



Bestselling Author Recounts 16-Year Odyssey

with her Artist Husband in

CIAO PUSSY: A MEMOIR OF FLORENCE

Susan Kelley's Hilarious Account of "Living the Dream"

SARASOTA, FL – Susan Kelley's irresistible tale of an American couple moving to Florence, Italy, started as one semester at an art academy for her painter husband and turned into sixteen years of living, working, and playing in the artistic treasure house of the Western world. From their first foray into the city to becoming fixtures of the Florentine community, *Ciao*

Pussy! A Memoir of Florence (ISBN 978-0-781515176923) is not only a travel narrative, but a story of deep personal and professional transformation—and ever-present humor, Italian-style.

In delightful and always-surprising chapters, she relates the adventures of a writer and artist finding their true path in life while encountering a cast of unforgettable characters, ranging from the endearing residents of Florence to a world-famous consecrated nun (art historian Sister Wendy Beckett), Italian royalty, a legendary rock star (AC/DC's Brian Johnson), and of course the indomitable socialite "Ciao Pussy"!

In 2015, when *Condé Nast Traveler* announced the winners of its 27th annual Readers' Choice Awards of Best Cities in the World, Florence was ranked # 1. *Ciao Pussy!* is for anyone who enjoys the humor of baffled foreigners adapting to a new culture, and for everyone who has traveled to Florence or Italy—or who dreams of doing so.

"Susan Kelley writes with a mischievous wit and an eye for every delectable detail. Her storytelling is liquid laughter. It's bloody funny—and yet poignancy abounds."

— Brian Johnson, Lead singer, AC/DC

"Yours is such a wonderful story—epically romantic and full of color. You have a voice that is genuine and relatable, and your depictions of Florence are absolutely gorgeous."

—Jane Dystel, Dystel & Goderich Literary Management

"A compelling story—you have lived what many people would consider a dream, escaping real life in mid-life and the familiar burdens of career, parenthood, and aging parents, to re-create both yourself and your husband's identity in Italy. I particularly enjoyed the aspect of your personal tale that differentiates it from these books: that you embarked on this trip with Bill."

—Eric Simonoff | WME William Morris Entertainment

“Ciao Pussy!” A memoir of Florence is available for sale online at Amazon.com and other channels.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR:



Susan Kelley is the author of “Real Women Send Flowers,” “Why Men Commit,” “Why Men Stray/Why Men Stay,” “The Second Time Around: Everything You Need to Know to Make Your Remarriage Happy,” and “I Oprahed: and other Adventures of a Woman of a Certain Age.” Susan has appeared as a guest “relationship expert” on The Oprah Winfrey Show, The Early Show on CNS News, “Homepage” MSNBC, Fox TV, and numerous other national and local television programs throughout the country, as well as in hundreds of radio interviews in the United States and Canada. She lives in Sarasota and Florence, Italy.

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