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New Book Highlights One Mother's Mission To Promote Education in Cambodia.

In the spring of 2007, the United Nations has finally begun a long-anticipated and much delayed war crimes trial for a handful of aged despots, collectively known as the Khmer Rouge. Thirty two years ago, as a by-product of the Viet Nam war, the Khmer Rouge regime took over Cambodia and spawned genocide. The wake of cultural destruction continues to leave thousands of children in orphanages to this day.

Spanning the three decades between genocide and justice, *Bones That Float, A Story of Adopting Cambodia*, by Kari Grady Grossman is a compelling account of how the adoption of her Cambodian son awakened a personal connection to these tragic events and the resulting destitution in modern day Cambodia, inspiring her to make a difference.

“More than a chronicle of the author’s Cambodian adoption, *Bones That Float* is a literary gem that employs sumptuous prose in the telling of three intertwined stories of survival: of outlasting Pol Pot’s despotic dream of an agrarian society; of enduring the rank poverty that it engendered; and of exploiting the pervasive corruption that fuels the engine of Cambodian upward mobility. This book is not afraid to mine the moral ambiguities implicit in international adoption. At the same time, it remains a poignant account of one couple’s soul-changing odyssey toward parenthood and their needle-in-a-haystack search for their son’s birth mother. *Bones That Float* is a beautiful book, steeped in the richness of Cambodian culture and history. Read it even if you have no connection to the world of adoption.”

—Cathryn Alpert, adoptive mom and author of the novel, *Rocket City*

The author joins the growing trend of writers who reject an advance from a major publishing house and choose instead a small, independent publisher that offers greater control of their work. In Ms. Grossman’s case, her work will fund her education mission in Cambodia. Via Wild Heaven Press, 25% of the book’s proceeds are donated to Friends of the Grady Grossman School, a non-profit 501(c)(3) charitable organization that supports a Cambodian school Ms. Grossman and her husband founded in their son’s honor in 2001.

Bones That Float, A Story of Adopting Cambodia is available at major bookstores and online booksellers, however, the most net dollars per book go to education in Cambodia when it is purchased directly from www.BonesThatFloat.com, or by mail order to Wild Heaven Press. The price is \$24.95 plus \$5.00 shipping/handling. ISBN-13: 978-0-9792493-0-3

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