

Commercial Man Cave: Attempting to remove old tiles laid on old plywood would lead to extensive repair work, likely leading to redoing the subfloor entirely. The client wanted a solution that could eliminate that step and still provide a durable floor. We deep cleaned the tiles, scuffed them up, and applied several coats of high-build epoxy over top. The grout lines were all but eliminated, and the client got a unique marbled floor that really enhanced the space.



Floor Coatings For Walk-In Freezers: The walk-in freezer couldn't be shut off, so concrete repairs and installation of a new coating needed to be done in below freezing temperatures. We used a rapid cure epoxy slurry for repairs and coated the floor with fast cure water-based epoxy.

Dairy Farm Robot Room Floor: Caustic cleaning chemicals are necessary to keep the 24-hour milking robot sterile and safe

for the cattle. The existing vinyl flooring was peeling due to these chemicals. Also, the robot couldn't be shut down for longer than two hours without incurring significant revenue losses. The process was completed, including surface prep, cleaning, drying the slab with a torch, and applying two coats of ultra-rapid cure epoxy, all within a two-hour period. When the robot was turned back on, the floor held up and continues to hold up to the cleaning chemicals.

Dangerous Play

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Local author, Emma Kress, debuts her first young adult novel, *Dangerous Play*, on August 3rd with a virtual and in-person book launch from our very own Northshire Bookstore in Saratoga Springs.

A fierce team of girls takes back the night in this propulsive, electrifying, and high-stakes novel that follows Zoe Alamandar, a girl with a goal to win the State Field Hockey Championships and to earn a scholarship that will be her ticket out of town. But after she is assaulted at a party, she has a new goal—to make sure no girl feels unsafe again. Together with her teammates, they decide to stop playing by the rules and to take justice into their own hands, but what will it cost?

This feminist story has been called timely, daring, and thrilling as it explores female friendship and the difficulties of doing the right thing in a world that seems against you.

Previously a high school English teacher, with a Master in Writing for Children and Young Adults, Kress also worked at the Victim Services Agency in NYC and as a peer counselor facilitating workshops for teens on assault.

She is thrilled to celebrate the release of her book by conversation with award-winning and bestselling young adult author, Nova Ren Suma, at a virtual event on August 3rd at 6pm, hosted by Northshire Bookstore. Tickets for the event can be reserved at www.northshire.com/event/northshire-live-emma-kress-presents-dangerous-play-nova-ren-suma.

Kress will also be signing books IN-PERSON at Northshire Bookstore on the same day from 3-4pm.

Northshire Bookstore is excited to help launch this book. Rachel

Person from Northshire said, “I want to put this book in the hands of every teenager I know. For anyone—especially any girl—who needs to find the power that comes from speaking up and speaking out, this gorgeous debut is a game-changer!”

