



## About the Author

### David Bowles

David Bowles, a fifth-generation Texan, divides his time between San Antonio and Montana.

His love of history was nurtured by his family's storytelling tradition. In the Dedication of his book *Spring House: Book 1 in the Westward Sagas*, Bowles shares his memories of sitting on the front porch of his aunt and uncle's ranch house, cranking the ice cream freezer, eating homemade peach ice cream, and listening to Aunt Izola Bowles' stories. Those stories intrigued him because they really happened — and they happened to people that were connected to him. He wanted to know more about his ancestors and developed an early interest in history. Growing up in Austin, Texas, he spent much of his time reading about history and touring the many museums, libraries, and state buildings in the city.

To make these stories as exciting to his readers as the stories told by the previous generations of his family were to him, he created dialogue and scenes to fill in the gaps in history. While remaining faithful to known facts, he began writing fiction to add true life drama to the stories that would become *The Westward Sagas*, tales from colonial days to the settlement of the West. The first two books in the series, *Spring House* and *Adam's Daughters*, are available now, and *Book 3* will be released in the spring of 2012.

He is a member of several heritage and genealogical societies, as well as the [Tejas Storytelling Association](#) and the [National Storytelling Network](#). He speaks to schools, churches, and other organizations. His presentations are both entertaining and educational.

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