



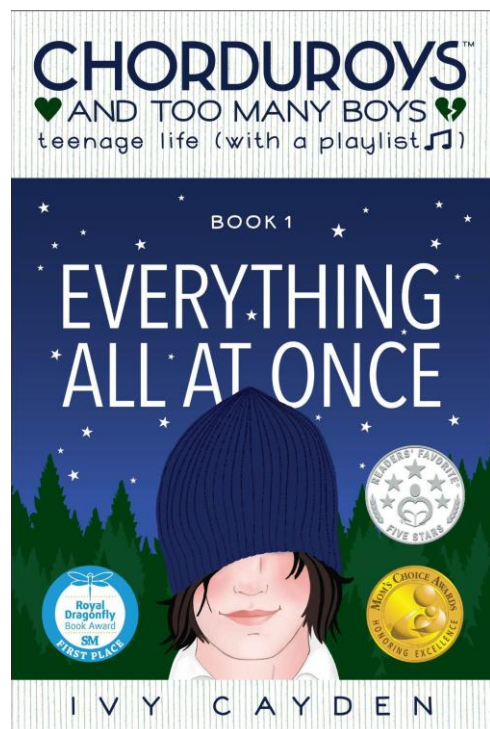
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Cambria author **Ivy Cayden** receives national recognition through the INDEPENDENT PRESS AWARD® and international recognition with a gold medal from The Wishing Shelf Book Awards in the UK!

(Cambria, CA) -- The INDEPENDENT PRESS AWARD recognized *Everything All At Once (Book 1 in the Chorduroys And Too Many Boys™ series)* by Ivy Cayden in the category of Teen as a Winner. The competition is judged by experts from different aspects of the book industry, including publishers, writers, editors, book cover designers and professional copywriters. Selected award winners and distinguished favorites are based on overall excellence. In 2021, the INDEPENDENT PRESS AWARD had entries worldwide. Participating authors and publishers reside in countries such as Australia, Canada, India, Ireland, Japan, Singapore, Switzerland, United Kingdom, and others. In addition, books submitted included writers located in U.S. cities such as Atlanta to Santa Fe; Chicago to New York; from Boise to Honolulu, and others.

The Wishing Shelf Book Awards in the UK honored *Everything All At Once (Book 1 in the Chorduroys And Too Many Boys™ series)* by Ivy Cayden with a Gold Medal win. In this competition, the books were judged by their intended readers. Since Cayden's book competed in Category 4: Books for Teenagers, it was read and judged by students in several schools in the UK, mostly London. The students assessed the books according to: editing, theme, style, and cover. Then, based on those scores, the gold, silver, and bronze medals were awarded—and all of the authors received detailed feedback from their readers.



Book title: *Everything All At Once (Book 1 in the Chorduroys And Too Many Boys™ series)*

Author: Ivy Cayden

Genre: Young Adult Music Fiction

Synopsis: Teenage life (with a playlist). Nearly sixteen, Kila Lorens showers herself in music, lives in plush corduroys, and always applies a double layer of lip gloss. She longs for the answers to this irritating trio of questions: When will she have her first kiss? Will Angus Lyr ever stop obsessi-texting Reese Seratine? And why did her former best friend, Brixton Kading, silently bow out of her life six months ago? The particulars of these unknowns—along with her mission to convince Maya Malta to share some sizeable news with a certain seventeen-year-old before he finds out from someone else—keep Kila's eyes open at night.

But one late hour delivers something worth hiding: a private Nektir message from Timothy Cardiff, the tall, inky-haired enigma who rarely speaks in school, yet somehow morphs into Salt for Swordsmen's frontman on the weekends. Amidst tandem listening and dizzying revelations, the two

form an unlikely attachment. When their covert communication spills into the halls of Cypress High, they both wonder if this will be a short-lived or long-lasting entanglement.

Ethan Lorens—Kila’s cautious but optimistic older brother—mostly focuses on his new drums and his indie band’s potential. An after-school visit to Casper’s Music Underground presents some unexpected industry intel. Following years of hiatus, Emerald Rock plans to host another EmOpen. Casper encourages the boys to prepare for the contest, but Ethan, Brixton, and Angus wrestle with the group’s shortcomings. Could the young French chef they meet at The Hidden Meridian be the band’s missing link?

Sometimes dreams come out to play. Mixing Kila and Ethan’s friends together on a parentless weekend induces irreversible crushes, late-night courtship, and stinging heartache. With an elaborate, 67-song playlist to embed you in every magnetic moment and missed connection, you’ll experience the rush of *Everything All At Once*, the first book in the CHORDUROYS AND TOO MANY BOYS™ series.



Bio: Ivy Cayden lives on the rugged, pinetree-lined Central Coast of California. Years ago, on her first visit to Henry Cowell Redwoods State Park, she fell in love with the tall trees in Felton and returns whenever she gets the chance. A vegan for over a decade, Ivy is passionate about supporting small businesses and all things indie--especially music. In addition to writing the CHORDUROYS AND TOO MANY BOYS™ series, she founded and manages the indie music blog My Multi-Track Mind, where she interviews rising musicians, covers new releases, and posts moody playlists. Most recently, she and her husband Chase launched another small business, Moosey’s Garden, which grows specialty organic microgreen varieties for local natural food stores and cafés.

Say "hi" to Ivy, find repeat-worthy songs, and learn all about the next book release and more by connecting: Instagram @ivycayden + Facebook @ivycayden

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Short Book Description:

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“A light, fun, fantastically gripping story of young love, music and the ups and terrible downs of high school.” **-Five stars, A 'Wishing Shelf' Book Review**