## The Love Of My (Other) Life

by Traci L. Slatton

## What worlds would you move to be with your soulmate?

## NYC, A BEAUTIFUL PAINTER, AND A DIMENSION-TRAVELLING PROFESSOR COLLIDE IN THIS YEAR'S MOST CHARMING BITTERSWEET ROM-COM

Just in time for Valentine's Day comes **The Love Of My (Other) Life** [Parvati Press], this year's most charming – and bittersweet – romantic comedy novella.

The latest offering from critically acclaimed author and Yale and Columbia graduate Traci L. Slatton, **The Love Of My (Other) Life** follows the beguiling and uncompromising Tessa Barnum, a 30-something would-be painter struggling to find her rightful place in the city that never sleeps: the ever-bustling, always-magical backdrop of New York City.

Frustrated by a world that champions meaningless post-modernism and money over truth, beauty and transcendence, Tessa is about to be evicted, too insecure in her own talent to let her Turner-esque landscapes leave her closet, and emotionally exhausted by a recent divorce. When she is suddenly faced with Brian Tennyson behind every corner – a disheveled yet devilishly handsome man who, out of virtually nowhere, claims to not only be a Yale physics professor who has uncovered a gap in the time-space continuum, but also her husband in an alternate universe (!) – Tessa finds herself on a rollercoaster ride the likes of which she never in her wildest dreams imagined she would have to be prepared for.

A touching and immersive portrait of a young woman reconciling her passions, convictions and realities with an impossible love story unfolding around her, **The Love Of My (Other) Life** is a surprising, funny and engrossing addition to any romance lover's bookshelf, digital or otherwise.

"I wrote this novel for the hopeful romantic in all of us," says Slatton. "I was inspired by daydreaming, really. I imagined what it would be like if a scruffy man showed up on my doorstep out of the blue one day, claiming to be my soulmate – albeit in a parallel world – and then it turned out he really was! But he couldn't stay. Tessa is a woman with her own passion and her own center, but she's lost her way. She's been looking for Brian her entire life and didn't even know it."

Heralded by early reviewers as "The Bridges of Madison County meets The Notebook meets Splash," **The Love Of My (Other) Life** will warm even the most cynical of hearts, and is the perfect novel to curl up with and devour on a chilly February afternoon. Among the topics and themes explored in it include:

• True love in all of its madness and power: do soulmates really exist?

- The inner life of a closet artist: fear, frustration and finding the courage to bare your soul to the world
- Art and the importance of being uplifted by the small, beautiful things
- Vulnerability and the modern woman: leaping into the great unknown to experience all that life has to offer

About the Author:

Traci L. Slatton is a graduate of Yale and Columbia, where she taught freshman composition. She lives in Manhattan, though her love for Renaissance Italy inspired her historical novel *Immortal* [Bantam Dell], which is currently in film pre-production and reached bestseller status in Italy, Russia and Brazil. Also the author of *The Botticelli Affair* and the After trilogy (*Fallen, Cold Light* and *Far Shore* [forthcoming late spring 2013]), Slatton has published *The Art of Life*, a photo essay about figurative sculpture; a book of poetry; as well as a non-fiction title on science and spirituality, *Piercing Time & Space*. Her forthcoming novel, *The Mission*, is a meaty historical saga set during World War II.

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