Since the publication of her first novella in 2014, USA Today and national bestselling author Anna J Stewart has published more than fifty romances across the genre. Primarily traditionally published, she’s written the Butterfly Harbor series for Harlequin Heartwarming, the Honor Bound suspense series for Harlequin Romantic Suspense, participated in the Blackwell and Colton continuity series and is one of the founding authors of the ongoing sweet Christmas Town romance series. The tenth collection, Lights, Camera, Christmas Town will release this October.

The beginning of 2023 brought the start of her new Hawaiian-set sweet romance series and 2024 will bring readers her new 4-book McKenna Code romantic suspense series (think Blue Bloods meets FBI).

EXPOSED, the first book of her dark suspense CIRCLE OF THE RED LILY series published by ArcManor is a book NYTimes Bestselling author Jayne Ann Krentz called “modern romantic noir at its best.” EXPOSED was recently named as a finalist in the 2023 Daphne. Book 2, VANISHED, will be released in late 2023.

Anna is also a Holt Medallion winner for BRIDE ON THE RUN, as well as a former Golden Heart, Daphne, and Readers’ Choice finalist. In 2019 she had the extreme good fortune of having one of her Heartwarming romances turned into a holiday TV movie, CHRISTMAS RECIPE FOR ROMANCE.

Through it all, Anna credits three things for her continued success and good luck: the worlds’ best critique partners, her mother for never saying no to anything she wanted to read, and a community of amazing writers and authors, most especially Northern California Romance Writers, without whose support and encouragement none of her accomplishments would have been possible.

Today she’ll be speaking on one of her favorite topics, the importance of motivation for ALL your characters.