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## ***CHASING SYLVIA BEACH***

### **Historical Paris Novel Celebrates Independent Bookshops**

As English language bookshops in Paris shutter for the last time, here's a novel that celebrates the roots of those shops: *Chasing Sylvia Beach* brings us to the world of Paris bookseller Sylvia Beach.

Beach, a plucky American, moved in 1919 to Paris to open Shakespeare and Company bookshop, the first English language lending library and bookshop in Paris.

*Chasing Sylvia Beach* tells the story of this American heroine and a contemporary woman who dreams of her own heroic life.

Author Cynthia Morris was working at an independent bookstore in Denver when she read about Sylvia Beach. "I was struck by Sylvia's commitment to books, to the people who write them and read them. It wasn't easy to keep her bookshop open. She faced many of the same challenges booksellers know today."

With the shifting publishing landscape, the role of bookstores is changing. Yet people are still reading books, and Morris's heroine Lily Heller makes a hopeful bridge between booksellers past and present.

*Chasing Sylvia Beach* is an ode to books and booksellers in every era. The historical novel is available in paperback, e-Pub and Kindle versions. Media kit and photos are available at [www.ChasingSylviaBeach.com](http://www.ChasingSylviaBeach.com).

#### **About the Author**

Cynthia Morris is the author of the Paris novel *Chasing Sylvia Beach* and the how-to guide *Create Your Writer's Life*. Since 1999, Cynthia helps writers, entrepreneurs and artists enjoy creative autonomy. Her coaching, speaking and creativity workshops in the US and Europe spark inspiration and provoke action. Find more online at <http://www.originalimpulse.com>

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