

Daughter of Moloka'i

“I’m delighted to announce that I have sold my new novel-in-progress, DAUGHTER OF MOLOKA’I, to St. Martin’s Press. A companion tale to my bestselling novel MOLOKA’I, it’s the story of Ruth, the daughter who Rachel Kalama was forced to give up at birth, and follows young Ruth from her earliest years at the Kapi’olani Home for Girls in Honolulu, to her adoption by a Japanese couple who raise her on a farm in Northern California, through her internment at Manzanar Relocation Camp during World War II—and then, after the war has ended, to the life-altering day when she receives a phone call from a woman who says she is Ruth’s biological mother,

“In MOLOKA’I we saw only a glimpse of Ruth’s 22-year relationship with Rachel; in this book that relationship is fully fleshed out, revealing the growing bonds of affection between the two women as well as a mystery rooted in Ruth’s past that will take them both to Japan in the 1960s. This is a story that readers of MOLOKA’I have asked me to tell for many years, and I’m enjoying this opportunity to revisit some of my favorite characters (including Sister Catherine Voorhies). I hope all of you will as well.

“I hope to finish DAUGHTER OF MOLOKA’I early in 2018, so be patient—I think you’ll find it worth the wait!”

—*Alan Brennert*