



MEET THE AUTHOR SERIES

Robyn Harding, author of *The Swap*

Thursday October 27, 2022

Live in person at 7:30pm • \$25 plus GST

Instant #1 national bestseller, *The Swap* is a riveting tale about the toxic relationship between two couples after a night of sexual shenanigans, and the manipulative teenager with an explosive secret at the center of it all.

Low Morrison is not your average teen. You could blame her hippie parents or her looming height or her dreary, isolated hometown on an island in the Pacific Northwest. But whatever the reason, Low just doesn't fit in — and neither does Freya, an ethereal beauty and once-famous social media influencer who now owns the local pottery studio.

After signing up for a class, Low quickly falls under Freya's spell. And Freya, buoyed by Low's adoration, is compelled to share her darkest secrets and deepest desires. Finally, both feel a sense of belonging...that is, until Jamie walks through the studio door. Desperate for a baby, she and her husband have moved to the island hoping that the healthy environment will result in a pregnancy. Freya and Jamie become fast friends, as do their husbands, leaving Low alone once again.

Then one night, after a boozy dinner party, Freya suggests swapping partners. It should have been a harmless fling between consenting adults, one night of debauchery that they would put behind them, but instead, it upends their lives. And provides Low the perfect opportunity to unleash her growing resentment.

Robyn Harding brings her acclaimed storytelling, lauded as “fast-paced, thrilling, gut-wrenching” by Taylor Jenkins Reid, New York Times bestselling author of *Daisy Jones & The Six*, to this dark and suspenseful thriller for fans of Megan Miranda and Lisa Jewell.

Robyn Harding is the internationally bestselling author of *The Arrangement*, *Her Pretty Face*, *The Perfect Family*, and *The Party* which was a finalist for the Arthur Ellis Award for best crime novel. Her novel *The Swap* debuted at #1 on the Globe and Mail and Toronto Star Canadian Bestsellers lists. She has also written four novels of contemporary women's fiction, a young adult novel, and a comedic memoir with an environmental focus. She is the screenwriter and executive producer of the independent film, *The Steps*, which premiered at TIFF and was the closing gala film at the Miami International Film Festival. Robyn's next novel, *The Drowning Woman*, will be on sale June 13, 2023.

“There are books born for summer reading and The Swap is one of them. Steamy sex, obsession, partner swapping – this one has it all. Vancouver author Robyn Harding keeps the reader engaged with a group of fascinating characters, each with a secret.”

— The Globe and Mail

Copies of *The Swap* are available for sale at the Lyceum.

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