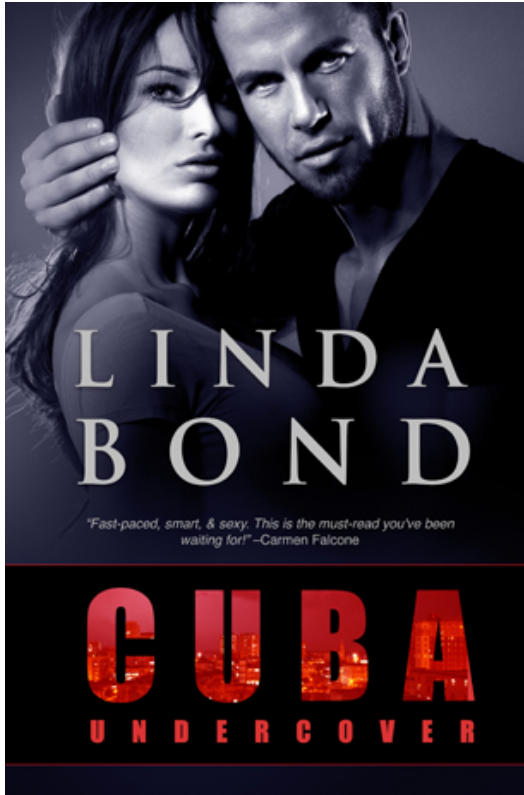




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**Author Linda Bond** was born in San Francisco, California but spent most of her life in the south, attending middle and high school in Greenville, South Carolina and college at the University of Georgia in Athens, Georgia.

She's worked as a television news reporter and anchor in Fort Myers, Orlando and Tampa, Florida. For the past fifteen years, she's been a health reporter, sharing important information with viewers on the latest medical breakthroughs and writing emotional, human-interest stories on those who have the courage and spirit to fight for their lives.



She writes every day, under deadline, but has always loved losing herself in a good fiction story. Her love for writing fiction actually started in high school, but a thriving, busy professional life, along with five kids kept her busy for many years.

Entangled Publishing is releasing her second romantic adventure, **Cuba Undercover**, in July, 2015. Her debut **Alive at 5** released to rave reviews.

She has received numerous writing awards in Romance Writer's of America chapter contests for **Alive at 5** and **Cuba Undercover** and her women's fiction book **Glory, Glory the Majorettes are 40**.

She has also won 12 Emmy awards, numerous Society of Professional Journalist, and Associated Press awards, as well as a Florida Bar award and Edward R. Murrow award.

This former baton-twirling beauty queen from the deep south, now lives in Tampa, Florida with her husband, adopted son from Cuba, two daughters and one stubborn Bulldog named Sanford.



Watch the *Cuba Undercover* trailer and get photos at [www.lindabond.com](http://www.lindabond.com)

Cuban-American TV reporter Rebecca Menendez's success comes from playing by the rules. When she's kidnapped by a fierce and intensely handsome man who needs her help, all of those rules seem pointless. Nothing could have prepared her for being taken hostage...or the irresistible reward if she complies: information about her long-thought dead father.

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### **Excerpt from Cuba Undercover**

“You sound like a man in love.”

“I *am* in love with Havana, with the city, the people, and our culture.”

*Our* culture. She didn't feel the same connection. Never had. One thing had always been standing in the way. “But you hate the government.”

His body tensed, and he took a step to the side, putting distance between them.

“Yes, Rebecca.” That condescending tone had returned. “You know how I feel about the government.”

For so many of their people, the problem came down to one man and his family, the hate so strong Cuban Americans could see nothing else. Her own mother had forbidden her to even say *his* name in the house. “Is this a Castro thing?” As if she had to ask.

Antonio had the hate, and he had it bad. It had been tattooed all over his face from the moment she'd met him.

He stomped away, putting even more distance between them. “It’s a *Communist* thing.” He gestured toward the city. “First the government takes away religion.” Turning back to face her, a fire ignited in his dark eyes. “When you do that, you strip people of hope and separate them from their morals and values.” Crossing his arms, he stared across the bay. “Then you shred every iota of what makes a person unique, under the pretense of making everyone equal, but when you do that you take away drive and desire. You create a complacent society, weak from dependence, unable to dream and unwilling to raise a hand toward change.”

Jesus, he spoke like a politician, if a notably scruffy one with his goatee and strands of his crazy rock-and-roll-style hair blowing in the hot Havana breeze. Despite the fact that his words were resonating deep within her, the reporter in her automatically played the devil’s advocate. “Do you think you speak for everyone here in Cuba, or are you just speaking on behalf of the angry Cuban Americans back in Florida?”

He twisted toward her, nailing her to the space where she stood with a stare as hot as glue from a gun. She knew she’d touched a nerve, and she didn’t know why she felt the urge to push him like this. Honestly, this was not a man she wanted to piss off. Like it or not, Antonio was her life raft back to America. And after witnessing him with his family, she was actually starting to like him. At the very least, she admired him. Not every man would be so steadfast in his devotion to his family, risking life and limb to care for and liberate them.

Then there was the way he looked at her at times, with a heated gaze that made her insides quiver. And whenever they touched...

**Cuba Undercover** - A Linda Bond adventure is available at the following digital outlets:



**Linda Bond** is an Emmy award-winning journalist by day and an author of romantic adventures by night. She's also the mother of five, four athletes and an adopted son from Cuba. She has a passion for world travel, classic movies, and alpha males. Linda currently lives in Florida, where the sun always shines and the day begins with endless possibilities. You can become a Bond girl and share in her continuing adventures at [www.lindabond.com](http://www.lindabond.com).



## **AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS**

### **Writing Awards:**

From Romance Writers of America contests

### **Alive at 5:**

1<sup>st</sup> place Hot Prospects contest

1<sup>st</sup> place Marlene Contest

3<sup>rd</sup> place TARA contest

### **Cuba Undercover:** (formerly titled Undercover)

1<sup>st</sup> place Romantic Suspense - Great Expectations

1<sup>st</sup> place Romantic Suspense- Heart of Denver Romance Writer's Molly Award

( formerly titled The Distance Between Us)

### **Glory Glory the Majoretts are 40:**

2<sup>nd</sup> place - Beacon Contest 2013

Contributing writer - Tampa Bay Parenting Magazine

### **TV News:**

12 Emmy Awards

Edward R. Murrow Award – Best News Series

Multiple Society of Professional Journalism Awards

AP Awards – Multiple awards including Best Series and Best Overall

Florida Bar Award – legal reporting

### **Community Involvement:**

American Cancer Society Making Strides Against Breast Cancer

Susan G Komen Race for Cure Polk County

## FUN FACTS FROM LINDA BOND

- I have two stepdaughters, one adopted son from Cuba, and two biological daughters, so I've been blessed to know motherhood in many different ways.
- I'm afraid to fly, yet accepted a ride in a U.S. Air Force Thunderbird – which travels twice the speed of sound. I'm still afraid to fly.
- I love ketchup but hate tomatoes.
- I love late afternoon thunderstorms in Florida, the big boomers, where the thunder and lightning shakes the house.
- I named my bulldog, Sanford, after Sanford Stadium at the University of Georgia, where I spent four years performing as a majorette with the University of Georgia Redcoat Marching Band.
- I was Ms Greenville, South Carolina 1985 – while using my stepfather's name Linda Yokum.
- My favorite movies are *Gone with the Wind*, *Wuthering Heights* and *Pride and Prejudice*. Oh, love *The Notebook*, too.
- My favorite music is 80's hair band rock and roll. In fact, I run to Guns – n – Roses and Bon Jovi most mornings.
- My guilty pleasure is watching reality TV. (Any of the housewives shows – please don't tell anyone)
- I love dark chocolate and full-bodied red wine.
- I survived a fight with breast cancer, and it changed the way I enjoy my life.
- I write because I can't stop. It's been a life long addiction. ☺