The Mark of Fire is an exciting historical fantasy tale about an Irish teenager who finds a mysterious portal to a world that is harboring dangerous threats. She is quickly swept up into the middle of frightening circumstances beyond her understanding, and uncovers an ancient secret that has the power to change everything.

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Bored of Zombie and Post-Apocalyptic Stories?

Exciting new historical fantasy novel incorporates the oldest elements of a classic story...

In a refreshingly innovative way

Molly and her friends simply don't know what to do. They're positively clueless since haplessly stumbling upon an ancient secret with the power to change *everything*. Could the choices they make today alter the lives of everyone tomorrow?

It's early-20th Century Ireland and 15-year-old Molly Connolly is dreading an uncertain future. With her basic schooling behind her, she's just an extra mouth to feed on a poor farm. As the probable fate of being sent to work in a dismal factory looms on the horizon, Molly feels powerless.

Or so she thinks.

In an exhilarating, but frightening, turn of events, Molly and her brother follow a mysterious falcon to a hidden portal that leads into another world. While Molly tries to adjust to this strange, new planet filled with dragons, nymphs, and unthalanes, she is amazed to discover she has an unexplainable super-human ability. But, this brave new world is also harboring deep, dark secrets. As Molly and her friends uncover shocking revelations and a terrifying threat, they quickly find themselves the unwitting targets of an unknown enemy in the midst of a dangerous game beyond their wildest dreams - and nightmares.

North San Francisco Bay Area debut Novelist Hannah LeBlond has daringly broken exhausted, conventional barriers of fantasy and science-fiction. In a world bored of zombies and post-

apocalyptic settings, *The Mark of Fire Series – Book One* restores favorite elements of fantasy in a story that is unique, adventurous, mysterious, humorous – and breathlessly dramatic.



Author Bio

Even before she could hold a crayon, Hannah was creating stories. Though the format changed quickly over her childhood years—from dictating books aloud to patient parents who painstakingly wrote out all her sentences that began with "and so", to hundreds of typed pages eternally preserved on floppy disks—Hannah's love of writing only grew.

At age sixteen, after completing both her junior and senior years of high school in one, she graduated early in order to dedicate more time to writing. And not just any writing—by then Hannah was already deeply immersed in crafting the peoples, places, and plot of *The Mark of Fire* series.

After graduating from two ministry schools, Hannah began working full-time for a non-profit ministry

organization in the North Bay Area of California, where she has been a speaker, youth leader, administrator, minister, and worship leader. She gained much experience in overcoming trauma both personally, and in walking with others on the journey of wholeness, which greatly increased her desire to help people both physically and emotionally. Along with continuing in ministry, Hannah was certified as an Emergency Medical Technician and worked as a medic at a school campground. Between her experiences with kids while working as both an EMT and a minister, she was moved to complete and publish book one of the story that had so long been a part of her heart.

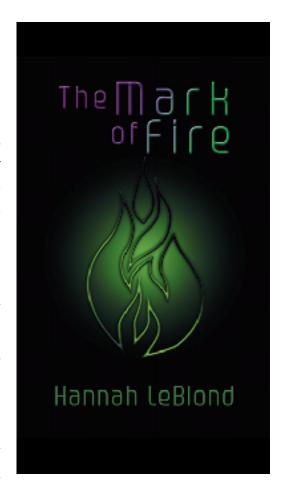
Hannah is passionate about social justice; seeing people overcome trauma and live whole, healed lives, body and soul; and inspiring the youth of this generation. She believes the entertainment industry is the forerunning influence of the next generation of politicians, scientists, teachers, doctors, athletes, engineers, missionaries, artists, etc. She dreamed of writing a story that not only is gripping, moving, and fun, but one that inspires kids of all ages to chase after their dreams and to truly believe that they can change the world.

Hannah continues to work for the ministry, where she now serves as associate pastor and a worship leader. She lives in the wine country north of San Francisco with her family, including three beloved cats: Tinkerbelle, Zoë, and Merlin.

Book Synopsis

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