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**Medicine and the Paranormal Intertwine  
with Dramatic Consequences in Debut Novel**

**Ellen LaCorte's Propulsive Debut Novel, *The Perfect Fraud*, Asks  
Readers, *Is it ever too late to see the truth?***

**The author will be speaking and signing copies at locations in Florida  
throughout November – including Tampa, St. Pete, Delray Beach,  
Vero Beach, Hollywood and others**

September 24, 2019 – New Jersey-based debut novelist **Ellen LaCorte**  
([www.ellenlacorte.com](http://www.ellenlacorte.com)) will be speaking and signing copies of her new book **THE  
PERFECT FRAUD** at locations throughout South and Central Florida this November.  
Full dates and locations are below.

**THE PERFECT FRAUD** was a **Publishers Weekly** staff pick for **Best Books of  
Summer**.

Two strong heroines are at the core of **Ellen LaCorte's** gripping debut novel **THE  
PERFECT FRAUD** (Harper, ISBN 13: 9780062906076; \$26.99; Hardcover, published:  
June 18, 2019) — two very different women but with equally powerful secrets who are  
thrown together by an unexpected meeting that plunges both their lives into chaos. But  
it's a sick little girl whose fate hangs in the balance. LaCorte does a masterful job  
revealing secrets slowly and methodically so that readers are kept guessing until the  
very last page.

**Book Synopsis**

Medicine and the supernatural intertwine with dramatic consequences in Ellen  
LaCorte's debut novel, *The Perfect Fraud*. Claire Hathaway comes from a family of  
professional psychics. But Claire hides a shocking truth: she doesn't really have "the  
gift" like her mother and grandmother. The psychic readings she gives clients at  
Mystical Haven in Sedona, Arizona are complete frauds.

Her path soon collides with Rena Cole, a divorced mother and avid mommy blogger anxious to help her sick four-year-old daughter, Stephanie, who is plagued by a mysterious stomach ailment. When local doctors can't seem to find what's causing Stephanie's distress, Rena packs up and moves across the country to consult a special doctor in Phoenix.

A seat change on an airplane brings Rena and Claire together. Neither of the two women think much of the other. But when Clair experiences real paranormal visions the two women become unlikely allies in a battle with evil that could determine young Stephanie's fate.

**Ellen LaCorte** worked for many years in HR. She now writes full time from her home where she lives with her husband in Titusville, New Jersey. They have two grown sons.

### **FLORIDA APPEARANCE DETAILS**

**(for additional appearance information, visit Ellen's Facebook page [facebook.com/ellenlacorteauthor](https://www.facebook.com/ellenlacorteauthor))**

#### **Thursday, November 7, 2019 - 6:30 to 7:30 PM**

Oxford Exchange  
420 W Kennedy Blvd.  
Tampa, FL 33606  
(813) 253-0222  
<https://oxfordexchange.com/>

Ellen's topic will be about her experience becoming a debut author.

#### **An Author's Adventures in Book-Land**

Curious about the steps an author must take to become published? What does it take to write a good story? Do you have the manuscript that will secure an agent? How do you find an agent? How do you know you have the right agent? How does an agent secure a deal for your book with a publisher? When do you know you've edited enough? How much input will you have in the publication process? What steps must an author take in marketing the book? And how not to go crazy during the process!

#### **Saturday, November 9, 2019 - 10 am to 5 pm**

Tampa Bay Times Reading Festival  
140 7th Avenue South  
St. Petersburg, FL  
<https://www.tampabay.com/expos/festival-of-reading/>

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**Sunday, November 10, 2019 - 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm**

Murder on the Beach Mystery Bookstore

104 West Atlantic Avenue

Delray Beach, FL 33444

(561) 279-7790

<http://murderonthebeach.com/>

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**Wednesday, November 13, 2019 - 3 PM to 4:40 pm**

Vero Beach Book Center

392 21st Street

Vero Beach, FL 32960

(772) 569-2050

<https://www.verobeachbookcenter.com/>

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**Thursday, November 14, 2019 - 6 PM**

Stirling Road Library (Broward County Library)

3151 Stirling Rd.

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312

(954) 357-7550

<http://www.broward.org/library/Pages/BranchDetails.aspx?branchInfo=35>

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**Friday, November 15, 2019 - 6:00 PM**

Poetic Justice Books & Arts  
1774 SE Port St Lucie Blvd.  
Port St. Lucie, FL 34952  
(772) 249-5678

<https://www.poeticjusticebooks.com/>

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**Saturday, November 16, 2019 - 3:00 PM**

North Regional/Broward College Library  
1100 Coconut Creek Blvd.  
Coconut Creek, FL 33066  
(954) 201-2600

<http://www.broward.org/library/Pages/BranchDetails.aspx?branchInfo=26>

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**Sunday, November 17 – 2:00 pm**

Barnes & Noble (Palm Beach Gardens)  
11380 Legacy Avenue.  
Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410  
(561) 627-9357

<https://stores.barnesandnoble.com/store/2230>

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