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## FROM THE #1 NEW YORK TIMES AND INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF AN INVISIBLE THREAD – COMES ANGELS ON EARTH A HEARTWARMING AND INSPIRING NEW BOOK ABOUT THE PROFOUND IMPACT ACTS OF KINDNESS CAN HAVE ON THE WORLD AROUND US

LAURA SCHROFF'S ANGELS ON EARTH DELIVERS 30 POWERFUL, DRAMATIC AND BEAUTIFUL STORIES THAT EXPLORE THE TURNING-POINT MOMENTS IN ALL OF OUR LIVES – THE TIMES WHEN ACTS OF KINDNESS CAN RIPPLE OUTWARD INTO THE WORLD, CREATING MORE GOODNESS AND HOPE WHILE CHANGING THE LIVES OF OTHERS.

{New York, NY & Nashville, TN} **ANGELS on EARTH** is the highly anticipated follow up book from Laura Schroff, author of the #1 New York Times and international bestseller AN INVISIBLE THREAD. In her first book, Laura told the remarkable story of her unlikely friendship with Maurice Mazyck, an 11-year-old homeless panhandler she met on a Manhattan street corner in 1986. Laura likened their decades-long unlikely friendship to "an invisible thread," which, according to an ancient Chinese proverb, "connects people who are destined to meet." Hundreds of thousands of readers fell in love with the story of Laura and Maurice, and many of them sent Laura their own "invisible thread" stories. Now, Laura has collected some of those compelling, inspirational and poignant stories in **ANGELS on EARTH**—which takes its name from Laura's belief that if we honor and activate the invisible thread connections in our lives, we can become angels on earth for each other.

This timely book draws out principles that will inspire every reader to search for ways to have a powerful, positive impact on those around them. There are practical take-aways as well as inspiring examples to lead readers to take action. Laura weaves the stories together with her own reflections on how kindness brings the divine to earth, and she shares how hearing these stories have changed her.

A financier who gives a total stranger one of the greatest gifts of all – the gift of time. A mother and father's unimaginable loss that now brings hope to children every day. A click of a garage door opener that creates a magical bond between a woman and two little girls. A young boy growing up in the South Bronx who receives an unlikely gift that changes the course of his life. *ANGELS on EARTH* will introduce a series of remarkable people whose invisible thread stories will move, surprise, and inspire readers and shed light on how each of us can live happier, more purposeful lives through sharing acts of kindness.

"This shining book gives us story after story reminding us that God is always near." -- Roma Downey, Actress and Producer.

"In this heartwarming collection of real-life stories, Laura Schroff explores the invisible threads that connect and elevate us. Kindness to others, she explains, activates these threads. Filled with narratives about people whose lives have been changed forever by simple acts of kindness, Angels on Earth is inspiring, entertaining, and immensely readable." -- Christina Baker Kline, #1 New York Times Bestselling author, Orphan Train

ANGELS on EARTH releases on October 25th, 2016 in bookstores nationwide.



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## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Laura Schroff** is an international and #1 *New York Times* bestselling author and keynote speaker, and is a passionate and compelling voice on the power of small acts of kindness and mentorship. Her book, *An Invisible Thread*, has been on the *New York Times* Best Sellers list for a total of 39 weeks and is the recipient of many prestigious awards. Laura spoke alongside Archbishop Desmond Tutu, former First Lady Laura Bush, and bestselling author Malcolm Gladwell at Leadercast 2014. *An Invisible Thread Christmas Story* (Simon & Shuster Children's Publishing), which is written for young children, was released in 2015. *An Invisible Thread* film rights have been purchased by OddLot Entertainment.

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**Alex Tresniowski**, the co-author of *An Invisible Thread*, is a former senior writer for *PEOPLE* Magazine who wrote human interest stories for an audience of 40 million weekly readers. Alex is the author of fifteen books, one of which, 2005's *The Vendetta*, was purchased by Universal Pictures and used as a basis for the 2009 Johnny Depp movie *Public Enemies*.

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