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New Children's Book Features Autistic Superhero

Belle Isle Books, an imprint of Brandylane Publishers, Inc. of Richmond, Virginia has announced the release of *The Incredible Cam Man*, the uplifting children's book about a boy superhero with autism, written by Natalie Chase and illustrated by Maegan Penley.

Told in rhyming verse from the point of view of Cameron, a boy with autism, *Cam Man* shares the challenges he faces every day, explains his seemingly 'odd' behaviors, and encourages child readers to display tolerance and acceptance toward people on the autism spectrum. When you have autism, life is full of challenges, but Cameron demonstrates that every challenge is an opportunity to be incredibly amazing! At the same time, he acknowledges that his autism is a part of what makes him special.

Natalie Chase is certified through the Behavior Analyst Certification Board as a BCaBA and holds a master's degree in counseling. She has been working in the field of Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) since 2007, working with children diagnosed with autism and related disorders.

Natalie's son Cameron (a.k.a. "Cam Man") was diagnosed in 2014 as being on the autism spectrum and is the inspiration for this uplifting story. Becoming a published children's book author has been a long-time dream for Natalie, and it has come true in the telling of a positive and encouraging story about a smart, courageous, and incredible boy.

Brandylane Publishers, Inc. is an independent press located in Richmond, Virginia, that has published books since 1985.

The Incredible Cam Man (paperback, 24 pages, \$13.95 retail) is available from the publisher at <u>belleislebooks.com</u>, from <u>amazon.com</u>, bn.com, and from fine booksellers.

Requests for review copies should be made to the publisher.