

INTERVIEW WITH AUTHOR DIANA NIXON

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Diana Nixon was born in Minsk, Belarus, where she currently lives. In 2008 she graduated from Belorussian state University. She has a Master of Law degree and speaks several foreign languages, including English, Polish and Spanish. D. Nixon is a fantasy author. She is known for the Love Lines series: (1) Love Lines (2) Songs of the Wind (2.5) From Scratch (3) Diamond Sky.

1. What inspired you to write your first book?

- Many good things happened to me before I decided to write my first book. The birth of my daughter was one of the biggest and happiest moments of my life, and she made me look at everything from a different point of view. I wanted her to be proud of me, and it was the main thing that inspired me to create my magical world of Love Lines. I hope one day she will read and like my stories.

2. Do you have a specific writing style?

- I like changing POVs. I think that when a book is written from different POVs it makes the story more real and easier to read. People can see the events through the eyes of a few different characters; they can ‘feel’ the story and become a part of everything that is going on inside the book.

3. Is there a message in your novel that you want readers to grasp?

- I always pay attention to the most valuable things about our lives: family, friendship, love. And the only message I want my readers to grasp is the importance of these simple basics.

4. Are experiences based on someone you know, or events in your own life?

- Of course. Everything I write about is based on my own life, the things I see around me, the relationship I see in my family and the way people I know treat each other. Though of course many things are based on my imagination. Except for magic, that is everywhere. The main thing is the ability to see it:)

5. What book are you reading now?

- A few days ago I finished Apollyon by Jennifer L. Armentrout, and I can’t wait to read The Fiery Heart by Richelle Mead.

6. What are your current projects?

- At the moment I'm working on a contemporary romance, named Hate at First Sight; a book of poems, in collaboration with the Indian author, Abhisheek Leela Pandey; and a fantasy trilogy about the guardian angels, named The Heavens.

7. If you had to do it all over again, would you change anything in your latest book?

- No:) I like the way the plot of Diamond Sky (Love Lines, # 3) flows. I read many good reviews, and I think the book turned out to be exactly what I wanted it to be.

8. Do you recall how your interest in writing originated?

- I think it was a travel from reading to writing. I always liked fantasy, and one day I realized I had an idea for my own book. So I started writing Love Lines and finished it in 4 weeks:)

9. Can you share a little of your current work with us?

- The synopsis of Hate at First Sight:
Every day of Megan's life was carefully planned. Freedom and independence had been her best friends for years. Until one day she met Aiden, whose priorities were so much like hers....
What happens when attraction wins?
What happens when poles apart become equal?
What happens when the flames of passion burn everything in their way?
Is there still a chance to resist the power of magnetism?
The walls of inaccessibility will come crashing down. Everything she thought was unacceptable he will turn into pure pleasure....
Dive into the world of Hate at First Sight to see if hate can become something completely different....

10. Is there anything you find particularly challenging in your writing?

- Writing is a challenge by itself. It's not enough to sit and write a book. Personally I think that everything you do should be unique. Including the stories you write. That's why I try to make my books special, so that even after many times of reading them, my readers still wanted to spend a few hours in a company of their favorite characters:)

11. Who are your favorite author and what is it that really strikes you about their work?

- I like the works of Wendy Higgins, Jennifer L. Armentrout, Jamie McGuire, Richelle Mead and Cecelia Ahern. I think all of their books are amazing; touching and memorable.

12. What was the hardest part of writing your book?

- I really enjoyed writing Love Lines, it wasn't hard at all. The hardest part was the proofreading, formatting and promoting. But I'm lucky to have so many good friends who helped me with everything of the above. Promoting my works still takes a lot of my time, but the result is definitely worth it.

13. Do you have any advice for other writers?

- Don't be afraid of failures. Being an author is not a perfect adventure. It's a hard work that you need to be ready for. And never say that you can't do this or that. If the desire to succeed is stronger than the fear to fail, you WILL succeed.

14. Do you have anything specific that you want to say to your readers?

- Thank you for every good word you say about my works. Thank you for reading my books and following everything I do. You inspire me to create new stories, and I hope you will love them all:)

15. What are your ambitions for your writing career?

- To become an author with a capital 'A':) To become an author whose works will be well known all over the world, and to be an author who will never be tired of writing.