## Loving Frank

## By Horan, Nancy.

Ballantine. 1 Paperback(s), 2013. soft. Book Condition: New. (Winner of the 2009 James Fenimore Cooper Prize for Best Historical Fiction) "I have been standing on the side of life, watching it float by. I want to swim in the river. I want to feel the current," wrote Mamah Borthwick Cheney in her diary as she struggled to justify her love affair with Frank Lloyd Wright. She had met him four years earlier, in 1903, when she and her husband Edwin had commissioned the architect to design a house for them. During the project, a powerful attraction developed between Mamah and Frank, each married with children, and in time they sacrificed their families to embark on a course that shocked Chicago society. Nancy Horan's Mamah is a woman seeking her true place and her own creative calling in the world. "Good ideas for novels sometimes spring nearly fully formed from life. Such is the case with Nancy Horan's Loving Frank, which details Frank Lloyd Wright's passionate affair with a woman named Mamah Cheney . creating a Chicago scandal that eventually ended in inexplicable violence. Wright comes across as ardent, visionary and erratic, while Mamah (pronounced May-mah) is a complex person with...

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