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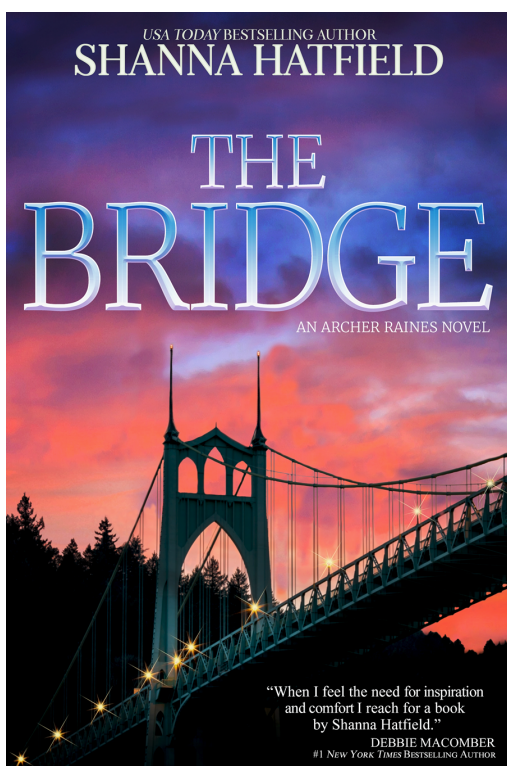
THE BRIDGE

AN ARCHER RAINES NOVEL

One Bridge. Five Strangers. A Christmas Eve That Changes Everything.

“The Bridge is a moving story of unexpected miracles, second chances, and the hope that can bloom even in life’s darkest hours. Highly recommend!”

— Melinda Curtis, USA Today Bestselling Author



On a bridge suspended above the Willamette River, five lives collide for a journey through hope and hardship in a suspenseful, heartwarming tale of courage, connection, and the magic of second chances.

Sergeant Archer Raines has worked every holiday all year for one reason: to finally spend Christmas with his wife. But when a desperate man threatens to jump from Portland’s St. Johns Bridge, Archer’s expert negotiation skills are required to defuse the situation.

Rosalee, a high-powered accountant and mom-to-be, only meant to swing by home for a forgotten phone and client file. But when her car is caught in the chaos on the bridge, she unexpectedly goes into labor and her carefully planned world begins to unravel amidst the drama on the bridge.

Exhausted nurse Nova just wants to make it home for Christmas after too many night shifts. When the pileup halts traffic and Rosalee’s baby is on the way, Nova puts her own plans on hold to help a stranger in need.

Carter, the owner of a busy tow truck business, regrets taking the call to clear the multi-car collision off the bridge. He’d intended to spend the day tackling last-minute holiday errands. Instead, he’s praying the lunatic pointing a gun at him doesn’t pull the trigger.

Fresh out of college and anxious to kick-start his career, Ian’s running late when his car won’t start the morning of his big interview. When his rideshare driver turns out to be a captivating girl with a penchant for aggressive driving that narrowly saves them from being part of the wreck on the bridge, he’s set on an unexpected path of his own.

***The Bridge* is the perfect uplifting holiday read and a story of how one frozen moment can thaw even the loneliest of hearts. “A treat for holiday story lovers, like a hot cup of cocoa.” — Kirkus**

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MEET SHANNA HATFIELD

USA Today Bestselling Author [Shanna Hatfield](#) creates character-driven romances with realistic heroes and heroines. Her contemporary fiction has been called *"laugh-out-loud funny, and a little heart-pumping sexy without being explicit in any way"* and her historical westerns have been described as *"reminiscent of the era captured by Bonanza and The Virginian."*

Shanna grew up on a farm where her childhood brimmed with sunshine, hay fever and an ongoing supply of learning experience. Now based in the Pacific Northwest with her husband, better known as Captain Cavedweller, the award-winning author spends her time writing and experimenting with new recipes in the kitchen.



"When I feel the need for inspiration and comfort I reach for a book by Shanna Hatfield."

— Debbie Macomber, #1 New York Times Bestselling Author

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