

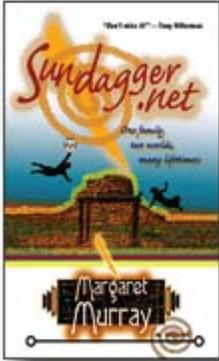


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CIRCLING THE WORLD WITH LOCAL AUTHORS

ALBANY, CA - July 9, 2014 Local authors Margaret C. Murray and Shelley Buck will be featured at **Journeys, Pilgrimages & Quests**, an author event to be held August 9, 2014 at Albany Arts Gallery at 7:00 p.m. The event is organized by WriteWords Press and Albany Arts Gallery.

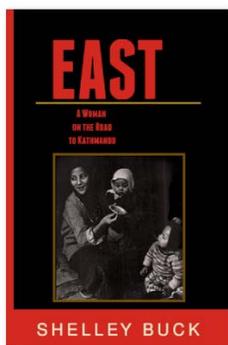
Margaret C. Murray's *Dreamers* is a coming of age love story which tells of an interracial romance set against the turbulent backdrop of the Civil Rights movement in the late 1960s. In Murray's earlier novel, *Sundagger.net*, a vision quest by a members of a sweat lodge circle from Oakland, California, provides the climax to the merging of two worlds--post-9/11 Silicon Valley and Anasazi Great Houses of Chaco Canyon, New Mexico. Murray's upcoming novel, *Spiral*, a prequel to *Sundagger.net*, is set for publication in October, 2014.



Margaret was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and grew up to become a writer and teacher, attending Carnegie-Mellon University and Hunter College along the way. In her early 20s she was invited to the Provincetown Fine Arts Work Center and was the recipient of an

American Federation of the Arts Scholarship. Later she received a National Endowment grant to attend the Squaw Valley Screen Writers Workshop. She is the mother of three children and two grandchildren and for many years has lived in the San Francisco Bay Area. Margaret is the founder and owner of WriteWords Press, which now has four titles in print. Margaret lives in Pinole and teaches her Heart to Paper writing workshops in the Bay Area.

Shelley Buck's *East* is the true story of one woman's overland journey across Asia. Inspired by a book purchased at Fred and Pat Cody's legendary bookstore on Berkeley's Telegraph Avenue, Shelley Buck took off alone in 1972 on a journey she hoped would take her from England to India and Nepal by public transit. She had no idea how much this adventure would change her life.



After Shelley Buck returned from her journey, she co-founded Her Say, a feminist news service that helped rouse young generations of women to take on the world. She is currently the editor of ePícaro.com, a web-based journal of travel narratives. Shelley is the author of another travel memoir, *Floating Point*, teaches writing in the San Francisco Bay area, and lives with her family in the Santa Cruz Mountains.

Bonus: Open MIC. Journeys, Pilgrimages & Quests will also include open microphone readings. Writers interested in participating with travel stories to tell, true or otherwise, should email writewordspress@gmail.com.

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