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collections.

- The Novels are also being published as audio books performed by the author. The first won the Silver Ben Franklin Award for audio. The second won the Gold USA BookNews Award for audio.

About the Author

- Mara Puel was a performer on-camera and on-stage, with her regular character on *Days Of Our Lives* having been her starting point for soap opera.
- Puel began her writing career as a journalist for the Associated Press, *Rolling Stone*, *The Financial Times of London*, *Working Woman Magazine*, and *The Christian Science Monitor*. A prolific fiction author, she also has written a play and several non-fiction books including *Act Right: A Manual for the On-Camera Actor* with actress Erin Gray.
- Other Awards include: for radio, the New York Festivals Award; for her play *Mary Shelley: In Her Own Words*, the Peak Award; and for public service, Woman of the Year 2002 by the Los Angeles County Commission for Women.
- Mara Puel is also an accomplished musician. Her instrument is the koto and she recorded and has played on the international stage with many noteworthy musicians including the works *Sunahama* recorded with Mike Love and the Beach Boys, *Pathless Path* recorded with Charles Lloyd, *Koto Keys* with Marilyn Harris, and Teiji Ito's *Watermill* recorded with Grammy-winning musician Steve Gorn.
- The hit song "Jet Laggin'" she co-wrote with Marilyn Harris is in current release on the new CD *Orphans*.



My Take on the Book

While this book is more geared toward women, I will say that the author has done a great job at building a great mix of characters that you will not forget. Each character is very unique and she is able to pull together a plot pulls the reader in and engages them from the beginning to the end.

As a person who enjoys mysteries, this book was well written and the author did draw me in and kept me on the hook as I read through the book. I also loved the fact that I was kept in the dark about the end of book and where it would end.

If you are looking for a book that will intrigue your senses and engage you from the beginning to the end this book is one you will want to put on your list!

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