

**M.L. Malcolm, author of
Heart of Lies and Heart of Deception
*Biography and Resume***

Although born in New York, M.L. Malcolm spent most of her childhood in Florida, both in a small town on the Gulf Coast, and in the state capital of Tallahassee. Her education gradually brought her back north, as she earned a B.A. and an M.A. in political science from Emory University in Atlanta, and a J.D. from Harvard Law School in Boston. Between college and law school she spent a year in Aix-en-Provence, France as a Rotary Foundation Fellow.



M.L. Malcolm began her professional career as an attorney in Atlanta. However, after practicing law for three years, she determined that "she and the law were not meant for each other," and is now a self-described "recovering attorney."

As part of her recovery strategy, M.L. yielded to her entrepreneurial inclinations and took over a struggling travel agency in which she and her husband had invested. She ran the business successfully for several years, tripling revenues before selling the agency to a larger company. She then retired from the labor force in order to spend more time with her children, and to concentrate on her writing.

M.L. has won several awards for her fiction, including special recognition in the prestigious Lorian Hemingway International Short Story Competition, and a silver medal from *ForeWord Magazine* for Best Historical Fiction Book of the Year 2009.

While living in Atlanta, M.L. served on the board of the Harvard Alumni Association, the Dian Fossey Gorilla Fund International, and worked as a fundraiser for several nonprofit organizations. She also amassed an impressive hat collection (and yes, she does wear them).

After fifteen years in Atlanta, the Malcolm family moved to Washington, D.C. in late August of 2001, where M.L. returned to the work force. She graduated from the National Journalism Center and worked as a reporter for *The Common Denominator*, an independent newspaper in the nation's capital.

In 2009, M.L. signed a two-book deal with Harper Collins. Her novel, ***Heart of Lies***, will be published in June of 2010. She and her family now reside in Los Angeles.

M.L. Malcolm, the critically-acclaimed author, is an experienced and knowledgeable speaker, known for her quick wit and sense of humor:

"M.L. Malcolm is a wonderful speaker, both engaging and informative. She not only talked about her book, but the personal stories and world history that inspired it. Mrs. Malcolm was the debut speaker in our 'Meet the Author' series, and she will be a hard act to follow." --- David Mayer, Temple Kol Emeth, Atlanta.

“Two book clubs asked M.L. Malcolm to speak at our combined holiday meeting. She was very informative, entertaining and personable—much more so than the Pulitzer-prize winning author we had the previous year!” --- K. Rosen, Washington, D.C.

Selected Speaking Engagements and Appearances:

Arizona

Tucson, Congregation Anshei Israel, “Authors in Residence” speaker series

California:

Los Angeles, LA Times “Festival of the Book” • Ventura, First Annual “Festival of the Book” • Encino, Barnes & Noble Booksellers • Pacific Palisades, Village Books • Hancock Park, Chevalier’s Book Store • San Francisco, Kepler’s Bookstore, Hudson Booksellers • California Writers Club • Bel-Air Woman’s Club • PEO of Palos Verdes • American Library Association Convention • Book Expo America 2008

Georgia

Atlanta, Chapter 11 Books, Barnes & Noble Booksellers • Marietta, Temple Kol Emeth (author speaker series) • Oconee, Ritz Carlton Reynolds Plantation (featured speaker at a national law firm’s annual retreat) • 2008 Book Festival, Marcus Jewish Community Center of Atlanta

Indiana

Carmel, Barnes & Noble Booksellers • Indianapolis, Amy Beverland “Festival of Literacy”

New York/New Jersey

Brooklyn Public Library • Manhattan, Small Press Center’s Nineteenth Annual “Independent and Small Press Book Fair” • Hackensack, Barnes & Noble Booksellers

Texas:

Jefferson, “The Pulpwood Queens” National Book Club 10th Annual “Girlfriend Weekend” (guest panelist) • Houston, Cypress Books • Dallas, North Lake College

Washington, D.C./Metro Area

Olsson’s Books and Records • Barnes & Noble Booksellers • Book Expo America

M.L. Malcolm has also spoken to over fifty private groups and book clubs in eight states. Her media credits include interviews on over thirty radio shows, and articles in *Ocean Scene Magazine*, *The Harvard Crimson*, *Emory Magazine*, *Washington Woman*, *The Washington Independent Writer*, and the *Historical Novels Review*, among others.

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