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Exploration of Authentic Identity Interwoven in Plot of Upcoming Release

HALIFAX, NS—February 15, 2023—Canadian author, Lynda Faye Schmidt, launches her next women’s literary fiction, *The Rogue Scorpion*, on April 23rd in partnership with OC Publishing.

As with her previous books, Schmidt’s latest novel takes the main character, Isabella, on a journey to find inner strength along the path to true love. Will Isabella discover the spiritual fulfillment she is searching for? Or, will a series of challenging events cause her to stop trusting forever?

“The Rogue Scorpion had me captivated from the first page to the last page,” said Karen Dean, bestselling author of *We Are Unbreakable*. “Lynda Faye Schmidt weaves so much emotion and adventure in her storytelling that you can’t help but wonder what will happen next.”

Synopsis:

The Rogue Scorpion is the story of Isabella Ricci, an artist with an adventurous spirit and a deep desire to uncover her purpose. Her resilience is challenged after a traumatic event in Thailand. Later, she finds out her father is unwell and returns home to Winnipeg, but it isn’t long before her searching takes her to Vancouver Island. There, a dysfunctional relationship stifles her dreams and Isabella takes flight once again.

In Panama, Isabella learns to trust her intuition. Her life begins to shift, from a constant series of battles, into flow. She discovers the spiritual depth she yearns for and finds love where she never expected it.

The author says the inspiration for *The Rogue Scorpion* came to her just days after the launch of her first novel, *The Healing*, in April 2021.

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“I was in my home in Panama, about to settle into bed with my journal, when I saw a live scorpion for the first time in my life, clinging to the folds of my drapes,” said Schmidt. “From that moment, the story began to reveal itself in bits and pieces, as is my process. Early on, I knew I wanted my main character, Isabella, to undertake a meaningful spiritual exploration while uncovering her authentic purpose. As Isabella’s personality evolved, I realized she was struggling to accept the love she felt towards her best friend, Catalina.

Schmidt says she saw the story that unfolded as an opportunity to challenge the stereotypes and judgments around gender and sexual identity.

"As with all of my writing, *The Rogue Scorpion* poses questions about love and what it means to be a complex thinking and feeling human being."

The Rogue Scorpion will be available from most online retailers and can be ordered into any local bookstore by ISBN number (978-1-989833-33-9). Originally from Alberta, Schmidt is currently living and writing in Panama. She does a regular blog at *Musings of an Emotional Creature*.

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