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Author **Kirsten Levy** receives national recognition through the **INDEPENDENT PRESS AWARD®!**

Newton, MA -- The INDEPENDENT PRESS AWARD recognized [*Alzheimer's Fantasy in the Key of G*](#) by Kirsten Levy in the category of New Nonfiction as a Distinguished Favorite.

The competition is judged by experts from different aspects of the book industry, including publishers, writers, editors, book cover designers and professional copywriters. Selected IPA Award Winners and Distinguished Favorites are based on overall excellence.



Alzheimer's Fantasy in the Key of G, a memoir by Kirsten Levy, is a tribute to Fran, Levy's mother, who uses Alzheimer's Disease for her best and final voyage as she declines into dementia. Told in a different way from the traditional health memoir, with multiple points of view—the author's, her mother's, hers imagining hers and the narrator's—all intertwined, all necessary, the tale uses fantasy and personal witness to speak up for Fran and tell her Irish immigration origin story.

In 2023, the INDEPENDENT PRESS AWARD had entries worldwide. Authors and publishers from countries such as Australia, Canada, Germany, India, Japan, Norway, Scotland, and South Africa, participated.

Books submitted included writers based in cities such as Atlanta to Los Angeles to Halifax to London; from Cape Town to Mumbai to NYC as well as others.

“We are proud to announce the winners and distinguished favorites in our annual 2023 INDEPENDENT PRESS AWARD. This year included an array of quality and diverse independent books,” Olczak said. “Independent publishing is pushing on every corner of the earth with great content. We are thrilled to be highlighting key titles representing global independent publishing.” said awards sponsor Gabrielle Olczak.

For more information please visit independentpressaward.com; and to see this year's list of IPA's Distinguished Favorites, please visit the website pages: <https://www.independentpressaward.com/2023df>

ABOUT THE AUTHOR: Kirsten Levy enjoyed a long career in research and administration at Boston University where she managed research, brought funds to the university, and published. She has an MBA in health care management. These twin pillars of her career, set in the medical environment in which she has worked, stood her in good stead for the onset of Alzheimer's Disease within the family circle. Kirsten enjoys the outdoors and dances Latin and ballroom standard.