

About The Author

DR. SUSAN HARRIS HOWELL

“Susan Howell has managed to write one of those rare cozy mysteries that is as comforting as a weighted blanket—even as it gives you thrills and chills.”

—Nathan Gower, author of *The Act of Disappearing*

Dr. Susan Harris Howell is a psychologist, speaker, and author of *The Spirit of Vanderlaan*, her debut novel released in December of 2024. This book is a fun, cozy, ghost story featuring a professor, Samantha Hayes, and her lively band of students who get caught up in solving a campus mystery. This book draws on her teaching career of over thirty years to capture the camaraderie and warmth between a professor and the assortment of personalities which inhabit her office.



Susan is always eager to share how being a university psychology professor inspired her to write a novel about one. She also enjoys sharing insights she's gained from the challenge of writing books while holding down a “day job.” Susan is available to speak on podcasts, at conferences, and community and book discussion groups.

Dwayne, Susan's husband of over forty years, is also an author, retired university professor, and minister. They have two grown children, a daughter-in-law, and an adorable grandson. They also have a beagle named Doc who tries their patience on a regular basis. While he doesn't understand anything Susan says, he is completely supportive of her speaking and writing endeavors.

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