

*****INTERVIEWS AVAILABLE WITH TEEN AUTHOR
JILLIAN DUNLAY AT DONUTOLOGY
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**DONUTOLOGY HOSTS LOCAL TEEN AUTHOR JILLIAN DUNLAY FOR SIGNING OF
HER DEBUT NOVEL, "UNTAMED" SAT., NOV. 11, 2017**

Dunlay will sign copies of her acclaimed book written in the dystopian genre.

WHO: Donutology

WHAT: Donutology Book Series: "Untamed" Signing Party

WHEN: 10 a.m. – Noon Sat., Nov. 11, 2017

WHERE: Donutology, 1009 Westport Rd., Kansas City, Missouri (five blocks off the Plaza)

WHY: Donutology, the locally owned gourmet donut shop off the Plaza that focuses on locally inspired collaborations, will host Overland Park teen author Jillian Dunlay to sign copies of her dystopian genre novel, "Untamed." The Donutology Book Series, which has also welcomed local authors Greg Hardin and Bill Severns and monthly Story Time with the Kansas City Public Library Westport and Ruiz Branch, aligns with one of the shop's missions.

"As a locally owned, family-friendly business, it's our responsibility to bring awareness to and support community organizations that help kids be the best they can be," says Donutology founder Andrew Cameron. "And giving authors of all ages a platform to share their work is part of that role. We look forward to having Jillian in the house to talk about her book—it's pretty remarkable that a 16-year-old has published a book that's received five stars on Amazon."

"I spent two years developing the characters and storyline, researching, writing and self-publishing 'Untamed,'" Dunlay says. "All the hard work—setting and achieving writing deadlines, rewrites and edits and choosing cover art— is worth it when fans say how much they love the story."

"Untamed" will be available at a special price of \$10 for the Donutology book-signing event. The author will also have a drawing for a book.

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Dunlay, a busy sophomore at Blue Valley West High School in Overland Park, juggles honors classes, Color Guard and working a part-time job with her true passion of writing. She was first published as a poet in the Johnson County Library's 2015 edition of Elementia Magazine. Before finishing "Untamed," Dunlay entered the Kansas Author's Club 2015 Youth writing contest and won first place in the 7-8th grade division with an excerpt from "Untamed." Her strong character development and unique writing style have helped her gain more than 9,000 followers on Instagram (@authorjilliandunlay), and a growing fan base on Facebook (@authorjilliandunlay) and Twitter (@jilliandunlay).

Donutology gives back to the community by supporting nonprofits like Unleashed Pet Adoption and Rescue, The Ronald McDonald House Charities Kansas City, KidsTLC, Heartland Men's Chorus, ReDiscover, Kansas City Free Eye Clinic and many more. It also partners with locally owned businesses like The Roasterie, Shatto Milk, Polly's Pop and Charlie Hustle, among others, to carry made-in-Kansas products.

Donutology is open seven days a week: 6 a.m. - 9 p.m. Sunday through Monday and, to accommodate late-night cravings, from 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday. For more information on Donutology, visit <http://www.donutology.com>. Follow Donutology on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter (@donutologykc). To place a special order, for corporate catering or to book an event, call 816-298-5222.

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About Donutology

Locally owned by Lansing, Kan., native Andrew Cameron, Donutology is located in the Westport district of Kansas City, Mo., in the former Tower Cleaners Art-Deco inspired building built in 1944. Billed as a "modern donut laboratory" where customers are encouraged to discover their unique "donut gene" by experimenting with toppings served from glass beakers, Donutology specializes in from-scratch mini cake donuts and seasonal donuts and also features full-size classics like glazed, twists, apple fritters and baked cinnamon rolls, among others. Capitalizing on the trend of coffee lovers personalizing their drinks, Donutology features a wide array of icings, toppings and drizzles to choose from for a signature creation that is then made-to-order by trained "donuticians." Donutology has a commitment to using locally sourced ingredients with vendors like Arkansas, Kansas Heartland Milled Flour, Shatto Milk Company products and Belfonte Ice Cream for specialty donut shakes; and a custom blend from The Roasterie for coffee drinks. Donutology offers custom orders, including birthday, proposal and team-building "donut letters," wedding and other celebration donuts and corporate, church and school catering. Cameron also owns six area Daylight Donut stores in Basehor, Gardner, Lansing, Leavenworth, Lenexa and Olathe. Donutology is open seven days a week. For more information, visit <http://www.donutology.com>.

About Jillian Dunlay

Jillian Dunlay, a Blue Valley West sophomore in Overland Park, Kansas, is a teen novelist who developed her style and voice over the years by writing dozens of shorts stories and reading. She juggles honor classes and participation in the award-winning Color Guard with her true passion of writing. Fascinated with literature, Dunlay started writing at age six and at age nine, began her foray into poetry, satisfying an obsession she had with its beauty, discipline and approach to the written word. Prior to finishing "Untamed," Dunlay entered the Kansas Author's Club 2015 Youth writing contest and won first place in the 7th - 8th grade division with an excerpt from the book. Her poetry won first and second place awards in the Kansas Author's Club 2017 Youth contest (high school division), while the chapter titled, "Hendrix," from "Untamed" received an honorable mention. Little did Dunlay know that a seventh-grade English assignment would provide fodder and motivation to pursue the dream of a novel. The 2,000-word school project eventually became "Untamed," the dystopian novel that Dunlay published in 2017 at the age of 16. Her strong character development and unique writing style have helped her gain more than 8,000 followers on Instagram (@authorjilliandunlay) and a growing fan base on Facebook (@authorjilliandunlay) and Twitter (@jilliandunlay). For more information or to schedule a book-signing event or speaking engagement, visit <https://www.jilliandunlay.com>.

