



About Me...

Born and raised in southern California where flowers bloom year-round, Jill K. Sayre loves plants and gardening. She grew up in a small town, just outside of Los Angeles, full of beautiful Arts & Crafts-style homes, with her antique-collecting parents. While attending UCLA, Jill modeled and was a beauty shot stylist for a photography company. She received her degree in Art and continued on to receive her Teaching Credential in Elementary Education, specializing in gifted learners.

*Her husband's work moved them, and their three children, to Dallas...twice. She fell in love with the beauty found in Highland Park, Texas where she resides today. Her first book, *The Fairies of Turtle Creek*, is in a large part woven with the things she loves, like nature, science, art, folklore, and the early 1900s. Much of the story takes place along Turtle Creek, where she often walks her vizsla dog, Bella, and using her drawing skills, she created the sketches found at the beginning of every chapter.*

Jill currently works at an acting college, working with teens in the areas of acting, modeling, and etiquette. She loves to help other writers and speaks on "Want to Write a Book? Let's Get Started!" and is co-writing a memoir with a fellow author. She also loves to speak on the subject, "How to Help Your Child Become a Better Reader".

*"Books should be reinforced with hands-on activities," Jill says. "That's why there are recipes in the back of *The Fairies of Turtle Creek*. I'd love to hear that a reader tried to entice a fairy using my Flower Fairy Cake recipe!"*

*She is currently working on a different trilogy, the first book of which is called "Grotesque" about gargoyles. There are also plans for a second book in the *Fairies* series~ it will be set in Maui, Hawaii with sea sprites, mermaids, and the Hawaiian fairies called Menehunes!*