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Subject: JFP Acquires YA Thriller That Addresses Social Issues Among Teenagers

PROVO, UT—Jolly Fish Press (JFP) has acquired the World English publication and media rights to Mia Siegert's *Jerkbait*, a YA thriller that explores the relationship between two brothers. *Jerkbait* is scheduled to be released Spring of 2016. The deal was headed by McKelle George at JFP and Travis Pennington at The Knight Agency.

Even though they're identical, fifteen-year-old Tristan isn't close to his twin brother Robbie, at all —until Robbie tries to kill himself. Forced to share a room to prevent Robbie from future attempts, Tristan starts seeing his twin as not an NHL prospect, but a struggling gay teen who is terrified about coming out in the professional sports world. As their privileges are slowly revoked, Robbie suggests they run away with "Jimmy2416," a guy Robbie's talked to online for months but never met.

Tristan must now decide whether to tell his parents about Robbie's plan and losing his twin's trust forever, or go on a journey that will put their lives and innocence in jeopardy.

Mia Siegert received her MFA from Goddard College and her undergrad from Montclair State University, where she won Honorable Mention in the 2009 English Department Awards for fiction. Siegert has been published in *Clapboard House*, *Word Riot*, *The Limn Literary & Arts Journal*, as well as a few other small presses. A short reading of *Jerkbait* was performed by the New Jersey Playwrights Association where it was tremendously received. Siegert currently works as an adjunct professor and a costume designer, most recently having finished a production of *CATS* featuring Ken Page, the original Broadway Old Deuteronomy.

Media rights for *Jerkbait* are available through the publisher. For information and to request a review copy, please contact Christopher Loke at [publicity@jollyfishpress.com](mailto:publicity@jollyfishpress.com).

