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Thirty-two-year-old Phoenix Walker is an entrepreneur who has built an agency with a heart almost as big as his own. To add to his good fortune, he's falling for Orchid Paige, the beautiful half-Asian marketer who's collaborated with him on a winning military campaign.

Until an accident changes him forever.

Now, he's faced with the hardest decision of his life. Does he burden the woman whose traumatic childhood makes him feel protective of her? Or does true love mean leaving her without explaining why?

**Overview:** 

- Successful, down-to-earth entrepreneur has the perfect life with the perfect girl until he gets into an accident
- From a new BIPOC contemporary voice comes a multicultural romance novel that tests what you would do to protect the one that you love
- Perfect for fans of *Me Before You* by Jojo Moyes, *The Fault in Our Stars* by John Green, *Dear John* by Nicholas Sparks, *P.S. I Love You* by Cecelia Ahern.
- A portion of the book's sales will be donated to military families and other non-profits like the Heather Abbott Foundation (HAF).

### Goodbye, Orchid A Novel By Carol Van Den Hende On Sale October 1, 2020 Hardcover \$29.95 | Paperback \$18.96 | ISBN-13: 978-1646631889

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#### "A richly detailed story of star-crossed lovers...all told with unforgettable heart and insight." —Caroline Leavitt, New York Times Bestselling author of Pictures of You, Cruel Beautiful World and With or Without You

"A book full of soul and heart about love, loss and redefining oneself. I adored this modern, important take on the power of love. An expertly crafted novel that will tug not just on your heart strings, but on your soul."

#### -Karin Tanabe, author of A Hundred Suns and The Gilded Years

"An inspiring and explosive novel that shows how two people confront the misperceptions in their lives."

#### -Larry Kirshbaum, literary agent and publishing advisor

"Goodbye Orchid tugs at readers' heartstrings and takes us on an emotional roller-coaster ride through this serious romance, layered with trauma and lost love. The characters—including Phoenix's twin brother and friends—are richly drawn, and the themes are timeless. But it's the story that kept me turning those pages and hoping for a satisfying ending. Van Den Hende did not disappoint."

#### -Susan Cushman, author of Friends of the Library, and Cherry Bomb

"Goodbye Orchid is a beautiful book, full of deep, thoughtful truths as well as hard-won wisdom for its protagonists. All the characters are richly drawn, and the author never shies away from showing us their flawed humanity. Their individualized and honest perspectives make the journeys as surprising as they are engaging."

-Chris Kipiniak, actor, writer Marvel Comics, *The Truth* podcast, Co-creator *BEHEMOTH* 

*"Goodbye, Orchid* shines a spotlight on the often unspoken side of wounds and ultimately, healing. This beautiful story shows the impact on those transformed as a result of tragedy, and the resulting hope that follows. Carol's book is relevant to anyone facing a challenge. Love heals."

# -Barbara McNally, licensed physical therapist, author of *Wounded Warrior: Wounded Wife* and *Four Faces of Femininity*, Huffington Post contributor

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