

## “The Rangity Tango Kids” Dances Off the Shelves at London Book Fair

Under the bright lights of the 2026 London Book Fair, Lorraine Rominger’s debut memoir, “*The Rangity Tango Kids: The Story of a Fifth-Generation Farm Family in Rural California*,” found its first mainstream audience—and they couldn’t get enough. On March 11, 2026, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Lorraine’s first-ever book signing at The Maple Staple, Stand 6A100, saw all 50 copies disappear in just two hours, as readers clamored to hold the story of a childhood rooted in earth, family, and tradition.

Born in Yolo County, **Lorraine Rominger** grew up on her family’s farm just outside the small town of Winters, California—a world of sun-warmed fields, clucking hens, and the hum of tractors. She and her cousins, dubbed the “Rangity Tango Kids” by one of her father’s farmhands, ran wild across orchards and canals, hunted eggs, milked cows, and learned the rhythms of life under the wide California sky. It was a childhood stitched together with love, hard work, and laughter, and Lorraine’s memoir captures it all with tenderness, humor, and reverence.

From a 25-year career in music, television, and film, including a decade working with Prince, to serving as Executive Director of the San Francisco Film and Video Commission and as Deputy Director of the Goldman Environmental Prize, Lorraine’s life has danced across stages and screens. Yet it is here, in the quiet soil of her family farm and in the memories of a German-Catholic childhood, that she found her story and her purpose in writing it.

“*The Rangity Tango Kids: The Story of a Fifth-Generation Farm Family in Rural California*” is both homage and heirloom. Born from the loss of her mother and a desire to preserve the disappearing ways of 1950s and 1960s rural life, it is Lorraine’s gift to future generations: nieces, nephews, and great-grandchildren who may never know the scent of fresh-turned earth, the thrill of driving a tractor, or the laughter echoing across a farmyard at sunset.

For over 60 years, Lorraine’s own childhood mark—a purple crayon scrawl on her grandparents’ garage wall—has endured, a quiet testament to memory, family, and the stories that refuse to fade. Now, through her memoir, those stories leap from page to life.

See the magic of Lorraine Rominger’s farm and family at [lorrainerominger.com](http://lorrainerominger.com), and explore her full story in *The Maple Staple Magazine* Spring Issue 2026 on page 18 at <https://themaplestaple.com/the-maplestaple-magazine-issue-8/>.