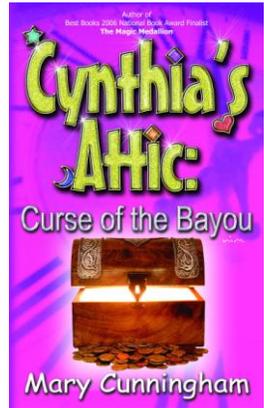


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## CYNTHIA'S ATTIC: CURSE OF THE BAYOU



Dec 15, 2007 –*Colorful Pirates, SuRana, a shape-shifting puma, and an old Cajun guide named Mud Bug, join Cynthia and Gus, in Cynthia's Attic: Curse of the Bayou.*

Quake, an imprint of Echelon Press, LLC, is proud to announce the release of Book Three in the award-winning young reader series by author, Mary Cunningham.

Twelve-year-old best friends travel through the magic trunk in Cynthia's attic to a 1914 Louisiana bayou searching for Cynthia's great-grandfather, Beau Connor. Discovering a connection between Beau and Buzzard Jack LaBuse, the meanest, orneriest pirate this side of the Mississippi, leads to a heart-stopping confrontation to recover a long-lost treasure and lift a family curse.

Mary Cunningham caters her stories to the middle grades and is finding them well received in schools nationwide. As an advocate of literacy for youth, she offers an enchanting method for bringing the written word into the lives of children. ***Pre-order TODAY online or from your favorite bookstore.***

Mary Cunningham is also the co-author of the humorous lifestyle book, *WOOF, Women Only Over Fifty*, (Spring 2008), and is a member of the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators, Southern Breeze Regional Chapter, The Georgia Reading Association, and the Carrollton Creative Writers' Club.

*Cynthia's Attic* offers young readers an adventurous glimpse into the lives of Cynthia and August Lee, "Gus," as they travel through time.

*Cynthia and I came into the world just three months apart. We grew up on the same quiet, sycamore-lined street, our friendship as close as our houses. Fifty years earlier, our grandmothers were best friends. However, we didn't realize the extent of their friendship until after our experience in Cynthia's attic. This is the story of one of our great adventures...the way I remember it.*

"The action is non-stop, the dialogue engaging, the secondary characters intriguing, and the protagonists nothing short of adorable smart, kind, and with an unbeatable sense of adventure. This is a middle-grade novel that will be devoured by girls ages 10-13." Mayra Calvani, *Reviewer's Choice, Midwest Book Review.*

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