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[Books In Sync](#) [Futuristic Fantasy Sci-Fi Romance](#) Author [Hywela Lyn](#) Publishes [Dancing With Fate](#), [Song of the Muses – Book II](#), [StarQuest](#), And [Children Of The Mist](#).



Author [Hywela Lyn](#) currently resides in Bedfordshire, UK. but was born and lived most of her life in Ceredigion, Wales.

**Q: Tell us what makes you proud to be a writer from WALES UK?**

**A:** I am immensely proud of my Welsh heritage, a land which inspired wonderful writers like Dylan Thomas, and great actors such as Richard Burton, not to mention singers including Harry Secombe and Shirley Bassey.

**Q: What or who inspired you to become a writer?**

**A:** As a child I'd read a story and change the ending if I didn't like it. I can't remember a time when I didn't make up stories in my head, and from the time I read my first novel, I knew I wanted to write, and to see my words in print.

**Q: When did you begin writing with the intention of becoming published?**

**A:** I'm not sure I ever started out with the intention of being published - I just wrote, and then it seemed the natural progression to try to get my stories accepted for publication. I had several short stories published by magazines in the UK, but it took me a while to achieve my dream of holding my first published novel in my hands.

**Q: Did your environment or upbringing play a major role in your writing and why?** **A:** Yes, most definitely. The beautiful countryside of my native Wales with its lakes and spectacular mountains where I rode my horse and walked with my dog, were wonderful inspiration for the settings in my books. In addition, the abundance of Welsh myths and legends provide a wealth of material to draw on.

**Q: Do you come up with your title (s) before or after you write the manuscript (s)?**

**A:** I usually start with a working title, because I find it helps me focus on the story rather than calling it something like 'Novel No 3'. However this may change before I reach the end.

**Q: Tell us why you write the genre (s) that you write?**

**A:** I've always loved the stars and dreamed of exploring the galaxy. I began reading **science** fiction as a teenager; I loved Isaac Asimov, Ray Bradbury and Arthur C Clark and became 'hooked' on the genre. I also love writing fantasy, and 'Starquest' and its sequel are a mixture of Science Fiction and Fantasy. I was also drawn to the romance and adventure of the old **West** and have written several western historical short stories. There's a similarity between Westerns and Space Opera - they both involve strong and brave men and women facing unknown territory and dangers.

**Q: Tell us your most rewarding experience while in the writing process?**

**A:** Having my characters take over and develop lives of their own, giving me twists and turns in the plot and surprising me all the time.

**Q: Tell us your most negative experience while in the writing process?**

**A:** The moments when I feel everything I've written is rubbish and the 'dry' times when I can't seem to write anything at all! It's mostly positive though, and a wonderful way of working out my dreams

**Q: Tell us your most rewarding experience in your publishing journey?**

**A:** Receiving the contract for my first novel 'Starquest' from The Wild Rose Press ([www.thewildrosepress.com](http://www.thewildrosepress.com)) and working with my editor to polish and refine it.

**Q: Tell us your most negative experience in your publishing journey?**

**A:** Apart from the finger biting process of waiting to hear if the editor likes ones manuscript, the amount of time spent networking and promoting. This is something I hadn't thought about when I submitted my first MS. Balancing this though, is the wonderful author and reader friends I've made during the 'networking' process.

**Q: What one positive piece of advice would you give to other authors?**

**A:** Try to write something every day, read as much as possible, and never give up!

**Q: Who Is Your Favorite Author?**

**A:** Oh, there are so many. I love Ursula Le Guin and Tolkein, Anne McCaffrey, Jane Austin and Daphne du Maurier, also far too many of my fellow Wild Rose Press authors to mention.

**Q: What Format (s) are your books in: Print Only.....E-Book Only....or Both?**

**A:** Both (except for "Dancing with Fate' which is in e-format only although it is included as one of three stories in the print anthology Book II of Song Of The Muses').

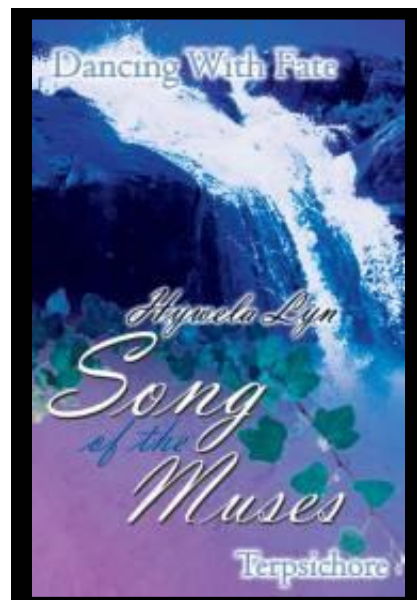
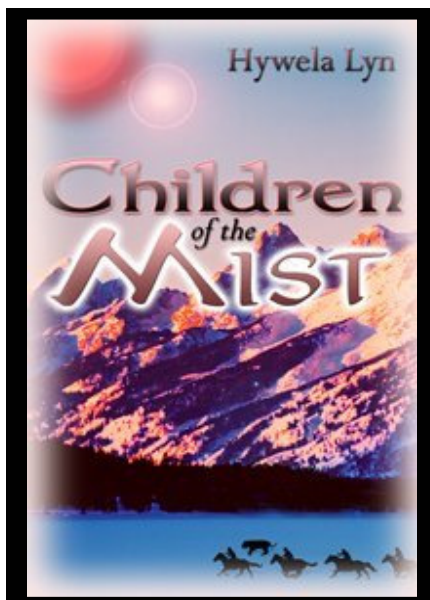
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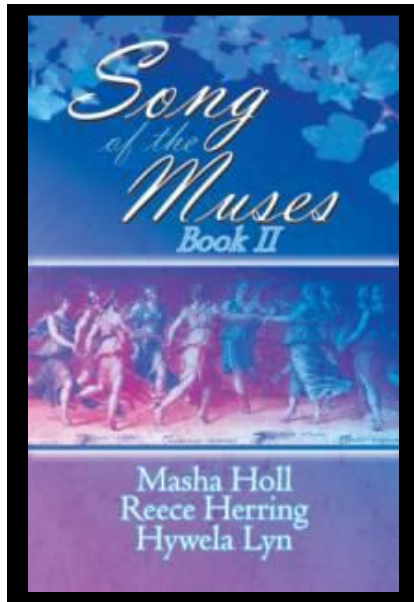
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**Starquest**





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**Q: What special projects are you working on now and what books do we have to look forward to in the future?**

**A:** I'm currently working on the third book that started with 'Starquest'. I didn't originally intend it to be a trilogy, but two of my characters nagged me to tell 'their story'. (Sometimes it's very hard to let go of characters!) The second book 'Children Of The Mist' was published in June last year, and I hope to have the third ready for submission later this year. After this I'm hoping to finish writing a Western Historical Romance that's been on the 'back burner' for a while.

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