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—Lisa Gardner, *New York Times* Bestselling Author

“The tension mounts at a blistering pace, while Ryan dazzles on the page, weaving a sinister story that readers won't be able to put down. A must read!”  
—Mary Kubica, *New York Times* Bestselling Author

## TRUST ME

by Hank Phillippi Ryan

“A riveting story of guilt and deception, *Trust Me* is a tense and twisting psychological thriller that explores the shifting perception of the truth. Chilling, suspenseful, and impossible to put down.”  
—Megan Miranda, *New York Times* Bestselling Author

“Beautifully written and masterfully structured... An unstoppable ride to the very last page.”  
—Wendy Walker, *New York Times* Bestselling Author

“Tense, gripping, completely unpredictable. Kept me guessing right up until the very end.”  
—Chris Pavone, *New York Times* Bestselling author

From Emmy and Edward R. Murrow Award-winning investigative television reporter and Agatha, Anthony, Macavity, Daphne Du Maurier and Mary Higgins Clark Award-winning author Hank Phillippi Ryan comes a startling, stunning, and thought-provoking new thriller: *TRUST ME* (A Forge Hardcover, eBook, and Macmillan Audio; On-sale: August 28, 2018). *TRUST ME* is the chilling novel of psychological suspense and manipulation that the renowned Ryan was born to write.

***New York Post* Best Thriller of the Summer! • Book Bub Top Summer Thriller of 2018!**  
**POPSUGAR Top Summer Thriller! • CrimeReads Most Anticipated Thriller of 2018!**

***WHO CAN YOU TRUST WHEN YOU CAN'T TRUST YOURSELF?***

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HANK PHILLIPPI RYAN is well known as the longtime on-camera investigative reporter for Boston's NBC affiliate, WHDH-TV, where she has won thirty-four Emmys and thirteen Edward R. Murrow Awards. But beyond her recognition for her television reporting, she has gained countless fans across the country for her award-winning and critically-acclaimed bestselling suspense and thriller novels, including 2012's *The Other Woman*, which won the Mary Higgins Clark Award. Ryan's follow-up, *The Wrong Girl* won the prestigious 2013 Agatha Award (named in honor of mystery icon Agatha Christie) and then, in an extraordinary back-to-back win, her *Truth Be Told* won the 2014 Agatha Award.

But her latest novel, *TRUST ME*, is undeniably her best yet. Ryan has spun a stunning new tale that will make the reader question every line and every character. It begins with an introduction to a grieving journalist, Mercer Hennessey, trying to find a way to overcome her pain, and maybe even surface from the wreckage of her shattered life. She warily accepts an assignment to write the true-crime account of a riveting trial—much like the media-crazy Casey Anthony case that kept the country mesmerized and glued to the trial reporting. Did a beautiful young mother really commit the ultimate heinous murder?

The defendant insists upon her innocence, and Mercer, despite her intentions, begins to get sucked into the defendant's story, getting closer and closer to the accused killer. But as she, and we, are compelled to find out what really happened, we see how perceptions can be upended, and that nobody may be trustworthy—even ourselves.

With heart-breaking and thought-provoking themes of shattering grief, mother-daughter relationships, ethics in journalism, media sensationalism, and the desperate search for elusive truth, *TRUST ME* is a must-read this fall. Only Hank Phillippi Ryan could combine her award-winning reporting skills and talented fiction writing to blend riveting suspense, a disturbingly shifting version of the truth, and a chilling story of psychological manipulation.

## **Booksellers and librarians are blown away by Hank Phillippi Ryan's *TRUST ME*!**

**"Two women, an unspeakable crime, a shifting reality.  
Brilliant psychological suspense— 'The creme de la crème'."**  
—*Cynthia Callander, Vero Beach Book Center, Vero Beach, FL*

**"I couldn't put it down! Undeniably, Hank Phillippi Ryan's best yet!  
I can't wait to put it into my customers' hands."**  
—*Joanne Berg, owner of Mystery to Me Bookstore, Madison, WI*

**"Are there any superlatives not yet used to describe Hank Phillippi Ryan's writing journey? *Trust Me* has impeccable legal proceedings, stunning imagery, and alternate truths that will blow your mind."**  
—*Judy Manzo, owner of BookEnds, Winchester, MA*

**"Ryan is our store's new master of psychological suspense."**  
—*Joanne Sinchuck, Murder on the Beach Bookstore, Delray Beach, FL*

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**"I couldn't turn the pages fast enough. Just amazing."**

*—Anne Saller, Book Carnival, Orange, CA*

**"Timely, suspenseful, well crafted... This novel is impossible to put down... the best combination of thoughtful storytelling and unforgettable characters."**

*—Robin Agnew, Aunt Agatha's, Ann Arbor, MI*

**"Totally absorbing... A thrilling page-turner."**

*—Natalie Sacco, Mystery Lovers Bookshop, Pittsburgh, PA*

**"Masterly woven...the emotional and factual twists and turns are worthy of Hitchcock's ordinary person caught up in extraordinary circumstances. Readers will savor the challenge of figuring out who to trust for the truth."**

*---Patricia Ruocco, Adult Services Librarian, MLIS Lisle Library District*

**"Hank spins a story like a kaleidoscope, distorting the truth until the reader is dizzy trying to distinguish between the truth and lies... I can't wait to read more from Hank."**

*—Jennifer Jumba, Adult Services Supervisor, Cuyahoga County Public Library*

### **More praise for the work of Hank Phillippi Ryan:**

**"Engrossing...Ryan uses a complex, multifaceted plot to deliver an unflinching look at college sexual assault and examine the 'hard line between journalism and law enforcement.'**

**The tension mounts as the action builds to a conclusion that thrills and gratifies."**

*—Publishers Weekly on Say No More*

**"Say No More is downright superb! A rocket-paced thriller with one of the most compelling casts in recent literary history, this novel takes us deep into the fascinating world where journalism and crime collide. And what a hero we have in Jane Ryland! A word of warning, though: You might get dizzy from the abundant twists and turns."**

*—Jeffery Deaver, New York Times bestselling author on Say No More*

**"★ Ryan does it again... A fast-paced, edgy mystery that seems ripped from the headlines."**

*—Library Journal starred review on Say No More*

**"Keep[s] the reader engaged and enthralled. The layers of the puzzles are complex and unpredictable. Mystery fans should drop everything and pick up this book."**

*—The Associated Press on What You See*

**"A dark nightmare of a tale with echoes of Dennis Lehane at his level best...this is a different Boston than we've seen before and a different Ryan too, both to a superbly entertaining degree."**

*—Providence Journal on What You See*

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“★ Ryan’s latest thriller (after *Truth Be Told*) is built like an intricate house of cards, threatening to crumble at any second. Mystery readers get ready: you will find yourself racing to the finish.”

—*Library Journal, Starred Review on What You See*

“Award-winner Ryan is a master at her craft. She continues her Jane Ryland series with Jane and Jake Brogan covering another case that leaves them at odds romantically. This is an exceptional suspense written in Ryan’s inimitable style. As the story unfolds, murder, kidnapping and secret videotapes keep the couple busy.”

—*RT Book Reviews, Top Pick! on What You See*

“Mary Higgins Clark Award–winner Ryan deftly handles four distinct story lines in her strong fourth Jane Ryland novel (after 2014’s *Truth Be Told*)... As the story races on—and it does move fast—the layers of connection among these plot threads gradually become clear. Fully drawn characters, palpable suspense, and not one, but two unexpected endings are a plus. There’s even some humor in the way Jane can’t catch a break job-wise.”

—*Publishers Weekly on What You See*

“Think all those surveillance cameras in public places will keep you safe and solve every crime? An intrepid Boston journalist and her police detective boyfriend find out that they probably won’t... Ryan, writing her fourth Jane Ryland novel, displays her trademark flair for knotty plotting...this novel retains enough craftiness and jaunty humor to make it worth a night or two of breakneck reading. Reading this book will offer a perverse comfort to those who think our screen-infested culture curtails any possibility of genuine mystery. Looks can still deceive in the digital age.”

—*Kirkus Reviews on What You See*

“[T]he main murder investigation zips along at high speed, uncovering city-hall shenanigans, extortion, and a dirty cop along the way...a skillfully wrought procedural with winning protagonists.”

—*Booklist on What You See*

“Hank Phillippi Ryan delivers the goods—taut suspense, a smart, gutsy heroine, and tingling romance. With rapid-fire scenes shifting like camera shutter clicks, each offering a new perspective, *WHAT YOU SEE* is twisty, engrossing, impossible to put down. Ryan is a writer at the top of her game. If you haven’t read her yet, now is the time.”

—*Lisa Unger, New York Times bestselling author on What You See*

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**"As she does so well, Hank Phillippi Ryan gives the reader a front-seat view, showing what it's really like to cover and investigate breaking news. The ultimate insider's mystery, with twists and turns at every stop, WHAT YOU SEE lives up to its name. This is Ryan at the top of her game."**

*—J.T. Ellison, New York Times bestselling author on What You See*

**"Hank Phillippi Ryan has won every mystery award out there and it's pretty damn clear why. Bringing her superhuman investigative reporter background to bear (how is it even possible to win 33 Emmys?), she paints her stories with verisimilitude and human warmth. There's a unique kind of happy that comes from having an HPR book on the nightstand."**

*—Gregg Hurwitz, New York Times Bestselling Author on What You See*

**"★ Investigative television reporter Ryan fulfills the promise of her first Jane Ryland mystery *The Other Woman* (2012), as she blends a social issue—the cost to young children of an overworked and underfunded foster care system—into a crisp, fast-moving police procedural featuring reverberating illegalities, increasing danger and suspense, and crackling sexual tension between Ryland and Brogan. Another winner from Ryan."**

*—Booklist (Starred review) on The Wrong Girl*

**"★ Ryan, the Anthony and Agatha Award-winning author of the Charlotte McNally mysteries (*Drive Time*; *Prime Time*), employs her investigative reporting and political background to craft a dizzying labyrinth of twists, turns, and surprises. Readers who crave mystery and political intrigue will be mesmerized by this first installment of her new series."**

*—Library Journal Starred Review on The Other Woman*

**"★ Ryan, an investigative reporter for Boston's NBC affiliate, knows her way around politics at high levels, and she uses that knowledge to fashion a revenge-fueled plot that twists and turns at breakneck speed. Political skullduggery and murder make a high octane mix for a perfect pre-election thriller."**

*—Booklist Starred Review on The Other Woman*

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### **HANK'S BIO—89-WORD VERSION**

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### **HANK'S BIO—THE SHORT STORY – 191-WORD VERSION**

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Hank is a founder of MWA University and past president of National Sisters in Crime. Visit Hank online at [HankPhillippiRyan.com](http://HankPhillippiRyan.com), on Twitter [@HankPRyan](https://twitter.com/HankPRyan), on Instagram [@hankpryan](https://www.instagram.com/hankpryan) and Facebook at [HankPhillippiRyanAuthor](https://www.facebook.com/HankPhillippiRyanAuthor).

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## HANK'S BIO—THE LONG STORY

A nationally bestselling author of 10 mystery novels, HANK PHILLIPPI RYAN has won multiple prestigious awards for her crime fiction: five Agathas, two Anthonys, the Daphne, two Macavitys, and for *THE OTHER WOMAN*, the coveted Mary Higgins Clark Award. National reviews have called her a “master at crafting suspenseful mysteries” and “a superb and gifted storyteller.”

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The bestselling *THE OTHER WOMAN*, (now in a third hardcover printing and also available in e-book and paperback), was the first in her Jane Ryland series (Forge Books, 2012.) It's listed as a Best Book of 2012 by the *Kansas City Star*, the *Sacramento Bee*, *Suspense Magazine*, and *The Boston Globe*, won the prestigious Mary Higgins Clark Award, and was the only novel nominated for the Agatha, Anthony, Macavity, Shamus and Daphne awards for Best Novel of 2012.

Her 2013 novel, *THE WRONG GIRL*, had the extraordinary honor of winning the Agatha Award for Best Contemporary Novel and the Daphne Award for Mainstream Mystery/Suspense, and is a seven-week *Boston Globe* bestseller. *TRUTH BE TOLD* is the winner of the Agatha Award for Best Contemporary Novel – a landmark back-to-back-to-back nomination and back-to-back win– and is a *Library Journal* BEST BOOK OF 2014. It is also an Anthony Award nominee for Best Novel of 2014, an RT Book Reviews nominee for Best Suspense/Thriller of 2014, a *Library Journal* Editor's Pick and RT Book Reviews Top Pick, with starred reviews from *Booklist* and from *Library Journal*, which raves, “Drop everything and binge read!” She also won a second Agatha Award in 2015 for Best Nonfiction as editor of the anthology of essays by mystery authors, *WRITES OF PASSAGE*, which was also honored with a Macavity Award and Anthony Award. Ryan's novel *WHAT YOU SEE* is an Agatha and Anthony for Best Contemporary Novel, and a *Library Journal* Best of 2015.

Her first four mysteries, beginning with the Agatha Award-winning *PRIME TIME*, feature Charlotte McNally, a Boston television reporter. *FACE TIME* was a *BookSense* Notable Book, and *AIR TIME* and *DRIVE TIME* were both Anthony and Agatha Award nominees for best novel of 2009 and 2010. The McNally series is now available in all new editions.

An award-winning investigative reporter at Boston's WHDH-TV and a television reporter since 1975, her work has resulted in new laws, people sent to prison, homes removed from foreclosure, and millions of dollars in refunds and restitution for victims and consumers. Along with her 34 EMMYs and 14 Edward R. Murrow awards, Hank has won dozens of other honors for her groundbreaking journalism. She's been a radio reporter, a legislative aide in the United States Senate and an editorial assistant at *Rolling Stone Magazine*. Hank was a founding teacher at Mystery Writers of America University, and past president of national Sisters in Crime. Watch for *THE MURDER LIST*, coming in 2019. Hank is also the 2019 Guest of Honor at Bouchercon, the world mystery convention.

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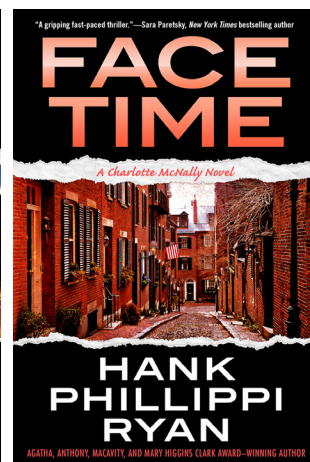
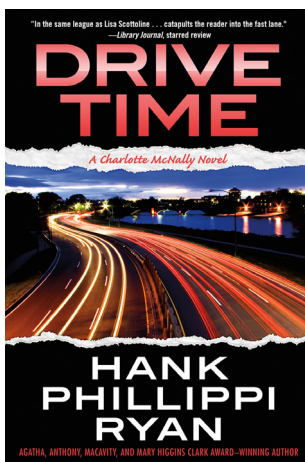
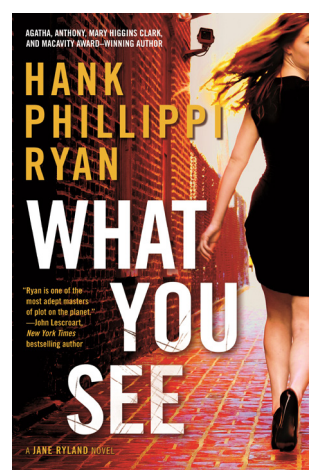
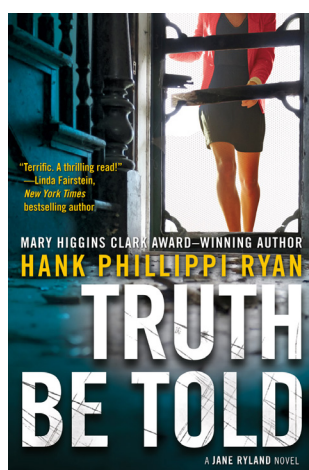
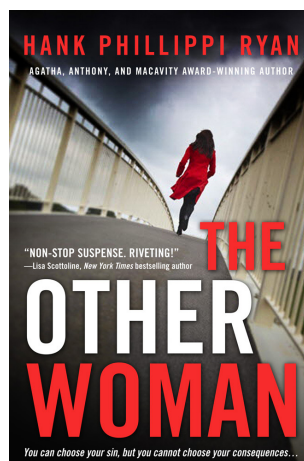
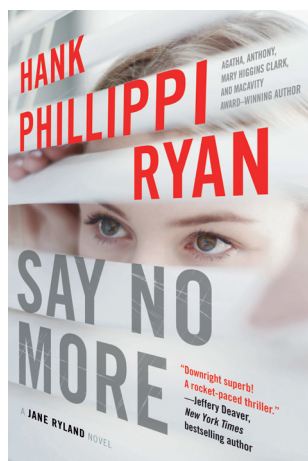
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