

At Age 14, Author Elisa Brinton Makes Her Literary Debut

*In her newly released book, **Courage to Stand: Stories of Young Strength and Triumph in Adversity**, author Elisa Brinton presents three young adult historical fiction stories.*

North Idaho, ID ([PRWeb](#)) September 15, 2008 -- In her newly released book, **Courage to Stand: Stories of Young Strength and Triumph in Adversity**, author Elisa Brinton presents three young adult historical fiction stories. Each tale takes place during the mid 1800s in what is now America. In the story, **The High Cost of Unity: The Scourge that is War**, Brinton takes readers back to the Civil War Era where a 15-year-old girl fakes her own disappearance so that she can disguise herself as a 18-year-old boy in order to enlist in the Union army. In **Traitor to My Blood**, readers are taken back to early Native American History where a young girl from the Crow nation is captured by the Cheyenne and rescued by a Sioux warrior. In **Answer the Call**, Brinton goes back to 1844 where Mormons in America are seeking sanctuary from religious persecution. A young girl and her family make a treacherous voyage from England to America to make a new life while following the Mormon faith.

Although fiction, all three stories become immersed in the historical period. In most cases, historical figures and settings are interwoven within the fictional tale to present an introspective series of themes. One significant theme that emerges is the strength and courage of young women in eras where discrimination and oppression were predominant. The protagonists of each story embody a deep inner strength and independence in situations where hopelessness is overwhelming. Each story touches on other significant issues such as the romantic ideal of war and conflict often overshadows the atrocities and inhumanities that accompany it. Although the stories detail overwhelming adversity, themes of love, faith, and hope, overpower the suffering and provide each woman with a new strength and understanding of humanity.

Book Reviews:

Tracy Roberts: Write Field Services

"As historical fiction, **Courage to Stand** is a compelling and well written series of stories. The many plots and themes will inspire reflection regarding current conflicts taking place around the world. It is a well researched book that will be enjoyed by readers who appreciate historical fiction rooted in young heroines confronting and overcoming enormous adversity."

Emily Rees: English Instructor.

"Elisa was able to portray realistic scenes and believable conflicts. I found myself enveloped in the lives of the main characters, admiring their courage and relating to the affection they felt for their families and other loved ones. I would highly recommend these stories to anyone who wants to read about inspirational characters and their magnificent feats. The fact that Elisa is able to write like this at her age is awe-inspiring, in and of itself. I am excited to hear about where Elisa's talents take her next. She has a fan for life in me!"

Nancy Hicks: History, English, and Drama Instructor.

"Brinton's passion comes through loud and clear in her vivid account of historical events. As a brilliant and promising young author, Elisa sets the stage in the form of first-person perspective. The young adult reader will readily identify with all three heroines, driven by their courage and determination to overcome the trials and

adversity they experience. The reader will also gain an appreciation of historical events, which created a foundation for a diverse America today. These stories will appeal to anyone who enjoys historical fiction, mixed with riveting action and adventure!"

Book Ordering

Courage to Stand is published by Novel Concepts Publishing, ISBN 978-0-9818178-0-4, and can be purchased online at [Novel Concepts Publishing](#) The author's website is: www.ElisaBrinton.com

About the Author

Elisa Brinton was born in Salt lake City, UT, and spent much of her early life in the Jackson, MS, area. She currently lives with her family in the beautiful Inland Northwest. Her current passions include Phantom of the Opera, Sweeney Todd, Broadway Musicals, and she loves drama. She also loves animals, has an acute interest in animal rights, and is a vegetarian. Her favorite authors include Stephanie Meyer, J.K. Rowling, Christopher Paolini, and Douglas Adams of the Hitchhiker Trilogy. Current literary works in progress include a fan-fiction sequel to Phantom of the Opera, an epic fantasy as a planned trilogy, several adventure stories, and other works in various stages of completion. She hopes to travel extensively to enrich her writing, and she is excited to see where this new life's journey (her writing) ultimately takes her. She thanks you for your interest in her work and hopes that the messages she shares through her writing speak to you as they do to her.

If you are interested in reviewing Courage to Stand, or arranging for a talk and book signing, or interview, please contact Elisa Brinton at [elisa @ novelconceptspublishing.com](mailto:elisa@novelconceptspublishing.com)

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