Dear Mr. or Mrs. Whoever,

I am seeking representation for a young adult novel that I have written.

Felicity was ready for the greatest summer of her life, a summer of romantic evenings with her boyfriend and non-stop partying with her friends; however, little did she know, her ideal summer would face a sudden change of plan, transforming her and providing her with an experience she could never forget.

*The Corner Piece* is a completed 62,000-word novel about a sixteen-year-old girl whose parents send her to live on an Amish farm for ten weeks as part of a summer enrichment program. Initially devastated with her parents' plan, Felicity does not know how she will survive living with the Amish minus her necessary commodities such as a computer and a cell phone. That is, until she grows close to an intelligent, redheaded Amish boy named Ezra Stoltzfus whose captivating green eyes draw her in deep and his engaging, yet unassuming, persona teaches her things that she never knew before. As her relationship with Ezra becomes stronger, Felicity finds herself more confused than ever. She must choose between Edward, her loyal boyfriend of six months, and Ezra, a mysterious Amish boy who stimulates her mind and her heart. Felicity is forced to discover whether her and Ezra's feelings for each other are real or whether she is merely drawn to him because he is forbidden. In the meantime, she soaks up the Amish culture around her and learns the traditions of this simple people, and, in the process, she connects with the family she is staying with and gains a heightened respect for the Amish and their ways. Each moment on the Stoltzfus family’s farm is a new adventure for Felicity as she faces the hardships of coming of age and questions the meaning of love. *The Corner Piece* is a unique novel in that it explores the quirky corners of Felicity's teenage mind vis-a-vis a seemingly stodgy culture and steady thinking of the Amish around her. The novel includes various pop-culture references and it is humorous as well as romantic, making it the perfect novel for young adult readers.

And now for a few words about myself—I am a second year honors pre- med student at the University of Cincinnati. I have a passion for writing and it has always been my dream to become a published author. In high school I won the esteemed Creativity and Originality Award and a poem of mine has been published in *A Celebration of Poets* via a Creative Communications contest.

Thank you for your time and consideration. The full manuscript of *The Corner Piece* is available per your request. Thanks again!

Sincerely,

Batsheva Ruth Serota