

"Echoes Across Time"

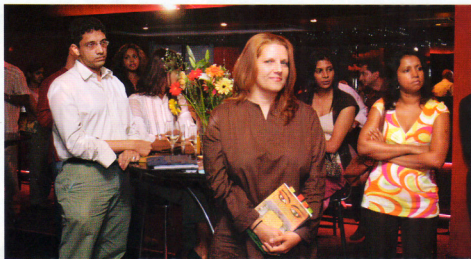
Malayna Dawn

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Malayna Dawn is an author with diverse interests. Before settling down to become an author, she had worked in various aspects of the entertainment industry and was also interested in various religions. Born to an American mother and a Sri Lankan father, she lived in Los Angeles and now, with her Sri Lankan husband had been living here since 2000. After working in television production, she became a freelance writer and she's been published worldwide. With experience and data gathered on many of her previous visits to Sri Lanka and with what she had learnt since being domiciled here, she turned author, writing "Echoes Across Time".

Malayna plans to make the book available both in USA and Sri Lanka hoping it would open an

interesting window to the cultural and spiritual ways of Sri Lanka. Written with a lot of her own experiences plus what she wove into the book from her learning. It is part spiritual and part modern-day myth which takes the reader through a series of events from USA to India and finally to Sri Lanka spanning four generations. Mara (the main character of the book) is a woman interested in the diversities and on her journey tries to unravel the mysteries of life that make up each one's identities. She learns of people, their diverse purposes and tries to understand the mysteries behind their actions which relate much to the culture, ritual and beliefs of the country. A bit like an adventure, it had a streak of mythical mystery as if one is talking of one's previous lives.



At a time where most reading is done on the web, electronically, Malayna has no plans yet, to make her book available electronically for readers, believing that the magic found among pages can never be found on a screen. At the moment, she is also busy working on the two of her next books. At LW, we wish her all the best!

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