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Princess Fumi Hancock is a media figure, film-maker, bestselling author, motivational speaker, interviewer, wife, and mother.

Her first book, “The Adventures of Jewel Cardwell,” was a bestseller and broke into the higher echelons of the Amazon bestseller listings. Her show, “Princess In Suburbia,” has had over 2 million viewings to date. Her upcoming movie, “Of Sentimental Value,” has been winning awards and looks set to become a hit. Her second book, “Sorcerers Purgatory,” will be released later this year and has already garnered heavy interest.

Princess Fumi will be appearing on radio shows, TV shows and giving interviews to the media throughout the summer. You can book her for your show by emailing Nick@nickwale.org.

PRESS RELEASES

BESTSELLING AUTHOR PRINCESS FUMI HANCOCK LOOKS SET TO CELEBRATE HER ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY IN STYLE WITH NEW INTERVIEW, BOOK AND MOVIE.

(Prague, Czech Republic) Bestselling author Princess Fumi Hancock is set to celebrate the one year anniversary of her very successful YouTube TV show "[Princess in Suburbia](#)." This highly rated show has been just one of the many creative outlets Princess Fumi Hancock has taken by storm since she started her journey into the world of media. Her bestselling book, new movie and TV show have made her a powerful presence on the Internet, and 2014 looks set to be her most exciting year so far.

This one year anniversary will be celebrated by a special interview with Princess Fumi Hancock and will be followed by the release of her second book, "[Of Sentimental Value](#)," and the release of her first movie later in the year.

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Interviews with Princess Fumi Hancock can be organized through Nick@nickwale.org

BESTSELLING AUTHOR AND FILM MAKER FUMI HANCOCK UP FOR AWARD AS WELL AS HER MOVIE "OF SENTIMENTAL VALUE"

(Prague, Czech Republic) Bestselling author Princess Fumi Hancock has been nominated and currently looks set to win "[favorite screenwriter](#)" at the African NAFCAs awards. This comes on the heels of her film "Of Sentimental Value" being nominated for "[Favorite Trailer/ Short Film](#)." At this time of writing, Princess Fumi, a well-respected writer with one bestseller to her name already, looks set to win both awards. This is just another exciting page turner in what could be described as an exciting year for Princess Hancock.

The trailer for her upcoming movie, "Of Sentimental Value," has already garnered heavy interest, and she has a new book to be released in the near future. You can also catch the latest interview from [Princess Fumi Hancock](#) and learn more about her books and upcoming movie.

A PROFILE OF PRINCESS FUMI HANCOCK



Fumi "Stephanie" Hancock is a walking example of how an ordinary person from a shackled life of broken promises and shattered dreams can live a fulfilled destiny. After twenty years of dropping her pen, she picks it right back up again by releasing *The Grimmlyn Series: The Adventures of Jewell Cardwell, Hydra's Nest*.

Though having graduated with a postgraduate degree in communication arts, and undergraduate degrees in English studies and nursing, she ascribes her writing to her life experiences, which were

many times challenging.

According to her, the protagonists and antagonists in her novels often come from the darkest moments of her life--a tribute to the fact that something good can come out of mysterious and difficult circumstances if we choose to turn our challenges around. Age is merely a number where success is concerned.

She also pulls some of her characters from her travels around the world--in particular, exotic Africa-- weaving her unique tales. Fumi loves to write for young adults, particularly urban fantasy, and paranormal nonfiction with a touch of romance. She aspires to one day write a mystery/detective novel for the adult audience. For now, she is content with her young adult audience.

With her background in nursing, she gently nurses her unusual characters to life for her readers to enjoy.

Fumi Hancock is also making waves online with her inspirational lifestyle web-series called "The Princess in Suburbia" now over 2.4 million viewings.

She lives in Tennessee with her husband, Dr. David Hancock, and her two grown sons, Bola and Demola Thompson. She cherishes her two stepdaughters, who reside in Michigan.

One big part of Princess Fumi's life is her philanthropic work promoting quality education and health for African children where she has trained governmental leaders, governors, commissioners and community chiefs, and regional kings in Africa.

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Meet PRINCESS FUMI HANOCK- AUTHOR

5-Star Reviews for “The Adventures of Jewell Cardwell: Book 1: Hydra’s Nest”

"Hancock has no rivals for her writing on the mysteries of Africa! A gripping adventure, prepare for the ride of your life through the challenges, both in the physical and spiritual plane, of a teenage girl in deepest, darkest Africa!"

- The New American Times

5 Stars: 5.0 out of 5 stars

September 18, 2012 By David Amazon Verified Purchase. A real African Adventure! Fumi brings a new level of interest to African Adventure. This story reminds me of Harry Potter with an African twist! Her story of a teenage girl in south central Africa is captivating and filled with a view of the real Africa, not the stereotyped version. I was unaware that Africa remains such an eclectic mix of the modern and the primitive. I found myself identifying with the characters and concerned about what might happen next as if they were real people!

5 Stars: 5.0 out of 5 stars

October 17, 2012 by Theophilus O (PLAINSBORO, NJ, US) Amazon Verified Purchase
This is an adventure book that is capable of becoming a classic. By detailed descriptions of the scenes and the characters in the book, readers are transported to the region in South Africa where Jewel experienced the ups and downs of a South African Safari.

5 Stars: 5.0 out of 5 stars

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There are very strong cultural elements in this book and this is what I loved about it. Perhaps, the writer has drawn on her own experiences, I don't know but I liked that the surrounding elements of the book were able to add to the flow of the narration and character development. As Jewel tries to get used to the harsh realities of boarding school and the magic that has now become such a big part of her life, you feel sorry for her.

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'Jewel Cardwell' is a 16 year old high school student has much to learn of her dark ancestry. As the mysteries surrounding her family is unravelled, so does it unleash the supernatural evil that has been lurking to devour all that she loves. Jewel is in a fight to save those she loves but to do so she must first learn of what she is fighting against. Sorcery and dark magic are the cores to this

supernatural adventure.

A wonderful, exciting and thrilling novel that takes place in the exotic lands of Africa. Hard to put down and definitely looking forward to the next in the series. Recommended to all who would love a great YA Adventure!

5 Stars: 5.0 out of 5 stars

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Adventures of Jewel Cardwell has the makings of a great series. In the first few pages, Jewel catches your attention and leaves you craving more. Jewel is a character that starts as a rebellious teen, but by the end of Hydra's Nest, she grows into herself as a young woman. This coupled with the fact that she is under a curse that could endanger her loved ones, in a country on the brink of civil war, and trying to decide between two very hot...er.... different boys makes for one of the most interesting plot lines I've ever seen.

Mrs. Hancock has written a beautiful, mysterious novel that captured her characters perfectly. Jewels' sidekicks bring a sense of humor and sadness to this novel and they provide a perfect offset to the mystery. I can't wait to read the sequel, The Sorcerer's Purgatory, and see what Jewel does next.

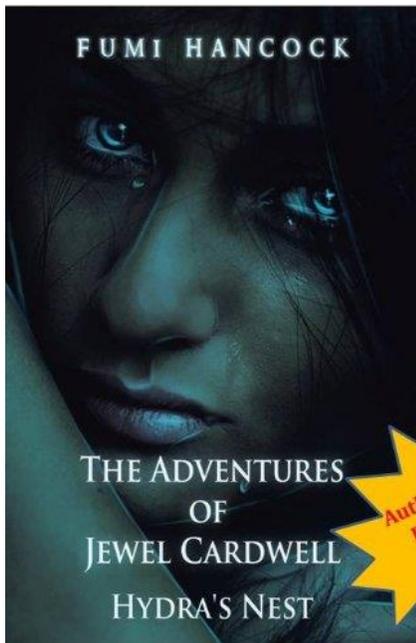
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As a parent, something about this book tugs at you. Did you do right by your children today? Have you screwed up in some way they will remember in ten years? The character Jewel appears to be a mixture of misguidance, a surge of strength and of course let's add the boarding school, boys, magic and curiosity. You now have the perfect combination of adventure, mystery and page turning events.

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You want to protect her and keep her from the all bad things you know are coming her way and yet, if you did, then there wouldn't be this remarkable story.

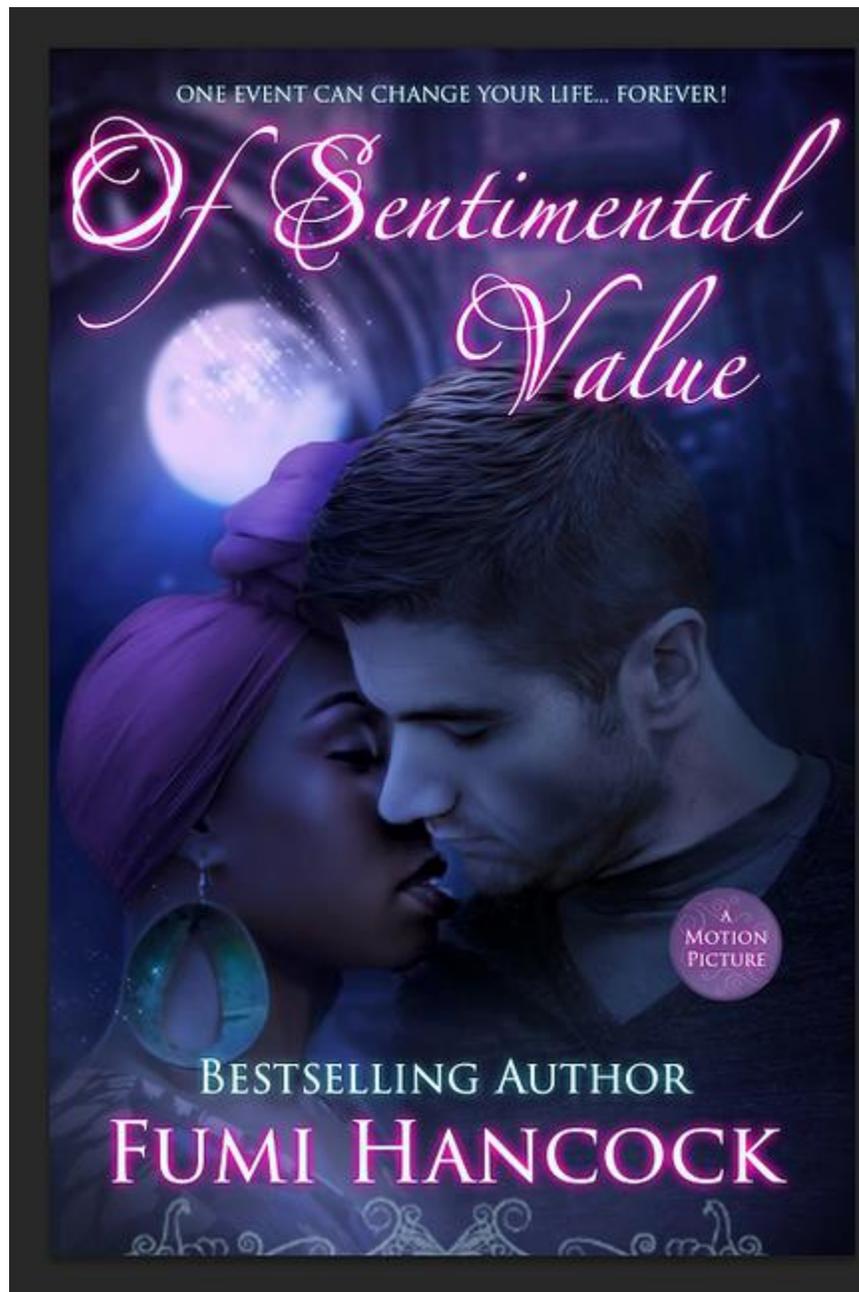


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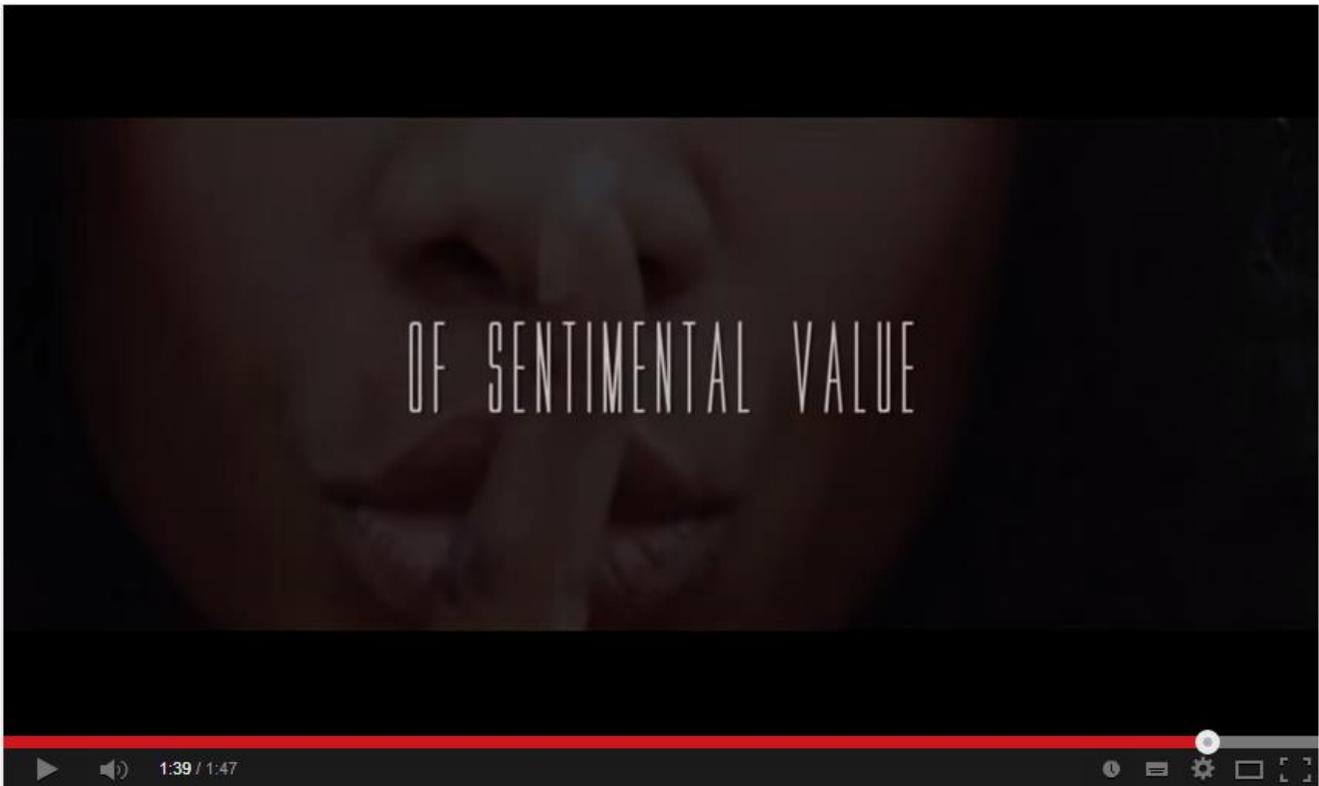
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Q & A With Princess Fumi Hancock

How did you find yourself writing a book? What's the story behind your career?

While I have written several inspirational books for women, *Beyond Idol Worship*, *Starting Right Now*, *Your Vision Torch* (check them out on Amazon) to name a few, *The Adventures of Jewel Cardwell: Hydra's Nest* is my very first fiction work. So here is the backdrop story behind my writing career as a fiction writer (or should I say a story teller?):

I was born in Africa but have lived in the United States of America for over 30 years. A little over six years ago, my father called me up and told me it was time to return home to Nigeria. I'd literally grown up in the U.S. and this was home to me. And although my father lived in the U.S. too, he felt it was time for us to give back to Africa.

In 2007, I returned to Africa on a mission to be a part of this historic moment... the coronation of His Royal Majesty King Emmanuel Adebayo. It was also an opportunity to rediscover my roots. This was an important trip for me as I'd not been back for over 23 years! Equally important, one of my cousins was being crowned a king in one of the provinces and my father felt it was a great opportunity for me to reconnect with my roots.

The journey was exhilarating yet filled with anxiety as I did not know what I was going to encounter. I trusted my father, packed my bags and went back to West Africa with my family. It was the most incredible journey of my life... to witness a King's coronation... no words could describe the feelings. What was more important was the surprise which awaited me! The community people rallied around me and reminded me of who I was... their princess who had been gone for long and was now back! I took the time to revisit my childhood boarding school. Low and behold, all of my experiences at the school came rushing back.

The characters that readers will encounter in *The Adventures of Jewel Cardwell* are a culmination of my childhood friends as well as "the conjured friends in my head." These characters have consistently plagued my dreams and haunted my mind into bringing them alive. Every year, I would return to Africa (with my American friends) serving the children in the communities through my non-profit organization the Adassa Foundation, and I am reminded of the colorful ambiance and the need to share this part of the world with book lovers.

As I began to paint this African adventure on paper, my sons, who were teenagers at the time, nudged me with their support and their instant enjoyment of the plot. Every time I would complete a chapter, they wanted more. They wanted to see what would happen to the characters. More importantly, they were intrigued by the description of the African setting, the culture of the people revealed through the different characters and the blended families relayed by the characters. Different characters elicited different emotions as they read alongside other young adults reviewing the story.

While there have been some popular fantasy books like Harry Potter, Amanda Hocking's "Trylle" series and Stephenie Meyer's "Twilight" series, with settings in Europe and America, there has not been one to present other parts of the world. The characters in the Grimmlyn Series urge me to fill this gap!

I want my readers to be transported to a place where they'd never been before. I want them to see how other people live in other parts of the world... I want them to also see how people like them, who have traveled to live in Africa, adjust to the culture and setting. The characters, although they reside in Africa, come from various parts of the world especially Europe. My sons were very helpful in painting vivid imagery of "the characters in my head." Bola, my oldest son, was inspired to travel across the ocean... and he made renditions of scenes directly from the book: www.worldoffumihancock.com. He, alongside his younger brother, composed and arranged the trailer songs.

Do you describe yourself as an author?

I see myself more as a story teller. One who has lots of characters in her play pen. I believe my stories mould or shape peoples' lives. The topics discovered therein often cause people to think differently about their lives.

What do you think of the writing world? Are you happy being part of it?

I love it... I wouldn't have it any other way. I always say, it takes you being special to want to tell stories. Many want to do it because they think it is glamorous but few are actually good at it. Being great means being consistent and that is what many do not like. More importantly, I know I was born for this. So there you go...

Tell me more about your latest book—where did you get the ideas?

Women have been known to multitask! I am no different. While I am enjoying my readers loving *The Adventures of Jewel Cardwell: Hydra's Nest*, I took time off from writing the sequel and hopped on another novel... this time it is a mystery suspense genre, *Of Sentimental Value*. I am equally excited to tell my readers that *Of Sentimental Value* has become a feature film which is scheduled for release sometime in 2014. Stay tuned. This is a story of an African immigrant young lady who comes to America to fulfil her writing dreams. Unbeknownst to her, she pawned off the heirloom alongside her camera when hard times came tumbling down! Hell breaks loose around her America and threatens the life of her beloved sister in Africa. The race is on to find the artefact! Amidst this, a love triangle develops between her, a very wealthy older art collector, and a simple but good-looking American consignment store owner.... What happens next? That's for you to find out in the book, *Of Sentimental Value*, and of course the movie when it is officially released.

The next book I am tackling is the sequel to the bestseller, the *Adventures of Jewel Cardwell: Hydra's Nest*. It is called *The Sorcerer's Purgatory* and it will be the second in the Grimmlyn Series. Here, one of the characters, Kaya Darkling the Sorcerer's daughter in *The Adventures of Jewel Cardwell* will be a main contender.

I think the behind-the-scene and the cover reveal will titillate my readers and prepare them for a great saga. This adventures promises to kick the fun and magical encounters up more notches! Thank heavens; this will not take me another two years to finish!

What do you need to make your writing career tolerable?

A sense of humor, being content at your level, and (argh) yes, a very thick skin for when the reviews start pouring in. Understanding that not everyone will love your writing. You simply learn to take the good, the bad, and the ugly... roll them up into one big, effective experience and push on. If you constantly have to defend your writing, worried about one bad review or many at that... you will not move forward.

How many times have you rewritten a sentence to make it the "right" sentence?

Oh gosh, who is counting? And who says what I'd just written ten times is "right"? As writers, we are our own worst critics. Thank God I have people in my life whom I trust to read my book during the editing period. They bottom line tell me to move on after they have seen me edit a chapter over 10 times, and that is no exaggeration. I am getting better at my literary OCD (Obsessive Compulsive Disorder). Argh!

What sells books?

Oh, that is one tough question. When you find the right ingredient, please holler right back at me. I suppose great characterization—by that I mean unique characters, an interesting storyline which moves the story on, incredible backdrop stories and the location.

Would you buy your book as a customer?

Great question... Darn straight, I would! Check this out: Here is a short synopsis of *The Adventures of Jewel Cardwell: Hydra's Nest*. It epitomizes my genre and what I enjoy writing:

A unique and thrilling African ambiance not familiar to many!

Lying gracefully between the Vaal River in the north and the Orange River in the south, the rolling grassland and fields of crops rising to a lovely sandstone mountain, is Milner Court, Bloemfontein, a suburb nestled in the middle of Free State, South Africa.

The Adventures of Jewel Cardwell: Hydra's Nest magically transports its readers from the rolling hills of Bloemfontein to the beautiful farmlands of Bela-bela, South Africa. It is a fantasy-based coming of age story of a rebellious 17-year-old teenager who (through no fault of her own) is thrust into an environment ridden with unfamiliar and unsavory demonic activities when admitted into a prep school in South Africa.

As Jewel Cardwell is relentlessly being trailed by an unapologetic family curse, she races against time to find answers before the curse wipes out all of her loved ones.

In the midst of this demonic war, she becomes entangled in a love triangle between a young rugged-looking *Darwin Morton* who she grew up with on Milner Court and the very wealthy and popular high school soccer team leader with the silver spoon in his mouth, *Eric Broder*.

Now, more to the great question... would *you* read it?

What ingredients make your book a great read?

My books, especially my fiction books, transport my readers to a world unfamiliar to them... Africa! I love the colorful traditions... the people...their nuances and just the richness of the culture. I draw my inspiration from the people I have met through my life journey growing up in Africa and of course, those I have conjured up in the fantasy and mystery world in my head. What ingredients make my book a great read? The people! The fabulous culture! The authenticity of the characters as they play out their lives... the magical places they travel to throughout Africa... their strengths... their weaknesses... their ability to thrive in the face of hardship and the reality my readers also end up facing....Need I say more?

What makes your subject interesting?

The journey my readers take with me to Africa and what they see through the eyes of my characters who come from various parts of the world, yet reside in Africa are authentic. For fantasy and mystery lovers, they are captivated by the colorful and detailed description of the environment and the characters therein. The subject matter entails modern day woes with a twist of fantasy, blended with mystery. Once, I had a reader reach out to me and said that now she can cross South Africa off her to

do list... as she found herself in the streets of South African when reading *The Adventures of Jewel Cardwell*. For fans who enjoy world travel, brace yourself. *The Sorcerer's Purgatory*, a sequel to *The Adventures of Jewel Cardwell* will kick it up a notch! *Of Sentimental Value*, a mystery novel by nature will not only take you into Africa but transport you back to America with an African immigrant with her plight of survival.

I can't wait to see the movie! I have to ask you this one— what makes you an interesting author?

I think my family background intrigues people particularly when they find out that I am from African royalty. Then they settle down to enjoy my book and really understand why I have chosen African as my place or writing refuge in most of my books. I also like to believe that they experience my authenticity as they read and get to know my characters. I remember when the *Adventures of Jewel Cardwell* first came out. Some of the bloggers started digging into my background until they were finally able to link me to the African royalty. Of course, many were so intrigued by the whole idea that they started asking so many questions about my upbringing as a princess. So to wet their insatiable appetite for everything Princess Fumi, I created an episode on my channel: The Princess in Suburbia Lifestyle TV Show, which showed pictures of my forefathers from the 1800s. It was surreal going back home and having my father walk me through the stories. Thanks to my readers—you inspired me to dig even further, too.

What makes me interesting? I am like an onion... when you peel the layers, you never know what you will find... So, keep peeling away.

How many times have you wished you'd started writing earlier?

I don't believe in regrets. If I think about it, it will impede my writing abilities. Particularly for someone like me who started very early then quit for another 25 years to pick it back up again. In retrospect, the truth be told, my life is richer now with more life experience to pool from. My first crack at a novel became a bestseller! So, you see, I can't afford regrets at this point.

Who are your favourite authors?

Okay, I have some book crushes... Here we go: J.R.R. Tolkien, author of the "Lord of the Rings" series. I am totally captivated by his writing.

So, what's the purpose of your book?

Simple... to inspire, to motivate and empower people to follow their dreams no matter what their age. Above all, just pure entertainment.

How much time did you spend writing this book?

When I start a project, I write at least 4-5 hours a day for 5 days a week.