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***The Dream Horse Mysteries* series by Candace Carrabus honored with
2020 Independent Publisher Book Award**

ST LOUIS, MO – *The Dream Horse Mysteries*, a four-book series by Candace Carrabus has been honored with another major literary award, the 2020 Independent Publisher Book Award. Conducted each year to honor the year's best independently published books, the "IPPY" Awards recognize excellence in a broad range of styles and subjects. *The Dream Horse Mysteries* received the silver award in the Fiction Book Series category.

The books in *The Dream Horse Mysteries* are *On the Buckle*, *Run Out*, *Wrong Lead* and the short prequel, *Cold Backed*. *The Dream Horse Mysteries* books can be purchased at candacecarrabus.com, Amazon, Barnes & Noble, Kobo and other book retailers. The audiobook and ebook of *Cold Backed*, *A Dream Horse Mystery Prologue* are available there for free download.

"A book is a lifeline that can help us through all kinds of difficulties," [says Jim Barnes, director of the "IPPY" Awards](#). "These medal-winning books epitomize how we humans share our stories and help each other solve problems. Each new book you open offers the promise of a new day with new possibilities."

"I'm humbled and proud to be among the many amazing books that won medals in this year's Independent Publisher Book awards. I'm honored to have *The Dream Horse Mysteries* recognized by such a prestigious organization," said Carrabus.

Drawing on her experience with horses and horse people, Carrabus creates a wonderfully flawed and vulnerable character in the lead *Dream Horse Mystery* character, Viola Parker. "Vi is so real and raw, it's hard to remember sometimes that she's made only of words," said a book reviewer.

A horse lover since childhood, Carrabus trained at the British Horse Society Wirral Riding & Saddlery Centre in Little Neston, England and also managed stables and gave

riding lessons before becoming an author of novels that regularly focus on characters set in the equestrian world. Carrabus writes from her Lincoln County, Missouri farm.

Wrong Lead, the third and newest book in the series, recently received awards from the Feathered Quill, one of the top awards for independent authors; EQUUS Film & Arts Fest, an award competition for equine authors; and American Horse Publications (AHP) Equine Media Awards.

ABOUT THE "IPPY" AWARDS

The "IPPY" Awards, launched in 1996, are designed to bring increased recognition to the deserving but often unsung titles published by independent authors and publishers. Established as the first awards program open exclusively to independents, over 5,500 "IPPYs" have been awarded to authors and publishers around the world. IPPY winners enjoy many benefits. As one of the oldest, most established independent book awards in operation, the Independent Publisher Book Awards (IPPYs) are well known and respected in the book industry.

ABOUT AUTHOR CANDACE CARRABUS

Candace Carrabus' stories are imbued with the irresistible wonder, mystery, and solace her equine friends have provided. A scoliosis diagnosis at age 11 changed her life. A horse lover from a young age, she signed up for riding lessons and learned much more than posting trot. With quiet power, horses provided comfort and a sympathetic ear, never judging or poking fun at her cumbersome back brace. Those years, though often difficult, taught Candace the value of persistence, the healing power of believing in oneself, and how strength can be gained through kindness.

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