

## Feed Your Passion and Your Pocketbook

Regardless of whether you're self, traditionally or yet to be published, here's a step-by-step guide to a successful and sustainable career in the publishing industry. With her experience at Writer's Digest, Storymakers and as a Pitch Perfect Conference Coordinator, Clarissa pulls back the curtain on the industry while sprinkling in her personal hits and misses as an award-winning author.

Clarissa Kae is a preeminent voice whose professional career began as a freelance editor in 2007. She's the former president of her local California Writers Club after spending several years as the Critique Director. A stint at Writer's Digest and a Pitch Perfect Conference Coordinator, Clarissa had dedicated countless hours to mentoring fellow authors. Since her first novel, she's explored different writing genres and created a loyal group of fans who eagerly await her

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