



Sexton's new novel released

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Ojai author Kate Sexton's new novel, "Awakening the Essence: Book One of The Siren Chronicles," was released May 3. This is the first book of "The Siren Chronicles," a trilogy focused on the ancient history of Europe as unveiled through the eyes of a modern woman's journey of discovery. Demonstrating a gift for the creation of legend, Sexton delivers a hypnotic novel of mysteries and profound knowledge and makes real a great dynasty — a family given to history and mythology, to murder and forbidden wisdom, to song and philosophy; a family that is itself haunted by a dangerous and secretive enemy.

During her years of research Sexton discovered Marija Gimbutas' ground-breaking archeological findings, Bryan Sykes genetic work, numerous authors on linguistics and the origins of Indo-European languages, Merlin Stone, James George Frazer, and so many others whose works, each dog-eared and marked with highlighter, now fill seven bookcases. Sexton's novel weaves a story filled with truths drawn from archeology, linguistics, anthropology, myths and religions, and reveals a stun-

ning conclusion about the ancient history of the western world, the women who created civilization, and the men who destroyed it.

A proud fourth generation working woman, Sexton volunteers and works with visual, literary and performing arts non-profit groups, supporting programs for young people to find their bliss through art. She serves on two literary boards of directors: the Ventura County Writers Club and the Pacific Institute for Professional Writing. She has lived in Ventura County for 22 years and recently moved to Ojai.

"Awakening the Essence" is published by Indigo Woman Publishing, a new publishing company located in Ventura, that focuses on fiction and nonfiction in the field of "Women Rising." Current plans are to offer two to three new titles annually, with equality of the sexes as a primary theme.

"Awakening the Essence: Book One of The Siren Chronicles" is available through Amazon (print and Kindle versions) and eStore for the printed version, and for other ebook formats visit TheSirenChronicles.com /. Links to preview or purchase the book can be found at TheSirenChronicles.com /. Sexton's blog is OneWomansVoice.com.