



Dear YA aficionado,

You hold in your hands a review copy of one of the three titles in our first Carolrhoda Lab list. Over forty years ago, Carolrhoda was born of a deep commitment to publishing exceptional books for children. In that same spirit, we are starting Carolrhoda Lab as an imprint within the imprint, a home for what we believe are exciting, surprising, dramatic, and boundary-pushing works of young-adult fiction. When you think of Carolrhoda Lab, I hope you will come to expect experimentation and drama (and perhaps the odd explosion) from new and familiar authors.

Adolescence is an experience we share and a condition from which some of us never quite recover. All of us at Carolrhoda Lab are proud to proclaim our lifelong adolescence and our commitment to publishing exceptional fiction about the teenage experience.

Sincerely,

Andrew Karre, editorial director, on behalf of the whole Carolrhoda team