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Did You Know There Was a Real Alice in Wonderland?

New Book Reveals Secrets of the Real Alice

**Alice Liddell – muse for greatest children’s book of all time
– more fascinating than character she inspired**

(New York, NY)—Before the Mad Hatter ever threw a tea party, the real [Alice Liddell](#) was capturing the imagination of the man the world would come to know as Lewis Carroll. Yes, there is a real Alice in Wonderland and without her the greatest children’s book of all time might never have been written. In a new biographical book, Liddell’s descendants, [C.M. and Gabriella Rubin](#) reveal why the original Alice was partly responsible for the novel written in 1865.

[The Real Alice in Wonderland](#) takes readers through the looking glass and into the life of Alice Liddell, who met Charles Dodgson when she was four years old. Dodgson, who later came to fame as Lewis Carroll, was an awkward and shy teacher at Christ Church, Oxford University, where Alice’s father was a noted academic. An amateur photographer, Dodgson would take pictures of Alice and her sisters while entertaining them with imaginative stories. By the time Alice was ten, those tales came to include a girl named Alice, a magic rabbit hole, a Cheshire Cat among other now familiar characters. Alice asked Dodgson to write the story down for her. Two years later, he delivered her a hand written manuscript that would become a classic.

The Real Alice in Wonderland is a magnificent coffee-table book that contains more than 500 illustrations and photographs of Alice Liddell and her iconic namesake. In a first of its kind telling, the authors journeyed to England to capture the entire story of the young woman, her relationship with Lewis Carroll, her adult life spent as the object of obsessive love as well as her many tragedies and triumphs.

In rich detail, readers will discover the answers to these questions, and more:

- What really went on between young Alice and the author?
- How did becoming Alice in Wonderland alter Alice Liddell's life?
- Are there other characters in the book based on real life people?
- Why was Alice Liddell forced to sell the original manuscript given to her by Charles Dodgson (Lewis Carroll)?
- Did success help or hurt Charles Dodgson?
- What is the authors' relationship to the original Alice?

Even with more than 1000 books, films, operas, plays and video games based on the classic, most people don't realize there is a real person behind the character. *The Real Alice in Wonderland* shares that story in dramatic and entertaining detail.

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