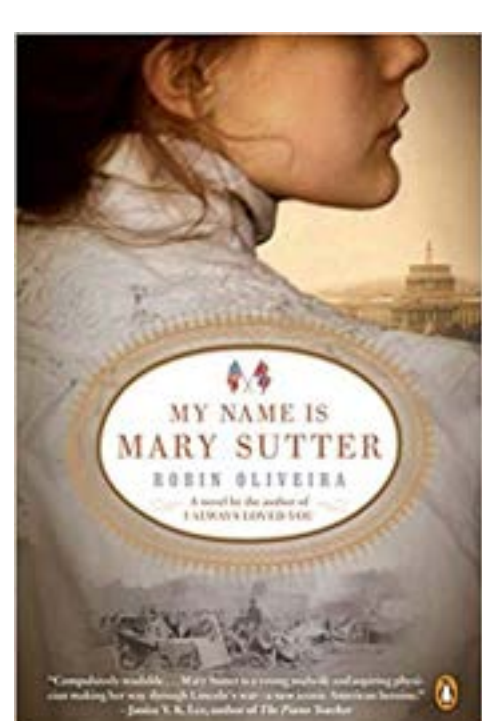


Everyone loves a good book and I've always appreciated it when someone told me about a book they especially liked. So, I'd like to do that for you too. I tend to like real stories about real and fictional people, and what I also refer to as slice of life stories.



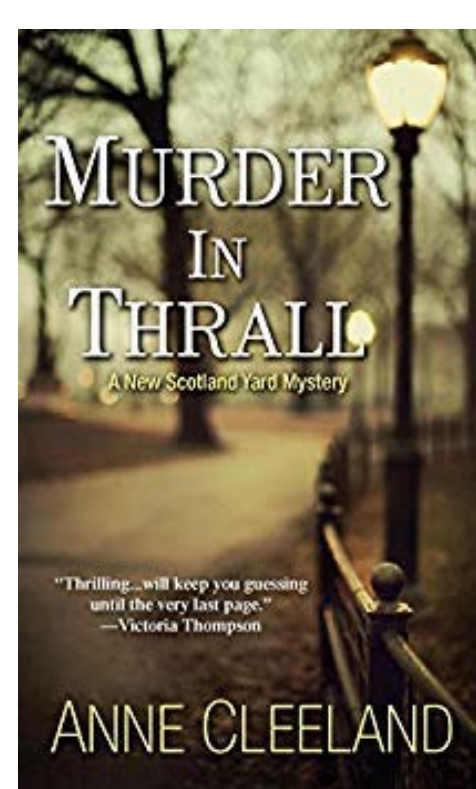
Somehow I stumbled on to *Mrs. Kimble*, by **Jennifer Haigh**, and I thoroughly enjoyed it. It's the story of three women who over the years marry Ken Kimble. This was her debut novel and she really captured the characters personalities.

I also just discovered fabulous story teller **Jodi Picoult**! The first book I read was *Small Great Things*, and I loved it. It's based on a true story of a black labor and delivery nurse who was prohibited from caring for a newborn baby. It's told from multiple points of view which allows us to understand why the characters feel the way they do. I immediately order and read *House Rules* about a family dealing with a child with Autism. She's great!



My Name is Mary Sutter by **Robin Oliveira** is the story about a young Civil War midwife who dreams of becoming a surgeon. I loved her strength and determination.

And last but not least is an author I know, **Anne Cleeland**. She started writing historical romance, which was surprisingly good since I'm not a die hard Romance reader, but started a great British detective series starring Doyle and Action. Her books are witty and clever plus I never figure out "who did it" until the end. I try to learn from every author I read, and what I learned from Anne, was the degree of sex (if any) I needed in order to have a good story. She's also promised to help me when I'm ready to pull the trigger on the actual publishing of my books! No pressure there, Anne!



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