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LOUISIANA NATIVE PUBLISHES THIRD NOVEL IN TRILOGY

Madelyn Bennett Edwards, a native of Louisiana, has released *Sissy*, the third book in the *Catfish* trilogy. *Catfish* and *Lilly*, published in 2017 and 2018 respectively, are the first two books in the series and are narrated by Susie Burton, a white girl of privilege who becomes friends with Catfish, an older black man. Susie falls in love with a black boy named Rodney Thibault, when such relationships were still forbidden.

Sissy is narrated by Susie Burton's younger sister, a quirky musician with ADD and OCD behaviors that serve her well as she engages everyone from the governor to the state attorney general in her quest to find out who shot Rodney and to bring the culprits to justice. While Susie and Rodney struggle to survive at Oschner Medical Center in New Orleans, Sissy travels to and from Jean Ville, Baton Rouge, and New Orleans in an effort to keep her family from falling apart. She elicits the help of Dr. Switzer, the family doctor, Judge DeYoung, the district judge, and Robert Morris, the attorney general. She meets Luke McMath, the handsome assistant attorney general assigned to the case and finally learns what it means to have an adult relationship.

Madelyn Bennett Edwards lives in a suburb of Atlanta but continues to have close ties to Louisiana, since her son and his family, as well as her brothers and sister live in Lafayette, Marksville, and Alexandria.

All three books in the *Catfish* Trilogy are available on <u>Amazon</u>, <u>Barnes and Noble</u>, and all online outlets. Autographed copies are available at <u>www.madelynedwardsauthor.com</u>.

Madelyn holds a BA in Journalism from Louisiana College and an MA in Creative Writing from Lenoir-Rhyne University in North Carolina. She presently lives a suburb of Atlanta with her architect husband, Gene. She has two children, Mary George Viker of Canton, Georgia, and Paul George of Lafayette, Louisiana.

Upcoming signings and readings:

Avoyelles Parish Library, Marksville Branch - Nov. 4th at 6:00 PM

Baton Rouge - Barnes & Noble, Perkins Road - Nov. 7th at 1:00 PM

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