

## Local Author Jody Brown To Speak at the Rochester Public Library March 28

*For immediate release*

**ROCHESTER, Minnesota. March 19, 2013**—Local author Jody Brown will speak at the Rochester Public Library, March 28, at 7 p.m. as part of the Library's Visiting Author Series.

Jody Brown will read excerpts from her debut novel *Upside Down Kingdom* and will speak about how she transforms her travels and life experiences into writing. Brown will also discuss the process of publishing the novel, and some of the different options available to writers today. Books will be available for sale and signature.

"I'm so pleased that Jody was willing to be a part of our Visiting Author Series," says Katherine Stecher, Adult Programming Coordinator at the Library. "*Upside Down Kingdom* is a lively book, and it promises to be fun and informative night."

Jody Brown has a B.A. in Poetry Writing from the University of Pittsburgh, and has lived, written, and waited tables in multiple cities spanning five different states. *Upside Down Kingdom* takes place in Washington, D.C., where Brown lived for five years before moving to Minnesota. Written in Rochester, *Upside Down Kingdom* takes a close look at waiting tables from behind the scenes, from the server's perspective. The book centers on a wry-humored young professional working her first job out of college and moonlighting at a trendy restaurant. Disillusionment, tragedy, and even hilarity ensue as the main character forges her own path while living in the nation's capital.

*Upside Down Kingdom*, dubbed a work of historic fiction by the book's publisher, Xlibris, has been chosen by Dr. John Sievers as required reading for his Humanities course at RCTC. In addition, Jody Brown will be featured on an episode of KSMQ's *Off90* expected to air this May.

Other Rochester contributors in the production of the novel are Dawn Sanborn Photography, which shot the photographs for the book's cover, and Carson Framing on Broadway, which framed the publicity posters for the book that are on display at Söntés Restaurant and the Sanborn Sanctuary Farm.

*Upside Down Kingdom* is available at Barnes and Noble at Apache Mall, Söntés Restaurant where Brown works and writes, and the Sanborn Sanctuary Farm in Rochester, and the Lanesboro Arts Center in Lanesboro, MN. The book, in both hard copy and e-book format, can be ordered through [BarnesandNoble.com](http://BarnesandNoble.com) and on [Amazon](http://Amazon).

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