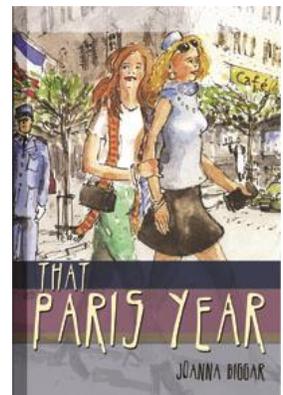


***That Paris Year*, by Joanna Biggar**  
**Alan Squire Publishing, 2010**  
**472 pp., \$25.00, paperback**  
**ISBN: 978-0-9826251-0-1**

## **Escape to Paris for \$25.00: *That Paris Year* is this Summer's Beach Read**

For Immediate Release – Summer heat fosters dreams of getting away to Paris... but with air travel being so expensive these days, what's a person to do? Joanna Biggar's debut novel, **That Paris Year**, is the answer.

In **That Paris Year**, you can travel to the City of Light with five young American women headed for their junior year abroad at the Sorbonne. Set in 1962 amidst the glamour of the Kennedy era, **That Paris Year** is a story of blessing and betrayal, of love and politics, and – above all – of friendship.



Biggar has written an American book with the sweep and elegance of French literary tradition, in which intellect, eroticism and art reverberate from the pages. Through the revolutionary ideas of Andre Malraux, the feminist theory of Simone de Beauvoir, the sensuality of Colette, and the existential angst of Camus and Sartre, the young women of **That Paris Year** learn that seduction can be as intellectual as it is sexual.

The *Whispering Gums* book review blog said of the novel “there were times during the reading when I felt that all I had to do was close my eyes to believe myself back in a smoky Parisian café, or perhaps on a beach in Avignon with the wind rising... Biggar has a talent for evoking a Paris, and a France, that is both familiar yet not clichéd.”

(continued next page)

**(That Paris Year, pg. 2)**

Joanna Biggar has traveled solo in the most remote corners of China, chaired a school board in Ghana, worked as a journalist in Washington, D.C., and taught school children in Oakland, California. She is a member of the Society of Women Geographers.

**To schedule an interview with Joanna Biggar, contact Alan Squire Publishing, (301) 530-2896 or via email at [alansquirepublishing@gmail.com](mailto:alansquirepublishing@gmail.com).**

**Please send book review tear sheets to the press at:  
Alan Squire Enterprises  
P.O. Box 341909  
West Bethesda, MD 20827**

-- ### --