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## BLUE

**A teen learns the importance of perspective and living your life in forward motion in this introspective Contemporary YA novel by L.E. DeLano, author of TRAVELER and DREAMER.**

Blue's older brother was involved in a car accident that killed the father of her classmate, Maya Rodriguez. Now Maya has returned to school determined to make Blue's life a living hell in the aftermath. To add to the misery, Blue has a demanding mother, a father who's never around, a drama-addicted best friend, and a secretive new guy who's determined to make Blue his own personal cheer-up project.

When Maya's taunts finally push Blue to retaliate, they find themselves in afterschool detention, forced into a project meant to foster cooperation and civility. Blue learns about Maya—and her own sense of privilege—while secrets are revealed that cast a new perspective on everything in Blue's world.

### **Praise for Blue:**

2021 NYC Big Book Award Distinguished Favorite in Young Adult Fiction

“Overall: 10.00 out of 10. This is a fast-paced novel focused more on feelings and the social world of teens . . . An easy read for its intended audience.”- *BookLife Prize by Publisher's Weekly*

“Filled with complex characters that leap off the page, Blue pulls at your heartstrings and refuses to let go.” – **Claire Kann, author of Let's Talk About Love and If It Makes You Happy**

**L.E. DeLano** lives and writes in Pennsylvania with two hilarious kids and two ridiculous cats. Her debut novel, **TRAVELER** was selected as a Keystone to Reading Secondary Book Award finalist by the Keystone State Reading Association (KSRA) and voted one of the 20 Most Beautiful Books of 2017 by MTV UK.

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