



"Twelve-year-old Elvis Babbitt has a head for the facts: she knows science proves yellow is the happiest color, she knows a healthy male giraffe weighs about 3,000 pounds, and she knows that the naked mole rat is the longest living rodent. She knows she should plan to grieve her mother, who has recently drowned while sleepwalking, for exactly eighteen months. But there are things Elvis doesn't yet know--like how to keep her sister Lizzie from poisoning herself while sleep-eating or why her father has started wearing her mother's silk bathrobe around the house. Elvis investigates the strange circumstances of her mother's death and finds comfort, if not answers, in the people (and animals) of Freedom, Alabama. As hilarious a storyteller as she is heartbreakingly honest, Elvis is a truly original voice in this exploration of grief, family, and the endurance of humor after loss."

We are very excited to announce that Rabbit Cake author, Annie Hartnett will be visiting us on Tuesday, May 29th at 7pm to talk about her book, give a reading from her novel, and sign copies for all those who are interested.

Registration is required for this event.

Voted one of the Best Books of 2017
by Kirkus Reviews!

A brilliant debut novel about a child grieving the loss of a mother.



Annie Hartnett is a 2013 graduate of the MFA program at the University of Alabama, a 2011 graduate of the Bread Loaf School of English, and a 2008 graduate of Hamilton College. She was the 2013-2014 Writer-in-Residence for the Associates of the Boston Public Library. Annie teaches classes on the novel and the short story at Grub Street, an independent writing center in Boston, and she is currently at work on her second novel. She lives in Providence, RI with her husband and their border collie.

Ms. Hartnett is represented by Katie Grimm of Don Congdon Associates, Inc.