

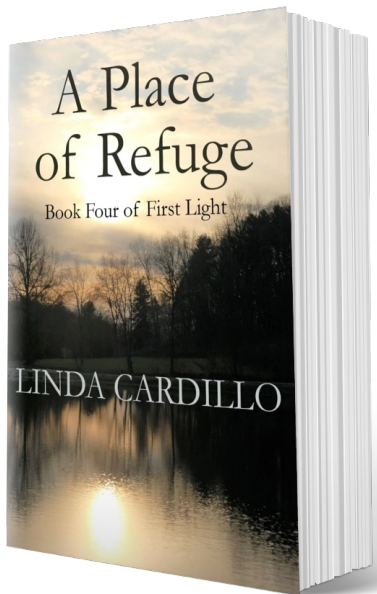
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Stories of the search for connection and belonging

My Writing Life

June 2022

[A Place of Refuge](#) Launches on June 27!



I am thrilled to announce that Izzy's story has successfully navigated the journey from idea to publication.

The print edition is available now for pre-order on **[Barnes and Noble](#)** and will be available on June 27th on Amazon. You can also pre-order the book from your local bookstore.

You can find the e-book on these [sites](#).

Print ISBN: 9781942209973
E-Book ISBN: 9781942209980

A story of longing, forgiveness, and the healing power of love.

Comments from My Beta Readers

"Finished *A Place of Refuge*. . . stunned by it."

"A tantalizing mix of intellect and mysticism, strength and vulnerability, hope and despair shape the protagonists—protagonists who must confront high expectations and unshakable love to unearth the treasure they harbor within."

"I'm loving the book. . . And it's making me really hungry. Your descriptions of food are so sensual. Not intrusive, totally part of the fabric of Italian life, but I keep getting up to get something to eat."

"What a treat. . . I'm struck by your keen observation of human nature and your command of the art of telling a story."

". . . another page-turner . . . The setting is beautiful and you bring us into it with your amazing ability to allow us to see, smell and taste the beauty."

Upcoming Events to Celebrate the Launch of A Place of Refuge

I'll be sharing details of the inspiration for the story, reading excerpts, and signing books.

Come for the food as well as the words!

June 27, 2022

6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Richard Salter Storrs Library

693 Longmeadow Street
Longmeadow, Massachusetts

Registration for this event will begin on Monday,
June 13, 2022 at 4:16 PM

June 29, 2022

6:30 -7:30 p.m.

Enfield Public Library
104 Middle Road
Enfield, Connecticut

For more information, click [here](#).

July 20, 2022

1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Longmeadow Adult Center
211 Maple Road
Longmeadow, Massachusetts

Would your library, book club, or organization enjoy an author visit with me? One of my joys as a writer is meeting with my readers and sharing the "stories behind the story." If you'd like to arrange an event, please [contact me](#).

Summer Has Arrived in New England



When I was a child both my grandmothers had vegetable gardens – one in the city and one in the country. I have vivid memories of eating fresh-picked vegetables and to this day remember my first taste of basil pesto, pounded by hand by my grandmother from the bounty of her garden.

I've been planting my own herb garden for the last several years and just last week set in the plants for this summer: basil, parsley, chives, rosemary, thyme, sage, dill, and lavender.

This summer I'm also working on a local farm a few hours a week in exchange for a CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) farm share. In the last three weeks I've hoed and seeded a field of buckwheat, weeded a strawberry bed, planted tomatoes, thinned a bed of beets, and planted flowers. As I dug the holes for the tomato plants last week I realized that I was echoing Izzy's work on the farm in Tuscany where *A Place of Refuge* is set. Life was very much imitating art.

Enjoy this [excerpt](#) from Izzy's experience in the garden.

I hope your summer ahead is filled with both fresh food and fresh experiences.

Warmest wishes,

Linda

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Many thanks for your continued support of my writing and my warmest wishes for good health and joy !

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