

The SHIVA Syndrome: A 5-star Cinematic Sci-Fi Novel

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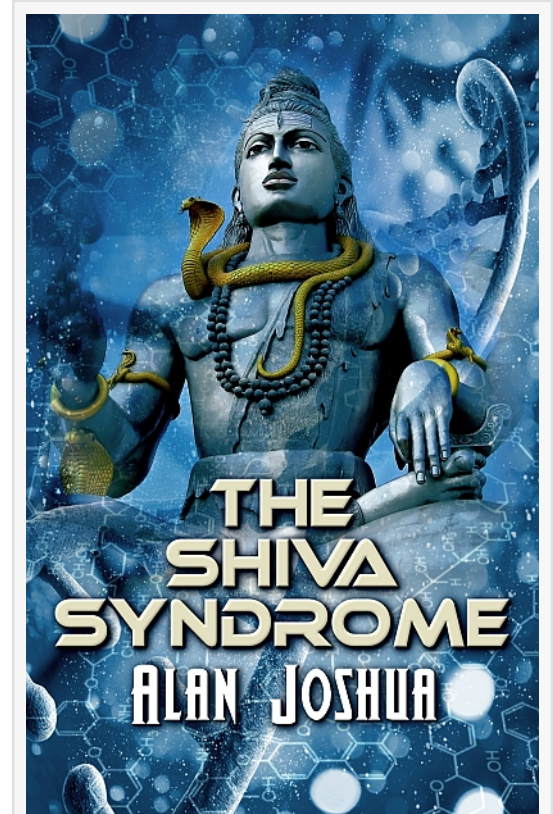
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/EINPresswire.com/ -- Alan Joshua,

Author/Psychologist/Parapsychologist is pleased to announce the debut of his Science Fiction/Paranormal thriller, The SHIVA Syndrome.

A secret Russian mind research laboratory explodes, killing thousands and leaving behind a massive crater. Beau Walker, a psychologist and empath, is taken from his everyday life to become part of an American--Russian research team sent to investigate the mysterious mile-deep crater.

The SHIVA Syndrome is endorsed by Dr. Stanley Krippner, a leading psychologist and parapsychologist: "In The SHIVA Syndrome, the author (a clinical psychologist) skillfully and ingeniously interweaves altered states of consciousness and parapsychology with genetics, paleontology, mythology, and religion to produce a frightening, brisk, and film-worthy story building to an intense climax."



The Midwest Book Review says, "At first glance one would think this to be either a sci-fi saga or perhaps a thriller: technically, that's correct; but it's so much more. Its focus on untapped human potential gone awry in a deadly experiment also lends to its enjoyment by new age readers or any interested in the paranormal - and let's not forget the reader who enjoys political intrigue and a bit of spiritual reflection in their reading. Lots of action, intriguing concepts, and examinations of belief systems and the greatest opportunity in human history to reshape the world: that's the essence of a powerful saga in The Shiva Syndrome, which is not only highly recommended 'as is', but would translate well to the screen."

The Self-Publishing Review reports, "Any attempt to describe the book in a single statement is difficult, but the book mixes uncommon palettes and manages a masterpiece with it. If The Andromeda Strain was analyzed in four dimensions, The SHIVA Syndrome might be the result. Such a base comparison is an overall disservice to the unique nature of this book, however. It is a surprising, suspenseful, and utterly superb read from start to end, facing modern mindsets with past, present, and future thinking all at once."

The New Consciousness Review opines, [If] I had to categorize it, I would say it is a metaphysical thriller, while knowing that it truly falls under many genres...The Shiva Syndrome is a thrilling read, and I could definitely imagine this in the theater. The author is skilled at putting the pictures in your

head without confusion. You find yourself connecting with his characters so that you are vested in their outcome. Would love to see a part two! Highly recommended."

Book Information:

The SHIVA Syndrome

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About The Author:

Alan Joshua is a lifetime resident of Philadelphia, PA, where he attended college and graduate school, and currently works as a Clinical Psychologist. Joshua has published many nonfiction journal articles. The Shiva syndrome, his debut fiction novel, is a science fiction/paranormal mystery and thriller.

Always curious about the unknowns of human experience, he is fascinated with creativity and paranormal abilities. This led to his involvement with Psychology and research into Parapsychology while attending Temple University and Saybrook University.

He has explored paranormal abilities using hypnosis and in-depth interviewing of a wide range of practitioners.

In addition to his classical readings, he is a science fiction fan and has been influenced by such writers as Asimov, Bradbury, Crichton, Heinlein, Serling, and Phillip Dick among others. An avid Star Trek fan, he is fond of contradicting Gene Roddenberry, believing that human consciousness and its potentials, not space, are "the final frontier."

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