



Title: Through the Wall of Rain and Fog – by Dan Moore

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For Immediate Release: 1, 2008: Coley Press announces publication of **Through the Wall of Rain and Fog**, the debut novel from Dan Moore, written when he was 16.

About the Book: The book explores familiar themes of high school friendship, despair, and hope, told in a searingly authentic voice. The author insists we join the characters' search for truth, and propels us along with intimate revelation. As events unfold, the reader walks, runs, and ultimately races headlong into the unknown – witness to the characters' ragged, wrenching ascent into adulthood.

The characters and the painful, promising plot take the reader's breath away. The author's raw talent - his ability to craft dialogue and to express the inexpressible - leaves the reader longing for more. Moore's next book, **The Summer of Billy Stevens** arrives in early 2009.

Audience/Comparables: Aimed at young adult readers, the book has broad appeal as teen alienation is a dangerous issue at present. Parents will be riveted by the insight Dan provides into the hearts and minds, the intensity and sensitivity, and the interpretation of experience of teenagers growing up today. Some have compared the book to **Running with Scissors** by Augusten Burroughs or **The Outsiders** by S. E. Hinton.

About the Author: Dan Moore is now an 18-year-old living in the suburbs of San Francisco, on his way to college. He writes because he must, and still believes that *Disco Cow*, written in second grade, is his best work. His observations often develop into funny, frightening, irresistible narratives with vivid characters and alarming insights. His friends mean the world to him, but his most trusted companions are his morbidly obese dog and overweight cat.

Early Comments from Readers and Reviewers:

"... a debut novel focused on the power of friendship...In fact, the only thing Chris Walker seems to have in his favor is his friends: Dave, Nyle and Jamar. ...But author Moore, an 18-year-old recent high school graduate himself, quickly calls the boys' bond into question... Moore settles into his characters...captures readers, creating vivid portraits of teenage confusion, anger and chaos..."

– **Kirkus Discoveries**



Early Comments from Readers and Reviewers *continued*

"The story ...has me hooked. I am eager to turn each page...His characters are clearly drawn and his dialog is right on target, nothing stilted, very authentic. I really care about everyone in his story and that is a very good sign."

– **Mary Embree, Executive Director, California Literary Arts Society**

"... book caught my attention ..sounded a lot like what my son went through... I really got into it and found that I couldn't put it down. ...I knew I was reading something that allowed me insight into the crazy world of teenage boys these days...it is actually a great story. ... an awesome job of drawing the reader in, helping the reader get to know the characters."

– **Brenda Burke, Mother, Teen Aged Boys**

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