



Co-Founder of WIB-Pittsburgh Releases Her First Novel – *HD66: Search for a Cure or a Killer*

With decades of experience in the frenetic world of start-ups and innovation, [WIB-Pittsburgh](#) Co-Founder [Babs Carryer](#) is an experienced entrepreneur, writer, mentor, teacher, and sailor. In her first novel [HD66](#), she ties all of her experiences into an exciting new subgenre: what galley readers dub "a startup mystery." Readers intuitively trust the story as so much of Babs' experience rings true. Set against the swirling Allegheny River in a town of start-ups and academic off-shoots, *HD66* weaves together sober themes in the hands of strong characters who transform tough paradoxes into the mysteries of hope and love and, eventually, what every science seeks ...



WIB-Pittsburgh Co-Founder Babs Carryer holds a copy of her first novel, *HD66*.

HD66 is not a mournful MFA thesis - her editors read it in scrubs and blue jeans, in smocks with stethoscopes around their necks. They read it from beginning to end as they waited for their mice to arrive through import, their zebrafish to wink in measurement dye, and for the truth about genetic tumors to emerge from statistical data on loan from universities across the country. They said it was terrible to have to put the book down even for dinner, even as the mice snuggle in their houses, the fins of zebrafish flashed and the numbers flickered in alchemy. *HD66* is a book that in many ways is the story of our lives. Solving a murder mystery may drive the narrative frame, but there are other mysteries and discoveries at stake. It's a great read that WIB-Pittsburgh has found mesmerizing.

On the one hand, it is a story we know through life experience: find a cure for a disease that personally ails us or a loved one. The race for a breakthrough that is of scientific and immediate, intrinsic, merit. The story of the oncologist who perishes in his own lab, struggling with an antibody that would cure not only others, but his loved ones, himself. Nobody can detract from that story, and it is one that remains evocative and enduring. But one WIB-Pittsburgh Co-Founder may have found a way to make it, as a plot, even better.

HD66: Search for a Cure or a Killer is truly a startup mystery novel – a contemporary story that takes place in the practical parlor of a technology startup. Setting murder against a backdrop of entrepreneurship and innovation, the plot weaves together drug discovery, the devastating effects of an incurable disease, and an unexpected invention that does the clear opposite of its intent. Spinning subplots of evil venture capitalists, egotistical c-level executives, invention, formula, and the roller coaster ride of a startup, *HD66* lets the reader experience life inside a high-technology new venture.

HD66 will formally launch in April, but [is available strictly at this time on Amazon](#) for readers eager to learn if start-up sleuth Brie Prince can solve the murder of a brilliant and soulful researcher who was on the brink of curing a deadly (and genetic) neurological disorder that plagues Brie's father. Brie's passion for the science and the start-up is clear, but is it enough to piece together an answer for her and her father?

We like it. We think you will too.