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METABOOK AND PENGUIN RANDOM HOUSE UK ANNOUNCE DEAL FOR NEW WALLY LAMB NOVEL

[New York and London; September 7, 2016] Metabook and Penguin Random House UK announced today a deal for *I'll Take You There*, the new novel by #1 *New York Times* bestselling author Wally Lamb.

Susan Sandon, managing director of Cornerstone, Penguin Random House, acquired UK and Commonwealth rights excluding Canada to *I'll Take You There* from Metabook for Cornerstone's Hutchinson imprint.

Metabook will publish the novel worldwide exclusively as a multimedia app for iPad and iPhone on November 20, 2016. In addition to the full text of the novel, the *I'll Take You There* Metabook will include a full-cast audio dramatization of the book, an original soundtrack, short films, 360° galleries, shareable images and more.

Hutchinson will release the book in hardcover and export trade paperback on November 22, 2016, with an Arrow paperback to follow in 2017.

"We are excited to be partnering with Hutchinson on this title," said Christian Alfonsi, president and CEO of Metabook. "Hutchinson's proven success with some of the world's best-loved authors makes them a welcome addition to our distinguished group of publishing partners worldwide."

"As his millions of adoring American readers can attest, Wally Lamb has an incredible gift for getting inside the minds of his heroines and revealing them in all their complexity," said Susan Sandon. "I am delighted to welcome him and *I'll Take You There* to Hutchinson and glad that readers here will now have the opportunity to discover this affecting new novel."

Against a kaleidoscopic convergence of Hollywood iconography and one family's shared secrets, *I'll Take You There* tells a deeply evocative, generations-spanning story of one man's life—and of the remarkable women who impacted it. Lamb's stunning new novel stands as a testament to the power of family, the resilience of love, and the enduring magic of movies.

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ABOUT WALLY LAMB

Wally Lamb is the author of five *New York Times* bestselling novels: *She's Come Undone*, *I Know This Much is True*, *The Hour I First Believed*, *Wishin' and Hopin'* and *We Are Water*. He was twice selected for Oprah's Book Club. Lamb also edited *Couldn't Keep It to Myself* and *I'll Fly Away*, two volumes of essays from students in his writing workshop at York Correctional Institution, a women's prison in Connecticut, where he has been a volunteer facilitator for the past 17 years. He lives in New York and Connecticut.

ABOUT METABOOK

Metabook is the new digital reading experience for iPad and iPhone that seamlessly integrates works from top authors with exclusive multimedia content from Grammy, Emmy, Tony and Academy Award-caliber talent. Following the success of its award-winning debut title, John Berendt's bestseller *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil*, Metabook will release *I'll Take You There*, the new novel by #1 *New York Times* bestselling author Wally Lamb, on November 20, 2016. Metabook can be visited online at: www.metabook.com.

ABOUT HUTCHINSON

Hutchinson publishes some of the UK's bestselling, best-loved novelists including Helen Dunmore, Robert Harris and Sebastian Faulks, and is proud to have published Ruth Rendell throughout her 50-year career. While the subjects of Hutchinson's non-fiction varies – from running to the Mistresses of Cliveden, Ian Fleming to supper in Umbria – the approach is always passionate and original. Hutchinson is privileged to have published era-defining political memoirs, including the autobiographies of Tony Blair and Bill Clinton and the diaries of Tony Benn and Alastair Campbell. Hutchinson can be visited online at: www.penguinrandomhouse.co.uk/publishers/cornerstone/hutchinson