

2019 Fort Worth BookFest Author Interview Series



... with **Jim Beegle**, author of *...Purely By Accident ...*

Where is your favorite place to read?

In bed. I have been reading myself to sleep since I was a teenager.

What is your favorite book to give an adult or a child?

Mark Twain's *Huckleberry Finn*. Written so children can enjoy the story, but written at the same time on another level that pretty forcefully challenges adults as well.

What books do you return to most often, whether passages or whole?

Bible by God

The Lord Of The Rings (Trilogy) by JRR Tolkien

The Damned Human Race by Mark Twain

The Fanny Farmer Cookbook (13th Edition) by Marion Cunningham

What is the last book that had you reading past your bedtime?

The *Twilight* books. My stepdaughter read them, gave them to me, and suggested I might like them. I started reading the first book. Next thing I know its 2:00 AM and I am ½ through the second book.

Who made reading important to you?

My mother. I was one of those kids that managed to get all the way through most of elementary school without knowing how to read. My mother discovered this and the summer between my 5th and 6th grade years, she took it upon herself to teach me to read.

BONUS QUESTION: What is your favorite book set in the southwest?

A Thief Of Time by Tony Hillerman.

Author Bio

Purely By Accident is a new novel by author Jim Beegle. Jim reluctantly lives in LA (Lower Alabama) with a pair of otherwise useless cats. Book profile description "What would you do if your friend turned out not to be the man you thought he was and after his death, you discover he has left you millions of dollars he stole decades earlier?"

That's the dilemma facing Mark Vogel after finding out he was the sole beneficiary of his friend's estate, an estate made up of the proceeds of a very sophisticated electronic bank robbery of millions of dollars. After serious soul-searching, he decides to do the right thing and return the ill-gotten money to its rightful owners. He enlists the help of his wife and her boss, both of whom work for the bank where the money was originally stolen, in an effort to "do the right thing" It's then everything goes completely and terribly wrong for Mark Vogel.

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