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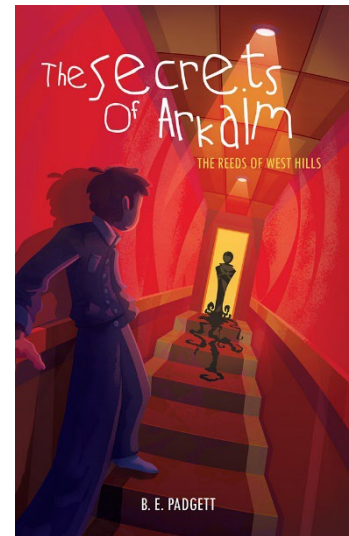
Upcoming release of The Reeds of West Hills series book two – middle-grade fantasy set in Washington State

The Secrets of Arkaim is the second book in a delightful middle-grade fantasy series called Reeds of West Hills.

STANWOOD, Wash. – [The Secrets of Arkaim](#) by local author B.E. Padgett will be available on Sept. 1, 2023. This exciting second book in The Reeds of West Hills series follows *The Guardian of Whispers* – a captivating middle-grade fantasy book about friendships, family, and magic set in Washington State. Readers can pre-order *The Secrets of Arkaim* at all local [bookstores](#) and is available upon request at local libraries.

The Secrets of Arkaim continues the adventures of 11-year-old twins, Frank and Jon Reed at West Hills School for the Perceptually Gifted. When the Zodiac Games, a school-wide competition, becomes unexpectedly intense, the twins find themselves facing evil forces. Frank and Jon must rely on their strong bond and the guidance of their caring teachers to prevent the grave danger that threatens the school. The book explores themes of sibling bonding, honesty, and balancing independence and reliance.

“Easy to jump into and follow even for new readers, this continuation immediately establishes the bonds of friendships the twins have made, their relationships with their teachers, and the generally warm atmosphere that makes this school such an enticing home away from home,” says BookLife Reviews. “Young readers will be drawn to this story of twin boys who use their powers to face evil, yet have all the support they need from intelligent, warm teachers and friends.”



About B.E. Padgett

B.E. Padgett is a poet and indie children's author from the Pacific Northwest. Before pursuing her passion for writing and storytelling, she worked as a student leadership programs manager at Everett Community College. She graduated with a bachelor's degree in English from Central Washington University. Padgett was the editor-in-chief of *Manastash Literary Journal* and is an event coordinator for *Poetry Northwest*. She is best known for her series *The Reeds of West Hills* which has been selected as a *BookLife* editor's pick twice.

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