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News from the creative worlds of Marianne de Pierres and Marianne Delacourt – The Peacemaker Special July 2011

Message from Marianne

Dear Friends,

The year is flying by and with it, lots of words. I'm just finishing the final edits on Angel Arias (Night Creatures book 2) and am knee deep in Tara Sharp book 3. To break up the daily writing routine, the first half of the year has been taken up with book tour and events, and I'm now looking forward to a quiet period of undisturbed writing.



I am, however, pleased to finally share with you the details of my secret project. Peacemaker my Sci-Fi/Western comic had been launched this month and Marcus will fill you in on all the details. Hope life is behaving for you all. We'll talk again soon.

Marianne

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Sci-Fi & Fantasy meets Western: Webcomic Peacemaker has it all!

Acclaimed Australian author, Marianne de Pierres, and award-winning comic artist, Brigitte Sutherland, have teamed up to produce a new and exciting online comic. Entitled Peacemaker, the web-comic combines the supernatural, the futuristic, the Wild West and the Australian landscape in an exotic blend of storytelling.

Peacemaker introduces readers to park ranger, Virgin Jackson, and US cowboy, Nate Sixkiller. Dead bodies, missing spiritualists, an imaginary eagle and a wholly psychotic businessman, Joachim Spears, are just some of the things that force the two into an uneasy alliance to save Park Western from being closed. Trapped in the heart of a sprawling Australian super city, Park Western is the only piece of natural landscape left in the entire country, and Virgin will do anything to preserve it.

Marianne de Pierres has won awards for her science fiction and crime novels and had her work adapted for RPG and animation. Peacemaker is the result of Marianne's long term romance with Westerns, which started many years ago when her father gave her a copy of Light of the Western Stars by Zane Grey. It was only a matter of time before she wrote one herself.

Brigitte Sutherland's award-winning comic art has featured in numerous anthologies across the world. Brigitte recently released her first creator-owned graphic novel, The Adventures of a Homunculus. Peacemaker allows UK-based Sutherland to share the beauty of the land she grew up in while indulging in high adventures starring a sassy heroine!

Peacemaker is available for download from de Pierres' website www.mariannedepierres.com/peacemaker. There are plans for a limited edition soft-cover to follow. It is published under de Pierres' own branded creative co-op, MDPWeb.



The Headlines

A big congratulation must go to Marianne for taking out the coveted Aurealis award for Best Australian Science Fiction Novel of 2010 with her novel Transformation Space! The judges wrote:



"Transformation-Space is a gripping conclusion to an epic series filled with intimate personal drama, high concept speculation, and planet smashing action."

Make sure you get your hands on a copy of this award winning novel!

Net News

Marianne has recently brought her considerable social networking presence and creative enterprises under the umbrella of MDP Web. The first major project of MDP Web has been Peacemaker but keep an eye out for more...



Head on over to the Tara Sharp site for some fantastic articles reviewing new TV crime series, looking at justice in fictional worlds and tips on how not to become a fictional victim ("location, location, location").

You can also read some fantastic book reviews and an insightful interview with *the* Paul Collins at the Burn Bright site.

Reviews

The reviews keep streaming in for Glitter Rose. Bookonaut says:

"Marianne's writing is fluid, evocative and heart achingly lyrical – the sort of ritten ork you can just read aloud for the enjoyment of it"

Reading Adventures thinks:

"The prose throughout the four short stories is powerfully beautiful and evocative..."

Tidbits

- Wondering what is in store for everyone with Angel Arias? Bel gives us a run down on what we can expect in this [vlog](#).
- Check out the bio of the person behind Peacemaker's amazing illustrations – [Brigitte Sutherland](#).

The Bedside Table

The Hunger Games – *Suzanne Collins*

The Grave Tattoo – *Val McDermid*

The End of the Wasp Season – *Denise Mina*



Upcoming Releases

| Book | Series | Release Date |
|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| Peacemaker | Comic | Out Now! |
| Angel Arias | Burn Bright | October 2011 |
| Too Sharp! | Tara Sharp | October 2012 |
| Sharp Edge | Tara Sharp | October 2013 |

To read more about Marianne's work check out her websites:

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www.burnbright.com.au

www.tarasharp.com

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You can also follow her on Facebook, GoodReads and Twitter.