



AUTHOR

REBECCA ROSENBERG

BIO

Women have been challenging norms of the day since before history was written down. What history does record, focuses almost entirely on men — but Rebecca is doing her part to change that.

“I like to write about glorious women from the past,” she told the Kenwood Press. “Women that *did* things.”

These are women who lived outside the box and didn’t let society—or men—define who they were or who they could be. Bucking the social norms, these women believed they were equally as competent and capable, intelligent and independent as any man. Determined and indomitable, they forged their own identities with strength and persistence — often in the face of enormous challenge, devastating hardship, and sexist resistance.

“I am always inspired by women’s adventuring spirit and philosophy of living life to the fullest,” Rebecca explains. It’s a message that particularly resonates today.

The native Californian is no stranger to hardship herself; the lavender farm in Valley of the Moon, Sonoma, was ravaged by fire in October 2017. It was a hard blow to take, watching their home of thirty years fall to ashes, but it didn’t stop them. Heartbreaking as it was, she and her husband regrouped quickly.

“I decided to use it as an opportunity; you’re going to have to move forward one way or the other,” she says. “So why not make it into something positive?”

They made immediate plans to rebuild their home, and while staying with their son in San Diego for a few months, Rebecca threw her energy into finishing her first novel, *The Secret Life of Mrs. London* — an exploration into the extraordinary life of Charmian London — the independent, talented, and equally brilliant wife of famed author Jack London.

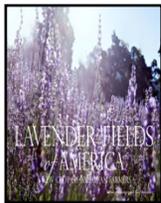
Rebecca’s home is quite close to London’s Beauty Ranch — now Jack London Park — and she often went there to hike and ride horses, inspired by the landscape and learning about its former owners. Soon she became equally fascinated with London’s daring, unconventional wife. When she discovered the connection — particularly Charmian’s — to Harry Houdini, she felt compelled to write the story.

“Charmian was a skilled artist and athlete, and she would challenge Jack as often as he did her,” Rebecca explains. “She was a talented and gifted a writer in her own right, as well as editing, typing and proofing Jack London’s work. He could never have written fifty novels in fifteen years without her.” Like so many women in history, however, she was overshadowed in favor of her more famous husband.

“She was held back because she was managing Jack for so long,” Rebecca observes. “This book is about her coming into her own.”

While their new home is under construction, Rebecca is putting the final touches on her second novel, *Gold Digger*, which will be published January 2019. She is currently researching and writing her next book, *Champagne Widows*, which is slated for release in 2020.

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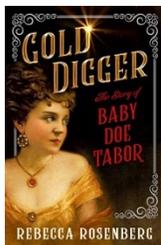
LAVENDER FIELDS OF AMERICA

A stunning pictorial look at the modern, yet ancient, phenomenon of lavender and 300 enterprising American farmers who have taken up its call. Each farm is a thumbprint, germinating from each farmer's background, personal style, and point-of view. Yet, the farmers have all gravitated to the beneficial lavender plant, dedicating their lives to its cultivation, and to the production of lavender products. Hundreds of photographs of American lavender fields.



THE SECRET LIFE OF MRS. LONDON

A riveting story of ambition and infidelity, *The Secret Life of Mrs. London* captures the fateful meeting of the Houdinis and Londons, the most remarkable couples of their time. Jack London, the most popular author in America, and Houdini, a world-renown escape artist, have reached the pinnacles of their careers in 1915. While their wives, Charmian London and Bess Houdini are opposites, they bond through their trials with the over-sized egos of their famous husbands. Free Love, blinding fame, tenuous success, and the Great War threaten them. The couples struggle to hold onto their marriages through the challenges, eventually succumbing to the lure of another's arms ... until one of them takes a stand —alone.



GOLD DIGGER—The Story of Baby Doe Tabor **(January 2019)**

Gold Digger is the remarkable story of Lizzie McCourt Doe from Oshkosh, Wisconsin and Horace Tabor, the mayor of Leadville, CO, a married man twice her age who strikes silver and becomes rich beyond his dreams. The couple falls deeply in love and Tabor divorces his wife, ruining his reputation and career. Shunned by society, Baby Doe and Horace are the richest couple in Colorado and they bet it all in a spellbinding game of fortune, politics and love.



CHAMPAGNE WIDOWS **(January 2020)**

Five French widows (from 1800-1950) work through heartbreak, the restraints of a male-dominated wine industry, economic disasters, bad harvests and wars to head their own Champagne wineries when it was unheard of for women to hold such positions. Through their intelligence, perseverance and creativity, they create wildly successful champagne wineries and an explosive world-wide champagne market.

Reviews for *The Secret Life of Mrs. London*

“A wonderful depiction of the tensions that rise in a marriage when the woman is equal in intelligence, passion, ambition, vision, sensuality, and skill.” — Femmliterate.net

A rich, resonant, deeply satisfying novel sure to delight and leave readers thinking long after they put it down.”
— Malena Watrous, author of *If You Follow Me*

“Rosenberg elegantly weaves in details of Charmian’s life with Jack and her sensual affair with Harry Houdini in this captivating story.” — The Press Democrat

“One of Houdini’s best-kept secrets was his affair with Charmian London in 1918. Rosenberg tells the story using an elegant blend of fact and fiction, creating a Houdini book like no other...a true peek behind the curtain and a page-turner.” — John Cox, *WildAboutHoudini.com*

“A heart-wrenching portrait of a marriage between two people who utterly depend on one another, but ultimately weren’t enough for each other.” — Victoria Kelly, author of *Mrs. Houdini*

“As much as I liked Jack in this book, I can’t help but frankly adore Harry Houdini. The attraction between him and Charmain is palpable. It helps that the writing is top-notch that the characters are so alive, so well-developed that I breathlessly turned every page with the desire to know what happens next, but at the same time didn't I want the story to end.” — Amazon Reviews

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Stories of strong women throughout history whose independence, gumption and determination brought us the freedoms we enjoy today.