

Sarah Birdsall bio

Originally from central New York, Sarah Birdsall has lived in Alaska most of her life with many of her formative years spent in remote parts of the state. Her publications include *Wild Rivers, Wild Rose* (University of Alaska Press, 2020), which was the 2021 WILLA Literary Award Winner in Historical Fiction; *The Red Mitten* (McRoy & Blackburn, 2006), which won a bronze medal for best West Coast fiction in the 2007 Independent Publishers Book Awards competition; and *The Moonflower Route* (McRoy & Blackburn, 2017). A former award-winning journalist, she has an MFA in creative writing from the University of Alaska Anchorage and lives in her hometown of Talkeetna, Alaska.