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2018 International Book Awards Finalist in Young Adult Fiction and 2018 Reader's Favorites Book Awards Honorable Mention in Young Adult – Social Issues

BIO

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Heather Cumiskey is the award-winning author of the popular YA crossover titles *I Like You Like This* and *I Love You Like That*. She writes about messy characters and social issues in the hopes that her books will spark compassion and conversation. Raised in Garden City, New York, she was working in fashion in New York City when she rediscovered her first love of writing. Heather now lives outside of Baltimore, Maryland, with her family and a spunky cockapoo named Waffles.

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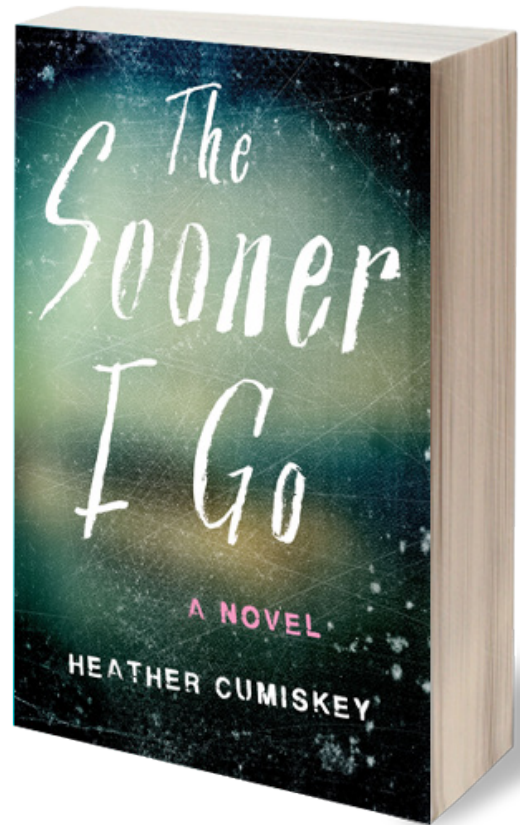
The Sooner I Go

Perfect for fans of Colleen Hoover and Paige Toon, this suspenseful new adult romance follows an eighteen-year-old woman reeling from loss as she's drawn into an unexpected attraction—one that might expose the secrets she's tried to bury.

Seven months after her boyfriend and parents die tragically on the same night, eighteen-year-old Brynn—once an aspiring singer, now desperate for any paying gig that will keep her from ending up on the streets—sets out to rebuild her shattered world. At her new ad agency job, she's distracted by enigmatic twenty-year-old Micah. Their enemies-to-lovers attraction ignites as both struggle with secrets that could jeopardize far more than just their budding relationship.

After things turn romantic with Brynn, Micah's psychosis becomes harder to conceal. Living with his disorder has cost him relationships before, including with his estranged father; now he fears Brynn will become the next casualty.

Things are already complicated enough before a mystery girl from Brynn's boyfriend's past comes forward with threatening information and unfinished business of her own. Will she reveal Brynn's secret—and steal Micah away from her in the process?



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I love you like that

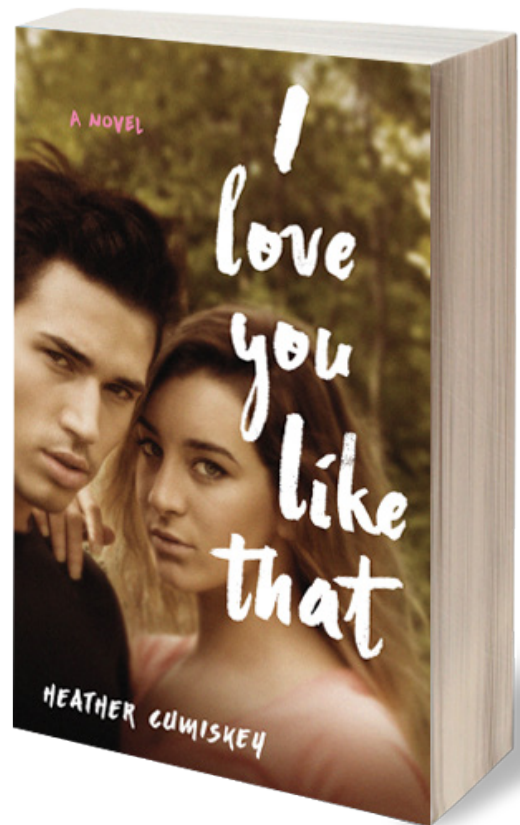
Does first love deserve a second chance?

Perfect for fans of *If There's No Tomorrow* by Jennifer L. Armentrout, *I Love You Like That* is the exciting conclusion of a poignant young adult duology about addiction, sexuality, peer pressure, and first love.

Reeling from the loss of Deacon, her dark and mysterious former boyfriend and first love, sixteen-year-old Hannah Zandana lets herself fall into the arms of the wrong boys—even as her mother's growing addiction continues to pull her family apart. With her mother hardly functional and her father in full-blown denial, Hannah and her little sister are left to their own devices—and no adult support—in their lives.

Meanwhile, after waking up in a strange hospital outside of town, Deacon learns that his convenient “death” has placed him in the middle of a federal undercover sting operation. He's soon thrown into the dangerous world of Miami drug cartels.

Will a cruel deception and a family's unresolved grief forever change Deacon and Hannah, or can love reignite and lead them back to one another? Find out in the long-awaited sequel, *I Love You Like That*.



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I like you like this

A loner girl. A mysterious boy. With their peers and parents against them, can an unlikely love survive?

In 1984 Connecticut, sixteen-year-old Hannah Zandana feels cursed with wild, uncontrollable hair and a horrid complexion. Painfully aware of how invisible she is in high school, she longs to change her pathetic life by attempting to impress a group of popular girls. An ill-fated effort, except that she captures the attention of Deacon, a handsome and mysterious boy who also happens to be her school's resident drug dealer.

Hannah's life suddenly takes an unexpected detour into Deacon's dangerous and seductive world. But when their relationship and her family unravel around her, Hannah is forced to reexamine a love she once trusted—while Deacon risks it all to win her back.

Perfect for fans of *Our Chemical Hearts* by Krystal Sutherland, *13 Reasons Why* by Jay Asher, and *All the Bright Places* by Jennifer Niven, *I Like You Like This* is the first book in a poignant young adult series about addiction, sexuality, peer pressure, and first love.



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PRAISE

PRAISE FOR *I LIKE YOU LIKE THIS*

"Hannah's story is primo, and the surprise twist of the epilogue will have readers stoked with anticipation for a sequel. Overall, a tubular story for readers looking for their next great melodramatic love story." —**Kirkus Reviews**

"The two teens' unpredictable melting pot of emotions and attempts to find their place resonates." —**Publishers' Weekly**

"A poignant coming-of-age read full of heart-pounding drama and a swoon-worthy romance, *I Like You Like This* is guaranteed to captivate readers from beginning to end. Think *Riverdale*, but set in the 80s." —**BuzzFeed**

"For fans of *13 Reasons Why*, Heather Cumiskey's new novel takes a spin on a classic." —**PopSugar**

"The romance between Hannah and Deacon, the unexpected ending, and Hannah's transformation make this book a compelling read." —**Readers' Favorite, Five Star Review**

PRAISE FOR *I LOVE YOU LIKE THAT*

"Dark secrets and unforgotten love twist below the surface in this fast-moving teen drama that sizzles with double-dealing betrayals, sexy love triangles, broken families, and enough heart-pounding intrigue to keep the pages turning late into the night."

—**Jan Von Schleh, author of *But Not Forever***

"In her novel, Cumiskey (*I Like You Like This*, 2017) crafts not only an excellent portrait of teen life in the mid-'80s, but also a fun homage to cultural touchstones like *Miami Vice*. . . A teen tale that avoids easy answers while gliding to a confident landing." —**Kirkus Reviews**

"I enjoyed every moment of it. A very welcoming and soothing novel to read."

—**Readers' Favorite, Five Star Review**

"One book with a ton of twists and turns. ...Cumiskey is a new author I will totally be checking out for more."

—**Crossroads Reviews**

PRAISE

PRAISE FOR *THE SOONER I GO*

"A steamy romance wrapped up in a who done it—the tension is HOT."

—Christine Stringer, author of *Charity Trickett is Not So Glamorous*

"Cumiskey shows us why it's never a safe bet to take people and circumstances at face value.

Romance combines with intrigue in this plotline that's refreshingly far from a formula romance."

—Shelley Grandy, author of *Devious Web*

"A layered, original, and engaging read you won't want to put down."

—Amy Blumenfeld, author of *Such Good People*

"Part grief narrative, part workplace drama, and part love story, the novel compellingly examines how loss, ambition, and mental health intersect and questions how one can move on in love when a traumatic past is still being reckoned with."

—*Kirkus Reviews*

EVENTS

Heather Cumiskey hosts workshops for young writers and has spoken at high schools, book festivals, bookstores, and more. For more information, visit www.heathercumiskey.com/events. To inquire about booking the author, please contact her publicist, Crystal Patriarche at crystal@booksparkspr.com.



Barnes and Noble Young Writers Workshop



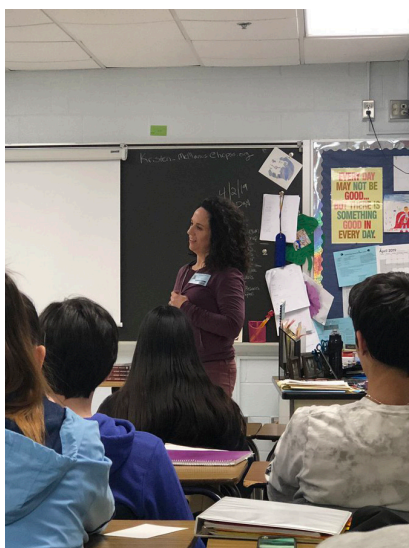
Hammond High School NaNoWriMo Kick-Off



Hammond High School NaNoWriMo Recap



Howard High School Writers Workshop



Howard High School Classroom Workshop



Marriotts Ridge High School Writers Guild

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