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Canadian Author Tells Tale of Female Empowerment in the 1960s Exploration of Loss and Finding One's Self in the Wilderness

[Chatham, ON—INSERT DATE HERE] The Bank of Canada is about to put the first woman who is not a Royal on its currency. This is a monumental moment in Canadian history, brought on by the rising current of empowered women who have raised the bar on equality, the right to vote, and created substantial change. Canadian author Gillian Andrews joins the movement to inspire women with her new novel *River of the Stick Wavers*.

River of the Stick Wavers, produced through FriesenPress, is the tale of Grace Irwin's journey of loss, healing, and finding her way. In the early 1960s, Grace's husband passes away and she finds that she no longer fits in the world she once knew. To grieve and escape the reminders of her loss, Grace travels to the wild landscape of the French River in Northern Ontario. Here, she forms bonds with two fiercely independent women, who challenge her to accept herself and carve her own path in the world.

Grace's journey in *River of the Stick Wavers* confronts the expectations for how a woman should behave, and will inspire readers creating their own paths to female empowerment.

River of the Stick Wavers is available for order from the FriesenPress bookstore, Amazon, Barnes & Noble and from most online book retailers. Readers can also purchase the ebook on Kindle, Nook, iTunes, Kobo and GooglePlay.

About the Author

Gillian Andrews is motivated to help women realize their potential, not only through her fiction writing, but on her blog GillianAndrewsAuthor.com, and in Sage Woman magazine. Her travels to the French River in Ontario inspire her writing. She lives in Chatham, Ontario, where she is working on her second novel.

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