

Biography: L. M. Elliott

L. M. Elliott is author of the young adult (YA) historical novels: *Under a War-torn Sky*, a Notable Book in Social Studies (NCSS/CBC), a Jefferson Cup Honor Book, winner of Border's Original Voices Award for YA Literature, and a finalist for the Iowa, PA, SC, and MD state teen literature awards; *Annie*, *Between the States*, a New York Public Library Book for the Teen Age, IRA Teachers' choice, and VA Readers' Choice finalist; *Give Me Liberty*; and *Flying South*, winner of the Joan G. Sugarman Children's Literature Award.



Her latest novel, *A Troubled Peace*, is the sequel to *Under a War-torn Sky*. The sequel takes place in 1945, when B-24 pilot Henry Forester returns to France to find Pierre, the young Resistance boy who saved his life. The sequel is available starting late August 2009.

Elliott has also authored four picture books with New York Times best-selling illustrator, Lynn Munsinger: *Hunter's Best Friend at School*, *Hunter and Stripe and the Soccer Showdown*, and *Hunter's Big Sister*. Their Valentine's Day book, *A String of Hearts*, will be released February 2011.

A long-time writer for the *Washingtonian* magazine, Elliott was twice a finalist for the National Magazine Award and recipient of numerous Dateline awards. She wrote often on children, women's issues, and health. Elliott graduated from Wake Forest University and holds a masters in journalism from the University of North Carolina. Elliott lives in Northern Virginia with her husband, two children, and their herd of pets.