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## PRESS RELEASE

### **Love arrives when you least expect it**

*Anita Higman writes of how a dying wish alters the course of a young woman's life and heart*



**Seattle:** For a single girl in her 30s who longs to be married, it can be easy to feel a little lost when all your princes keep turning into frogs. Anita Higman details the twists and turns, triumphs and failures, in one young woman's search for love in her new book, **Summer's List** (River North/June 1, 2015/ISBN: 978-0802412324/\$14.99).

Life hasn't been easy for Summer Snow. She spent what should have been her carefree 20s selflessly caring for her ailing parents and denied herself the dream in her heart to run her grandmother's bookstore. If you asked her, she would say she's mostly happy — but she knows she's missing something — and her grandmother's love doesn't fill that aching part of her heart that longs for love and romance. Now that she's broken off her engagement with a rising politician, Summer feels adrift in life and love. Again.

Summer's wise grandmother has a plan up her sleeve to help Summer in her search for lasting love and true purpose. She offers her granddaughter the ability to complete a "bucket list" of sorts, full of goals and adventures to fulfill.

The catch? She has to complete the list with her long-lost childhood friend, Martin Langtree. Their adventures together — such as taking a hot air balloon ride, building a tree house and singing in public — will make Summer wonder if the love she's been looking for has been right under her nose for years. Could Martin, the kind but gangly man who made the perfect friend when they were growing up, now make the ideal husband? Or will she just end up striking out in love again?

Meanwhile, Martin is happy to help Summer with the list, but he finds himself thwarted at every turn by his two brothers. The spoiled men, who are addicted to the lavish lifestyle given to them by their older brother's success, will do anything to keep Martin from following through with the list and falling in love with Summer.

Higman believes a lot of Christian women who long for marriage will identify with Summer's quest, especially given the expectations the church can place on single women. "Sometimes they might feel if they can't find Mr. Right, they are somehow second-class women," Higman admits. "That is, of course, not true. People in the church need to be sensitive to those who do not marry."

Higman hopes *Summer's List* will remind readers God's plans are always perfect, even though they may look very different from what we might expect. "We see through a glass darkly while we're here on earth," Higman explains. "If we could see more as God does, our plans would come closer to lining up with His ways." While God makes moves we can't always predict, *Summer's List* highlights how He uses instances and people in our lives to move us closer to Him ultimately.

**To keep up with Anita Higman, visit [www.anitahigman.com](http://www.anitahigman.com), become a fan on [Facebook](#) ([AuthorAnitaHigman](#)) or follow her on [Twitter](#) ([@anitahigman](#)).**

## About the Author



Anita Higman is a CBA bestselling and award-winning author with 40 books published, several of which she co-authored. She is a two-time finalist for a Selah Award and has won a Cascade Award and an Inspirational Readers Choice Award for 2011 and 2013. She's also been honored in the past as a Barnes & Noble "Author of the Month" for Houston.

Higman has a BA degree in the combined fields of speech communication, psychology and art from Southern Nazarene University. She is a member of American Christian Fiction Writers and The Writer's View.

Higman has also won two awards for her contribution to literacy and has raised thousands of dollars for that cause while serving on the board of directors of Literacy Advance of Houston. She has been married to her husband for 35 years.

To keep up with Anita Higman, visit [www.anitahigman.com](http://www.anitahigman.com) become a fan on [Facebook \(AuthorAnitaHigman\)](#) or follow her on [Twitter \(@anitahigman\)](#).

## Suggested interview questions

- In three sentences or less, tell us about your new book.
- What is the main theme that runs through *Summer's List*?
- What was the inspiration behind the story?
- Your heroine, Summer Snow, is used to putting others' interests before her own. We are taught to serve others, but is there a point when selflessness can become damaging?
- Can you identify with Summer's search for love?
- Why do you think the number of people delaying marriage into their 30s and even beyond is growing?
- What expectations and social pressures are put upon single women in the church?
- Can it be dangerous for women to believe in the notion of a "soul mate" or one single person whom God has for you to find and marry?
- What is the best advice you have for someone who truly longs for marriage?
- Summer's story is unique, as she completes the "bucket list" her Grandmother made for her. What are some other ways single women can connect with their purpose in life, despite their disappointments?
- Have you ever made a bucket list? How did it change your life?
- Why do God's plans for our lives often look so very different than our own?
- Summer manages a children's bookshop. Was there someone in your childhood who helped instill in you a love for literature?
- You are, in fact, very enthusiastic about promoting literacy and have even won awards for your efforts in that arena. Why is that such an important cause for you?
- What is the number-one message you want your readers to receive from *Summer's List*?

**Anita Higman is available for interviews to promote the release of *Summer's List*. To request a review copy, schedule an interview or for more information, please contact Audra Jennings, [audra@lifusegroup.com](mailto:audra@lifusegroup.com).**

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