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## D J Meyers

**Currently living in:** Melbourne Australia

**Main works:** Tales of Yorr, Birth of Venus & 30 others :)

**I started writing because:** I wrote songs for years having written loads of short stories and been published in Primary School. I wanted to see if I could complete a novel – that was 2004 – I've written 2-3 a year since then, because now I like to experiment with style and form and character.

**My main writing interests are:** Historical fiction, Science Fiction, Adventure/Mystery

**My sources of research and information are:** Historic research online and in books, and travel around the world

**My inspiration comes from:** Usually a title, a place or a character

**My stories are planned like this:** Main plot and character first. Subplots and characters usually develop with the tale if I find the supporting cast interesting enough to evolve beyond a chapter. However, all can be misdirected if the characters change their minds.

**I have written a series of books based on:** I have written a time travel series (5 books), an adventure series (5 books), and a Renaissance Series (3 books) – the last is quite loose, three separate horrible histories based on actual facts – with a twist

**My future plans are to:** I write for the idea – my next is a fantasy – my first, titled Paradox, Lost, but I have two other histories planned and a contemporary thriller.

**My own favourite character is:** My favourites are Yorrick, bastard son of Richard III, Felix, a stone gargoyle and narrator, and Maia, a time-travelling adventurer

**I sometimes find myself thinking like:** The stone gargoyle – quirky, watchful and caring. Too soft for the publishing world but a lot of fun

**I also have a few other books I'd like to highlight as follows:** I am almost finished the third of The Renaissance Series – The Whispering Mime, about a chap called William; Protestant/Catholic, poet, adventurer, spy and assassin. His last name – Shake-shafte...

**My advice to new writers would be:** Keep trying things. I don't stick to a formula or a genre. Who knows what we can do or what we might invent.

**Writing has its ups and downs:** Best – the new idea and watching it come to life, then reading another person's reaction. Worst – the last chapter, the journey is over, and a new one must be begun.

**When I'm not writing:** Is there anything else? OK, so I travel a lot, I fix computers, I listen to and play music.

***For copy editing and proofreading:*** Me myself I, and a team of half a dozen or so writers who age between 14 and 76 – the different perspectives are often better than the editing.

***I accept criticism from:*** When I first went public two years or more ago, I was very sensitive. Now, well it is only another opinion. I try to make the best of each review. Find positives and then see if what they did not like rings true with other opinions.

***My experiences with self-publishing:*** It is difficult, I have not had the time to promote, so I just have to get myself out there because I don't want to die without having printed copies of my books. Each anonymous copy sold deserves a fist pump. Wish I could garner more online reviews though.

***I promote my books via:*** I write all the time, I do not promote enough. That is my flaw. I do have the odd distinction of creating a twitter account for each of the lead characters of my books – Yorrick, Sandro & The Whispering Mime

***My favourite mainstream authors are:*** J K Rowling, Stieg Larsson

***I am currently reading:*** Currently editing 4 or 5 books for others – that is all the time I have to read

***I prefer to read books in:*** Paperback/Hardback

***A bit about my other interests:*** I travel to odd corners of the world to experience ruins and paintings and castles and food. I have a mundane habit of following my football team despite 35 years without a premiership - go Tigers

***My most unattainable ambition is:*** To write a successful novel, write the screenplay and act in the movie – guess which part is unattainable – although I do have all my own hair and teeth.

***Last thoughts before we go down the pub/club/library/boot-sale/exercise yard:*** I discovered this really great unknown author. He has released two books, Tales of Yorr & Birth of Venus – great reads, you should all buy a copy.

## Author Links

***Website:*** [www.thegargoylechronicles.com.au](http://www.thegargoylechronicles.com.au)

***Amazon Author page:*** [http://www.amazon.com/D-J-Meyers/e/B00U13R9IW/ref=dp\\_byline\\_cont\\_book\\_1](http://www.amazon.com/D-J-Meyers/e/B00U13R9IW/ref=dp_byline_cont_book_1)

***Twitter:*** @TalesofYorr @BirthOfVenusTGC @WhisperingMime

***Facebook:*** <https://www.facebook.com/thegargoylechronicles.com.au?ref=hl>

***Any other links:*** <http://www.thegargoylechronicles.com.au/the-renaissance-trilogy.html>